

ANY Servant or Servants who shall feloniously take or purloin their Master or Mistress's Goods and Chattels, under the Value of *One Thousand Pounds* of Tobacco, shall be adjudged guilty of Felony, and if thereof convicted, shall pay four times the Value, by Servitude, after their first Time of Service expires; as also shall suffer such pains of whipping and pilloring as the Justices shall adjudge.

WHEN any Person or Persons, (Negro's and Mulatto's excepted,) shall be found travelling without Passes, and are taken up and committed as suspected Runaways, it shall not be lawful for any Jaylor or Sheriff to keep them confined about Six Months, and if at any time they, within the said Six Months, procure Certificate or other Justification, that they are no Servants, they shall, by Order of any two Justices, be set at Liberty, they serving such Sheriff, Jaylor or their Assigns, so many Days as they were in Custody, or otherwise paying *Ten Pounds* of Tobacco per Day, for Imprisonment Fees and no more, and paying to the Person who took them up *Two Hundred Pounds* of Tobacco, or serving him Twenty Days in lieu thereof; and if, after such Order for releasing by two Justices, they shall be longer confined, the Sheriff or Jaylor shall be liable to an Action of false Imprisonment.

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28th, 1717. } Supplementary ACT to the above Act.

NO Negro or Mulatto Slaves, free Negro or Mulatto born of a white Woman, during their Servitude by Law, or any *Indian* Slave or free *Indian*, shall be received as good and valid Evidences in Law, in any matter or thing whatsoever, depending before any Court of Record or a single Magistrate, wherein any Christian white Person is concerned, but shall (where other sufficient Evidence is wanting,) be received as good Evidences against one another.

IF any Negro or Mulatto Slave, or Mulatto born of a white Woman, during the Time of their Service by Law, or *Indian* Slave, shall be convicted of any Capital Crime, for which they shall suffer Death, the Court shall immediately value them in Tobacco, and allow three fourths of the Value to the Owner, to be paid out of the publick Levy.

IF any free Negro or Mulatto, intermarry with any white Person, such Negro or Mulatto shall become a Slave during Life, (except Mulatto's born of white Women, who shall only become Slaves for Seven Years,) to be disposed of towards the Use of a publick School within the County; and the white Persons so intermarrying, shall become Servants for Seven Years, the Profits thence arising, to be disposed of as above.

WHENEVER any Negro, Indian or Mulatto Slave, shall be charged with any Pilfering or Stealing, or any other Crime or Misdemeanor, whereof the County Court might have Cognizance. It shall and may be lawful for any of the Justices of the Provincial or County Courts, to cause the Slave so offending to be brought immediatly before him, or any other Justice of the Peace in the County, and upon due Proof thereof,