

by him or them done and executed in pursuance and Execution of this Act or of any Matter or thing in this Act contained such Person or Persons shall and may plead the General Issue and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence for his or their Defence and if upon Trial a Verdict shall pass for the Defendant or Defendants or if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall become non suited, or discontinue his or their suit then such Defendant or Defendants shall have and recover Treble Costs to him or them awarded against such Plaintiff or Plaintiffs and if the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs is or are unable to satisfy the same then it shall be paid and satisfied by the Attorney who brought such suit unless the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs shall give Security for the Costs to be approved of by the Courts in which such suit is brought

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And to prevent Individuals being unreasonably burthened with the Execution of this Act as Trustees for the Poor Be it enacted That at the Time of their meeting of the said Trustees for the poor in the first Week of May Yearly the said Trustees or the Major Part of them in the County aforesaid shall and may elect and choose one of the best Inhabitants of the same County to be a Trustee for the poor of that County in the stead of the first named or eldest of the said Trustees of the same County which said first named or Eldest Trustee shall be and is by Virtue hereof thence from Discharged from his Office.

[Trustees to choose a new one yearly instead of the first named Trustee.]

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And be it further enacted That in all Cases upon Complaints of the Overseer of said Workhouse or of any other Workhouse in this Province to any Trustee for the Poor of such Workhouse that any Rogue Vagrant Vagabond or other idle dissolute and disorderly Person thereto committed and therein remaining hath behaved and demeaned himself in a Disorderly Manner or hath neglected and refused to do and perform his or her daily Labour and Task or hath neglected or refused to obey keep and observe any of the Ordinances Rules and Bye-Laws of the said Corporation it shall and may be Lawful for such Trustee to order and direct such moderate and proper Correction not exceeding thirty nine Lashes for any one Offence to be given to such Offender as the Nature of the Case shall require—

[Rogues, &c. committed to the Work-House behaving in a disorderly Manner, to be corrected.]

By the Lower House of
Assembly Dec.^r 16.th 1773
Read and Assented to
Signed by Order
Jn.^o Duckett Clk. Lo. Ho: }

On behalf of the Right
Honible the Lord Pro-
prietary of this Province
I will this be a Law
Rob.^t Eden

By the Upper House of
Assembly Dec.^r 16.th 1773
Read and Assented to
Signed by Order
U. Scott Clk. Up. Ho.

The great Seal
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