

CHAP. 187.

Passed March 2, 1848.

Charter extended.

lin Bank of Baltimore shall, on or before the first day of January next, at a general meeting called for that purpose, declare their acceptance of this act, the same shall thereafter be a part of the charter of said bank.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the charter of the said Franklin Bank of Baltimore shall be extended until the end of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

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An act entitled, an act to establish Public Schools in Baltimore County.

To establish public schools.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners of Baltimore county be and they are hereby authorised and directed to establish public schools in said county.

To levy a tax.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners of Baltimore county shall have full power and authority to levy a tax not exceeding four cents on the hundred dollars upon the assessable property of said county, said tax when collected to be applied to the support of the public schools authorised to be established by the first section of this act, and for no other purpose.

Funds to be applied to education.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the present school fund belonging to said county, and all other funds which existing laws grant for educational purposes in said county, shall be applied to the use of the public schools.

Treasurer to receive & pay over.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the treasurer of Baltimore county be and he is hereby authorised to receive all devises, bequests and donations which may be made for the benefit of said public schools, and to pay the same over to the person or persons authorised to receive the same, in the manner hereinafter to be provided.

Board of school commissioners to be appointed.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners of Baltimore county shall appoint one person from each election district in said county, in the month of May in each and every year, to be called the board of school commissioners for said county, who shall continue in office for one year, and from the end of that time until their successors shall have been appointed, and if any vacancy shall occur in the board of school commissioners before the expiration of the time for which they were ap-

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Vacancies now filled.

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