

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.
Mr. Maryland, of Allegany, Offers a Comprehensive Bill Covering All Cases.

Mr. Maryland of Allegany, offers a bill in the house to provide for the better education of all children, regulating their employment and providing for the compulsory education of all children in the several cities, boroughs and townships of the State. The bill also authorizes the election of trust officers and defines their duties.

It directs that a trust officer shall be elected in every school district in the State, and that he shall receive a salary of not less than \$100 nor more than \$600 per year. It imposes a fine of not less than \$1 nor more than \$5 upon any parent or guardian who fails to send his child to school. A person who is convicted of neglecting or refusing to send his child to school may be fined up to \$100. The trust officers are authorized to arrest any child absent from school, without leave, whom they find upon the streets, and to take any unruly or incorrigible child before the judge of the Quarter Sessions Court of the county, who may commit the child to a reform school for the rest of the school year. Another section provides that it shall be lawful for any child between the age of 10 and 14 years to be employed in any trade, occupation, or worked factory or any wholesale or retail store for not more than five hours each day, on condition that said child shall attend school at least one session of the same day. A violation of this provision is summarily punishable before an alderman by a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$25.

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Sec. 5. All laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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Oils! Oils!

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