

lity of such rate, by having, on occasion of any former assessment paid his proportion or quota thereto, or any part thereof, then such Court or Justice of the Peace shall not permit the same to be heard, or any evidence connected therewith to be adduced, but order the reasonable costs incurred by the plaintiff or plaintiffs to be paid by the defendant.

Book to be kept by trustees to be *prima facie* evidence.

LVII. The book of record to be kept by the trustees of the several school districts, constituted under the laws heretofore in force, or this Act, and signed by the persons and in the manner mentioned and set forth in the last preceding section, shall be good and sufficient *prima facie* evidence of the truth of all statements, minutes, matters and things therein contained and set forth, in any Court of law or equity, or before any Court or tribunal whatsoever, whether such statements, minutes, matters or things shall relate to meetings of the inhabitants, the appointment or election of trustees, or reelections thereof, assessments upon the inhabitants, or other proceedings whatsoever of such trustees, and of the regularity and correctness of all acts, matters and things relating to or connected with such proceedings so entered and set forth in such book or record.

Trustees may assess householders for the erection of a new school-house, or the repairing, enlarging, &c., one already erected.

LVIII. Where the erection of a new school district shall be sanctioned by order of the Administrator of the Government in Council, under this Act, or in any school district already established, if the majority of inhabitants, resident householders therein respectively, shall decide upon erecting a new schoolhouse within the same, or enlarging or completing any schoolhouse already erected, or rebuilding or repairing the same when decayed, it shall be lawful for such majority of resident householders to meet together and appoint a committee of five persons, if in a newly erected district, or if in a previously established district, to make an order to give directions to the trustees of such district for the time being, to assess the several resident householders within the same respectively, for the erection of such schoolhouse, or for enlarging, completing, rebuilding or repairing the same as aforesaid, as the case may be, and to superintend the same; and which schoolhouse, as to size, shall be in conformity with the provisions of this Act, and a plan and specification of such schoolhouse, so to be erected, or of the contemplated enlargement, manner of completing, rebuilding or repairing the same, having been submitted to and approved by a majority of such resident householders, the said committee or trustees, as the case may be, shall thereupon have full power to make such assessment, as aforesaid, for any of the purposes above contemplated.

Size and plan of such school-house to be first submitted, &c.

Committee or trustees em-

LIX. In the event of any one of such resident householders, in any such district as aforesaid, refusing to pay the