

fulness and elevate the standard of the schools, and convince the people of the inestimable value of sound education.

28. They shall cause instruction to be given in each school district for at least six months in each year, and if the state and county appropriations fail to prolong the school session, then to allow the use of the school house and furniture for subscription schools under their direction.

Ibid. s. 7.
Instruction in
school dis-
tricts

29. Every district commissioner shall have power to take affidavits and administer oaths in all matters pertaining to public schools, but without charge or fee; and under the direction of the state superintendent of public instruction, to take and report to him the testimony in any case of appeal.

Ibid. s. 8.
Affidavits, &c.

30. They shall examine any charge affecting the moral character of any teacher within their district, first giving the teacher reasonable notice of the charge, and an opportunity to defend himself therefrom; and if the charge be sustained, shall annul the teacher's certificates, by whomsoever granted, and declare him unfit to teach; and if the teacher hold a certificate of the state superintendent, or a diploma of the state normal school, shall notify the superintendent forthwith of such annulment; *provided*, always, that the teachers shall have the right of appeal to the board of school commissioners.

Ibid. s. 9
Moral charac-
ter of teachers.

31. It shall be the duty of each district commissioner to collect from each teacher, and report in tabular form the condition of the schools in his district, at each quarterly meeting of the board. These reports shall be filed by the secretary, and preserved for the use of the president of the board of school commissioners in making up his annual report to the state superintendent.

Ibid. s. 11.
Reports of con-
dition of
schools.

32. Whenever the number of children between the ages of six and eighteen, attending school in any school district, is greater than one hundred, then the commissioner may, instead of dividing the district, proceed, with the consent of the board, to

Ibid. s. 12
When number
of attendants
in school dis-
trict exceeds
one hundred.