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An Additional Supplement to the act (a), entitled, An act for the relief of the Poor of Washington County. Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 241.

Passed Jan 20, 1817

(a) 1796, ch. 22. Other acts, 1807, ch. 13, and the acts there referred to.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the office of the present trustees of the poor of Washington county shall cease and be at an end on the first Monday of June next, and the appointment of the trustees of the poor of said county shall, from and after the first Monday of May next, be vested in the levy court of said county.

Powers of present trustees to cease.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the levy court of Washington county shall be, and they are hereby authorised and required, at their first meeting in May next, and at their first meeting in the month of May in each succeeding year thereafter, to appoint three discreet and proper persons qualified agreeably to the provisions of the original act and the supplement thereto, and of this act, to be trustees of the poor of said county from and after the first Monday of June next.

Levy court to appoint trustees.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the clerk of the said court, within five days after such appointment, and within the like time after any future appointments to be made in virtue of this act, to make out and deliver to the sheriff of said county a certificate of the appointment of each of the said trustees so appointed, or to be appointed, endorsing one of the said certificates for each of them respectively, which said sheriff shall, within ten days thereafter, deliver one thereof to each of the said trustees respectively; and it shall thereupon be the duty of the several trustees so appointed, and notified of such appointment, and who shall accept thereof, under the penalty imposed by the supplement to the original act upon any person appointed a trustee of the poor in virtue of the said act for wilfully delaying or refusing to take upon him the duties of the said office, to meet on the said first Monday of June next ensuing such appointment, (except prevented by sickness, or other unavoidable accident, and in such case as soon thereafter as the disability shall be removed,) at the alms-house of said county, and qualify in the manner prescribed by the original act, and thenceforward proceed in the execution of the duties of said office; Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the said court from reappointing any of the existing trustees, if they in their discretion shall deem it advisable and proper so to do.

Court to make out certificates of appointment.

Provided,

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the existing trustees shall meet at the aforesaid alms-house on the first Monday of June next, and deliver over to their successors all books and papers, and all and singular the property belonging to the aforesaid alms-house, under the penalty of twenty dollars each; to be recovered and applied as other fines and forfeitures are directed to be recovered and applied, in the supplement to the original act, to be taken under the care and management of the said newly appointed trustees.

Present trustees to deliver books, &c. to their successors

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the trustees of the poor to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall and may have, and are hereby invested with, the powers and authorities, and subject to all the penalties for neglect of the duties of trustees of the poor of said county, as are mentioned and declared in the said original act,

Trustees powers & vacancies.