the Department of Charities and Corrections shall be a Board of Charities and Corrections composed of the President and one other of the Supervisors of City Charities, the President and one other of the Visitors to the City Jail, and the Mayor ex officio. The Supervisors of City Charities and the Visitors to the City Jail shall each designate their representative member. The President of the Supervisors of City Charities shall be President of the Board of Charities and Corrections. This Board shall be for consultation and advice, but it shall have no power to direct or control the duties or work of any sub-department under this department. It shall perform such other duties as may be required of it by ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter.

SUPERVISORS OF CITY CHARITIES.

1898, ch. 123.

The Supervisors of City Charities shall be the first sub-depart-**104**. ment of Charities and Corrections, and the head of this sub-department shall be a board composed of nine persons, appointed by the Mayor as provided in Section 25 of this Charter, who shall be removable as Their term of office shall be for six years, three of therein provided. them to retire at the end of every two years as heretofore. The said Supervisors shall have been citizens of Maryland for at least five years, and residents of the City of Baltimore for at least one year prior to their nomination. The Mayor, in the appointment of said Supervisors, shall designate one of their number as President, and the Supervisors shall clect a Secretary, who shall be paid a salary of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly, and shall discharge such duties as the Supervisors shall prescribe. The said Supervisors shall serve without pay. They shall be appointed by the Mavor from among those whom he deems, by reason of their intelligence, experience and character, to be most capable of caring for the poor, economically, intelligently and humanely. In the selection of said Supervisors and in their action, in matters relating to the duties imposed upon them by law or ordinance, ecclesiastical or party ties shall not be regarded, so that the care of the poor may be entirely out of the field of political or religious differences and controversies. The duty of said Supervisors shall be to determine what sick, insane or other destitute persons are proper charges on the city, and to provide for the proper care of such persons, in so far as money may be appropriated for that purpose by the city. The Supervisors shall have the power to appoint and fix the compensation of such officials and subordinate employees as they may deem necessary for the proper conduct of the business entrusted to them, not to exceed in number of employees or aggregate amount in compensation the limit fixed by ordinance. The Supervisors shall report annually to the city upon all departments of their work, including the work of those institutions with which the city has contracted for the care of any poor persons, and they shall perform all the duties heretofore performed by the Trustees of the Poor unless otherwise provided in this Charter.