

with six *per cent.* for collecting the same, to be collected and paid as other county levies are, which said money, when collected, shall be paid by the collector to the trustees of the poor, or to the order of them, or a majority of them, under their common seal, who are hereby authorised and required to receive and apply the same to and for the use, benefit and charge, of maintaining the poor, vagrants, beggars, vagabonds, and other offenders; in the purchasing provisions and other necessaries for their use and labour; for paying a doctor for his salary and medicines; in providing men and women servants to be under the direction of the overseer of such alms and work-house, hereafter directed to be appointed; for purchasing materials for the use and employment of all the poor, and all beggars, vagrants, vagabonds, and other offenders, who shall be able to work, and who shall be committed by virtue of this act.

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall and they are hereby authorised, directed and required, to meet together between the first and tenth day of April in each year, and at such other times as they shall think necessary, at the alms and work-house in the said county, during the continuance of this act, to appoint a fit person to be overseer of the said alms and work-house, and such other proper officers and servants as to them shall appear necessary and expedient, for carrying on the business of the said corporation; and they, or a majority of them, shall and may agree, and they are hereby empowered, to hire and pay the said overseer, out of the money levied and collected as aforesaid, a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars current money *per annum*, and so *pro rate* during his continuance in office, with sufficient eating, fire-wood, and house-room, for himself and family; but it is expressly understood, that his family is at no time to exceed four persons in number to be fed at the public expense; and shall then take bond, which the said overseer and any other overseer, hereafter to be appointed shall enter into, with good and sufficient securities, in the penalty of one thousand dollars current money, payable to the said trustees, and their successors, for the use of the poor, conditioned as follows, to wit: "The condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above bound A. B. as overseer of the alms and work house in Caroline county, shall well and truly discharge his duty in the said station, during his continuance therein, according to the directions of the act of assembly, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Caroline county, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law."

Meetings—Over-
seer—bond.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall meet at the alms and work-house in the said county, four times in the year, to wit: On the first Monday of April and July, and on the second Monday of October and January, and oftener if necessary, to make and ordain all such orders, rules and by-laws, as they shall think necessary for the better government and support of such alms and work-house, and also for the maintenance, support and employment, of all such poor persons as shall be taken under their care, and of all vagrants, beggars, vagabonds, and other offenders, that shall be committed thereto by virtue of this act, all which ordinances, rules and by-laws, shall be from time to time inviolably observed, by all persons concerned, according to the tenor and effect thereof.

Times of meeting