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whichever, whether Male or Female, Imported or born
in this Province, or above the Age of Sixteen years shall
be esteemed Fugitives and so Railed; And that all freemen
within this Province (Except Clergy-men and such poor
and Impotent persons that receives Alms from the County)
shall be Fugitives above the Age of Sixteen years.

June 2. 1692.

Signed & Ord.

John Hennell (S)

June 2. 1692

The House of Assembly, present and

Signed & Ord.

Henderson (S)

An Act against the Importation of Convicted Felons into this Province,

Forasmuch as Several Masters of Ships Merchant
Seafarers and others having used to Import into this Province Several
Notorious Felons and Malefactors which in Several of their
Majesties Courts have been Convicted of Crimes and felony as
aforesaid and afterwards procured by Masters of Ships Merch.
Seafarers and others out of the Common Gaols to Import into
this Province and here to sell and dispose of Such Felons and
Malefactors as Servants to the great prejudice and grievance
of the Good people of this Province, for prevention whereof
for the future. Be it Enacted by the King and Queen's
most Excellent Majesties by and with the Advice & Consent
of this Generall Assembly and the Authority of the sa.