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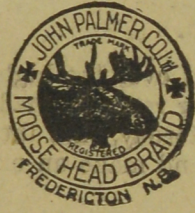
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# VOCATIONAL EDUCATION IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

The Legislation Adopted by the Provincial Government During the Sessions of 1918 and 1919—Vocational Board is Named How Schools May be Established in Cities and Towns of the Province.

Following is the full text of the Act relating to Vocational education passed by the Legislature in 1918 and amended at the recent session:

(Passed 26th April, 1918.)

(As Amended 15th April, 1919.)

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor and Legislative Assembly as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "The Vocational Education Act, 1918."

2. The following terms shall in this Act mean as herein defined unless the context is repugnant thereto.

(a) "Pre-Vocational Education," shall mean any education, the controlling purpose of which is to enable a child with the help of its parent and teacher, to wisely select its course of study and training.

(b) "Vocational Education" shall mean any education the controlling purpose of which is to fit for profitable employment, and shall include industrial, agricultural and commercial education, and education in the fisheries and home economics.

(c) "Pre-vocational School" shall mean an organization of courses, pupils and teachers (or teacher), designed to hold the pupils from 12 to 14 years of age, who wish to enter industry early, for the purpose of extending their general education.

(d) "Vocational School" shall mean an organization of courses, pupils and teachers (or teacher), designed to give industrial, agricultural and commercial instruction, and instruction in fisheries and home economics, under a separate director.

3. For the purpose of administering this Act, the Board of Education shall appoint a Vocational Education Board, consisting of nine members, namely:

The Chief Superintendent of Education.

The Principal of the Normal School.

The Secretary for Agriculture.

The Director of Elementary Agricultural Education, and five others, of whom one shall be a representative of farming, one of labor, one of manufacturing, and one of commerce.

The Chairman shall be elected from the last mentioned five; and the Chief Superintendent of Education shall be the Vice-Chairman.

The five members of the Vocational Education Board, as above set out, shall be appointed to serve till June 30th 1921. In June, 1921, one member shall be appointed to retire in 1922, one in 1923, one in 1924, one in 1925, and one in 1926, on the 30th of June in each case. After 1921 no member shall be eligible to succeed himself on the Board, and each appointment shall be made for a term of five years only. No remuneration shall be paid to the members of the Vocational Education Board for services as members of the Board, but they shall be reimbursed for all necessary outlays in connection with their duties under this Act.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Vocational Education Board to investigate the need for and to aid in the introduction of Vocational Education; to superintend the establishment of Schools and Departments for the various kinds of such education, and to supervise and approve such Schools and Departments, as hereinafter provided. The Vocational Education Board shall appoint the officials necessary to administer this Act, define their duties and fix their salaries, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. The Board shall make an annual report to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

4. In Cities and incorporated Towns, the Board of School Trustees may apply, on the recommendation of the Common Council, City Council or Town Council, as the case may be, and in districts where the School Trustees are elected, the ratepayers may, at any annual meeting, or any special meeting called for the purpose, by resolution, request the Trustees of such School Districts to apply to the Vocational Education Board for power to establish, equip and maintain a Vocational School setting forth and including in such application the plans of any proposed building and the nature of the instruction desired, and upon such application being approved of by the Vocational Board, any City or Town so recommending, or Board of School Trustees so applying, shall have the power to assess and collect a sum sufficient for the purpose of establishing and equipping a suitable building or for otherwise carrying on the work, and for maintaining the same, and for the payment of tuition fees and in all respects carrying out the provisions of this Act, and for the purposes aforesaid shall have all the powers of a Board of School Trustees under the Schools Act, Chapter 50 of the Consolidated Statutes, or under any amendment thereof.

5. Upon the application for the establishment of a Vocational School being approved, and the assessment being made or ordered as provided in Section 4 of this Act, a local Vocational Committee for the establishment, administration and control of such Vocational School, shall be appointed by the local School Board. Such local Vocational Committee shall consist of five or seven members, and the Chairman and Secretary of the School Board shall in every case be Chairman and Secretary respectively of the local Vocational Committee. If the local Vocational Committee consists of five members, it shall include members of the local School Board (including the Chairman) and two others who shall be representatives of Labor and Employers respectively. If the local Vocational Committee consists of seven members, it shall include four members of the local School Board, including the Chairman, and three others representing labor, employers and homemaking, respectively.

6. Two or more cities, towns or school districts, each hav-

ing secured the approval and provided the funds necessary (according to section 4 hereof) may co-operate to establish a Vocational School under a joint Vocational Committee composed of two members of each School Board, appointed by their own Board in each case, and three others appointed by the Vocational Education Board; and any city or town, having secured the approval and provided the necessary funds as hereinbefore provided, may co-operate with any municipality to establish a Vocational School under a joint Vocational Committee, composed of two members appointed by the Municipality, two members of the School Board, of each City or Town co-operating, appointed by such School Board, and three members appointed by the Vocational Education Board, one of whom shall be the Warden of the Municipality, and two from the Cities or Towns so co-operating.

