

certificate of qualification, as mentioned and required in and by the Twenty-eighth Section of the said recited Act of the Twenty-fourth Victoria, Chapter thirty-six, the sum of forty-five pounds per annum. Provided always that until a teacher of any district or town school in this Island shall have been actually engaged as a teacher, in conformity with the provisions of the laws relating to Education, for a period of three years, he shall not be entitled to the full salary in the last preceding section directed to be paid to the teachers of the several classes, but the salary of such teacher shall be reduced yearly and every year until he shall have completed three years of teaching under the said Act or this Act by deducting the sum of five pounds therefrom in each case.

II. The several and respective salaries aforesaid shall be paid by Warrant on the Public Treasury of this Island, in the same way and manner, at such time or times, and under and subject to the same provisos, restrictions and qualifications, and only on production of the same certificates, attestations and papers, and performance of such services as are required by the said Acts hereby continued, and shall also be subject to be reduced in amount for want of the average daily attendance of scholars, as in the said recited Act provided and directed.

III. No teacher engaged before the passing of this Act for any school district or school in any town in this Island under the provisions of the laws relating to Education, shall be entitled to claim or be paid from the Treasury of this Island that portion of his salary payable by parents of children under the provisions of the Act of the 26th Victoria, Chapter five, until after the expiration of the current quarter of such teacher's engagement, which shall expire next after the passing of this Act; but the same shall be paid and recovered by and from the parents of children, as heretofore, and until the expiration of such current quarter of each teacher, as aforesaid, all the powers, limitations directions and provisions of the said recited Act of the Seventy-sixth Victoria, Chapter five, shall remain in force for the purpose of enabling such teacher to recover said portion of his salary from the parents of children.

IV. Nothing in this Act contained shall exempt, or be held or construed to exempt, the inhabitants of any town or school district in

this Island from making up and paying any deficiency in the salaries of teachers which may be occasioned by the attendance of scholars falling below the average, as mentioned and required in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts.

V. Instead of the Form of Agreement contained in Schedule A, to the Act of the Twenty-sixth Victoria, Chapter five, the Form of Agreement contained in Schedule A, to this Act annexed, shall in all cases be used.

VI. The average number of scholars for daily attendance at district schools shall hereafter be in the following proportion to the number of children between the ages of five and sixteen years in such districts respectively, that is to say: In districts where there are forty children and upwards, but less than fifty, within the ages aforesaid, the average number of Scholars for daily attendance shall be twenty; in districts where there is the number of fifty children, and less than sixty, within the ages aforesaid, the average daily attendance shall be twenty-five scholars; and in districts where there are sixty children and upwards, the average daily attendance at the schools therein shall be thirty; and in all cases where the average daily attendance of scholars at such schools shall hereafter be found to be less than the numbers hereinbefore prescribed for such scholars respectively, the salary allowed by this Act to the teachers shall be reduced, such reduction to bear the same proportion to the number of scholars deficient of, or less than the aforesaid averages respectively, as the said teacher's salary bears to such average; and such reduction in the teacher's salary shall be raised and made good to him in the way and manner prescribed by the laws now in force relating to Education, provided always that such daily average attendance shall in every case be reckoned half yearly.

VII. Any part or parts, clause or clauses, of the said hereinbefore recited Act of the twenty-fourth Victoria, Chapter thirty-six, and of the twenty-sixth Victoria, Chapter five, which are in any way contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

VIII. That the trustees of a school or school districts shall only be required to sign individually the teacher's certificate in presence of a