

or before the *fifteenth day of January*, a report to the local superintendent, signed by a majority of the trustees, and made according to a form provided by the Chief Superintendent of Education.

Penalty for delaying Yearly Report.

28. In case the [Roman Catholic separate school] trustees of any school section neglect to prepare and forward the aforesaid annual report to their local superintendent by the *thirty-first day of January* in each year, each of them shall, for each week after such *thirty-first day of January*, and until such report has been prepared and presented, forfeit the sum of *five dollars*, to be sued for by such local superintendent, and collected and applied in the manner provided by the *twenty-first* section of this Act [page 25.]

[*The twenty-ninth section has been superseded by the eighth section of the Common School Act of 1860, as follows :*]

Annual Appointment of Auditors of School Section Accounts.*

[8. In order that there may be accuracy and satisfaction in regard to the school accounts of [Roman Catholic separate] school sections, the majority of the [assessed Roman Catholic] freeholders and householders [and separate school supporters] present at the annual school meeting [for such school] shall appoint a fit and proper person to be auditor of the [Roman Catholic separate] school accounts of [such] section for the then current year, and the trustees shall before the *first day of December* in each year, appoint another auditor ; and the auditor thus chosen, or either of them, shall forthwith appoint a time before the day of the next ensuing annual school meeting, for examining the accounts of [such] school section ;

[Trustees to submit their School Accounts to the Auditors.

[And it shall be the duty of [such] trustees, or their secretary-treasurer in their behalf, to lay all their accounts before the auditors or either of them, together with the agreements, vouchers, &c., in their possession, and to afford to the auditors or either of them all the information in their power as to their receipts and expenditures of school moneys in behalf of their school section ;

[Powers and Duties of School Section Auditors, &c.

[And it shall be the duty of the auditors to examine into and decide upon the accuracy of the accounts of such section, and whether the trustees have truly accounted for and expended for school purposes the moneys received by them, and to submit the said

* The object of this clause is to prevent the suspicion that trustees pervert any part of the school fund to private purposes, and not to limit the exercise of the power conferred upon them by the preceding section of the act. [See the definition of the term "other expenses," given in note † to the *tenth* clause of the *twenty-seventh* section, page 35. Auditors should be guided by that note in auditing the accounts of the school section. See also note † to the *fourth* clause of the *sixteenth* section of the Consolidated Common School Act, page 22.]