of this power the trustees may from time to time increase or diminish the sum so to be paid, or discontinue the payment thereof altogether, and may graduate the payments according to the ability of the children, and the exigencies of the school.

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Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of Levy authorise Anne-Arundel county, at their next meeting to make the ed county levy, and annually thereafter, shall be and they are hereby required, to levy on the assessable property of said county, other than the property liable to taxation in the city of Annapolis, the sum of four thousand dollars, for the support of primary schools in said county, which said sum of money shall be collected by the county collector, and deposited in the Farmers Bank of Maryland to the credit of the commissioners of primary schools in Anne-Arundel county, or paid to the orders of said commissioners.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of Distribution of primary schools in said county shall, at their meetings in money October, or thereafter, make distribution of the aforesaid monies among all the primary school districts in said county, exclusive of the city of Annapolis, and shall pay over to the trustees of any district the money distributed to said district, upon production of the certificates and proofs required by law to authorise payment of other monies distributable amongst the primary school districts; Provided Proviso nevertheless, that the said commissioners of primary schools may pay to the trustees of any primary school district, in which a school-house has not yet been erected, any sum of money not exceeding two hundred dollars, without requiring the certificates and proofs as aforesaid, and the said trustees shall give bond to the said commissioners of primary schools, with condition to apply the money so received by them to the building of a school-house in their primary school district, and to render an account thereof to the commissioners, and in case any surplus should remain in the hands of said trustees after building the school-house, it shall be applicable to the ordinary expenses of the school.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That all monies hereafter to be paid into the Farmers Bank of Maryland, by the trea- Monies paid surer of the western shore, to the credit of the commission- by ers of primary schools in said county, shall be distributed how to be disamongst the several school districts which shall have sub-tributed stantially complied with the provisions of the several acts for support of primary schools in said county, in proportion to the number of children actually attending primary

schools in said district.