

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

SECTION 3. That so much of the fifth and eighth sections of the act to which this is a supplement, passed on the ninth day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, as is hereby altered or supplied, be and the same is hereby repealed.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-second day of April, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 345.

A N A C T

For the erection of a house for the support of the poor in the county of Mifflin; authorizing the overseers of the poor of Lycoming county to sell certain property belonging to Walter Potts, an insane pauper; relative to the boundary line between the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware; to elections in Philadelphia county; and to holding courts in Juniata county, and to taking excessive interest from the Bank of Lewistown.

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 Samuel W. Taylor, Isaiah Coplan, Samuel Barr, James Creswell and David Jenkins, all of the county of Mifflin, be and are hereby appointed commissioners whose duty it shall be, or a majority of them, on or before the first day of August, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, to determine upon and purchase such real estate as they shall deem necessary for the accommodation of the poor of Mifflin county; and it shall be lawful for said commissioners, or a majority of them, to take conveyances therefor, in the name and for the use of the corporation mentioned in the third section of this act, and they shall certify their proceedings therein under their hands and seals to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county of Mifflin, to be filed in his office; and at the next general election the qualified electors of Mifflin county, shall elect three reputable citizens of said county to be directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of Mifflin for the ensuing year, in the following manner, to wit: the townships of Armagh, Brown, Union and Meno shall elect one person who shall serve three years; the townships of Wayne, Oliver, Granville, Derry, Decatur, the borough of M'Veytown and the borough of Newton Hamilton, shall elect one person who shall serve for two years, and the borough of Lewistown shall elect one person who shall serve one year, and annually thereafter, one person shall be elected to serve for three years, said election to take place in the district where a vacancy

Commissioners.

Election of directors of the poor.

shall occur by the expiration of the term of office; and the judges of the election of said county shall immediately on receiving the returns from the several election districts, and casting up the number of votes therein, or within three days thereafter, certify under their hands and seals the names of the persons so elected directors, to the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of said county, who shall file the said certificate in his office, and forthwith give notice in writing to the said directors of their being elected; and said directors shall meet at the court house in Lewistown, on the first Monday of November next ensuing their election, to transact business.

SECTION 2. Every director elected in manner aforesaid, or appointed as is directed by the eleventh section of this act, shall within ten days after he is notified of such election or appointment, and before he enters upon the duties of the said office, take an oath or affirmation which shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions, which any justice of the peace of said county is hereby authorized to administer, that he will discharge the duties of the office of director of the poor for the said county, truly, faithfully and impartially to the best of his knowledge and ability; and in case of neglect or refusal to take the oath or affirmation within the time aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars for the use of the poor of said county, which fine shall be recovered by the directors for the time being, as debts are or shall be by law recoverable; and the directors qualified as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to administer an oath or affirmation in any case when it shall be necessary, in relation to the duties of their office.

SECTION 3. The said directors shall forever hereafter, in name and in fact, be one body politic and corporate in law, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, relative to the poor of the county of Mifflin, and shall have perpetual succession, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, by the name, style and title of "The directors of the poor and of the house of employment for the county of Mifflin," and by that name shall and may receive, take and hold any lands, tenements and hereditaments, not exceeding the yearly value of ten thousand dollars; and any goods and chattels whatsoever, of gift, alienation or bequest of any person or persons whatsoever; to purchase, take and hold any lands and tenements within their county, in fee simple or otherwise, and erect suitable buildings for the reception, use and accommodation of the poor of said county; to provide all things necessary for the lodging, maintenance and employment of said poor; to appoint a treasurer annually, who shall give bond with full and sufficient surety for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office; and at the expiration thereof, for the payment and delivery over to his successors in office, all moneys, bonds, notes, book accounts, and other papers to the said corporation belonging, which shall then be remaining in his hands, custody and possession; and said directors shall have power to employ, and at pleasure remove a steward or stewards, matron or matrons, physician or physicians, surgeon or surgeons, and all other attendants that may be necessary for the said poor respectively; to bind out apprentices, so that such apprenticeship may expire, if males, at or before the age of twenty-one, if females, at or before the age of eighteen years, such poor children as shall come under their notice, or as may now be bound apprentices by the overseers of the poor: *Provided*, That no child shall be bound at a greater distance than thirty miles from the poor house, and to have not less than three months' schooling in each and every year; and the said directors shall exercise and enjoy all such other powers now vested in the overseers of the poor as are not herein granted or supplied; and

Take oath.

