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(BY AUTHORITY.)

AN ACT to provide for taking the fourth census, or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the marshals of the several districts of the United States, and of the District of Columbia, and of the Territories of Missouri, Michigan and Arkansas, respectively, shall be, & they are hereby, authorized and required, under the direction of the Secretary of State, and according to such instructions as he shall give, pursuant to this act, to cause the number of the inhabitants within their respective districts and territories to be taken, omitting, in such enumeration, Indians not taxed and distinguishing free persons, including those bound to service for a term of years, from all others; distinguishing also, the sexes and colors of free persons, and the free males under ten years of age; those of ten years & under sixteen, those of sixteen and under twenty-six; those of twenty-six and under forty-five; and those of forty-five and upwards; and also, distinguishing free females under ten years of age; those of ten and under sixteen; those of sixteen and under twenty-six; those of twenty-six and under forty-five; and those of forty-five and upwards; and also distinguishing the number of persons engaged in agriculture, commerce, and manufactures, respectively. For effecting which the marshals aforesaid shall have power, and they are hereby, respectively, authorized and required to appoint one or more assistants in each county and city, in their respective districts and territories, residents of the county and city for which they shall be appointed, and shall assign a certain division to each of the said assistants, which division shall not consist of more than one county or city, but may include one or more towns, townships, wards, hundreds, or parishes, plainly and distinctly bounded by water courses, mountains, public roads, or other monuments. And the said enumeration shall be made by an actual inquiry at every dwelling house, or of the head of every family, and not otherwise. The marshals and their assistants shall, respectively, take an oath or affirmation before some judge or justice of the peace, residents within their respective districts or territories, before they enter on the duties required by this act. The oath or affirmation of the marshal shall be as follows: I, A. B. marshal of the district of _____ do solemnly swear, (or affirm,) that I will well and truly cause to be made a just and perfect enumeration and description of all persons residents within my district, (or territory,) and also an account of the manufactures, except household manufactures, and return the same to the Secretary of State, agreeably to the directions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for taking the fourth census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States and for other purposes," according to the best of my ability. The oath or affirmation of an assistant shall be; I, A. B. do solemnly swear, (or affirm,) that I will make a just and perfect enumeration and description of all persons resident within the division assigned to me for that purpose by the marshal of _____ and also an account of the manufactures, except household manufactures, and make due return thereof to the said marshal, agreeably to the directions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for taking the fourth census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States, and for other purposes," according to the best of my abilities. The enumeration shall commence on the first Monday of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and shall

close within six calendar months thereafter. The several assistants shall within the said six months, transmit to the marshals, by whom they shall respectively be appointed, accurate returns of all persons, except Indians not taxed, within their respective divisions; which returns shall be made in a schedule, distinguishing in each county, city, town, township, ward, or parish, the several families, by the names of their master, mistress, steward, overseer, or other principal person therein, in the manner following: The number of persons within my division, consisting of _____, appears in a schedule hereto annexed, subscribed by me this _____ day of _____, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty. A. B. assistant to the marshal of _____.

Schedule of the whole number of persons within the division allotted to A. B.

Name of the county, parish, township, town, or city, where the family resides.
Names of heads of families.
Free white males under ten years.
Free white males of ten and under sixteen.
Free white males between sixteen and eighteen.
Free white males of sixteen and under 26, including heads of families.
Free white males of twenty-six, and under forty-five, including heads of families.
Free white males of forty-five, and upwards, including heads of families.
Free white females under ten years of age.
Free white females of ten, and under sixteen.
Free white females of sixteen, and under twenty-six, including heads of families.
Free white females of twenty-six, and under forty-five, including heads of families.
Free white females of forty-five, and upwards, including heads of families.
Foreigners not naturalized.
SLAVES.
Males under fourteen.
Males of fourteen, and under twenty-six.
Males of twenty-six, and under forty-five.
Males of forty-five, and upwards.
Females of fourteen, and under twenty-six.
Females of twenty-six, and under forty-five.
Females of forty-five, & upwards.
FREE COLORED PERSONS.
Males under fourteen years.
Males of fourteen, and under twenty-six.
Males of twenty-six, and under forty-five.
Males of forty-five, and upwards.
Females under fourteen years.
Females of fourteen, and under twenty-six.
Females of twenty-six, and under forty-five.
Females of forty-five, & upwards.
All other persons, except Indians not taxed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That every assistant, failing or neglecting to make a proper return, or making a false return, of the enumeration to the marshal, within the time limited by this act, shall forfeit the sum of two hundred dollars, recoverable in the manner pointed out in the next section of this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the marshals shall file the several returns aforesaid, and, also, an attested copy of

