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THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-
THIRD CONGRESS.

[PUBLIC. No. 78.]
AN ACT to provide for the organization of
the Department of Indian Affairs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That the duties of the
Governors of the Territories of Florida and
Arkansas, as Superintendents of Indian Affairs,
shall hereafter cease, and the duties of the
Governor of the Territory of Michigan, as
Superintendent of Indian Affairs, shall cease
from and after the establishment of a new
territory, embracing the country west of Lake
Michigan, should such a Territory be estab-
lished. And while the Governor of the said
Territory of Michigan continues to act as Su-
perintendent of Indian Affairs, he shall receive
therefor the annual sum of one thousand dol-
lars, in full of all allowances, emoluments, or
compensation for services in said capacity.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there
shall be a Superintendent of Indian Affairs for
all the Indian country not within the bounds of
any State or Territory west of the Mississippi
river, the Superintendent of which shall reside
at St. Louis, and shall annually receive a salary
of fifteen hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That Su-
perintendents of Indian Affairs shall, within
their several Superintendencies, exercise a
general supervision and control over the official
conduct and accounts of all officers and
persons employed by the Government in the
Indian Department, under such regulations as
shall be established by the President of the
United States; and may suspend such officers
and persons from their office or employments,
for reasons forthwith to be communicated to
the Secretary of War.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the
following Indian agents shall be appointed
by the President of the United States, by
and with the advice and consent of the Senate,
who shall hold their offices for the term of
four years, and who shall give bond, with two
thousand dollars, for the faithful execution of
the same, and shall each receive the annual
compensation of fifteen hundred dollars.

Two agents for the Western Territory.
An agent for the Chickasaws.
An agent for the Eastern Cherokees.
An agent for the Florida Indians.
An agent for the Indians in the State of In-
diana.
An agent at Chicago.
An agent at Rock Island.
An agent at Prairie du Chien.
An agent for Michilimackinac and the Sault
Sainte Marie.
An agent for the Saint Peters.
An agent for the Upper Missouri.

And the following agencies shall be discon-
tinued at the periods herein mentioned that is
to say:
The Florida agency, from and after the thirty-
first day of December next; and after the thirty-
first day of December, eighteen hundred
and thirty-six.
The Chicago agency, from and after the thirty-
first day of December next.
The Rock Island agency, from and after the
thirty-first day of December, eighteen
hundred and thirty-six.

And all other agencies, not provided for in
this act, from and after the passing thereof;
Provided, That the limitation of the term of
office shall not be construed to prevent the Presi-
dent of the United States from discontinuing
the same at an earlier period. And the Presi-
dent shall be, and he is hereby authorized,
whenever he may judge it expedient, to dis-
continue any Indian agency, or to transfer the
same, from the place or tribe designated by
law, to such other place or tribe as the public
service may require. And every Indian agent
shall reside and keep his agency within or
near the territory of the tribe for which he may
be agent, and at such place the President may
designate, and shall not depart from the limits
of his agency without permission. And it shall
be competent for the President to require any
military officer of the United States to execute
the duties of Indian agent.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That a
competent number of subagents shall be ap-
pointed by the President, with an annual salary
of seven hundred and fifty dollars each, to be
employed and to reside wherever the President
may direct, and who shall give bond, with
one or more sureties, in the penal sum of one
thousand dollars, for the faithful execution of
the same. But no subagent shall be appointed
who shall reside within the limits of any
agency where an agent is appointed.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That no-
thing herein contained shall be construed to
require the re-appointment of persons now in
office, until the expiration of their present term
of service; but the commissions of all Indian
agents and subagents, now in office, shall ex-
pire on the fourth day of March next, unless
sooner terminated.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the
limits of each agency and subagency shall be
established by the Secretary of War, either by
tribes or by geographical boundaries. And it
shall be the general duty of Indian agents