Incorporate.

Style.

Powers.

Hold lands.

Treasurer to give bond.

Bind out apprentices.

Age.

the said directors are hereby empowered to use one common seal in all business relating to said corporation, and at their pleasure to alter and renew the same.

Estimate of expense to be made out by the directors.

Increase of county tax.

SECTION 4. The said directors, as soon as may be after their election and organization as aforesaid, shall make an estimate of the probable expense of purchasing the lands and buildings, or erecting the necessary building or buildings, and furnishing the same, and maintaining the poor within the said county for one year; whereupon the county commissioners of the said county shall and they are hereby authorized and required to increase the county tax by one-fourth part of the sum necessary for the purpose aforesaid, and shall procure on loan on the credit of the taxes herein directed to be levied, the remaining three-fourths thereof, to be paid in instalments with interest out of the county taxes: *Provided always*, That not more than one-fourth of the whole amount of the sum necessary for the purpose aforesaid, shall be added to the county tax annually thereafter to be paid by the county treasurer to the directors aforesaid, on orders drawn in their favor by the county commissioners, as the same may be found necessary.

Annual estimate of expenses.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the said directors, on or before the first day of November in each and every year after the poor house shall have been completed, to furnish the commissioners of said county with an estimate of the probable expense of the poor and poor house for one year; and it shall be the duty of said commissioners to assess and cause to be collected the amount of said estimate, which shall be paid to said directors by the county treasurer, on warrants drawn in their favor by the county commissioners, as the same may be found necessary; and the said directors shall at least once in every year render an account of all moneys by them received and expended to the auditors elected to audit and settle the county accounts, subject to the same penalties, and rules, and regulations as are by law directed respecting the accounts of the county commissioners; and shall at least once in every year lay before the court of quarter sessions and grand jury of said county, a list of the number, age and sex of the persons maintained and employed in the house of employment, or supported or assisted by them elsewhere, and of the children by them bound out to apprenticeship as aforesaid, with the name of their masters or mistresses, and their trade, occupation or calling; and shall at all times, when thereunto required, submit to the inspection and free examination of such visitors as shall from time to time be appointed by the court of quarter sessions of the said county, all their books and accounts, together with the rents, interest and moneys payable and receivable by the said corporation; and also an account of all sales, purchases, donations, devises, and bequests as shall have been made by or to them: *Provided*, That no director shall sell or dispose of any article or articles to the said poor house during the time he shall serve as director thereof, nor be a contractor for erecting buildings.

Notice to be given to the overseers of the poor of the several townships, to bring the poor.

SECTION 6. As soon as the said building shall have been erected or purchased, and all necessary accommodations provided therein, notice shall be sent, signed by any two of the said directors, to the overseers of the several boroughs and townships of the said county of Mifflin, requiring them forthwith to bring the poor of their respective boroughs and townships to said house of employment; which order the overseers are hereby enjoined and required to comply with, or otherwise to forfeit the cost of all future maintenance, except in cases when by sickness or any other sufficient cause, any poor person cannot be removed; in which case the said overseers shall represent the same to the nearest justice of the peace, who being satisfied of the truth thereof, shall certify the same to the said directors, and at the said time issue an order,

under his hand and seal, to the said overseers, directing them to maintain such poor until such times as he or she may be in a situation to be removed, and then convey the said pauper, and deliver him or her to the steward or keeper of the said house of employment, together with the said order; and the charge and expense of such temporary relief, and of such removal, shall be paid by the said directors, at a reasonable allowance.

