

period of the Session, a General Report of the Statistics of the Province. The Report shall also contain such information relative to the Trade, Manufactures, Agriculture, and Population of the Province as they shall be able to obtain:

IV. The Governor in Council may appoint the Clerk of the Board of Revenue to be the Secretary of the Board hereby established, or assign the duties of that office to any one of the Clerks in the office of the Financial Secretary, the Provincial Secretary or Receiver General.

Clerk of Board.

V. The First General Census and Returns shall be taken between the Months of June and December, in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one; and a like General Census and Return shall be taken between the same Months in every Fifth Year hereafter. The Tables to be issued by the Board for the Census and Returns first to be taken, shall be in the Forms contained in the Tables annexed hereto, with such additional enquiries as to the Board shall seem requisite, and they may strike out any which in practice may be found inconvenient.

Census to be taken in 1851.

VI. As soon as the Tables and Instructions shall be issued by the Board, the Justices of the Peace at a General Sessions, shall set off the several Counties into different Sections or Divisions, following the Divisions now set apart for Electoral purposes, but with power to unite two or more Electoral Districts, and shall forward a Return of the same to the Secretary of the Board.

Justices to divide County.

VII. The Justices shall also at such General Sessions appoint Two Justices to act along with the Clerk of the Peace in preparing the Abstract of the Returns as herein-after provided, and shall also appoint a sufficient number of persons resident in the County, and in each of such Sections or Divisions as Enumerators in each of such Sections or Divisions, and shall return the same to the Board.

Justices and Clerks of the Peace to make Returns.

VIII. The Clerk of the Peace, together with the Two Justices, shall examine the Returns made by the Enumerators, and cause any defect or inaccuracy that may be discovered therein, to be supplied or corrected by the Enumerators, as far as possible, and shall make therefrom an Abstract, in such form as may be required by the Board, and shall transmit Triplicate Copies of such Abstract to the Board, within One Month next after receipt of such Returns, and Copies thereof shall be laid before the Two Houses of the Legislature, within the first Ten Days of the Session then next ensuing, and the Original Returns shall be kept as Records of the County in the Office of the Clerks of the Peace, and the Clerks of the Peace shall each be paid in full for their services in relation to such General Abstract, the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, to be paid out of the Provincial Treasury, after the Board shall have certified that the services have been well and faithfully performed.

Clerk of Peace and Justices to examine Returns.

IX. The Enumerators shall visit every House within their Division, and take an Account in Writing, according to the Forms to be provided for that purpose by the Board, of the Number of Persons dwelling therein, their Ages and Occupations, and also of the Number of Inhabited Houses and Uninhabited Houses within the Division, and of every Particular Matter and Thing which may be specified in the Forms or Schedules to be provided for that purpose.

Enumerators to take an Account in Writing.

X. The Enumerators may demand from the head of every Family residing within their respective Divisions, or from any member of the Family being more than twenty-one years of age, and from the Owners or Managers of all Factories, Agents of Companies, and others, true answers to all questions necessary for the purpose of taking such Accounts; and any such person who shall not answer, or shall wilfully give a false answer to any such questions; and also any person who shall in any way wilfully obstruct an Enumerator in the execution of his duties, shall for every such offence, on conviction thereof before any two Justices of the Peace for the County, incur a Penalty of not less than Ten Shillings nor more than Fifty Shillings Currency and Costs to be taxed by the Justices; and if the Penalty and Costs be not forthwith

Enumerators to demand true answers to Questions.