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that is necessary by the said trustees, or their successors, for the purposes mentioned and intended by this act, and the act to which this is a supplement, exceeding two thousand dollars, together with the collector's commission of a sum of six per centum for collecting the same; which said rate or assessment as aforesaid to be assessed and levied, shall be collected by the collector of the county in the same manner, and at the same time, as the county rate is collected, and when so as aforesaid collected, shall be paid by the said collector to the said trustees, and their successors, who are hereby authorized and required to receive and apply the same to the uses and purposes herein after directed.

Trustees to purchase land, &c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the said trustees, and their successors, shall be and they are hereby authorized, directed and required, to purchase, in fee-simple, by the name aforesaid, a piece or quantity of land in the said county, not exceeding seven acres, and situate and being as near and as convenient as may be to the court-house of said county, and not exceeding seven miles therefrom, and to agree and contract with a workman or workmen to undertake, erect, build, and in a workman-like manner to complete and finish, on the said land, when so purchased, a good, strong, sufficient and convenient house, for the reception of the poor of the said county, and of such vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and offenders, as shall be committed thereto by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, and they shall appropriate one part thereof, to be called the almshouse, to and for the reception and lodging of the poor of the said county, and another part or parts thereof, to be called the work-house, and for the reception and lodging of all such vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and offenders, as shall be committed thereto by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement; and the aforesaid land and house shall be, and are hereby declared to be, vested in the said trustees, and their successors, for ever, for the uses and purposes by this act directed and expressed, and the act to which this is a supplement.

Draw on the collector, &c.

IX. And, to enable the said trustees to purchase the said land, to erect an almshouse and work-house thereon, and for other purposes mentioned and directed in this act, and the act to which this is a supplement, Be it enacted, That the said trustees, and their successors, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from time to time, as occasion may require, to draw upon the collector of the said county for all and any part of the money which shall or may be assessed, levied and collected, by virtue of this act, and the act to which this is a supplement, and which shall or may be or remain in the hands of the said collector.

And purchase beds, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That the said trustees, or the major part of them, shall and they are hereby authorized, directed and required, after the house aforesaid shall be completely erected and finished, to buy and purchase, for the use and employment of the poor of said county, and of the vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and offenders, who shall be committed thereto by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, beds, bedding, working tools, kitchen utensils, cow-horses, and other necessaries; to keep a fair, distinct and clear account in writing, of all the monies by them received and expended by virtue of this act, and the act to which this is a supplement, and to return a true copy thereof under oath, and shew and produce the vouchers to support the same, to the justices of the said county, at their May courts yearly, to be by the said justices inspected and examined; which said accounts shall be lodged with the clerk of the said court.

Justices to levy money, &c.

And be it enacted, That the justices of the said county shall and they are hereby authorized, directed and required, to assess and levy in the year or years next ensuing, a rate or assessment of a sum of money, not exceeding one hundred dollars, upon all the property in said county, to be collected and paid to the said trustees, or their successors, for the use and purposes herein before expressed, and the act to which this is a supplement; which said assessment shall be made,