SECTION 7. The said directors shall from time to time receive, provide for and employ, according to the true intent and meaning of this act, all such poor and indigent persons as shall be entitled to relief, or shall have gained a legal settlement in said county of Mifflin, and shall be sent there by an order or warrant for that purpose, under the hands and seals of any two justices of the peace, directed to any constable of the said county of Mifflin, or to the overseers of the proper township in any other county of this commonwealth; and the said directors are hereby authorized, when they shall deem it proper and convenient to do so, to permit any poor person or persons to be maintained elsewhere: *Provided*, The expense of their maintenance does not in any case exceed that for which they could be maintained at the poor house of the said county of Mifflin.

SECTION 8. The said directors, or any two of them, who shall be a quorum in all cases to do business, shall have full power to make and ordain such ordinances, rules and regulations as they shall think proper, convenient and necessary for the direction, government and support of the poor and house of employment aforesaid, and of the revenues thereunto belonging, and of all such persons as shall come under their cognizance: *Provided*, The same be not repugnant to this law, or any of the laws of this state or of the United States: *And provided also*, That the same shall not have any force or effect until they shall have been submitted to the court of common pleas for the time being of the county of Mifflin, and shall have received the approbation of the same.

SECTION 9. The said directors, or either of them, shall have full power and authority to administer oaths or affirmations to all persons residing in the said house of employment, or becoming chargeable to the said county, touching their place of legal settlement; and in case such poor person or persons shall refuse to take the said oath or affirmation, or shall refuse to answer such questions as shall be asked by the said directors, touching and relating to said settlements, the said directors may withhold all further relief from such poor person or persons, until he or she or they shall consent to take such oath or affirmation, and answer all such questions as aforesaid; and the said board of directors, or a majority of them, in addition to the powers hereinbefore granted, are authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations in all cases whatever relating to their official duties.

SECTION 10. A quorum of said directors shall, and they are hereby enjoined and required to meet at the said house of employment at least once in every month, and visit the apartments and see that the poor are comfortably supported; and hear all complaints, and redress or cause to be redressed all grievances that may happen by the neglect or misconduct of any person or persons in their employment or otherwise.

SECTION 11. In case of any vacancy by death, resignation or otherwise, of any of said directors, the remaining directors shall fill such vacancy by the appointment of a citizen of the district in which such vacancy may occur, under the same penalty as is provided by the second section of this act, to serve until the next general election, when another director shall be elected to serve as if no such vacancy had happened.

SECTION 12. The said directors shall each of them receive for their services, annually, the sum of twenty dollars, to defray the expenses of the necessary attendance on the duties of their office.

SECTION 13. All claims and demands existing at the time of this act being carried into effect, shall have full force and effect as if this act had not passed; and when the same may have been duly adjusted and settled, all moneys remaining in the hands of the overseers, as well as the uncollected taxes levied for the support of the poor in the several boroughs and townships in the county of Mifflin, shall be paid over to the treasurer of the poor house, to be applied to the maintenance and support of the poor; and as soon as the poor of the county of Mifflin shall have been removed to the house of employment of said county, and the outstanding taxes collected and paid over, the office of overseer of the poor within the said county shall from thenceforth be abolished.

SECTION 14. The powers conferred and the duties imposed on the overseers of the poor in and by an act to empower the overseers and guardians of the poor, in the several townships within this commonwealth, to recover certain fines, penalties and forfeitures, and for other purposes, are hereby conferred and imposed on the supervisors of the highways in the said county of Mifflin; and that the justices of the peace and sheriff within the said county, are hereby required and enjoined to pay to the said supervisors, to be by them applied to the repair of the highways, the aforesaid fines, forfeitures and penalties, within the time and in the manner prescribed by the said act, for the payment thereof in other counties to the overseers of the poor, and to give notice of the receipt thereof to the said supervisors within the time and in the manner aforesaid; and for any neglect or refusal to perform any of the duties enjoined on them by the said act, the said justices of the peace and sheriff in the said county shall be subject to all fines, penalties and forfeitures to which the justices and sheriffs in other counties by the said act are subject or liable.

