

the uses aforesaid, And the Master Mistress or dame so offending as aforesaid, shall also forfeit the sume of Ten thousand pounds of Tobacco one half to the King and Queen their heirs and Successors for the support of Government within this Province, The other half to him or them that shall informe or sue for the same to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province by bill plaint or Information wherein no Essoine Protection or wager of Law shall be allowed, And any Priest Minister Magistrate or other person whatsoever within this Province that shall from and after the Publication hereof joyn in Marriage any Negro or other Slave to any English or other white woman Servant free born as aforesaid shall forfeite and pay the sum of Ten thousand pounds of Tobacco, one half to their said Majesties their heirs and successors, to the use aforesaid and the other half to the Informer to be recov<sup>rd</sup> as aforesaid Any Law Statute or usage to the Contrary notwithstanding.

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June 4<sup>th</sup> 1692  
Assented to by the Councill Board  
Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup>  
John Llewelin Clk.

June the 2<sup>d</sup> 1692  
The house of Assembly  
have Assented  
Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup>  
Hen: Denton Clk.

An Act for the restraining of the unreasonable encrease of Horses in this Province.

Whereas by the great encrease of horses within this Province, the Inhabitants do find themselvs very much Impoverished in their Stock and damnified in their Cornfields to the ruine and destruction of the Inhabitants and lessning of all sorts of Provision and forasmuch as there hath been hitherto no Law Provided as a Remedy to restrain this growing and intollerable Grievance Be it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majes<sup>ts</sup> by and with the advice and consent of this present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same, That every person that shall take up any stoned horse of any person or persons within this Province shall have two hundred pounds of Tobacco for reward for the same The taker up delivering said horse to the owner of the said horse and the owner thereof shall be obliged to Cutt the same within six weeks after the delivery of the said horse under the penalty of four hundred pounds of Tobacco unless the said horse be fourteen hands high to be adjudged by the next justice of Peace And that all Stallions of the said size shall be kept within a fence or the owners thereof shall be obliged to cutt the same within six weeks under the penalty of four hundred pounds of Tobacco, And that all Horse Colts whatsoever be cutt for

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