

other amounts to be assessed and collected for city purposes : *provided*, that the amount to be thus assessed for school purposes shall not exceed forty cents on each one hundred dollars valuation upon the assessment roll, and that when collected it shall be immediately paid into the School Fund, to be drawn out only upon the order of the Board of Education.

*Tenth*—To establish regulations for the just and equal disbursement of all moneys belonging to the Public School Fund.

*Eleventh*—To examine and allow, in whole or in part, every demand payable out of the School Fund, or to reject any such demand for good cause.

*Twelfth*—To discharge all legal incumbrances now existing, or which may hereafter exist, upon any school property.

*Thirteenth*—To prohibit any child under six years of age from attending the public schools.

*Fourteenth*—And generally to do and perform such other acts as may be necessary and proper to carry into force and effect the powers conferred on said Board.—[*Amendment*, March 1, 1872.]

SEC. 3. The President of the Board of Education shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations concerning any demand upon the Treasury, payable out of the School Fund, or other matters relating to his official duties.

SEC. 4. All contracts for building shall be given to the lowest bidder therefor offering adequate security, to be determined by the Board, after due public notice published for not less than ten days in one daily paper of said city.

SEC. 5. No School Director or Superintendent shall be interested in any contract pertaining in any manner to the School Department of said city. All contracts in violation of this section are declared void ; and any Director or Superintendent violating, or aiding in violating, the provisions of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars.

SEC. 6. No teacher shall be employed in any of the public schools without having a certificate issued under the provisions of this Act. For the purpose of granting the certificate required, the Board of Education, either as a body or by committee, or by the Superintendent, shall hold examinations of teachers. No certificate shall be issued except to a person who shall have passed a satisfactory examination in such branches as the Board may require, and shall have given evidence of good moral character, ability, and fitness to teach. The said certificates shall be in force two years from the date thereof.

SEC. 7. The Board may, in its discretion, renew, without re-examination, the certificate of any person so employed ; it shall have power to revoke the certificate of any teacher upon evidence of immoral or unprofessional conduct ; and any School Director, with the consent and advice of the Superintendent, may, for good and sufficient cause, provisionally withdraw the certificate