SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That a majority of said trus- CHAP. 199. tees for each of the said school districts as soon as convenient Trustees to after their appointment, and annually thereafter shall make make census. a census of the poor children in the school district of which they are trustees, of the proper age to go to school, describing their names and ages, whose parents or friends are unable to pay for the tuition of such children, and that said trustees or a majority of them of said districts shall apportion among the schools in their respective districts, such sums of money to said school as they may think right and proper, having reference to the number of poor children therein.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That the said school fund School fund to shall be apportioned among the several election districts in be apportion-said county by the commissioners, according to their respecsaid county by the commissioners, according to their respective population, assuming as a basis on which to make such apportionment, the number of votes cast in each election district, at the November election in the year eighteen hundred and forty.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That the trustees of the give receipt respective school districts to whom shall be paid any part to commissiof the money referred to in the third section of this act, oners. shall give a receipt to said commissioners for the sum or sums so received by them respectively, and shall account to the said commissioners therefor annually, in the month of May, and in case any trustees shall neglect or refuse to account to the said commissioners at the time heretofore provided, such trustees so refusing or neglecting to account as aforesaid, shall, and he, his heirs, executors and administrators, shall be responsible to the said commissioners for such sum or sums of money or any part thereof, to be col-

lected as other debts are now collected. SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That the trustees of the re- Make return spective school districts shall make return in writing to the in writing. commissioners for Somerset county, in the month of May annually, stating the number of scholars taught, their names, and the names of their parents, and the length of time occupied in teaching them, and the amount paid by them for tuition.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That the trustees of the said To select and school districts, or a majority of said trustees, shall select choose schools and choose the schools in their respective districts to whom shall be sent the children described in the fourth section of this act, having due regard to the moral character and capacity to instruct of the teacher.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That all laws of this State Repealed. inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as the same relates to Somerset

county.