

To purchase land,  
&c.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That the said trustees, or the major part of them, appointed as aforesaid, shall, and they are hereby authorized, directed and required, to buy and purchase, in fee, a quantity of land in each county, not exceeding one hundred acres; and the said trustees, or the major part of them, appointed as aforesaid, are hereby authorized, directed and required, to agree and contract with a workman or workmen to undertake, erect, build, and in a workmanlike manner to complete and finish, on the said land, when so purchased, good, strong, sufficient and convenient houses, habitations and dwellings, for the reception of the poor of each county, and of such vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and other offenders, as shall be committed by virtue of this act; and they shall appropriate one part thereof, to be called the alms-house, to and for the reception and lodging of the poor of the said county, and another part or parts thereof, to be called the work-house, to and for the reception and lodging of all such vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and other offenders, as shall be committed by virtue of this act; and the aforesaid land when bought, and the aforesaid houses, habitations and dwellings, when built, shall be, and they are hereby enacted and declared to be, vested in the said trustees of that county where the same shall be bought, erected and built upon, by virtue of this act, as their estate and inheritance, for the uses and purposes by this act directed and expressed.

And buy  
beds, &c.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the said trustees, or the major part of them, appointed as aforesaid, shall and they are hereby authorized, directed and required, after the houses, habitations and dwellings aforesaid shall be completely erected and finished, to buy and purchase, for the use and employment of the poor, vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and other offenders, who shall be committed by virtue of this act, sufficient beds, bedding, working tools, kitchen utensils, cows, horses, and other necessaries; and the said trustees are hereby directed and required to purchase the said quantity of land, not exceeding one hundred acres, as near and convenient as may be to the principal towns in each county, or in those counties where no such towns are, as near and convenient as may be to the several and respective court-houses of each county; and the said trustees are hereby obliged, directed and required, to keep a fair, distinct and clear account, in writing, of all the moneys by them expended and paid by virtue of this act, and to return a true copy thereof, and shew and produce the vouchers to support the same, to the justices of the several counties aforesaid, at their respective November courts, to be by the said justices inspected and examined.

Justices to  
levy money,  
&c.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That after the expiration of the said three years, the justices of the several county courts