the aggregate amount hereinafter directed to be transmitted by them, respectively, to the Secretary of State, with the clerks of their respective districts, or Superior courts, (as the case may be,) who are hereby directed to receive, and carefully to preserve the same. And the marshals respectively, shall, on or before the first day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, transmit to the Secretary of State the aggregate amount of each description of persons within their respective districts or territories. And every marshal failing to file the returns of his assistants, or the returns of any of them, with the clerks of the respective courts as aforesaid, or failing to return the aggregate amount of each description of persons in their respective districts or territories, as required by this act, and as the same shall appear from said returns to the Secretary of State, within the time limited by this act, shall for every such offence, forfeit the sum of one thousand dollars; which forfeitures shall be recoverable in the courts of the districts or territories where the said offences shall be committed; or within the circuit courts held within the same, by action of debt, information, or indictment; the one half thereof to the use of the United States, and the other half to the informer; but where the prosecution shall be first instituted on behalf of the U. States, the whole shall accrue to their use. And, for the more effectual discovery of such offences, the judges of the several district courts in the several districts, and of the supreme courts in the territories of the United States as aforesaid, at their next session, to be held after the expiration of the time allowed for making the returns of the enumeration hereby directed, to the Secretary of State, shall give this act in charge to the grand juries in their respective courts, and shall cause the returns of the several assistants, and the said attested copy of the aggregate amount, to be laid before them for their inspection.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That every assistant shall receive at the rate of one dollar for every hundred persons by him returned, where such persons reside in the country; and where such persons reside in a city or town, containing more than three thousand persons, such assistant shall receive at the rate of one dollar for every three hundred persons; but where, from the dispersed situation of the inhabitants in some divisions, one dollar will be insufficient for one hundred persons, the marshals, with the approbation of the judges of their respective districts or territories, may make such further allowance to the assistants in such divisions as shall be deemed an adequate compensation: Provided, The same does not exceed one dollar and twenty-five cents for every fifty persons by them returned: Provided further, That before any assistant, as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive said compensation, he shall take & subscribe the following oath or affirmation, before some judge or justice of the peace, authorized to administer the same, to wit:—I, A. B. do solemnly swear or affirm, that the number of persons set forth in the return made by me, agreeably to the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for taking the fourth census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States and for other purposes," have been ascertained by an actual enquiry at every dwelling house, or of the head of every family, in exact conformity with the provisions of said act; and that I have in every respect fulfilled the duties required of me by said act, to the best of my abilities, and that the return aforesaid is correct & true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. The several marshals shall receive as follows: The marshal of the district of Maine two hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of New-Hampshire, two hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Massachusetts, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Rhode-Island, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Connecticut, two hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Vermont, two hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the southern District of New-York, two hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of New-Jersey, two hundred dollars; the marshal of the eastern District of Pennsylvania, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the western District of Pennsylvania, two hundred dollars; the marshal of the district of Delaware, one hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Maryland, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the eastern District of Virginia, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the western District of Virginia, two hun-

