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Accounts to be settled on oath—crop, &c.

9. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all accounts settled by the overseer of the poor with the trustees, shall be on oath (or affirmation,) that they are just and true; which oath, (or affirmation,) shall be administered by any one of the trustees; and the said overseer, shall, on the first Monday in April one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, and at the expiration of each and every year thereafter, return to the said trustees, on oath, (or affirmation,) a fair and regular account in writing, of all the stock, farming utensils and other things now remaining in his hands, or which may come to his hands as aforesaid, together with a statement of the crop and other articles made on the estate of the said poor-house, and an account of all the expenses and charges attending the maintenance and support of the poor in said poor-house, and of all monies received by him for the sales of the produce of their labor and otherwise; which said statements and accounts the trustees are hereby directed to lay before the levy court at their said annual meeting.

Meetings to be held—where.

10. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all the meetings of the said trustees for the poor necessary to be held for carrying into effect the provisions of this act, or of the original act to which this act is supplementary, shall be held at the court-house in the said county.

Clerk's fee.

11. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the clerk of the said levy court shall be allowed twenty-five cents for each certificate of appointment which he shall make out and deliver to the sheriff; and the sheriff shall be allowed fifty cents for the delivery of each of the said certificates to the persons appointed; all of which charges and allowances are to be levied, collected and paid over as other county charges are.

Trustees may sell & purchase other.

12. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the trustees so to be appointed by the levy court as aforesaid, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby fully authorised and empowered, if and whenever it shall seem to them advantageous, forthwith to sell at public or private sale, the lands and premises commonly called the poor-house lands, or by whatsoever other name or names the same may be known, belonging to the said county, and now used as a poor-house; and convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers in fee simple, by a good and sufficient deed of bargain and sale to be acknowledged and recorded according to law; and to apply the proceeds thereof to the purchase of such other land, not less than two hundred, nor more than five hundred acres, as they shall think most eligible, and to the building thereon or repairing if necessary, such house or houses, as they shall think most suitable for the accommodation of the poor of said county, and the balance, if any, to pay over to the said levy court, for the use of the said county.

May levy \$1000.

13. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the levy court of Worcester county are hereby authorised and empowered, to levy and assess on the assessable property of Worcester county, a sufficient sum of money not exceeding four thousand dollars, to satisfy and pay for any land or lands which shall or may be purchased by the trustees of the poor of Worcester county, agreeable to the provisions of the eleventh section of this act, and the same to have levied and collected as other county charges are; *Provided*, That not more than one thousand dollars shall be levied and collected in any one

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