

Shall Wittingly or Wittingly entertain any Servant or Slave unlawfully absenting him
 her or them self or from his her or there Master Mistress Dame or Overseer shall be fined
 five hundred pounds of tob. for every night or twenty four hours that such person or persons
 shall give such Entertainment as aforesaid the one half thereof to the right Honble the
 Lord prof. of this province his heirs & Successors for the Support of Government & the other
 half to the informer or him or them that shall sue for the same to be recovered in any
 County Court of this province by action of Debt bill of plaint or Information wherein no
 special protection or wager of Law to be allowed as by the said Act fully app. & the said
 John Donelson who as well & the said Act says that a certain Abraham Maguire the
 twenty fourth day of August last did send one thousand Seven hundred & twenty five and
 Song before afterwards at Somerset County aforesaid within the Jur. of this Court within
 Servant unlawfully absented himself from him the said J. Donelson who as well &
 from the 24th day of August in the year aforesaid at the County aforesaid within J. of Jur.
 for the space of thirty days & thirty nights then next following & the said John Donelson
 who as well & further says that the said Abraham (being not ignorant of J. premises but in
 Contempt of the Act of Assembly aforesaid & to the great Damage of the same John who as well
 & at Somerset County aforesaid within the Jur. the said Abraham Maguire (so as aforesaid unlaw-
 fully from his Masters Service absented from the 24th day of August
 in the year aforesaid for the whole space of thirty days & thirty nights next following aforesaid
 did Wittingly & Wittingly entertain aforesaid the form of the Act of Assembly aforesaid by J. action
 (by force of the Act of Assembly aforesaid) hath recovered to the said J. who as well & to require
 & leave of the said Abraham (being for the Lord prof. & himself the said Sum of fifteen
 thousand pounds of tob. by him the said Abraham (being by the Act aforesaid forfeited
 for Wittingly & Wittingly entertaining the said Abraham Maguire thirty days & thirty nights
 that he unlawfully absented himself from his Master aforesaid notwithstanding the said Abraham
 Cordery the often there to require the said Sum of fifteen thousand pounds of tob. or any part
 thereof the the said Lord prof. or the same John who as well & hath not rendered but the
 same Abraham Cordery has same neither to the said Lord prof. or the same John
 who as well & to render hath altogether denyed & shall do the deny where by the same
 John who as well & says he is worn & hath damage to the value of twenty thousand
 pounds of tobacco & thereof he brings this Suit & the said Lord pro. & the said John who as well & do
 plead in answer thereto that the said Abraham Cordery is guilty of the said offence & that the said
 John who as well & is entitled to the said Sum of fifteen thousand pounds of tob. in manner &

And the said Abraham Cordery in answer to the said John who as well & says that he doth not owe to the said the right honble the Lord prof. & the
 said John Donelson who as well & the said fifteen thousand pounds of tob. in manner &