

said vice president is hereby authorized to convene the board as action may require, and to preside at all meetings of the board, and to execute for and in the name of the board of trustees all contracts, deeds, leases, mortgages and other instruments which shall be required to be executed by said board.

16. SEC. 5. That the board of trustees shall elect or appoint, as soon after their election as practicable, from their own number, a secretary and treasurer, and may also appoint such other officers or agents as the said board may from time to time deem expedient; the proceedings, orders and acts of four of the trustees for the time being, but not of a less number, except to fill a vacancy, shall be valid and effectual in law.

Election of other officers.

17. SEC. 6. That the board of trustees shall devote the property held by said board, real and personal, and the income thereof, to the purposes of the association, society or club, and to no other purpose whatever; and so long as the officers of the said association, society or club shall so expend the same, the board of trustees shall pay over to the said officers the income of the property, real and personal, of the association, society or club; in the discharge of the duties of the board of trustees, it may, in its discretion, constitute the finance, auditing, executive committee, or other committee having charge of the finances of the said association, society or club, its agents for the repairs, renting and collection of the rents of the property of the association, society or club, or of the property held by the said board of trustees for the use of the said association, society or club.

Duties of board as to the property of corporation.

18. SEC. 7. That any such association, society or club availing itself of the benefits of this act and having at that time property, real or personal, shall convey and assign the same to the board of trustees constituted by authority of this act to be held by the said board of trustees for the use of the said association, society or club, in the same manner and with the same powers and duties in regard thereto as are provided in section two of this act.

Societies organizing under this act to transfer property to trustees.

An act to authorize societies, clubs or associations having for its object the promotion or artistic taste in general, and of vocal music in particular, to take, hold, purchase, transfer, mortgage and convey real and personal estate.

Approved June 13, 1890.

P. L. 1890, p. 442.

19. SEC. 1. That it shall and may be lawful for any club, association or society heretofore incorporated or which may be hereafter incorporated under the laws of this state, having for its object the promotion of artistic taste in general, and of vocal music in particular, by the practice and performance of sacred and secular music, to take by purchase, devise or otherwise, and to hold, transfer, mortgage and convey such real and personal estate as shall be necessary or useful for the purposes of the corporation; *provided*, that no such corporation shall at any time hold real property, the value of which shall exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

Societies for promoting artistic taste and vocal music may hold real and personal estate.

Proviso.

20. Sec. 2. That all acts or parts of acts, general, special, public or private, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Repealer.

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An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers.

P. L. 1866, p. 955.

Approved April 4, 1866.

Appointment of managers.

Term of office.

Powers and duties of board of managers.

1. That Marcus L. Ward, Daniel Haines, Charles S. Olden, Edwin A. Stevens, William A. Newell, and Rynear H. Veghte, be and they are hereby appointed managers of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers, and shall hold their offices for the term of five years and until others are appointed in their stead; subject to removal by the supreme court, on the recommendation of the governor; their successors shall be appointed by the supreme court at the first term of any year; and the said court may at any time fill vacancies in the said board of managers.

2. That the government of the said home shall be vested in the said board of managers, who shall have the general direction and control of all the property and concerns of the institution, and make by-laws, rules, and regulations for the management of the same, and determine the compensation, duties and term of services of its officers and of other persons employed therein, subject to the approval of the governor; the said managers shall receive no compensation for their services, but their actual traveling expenses shall be paid to them by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller; and no judge, court, or clerk shall receive any compensation for any service done under this act; and it shall be the duty of the said board of managers to take all necessary measures to secure to the patients a suitable and comfortable home, with clothing and subsistence, and necessary medical and surgical attendance; and the expenses thereof not exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars in any one year shall be paid by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller, on accounts rendered to him by the board, accompanied with an abstract of all the expenditures and the vouchers therefor duly verified; and they may take and hold in trust for the state any grant, lease, or demise of land, and any donation or bequest of any money or chattels for the use of said home.

3. [Amended by Sec. 22, *post.*]

4. [Amended by Sec. 23, *post.*]

5. [Amended by Sec. 24, *post.*]

Notice for admission of patients.

6. That as soon as the said home shall be ready for the admission of patients, the said board of managers shall cause notice thereof to be published, and also to be sent to the clerk of each county, who shall forthwith transmit a copy thereof to each overseer of each township in their respective counties; and circulars shall accompany the notices to the clerks and overseers of the poor, giving all necessary directions and information respecting the admission and support of the patients.

7. [Amended by Secs. 16 and 25, *post.*]

Patient admitted to receive benefits.

