and to use a Common

Seal in their

business &c.1

Liber H. S. shall or may be given for the better and more speedy promoting the Benefit and Good by this Act intended And that they have full Power Authority lawful Capacity and Ability to Purchase take hold receive enjoy and have to them and their Successors for ever any Lands Tenements and Hereditaments not exceeding the Yearly Value of one thousand Pounds of any Person or Persons whatsoever and are hereby impowered and authorized to use one Common Seal in their Business relating to the said Corporation and the same at their pleasure to change and alter And that the said Persons so incorporated the longest Livers and Successors of them shall be the true sole and undoubted Trustees in perpetual Succession for ever to be continued in Way and Manner hereafter specified with full and absolute Power Liberty and Authority in the making and ordaining such Laws Orders and Rules for the better relieving regulating and setting the Poor to Work and punishing Vagrants Beggars Vagabonds and other Offenders and for the Good Government of the said Alms and Work-House in their respective Counties as to them and their Successors shall from Time to Time seem most fit and requisite all which shall be observed by the Overseer of such Alms and Work-House and by all Poor, Beggars, Vagrants Vagabonds and other Offenders in such Alms and Work House under the Penalties therein contained

[and to make Laws &c. for the better Relief of the Poor, and Punishing Vagrants, &c.]

[Proviso]

Provided always that the said Rules Laws and Orders be no wise contrary to the Laws of this Province And to perpetuate the Succession of the aforementioned Number of five Trustees for the Poor in each of the said Counties

[In case of Death or Removal of said Trustees, the Survivors to nominate others &c.]

Be it Enacted That as often as any one or more of the said Trustees for the Poor shall die or remove himself out of his County any of the that then and so often the Trustees for the Time being then surviving and remaining within the said County or the major Part of them be and are hereby authorized and required to elect nominate and chuse one or more of the principal and better sort of the Inhabitants of the County not being related in Blood to any other of the then Trustees into the place and Room of the said Trustee so dead or removed and so to fill up the full Number of Trustees for each Alms and Work-House the which Persons so elected and chosen from Time to Time are always to be qualified in the same Manner as before by this Act is directed

[Trustees appointed for the Poor. and refusing to Act, forfeit 10 1.

And be it further Enacted That every Person by this Act appointed as a Trustee for the Poor or that shall hereafter be nominated and appointed as such pursuant to the Directions hereof and who shall wilfully refuse or delay to take upon him the said Office shall fforfeit and pay for every such Refusal or Delay the sum of ten Pounds Current Money

[Proviso]

Provided that no Member of the upper or lower House of Assembly Clergyman Attorney or practising Phisician be obliged to