

and receive *Two Hundred Pounds of Tobacco*, to be paid by the Owner of such Run-away Servant, Negro or Slave, so apprehended and taken up; and if such suspected Run-away or Run-aways 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.

And for the better discovery of and Encouragement of our Neighbour *Indians* to seize, apprehend or take up any Run-away 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 Run-away, 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 encouraged thereto.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority advice and Consent aforesaid, That at what time soever any of the said Persons, Run-aways, 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 Run-away 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 Run-away, 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 Over-seer of Run-away's taken up, as aforesaid, the Commissioners of the Counties shall forthwith cause a note of the Run-away'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.

Run-away seized how to be dealt with

Notice to be given

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 Cloath, one new Shift of white Linnen, one new pair of French fallshoes and Stockings, two Hows and one Ax, and one Gun of *Twenty Shillings* price, not above four Foot by the Barrel, nor less then three and a 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*, for 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 half 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 Linnen, Shoes and Stockings, a blue Apron, two Caps of white Linnen, and three Bartels of Indian Corn.

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And to be complied with: on pain 500 l. Tobacco: to Master

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