8. That the patient so admitted, shall be entitled to all the benefits of the said home; and be furnished with clothing, subsistence, medical and surgical attendance, and with whatever may be suitable and necessary to promote his health and contribute to his comfort in accordance with the rules and regulations; but he may be rejected or removed by resolution of the board for want of such qualifications for admission, on his being restored to the ability to promote his own support or for neglect to comply with the terms of his said agreement, or for gross immorality or insubordination.

Managers may grant relief.

9. That the said board may by resolution admit any person as a patient who shall prove to their satisfaction such qualifications, and make in writing such statement and agreement, and they may grant temporary relief to any disabled soldier who in their judgment is necessitous and worthy of relief.

Out-patients may be relieved by board.

10. That the said board may in their discretion grant relief to persons as out-patients who have some but not sufficient means for comfortable support, with the necessary care and attendance, can with such relief be

more properly provided for in their private residences ; but no such relief shall be granted except upon the proof of the qualifications, and inability of the applicant mentioned in the seventh section of this act, and also of the circumstances of himself and of his family relations, and the relief so granted shall in no case exceed two-thirds of the average cost of each patient at the said home.

11. That the salaries and allowances to the officers of the said home shall be paid by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller on rendering their accounts approved by the said board. Salaries, how paid.

12. That the said managers shall visit the said home ; one of them at least once in every two weeks, and the said board once at least in every three months ; and they and each of them shall at all times have access to the said home and to every part thereof, and to every patient in it, and to all the books, records, accounts, vouchers, and papers of every kind pertaining to the same, and the free and full inspection and examination thereof, and they shall keep a book of minutes of their proceedings, and a book in which shall be entered the date of each visit, the condition of the patients, and remarks of the condition and management of the home, to be signed by each of the managers present, and the said board shall make their annual report to the governor on or before the fifteenth day of December in each year. Managers to visit, how.

Supplement.

Approved April 9, 1867. P. L. 1867, p. 824.

13. SEC. 1. That in cases where the commandant of the home deems it advisable, soldiers from other states who may come to the home in distress, and soldiers of our own state whose disability may date subsequent to their service in the army, may have temporary admittance and entertainment at the home. Soldiers from other states may have temporary admission.

14. SEC. 2. That men who were not residents of the state when they enlisted, but were disabled while serving in a New Jersey regiment or in the navy, being accredited to the state, may be admitted as beneficiaries of the home. All accredited to this state may be admitted.

15. SEC. 3. That the use of the home as a hospital is permitted in cases requiring surgical treatment or operations, considered suitable by the commandant and where payment of expenses is guaranteed ; *provided*, that in no instance shall any patient be admitted under this section who is afflicted with any contagious or infectious disease, or to the exclusion of any soldier entitled under the provisions of the act. When home may be used as a hospital.

An act to amend section seven of the act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers," approved April fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, also providing an additional appropriation for the support of the home provided for by the said act.

Approved March 24, 1865. P. L. 1865, p. 126.

16. SEC. 1. [Amended by Sec. 25, *post*.]

17. SEC. 2. [Executed.]

Supplement.

Approved March 26, 1866. P. L. 1866, p. 124.

18. SEC. 1. That Rynier H. Veghte, Edward H. Wright, Amzi Dodd, Frederic A. Potts, Marcus L. Ward, Joel Parker, Henry M. Nevius, R. A. Donnelly, Charles A. Heckman, William E. Potter, George F. Currie, George Richards, Ralph B. Gowdy, and the department commander of the grand army of the republic of the state of New Jersey, for the time being, be and are hereby appointed a commission and authorized and empowered to select from among the lands now held by the commissioners of the sinking fund of this state a site for the erection and construction of a suitable building or buildings thereon, or to purchase any land and building or buildings thereon, suitable for a home for disabled soldiers and sailors, to be used and occupied pursuant to the provisions of the act to which this act is a supplement. Commissioners to select and purchase lands, &c.

19. SEC. 2. [Executed.]

Commission may erect suitable home, &c.

20. SEC. 3. That said commission shall have power to make all necessary contracts for the purchase of said lands and the erection or purchase of a suitable home, and shall, after the completion thereof, turn the same over to the board of managers of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers, to be conducted and controlled by them as now provided by the act to which this act is a supplement and the several supplements thereto.

Supplement.

Approved April 28, 1886.

P. L. 1886, p. 329.

Appointment of Henry W. Sawyer as member of the commission.

21. SEC. 1. That Henry W. Sawyer, of the county of Cape May, be and he is hereby appointed a member of the commission authorized by the act entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers,'" approved March twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, in place of William E. Potter, resigned.

