

the expense of said counties, to vest in a majority of the trustees of the alms-houses of said counties a power of putting out such children to be nursed and maintained in the neighbourhood; therefore,

Trustees to place out children, &c. **SEC. 2.** *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any four of the trustees of the said alms-houses of Dorchester and Somerset counties, shall be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to place out children of the above description on the most favourable terms which they can obtain for their respective counties, to be nursed, supported and maintained, until they shall arrive at the age of three years as aforesaid, and the expenses arising therefrom shall be levied on *their respective counties in the same manner* as other expenses of their respective alms-houses are levied; and it shall be the duty of each of the trustees of the counties aforesaid, personally to examine from time to time into the situation of such children so put out to be nursed and supported, and from time to time to report to the said trustees, met for the transacting of business of their respective houses, the situation and management of said children, so that they may be carefully and faithfully nursed, supported and maintained.

How fines are to be recovered. **SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted,* That all fines imposed for non-attendance of the trustees aforesaid at the appointed times of meeting by virtue of an act, entitled, an act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor of the several counties therein mentioned, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-one,* shall be recovered by warrant issued by any justice of the peace for the respective counties, in which said trustees, as a corporation, shall be plaintiffs, and when recovered shall be applied as by the said recited act is directed.

* Ch. 21.

A further additional SUPPLEMENT to the ACT, entitled, an Act for the relief of the Poor in the Counties of Dorchester and Somerset, passed in seventeen hundred and eighty-five,* and the several Supplements thereto, and to repeal the Acts of Assembly therein mentioned.—1812, ch. 12.

*Ch. 57.

Trustees of poor to be appointed by levy court. **SEC. 1.** *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the office of the present trustees of the poor of Dorchester county shall cease and be at an end on the second Monday of June next, and the appointment of the trustees of the poor of said county shall, from and after the second Monday of May next, be vested in the levy court of said county.

When to be appointed; how to qualify. **SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That the levy court of Dorchester county shall be, and they are hereby authorized and required, at their first meeting in May next, and at their first meeting in the month of May in each succeeding year thereafter, to appoint seven discreet and proper persons, qualified