SECTION 15. The commissioners of said county are hereby authorized and empowered to pay to the directors a reasonable compensation for their services during the term they are employed in erecting any building or buildings aforesaid: *Provided*, The same shall not, including the annual sum allowed them by this act, exceed fifty dollars in any one year.

SECTION 16. So much of the laws of this commonwealth relating to the poor, as are by this act altered or supplied, be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as they affect the county of Mifflin.

SECTION 17. That the sheriff of the said county shall in due time notify the said commissioners of their appointment, and when and where they shall meet for entering upon the duties assigned them by this act, which place of meeting shall be as near the centre of the county as possible.

SECTION 18. It is hereby enjoined and made the duty of the sheriff of the county of Mifflin, to cause this act to be published in all the papers in Mifflin county, for three successive weeks immediately after its passage.

SECTION 19. The poor house farm now owned by the borough of Lewistown shall be sold by the burgess and town council of said borough, as soon after the erection of the county poor house as the same can be conveniently done; and upon the contract for the sale being approved by a resolution of the burgess and town council, the chief burgess is hereby authorized and required to make a deed to the purchaser thereof, attested by the corporate seal of said borough; and the proceeds arising from the sale of said farm, and the personal property belonging

to the same, shall be paid into the borough treasury, for the general purposes of said borough.

SECTION 20. That it shall be lawful hereafter for any person or persons to institute and prosecute suit or suits, in the name of the Bank of Lewistown, for the use of the person or persons thus bringing such suit or suits, against any person or persons who have hitherto taken excessive interest from said bank; and if any recovery shall be had in any such suit or suits, such money shall be to the sole use of the person or persons prosecuting such suit or suits.

SECTION 21. That it shall be lawful for the overseers of the poor of the township of Lycoming, in the county of Lycoming, to grant, bargain and sell, at public sale, any part or the whole of any lands, tenements or hereditaments owned by, or in which Walter Potts, an insane pauper on said township, has any title or interest; and to make, execute and deliver to any purchaser of the said real estate, his heirs and assigns, a deed or deeds for the same, granting and conveying all the estate, right, title and interest, property, claim and demand of the said Walter Potts, of, into or out of such real estate, in the commonwealth: *Provided nevertheless*, That before making any such sale, the overseers of the poor aforesaid shall make application, in writing, to the court of common pleas of the county in which such real estate is situated, for an order to sell the same, and shall give security to be approved by the court, for the faithful appropriation of the money received by them, arising out of any sale to be made; which application and order of the said court, and return of sale, shall be entered of record in the office for recording deeds in and for said county, in case the said court shall approve of and confirm said sale.

Overseers of the poor of Lycoming county authorized to sell certain real estate owned by Walter Potts, an insane pauper.

SECTION 22. WHEREAS, The boundary line between the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware has never been surveyed and *marked* since the separation of the three low-land counties now forming the state of Delaware, from the province of Pennsylvania; all knowledge of its location up to the present time being dependent entirely upon vague and conflicting traditions:

And whereas, This uncertainty of the exact location of the line is a source of great inconvenience and loss, as well to the public as to individuals owning lands upon or near the same; creating difficulties in the assessment and collection of taxes, and rendering titles derived from judicial proceedings unsafe; throwing obstacles in the way of the purchase and sale of real estate, and the loaning and borrowing of money thereon; and by these means retarding the improvement of lands in the vicinity of the said boundary; therefore,

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 governor of this commonwealth be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a commissioner to act in conjunction with a commissioner appointed, or to be appointed by the state of Delaware, with power to survey and determine the said line, from the point of junction of the boundary lines of the states of Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland, to the river Delaware, and to fix suitable marks or monuments of stone or iron thereupon; the first monument to be set up and fixed at the distance of twelve English statute miles, measured horizontally, from the centre of the circle forming the said boundary line, and at the distance of one-quarter of a mile from the stone set up and fixed by Mason and Dixon, in the year seventeen hundred and sixty-five, at the point of junction aforesaid; and which point of junction was re-marked with a new stone by the commissioners of the state of Pennsylvania, Delaware and

Preamble.