7. Any County may establish and maintain a County Vocational School or Schools, subject to the approval of the Vocational Education Board, under a County Vocational Committee of seven, four of whom shall be appointed by the County Council, and three by the Vocational Education Board. The Vocational Education Board shall name the Chairman and Secretary of the County Vocational Committee. The County Council shall have the power to assess and collect sufficient funds for the purpose of this section in addition to any sum assessed and collected for general school purposes.

8. Members of a Vocational Committee, appointed under section 5 of this Act, except the Chairman, shall hold office for not more than three consecutive years. The initial membership of said Committee, excluding the Chairman, shall be appointed, one-half for two years, and one-half for three years; or one-third for one, one-third for two and one-third for three years. Succeeding appointments shall be for terms of three years.

Members of a Vocational Committee appointed under section 6 of this Act shall be appointed as follows:

One appointee of any School Board, one appointee of any Municipality, and one appointee of the Vocational Board for a period of two years. The remainder for three years. Succeeding appointments after the initial membership of said Committee shall be for terms of three years, and no member shall be eligible to succeed himself on said Committee. Such Committee shall elect its own Chairman.

Members of a vocational Committee appointed under section 7 of this Act shall be appointed as follows:

Two appointees of the Municipality and two appointees of the Vocational Board for a period of two years. The remainder for three years. Succeeding appointments after the initial membership of the said Committee shall be for terms of three years, and no member shall be eligible to succeed himself on said Committee.

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members in all cases.

9. Each local, joint and county Vocational Committee shall appoint a Director, who shall be head of the Vocational Schools organized by the Committee. Before appointment, said Director must be approved by the Vocational Education Board.

10. No teacher shall be employed in a Vocational School, established under this Act, without the approval of the Vocational Education Board. It shall be the duty of said Vocational Education Board to provide facilities at the Normal School or elsewhere, for the training of Vocational Teachers, out of funds provided under this Act.

11. In order that boys and girls between 12 and 14 years of age who plan to enter industry early, may continue their common school education in the essential branches, and at the same time have opportunity to wisely select the most suitable industry and lay a foundation for Vocational training in the same, any Vocational Committee may establish a Pre-vocational School, subject to the approval of the Vocational Education Board.

12. In order to make Vocational Training accessible to the largest possible number, and that it may be adapted to local circumstances, Vocational Schools may organize day, part time and evening classes. The Education offered shall be of less than college grade and be designed to meet the vocational needs of persons over 14 years of age, who are able to profit by the instruction offered. Attendance upon such day or part-time classes shall be restricted to persons over 14 and under 25 years of age; and upon such evening classes to persons over 16 years of age.

13. (a) Subject to the provisions of this Act, any resident of any city, town or school district in New Brunswick, which does not maintain a Vocational or Pre-vocational School offering the type of training which he or she desires, may through his or her local School Board, make application to any Vocational Committee, maintaining a School of the desired type, for admission to said School. A Vocational Committee receiving such application may approve or disapprove the same; but in event of disapproval, the applicant may appeal to the Vocational Education Board, whose decision shall be final. In making its decision, the Vocational Education Board shall take into consideration the opportunities for free Vocational and Pre-vocational training in the community in which the applicant resides; the financial status of the community; the age, sex, preparation, attitude and previous record of the applicant, and all other relevant circumstances.

(b) The School Board of the city, town or district in which the person resides, who has been admitted, as above provided, to a Vocational or a Pre-vocational School maintained by another city, town or district, shall pay such tuition fee as may be fixed by the Vocational Board, and the Province shall reimburse such School Board as provided for in this Act. If any School Board neglects or refuses to pay for such tuition, it shall be liable therefor in an action of contract to the Vocational Committee maintaining the School which the pupil, with the approval of the said Board, attended.

14. Vocational and Pre-vocational Schools established under this Act, shall, so long as they are approved by the Vocational Education Board, as to organization, control, location, equipment, courses of study, qualifications of teachers, methods of instruction, employment of pupils and expenditures of money, receive Provincial grants as provided in Sections 15, 16 and 17 of this Act.

15. (a) The Province, in order to aid in the maintenance of Vocational and Pre-vocational education, shall, as provided in this Act, pay annually from the treasury to the Vocational Committee maintaining such School, an amount equal to one-half the sum to be known as the net maintenance sum. Such net maintenance sum shall consist of the total sum expended for instruction, heating and lighting, less the amount for the same period, of tuition claims, paid or unpaid, provided always

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