

By the twenty-third section the commissioners are created a body politic and corporate in law, with power to hold any property, whether real or personal, which may be granted to them for the use and benefit of Primary Schools in their county, and the trustees are also created a body politic and corporate in law, with the like powers, and for the same purposes.

The twenty-fourth section provides that, as soon as the revenues which may be assigned and appropriated for the support of public instruction, shall be sufficient for commencing the system of Primary Schools, the same shall be apportioned and distributed to each of the several counties, and to the city of Baltimore, for the use and benefit of the said schools.

The twenty-fifth section appropriates the funds accruing under the act, entitled, "An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road leading to Cumberland, and for the extension of the charters of the several banks in the city of Baltimore, and for other purposes;" and its several supplements, and the acts of Assembly, passed at December session, 1816, chapters 16 and 93, according to the provisions of those acts, for the support of public instruction provided, that no other apportionment of the funds heretofore raised, or which may be raised under the said acts, than is therein provided, shall be applied to the said funds.

The twenty-sixth section establishes the mode of distribution for all the funds thereafter to be assigned and appropriated for the support and maintenance of Primary Schools in the several counties, and in the city of Baltimore, when the said city shall have established Public Schools, according to the ratio of white population, as ascertained by the last preceding census of the United States, and makes it the duty of the Superintendent to give notice of such distribution, as described in a previous part of this report.

The twenty-seventh section prescribes a remedy against any collector, under the act, for any extortion or malfeasance in office.

The twenty-eighth provides for the publication of the act for the information of the people.

The twenty-ninth, for submitting it to every voter when offering to vote at the then ensuing election of Delegates, and declares that, if a majority of the votes in any county shall be in favor of the establishment of Primary Schools, as therein provided, then, and in that case, the said act shall be valid for such county or counties.