

to be appointed in pursuance of this act, at their discretion, and to choose others in their place and stead.

And meet
four times a
year, &c.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted,* That the said trustees, or the major part of them, shall and they are hereby directed and enjoined to meet at the alms and work-house in the said county four times in the year, in the first week in January, May, August and November, or oftener, if it should by them be deemed necessary, to make and ordain, by a majority of votes of such as may be present, all such good and wholesome ordinances, rules and by-laws, as they shall think convenient and necessary for the direction, government and support, of such alms and work-house, and also for the cleanliness, maintenance and employment of all such poor persons as shall be taken under their care, and of all vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and offenders, that shall be committed thereto by virtue of this act; all which ordinances, rules and by-laws, shall be from time to time inviolably observed by all persons concerned, according to the tenor and effect thereof.

The times of meeting are modified by 1812, ch. 12, sec. 9, and afterwards by 1825, ch. 10.

Overseer to
keep a list,
&c.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the said overseer shall keep a fair and regular list of all poor, and of all beggars, vagrants, vagabonds and offenders, who shall be committed to the said alms and work-house, and also fair and regular accounts in writing of all materials and other things coming to his hands as overseer aforesaid, and of all expenses and charges attending their maintenance and support, and of all moneys received by him for the sale of the produce of their labour, and otherwise, as overseer aforesaid, and shall lay the said lists and accounts before the trustees, or the major part of them, at their meetings at the times by this act directed, or oftener, if by them required.

And compel
the poor to
work, &c.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted,* That the said overseer may compel and oblige any of the said poor, beggars, vagrants and vagabonds, or other offenders, in his alms and work-house, if of a sufficient ability, to work and labour, and the produce of their labour he is hereby directed and empowered to sell, and apply the money arising from such sale to their maintenance and support.

Disorderly
persons
may be
committed,
&c.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That upon complaint made, that any person, from his or her disorderly conduct, gives disturbance to his or their neighbourhood, and is likely to become chargeable to the said counties respectively, it shall and may be lawful for any one magistrate of the said counties, if upon hearing the party he shall judge the complaint to be well founded, to commit such disorderly person, residing within the said counties respectively, to the said work-house, for any time not exceeding three months, unless he or she shall find