

intendents to labor without even the hope of remuneration. Private schools have been taught in most, if not all of the Counties, but these the Superintendents did not see proper to report. Other difficulties have interfered with their discharging their duties, that will not be in the way hereafter, and next year we may look for full and lengthy reports from all the Counties.

Many Counties have failed to send in reports; Counties in which I know that good schools should have been in operation for several months during the summer. Why they have not given any account of themselves, I am unable to say. I do hope that such a law will be passed, concerning this thing of school reports, that will make every one come up to the work, or forfeit their salaries. I do think that this is the proper, and only way, to obtain correct reports, and let them all be vouched for by their respective framers; and in order that there might be no excuse for a failure in this particular, I would recommend that the Superintendent of Public Instruction be authorized to furnish, at the public expense, every school officer and teacher, up to County Superintendent, throughout the Territory, with *printed blanks*, showing what is required to be reported; also, accompanying each blank, a plain statement of what the duties of each officer are. Let the County Superintendents forward the blanks to each District Officer, and supply each teacher with a blank, to be filled up and handed in at the close of his school. and let the law be enforced, and we will soon have a full report from all our Counties. This is an important feature in our School System, and demands immediate attention. Let each officer know his duty, and be required to come up to it or forfeit his pay.

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