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THE LEGISLATURE,

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

A. D. 1833.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE.

AN ACT in addition to "An Act to provide for the Education of Youth."

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and

- 2 House of Representatives, in Legislature as-
- 3 sembled, That all the sums, which may be
- 4 hereafter received by the State for the tax on
- 5 the several Banks, shall be and the same hereby
- 6 are appropriated to the support of primary
- 7 schools.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the

- 2 school agents of the several towns and plan-
- 3 tations shall, before entering upon their said
- 4 office, be sworn to the faithful discharge of
- 5 the duties thereof. And each of said Agents
- 6 shall, in the month of December in each year,

- 7 return to the Selectmen of said towns and to
- 8 the Assessors of said plantations a list certifi-
- 9 ed by him to be a true and correct list of
- 10 the scholars in his district, between the ages of
- 11 four and twenty-one years, as the same existed
- 12 on the first day of said month.
 - Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That it shall
 - 2 be the duty of said Selectmen and Assessors
 - 3 respectively to ascertain from said lists the num-
 - 4 ber of scholars between the ages aforesaid in
 - 5 their respective towns, plantations and city, and
 - 6 to transmit a statement thereof in the month of
 - 7 January annually to the Secretary of State, and
 - 8 to certify upon oath in said statement that the
 - 9 same is true and correct, according to their best
- 10 knowledge and belief.
 - Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That the
 - 2 Secretary of State shall, from said statements,
 - 3 ascertain, as soon as may be, the aggregate
 - 4 number of all the scholars between the aforesaid
 - 5 ages, whereof statements as aforesaid shall have
 - 6 been received by him in the month of January

7 and shall immediately notify the Treasurer of 8 the State of the number of scholars, ascertained 9 as aforesaid, in the several towns, plantations 10 and the city aforesaid, from which returns were 11 seasonably made.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, That the 2 Treasurer of the State shall, upon receiving said 3 notification, distribute a sum equal to the whole 4 amount received within the next preceding year, 5 for the tax upon the several Banks, among the 6 towns, plantations and city of the State, according to the number of scholars to them severally 8 belonging, as exhibited in said notification, and 9 shall on and after the fifteenth day of February 10 pay to the Treasurers of the towns, plantations 11 and city, or to their order, the sum which shall 12 fall to them respectively in said apportionment.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, That the 2 Selectmen of towns and Assessors of plantations 3 shall annually apportion and cause to be distributed the sums received of the State as aforesaid, 5 among their several school districts, in the same

6 manner as other money, raised for support of 7 schools, are required to be apportioned and dis-8 tributed.

Sec. 7. Be it further enacted, That noth-2 ing in this Act contained shall exonerate any 3 town or plantation from raising and expending 4 for the support of schools, the sums now requir-5 ed of them respectively by law.

STATE OF MAINE

House of Representatives, February 23, 1833.

ORDERED, That three hundred copies of the foregoing Bill be printed for the use of the Legislature.

[Extract from the Journal.]

Attest:

ASAPH R. NICHOLS, Clerk.