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aforesaid, with the collector's commission of six *per cent.* thereon; which sum, so as aforesaid assessed, shall be collected and paid by the collector of said county to the said trustees, or a majority of them, to be by them applied to the purposes aforesaid; and the said trustees, or the major part of them, are hereby empowered and required, as soon as such house or houses aforesaid are procured on rent, to proceed to the appointment of an overseer, and other officers and servants as are mentioned in this act, and to do and perform every other matter and thing necessary to carrying the said act into execution, according to the true intent and meaning thereof.

Justices to le-
vy money,
&c.

XXIII. *And be it enacted,* That the justices of the said county shall and they are hereby empowered and directed to levy, annually, in the usual manner, in said county, exclusive of the money to be levied for the building and providing for the poor-house, such sums of money as shall, to the trustees of the poor in said county, appear proper and necessary for the subsistence and accommodation of their poor, not exceeding three shillings and nine-pence in the hundred pounds; which said sums, when collected, shall be paid by the collector to the order of such trustees, or the major part of them, under their common seal, who are hereby authorized and required to receive and apply the same to the use and purposes as is directed to be done in the ninth clause of this act.

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Passed De-
cember 30.

An ACT to dispose of Eden school, in Somerset county, and to apply the money to the purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the Eden school, which was erected at the joint expence of Somerset and Worcester counties, is now in a state of ruin, and the beneficial effects of its original institution entirely defeated, by its unhealthy situation: And whereas it is further represented, that the said school, by being removed to a more healthy situation, might become an useful nursery of academic literature for the adjacent counties; therefore,

Trustees ap-
pointed, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Messieurs William Cottman, Wiccomico creek, George Robertson, James Bennett, Benjamin Frederick Augustus Cæsar Dashiell, William Done, Peter Dashiell, Samuel Wilson, George Purnell, Samuel Handy, Isaac Marshall, Philip Quinton, William Selby, William Whittington and John Selby Purnell, be and they are hereby constituted trustees, with full power and authority to sell and dispose of the said school-house, and the lands thereto appertinent, together with all the property which now belongs to the same, to the best advantage; the said property to be sold at public sale to the highest bidder, on a credit not exceeding eighteen months from the day of sale, the said trustees giving four weeks public notice of the time and place of sale; and the money arising on the sale thereof, after paying off the creditors of the said school, provided their claims shall be legally authenticated, to apply to the purchase of a quantity of land, not exceeding one hundred acres, in some healthy situation, most convenient to the counties of Somerset and Worcester, and thereon to erect a school-house, and such other buildings as may be deemed necessary by the said trustees, or a majority of them.

To be a body
politic, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said trustees, or a majority of them, by the names of The Trustees of Eden School, having first taken the usual oaths to government, and an oath to discharge their duty as trustees to said school, shall be, to all intents and purposes, a body politic, to sue and be sued, plead or be impleaded, in any cause or action whatever in any court of law or equity within this state; and the said trustees, and their successors, for ever, in their corporate capacity aforesaid, are hereby authorized to hold and occupy, for the use and benefit of the said school, any property, whether real or personal, not exceeding the value of ten thousand pounds current money of Maryland.

And make
by-laws, &c.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to make and ordain such by-laws and ordinances for