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CAP. XV.

An Act for taking an Account of the Population of *Great Britain*, and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof. [31ſt *December* 1800.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to take an Account of the total Number of Perſons within the Kingdom of *Great Britain*, together with the progreſſive Increaſe or Diminution thereof; may it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That within that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, the reſpective Overſeers of the Poor, or in Default thereof, ſome ſubſtantial Houſeholder of every Pariſh, Townſhip, and Place, and within that Part of *Great Britain* called *Scotland*, ſuch Perſons as ſhall be for that Purpoſe appointed by the Sheriff Deputes, Stewart Deputes, and Juſtices of the Peace, to act in and for every Pariſh, ſhall, at the Time and in the Manner herein-after directed, ſeverally take an Account of the Number of Perſons who ſhall be actually found at the Time of taking ſuch Accounts to be within the Limits of ſuch Pariſhes, Townſhips, and Places reſpectively, and ſhall ſet down the ſeveral Particulars reſpecting the ſame, according to the Form preſcribed in the Schedule annexed to this Act.

The Overſeers of the Poor (or in Default thereof, ſome ſubſtantial Houſeholder) of every Pariſh and Place in *England*, and ſuch Perſons as ſhall be appointed by the Sheriff Deputes, Stewart Deputes, and Juſtices in *Scotland*, ſhall take an Account of the Number of Perſons found within each Pariſh and Place, and ſet down the Particulars, according to the Form in the annexed Schedule.

II. And

Copies of the Act and Schedules shall be transmitted by the King's Printer to the Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks in *Great Britain*; the Acts to be distributed by them to the Justices, and the Schedules to the different Persons appointed for *England* and *Scotland*.

II. And for the more speedy and effectual obtaining of such Accounts, be it further enacted, That a sufficient Number of printed Copies of this Act, and of the Schedule thereto, shall, so soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, be transmitted by His Majesty's Printer to the Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks of the several and respective Counties, Stewartries, Ridings, Divisions, Precincts, Sokes, Franchises, Liberties, Cities, Boroughs, Towns, and Counties Corporate in *Great Britain*; and that the said several Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks shall, and they are hereby required, with all convenient Speed, to cause the said Act to be distributed amongst the acting Justices of the Peace within their respective Limits; and also within that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, to cause a sufficient Number of the Schedule to this Act annexed to be delivered to the High Constables, or where there are no High Constables, to such other proper Officers who have the Execution of Precepts from Justices of the Peace to inferior Officers within their respective Limits, at the *Epiphany* Quarter Sessions of the Peace in the Year One thousand eight hundred and one; and within that Part of *Great Britain* called *Scotland*, to cause a sufficient Number of the said Schedule to be delivered to such Persons and at such Times as are for that Purpose herein-after mentioned.

In *England* the High Constables shall, at the *Epiphany* Sessions 1801, receive from the Clerks of the Peace, *etc.* the Schedules, and forthwith deliver One to the Minister, *etc.* and one other to an Overseer or substantial Householder of each Parish or Place, who shall, with the Assistance of the Churchwardens, *&c.* upon *March* 10, 1801, take an Account of the Number of Persons therein; and inform themselves of certain Particulars, and prepare Answers to Questions according to the Form in the Schedule.

III. And be it further enacted, That within that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, the High Constables or other proper Officers so described as aforesaid, within their respective Jurisdictions aforesaid, shall, at the said *Epiphany* Quarter Sessions of the Peace in the Year One thousand eight hundred and one, pursuant to the Directions aforesaid, receive from the Clerks of the Peace or Town Clerks, the said printed Schedules, and forthwith deliver or cause to be delivered One such Schedule to the Rector, Vicar, Curate, or other Officiating Minister, and One other such Schedule to One of the Overseers of the Poor of every Parish, Township, or Place, as well within Towns Corporate as without, in their respective Limits, and also One such Schedule to the Overseer or Overseers of every Extra-parochial Place within the said Limits; and if there shall be no such Overseer therein, then to some One substantial Householder residing within the said Parish, Township, or Extra-parochial Place; and thereupon the said Overseers or substantial Householders as aforesaid, taking to their Assistance the Churchwardens or Chapelwardens, Sidesmen, Parish Clerk, and Vestry Clerk, (if any), and employing, if they shall think fit, the Constables, Tythingmen, Headboroughs, or other Peace Officers, for such Parishes, Townships, or Places, (such several Persons being hereby required to be aiding and assisting therein for that Purpose), shall, upon the Tenth Day of *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and one, proceed to take an Account in Writing of the Number of Persons at that Time being within the Limits of such Parishes, Townships, and Places, respectively, and inform themselves of the several Particulars relating to the Matters specified in the Three First Questions in the said Schedule, by proceeding together or separately from House to House, or otherwise, as they shall judge expedient for the better Execution of this Act, and from such Information shall prepare an Answer or Return to the said Questions, according to the Form prescribed in the said Schedule, and shall sign the same with their Names and respective Additions, as such Overseers or substantial Householders as aforesaid; and the better to enable the said

