

above obligation is such, that if the above bound A. B., as overseer or keeper of the alms or poor house in Frederick County, and manager of the farm connected therewith, shall well and truly discharge his duties in said station, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law."

SEC. 7. That if any keeper or overseer of said almshouse, or any officer thereof, shall neglect or refuse for the space of thirty days at the expiration of his term of office, or after being removed from his office to surrender and deliver up to his successor in office any property, money, books, or effects of any kind in his possession as such officer or member he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon indictment and conviction in a Court of Law, he shall be fined not less than One Thousand Dollars and imprisoned in the County Jail not less than two years; but nothing herein contained shall bar any civil suit that might be maintained for the recovery of such property, money, or effects.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duties of said County Commissioners of Frederick County, every three months, to advertise for sealed proposals for furnishing all supplies and provisions necessary for the support and maintenance of the inmates of the almshouse, and all persons committed to the jail of Frederick County, and for all fuel needed for said almshouse and jail and to award the contract or contracts therefor to the lowest responsible bidder, who shall give bond to said Commissioners in such penalty as they may prescribe, for the faithful performance of such contract or contracts, and no one of said Commissioners shall be allowed to be a bidder for any such contract, or be interested therein directly or indirectly, and they shall have full power to make such provisions for the maintenance and support of the inmates of said jail and almshouse as they may deem necessary until the contracts hereinbefore provided for can be made; provided that the successful bidder shall be held and obligated to furnish at the same rate and price any additional supplies of a like kind that may be needed by said Commissioners in excess of the amount advertised and bid for.

SEC. 9. That whenever there shall be no bid made for any of the supplies advertised for, the said Commissioners may procure the same by private purchase for and during the term for which said advertisement is made, to wit, the term of three months; provided, that such supplies shall not be directly or