Governor of this commonwealth authorized to appoint a commissioner to act in conjunction with a similar commissioner from the state of Delaware, to survey and determine the point of intersection of the boundary lines between said states.

ware and Maryland, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine; and the remaining monuments to be set up and fixed at the distance of twelve English statute miles, measured horizontally, from the centre of the circle aforesaid, and one-quarter of a mile apart, upon the curved line thus produced and ascertained, if the same can be conveniently placed, or at such other points and distances apart, upon the curved line aforesaid, as they may deem most proper, whereby the line of boundary between the said states may be hereafter indicated; and when the line of boundary so surveyed and marked shall have been approved on the part of the state of Pennsylvania, by the governor and a majority of the senate thereof, and on the part of the state of Delaware, in such manner as shall be determined by the legislature thereof, then the said line of boundary so surveyed, produced, ascertained and marked, shall forever thereafter be deemed and taken to be the dividing line of boundary between the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware.

SECTION 23. That it shall be lawful for any person or persons, body politic and corporate, his, her or their agent or attorney, who may own or have any interest in or claim to, upon or against any lands and tenements heretofore supposed to lie and be within the limits of the state of Delaware, and which shall be found by the survey and confirmation thereof authorized in the preceding section of this act, to lie and be within the limits of the state of Pennsylvania, at any time within three years from and after the confirmation of said survey and report, as provided in the first section of this act, to procure copies duly certified and authenticated according to the laws of the state of Delaware, of all deeds, conveyances, assurances, agreements, or other instruments of writing, affecting or in anywise relating to any of said lands and tenements or the titles thereof, and which shall have been duly recorded in the proper office for recording like papers or instruments within the county of New Castle, in the state of Delaware, and have the same recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in the county within this state in which the same shall be found as aforesaid to lie and be situate; and it is hereby made the duty of the recorder of deeds of said last mentioned county or counties, to receive and record the same on the payment of the usual fees for like services; and when so recorded the same shall have the like force and efficacy, validity and effect as if the same had been originally therein recorded, at the time the same were recorded in the state of Delaware; and copies duly certified and authenticated of such records so made within this state, shall be evidence in all cases and for all purposes for which the original papers or instruments, or copies of the original record thereof would be evidence in this state, and as if such record hereby authorized had been made from the original papers themselves.

Certified copies
of mortgages,
judgments, &c.,
in the county of
New Castle,
may be trans-
ferred, &c.

SECTION 24. That copies certified and authenticated in the manner required in the preceding section, of all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, or other liens or debts of record which shall be outstanding and *subsisting* at the time of such transfer in the county of New Castle, in the state of Delaware, and binding or affecting any of lands and tenements hereinbefore mentioned, had the same been within the limits of the said state, may be transferred to and recorded, or entered of record, in the proper office in any county in this state within which such lands and tenements shall be found to lie, by the proper officer on any party in interest, his, her or their agent or attorney, presenting the same for record or entry within three years from and after the confirmation of said survey and report, as prescribed in the first section of this act, and on payment of the fees allowed by law for similar services; the proper officer to whom they are so offered for entry or record shall enter and

record the same, and such entry or record when so made shall relate back to the date of their original entry, and be of the like force and effect as if originally made in said county in this state; and copies thereof shall be evidence in the same manner and under the same restrictions as are mentioned and prescribed in the preceding section of this act.

SECTION 25. That all titles to lands along said line at any time heretofore sold under execution, issued out of any of the courts of the state of Delaware, or upon proceedings in partition in any of the said courts, or by virtue of any order or orders of any of the said courts, which lands shall be found to lie and be within the limits of the state of Pennsylvania, shall be deemed and taken to be good and valid to all intents and purposes, as if the said lands had been found to lie within the limits of the state of Delaware.

