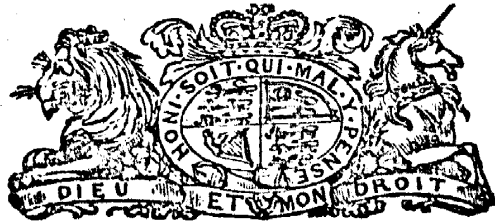


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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. 13.—1843.

*By His Excellency GEORGE GREY Esquire Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Province of South Australia and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council.*

*allowed - See Gazette 17 Oct 1844*

**AN ORDINANCE** for ascertaining the Number of Inhabitants of the Province of South Australia in the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-four.

**WHEREAS** it is expedient that provision should be made for ascertaining the number of Inhabitants within the Province of South Australia:

**BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED** BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR of South Australia with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof That on or before the Twelfth day of February next in the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-four the Justices of the Peace assembled in Petty Sessions in their respective Districts shall and they are hereby required and directed to cause general notices to be affixed in the several Churches Chapels Court-houses Police Stations and on such other conspicuous places as they shall deem proper within the said Colony requiring every householder employer of servants and proprietor

Justices and others to cause notices to be fixed in conspicuous places calling on householders &c. to give the information required by this Ordinance.

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or occupier of land therein to be prepared upon the Twenty-sixth day of February next ensuing or on the days immediately subsequent thereto to give all information as is required by the Schedule hereunto annexed marked A to such persons as shall be employed in manner hereafter mentioned to collect the same.

Governor to appoint persons to collect the information required by this Ordinance.

II. And be it enacted that His Excellency the Governor shall on or before the First day of February appoint by notice in the usual manner in the "Government Gazette" one or more proper persons in each District to collect the information required and the said persons shall on the Twenty-sixth day of February next and on the days immediately subsequent thereto if one day shall not be sufficient proceed to take an account in writing of the number of persons at that time being within the limits of their respective Districts and inform themselves of the several particulars specified in the said Schedule distinguishing the County or reputed County in which each such person shall be or reside and the better to enable the persons appointed as aforesaid to take such accounts they are hereby authorised and empowered to ask such questions of the persons residing or being within their respective Districts concerning themselves and the number quality age and trade or calling of the persons constituting their respective families and all such other particulars as shall be necessary to fill up the said Schedule and every such person refusing or neglecting to answer or wilfully giving a false answer to any such question shall for every such refusal or neglect or false answer forfeit and pay 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.

Persons appointed as aforesaid to deliver over their accounts of Inhabitants to the Colonial Secretary with in a certain time.

III. And be it enacted that the persons so to be appointed as aforesaid shall within fourteen days after the said Twenty-sixth day of February next appear before some Justice of the Peace for the Province and produce the original accounts taken in writing and subscribed by them and shall make affidavit to the same in the form contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed marked B before the said Justice of the Peace who is hereby authorised to take such affidavit and shall answer all such questions concerning such accounts as shall be put to them by the said Justice of the Peace and that the persons so to be appointed as aforesaid shall within fourteen days of making such affidavit as aforesaid transmit to the Colonial Secretary of the Province the original accounts so taken in writing and verified by their affidavit as aforesaid and if any such person shall fail or neglect to take such accounts or shall knowingly make any false statement therein or shall omit to verify or transmit the same in manner hereby required or shall refuse

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refuse to answer or wilfully give a false answer to any question he shall on conviction forfeit and pay for every such offence 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.

IV. And be it enacted that it shall be lawful for His Excellency the Governor to cause an allowance for the number of days which any such person appointed as aforesaid shall be actually employed in taking such account as aforesaid at a rate not exceeding Twenty Shillings per day.

Allowance to the persons appointed by the Governor.

V. And be it enacted that all fines imposed under and by virtue of this Ordinance shall be recovered in a summary manner before any one or more Justices of the Peace according to the Law of the Province for regulating summary proceedings before Justices and all such fines when recovered shall be paid one half to the informer or person who shall sue for the same and the other moiety to the Colonial Treasurer on behalf of Her Majesty her heirs and successors towards defraying the expense of carrying this Act into execution and for the public uses of the Province and support of the Government thereof.

Fines to be recovered in a summary way.

GEORGE GREY,  
Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

*Passed in the Legislative Council, this Third  
day of November, 1843.*

W. L. O'HALLORAN,  
Clerk of Council.

SCHEDULES REFERRED TO.

SCHEDULE A.

Census of the Year 1844.

Return No. .

County Town or District.

Name of householder employer of servants or person in charge.

Place of residence and street if in a town.

Questions to be proposed to every householder employer of servants and proprietor or occupier of land in the Colony by persons appointed by the Governor to collect the information required by the Ordinance.

Replies to be inserted by the householder if able to write otherwise by one of the Collectors appointed by the Governor under a penalty in case of failure or neglect or of giving a false answer of not less than forty shillings nor more than five pounds.

1. What is the name of the person at the head or in charge of this house or establishment and who is the proprietor thereof?

2. Is the dwelling-house built of stone or brick, or of wood, or of what other material?

3. How many persons are residing in this house or establishment including yourself?

4. Be pleased to give me a return of those persons in the form annexed distinguishing males and females and shewing the number of each age religion and calling as therein specified?

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*Numerical Return shewing the age sex religion occupation condition and trade or calling of persons in the said house or establishment.*

Numbers of each age.	Sex.				Total.
	Male.		Female.		
	Married.	Single.	Married.	Single.	
Under 2 years.....					
2 and under 7 " .....					
7 " 14 " .....					
14 " 21 " .....					
21 " 45 " .....					
45 " 60 " .....					
60 and upwards					
Totals.....					
<b>Religion.</b>					
Church of England.....					
" Scotland.....					
Wesleyan Methodists .....					
Other Protestant Dissenters.....					
Roman Catholics.....					
Jews.....					
Mahomedans and Pagans .....					
Totals*.....					
<b>Occupation.</b>					
Land proprietors merchants bank- ers and professional persons ...					
Shop-keepers and other retail dealers .....					
Mechanics and artificers .....					
Shepherds and others in care of sheep .....					
Stockmen and others in care of cattle					
Gardeners farm-servants and per- sons employed in agriculture ...					
Domestic servants .....					
All other persons not included in the foregoing classes .....					
Totals*.....					

\* If the Return be correct totals should correspond.

SCHEDULE B.

*Form of Affidavit.*

I do hereby make oath and swear that the returns numbered from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ inclusive severally signed by me contain a true statement of the number and quality of the persons residing within the District (or Town) of \_\_\_\_\_ of best of my knowledge and belief. to the

Sworn before me at

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

1844.

(Signed)

J. P.

*Passed in the Legislative Council this Third day of November, 1843.*

W. L. O'HALLORAN,  
Clerk of Council.

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