ſaid Overſeers or ſubſtantial Houſeholders as aforeſaid, to make ſuch Anſwers and Returns, they, and the Perſons ſo aſſiſting them as aforeſaid, are hereby authorized and empowered to aſk all ſuch Queſtions of the Perſons within the ſaid Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, reſpecting themſelves and the Number and Quality of the Perſons conſtituting their reſpective Families, as ſhall be neceſſary for ſtating the Particulars required to be ſtated concerning them, in the ſaid Anſwers and Returns; and every ſuch Perſon refuſing to anſwer, or wilfully giving a falſe Anſwer to ſuch Queſtions, or any of them, ſhall, for every ſuch Refuſal or falſe Anſwer, forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor leſs than Forty Shillings, at the Diſcretion of the Juſtice or Juſtices before whom Complaint thereof ſhall be made.

Penalty for refuſing to anſwer, or wilfully giving falſe Anſwers.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Juſtices of the Peace, or any Two or more of them, within their reſpective Juriſdictions in *England*, ſhall, at, or ſo ſoon as conveniently may be after, the ſaid *Epiphany* Quarter Seſſions in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and one, appoint a Time and Place, or Times and Places, (which Time ſhall be not ſooner than the Tenth Day of *April*, nor later than the Thirtieth Day of *April* in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and one, and may be at the *Eaſter* Quarter Seſſion if they ſhall think fit), for the Overſeers of the Poor of the ſeveral Pariſhes, Townſhips, and Places, within their reſpective Diviſions or Limits, or for ſuch ſubſtantial Houſeholders as aforeſaid, as the Caſe may be, to attend them for the Purpoſe of this Act, with Returns and Anſwers to the ſaid Three firſt Queſtions ſtated in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and cauſe Notice thereof to be given to ſuch Overſeers and Houſeholders reſpectively, according to the Form in the Schedule to this Act, and alſo to the High Conſtables, or where there are no High Conſtables, to ſuch other proper Officers as aforeſaid; and thereupon the ſaid Overſeers or ſubſtantial Houſeholders as aforeſaid, or ſome One of them, in and for every ſuch Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, ſhall and they are hereby required to attend the Juſtices of the Peace at ſuch Meeting or Meetings reſpectively, and then and there deliver to the ſaid Juſtices, in Writing ſigned by themſelves, a juſt and true Anſwer and Return to the ſaid Queſtions, upon Oath, (or being of the People called *Quakers*, on Affirmation), as herein-after directed, and the ſaid High Conſtables, or other proper Officers, ſo deſcribed as aforeſaid, ſhall, and they are hereby required to attend the ſaid reſpective Meetings for the Purpoſes herein-after directed.

Juſtices in *England* ſhall appoint a Time and Place (between the 10th and 30th of *April* 1801) for the Overſeers or Houſeholders to attend with Returns and Anſwers to the Three firſt Queſtions ſtated in the Schedules, and cauſe Notice thereof to be given to them and the High Conſtables; and the Overſeers, *etc.* ſhall then deliver Returns upon Oath.

V. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace ſhall and they are hereby required to receive and take, at ſuch Meetings ſo to be appointed by them as aforeſaid, the Anſwers and Returns to be made purſuant to the Directions aforeſaid, and then and there to adminiſter to the ſaid Overſeers or ſubſtantial Houſeholders reſpectively, the Oath or Affirmation contained in the ſaid Schedule; and (if they ſee Cauſe) to examine ſuch Overſeers and Houſeholders upon Oath or Affirmation, touching any of the Matters contained in ſuch Queſtions and Anſwers, and, if neceſſary, to adjourn the ſaid Meetings to any Time or Times, not later than the ſaid Thirtieth Day of *April*, and to any Place or Places, in order that the ſaid Returns may be rendered more complete or ſatisfactory; and ſhall then deliver ſuch Anſwers and Returns to the reſpective High Conſtables, or other proper Officers as aforeſaid, who ſhall

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wers and Returns to the High Conſtables, who ſhall indorſe the Returns, and tranſmit them to the Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks by 8th *May* 1801.

ſhall thereupon indorſe on each of ſuch Returns the Name of the County, and alſo of the Riding, Diviſion, Rape, Wapentake, Lathe, Precinct, Soke, Franchiſe, Liberty, City, Borough, Town, or County Corporate, wherein the Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place therein mentioned is ſituate, and ſhall deliver or tranſmit ſuch Returns, together with a true and perfect Liſt of the Names of the Overſeers of every Pariſh, Townſhip, and Place, and of the Houſeholders aforeſaid, to whom ſuch Schedule ſhall have been delivered as aforeſaid, to the ſeveral Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks for the Juriſdiction in which the ſaid Juſtices are authorized to act, at their reſpective Offices, on or before the Eighth Day of *May* One thouſand eight hundred and one.

Miniſters in *England* ſhall tranſmit an Anſwer to 4th and 5th Queſtions in the Schedule before the 30th *April* 1801. to the Biſhop of the Dioceſe, who ſhall tranſmit the ſame, before 8th *May* 1801, to his Archbiſhop to be laid before the Privy Council before the 15th *May*, who ſhall cauſe an Abſtract to be laid before Parliament, within Six Weeks.

VI. And be it further enacted, That every Rector, Vicar, Curate, or other Officiating Miniſter of every Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, (Extra-parochial or otherwiſe), in *England*, including Free Chapels, Donatives, and Peculiars, to whom ſuch Schedule ſhall have been delivered as aforeſaid, ſhall forthwith prepare an Anſwer or Return to the Fourth and Fifth Queſtions in the ſaid Schedule ſet forth, and ſhall, on or before the Thirtieth Day of *April* One thouſand eight hundred and one, duly tranſmit to the Biſhop, within the Limits of whoſe Dioceſe the ſaid Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, is ſituate, which ſaid Biſhops ſhall, on or before the Eighth Day of *May* One thouſand eight hundred and one, tranſmit the ſame to the Archbiſhops of their reſpective Provinces, and thereupon the ſaid Archbiſhops ſhall, on or before the Fifteenth Day of *May* One thouſand eight hundred and one, cauſe the ſame to be laid before His Majeſty's Moſt Honourable Privy Council, who ſhall cauſe an Abſtract thereof to be prepared and laid before both Houſes of Parliament, within Six Weeks after the ſaid Fifteenth Day of *May*, or if Parliament ſhall not be then ſitting, within the Firſt Fourteen Days of the Seſſion next enſuing.

The Sheriff Deputes and Stewart Deputes in *Scotland* ſhall appoint Meetings of the Juſtices, on or before 10th *March* 1801, and not later than 30th *April*, and they together ſhall appoint the Schoolmaſters or other fit Perſons to take Account of the Matters required by this Act, and the Clerks of the Peace ſhall deliver the Schedules to the Perſons ſo appointed, who ſhall take an Account of the Number of

