

186. That the collectors shall, on or before the first day of each month, pay to the clerk of the county commissioners the amount of tax on dogs and sluts collected by them and remaining in their hands less ten per centum of said amount, and the clerk shall place the amount thus received to the credit of the sheep fund of the county, and said collectors shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, file in the office of the county commissioners the books used by them in registering the names of persons from whom they received tax on dogs and sluts, and at the same time shall also file a list of the owners of dogs and sluts, if any there be in their respective districts, who have not paid the tax due from them, attaching thereto a statement showing the number of dogs and sluts for which no owners could be found.

To whom to pay.

File books used.

187. That the tax collected from the owners of dogs or sluts shall be devoted first to the remuneration of inhabitants of the county for losses sustained by sheep being destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; but if there remain in the county treasury, to the credit of the "sheep fund" on the first day of September of each year, a sum more than sufficient to pay the awards for damages to sheep made by the commissioners prior to that date, such surplus shall, upon the order of the commissioners, be paid by their clerk to the School Commissioners of Cecil county, to be by them devoted to the purposes of education.

Tax—how devoted.

Surplus to education.

188. That when any inhabitant of Cecil county shall have any sheep destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts, he may apply to any justice of the peace of said county, who shall appoint three disinterested persons as appraisers to view and appraise the damages by him sustained, and they, or a majority of them, shall, under oath, state in writing to the county commissioners the number of sheep killed, the character and extent of the injury, if any, done to the flock or any portion thereof, and the amount of damages sustained by the owner; and in like manner they shall give a general description of both the destroyed and injured sheep, and both the appraisers and the owner of the sheep shall make oath that they believe the sheep to have been destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; and they, or either

To whom to apply.

Give general description.