and subagents to manage and superintend the
intercourse with the Indians within their re-
spective agencies, agreeably to law; to obey
all legal instructions given to them by the
Secretary of War, the Commissioner of Indian
Affairs, or the Superintendent of Indian Affairs;
and to carry into effect such regulations as may
be prescribed by the President.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the
President of the United States may, from time
to time, require additional security, and in
larger amounts, from all persons charged or
trusted, under the laws of the United States,
with the disbursement or application of money,
goods, or effects of any kind, on account of the
Indian Department.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That an
interpreter shall be allowed to each agency,
who shall receive an annual compensation of
three hundred dollars. Provided, That when there
are different tribes in the same agency, speak-
ing different languages, one interpreter may be
allowed, at the discretion of the Secretary of
War, for each of the said tribes. Interpreters
shall be nominated by the proper agents, to the
War Department for approval, and may be
suspended, by the agent, from pay and duty,
and the circumstances reported to the War
Department for final action; and blacksmiths
shall, in like manner, be employed wherever
required by treaty stipulations, and such black-
smith shall receive an annual compensation of
four hundred and eighty dollars; and if they
furnish their shop and tools, an additional sum
of one hundred and twenty dollars; and their
assistants shall be allowed an annual compensa-
tion of two hundred and forty dollars. And
wherever farmers, mechanics, or teachers are
required by treaty stipulations to be provided,
they shall be employed under the direction of
the War Department, and shall receive an
annual compensation of not less than four hun-
dred and eighty dollars, nor more than six
hundred dollars. And in all cases of the ap-
pointment of interpreters or other persons em-
ployed for the benefit of the Indians, a prefer-
ence shall be given to persons of Indian de-
scent, if such can be found, who are properly
qualified for the execution of the duties. And
where any of the tribes are, in the opinion of
the Secretary of War, competent to direct the
employment of their blacksmiths, mechanics,
teachers, farmers, or other persons engaged
for them, the direction of such persons may be
given to the proper authority of the tribe.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That the
compensation prescribed by this act shall be in
full of all emoluments or allowances whatso-
ever: Provided however, That, where neces-
sary, a reasonable allowance or provision may
be made for offices and office contingencies:
And provided also, That where persons are re-
quired, in the performance of the duties under
this act, to travel from one place to another,
their actual expenses, or a reasonable sum in
lieu thereof, may be allowed: And provided
also, That no allowance shall be made to any
person for travel or expenses in coming to
the seat of Government to settle his accounts,
unless thereat required by the Secretary of
War: And provided, also, That no person
shall hold more than one office at the same time
under this act, nor shall any agent, subagent,
interpreter, or person employed under this act,
receive his salary while absent from his agency
tendered or Secretary of War: And provided
also, That the absence shall not exceed sixty days.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That the
payment of all annuities or other sums stipu-
lated by treaty to be made to any Indian
tribe, shall be made to the chiefs of such tribe,
or to such person as said tribe shall appoint,
if any tribe shall appropriate their annuities to
the purpose of education, or to any other spe-
cific use, then to such person or persons as such
tribe shall designate.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That it
shall be lawful for the President of the United
States, at the request of any Indian tribe to
which any annuity shall be payable in money,
to cause the same to be paid in goods, pur-
chased as provided in the next section of this
act.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That all
merchandise required by any Indian treaty for
the Indians payable after making of such
treaty, shall be purchased under the direction
of the Secretary of War, upon proposals to be
received, to be based on notices previously to
be given; and all merchandise required at the
making of any Indian treaty, shall be purchas-
ed under the order of the commissioners, by
such person as shall be designated by the Presi-
dent for that purpose. And all other purchas-
es on account of the Indians, and all repairs
charged or trusted with the disbursement or
application of money, goods, or effects of any
kind, for the benefit of the Indians, shall settle
their accounts, annually, at the War Depart-
ment, on the first day of October; and copies
of the same shall be laid, annually, before Con-
gress at the commencement of the ensuing ses-
sion, by the proper accounting officers, to-
gether with a list of the names of all persons to
whom money, goods, or effects had been deliv-
ered within said year, for the benefit of the
Indians, specifying the amount and object for
which it was intended, and showing who are
delinquent, if any, in forwarding their ac-
counts according to the provisions of this act;
and, also, a list of the names of all persons ap-
pointed or employed under this act, with the
dates of their appointment or employment, and
the salary and pay each.

Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That no
person employed in the Indian Department
shall have any interests or concern in any
trade with the Indians, except for, and on ac-
count of the United States; and any person of-
fending herein, shall forfeit the sum of five
thousand dollars; and upon satisfactory infor-
mation of such offence being laid before the
President of the United States, it shall become
his duty to remove such person from the office
or situation he may hold.

