

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners of Somerset county shall proceed to appoint for each school district in the county, (as laid off agreeably to the provisions of the first section of the act passed twenty-ninth day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight,) three trustees, to whom authority is hereby given, to procure and erect, by individual subscription or otherwise, a suitable school-house, conveniently located in each district; and it shall be the duty of the said trustees, so soon as they have obtained such school-house, to inform the county commissioners of Somerset county of the fact, in writing; it shall then be the duty of the said commissioners to appropriate such sum or sums of money out of the funds which may be in their hands for the purposes of common school education in Somerset county, and shall give an order on the Bank of Salisbury to pay the same, as in their judgment may be necessary and proper for tuition only, to each school district in said county, said district being first provided with a suitable school-house; it shall also be the duty of said county commissioners to appoint one of the trustees of each school district, to whom or to whose order shall be paid all or any portion of the monies that may be appropriated by the said commissioners to said schools, respectively; and it shall be the duty of the trustees of each school district to procure and make choice of some competent person as teacher of said schools, having due regard to the moral character and capacity to instruct, of said teacher; and they shall pay the said teacher so much per quarter, by the year or half year, as they may be enabled to do from the amount of money which may be allowed to their school or schools by the said county commissioners, together with such sum or sums of money as the said trustees may be enabled to procure by individual subscription for the maintenance and support of education in said school districts, respectively; that every child in the district shall be admitted into the school upon a perfect equality, and the education of no one to be paid for or considered as poor scholars.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees shall make return, in writing, to the commissioners of Somerset county, in the month of December in each year, setting forth the amount of money received by them in their respective school districts, from individual subscribers, the names of such subscribers, the amount of their subscription, respectively, the number of scholars taught, and the

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Three trustees to be appointed for each school district

Their duties

Duty of commissioners

Teachers to be employed

Compensation

Admission of scholars

Return required of trustees