

neglected to obey any of the rules and by-laws of said corporation, he may order such moderate and proper correction, not exceeding fifteen lashes for any one offence, to be given to such offender as the nature of the case may require.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 15, sec. 19.

20. Any of the trustees may, in writing, direct what poor shall be received into said almshouse.

Ibid. sec. 20.

21. Any justice of the peace for the said county, or any person authorized by him, may apprehend or cause to be apprehended and committed to said workhouse, any vagrants, vagabonds, beggars, and other idle, dissolute and disorderly persons found loitering or residing in said county, who follow no labor, trade or occupation, and have no visible means of subsistence, there to be kept at hard labor for any time not exceeding three months.

Ibid. sec. 21.

22. If any person shall sell or dispose of any strong liquor, or other matter or thing to, or purchase anything from, any inmate of said almshouse, he shall forfeit the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Ibid. sec. 22.

23. All sheriffs, constables, and other officers shall aid the said trustees and the officers employed by them, in the discharge of their respective duties.

Ibid. sec. 23.

24. If any person shall be sued or prosecuted for anything done by him in pursuance of this sub-title of this article, or anything therein contained, he may plead the general issue, and give the special matter in evidence for his defence, and if verdict be given for him, or the plaintiff be non-suited or discontinued, he shall recover treble costs; and if the plaintiff be unable to satisfy them, the attorney who brought or prosecuted the suit shall pay them, unless the plaintiff shall give security approved by the court for such costs.