

**CHAP. 195.** and to fix upon some suitable place therein as a site for a school house, and to appoint five suitable and discreet persons, or three, if five may not be had, friendly to the establishment of primary schools, and residents of such newly created district, who shall act as trustees of such school district; *provided*, said commissioners shall first obtain the approbation and consent of the commissioners of the tax for Saint Mary's county, or a majority of them in writing, so to lay off said new school district.

Proviso.

Trustees to qualify.

**SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted*, That the trustees of said newly created district, as soon as they shall have qualified by taking an oath or affirmation that they will well and truly perform the duties of trustees, shall procure by purchase, gift or donation, a sufficient lot or parcel of land at or near the situation selected by the above commissioners, for the purpose of erecting a good and substantial school house, suitable to the present and prospective wants of the district.

Duty of trustees

**SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said trustees at least once a year if not oftener, to visit and inspect the condition of their school, and to report annually to the county commissioners on or before the first day of January in each and every year, the condition of the said school and the number of pupils taught therein, together with such remarks, suggestions and recommendations as they, in their judgement, shall think conducive to the interest and promotion of education in said school, and shall in all other respects be governed by the same laws that are applied to trustees created under the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, chapter three hundred and sixty-two, except that in case of a vacancy in the number of trustees at any time by death, resignation, refusal to serve or removal out of the school district, it shall be filled by the appointment of some qualified person or persons by the commissioners of the county.

In case of vacancy.

Pay proportion of the school fund.

**SEC. 4.** *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners of Saint Mary's county, from and after the passage of this act, pay to the trustees appointed under this act, a proportion of the school fund equal to that allowed to each of the other primary schools in said county.

Primary school—how regulated.

**SEC. 5.** *And be it enacted*, That the primary school hereby authorised to be erected, be regulated in all respects by the same laws that regulate the other primary schools of the county, except so far as is provided to the contrary in this act.

Go into effect

**SEC. 6.** *And be it enacted*, That this act shall go into effect from and after the day of its passage.

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