

CHAP. 251. and receive any fire wood brought to the said Clarksville which hath not been corded, measured and passed by the said corder and inspector aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay two dollars for every cord, and so in proportion for any less quantity of wood so sold and delivered by him or them, to be recovered by warrant in the name of the informer, one half for the use of the informer, and the other half for the benefit of the schools of said county, before a justice of the peace in the same manner as other small debts are recovered under an act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court; *provided always*, that in case any person or persons may think him or themselves aggrieved by the measurement of said inspector and wood corder, he or they may appeal to the district court for the eighth election district of said county, who shall and they are hereby authorised to appoint two or more disinterested persons to examine into the cause of complaint, and it shall be the duty of said persons so appointed by the said district court to attend for that purpose, and their decision shall be final.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That all fire wood brought by the rail road cars, or by wagons or carts to the aforesaid Clarksville, or within the bounds as prescribed in the first section of this act for sale, shall be at least four feet in length, including one half of the kerf, and shall be set up, packed and corded under the direction of the inspector and wood corder, and shall be measured, and every cord of wood shall be eight feet in length, four feet in breadth, and four feet in height, well stowed and packed, and where the wood to be measured exceeds or falls short of four feet in length, including half the kerf, the cord of wood shall be proportionably increased or diminished so as to make the quantity of each cord of wood as nearly equal as possible.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the provisions of this act shall not extend to or be construed to affect any family or families residing within the bounds as prescribed by the first section of this act, who may purchase fire wood for their family use, unless by their consent.

Persons bringing any fire wood by rail road cars or otherwise to the said Clarksville, or the limits prescribed by this act for sale, shall consume the same before it has been corded and measured by the said inspector and wood corder appointed by virtue of this act, or shall neglect or refuse to have the same corded and measured, or after the same has been measured shall alter the measurement, or sell the same by other measurement, or if any person or persons shall knowingly purchase

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