in May in each year, a statement of their accounts and expenditures, with the necessary vouchers therefor; which accounts shall be examined, settled and passed by the commissioners at their discretion.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 10, sec. 27,

25. Each trustee shall be entitled to one dollar and twenty-five cents for each day he shall serve in the discharge of his duties, and six cents a mile for each mile his residence shall be distant from the almshouse.

Ibid. sec. 28.

26. All sheriffs, constables and other officers shall aid said trustees and all officers and servants appointed by them, in the discharge of their respective duties.

Ibid. sec. 29.

27. If any person shall be sued or prosecuted for any thing done in the execution and performance of any duty imposed by this sub-title of this article, or any matter or thing herein contained, he may plead the general issue, and give the special matter in evidence in his defence; and if upon trial, verdict shall be given for the defendant, or if the plaintiff be nonsuited or discontinue, the defendant shall recover treble costs; and if the plaintiff is unable to pay the same, they shall be paid by the attorney who brought or prosecuted the suit, unless the plaintiff shall give security for the costs. to be approved by the court.

AUDITOR.

1884, ch. 496.

28. The judges of the first judicial circuit, in which is embraced Dorchester county, and in the event of any change in said circuit, the judge or judges presiding over the circuit court for said county are authorized and directed to appoint a special auditor for the circuit court for said county, who shall be an expert book-keeper, whose duties shall be as specified in the two succeeding sections; such appointment shall be made biennially at the April term of said court, accounting from the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and the auditor so appointed shall hold over until his successor be duly appointed and qualified; and in event of the