CHAP. 308, and exercise, in relation to said lands, all the nowers which might or could be exercised by the commissioners of the tax of any county in this State. in like cases. in virtue of the act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in the several counties in this State, passed at November Session, seventeen hundred and

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ninety-seven, chapter ninety, and the collector of any school district shall have the same powers and authority, and be subject to the same rules, regulations and duties, in the premises, as by law appertain to the office of the collector of the county charges in like cases.

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SEC. 9. And be it enacted. That the aforesaid act for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this state, and this act, be and the same are hereby declared to be public and remedial acts, and shall be construed by all courts of justice according to the equity thereof, and no proceedings of the inhabitants, or of the trustees of the school district. shall be set aside or adjudged to be void, for defect of form, or for any irregularity therein, so as the requisitions of said acts are substantially complied with.

Trustees to report

SEC. 10. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the trustees of each school district in said county. to report to the commissioners of primary schools, on or before the fifteenth day of December in each and every year, the amount of money received, the number of children educated, the amount given to their teacher, &c. and it shall be duty of the commissioners of primary schools, annually to report to the legislature.

School fund applied until

SEC. 11. And be it enacted, That the school fund now belonging to or that may hereafter be apportioned to said county, shall be used and applied as at present until the said county shall have been laid off into districts, and schools shall have been established in at least five of such districts.

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Passed Mar. 21, An act to Incorporate the Planters and Farmers Hotel Company.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sheppard C. Leakin, Samuel Wilson,