

Liber R. G. in the same Manner as they are enabled to pay and discharge the
1773 public or County Levy—

[Trustees.] And be it further enacted That for the Time being the five several persons hereafter named be and are hereby nominated appointed and names Trustees for the Poor within the said County and are empowered with full and sufficient Authority to discharge the several Offices Duties and Trusts reposed in and required of them by this Act That is to say Col.^o George Plater, Col.^o Abraham Barnes, Major Zachariah Bond, M.^r John Reeder, and M.^r James Jordan,
p. 261 The which Persons so nominated Appointed Authorized and named, for the County as aforesaid, or the Major Part of them in Case of the Death or Absence of any are hereby required, with all convenient Speed to meet at such Places within their County as to them shall seem meet to Qualify themselves for the Office of Trustees for the Poor of their County which they are to do by taking the several Oaths appointed by Law to be taken to the Government Signing the Oath of Abjuration and repeating and Signing the Test and also
[Their oath] taking the following Oath to Wit I AB do swear That I will duly and faithfully discharge the Duties and Trusts committed to me as a Trustee for the Poor for Saint Marys County according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge and an Act of Assembly entitled An Act for the Relief of the Poor in Saint Marys County So help me God The which Oath is to be administered by any of the four Persons last named for the County to the Person first Named or in his Absence to any one of the three persons first named that shall be there present, the which Person being sworn as aforesaid shall administer the Oaths aforementioned to all the rest and so successively the Person first named that shall be present shall always administer the said Oaths, to any that have been absent, or that shall hereafter be elected and chosen pursuant to the Directions of this Act to supply the Place of any that shall be dead or removed out of the County, or of any who shall refuse or neglect to qualify and act as a Trustee when elected and chosen Pursuant to the Directions of this Act: And the aforesaid Persons or the Major Part of them being Sworn as aforesaid shall be constituted and Qualified as Trustees for the Poor of their said County and as such are hereby
[Trustees invested with Power and Authority as a Body politic, &c.] invested with full Power and Authority as a Body Politic, to plead and be impleaded, to sue and be sued, to defend and be defended, to answer and be answered by the Name of the Trustees for the Poor for Saint Marys County in all and every Cause Complaint and Action real personal or mixt of whatsoever kind or Nature it shall be, in any of the Courts of Judicature within this Province and by that Name they and any of them and their Successors shall and they are hereby enabled to take hold possess and enjoy any Gift Donation or Present which shall or may hereafter be given devised or bequeathed by any Person or Persons whatsoever, to them or any of