

districts semi-annually, to be used for the purpose of establishing a primary school at or near Ruthsburg as aforesaid.

**SEC. 5.** *And be it enacted,* That all the proceedings heretofore had by a majority of the two districts, such as electing of trustees, levying a tax for the purpose of erecting a school-house, and paying a teacher, and such other necessary arrangements for organizing a primary school for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, shall be as valid and lawful as if all such proceedings had taken place after the passage of this act, all laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proceedings made valid.

**SEC. 6.** *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners of the school fund in Queen Anne's county, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to pay over to the trustees of said united or double school district within the limits of which is situated the alms-house of said county, such sum of money in addition to the proportion which the said united or double school district is now entitled to receive, as may be necessary to educate the poor children of said alms-house at the rate of ten dollars per annum for every such child that shall receive the benefit of the school in said united or double district.

Payment for alms-house children.

**SEC. 7.** *And be it enacted,* That an act, entitled, an act relating to poor children in Queen Anne's county, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, chapter two hundred and five, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that all other laws inconsistent with this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Act of 1837, ch. 205, repealed.

A further SUPPLEMENT to the ACT of eighteen hundred and thirty, chapter one hundred and sixty, entitled, an Act to extend the Powers of the Commissioners of the School Fund in Queen Anne's County, and to encourage the establishment of Free Schools in said County.—1838, ch. 141.

**SEC. 1.** *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the orphans court of Queen Anne's county, shall on the first day of May next, or at their next meeting thereafter, and on the same day, in each and every year thereafter, appoint five persons, one from each election district of said county as a board of commissioners of the school fund of said county, and that all vacancies which may occur in the year for which the commissioners may be appointed, shall upon notice thereof being given by said board to said orphans court, be filled by said court, from the election district in which said district vacancy or vacancies occur or occurs, and if at any time the said orphans court should neglect to appoint the said board on the day and at the time provided in this act for the appointment of the same, then the old board shall continue in office, until a new one shall be appointed as aforesaid.

Annually appoint five school commissioners.

One from each district.

Case of vacancy.

Case neglect to appoint.