

A SUPPLEMENT to the ACT, entitled, an Act to provide for the Public Instruction of Youth in Primary Schools throughout this State, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, chapter one hundred and sixty-four,\* as far as the same relates to Kent County.—1833, ch. 113.

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Preamble.

WHEREAS, history and experience attest the truth that no people can long remain free where the lights of general education are withheld; and, as in this country, the people constitute the sovereign power, the necessity is more imperious that the benefits of education should be extended, it is believed that by a well regulated system of primary schools, great and important results, both moral and political, may be effected; *And whereas*, a majority of the voters of Kent county did at the election held in October, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, accept and adopt by their votes the act to establish primary schools, but in consequence of contrariety of opinion in that community upon the details of the bill, it has not been carried into practical operation, and as it is right and proper that the imperfections of the bill should be removed, and the citizens realize the important and valuable advantages contemplated by the adoption of the measure,

Five commissioners to be appointed.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the levy court of Kent county shall, in the month of April next, and annually thereafter in the same month, appoint, (instead of the number of commissioners and inspectors required by the original act,) five discreet persons for each election district in said county, who shall be friendly to the system of primary schools, to be commissioners and inspectors of primary schools in their respective districts, and that the commissioners and inspectors of each district, or a majority of them, shall divide their respective districts into such number of school districts as they may deem expedient and to execute and perform all the duties enjoined upon the commissioners and inspectors in the original act; *Provided*, that in the location or arrangement of school districts, no one farm, plantation or house shall be divided, but that the whole of the same shall be embraced in the limits of one district.

Divisions of districts.

Proviso.

Report the limits of districts.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That as soon as practicable, after the division and location of all or any of the school districts, and the appointment or election of trustees, as provided in the original act, it shall be the duty of the said trustees, or a majority of them, to report to the commissioners of the tax of the county, if in session, and if in recess, to the clerk to the said commissioners, a description of the limits and extent of such district, and of the names of all the holders or owners of property in said district, whether resident or non resident, and that it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, if in session,

Names of persons.