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their employ and under their control; Provided, that no female, Proviso. or white male over fifty years of age, or under twenty-one years of age, nor any slave over sixty years of age or under eighteen years of age, shall be obliged to attend or work; but it shall be their duty to furnish all able-bodied males within said ages, and to attend themselves, if males, and within the ages aforesaid, whenever required as aforesaid, under a penalty not exceeding seventy-five cents nor under fifty cents for every hand or person so required, to be recovered in the name of the state, by the supervisor, before a justice of the peace in said county, as other small debts are; which shall be accounted for by the supervisor on oath to the levy court; and the supervisor may receive any fine as aforesaid without a warrant, and account for the same as aforesaid.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Free persupervisor to direct each free male person of colour, above the colour to age of twenty-one years, and under the age of fifty years, re- work. siding within his district, to meet upon the day, and at the place appointed for such purpose by the supervisor aforesaid, and to labour in repairing the said public roads, under the same regulations and penalties as other persons.

SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of each May com. supervisor, to make such commutation of labour for team and mute labour for teams, carts or wagons at the time of such notice as he may think pro- &c. per, and to appoint an early hour in each day to commence working on the road, and continue the hands, when necessary, to a late hour in each day, and to see that each hand does his duty on the road.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That if any of the supervisors Neglect of appointed by this act, shall not sufficiently clear, amend and duty; pekeep in good order and repair, the public roads within his district, or shall suffer any fallen trees or other obstructions, to remain in or across any of the said public roads whereby any cart, wagon or other carriage may be obstructed for more than three days together, he having notice thereof, or shall neglect to fall all dead trees on either side of the said public roads, whose limbs hang over, and may by their falling injure travellers, or to lop or cut off all limbs or branches of trees hanging or projecting over the road, within fifteen feet above the surface thereof, or shall suffer any of the bridges or causeways to be out of repair, (except framed bridges exceeding twelve feet in width) or shall neglect to make and keep in repair bridges for foot travellers where necessary, or shall otherwise fail to perform the duties of a supervisor, he shall forfeit and pay a sum of money not exceeding ten dollars for every such offence, to be recovered and applied as aforesaid.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That any justice of the peace of Fines. said county, who, upon his own view, or upon the information,