

religious society, pilots and their apprentices, marines actually engaged in trade or sea-service, and all persons conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms, who shall produce to the captain or commanding officer of the district proof that he is so conscientious.

2. It shall be the duty of every captain or commanding officer of a militia company annually in the month of April, or as soon thereafter as possible, to appoint the non-commissioned officers of his company, and to order them to enrol without delay every able bodied white male citizen between eighteen and forty-five years, who shall reside within the bounds of his company district, and to notify said citizen of said enrolment by one of the non-commissioned officers, by whom such notice may be proved.

3. He shall designate in such enrolment all persons who are under twenty-one from those who are over twenty-one years, and in all cases of doubt respecting the age of any person enrolled or intended to be enrolled, the person whose age is questioned shall prove the same to the satisfaction of the officer.

4. If any person called on to be enrolled shall refuse to declare his true name and age to the best of his knowledge, or the name of any person an inhabitant of his house with which he is acquainted, he shall for each offence forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars, to be recovered by order and upon the certificate of the said commanding officer as other fines and forfeitures are herein directed to be recovered.

5. Every captain or commanding officer of a company shall, in the month of May, or as soon thereafter as may be possible, annually return to the commanding officer of the regiment or battalion to which his company is attached, and shall also transmit by mail to the office of the adjutant general, a correct enrolment of the persons residing within the bounds of said company liable to do militia duty, and upon his refusing or neglecting to make either of said returns within said month in any year, he shall be subject to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence, unless he shall make a reasonable excuse to be approved only by such officer.

6. No free white male citizen of the age of eighteen and under forty-five years of age, shall be excused from militia duty on