

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." Dec. Ses. 1817

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.

9. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall and they are hereby directed and empowered, to remove such overseer, and all other officers to be by them appointed in pursuance of this act, at their discretion, and to choose others in their place. May remove overseer

10. *And be it enacted*, That the said overseer shall keep a fair and regular list of all poor, and of all beggars, vagrants, vagabonds, and other offenders, who shall be placed in, or committed to the said alms and work-house, and shall also, upon oath or affirmation, deliver a fair and regular account, in writing, of all materials and other things coming into his hands as overseer aforesaid, and of all expenses and charges attending their maintenance and support, and of all monies received by him from the sale of the produce of their labour, and otherwise as overseer aforesaid, and shall lay the said lists, statements and accounts, before the said trustees, or a majority of them, at their meetings at the times by this act directed, or oftener if by them required. Overseer to keep a list of the poor &c.

11. *And be it enacted*, That the overseer may compel and oblige any of the said poor, beggars, vagrants, vagabonds, and other offenders, in the said alms and work-house, if of sufficient ability, to work and labour, and the produce of their labour he is hereby directed and empowered to sell, and apply the money arising from such sale towards their maintenance and support. May compel them to work

12. *And be it enacted*, That upon complaint made that any person, from his or her disorderly conduct, gives disturbance to his or her neighbours, and is likely to become chargeable to said county, it shall and may be lawful for any justice of the peace of said county, if upon hearing the party he shall judge the complaint to be well founded, to commit such disorderly person residing within said county to the said work-house, for any time not exceeding three months, unless he or she shall find security at the discretion of the aforesaid justice of the peace, in any sum not exceeding thirty dollars, for his or her good behaviour for six months, and also upon complaint and due proof made by the overseer of said alms and work-house, to any one of the trustees, that any, and in Disorderly persons may be committed to work-house