

ed to cause the number of the free people of color inhabiting their respective counties to be taken, and cause to be made, a list of the names of the said free people of color residing in their respective counties; the said enumeration shall distinguish the sexes of said free people of color, and the said list shall state the ages of such free people of color, for effecting which the sheriffs aforesaid, shall have power and are hereby required to appoint one or more assistants in their respective counties, the said list of names and the said enumeration shall be made by an actual enquiry by such sheriff or his assistants at every dwelling house, or by personal enquiry of the head of every family; the said listing and enumeration shall commence on the first day of June next, and be completed within three months thereafter, and the said sheriffs shall make out two copies of said list and enumeration stating the names, sexes, and ages of the free people of color, in their respective counties, and shall deliver one copy to the clerk of their respective counties, whose duty it shall be to record the same in a book by him to be kept for that purpose, and the other copy shall be by said sheriffs transmitted to the board of managers appointed under this act, and every sheriff failing to comply with the duties prescribed in this section, shall forfeit two hundred dollars, to be recoverable in the county court of their respective counties by action of debt or indictment.

Directions given.

Books to be kept:

List sent to the board.

Penalty for neglect.

Compensation to sheriff.

Proviso.

Sheriffs to report to the board, the names of persons willing to remove.

Sec. 10. *And be it enacted*, That the compensation of every sheriff and assistant shall be at the rate of two dollars and twenty five cents for every fifty persons by him returned, except where such person resides in the city of Baltimore, when such sheriff or assistant shall receive at the rate of one dollar and twenty five cents for three thousand, and at the rate of one dollar and twenty five cents for every three hundred persons over three thousand residing in the city of Baltimore, which said compensation shall be levied on the assessable property within the respective counties, and be collected in the same manner and by the said collector, or collectors, as county charges are collected, and be by them paid over to the person entitled to receive the same; *Provided*, that the levy courts or commissioners of the respective counties, and the mayor and city council of Baltimore as the case may be, may, if they deem the compensation hereby allowed inadequate, allow such further compensation as they may deem proper.

Sec. 11. *And be it enacted*, That the several sheriffs of the counties of this state, shall, from time to time, make report to the said board of managers of such, of said free people of colour in their said counties as they shall find wil-