VII. And be it further enacted, That, within that Part of *Great Britain* called *Scotland*, the Sheriff Deputes and Stewart Deputes, in their reſpective Counties and Stewartries, ſhall appoint a Time and Place, or Times and Places, (which ſhall be on or before the Tenth Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and one, if Circumſtances will permit, and not later than the Thirtieth Day of *April* One thouſand eight hundred and one), for the Juſtices of the Peace within their reſpective Counties or Stewartries to hold a Meeting or Meetings within their ordinary Limits and Juriſdictions; and that the ſaid Sheriff Deputes and Stewart Deputes, along with the Juſtices, any Two or more being a Quorum, ſhall nominate and appoint the Schoolmaſter, or other fit Perſon or Perſons in each Pariſh, to take Account of the ſeveral Matters required by this Act; and the Clerks of the Peace are required to deliver the ſaid Schedule to the Schoolmaſter, Perſon or Perſons, ſo appointed; and on the ſaid Tenth Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and one, or ſo ſoon thereafter as they conveniently can, the Schoolmaſter, Perſon or Perſons ſo appointed, ſhall proceed to take Account of the Number of Perſons at that Time within the Limits of their reſpective Pariſhes, and inform themſelves of the ſeveral Particulars relating to all the Matters ſpecified in the ſaid Schedule, by proceeding from Houſe to Houſe, or otherwiſe as they ſhall judge expedient, for the better Execution of this Act, and from ſuch Information as aforeſaid ſhall prepare an Anſwer or

Return to all the ſaid Queſtions according to the Form preſcribed in the ſaid Schedule, and ſhall ſign the ſame with their Names and ordinary Deſignations; and the better to enable them to make ſuch Anſwers or Returns as aforeſaid, they are hereby authorized and empowered to aſk all ſuch Queſtions of the Perſons within their reſpective Pariſhes, reſpecting themſelves and the Number and Quality of the Perſons conſtituting their reſpective Families, as ſhall be neceſſary for ſtating the Particulars required to be ſtated concerning them in the ſaid Anſwers and Returns; and every ſuch Perſon refuſing to anſwer, or wilfully giving a falſe Anſwer to ſuch Queſtions, or any of them, ſhall, for every ſuch Refuſal or falſe Anſwer, forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds, nor leſs than Forty Shillings, at the Diſcretion of the Juſtice or Juſtices before whom the Complaint thereof ſhall be made.

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Penalty for refuſing to anſwer, or wilfully giving falſe Anſwers.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Sheriff Deputes or Stewart Deputes for *Scotland*, within their reſpective Juriſdictions, ſhall appoint a Time and Place, or Times and Places, which ſhall not be ſooner than the Firſt Day of *June*, nor later than the ordinary *Michaelmas* Meeting of the County in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and one, for the Juſtices of Peace to meet, and the Schoolmaſter, Perſon or Perſons appointed by them as aforeſaid, to attend at ſuch Meetings with the Returns and Anſwers to all the Queſtions ſtated in the Schedule to this Act; and the ſaid Sheriff Deputes and Stewart Deputes ſhall cauſe Notice to be given to them reſpectively, for that Purpoſe accordingly; and the Juſtices of Peace ſhall at ſuch Meeting or Meetings receive the Anſwers and Returns to be made as aforeſaid, and adminiſter the Oath contained in the ſaid Schedule to the Schoolmaſter, Perſon or Perſons appointed to make ſuch Returns as aforeſaid; and ſuch Juſtices, if they ſee Cauſe, may examine the ſaid Schoolmaſter, Perſon or Perſons, upon Oath, touching any of the Matters contained in ſuch Queſtions and Anſwers, and ſhall indorſe the ſame, with the Name of the County or Stewartry, or Diſtrict thereof, wherein the Pariſh therein mentioned is ſituated, and ſhall tranſmit ſuch Returns to the ſeveral Clerks of the Peace or Town Clerks, for the Juriſdiction in which the ſaid Juſtices are authorized to act, on or before the Twenty-fourth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and one.

The Sheriff Deputes or Stewart Deputes ſhall appoint a Time and Place (not ſooner than 1ſt *June* 1801, nor later than *Michaelmas*) for the Juſtices to meet, and the Perſons ſo appointed as aforeſaid ſhall attend with Returns and Anſwers to the Queſtions, *etc.* which the Juſtices ſhall receive upon Oath, with Power to examine the Perſons upon Oath, and ſhall indorſe the Returns, and tranſmit them to the Clerks of the Peace or Town Clerks, by *Oct.* 24, 1801.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the ſeveral Accounts ſo taken in Writing by the Overſeers and Schoolmaſters, or other Perſons ſo appointed as aforeſaid, in every Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place within *Great Britain*, for the Purpoſe of preparing the aforeſaid Anſwers and Returns, ſhall be ſafely kept and preſerved by the Churchwardens or Chapelwardens, in *England*, and by the Schoolmaſters or other Perſons appointed as aforeſaid, in *Scotland*, for the Time being, of the ſeveral Pariſhes, Townſhips, or Places to which the ſame relate, and ſhall be delivered over by them to their Succeſſors in Office reſpectively; and that ſaid Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks throughout that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, ſhall, on or before the Fifteenth Day of *May* One thouſand eight hundred and one, and the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace in *Scotland* ſhall, on or before the Tenth Day of *November* One thouſand eight hundred and one, tranſmit, with all convenient Speed, ſuch Anſwers and Returns as they ſhall have received in Manner aforeſaid (together with a Liſt of the Pariſhes, Townſhips, and Places within their reſpective Counties,

