An Acr, entitled, an Act supplementary to an Act, entitled, an Act for the encouragement of Primary Schools in Prince George's County.-1838, ch. 61.

Six commissioners.

To lay off

into school districts.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Prince George's county, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to appoint at their next regular meeting, six commissioners, one to be chosen from each election district in said county, whose duty it shall be to divide the said county into so many school districts as the public interest and convenience may require, and report their proceedings to said levy court under oath; and it shall be the duty of said levy court to record in a suitable book to be provided for that purpose, the report and proceedings of said commissioners, who shall be paid for their services such compensation as the said levy court may in their discretion allow.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That as soon as the said commis-

Report proceedings. Record

Compensation.

thereof.

Twelve trustees to be appointed.

Two for each district.

Erection of schoolhouses.

sioners shall have laid out the said school districts and made a report of their said proceedings, the said levy court shall appoint on the levy-laying day, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, and annually thereafter, twelve persons, two to be chosen from each election district in said county, who shall be trustees of the school fund for said county, and whose duty it shall be to contract for and superintend the erection and construction of the necessary school-houses in said districts, and for that purpose the said trustees shall have power to condemn any land, on which to erect said school-houses for the public use, and to value the same, the owner or owners of which shall be paid therefor, according to said valuation in the manner herein after provided for.

Authority to draft for money.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the said trustees shall have power to draw upon the orphans court of said county for such sum or sums of money, parcel of said school fund, as may be necessary to discharge all or any portion of said expenses, and for the payment of the valuation of all such land as may have been condemned by them for the purposes aforesaid, which said drafts, the said orphans court shall order to be paid to the persons repectively entitled thereto, and the said trus-Annually to tees shall account annually, under oath, to the levy court of said county, for all sums that may have been expended or directed to be paid by them in the discharge of the duties hereby imposed upon them.

account.

May employ teachers.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That as soon as the said schoolhouses, or any of them, shall have been erected and completed, the said trustees shall have power to employ teachers for the same, upon such terms as they, or a majority of them, may deem proper, and it shall be the duty of the said levy court annually thereafter, at their regular levy-laying meet-