

accounts, vouchers, books and papers of the board of county school commissioners and treasurers thereof for Caroline county, the trustees of the poor of Caroline county and the county treasurer and County Commissioners for Caroline county, and to report the same in duplicate, one of said reports to be filed with the clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, and one with the County Commissioners of said county; and the said County Commissioners are hereby directed and empowered to publish said report immediately upon the filing of the same in one or more newspapers in Caroline county for such length of time as the said commissioners shall deem expedient.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the three persons so as aforesaid appointed, within thirty days ^{Oath.} after their appointment, to take and subscribe before the clerk of the Circuit Court for Caroline county, an oath to well and faithfully discharge the duties of a member of the said auditing committee, without fear, favor or partiality; and if any person appointed as aforesaid shall for any cause fail to ^{Failure to} qualify as aforesaid, or ^{qualify.} qualifying, shall refuse to act as a member of said auditing committee, the remaining member or members of said committee are hereby authorized and empowered to fill said vacancy or vacancies, and proceed to the discharge of the duties of said committee as hereinafter set forth.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the said committee, on the second Monday in July next ensuing ^{To examine} their appointment, to proceed to carefully examine the accounts, ^{accounts.} vouchers, receipts, and other papers connected with the receipt and disbursements of the public money by each of the aforesaid boards and officers, except that the accounts of the board of county school commissioners and treasurer thereof shall not be audited before August first, of each year, in such manner as to show the true financial status and condition of each of the said boards and officers and of the said county; and whenever it shall be deemed necessary, in the judgment of the said committee, or be required by any five or more respectable taxpayers of Caroline county, they shall ^{May summon} summons such persons as ^{witnesses.} may by them be deemed necessary or be named to them, requiring them to produce any paper, voucher or book in their possession relating to the receipt and disbursement of the public money of Caroline county, and shall have power and authority to administer and shall administer oaths and affirmations to the persons so summoned before them, and shall