

under in either of the judicial districts. It is not reprinted in consequence of that opinion.

SEC. 4. Is modified by 1796, ch. 68, and the several supplements thereto.

SEC. 5, 6. Applied to the jurisdiction of the provincial court.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That his majesty's high court of chancery within the province shall not hear, try, determine or give relief in any cause, matter or thing, wherein the original debt or damages doth not amount to twelve hundred and one pounds of tobacco, or five pounds and one penny in money.

What suits may be brought in chancery.

SEC. 8. Is merged in October, 1777, ch. 12, sec. 3.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid,* That no person being in the commission of the peace, no sheriff or deputy sheriff, clerk or deputy clerk, of those courts wherein they bear office, shall plead as attorneys for or in behalf of any person or persons, on penalty of forfeiting three thousand pounds of tobacco for every such offence, whereof such offenders shall be found guilty, one-half thereof to his majesty, his heirs and successors for the support of the government of this province, the other half to the informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any court of record within this province, by bill, plaint or information, wherein no essoin, protection or wager of law to be allowed.

No magistrate, &c. shall plead, &c.

SEC. 10, 11, 12. Destroyed by the abolition of the provincial court and 1825, ch. 195, sec. 2.

CHAPTER 44.

AN ACT relating to Servants or Slaves.

For supplements and other acts relating to this subject, see index, word 'Negroes.'

WHEREAS there have been several acts provided against ser-
vants, runaways, which have hereto proved ineffectual, in
regard they do not sufficiently provide encouragement for such
person or persons, inhabitants of this province, as should seize
such runaways or servants, by this act deemed runaways;
therefore, for the better discovery, seizing and apprehending
such runaways,

Preamble.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted by the King's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of his majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same,* That from and after the publication hereof, no servant or servants whatsoever, within this province, whether by indenture, or according to the custom of the country, or hired for wages, shall travel by land or water ten miles from the house of his, her or their master, mistress or dame, without a note under their hands, or under the hand of his or their overseer, if any

No servant to travel, &c.