

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

act shall not affect the remedy of the trustees or guardians of the said John Donaghy, for any claims which may remain unsatisfied, for lawful services and expenses performed and incurred, and the maintenance and support of the said John Donaghy, during his minority.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 289.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor, in the county of Fayette," passed the second of April, eighteen hundred and twenty-two.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the directors of the poor and of the house of employment, for the county of Fayette, shall and they are hereby required to meet at said house of employment, at least once in every month, and oftener if need be; they shall be allowed, for each day necessarily employed in attendance upon the duties of their office, the sum of one dollar: *Provided,* That no director shall receive more than thirty dollars in any one year.

Regular meetings
of directors.

Compensation.

Pay.

Duties of justices
of the peace.

SECTION 2. That the justices of the peace in the county of Fayette, granting orders of removal to the said house of employment, or for relief of any paupers, shall state in the same, at whose instance the warrant or order is issued, and that the same was granted upon oath or affirmation of some one whom they shall name; and said justices shall make an examination touching the settlement of said alleged paupers, his or her residence, formerly, and circumstances of such persons as shall be before them, or may be brought before them, by process issued by them for that purpose, touching the settlement of said pauper, his condition and circumstances, and reduce the same to writing, together with such other matters as may be adduced, to found said warrant or order upon; and having duly certified the same, under their hands and seals, transmit, or cause the same to be done forthwith, to the directors of the said poor and house of employment of the county of Fayette, without fee or reward.

Oaths, &c.

SECTION 3. That the board of directors aforesaid, be authorized to administer oaths and affirmations, and take the examinations of paupers and others, in matters pertaining to their official duties.

Removal of pau-
pers.

SECTION 4. That in all cases where it becomes necessary to remove more than one person of the same family at the same time, to the poor

house in said county, the justices shall include all the said paupers in one order, and charge for one order only; and when more than one pauper is removed to the poor house at the same time, by one person, mileage shall be allowed for one person only, with reasonable charges.

SECTION 5. That when an order or warrant of removal or relief of any pauper is obtained, it shall be the duty of the person obtaining the same, within a reasonable time, not exceeding ten days thereafter, to deliver the same, or cause it to be done, to the steward, or some one of the directors of the poor house; and in case of neglect to do so, the directors may refuse to pay any charges or expenses incurred for, or on behalf of such pauper; and in no case shall the directors be required to pay any charges or expenses, except those actually necessary to be incurred, before said pauper can be removed to the poor house, or notice can be given to the steward or directors as aforesaid; and when an order of removal has issued during the life-time of a person who dies before he or she is removed, the directors shall pay the funeral and other reasonable expenses.

Notice to be given to directors, on an order of removal.

SECTION 6. That it shall be the duty of the board of directors for the county of Fayette, to examine into the claims of such person or persons as may demand relief, or be removed to the poor house from any part of said county; and also into the claims of such persons as may have given aid, or rendered services for said alleged pauper, and which shall be exhibited to the said board, or any one of said directors; and if, upon investigation by said board, of such claims, it shall be of opinion that such person is not entitled to relief, or such claim or claims are not proper to be allowed, it may refuse to permit such person to have the relief claimed, or the claim or claims for aid or services may be rejected; all which proceedings said board shall cause to be entered on the book of minutes of said board; and from its decision, the party aggrieved may appeal by petition, to the court of quarter sessions of the peace for said county, which is hereby authorized to cause said proceedings to be certified to it, and to determine the same as it may deem just and reasonable, after due notice to the opposite party; and if required by either party, or their attorney, the court shall reduce its opinion upon any point of law arising in the case, to writing, and file the same, upon which either party may sue out a writ of error, on giving bail, and making the necessary affidavit, as in cases of writs of error to the courts of common pleas.

Directors to examine into claims of persons for relief.

SECTION 7. That the notice to be given to the overseers of the poor, by the thirteenth section of the act of the thirteenth June, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act relating to the support and employment of the poor," shall be given to the directors of the poor house, or any one of them, in the county of Fayette; and that the said board of directors be and are hereby invested with the several powers and duties given to and imposed upon the overseers of the poor, by the fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-ninth, and thirty-first sections of said act, with like powers to carry the provisions of the same into effect, in the county of Fayette, as the overseers by said act might or ought to do.

Further powers and duties.

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