

regulating the tuition fees in said schools, based upon the assessable property of the parties sending children, and graduating the amount to be paid by each to his ability to pay; and in no case shall the fee for tuition in the elementary branches of English exceed twelve dollars per annum for any one child; and the register shall furnish the trustees of each school with a copy of the table regulating tuition fees, established by the Board of Commissioners, and the bill for said tuition fees, when regularly proven by the teacher, and countersigned by the trustees, may be collected as county taxes are now collected; but if in the opinion of the trustees of any school, they do not need so high a rate of tuition as that established by the Board of School Commissioners, they may diminish said rate in their school, but they shall not have power to enforce the collection of any higher rate of tuition fees than that established by the Board of School Commissioners.

CHAPTER 138.

Passed March 3, 1862. AN ACT to authorize and empower the several

Banks of this State to issue small notes, and to extend the provisions thereof to the Fell's Point Bank, and to give indemnity to the several Banks against the issues of small notes now put in circulation by them.

Banks authorized to issue small notes. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the several banks of this State now having authority to issue notes, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to issue twenty per cent. of their capital stock actually paid in, in notes of a less denomination than five dollars, but no note shall be issued of a less denomination than one dollar; and nothing herein shall be construed to enlarge the total amount of the notes to be issued by any bank, beyond what is now allowed by law.