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 005 Clerk of the Peace, New Castle County  
 140 Financial Records of New Castle County School Districts  
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 241 0.73 cubic feet  
 261 Financial Records include district annual settlements auditor's county report, dividend lists, and correspondence.  
 27X The state of Delaware required each school district to document its expenditures and expenses in order to receive their annual allotment from the trustee of the School Fund. The clerk of each district appeared before the auditor of the state with his account and vouchers (Ref 1852, Revised Delaware Code, ch. 42, section 19-20) when the auditor was in New Castle to settle the account of the county treasurer.

The annual settlements of the districts show district number, year, debits entered by date, debtor, and expense; total debits; credits entered by source and amount of income; total credits; amount owed by district or to be received by district from the school fund; length of time school was in session; number of scholars. Also included with the annual settlements were receipts for district operating expenses United District 45 and 46 situated in the town of New Castle financial records also included lists of scholars, correspondence concerning school repairs, and cancelled checks used as receipts for the salaries paid teachers.

The auditor's county report was a compilation of statistic from all school district accounts. Information tabulated includes school district number, contributions, school fund allotment, amount paid for tuition, amount paid for contingencies, amount due district, amount due committee, number of schools in district, time in operation by month and days, and number of scholars. The report also contains a recapitulation of the amount paid for tuition and contingencies, amounts received by contributions, taxes, and from the school fund, and the total number of scholars in the county.

Dividend lists showed the amount of money due from the state school fund to each school district in New Castle county. The State Treasurer was the trustee of the fund to establish schools in Delaware. As such he was responsible for apportioning the "clear income" of the fund among the three counties in August of each year. (1852 Revised Delaware Code, ch. 43, section 2.)

The lists served three purposes: (1) the account of the trustee with the Clerk of the Peace as to disposition of funds; (2) recipient and date of withdrawal of district allotment; and (3) order to the cashier of Farmers Bank in New Castle to pay funds. Entries on the lists include school district number, amount of dividend, name of recipient of funds for district and date money was drawn. Also included was the order to pay to Farmers Bank and the signature of the State Treasurer.

310 Printed notices informing district Clerk of the Peace, time of meeting.  
 329 WORK STATUS ARCHIVIST:  
 \_\_\_ needs sorting \_\_\_ review for identification/  
 \_\_\_ needs unfolding further determination  
 \_\_\_ needs foldering/reboxing \_\_\_ processing  
 \_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ determine origin/purpose  
 \_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONDITION: FILM:  
 \_\_\_ totally disorganized \_\_\_ for security  
 \_\_\_ order not apparent \_\_\_ destroy original  
 \_\_\_ origin questionable \_\_\_ other:  
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330 Arranged chronologically by year of audit and thereunder by district  
number.  
331 No index.  
332 Handwritten.  
360 Fair/poor; acid damage; light damage; storage damage; dirt damage.  
390 None.  
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