

qualifications shall be possessed by teachers in its employ.

A City Superintendent of Schools is chosen at each charter election. He is the executive officer, and upon him falls the task of having the immediate care of the schools. The Act is elaborate in its details, and if the workings of the Department should be unsatisfactory it will not be on account of the insufficiency of the law creating it.

With the concurrent vote of the City Council, the Board of Education can use the proceeds of the sale of bonds to the value of \$50,000, for building purposes. The outlines of the Act authorizing the issuance of such bonds can be found elsewhere. Prior to the passage of the Act, there was a school debt of \$10,000, incurred in the erection of Lafayette Grammar School Building, and in making various school improvements. This amount was paid by an issue of bonds. For improvements made during the present year, bonds to the amount of \$13,500 have been issued.

The salaries have been fixed as follows :

Grammar Masters.....	\$175	per month.
Principals	100	“
Assistants.....	75	“

There are ten school months in the year, under the former rules of the Board. Under newly adopted rules, the teachers are paid for twelve months, but the monthly amount is so reduced as to keep the annual pay the same.

The number of children as ascertained by School Census Marshals, for the past six years, is as follows :

School Census of 1863.....	811
School Census of 1864.....	1,042
School Census of 1865.....	1,253
School Census of 1866.....	1,282
School Census of 1867.....	1,532
School Census of 1868.....	1,735