Titles to lands deemed and taken to be good, &c.

SECTION 26. Upon the concurrence of the state of Delaware with the provisions of this act, it shall be lawful for the parties in interest to proceed, and prosecute, and bring to a final determination any suit or other proceeding now pending and unfinished in any of the courts of the county of New Castle, in the state of Delaware, affecting or concerning any of the aforesaid lands and tenements; and a copy or copies duly authenticated of the record of such suit or proceeding when determined and finished, shall and may in like manner be placed on record in the proper court of the county in which such lands and tenements are found to lie, and be located, and with like effect, as though such suit or proceeding were had and prosecuted in the respective courts of the proper county in this commonwealth; and the courts of the proper county are hereby authorized to aid and give effect to such pending suit or proceeding by any process, order, decree or proceeding necessary to carry out the design and intent of this act; and the courts and officers having charge of records of this commonwealth, are hereby authorized and required in like manner as is hereby provided in the case of lands found to lie within the limits of this state, to finish and determine all suits and proceedings therein, and to make, authenticate and furnish to the parties in interest, a copy or copies of all such records and proceedings relating to or affecting lands that may found to lie within the limits of the state of Delaware, upon the payment of the fees and costs usual in such cases: *Provided*, That in either case the suits and proceedings aforesaid, shall be conducted and determined in accordance with the laws of the state in which the same were instituted and are now pending.

Unfinished suits and proceedings in the several courts, relative to.

SECTION 27. That the governor of this commonwealth be and he is authorized and requested to procure for the proper authorities of the state of Maryland, authenticated and certified copies of all original official documents now being in the archives of said state, relating to the original settlement of the boundaries between the then provinces of Pennsylvania and Maryland, excepting in cases wherein the original counterparts of any of said documents are now to be found in the archives of this commonwealth; and to cause the same, together with the report and accompanying documents and maps of the commissioner hereby authorized, and the report and accompanying documents and maps of the commissioner appointed pursuant to the fourteenth section of the act of the tenth of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the organization of the courts of justice,' passed the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four," to be deposited among the archives of this state, in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth; and the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so

Governor authorized to procure from the state of Maryland, certified copies of all original official accounts, &c.

much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this act, the accounts being first audited and adjusted by the auditor general and state treasurer, in the manner directed in like cases by existing laws.

Election of collector of state and county taxes in the county of Philadelphia, relative to.

SECTION 28. That the qualified electors of the several wards and townships in the county of Philadelphia, shall, at their next ward and township elections, and annually thereafter, at the ward elections, elect a collector of state and county taxes; and the person so elected shall be a resident of the ward for which he is elected: *Provided*, Said collectors elected as aforesaid, shall give security to be approved by the county commissioners, and that all vacancies shall be filled as now directed by law.

Courts in Juniata county, to be holden on first Monday in September.

SECTION 29. That the several courts of September term in and for the county of Juniata, shall hereafter be holden on the first Monday of September; and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 346.

AN ACT

For the erection of a poor house in Wayne county.

Commissioners.

Duties.

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 William H. Dimmick, Buckley Beardslee, Gaylord Russell, Amory Prescott, Daniel Blanden, William F. Wood, Phineas Arnold, John Kelly, R. L. Seely, Samuel E. Dimmick, Russell F. Lord, Thomas H. R. Tracy, Theodore Groves, Ruel Hoadley, Zenos H. Russell and Josiah Cole, all of Wayne county, be and are hereby appointed commissioners, whose duty it shall be, or a majority of them, on or before the first day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, to determine upon and purchase such real estate as they shall deem necessary for the accommodation of the poor of Wayne county; and it shall be lawful for said commissioners, or a majority of them, to take conveyances therefor in the name and for the use of the corporation mentioned in the third section of this act; and they shall