

ceive Two Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, to be paid by the Owner of such Runaway Servant, Negro, or Slave, so apprehended and taken up; and if such suspected Runaway or Runaways be not Servants, and refuse to pay the same, he, she, or they, shall make Satisfaction by Servitude, or otherwise, as the Justices of the Provincial and County Courts, where such Person shall be so apprehended and taken up, shall think fit.

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VII. **And** for the better Discovery of, and Encouragement of our Neighbour *Indians* to seize, apprehend, or take up, any Runaway Servants or Slaves, and bring them before a Magistrate, they shall, for a Reward, have a Match Coat paid him or them, or the Value thereof, which said Reward shall be paid and satisfied by the County where such Person shall be so apprehended: And such Runaway, if not a Slave, to reimburse the said County by Servitude, or otherwise, as the Justices of the Provincial or County Court shall think fit.

Indians apprehending any Runaway, to have a Matchcoat in Satisfaction.

VIII. **And be it further Enacted**, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That at what Time soever any of the said Persons, Runaways, shall be seized by any Person or Persons within this Province, such Person or Persons so apprehending or seizing the same, shall bring, or cause him, her, or them, to be brought before the next Magistrate, or Justice of the County where such Runaway is apprehended, who is hereby empowered to take into Custody, or otherwise him, her, or them to secure and dispose of, as he shall think fit, until such Person or Persons, so seized and apprehended, shall give good and sufficient Security to answer the Premises the next Court that shall first ensue in the said County: Which Court shall secure such Person or Persons till he or they can make Satisfaction to the Party that shall so apprehend or seize such Runaways, or other Persons, as by this Act is required, except such Person shall make Satisfaction as aforesaid before such Court shall happen. And that Notice may be conveniently given to the Master, Mistress, Dame, or Overseer of Runaways taken up as aforesaid, the Commissioners of the Counties shall forthwith cause a Note of the Runaway's Name, so seized and apprehended as aforesaid, to be set up at the next adjacent County Courts, and at the Provincial Court and Secretary's Office, that all Persons may view the same, and see where such their Servants are, and in whose Custody.

Persons so apprehended, how to be disposed of and secured till they make Satisfaction.

IX. **And furthermore**, for ascertaining what each Servant, according to the Custom of the Country, shall have at the Expiration of their Servitude; **Be it Enacted**, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That every Man-Servant, shall, at such Time of Expiration of his Servitude as aforesaid, have allowed and given him, One new Hat, a good Suit, (*That is to say,*) Coat and Breeches, either of Kersey or Broad Cloth, One new Shift of White Linen, One new Pair of *French-Fall* Shoes, and Stockings, Two Houghs, and One Axe, and One Gun of Twenty Shillings Price, not above Four Foot by the Barrel, nor less than Three and an Half; which said Gun shall, by the Master or Mistress, in the Presence of the next Justice of the Peace, be delivered to such Free-man, under the Penalty of Five Hundred Pounds of Tobacco on such Master or Mistress omitting so to do: And the like Penalty on the said Free-man selling or disposing thereof within the Space of Twelve Months; the one Half whereof to our Sovereign Lord the King, his Heirs and Successors, the other to the Informer. All Women-Servants, at the Expiration of their Servitude as aforesaid, shall have allowed and given, a Waist-coat and Petty-coat of new Half-thick, or Pennistone, a new Shift of White Linen, Shoes and Stockings, a blue Apron, Two Caps of White Linen, and Three Barrels of *Indian Corn*.

*Freedom Dues.
To a Man Servant:
The Gun to be delivered in Presence of a Magistrate, on Penalty of 500^l Tobacco, and the same Penalty on such Free-man selling his Gun within 12 Months.
To a Woman Servant.*

X. **And be it further Enacted**, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That no Person whatsoever, shall trade, barter, commerce, or any Way deal with any Servant, whether hired, or indented, or Slave, belonging or appertaining to any Inhabitant within this Province, without Leave or Licence first

Persons dealing with Servants without Leave, &c. forfeit 2000^l Tobacco.