Supplement.

Approved May 13, 1889.

P. L. 1889, p. 452.

Board of managers may appoint officers of home.

22. SEC. 1. That section three of the act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers," approved April fourth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

[That the said board of managers shall appoint a surgeon of the said home and a chief executive officer, subject to the approval of the governor, and such other officers, assistants and attendants as may be necessary and proper ; all officers so required by the board of managers shall severally enter into bond to the state for the faithful performance of the duties of their office, and all the officers of the home shall be subject to removal by resolution of said board.]

23. SEC. 2. That section four of the act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers," approved April fourth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

[That the said board of managers shall provide for the general management and care of the home, of the inmates, of the buildings and grounds, with their fixtures, furniture and stock, and shall fix the duties of all the officers, assistants and attendants, by by-laws, rules and regulations established by the said board.]

Managers to provide for general management of home.

24. SEC. 3. That section five of the act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers," approved April fourth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and which reads as follows :

Repealer.

"That the superintendent shall be a competent accountant and the chief financial agent, and shall purchase all necessary clothing, provisions and other supplies for the said home, subject to the approval of the said board, and to the rules and regulations ; he shall keep the accounts of the said home and of all the receipts and disbursements, and of all the financial transactions relating thereto ; and he is hereby directed and empowered to draw and receive any pension due to any patient and apply it to the use of the said home ; all purchases for the use of the said home shall be made for cash, and not on credit or trust, and a voucher for every purchase shall be taken, duly filled up at the time it is taken, and an abstract of the vouchers, verified on oath or affirmation, stating that the money was paid and the voucher taken and filled up at the time of its date, shall be presented with the accounts of the said superintendent ; and the said commandment or the said superintendent shall, at all times, reside at the said home, as the said managers shall direct," be and the same is hereby repealed.

25. SEC. 4. That section one of the act entitled "An act to amend section seven of the act entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers,' approved April fourth, one thou-

sand eight hundred and sixty-six, also providing an additional appropriation for the home provided for by the said act," approved March twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five [see Sec. 16, *ante*], be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

[That no person shall be admitted into the said home as an inmate except upon the certificate of a judge of the court of common pleas, upon proof made to his satisfaction, by testimony in writing of a respectable physician and other evidence, that the applicant has been a soldier, sailor, or marine in the army or navy of the United States, and been honorably discharged from such service ; that he is necessitous and has not the ability to procure the means sufficient for his comfortable support and necessary care and attendance ; that he has been a resident of this state two years next before the date of such application, which proof shall accompany said certificate ; and the said applicant for admission shall, with the certificate of the judge, present to the officer designated by the board of managers, a statement in writing, signed by himself, setting forth his name in full, place of his nativity, and of his residence at the time of making such application, and at the time of his entering the service, his age and occupation, the company and regiment in which, and captain and colonel under whom he served, time of his service and of his discharge, and further, that he will conduct himself properly and submit to the rules, regulations and discipline of the said home.]

How persons admitted to home.

26. SEC. 5. That any soldier, sailor or marine who may have been regularly admitted into the said home, who shall be found to be insane, may be transferred, by an order of the board of managers, to any state lunatic asylum, there to remain at the expense of the state until legally discharged ; said expense to be paid out of the maintenance fund of the said home, and at the same rate as is charged to the county insane.

Insane inmates may be transferred to state asylum.

Expense, how paid.

27. SEC. 6. That such officer of the said home as may be designated by the board of managers may have all the power and authority exercised by the commandant of a military post or encampment of state troops, within the precincts of the home grounds.

Officer vested with authority of a military commandant.

28. SEC. 7. That all inmates of the home shall be subject to the discipline and rules and regulations governing the members of the national guard of the state of New Jersey, while attending an encampment.

Inmates subject to discipline of national guard.

29. SEC. 8. That any person who purchases, or offers to purchase, or receives from any inmate of the soldiers' home, or from one who is absent without leave, dropped from the rolls or discharged from the said home, any portion of the uniform or underclothing issued to the inmates thereof under the rules and regulations adopted by the board of managers, shall be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction, shall be punished by fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding thirty days, or both.

Penalty for receiving portion of uniform, &c., of inmates.

Supplement.

Approved April 7, 1890.

P. L. 1890, p. 212.

30. SEC. 1. That from and after the passage of this act the annual salary of the chaplain of the New Jersey home for disabled soldiers shall be one thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly, in the manner now provided by law, and that the amount thereof shall be in addition to the appropriation made for the said institution under existing laws.

Annual salary of chaplain.