said fund, instead of the mode directed by the seventh section

Disposition

Select children.

Order to educate.

of the act of eighteen hundred and twenty-one, chapter one hundred and thirty-nine, it shall be the duty of the several district commissioners appointed under this act, diligently to inquire for and ascertain such orphans and poor children, as are destitute of the means of education, and to select from time to time, and as far as the funds under their control will enable them, such orphans and poor children as they may deem proper objects for education, out of said fund; and that it shall be their duty to give to those whom they may select, an order for their reception and tuition, at any school nearest or most convenient to such scholar; and that such selection may be made, and orders for the reception of charity scholars, given, either by the board of commissioners for the district, or any member thereof; and that upon any such order or orders accompanied with the account or accounts of any teacher or teachers, for the tuition money due under said order or orders, which account or accounts shall be verified by the affidavit or affidavits of any such teacher or teachers, it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners for the district to give such teacher or teachers an order upon the justices of the orphans court for said county, which it shall be the duty of the said justices to pay, out of any money in their hands standing to the credit of the commissioners of said district, and to take and deposite such order with the vouchers of its payment, with the register of wills, to to be by him preserved amongst the other papers relative to this fund in said court.

Order for pay.

Annual reports

Vouchers.

Responsibility.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said several boards of district commissioners to return annually, to the justices of the orphans court of said county, at their June session, a full report of all their proceedings under this act, signed by at least a majority of the commissioners, in which they shall set forth particularly the whole number and names of the charity scholars, to whom orders for tuition were given during the preceding year, the number of scholars of each sex, and the several schools to which the orders were given, and which report shall be accompanied by all the accounts of the teachers at verified by affidavit as aforesaid, upon which orders to the orphans court were granted; and that upon failure to produce the accounts so verified with their report, the board of commissioners, giving the orders for which accounts so verified are not produced, shall be held liable for the amount of such orders, which the justices of said orphans court, for the time being, may recover from them, by action of debt, instituted against them in the name of the state, or the county court, and before any justice of the peace of said