Sec. 15. And be it further enacted, That the
President shall be, and he is hereby author-
ized to cause any of the friendly Indians
west of the Mississippi river, and north of the
boundary of the Western Territory, and the
region upon Lake Superior and the head of the
Mississippi, to be furnished with useful domestic
animals and implements of husbandry, and
with goods, as he shall think proper: Provided,
That the whole amount of such presents shall
not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Sec. 16. And be it further enacted, That

(the President be, and he is hereby, authorized
to cause such rations as he shall judge proper,
and as can be spared from the army provisions,
without injury to the service, to be issued, un-
der such regulations as he shall think fit to
establish, to Indians who may visit the military
posts or agencies of the United States on the
frontiers, or in their respective nations, and a
special account of these issues shall be kept
and rendered.

Sec. 17. And be it further enacted, That the
President of the United States shall be, and he
is hereby, authorized to prescribe such rules
and regulations as he may think fit for carry-
ing into effect the various provisions of this act,
and of any other act relating to Indian affairs,
and for the settlement of the accounts of the In-
dian Department.

Sec. 18. And be it further enacted, That all
acts or parts of acts, contrary to the provi-
sions of this act shall be, and the same are hereby,
repealed.

JNO BELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
M VAN BUREN,
Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.
APPROVED, June 30th 1834.
ANDREW JACKSON.

[PUBLIC. No. 79.]
AN ACT in addition to the "act more effectually
to provide for the punishment of certain
crimes against the United States, and for o-
ther purposes;" approved March third,
eighteen hundred and twenty-five.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That whenever any
criminal convicted of any offence against the
United States, shall be imprisoned, in pursu-
ance of such conviction, and of the sentence
thereupon, in the prison or the Penitentiary of
any State or Territory, such criminal shall in
all respects be subject to the same discipline and
treatment, as convicts sentenced by the Courts
of the State or Territory, in which such pris-
on or penitentiary is situated; and while so
confined therein, shall also be exclusively un-
der the control of the officers having charge of
the same, under the laws of the said State or
Territory.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 80.]
AN ACT increasing the salaries of the judges
of the United States for the Territory of
Michigan, Arkansas, and Florida.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That there shall be al-
lowed and paid annually, to each of the judges
of the United States for the territories of Michi-
gan, Arkansas, and Florida, the sum of three
hundred dollars, in addition to the salaries
now allowed by law to the said judges respec-
tively.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this
act shall take effect from the first day of
January, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, and
that the several sums authorized to be paid
shall be paid out of any money in the Treasury
not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the
increased salary allowed by this act shall on-
ly be payable to the said judges, if they shall
be in the United States, or in the Territory of
Michigan, Arkansas, or Florida, at the time of
the extra compensation under the act of May
1828 providing for the adjudication of land
claims, and shall take effect as to the remain-
der when the extra pay aforesaid shall no longer
be paid.

APPROVED, June 30th, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 81.]
AN ACT making compensation for certain
diplomatic services, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That there be allowed
and paid to W. H. D. C. Wright, to supply the
deficiency of a former appropriation in pay-
ment of the balance found due to him in the
adjustment of his accounts, and for his diplo-
matic services at the Court of Brazil, after the
death of Mr. Tudor, and before the arrival
of Mr. Brown, the sum of five thousand and
thirty-seven dollars.

Also, to the State of Maine, to reimburse
the expense of supporting certain American
citizens in prison at Fredericton, in New
Brunswick, seven hundred and seventy-five
dollars.

Also, to John Adams Smith, Nathaniel
Niles, and J. C. Pickett, Secretaries of Lega-
tion, a compensation for their services as Charges
d'Affaires, at the rate of four thousand five
hundred dollars per annum, during the time
that they were actually left in charge of the
affairs of the Legations to which they were
attached, deducting therefrom the amount
already paid to them as Secretaries of Legation;
the aforesaid sums to be paid out of any money
in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

