

persons whatsoever that shall wittingly or Willingly deteine any such Servant or Servants unlawfully Absenting him her or themselves as aforesaid shall be fined five hundred pounds of Tobbacco for every Night or four and Twenty houres that such pson or person or persons shall give Enterteinment to such Servant or Serv<sup>ts</sup> unlawfully Absenting him her or themselves as aforesaid the one halfe to his Ma<sup>ty</sup> for the Supporte of Government and the other to the Informer or him or them that shall Sue for the Same to be recovered in any Court of this Province by Action of Debt Bill Plaint or information wherein no Essoyn Protection or wager of Law to be Allowed And for the better discovery of Runaways it hereby Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that any person or persons whatsoever within this Province Travelling out of the County where he she or they shall live or reside without a Pass under the Seale of the said County for which they are to pay Ten pounds of Tobbacco or one Shilling in Money such person or persons if Apprehended not being Sufficiently known or able to give a good Acc<sup>t</sup> of themselves to be left att the discretion & Judgment of such Magistrate or Magistrates brought before whom Such person or persons afforesaid Shall be brought to the Iudge thereof and if before such Magistrate shall be Deemed and taken as a Runaway and Shall Suffer Such fines and Penaltys as is hereby provided against Runaways and for the better Encouragem<sup>t</sup> of all Persons to take up and Seize Such Runaways It is Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that all and every person and persons as afores<sup>d</sup> Seizing or takeing up Such Runaways Travelling without Passes as aforesaid not being able to give a Sufficient Account of themselves as aforesaid shall have & receive Two hundred pounds of Tobbacco to be paid by the Owner of Such Runaway So Apprehended and taken up if a Servant and if a freeman and refusing to pay the Same then to make Satisfaction by Servitude or otherwise as the Justices of the Provinciall or County Courts where Such person shall be so Apprehended and taken up shall think fitt and further for the better discovery and Encouragement of our Neighbour Indians to Seize Apphend or take up any Runaway Servants and bring them before Some Magistrate shall for a reward have a Matchcoat Paid him or them or the Value thereof which Said reward is to be paid and Satisfyed by the County where such person shall be Apprehended and the s<sup>d</sup> Runaway to reimburse the Said County by Servitude or Otherwise as the Justices of the Provinciall or County Court shall think fitt. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That att what time Soever any of the said Persons Runaways shall be Seized by any person or persons within this Province such person or persons

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