The Accounts taken throughout *Great Britain* for preparing the Anſwers and Returns ſhall be preſerved by the Churchwardens, *&c.* in *England*, and other Perſons in *Scotland*, and delivered over to their Succeſſors; and the Clerks of the Peace, *&c.* ſhall tranſmit the Anſwers, *&c.* to the Secretary of

State by 15th *May* 1801, in *England*, and 10th *Nov.* in *Scotland*, an Abſtract of which ſhall be laid before Parliament within Six Weeks.

ties, Stewartries, Ridings, or Diviſions, from whence no Returns have been made to them) to the Office of His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department; and that the ſame ſhall be digeſted and reduced into Order by ſuch Officer as ſuch Secretary of State ſhall appoint for the Purpoſe; and that an Abſtract thereof ſhall be laid before both Houſes of Parliament, within Six Weeks after the ſaid Fifteenth Day of *May* and Tenth Day of *November* reſpectively, or if Parliament ſhall not be then ſitting, within the Firſt Fourteen Days of the Seſſion next enſuing ſuch Days reſpectively.

Perſons employed to have an Allowance for their Trouble and Expences.

X. And be it further enacted, That there ſhall be paid and allowed for the Trouble and Expences of the ſeveral Perſons employed in the Tranſactions aforeſaid, for every Return which ſhall be ſo made and tranſmitted to the Clerks of the Peace and Town Clerks reſpectively, purſuant to the Directions aforeſaid, the Sums following; *videlicet*, To the Clerk of the Peace or Town Clerk, for the Return which ſhall be made from every ſuch Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place in *Great Britain*, the Sum of One Shilling; to the High Conſtable or other proper Officer, in *England*, for the like, the Sum of One Shilling and Sixpence; to the Clerks of the Juſtices of the Peace throughout *Great Britain*, for the like, the Sum of One Shilling: And that the Juſtices of the Peace in *England*, at their reſpective *Midſummer* Quarter Seſſions, in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and one, ſhall, and are hereby required to make an Order upon their reſpective Treaſurers, to pay the ſame out of the Rates to be made and collected for the reſpective Counties, Ridings, Diviſions, Precincts, Sokes, Franchiſes, Liberties, Cities, and Counties Corporate, or ſhall cauſe the ſame to be paid out of the Poor Rates of and for ſuch Counties Corporate, or Places as have no County Rates; and that the Juſtices of the Peace in *Scotland* may, in like Manner order the Sheriff or Stewart of each County and Stewartry, to pay the like Fees to the Perſons ſeverally entitled to them in *Scotland*, which Payments they are hereby authorized to charge in their reſpective Accounts: And alſo, that the ſaid Juſtices in *England*, at their ſaid *Midſummer* Quarter Seſſions, or at the *Michaelmas* Quarter Seſſions following, and the ſaid Juſtices in *Scotland*, at their ordinary *Michaelmas* Meetings for each County or Stewartry, may and they are hereby required to allow, the Amount of any reaſonable Compenſation for Trouble and Expences which they ſhall be ſatisfied have been *bonâ fide* and neceſſarily incurred in the Execution of this Act, by ſuch Overſeers, Houſeholders, Pariſh Clerk, or Veſtry Clerk in *England*, and by ſuch Schoolmaſter, or other Perſon ſo appointed as aforeſaid, in *Scotland*; and may order Payment thereof to be made by the Receiver General of the Land Tax of and for the County, Riding, or other Place in *England*, or Receiver General of *Scotland*, (as the Caſe ſhall require), out of any Money in his Hands, and ſuch Receiver General ſhall pay the ſame accordingly.

