

receiving from the inhabitants of his county their lists of lands according to law, and such persons are hereby required to attend at such places as said Commissioner may appoint as aforesaid—

SEC. 7. That in all cases where-ever any person may have any doubts as to the original claimant of the land which he is required to list for taxation, such person shall in lieu thereof be authorised to state the number of the survey under which such person claims.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Approved, Dec 24. 1814

NINIAN EDWARDS

*AN ACT to promote retaliation upon hostile Indians*

Whereas the hostile incursions of the savages and their indiscriminate slaughters of men women and children, have been often repeated and under circumstances aggravating the honor of such sanguinary scenes, and producing great affliction and distress among the inhabitants of this Territory.

And whereas nothing is so well calculated to check the progress or prevent the repetition of those attacks on the part of those blood thirsty monsters as successful pursuit and retaliation upon them to effect which it becomes expedient to offer sufficient encouragement to the bravery and enterprize of our fellow-citizens, and those other persons now engaged or that hereafter may be engaged in the defence of our frontiers. Therefore

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Legislative Council and house of Representatives and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That if any indian or indians shall hereafter make an incursion into our settlements with hostile intentions and shall commit any murder or depredation, and any citizen or citizens or rangers or other persons engaged in the defence of our frontier shall pursue and overtake and take prisoner or rprisoners or kill any indian or indians that may have so offended such person or persons shall if they be citizens merely receive a reward for each Indian so taken or Killed the sum of fifty dollars and if they be rangers or other persons actually at the time engaged in the defence of any frontier such person or persons shall be entitled to a reward of twenty five dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted that if any party of citizens having

first obtained permission of the commanding officer on our frontier to go into the Territory of any hostile indians shall perform any such tour and shall kill any indian warrior, or take prisoner any squaw or child in the country of said hostile Indians such person shall be entitled to a reward of one hundred dollars for each indian warrior Killed and such squaw or child taken prisoner

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted that if any party of Rangers or other persons now engaged or that may hereafter be engaged in the defence of our frontier, not exceeding fifteen in number shall with the leave of the officer make a voluntary incursion into the country of any hostile indians and shall Kill any indian warrior or warriors, or take and bring away any squaw or squaws child or children, in and from the country of said Indians such persons as aforesaid shall be entitled to a reward of fifty dollars, for each indian warrior Killed as aforesaid, and each squaw or child so taken prisoner

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, that proof of any of the before mentioned facts to entitle any person or persons to the reward given by this law, shall be made before the Judges of any county court, or any two of said Judges who upon full proof being made before them, shall certify the same to the auditor of public accounts who shall audit the amount due to such person or persons and give to him or them a warrant on the Treasurer for the amount thereof which shall be paid out of any money in the public Treasury. This act shall be in force from and after the passage thereof.

RISDON MOORE

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Approved Dec 24. 1814

NINIAN EDWARDS

*AN ACT providing for the payment of the expenses of revising and printing the laws of Illinois Territory*

Whereas this Legislature have contracted with Nathaniel Pope Esq for revising the laws of this Territory making an index to the same, and superintending the printing thereof, and whereas also they have contracted with Matthew Duncan Esq for the aforesaid printing

Be it enacted by the Legislative Council and house of Representatives, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that as soon as the above mentioned work shall be done and performed it shall