

of "the trustees of the poor of Howard county;" and by that name they may take and hold any gift, donation or present which shall be given, devised or bequeathed to them for the support and maintenance of the poor in said county, and may purchase and hold any lands, tenements and hereditaments not exceeding the yearly value of twenty-five hundred dollars.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 13, sec. 1.

7. They may use a common seal, and may change the same at their pleasure.

Ibid.

8. They shall have power and authority to make such laws, orders and rules for relieving, regulating and setting the poor to work, and punishing vagrants, vagabonds and other offenders, and for the good government of the almshouse in said county, as to them may seem proper.

Ibid.

9. They shall, under the penalty of fifty dollars each, make out and render to the county commissioners, at their first meeting in the month of March in each year, a statement of their accounts and expenditures, with the necessary vouchers, for the preceding year; which account shall be passed and settled by the said commissioners previous to making the appointment of trustees for the ensuing year.

Ibid.

10. They shall meet together at the almshouse in said county, on the first Monday of May, yearly, and at such other times as they shall judge necessary, and appoint a fit person to be overseer of the almshouse, and such other proper officers and servants as to them may seem necessary.

Ibid.

11. They shall pay said overseer a salary not exceeding the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum, and so *pro rata* during his continuance in office.

Ibid.

12. They may remove, at their pleasure, said overseer, and all other officers and servants appointed by them, and appoint others in their places.