

AND be it Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That no Negro, or other Slave, within this Province, shall be permitted to carry any Gun, or any other offensive Weapon, from off their Master's Land, without Licence from their said Master; and if any Negro, or other Slave, shall presume so to do, he shall be liable to be carried before a Justice of Peace, and be whipped, and his Gun, or other offensive Weapon, shall be forfeit to him that shall seize the same, and carry such Negro, so offending, before such Justice of Peace.

AND be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That from and after the End of this Session of Assembly, any Servant or Servants whatsoever, within this Province, that shall feloniously take or purloyn his or their Master, Mistress, or Dame's Goods or Chattels, under the Value of One thousand Pounds of Tobacco, shall be adjudged a Felon, and being thereof lawfully convicted in any County-Court of this Province, shall be adjudged to pay Four times the Value of such Goods, so purloyned, to his, her, or their Master, Mistress, or Dame, which he, she, or they shall make good by Servitude, after the Expiration of their first Time of Service; and shall also suffer such Pains of Whipping, or Pillorying, as the Justices, before whom such Matter is brought, shall adjudge.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That when any Person or Persons, except Negroes and Mulattoes, shall be found Travelling without Passes, as aforesaid, and shall be taken up as suspected Runaways, and by any Justice of Peace committed to the Custody of any Sheriff or Goaler within this Province, it shall not be lawful for any such Sheriff or Goaler to hold such Person in Custody longer than Six Months; and if such Person can, at any time within the said Six Months, procure a Certificate, or other Justification, that he or she is no Servant, he or she shall and may, by Order of any Two Justices of the County where such Person is committed to Prison, be discharged from any further Imprisonment; he, she, or they, serving such Sheriff or Goaler, or his Assigns, so many Days as he, she, or they, were in Custody of such Sheriff or Goaler, or otherwise paying Ten Pounds of Tobacco *per* Day to such Sheriff or Goaler for their Imprisonment-Fees, and no more; and paying to such Person or Persons, who took up such Person, Two hundred Pounds of Tobacco, or serving him, her, or them, Twenty Days in lieu thereof; and if any such Sheriff or Goaler shall detain such Person or Persons in Prison, after such Order of Two Justices, as aforesaid, or the Expiration of Six Months, and Payment of Ten Pounds of Tobacco *per* Day, as aforesaid, such Sheriff or Goaler shall be liable to an Action of False Imprisonment; any Law, Statute, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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