Penalty on Clerks of the Peace, Conſtables, Churchwardens, Overſeers, School maſters, &c. for wilful Default.

XI. And be it further enacted, That every ſuch Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, High Conſtable, Conſtable, Tithingman, Headborough, or other ſuch Officer as aforeſaid, and alſo every ſuch Churchwarden, Chapelwarden, Sideſman, Pariſh Clerk, Veſtry Clerk, Overſeer of the Poor, Houſeholder, Schoolmaſter, or other Perſon ſo appointed as aforeſaid, making wilful Default in any of the Matters required of them reſpectively by

by this Act, shall, for every such wilful Default, forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings, at the Discretion of the Justice or Justices before whom Complaint thereof shall be made.

Recovery and Application of Penalties.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the several Forfeitures and Penalties inflicted by this Act shall, if not immediately paid, be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by virtue of a Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Justice of the Peace having Jurisdiction where such Offender shall dwell, rendering to the said Offender the Overplus, if any, after the Charge of such Distress and Sale shall be deducted; and in case sufficient Distress shall not be found, then it shall be lawful for such Justice to commit such Offender to the Common Gaol, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for a Term not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless the said Forfeiture and Charges shall be sooner paid; and the said Forfeitures, when recovered in *England*, shall be paid, One Half to the Informer, and the other Half to the said respective Treasurers, to be applied in Aid of the Rates aforesaid; and any Person shall be deemed a competent Witness for the Execution of any of the Purposes of this Act, notwithstanding his paying or being liable to pay towards such Poor Rates or County Rates; and in case the said Forfeitures shall be recovered in *Scotland*, they shall be paid, One Half to the Informer, and the other Half to the Sheriff or Stewart of such County or Stewartry, wherein the said Default shall be committed.

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I.

QUESTIONS to which, by Directions of an Act paſſed in the Forty-firſt Year of the Reign of His Majeſty King *George* the Third, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof*, written Anſwers are to be returned by the Rector, Vicar, Curate, or Officiating Miniſter, and Overſeers of the Poor, or (in Default thereof) by ſome other ſubſtantial Houſeholder, of every Pariſh, Townſhip, and Place (including thoſe Places alſo which are Extra-parochial) in *England*; and by the Schoolmaſters or other Perſons to be appointed under the ſaid Act for every Pariſh in *Scotland*; ſigned by them reſpectively, and atteſted upon Oath or Affirmation by the ſaid Overſeers, or (in Default thereof) by ſuch other ſubſtantial Houſeholders as aforeſaid, in *England*, and by the Schoolmaſters or other ſuch Perſons as aforeſaid in *Scotland*; for which Purpoſe they are to attend the Juſtices of the Peace, within their reſpective Juriſdictions, at ſuch Times and Places as the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace ſhall appoint, on Pain of incurring the Penalties impoſed by the ſaid Act for every wilful Default or Neglect.

1ſt. How many Inhabited Houſes are there in your Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place; by how many Families are they occupied; and, how many Houſes therein are Uninhabited?

2d. How many Perſons (including Children of whatever Age) are there actually found within the Limits of your Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, at the Time of taking this Account, diſtinguiſhing Males and Females, and excluſive of Men actually ſerving in His Majeſty's Regular Forces or Militia, and excluſive of Seamen either in His Majeſty's Service, or belonging to Regiſtered Veſſels?

3d. What Number of Perſons, in your Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, are chiefly employed in Agriculture; how many in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft; and, how many are not comprized in any of the preceding Claſſes?

4th. What

4th. What was the Number of Baptiſms and Burials in your Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, in the ſeveral Years 1700, 1710, 1720, 1730, 1740, 1750, 1760, 1770, 1780, and each ſubſequent Year to the 31ſt Day of *December* 1800, diſtinguiſhing Males from Females?

5th. What has been the Number of Marriages in your Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, in each Year, from the Year 1754 incluſive to the End of the Year 1800?

6th. Are there any Matters which you think it neceſſary to remark in Explanation of your Anſwers to any of the preceding Queſtions?