To James C. Pickett, Secretary of Legation,
at Bogota on the affairs of the United States
in the termination of the mission of
Mr. Moore, one quarter's salary for the ex-
pense of his return to the United States, five
hundred dollars.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 82.]
AN ACT repealing certain acts of the Legis-
lative Council of the Territory of Florida.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That all such acts
or parts of acts passed by the Legislative
Council of the Territory of Florida, as may
impose a higher or greater tax on the slaves or
other property of non-resident citizens than is
imposed on the slaves or other property of re-
sident citizens of said Territory, be, and the
same are hereby, repealed, and declared null
and void.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That if
any person shall attempt to enforce any of the
acts or parts of acts passed by the Legislative
Council of the Territory of Florida as aforesaid,
by demanding or receiving any tax, imposi-
tion, or assessment authorized or prescribed
thereby, such person shall, on conviction there-
of, be punished by fine not exceeding two
hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not ex-
ceeding six months, or either or both of said
punishments.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the
county of Leon in the Territory of Florida
shall be authorized to elect two additional
members to the Legislative Council on the
first Monday in September next, and it shall
be lawful for the Legislative Council to desig-
nate by law the election districts in such man-
ner as to ensure an equality of representation
to each.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 83.]
AN ACT to relinquish the revisionary in-

terest of the United States in a certain Indian
reservation lying between the rivers Mis-
sissippi and Des Moines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That all the rights,
title and interest which might accrue or rever-
t to the United States to the reservation of lands
lying between the rivers Des Moines and Mis-
sissippi, which was reserved for the use of the
half breeds belonging to the Sacs and Fox na-
tions, now used by them, or some of them, in
the said States, and concluded between the
United States and the Sacs and Fox tribes or
nations of Indians, at Washington, on the
fourth day of August, in the year one thou-
sand eight hundred and twenty-four, be and the
same are hereby relinquished and vested in the
said half breeds of Sacs and Fox tribes or na-
tions of Indians, who, at the passage of this
act, under the reservation in the said treaty
entered, by the Indian title, to the same; with
full power and authority to transfer their por-
tion thereof, by sale, devise or descent, accord-
ing to the laws of the State of Missouri.

APPROVED, 30th June 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 84.]
AN ACT authorizing the Governors of the
several States to transmit, by mail, certain
books and documents.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful
for the Governors of the several States to trans-
mit by mail, free of postage, all laws and re-
ports whether bound or unbound, and all
other records and documents of their respec-
tive States, which may be directed by the
Legislature of the several States to be trans-
mitted to the Executive of other States; and
the Governor of the State transmitting the same
shall, in addition to his frank, endorse the kind
of book or document enclosed, and direct, the
same to the Governor of the State to which the
same may be sent.

APPROVED, June, 30th, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 85.]
AN ACT authorizing the payment of bounty
on certain fishing vessels lost at sea.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That the collector of the
port of Boston and Charlestown be, and he
is hereby, authorized to pay to the late owners
and crew of the said Two Brothers, to be dis-
tributed according to law, the same sum of
money that said vessel would have been en-
titled to receive as a bounty or drawback, if she
in her last voyage, in which she was lost, com-
plied with all the requirements of law necessary
to secure such bounty; the said vessel being of
the burden of one hundred and thirteen and
twenty-nine ninety-fifths tons.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the
collector of the port of Funchalm may be, and
he is hereby, authorized to pay to Daniel
Kirk, the late owner, and to the crew of the
said vessel, the same sum of money that said
vessel would have been entitled to receive as a
bounty or drawback, if she in her last voyage,
in which she was lost, complied with all the
requirements of law necessary to secure such
bounty; the said vessel being of the burden of
one hundred and thirteen and twenty-nine
ninety-fifths tons.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the
collector of the customs for the district of
Barnstable, State of Massachusetts, is hereby
authorized to pay to the heirs at law, of the
owner and crew of the schooner Elmeline,
which was lost at sea, together with the whole
crew, before she had accomplished the time
required by law to entitle her to the bounty or
drawback she would have been entitled to have
received, had she safely arrived in port, after
having accomplished the full time required by
law.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 86.]
AN ACT concerning tonnage duty on Spanish
vessels.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That from and after the
first day of March next, Spanish vessels com-
ing from the Island of Cuba, or Porto Rico,
either directly or after touching at any port or
place shall pay in the ports of the United States
such further tonnage duty in addition to the
tonnage duty which may be payable under any
other law as shall be equivalent to the amount
of discriminating duty that would have been
imposed on the cargoes imported in the said
vessels, respectively; if the same had been im-
ported from the port of Havana in American
bottoms.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That be-
fore any such vessel shall be permitted to clear
out or depart from a port of the United States
with a cargo which shall be directly or indirec-
tly destined to either of the said islands the
said vessel shall pay such further tonnage duty
as shall be equivalent to the amount of discrimi-
nating duty that would be payable for the time
being upon the cargo if imported into the port
of Havana, in an American bottom.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That no
Spanish vessel shall be allowed to clear out
or depart from a port of the United States, with
any goods, wares, or merchandise, except upon
a destination to some port or place, in the
Island of Cuba or Porto Rico, without giving
bond with approved security in double the
value of the vessel and cargo, that the said car-
go or any part thereof shall not be landed in
either of the said islands—such bond shall be
cancelled on producing of certificate from an
American consular agent, that the said cargo has
been landed elsewhere, bona fide and without in-
tention to reship it for a port in one of the
said islands.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the
Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby
authorized from time to time to estimate the
said additional tonnage duty, and to give direc-
tions to the officers of the customs of the U. S.
for the collection of such duties so as to
conform the same to any variation which may
take place in the discriminating duties levied on
the cargoes of American vessels in the said port
of Havana.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That
whenever the President of the United States,
shall be satisfied, that the discriminating duties
in favor of Spanish bottoms levied upon the
cargoes of American vessels in the ports of Cuba
and Porto Rico have been abolished or when-
ever in his opinion a satisfactory arrangement
under the subject of the said duties shall have
been made between the United States and Spain
the President is hereby authorized to declare
the same by proclamation, and thereupon they
shall cease to have any further force or
effect.

