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such persons as aforesaid, and if any Person shall presume to contract Marriage without such Publication made and Certificate thereof had as aforesaid or without particular Lycence from the Governor for the time being, do privately within the limitts of this Province contract Marriage, every person soe Contracted or marryed shall be lyable to a ffine of one thousand pounds of Tobacco, and every such Minister Pastor or Magistrate Joyning in Marriage any persons without such Publication or Lycence or any wayes infringing this Act shall be lyable to a Fine of five thousand pounds of Tobacco, the one half of the said Fines to our Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen their heirs and Successors for the Support of Government, and the other half to the Informer to be recovered by Bill plaint Action of debt or Information in any Court of Record wherein no Essoyn Protection or wager of Law to be allowed And be it further Enacted that all such marriages as shall not be made and Cellebrated before some Minister Pastour or Magistrate with five sufficient wittnesses at least according to the forme aforementioned shall and are thereby declared Null and Voyd And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all Ministers Pastors and Magistrates who according to the Law of this Province do usually joyn People in Marriage, shall joyn them in manner and forme as is sett down & Expressed in the Liturgy of the Church of England & w^{ch} being finished the Minister Pastor or Magistrate shall say I being hereunto by Law Authorized do pronounce you lawfull man and wife And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Minister Pastor or Magistrate by virtue of this Act, are impowered to ask demand and receive from the parties so married or joyned together the sum of one hundred pounds of Tobacco.

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Assented to by the Councill Board.

Signed p Ord^r

John Llewelin Clk.

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The house of Assembly
have Assented.

Signed p Ord^r

Hen: Denton Clk.

An Act Relating to servants & slaves.

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Whereas there have been severall Acts provid^{ed} against servants runaways which have hitherto proved ineffectuall in regard they do not sufficiently provide Encouragem^t for such person or persons Inhabitants of this Province as shall seize such runawayes servants by this Act deemed runaways Therefore for the better discovery seizing and Apprehending of such runaways, Bee it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties by and with the advice and consent