FORM of ANSWERS by the OVERSEERS, &c. in ENGLAND,

To the Queſtions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof.*

County, &c.	Hundred, &c.	City, Town, &c.	Pariſh, &c.	QUESTION 1ſt. HOUSES.			QUESTION 2d. PERSONS, including Children of whatever Age.		Total of PERSONS in Anſwer to Queſtion 2d.	QUESTION 3d. OCCUPATIONS.			TOTAL of PERSONS.
				Inhabited.	By how many Families occupied.	Uninhabited.	Males.	Females.		Perſons chiefly employed in Agriculture.	Perſons chiefly employed in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft.	All other Perſons not comprised in the Two preceding Claſſes.	N. B. This Column muſt correſpond with the Total of Perſons in Anſwer to Queſtion 2d.

N. B. If any Family occupies Two or more Houſes in different Pariſhes, Townſhips, or Places, the Individuals belonging to ſuch Family are to be numbered only in thoſe Pariſhes, Townſhips, or Places where they ſeverally happen to be at the Time of taking the Account.

REMARKS, in Explanation of the Matters ſtated in Anſwer to the preceding Queſtions.

1ſt Queſtion.

2d Queſtion.

3d Queſtion.

ATTESTATION on Oath (*or* Affirmation) by the OVERSEERS or ſubſtantial Houſeholders in ENGLAND.

I, *A. B.* One of the Overſeers (*or* a ſubſtantial Houſeholder) of the Pariſh, Townſhip, *&c.* of in the County of do ſwear (*or* affirm), That the above Return contains, to the beſt of my Knowledge and Belief, a full and true Anſwer to the Queſtions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof.*

The above-mentioned *A. B.* was ſworn (*or* affirmed) before us the Juſtices of the Peace in and for the of this Day of

C. D. and *E. F.*

FORM of ANSWERS by the CLERGYMEN in ENGLAND,

To the Queſtions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof.*

County, &c.	Hundred, &c.	City, Town, &c.	Pariſh, &c.

QUESTION 4th.

Years.	BAPTISMS.		BURIALS.		Years.	BAPTISMS.		BURIALS.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1700					1787				
1710					1788				
1720					1789				
1730					1790				
1740					1791				
1750					1792				
1760					1793				
1770					1794				
1780					1795				
1781					1796				
1782					1797				
1783					1798				
1784					1799				
1785					1800				
1786									

QUESTION 5th.

MARRIAGES.

Years.	Number of Marriages.	Years.	Number of Marriages.	Years.	Number of Marriages.
1754		1770		1786	
1755		1771		1787	
1756		1772		1788	
1757		1773		1789	
1758		1774		1790	
1759		1775		1791	
1760		1776		1792	
1761		1777		1793	
1762		1778		1794	
1763		1779		1795	
1764		1780		1796	
1765		1781		1797	
1766		1782		1798	
1767		1783		1799	
1768		1784		1800	
1769		1785			

REMARKS, in Explanation of the Matters ſtated in Anſwer to the 4th and 5th Queſtions.

4th Queſtion.
5th Queſtion.

CERTIFICATE OF THE CLERGYMEN.

I, *A. B.* [Rector, Vicar, Curate, *or* officiating Miniſter,] of the Pariſh, Townſhip, *&c.* of in the County of do certify, That the above Return contains, to the beſt of my Knowledge and Belief, a full and true Anſwer to the 4th and 5th Queſtions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof.*—*A. B.*

Witneſs *C. D.* One of the Overſeers [*or* ſubſtantial Houſeholder] of the Pariſh of this Day of

FORM of ANSWERS by the SCHOOLMASTERS, &c. in SCOTLAND,

To the QUESTIONS contained in the SCHEDULE to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increase or Diminution thereof.*

County, &c.	Hundred, &c.	City, Town, &c.	Parish, &c.	QUESTION 1st. HOUSES. Inhabited.	By how many Families occupied.	Uninhabited.	QUESTION 2d. PERSONS, including Children of whatever Age. Males.	Females.	Total of PERSONS in Answer to Question 2d.	QUESTION 3d. OCCUPATIONS. Persons chiefly employed in Agriculture.	Persons chiefly employed in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft.	All other Persons not comprized in the Two preceding Classes.	TOTAL of PERSONS. N. B. This Column must correspond with the Total of Persons in Answer to Question 2d.