APPROVED, 30th June 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 87]
AN ACT to authorize the President of the
United States to direct transfers of appropri-
ations in the naval service, under certain cir-
cumstances.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That, upon the ap-
plication of the Secretary of the Navy, the Presi-
dent of the United States, shall have authority,
whenever, in his opinion, the contingencies of
the public service may require it, at any period
between the close of the year, and the passage
of the new naval appropriation bills to direct
that a part of the money appropriated for a
particular branch of the naval service the form-
er year to be applied to another branch of the
said service; in which case a special account of
the monies thus transferred, and of their applica-
tion, shall be laid before Congress previous to
its adjournment.

APPROVED, June 30th, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 88.]
AN ACT to authorize the Secretary of the
Treasury to grant a right of way, in a certain
case, in the city of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the
Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to
grant to the President, Directors and Com-
pany of the Bank of the United States and their
successors and assigns, a right of way and pas-
sage, over and upon the lands and premises
purchased by the United States for the site of a
custom-house, in the port of New York, and
upon such terms and conditions and with such
reservations and restrictions as in his judgment
the public interests may require for the purpose
of carrying into effect the act entitled "An act
making appropriations for a custom-house,"
passed the thirtieth day of July, in the year
one thousand, eight hundred and thirty-two.

APPROVED, June 30th, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 89.]
AN ACT for changing the term of the District
Court for the Western District of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That the term of the
District Court of the United States for the
Western District of Louisiana, shall hereafter
commence and be holden on the third Monday
of March in each and every year, instead of the
time heretofore appointed by law, and the court
shall then be holden under the powers, duties,
rules, and regulations heretofore prescribed by
law.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all
process, pleadings, motions, suits and business,
heretofore begun, pending, and undetermined,
shall stand continued, valid adjourned over to
the said next term of said court, to be holden
on the said third Monday in March next, then
to be proceeded in, as if regularly returnable to,
notified, or set, for that term.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

