

ers by a notice under the hand of the President or of the Secretary of the said School Commissioners, stating the time and place of such meeting, to be read and posted up by any Bailiff or Sergeant of Militia, at the door of the Church of the said Parish, at the issue of divine service 5 in the morning, on some Sunday which shall be at least eight days before the day on which the said meeting shall take place; at which meeting the majority of the electors present shall determine whether it is in the interest of the inhabitants of the said Parish, to institute such action, and 10 if the opinion of such majority be in favour of the institution of such action, they shall thereupon authorize the said School Commissioners to proceed therein.

Who shall preside at the meeting, and record the proceedings, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That at the said meeting, the senior Justice of the Peace present, or in case there shall be no 15 Justice of the Peace present, the oldest of the electors present, shall preside; and the *procès verbal* of the said meeting, signed by the Chairman thereof, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the holding and of the proceedings of the said meeting, and that the same were regular and in 20 conformity to this Act; nor shall the regularity of such meeting and proceedings be liable to be questioned by the Defendant in any action brought by the School Commissioners under this Act.

When the meeting shall be held.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the said 25 meeting shall be holden within six months from and after the passing of this Act, and from its decision there shall be no appeal.

Commissioners to give security for the costs of such action.

V. And be it enacted, That before instituting any such action, the said Commissioners shall and they are here- 30 by required to furnish, as securities, two good and sufficient persons, being proprietors of real estate of not less than value, for the payment of the costs of such action, in case the said Commissioners shall fail therein; such security to be given before any 35 one of the Judges of the Court before which such action shall be brought.

Provision for the payment of the costs, if the Commissioners fail in their action.

VI. And be it enacted, That in case the said School Commissioners shall fail in the said action, it shall be lawful for them to levy by assessment upon all ratable 40 property within the said Municipality, a sum sufficient to cover the whole of the costs of such action, as well those of the said School Commissioners as those of the said Defendants, together with one twenty-fifth over and above the said costs, for the purpose of making good any defi- 45 ciency which may arise in the collection of the said assessment, and to cover the expenses of the collection, and the said School Commissioners shall have the same powers with respect to the recovery of the amount so assessed, as are vested in them with respect to the reco- 50