N. B. If any Family occupies Two or more Houses in different Parishes, &c. the Individuals belonging to such Family are to be numbered only in those Parishes, &c. where they severally happen to be at the Time of taking the Account.

REMARKS, in Explanation of the Matters stated in Answer to the preceding Questions.

1st Question.
2d Question.
3d Question.

ANSWERS to the Fourth and Fifth QUESTIONS.

Years.	BAPTISMS. Males.	Females.	BURIALS. Males.	Females.	Years.	BAPTISMS. Males.	Females.	BURIALS. Males.	Females.
1700					1787				
1710					1788				
1720					1789				
1730					1790				
1740					1791				
1750					1792				
1760					1793				
1770					1794				
1780					1795				
1781					1796				
1782					1797				
1783					1798				
1784					1799				
1785					1800				
1786									

MARRIAGES. Years.	Number of Marriages.	Years.	Number of Marriages.	Years.	Number of Marriages.
1754		1770		1786	
1755		1771		1787	
1756		1772		1788	
1757		1773		1789	
1758		1774		1790	
1759		1775		1791	
1760		1776		1792	
1761		1777		1793	
1762		1778		1794	
1763		1779		1795	
1764		1780		1796	
1765		1781		1797	
1766		1782		1798	
1767		1783		1799	
1768		1784		1800	
1769		1785			

4th Question. REMARKS, in Explanation of the Matters stated in Answer to the Fourth and Fifth Questions. 5th Question.

Certificate of the Clergymen.

I, *A. B.* Minister of the Gospel of the Parish, &c. of in the County of do certify, That the above Return contains, to the best of my Knowledge and Belief, a full and true Answer to the 4th and 5th Questions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increase or Diminution thereof.*—*A. B.*

Witness *C. D.* [Schoolmaster, &c.] of the said Parish, &c. of this Day of

Attestation on Oath by the Schoolmaster, &c. *in* Scotland.

I, *A. B.* [Schoolmaster, &c.] of the Parish, &c. of in the County of do swear, That the above Return contains, to the best of my Knowledge and Belief, a full and true Answer to the Questions contained in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increase or Diminution thereof.*

The above-mentioned was sworn before us, the Justices of the Peace in and for the of this Day of *C. D.* and *E. F.*

II.

FORM of the PRECEPT for giving Notice to High Conſtables, Overſeers, and Houſeholders, in *England*, of the Time and Place appointed by Juſtices of the Peace for taking the Anſwers and Returns under this Act.

The County, &c. to wit. } *To the Conſtable,* [*Tythingman*, or *Headborough*] *of in the ſaid County.*

YOU are hereby required, with all convenient Speed, to give or cauſe to be given Notice to the High Conſtable of the Hundred of and to the Overſeers of the Poor of every Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, within the ſaid Hundred; and if there is no Overſeer therein, then to ſome ſubſtantial Houſeholder therein; that they are ſeverally required to appear at on the Day of next, at the Hour of in the Forenoon, before ſuch of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace as ſhall be then and there aſſembled, and that the ſaid Overſeers or Houſeholders as aforeſaid, or ſome One of them, for every ſuch Pariſh, Townſhip, or Place, are then and there to deliver upon Oath or Affirmation, a juſt and true Account, in Writing, ſigned by themſelves, containing an Anſwer to the ſeveral Queſtions propounded in the Schedule to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof.* Given under my Hand [*or* our Hands] this Day of in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and one.

III.

FORM of the OATH or AFFIRMATION to the Return.

YOU ſhall ſwear (*or* affirm) that the Anſwers and Return now made by you to the ſeveral Queſtions contained in the Schedule annexed to an Act, intituled, *An Act for taking an Account of the Population of* Great Britain, *and of the Increaſe or Diminution thereof*, is a full and true Anſwer to the ſaid Queſtions, to the beſt of your Knowledge and Belief.

IV.

FORM of INDORSEMENT by the High Conſtables in *England*, and by the Juſtices of the Peace in *Scotland*.

County [*or* Stewartry] of

Riding, Diviſion, or Diſtrict thereof (*if any*)

Hundred, Rape, Wapentake, Lathe, Precinct, Soke, Franchiſe, *or* Liberty, of

City, Borough, Town, *or* County Corporate, of

Pariſh, Townſhip, *&c.* of

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