[PUBLIC. No. 90.]
AN ACT to prohibit the corporations of
Washington, Georgetown, and Alexandria,
from issuing notes or bills, the denomination
less than ten dollars after the period
therein mentioned, and for the gradual
withdrawal from circulation of all such notes
or bills.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives of the United States of America
in Congress assembled, That it shall not be lawful
for the corporations of Washington, Georgetown,
or Alexandria, in the District of Colum-
bia, or either of them, after the first day of
March, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, to
issue any promissory note or bill of a less de-
nomination than ten dollars.—Provided, that it
shall not be lawful for either of the Corporations
aforesaid to make or issue any new promissory
note or bill, after the passage of this act, of a
less denomination than ten dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That each
and all the corporations aforesaid shall annually
withdraw from circulation and destroy promissory
notes or bills respectively issued by either
of them of a less denomination than ten dollars,
so as to effect a reduction of one-fifth per annum
of the amount which each corporation may
have in circulation of the said notes or bills; and
render an account at each session to Congress,
showing the amount withdrawn and extinguished
as aforesaid, and the balance still in circula-
tion.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That on
failure of either or all of the corporations aforesaid
to comply with the requirements of the re-
second section of this act, it shall not thereafter
be lawful for the corporation or corporations so
failing, to issue any promissory note or bill of a
less denomination than ten dollars.

APPROVED, 30th June, 1834.

BY AUTHORITY
Of the Commissioners for Talbot County.

AN ACT CHAPTER 251.
AN ACT entitled, a supplement to an act to
provide for the public instruction of youth in
primary schools throughout this state.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General As-
sembly of Maryland, That all the powers vested by
the original law to which this is a supplement,
in the Levy Court of Talbot county, be and the
same are hereby extended to the commis-
sioners for said county.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That in case the
taxable inhabitants of any school district in
Talbot county, shall neglect or refuse to assem-
ble together, when notified to do so, to levy a
tax on the taxable property of such district, or
to raise a sufficient sum therefor in some other
way, for the purpose of building a school house,
and for purchasing fuel, books and stationary
therefor, or shall neglect or refuse to elect a
district clerk, the commissioners for the county
shall proceed to levy upon the taxable prop-
erty in said district, a tax sufficient to purchase
a site, build a school house thereon, and to pur-
chase the necessary books, stationary and fuel
for the same, and shall also appoint a district
clerk and three trustees to manage the concerns
of such school district.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That until there
shall be a sufficient sum appropriated by the
legislature of the state to carry into operation the
general system of instruction in primary schools
throughout this state, the commissioners for
Talbot county shall raise the deficiency for said
county, by a tax on the inhabitants of said
county, in the same manner and form following, viz.
each individual having one child or more, be-
tween the age of six and fourteen years, and an
annual income, either from the product of his
or her own labor, or from any other source, of
one hundred dollars, they shall levy a tax of
two dollars per annum; on each individual hav-
ing one child or more, between the age of six

and fourteen years, and an annual income,
either from the product of his or her own labor,
or from any other source, of one hundred and
fifty dollars, they shall levy a tax of three dol-
lars per annum; whatever amount shall then
be wanting, to pay off the teachers in the
several school districts in the county, after
having first ascertained the amount which will
be received by Talbot county from the Treas-
urer of the Western Shore, for the support of
primary or free schools, and levied the tax as
above, shall be raised by a tax on the taxable
property in the county, as other charges are levied
and raised.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That all contracts
made by the trustees of the several school dis-
tricts, for the employment of teachers, shall be
ratified and confirmed by the commissioners for
the county, before such contract shall be oblig-
atory, or the teacher be allowed to receive any
portion of the salary or compensation allowed
him for his services.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That the amount
to be levied on the inhabitants of Talbot county,
under the provisions of this law, shall be placed
by the clerk of the commissioners for the
county, to the credit of the primary schools for
Talbot county, in the branch of the Farmers'
Bank of Maryland at Easton, and in conjunc-
tion with whatever sum or sums of money may
be received from the Treasurer of the Western
Shore, for the support of primary schools in said
county, shall constitute a general fund for the
payment of teachers in the primary schools in
said county.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That the tax to be
levied on the inhabitants of Talbot county under
the provisions of this law, shall be collected by
the collector of the county tax, as other
county taxes are collected, and at the same
commission; and when collected shall be paid
over to the commissioners of Talbot county, to
be by them deposited in the branch of the Farm-
ers' Bank of Maryland at Easton, for the use
of the primary schools for Talbot county.

Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That it shall be the
duty of the district clerk in each school district
in Talbot county, to ascertain annually the
number and names of the inhabitants of his dis-
trict, having one child or more, between six
and fourteen years of age, and having in his
judgment an income, either from the product of
his or her own labor, or from any other source,
of one hundred or one hundred and fifty dollars,
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