

fenders, 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 thirty acres, or less than twenty-five, as near and convenient as may be to the court-house in said county; and the said trustees are hereby directed and required to keep a fair, distinct, and clear account, in writing, of all the monies by them received and expended 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 said county at their June court yearly, to be by the said justices inspected and examined, which said accounts shall be lodged with the clerk of the said court.

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XV.

IX. And be it enacted, That after the expiration of the said three years, the justices of Talbot county court aforesaid, for the time being shall, and they are hereby empowered, to assess and levy on all the property in the said county subject and liable to assessment, at the time of laying their county rate, a sum of current money not exceeding three shillings on every hundred pounds of property as aforesaid, in the said county, together with the collector's commission of four per cent. for collecting the same; which said assessment shall be made, levied, collected and paid, in the same manner as herein before is directed; which said money, when so as aforesaid 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 and for the use, benefit and charge, of maintaining the poor, vagrants, beggars, vagabonds, and other offenders, in the purchasing provisions and other necessaries for use and labour, in paying a doctor for his salary and for medicines, in providing men and women servants to be under the direction and management of the overseer of such alms and work-house, hereafter directed to be appointed, for and in purchasing materials for the use and employment of all the poor, and all beggars, vagrants, vagabonds, and other offenders, who shall be able to work, and who shall be committed by virtue of this act.

Justices to assess not exceeding 3s on every £. 100, &amp;c.

X. And be it enacted, That the said trustees, or the major part of them, shall, and they are hereby authorized, directed and enjoined, to meet together between the first and tenth day of November yearly, and at all such other times, as they shall judge necessary, at the alms and work-house, in the said county, during the continuance of this act, to appoint a fit person to be overseer of the alms and work-house in the said county, and other proper officers and servants, as to them shall appear necessary for carrying on the business of the said corporation, and they or the major part of them, shall and may agree, and they are hereby empowered to pay the said overseer, out of the money raised and collected as aforesaid, a sum not exceeding seventy-five pounds current money per annum, as a salary, and so pro rata during his continuance in office, and shall then take bond, which the said overseer, and any other overseer to be appointed, shall and is hereby obliged to enter into, with good and sufficient sureties, in the penalty of two hundred pounds current money, payable to the said trustees for the poor, conditioned as follows, to wit, "the condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above bound A. B. as overseer of the alms and work-house in Talbot county, shall well and truly discharge his duty in the said station, and more particularly according to the directions of the act of assembly, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor in Talbot county, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law."

Trustees to meet in Nov. yearly, &amp;c.

XI. And be it enacted, That the said trustees, or a major part of them, shall, and they are hereby directed and empowered, to remove such

May remove overseer, &amp;c.

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