

rer of the Western Shore of Maryland to the order of the commissioners for Montgomery county, and shall be by them distributed among the several election districts in due proportion to the white population in each district. CHAP. 100.
Distribution

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners for Montgomery county, shall on the first Monday in April next, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and annually afterwards, appoint three competent citizens in each election district of said county, as managers of schools in said district; and in case the persons so appointed, or any of them, shall refuse to serve, or die, or remove from the district or otherwise become incapable of serving, the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the said commissioners at their next ensuing meeting; and each of the said managers before he enters upon the duties of the office, and within fifteen days after the notification of his appointment by the commissioners, shall take and subscribe the following oath, before some justice of the peace of said county, viz: I do solemnly and sincerely swear or affirm (as the case may be) that I will, in all things, to the best of my knowledge and ability, well and truly execute the trust reposed in me, as one of the managers of schools for Montgomery county, without prejudice or partiality; which oath shall be filed in the office of the commissioners for Montgomery county, before such managers shall proceed to execute the duties assigned them. Managers to be appointed
Vacancies
Oath of office

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said school managers of the several districts, shall meet in general meetings, which shall assemble at Rockville on the third Monday in July, and the third Monday in January every year, and oftener if they should think proper; and the said managers when so assembled, or a majority of those who may be then present, shall determine in what manner the said school monies shall be applied and distributed in each election district, for the most effectual dissemination of instruction in common schools, for the benefit of all children requiring instruction, always giving the preference, however, to the poor and the children of the most needy, including in the distribution so to be made of said funds, a provision for such books and stationary as may be necessary for the poor; and if any surplus remains over and above the amount that may be required as aforesaid, the same shall be applied towards assisting the patrons of the several schools in compensating the teachers. General meetings
Application of monies to be determined
To give preference to poor children

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said managers shall Compensation