

written application of twenty or more resident freeholders or householders in any Parish, or three or more resident freeholders or householders in any School District, by notice advertised at least fifteen days in a newspaper published in the Parish or District, if any, and in five or more of the most public places of the Parish, or two of the District, for the purpose of determining upon the propriety of raising the necessary amount of money required for School purposes by assessment, at which meeting the senior Trustee present, or in case of his absence, such person as the majority of the rate-payers present may appoint, shall preside; and it shall be the duty of the Chairman to take the sense of the meeting upon the question of assessment, if it is decided in the affirmative, then on the amount to be raised and the object.

15. If a majority of the rate-payers present agree to raise a sum by assessment either for the support of the Teacher, the purchase of land whereon to erect a School House, or other buildings for School purposes, the purchase or maintenance of a library, the building or repairing of any School House, the supplying the school with fuel, light, and other necessities, the purchase of books, maps, or apparatus for the use of any such School, or for any of such purposes, the Chairman shall transmit the vote or resolution specifying the sum to be raised, to the Assessors of Rates for the Parish, in one of the forms following:—

If the Assessment be made upon the Parish, the following to be the Form:—
To _____ Assessors of the Parish of _____

You are required to levy and assess the sum of _____ in and upon the Parish of _____ being the amount voted at a Parish Meeting for the purpose of [here specify the object] and cause the same to be collected according to Law, and paid to _____ the Trustees of Schools for the said Parish.

Dated this _____ day of _____
A. D. 18 _____

C. D., Chairman.

If the Assessment be made upon a District of the Parish, the following shall be the form:—

To _____ Assessors of the Parish of _____

You are required to levy and assess

the sum of _____ pounds in and upon School District number _____ in the Parish of _____ being the amount voted at a meeting of the said District for the purpose [here specify the object] and cause the same to be collected according to Law, and paid to _____ the School Committee for the said District.

Dated this _____ day of _____
A. D., 18 _____

C. D., Chairman.

16. The Assessors shall, without delay, make out the Assessment List as near as may be in the form prescribed for County or Parish rates, and deliver the list to the Collector of Rates, with a precept endorsed thereon in the form prescribed for County or Parish rates; if the Parish have been divided into several Districts, with a District Collector for each, they shall furnish each Collector with a separate list, for the purpose of assessing the whole Parish; but if only a School District be assessed, they shall deliver the list to the nearest Collector, and, in every case, file a duplicate thereof with the Clerk of the Peace; and such proceedings shall be had and taken thereon for the levying and collecting the same, as are provided in other cases of County or Parish rates; and the money, when collected, shall be paid over to the Trustees, if the assessment be made for the whole Parish, and to the School Committee, if for a School District, to be appropriated for the purpose previously determined by the rate-payers.

17. The Assessors and Collectors shall perform their duties under the same pains and penalties as in all other cases, and receive the same fees and allowances.

18. Whenever a written application shall be made to the Clerk of the Peace of any County not incorporated one month before the time of holding the annual election for the Town and Parish officers, signed by at least fifty freeholders or householders of the said County, requesting him to ascertain whether the rate-payers will adopt the principle of assessment for the support of Schools, he shall notify the Town Clerk of each Town or Parish thereof, whose duty it shall be to give notice, with the notice of the annual election of Town or Parish officers, that the question will be put to the vote of the rate-payers at such annual meeting, and the Chairman shall put that question to the meeting, and