dred dollars; the marshal of the District of Kentucky, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of North-Carolina, three hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of South-Carolina, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Georgia, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of East Tennessee, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of West Tennessee, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Ohio, three hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Indiana, two hundred dollars; the marshal of the District of Illinois, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Mississippi, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Louisiana, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Alabama, one hundred and fifty dollars; the marshal of the District of Columbia, fifty dollars; the marshal of the Missouri Territory, one hundred dollars; the marshal of the Michigan Territory, one hundred dollars; the marshal of the Arkansas Territory, one hundred dollars.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That every person whose usual place of abode shall be in any family, on the said first Monday in August one thousand eight hundred and twenty, shall be returned as of such family; and the name of every person who shall be an inhabitant of any district or territory, without a settled place of residence, shall be inserted in the column of the schedule which is allotted for the heads of families in the division where he or she shall be on the said first Monday in August; and every person occasionally absent at the time of enumeration, as belonging to the place in which he or she usually resides in the United States.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That each and every free person, more than sixteen years of age, whether head of families, or not, belonging to any family within any division, district, or territory, made or established within the United States, shall be, and hereby is, obliged to render to the assistant of the division, if required, a true account, to the best of his or her knowledge, of every person belonging to such family, respectively, according to the several descriptions aforesaid, on pain of forfeiting twenty dollars, to be sued for and recovered, in an action of debt, by such assistant; the one half to his own use, and the other half to the use of the United States.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That each and every assistant, previous to making his return to the marshal, shall cause a correct copy, signed by himself, of the schedule containing the number of inhabitants within his division, to be set up at two of the most public places within the same, there to remain for the inspection of all concerned; for each of which copies, the said assistant shall be entitled to receive two dollars; Provided proof of the schedule having been set up and suffered to remain, shall be transmitted to the marshal, with the return of the number of persons; and in case any assistant shall fail to make such proof to the marshal, as aforesaid, he shall forfeit the compensation allowed him by this act.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of State shall be, and hereby is, authorized and required, to transmit to the marshals of the several districts and territories, regulations and instructions pursuant to this act, for carrying the same into effect, and also the forms contained therein, of the schedule, to be returned, and such other forms as may be necessary in carrying this act into execution, and proper interrogatories to be administered by the several persons to be employed in taking the enumeration.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That in those states composing two districts, and where part of a county may lie in each district, such county shall be considered as belonging to that district in which the Court-House of said county may be situated.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the several marshals and their assistants, at the time for taking the said census, to take under the direction of the Secretary of State, and according to such instructions as he shall give, and such forms as he shall prescribe, an account of the several manufacturing establishments, and their manufactures, within their several districts, territories, and divisions: the said assistants shall make return of the same to the marshals, of their respective districts or territories; and the said marshals shall transmit the said returns, and abstracts thereof, to the Secretary of State, at the same time at which they are, by this act required, respectively, to make their returns to the Secretary of State: for the performance

of which additional service, they shall, respectively, receive, as compensation therefor, not exceeding twenty per centum in addition to the sums allowed by this act, to be apportioned in proportion to the services rendered, under the direction of the Secretary of State.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That in all cases where the superficial content of any county or parish shall exceed forty miles square, and the number of inhabitants in said parish or county shall not exceed two thousand five hundred, the marshal or assistant shall be allowed, with the approbation of the judges of the respective districts or territories, such further compensation as shall be deemed reasonable; Provided the same does not exceed three dollars for every fifty persons by them returned.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That when the aforesaid enumeration shall be completed, and returned to the office of the Secretary of State, by the marshals of the states and territories, he shall direct the printers to Congress, to print for the use of Congress fifteen hundred copies thereof.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
March 14, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT in addition to an act entitled "An act regulating the Post-Office establishment."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That during the present and every subsequent session of Congress, all letters and packets to and from the President of the Senate, pro tempore and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the time being, shall be received and conveyed by mail, free of postage, under the same restrictions as are provided by law, with respect to letters and packets to and from the Vice President of the United States.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
March 13, 1820.—Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT making appropriations for the support of the Navy of the United States, for the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for defraying the expenses of the navy for the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty, the following sums be, and the same are hereby respectively appropriated:

For pay and subsistence of the officers, and pay of the seamen, nine hundred and eighty-nine thousand three hundred and twenty dollars:

For the provisions, four hundred and fifteen thousand one hundred and eighty seven dollars:

For medicines, hospital stores, and all expences on account of the sick, including the marine corps, thirty-six thousand dollars:

For repairs of vessels, four hundred and eighty four thousand dollars:

For store rent, freight transportation, enlistment of men, and all other contingent expences, two hundred and forty thousand dollars:

For improvement of navy yards, docks and wharves, pay of superintendents store keepers, clerks, and laborers, one hundred thousand dollars:

For payment of contracts made for shells and shot, and for military stores, fifty thousand dollars:

For pay and subsistence of the marine corps, one hundred and seventy seven thousand two hundred and twenty-eight dollars:

For clothing the same, twenty-seven thousand two hundred and five dollars:

For contingent expences of the same, twenty thousand dollars:

For military stores, one thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the several appropriations herein before made, shall be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
March 17, 1820.—Approved:
JAMES MONROE.