

erning schools. It shall be under the control of the State board of education, who shall appoint a principal at a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum; the principal of the normal school shall not vote upon the subject of his appointment or removal.

1872, ch. 377.

**71.** The faculty of the State normal school shall consist of the principal and two male and two female professors, who shall be appointed by the State board of education, and have such salaries and perform such duties as said board may direct.

Ibid.

**72.** The sessions of the State normal school shall be determined by the State board of education; provided, that the school shall be open for not less than nine months in each year.

Ibid.

**73.** Students of both sexes shall be admitted to the State normal school; females at the age of sixteen years, and males at the age of seventeen years. The students shall be apportioned by the State board of education among the several counties and the city of Baltimore in proportion to their respective representation in the general assembly of the State. The students shall be selected by the several boards of county school commissioners, and the board of commissioners of public schools of the city of Baltimore, from among persons having scholastic qualifications hereinbefore required for teachers; before any appointment shall be made the applicants shall procure the certificate of the county examiner or city superintendent in testimony of their scholastic proficiency, and shall also file a written declaration that their object in obtaining admission is to qualify themselves as public school teachers, and that it is their intention to engage in the profession of teaching within this State; and in case any students shall fail to fulfill the condition upon which they were admitted, they shall forfeit and pay thirty dollars for each session they have attended the normal school, to be collected as other debts are collected, and to be applied for the benefit of the normal school. If there be not applicants sufficient from any county or the city of Baltimore,