

entitled, An act relating to servants and slaves, which impose servitude to the age of 31 years on the issue of certain inordinate copulations, mentioned in the 26, 27 and 28 § of the said first mentioned act, and in the 2 and 3 § of the said last mentioned act, are repealed; but nothing in this act shall affect the right of any person or persons to the servitude of any such issue heretofore acquired under the repealed parts of the act aforesaid.—*ibid.* § 14.

56. If any person or persons shall forcibly or fraudulently transport or cause to be transported or carried, out of this state, any free negro or mulatto, knowing such negro, &c. to be free, every such person or persons shall forfeit the sum of 800 dollars for every negro, &c. so transported, &c. one half to the use of the county in which the recovery may be had, and the other to the informer, to be recovered by action of debt, or bill of indictment; and if the said sum be not paid, or secured to be paid, as hereinbefore directed, within 30 days after judgment, then such person or persons shall be adjudged by the court to serve on the roads for any period not exceeding 5 years; and if any person or persons shall transport or carry, or cause, &c. out of this state, any negro or mulatto entitled to freedom at a certain age, and sell or dispose of, or cause, &c. out of this state, such negro or mulatto as a slave for life, or for a longer time than he has to serve by law, knowing such negro or mulatto to be entitled to freedom at a certain age, every such person or persons shall, for every such offence, forfeit 800 dollars, one half to the county, &c. and the other half to the informer, to be recovered by action of debt, or bill of indictment; and if the said sum be not paid, or secured to be paid, as herein directed, within 30 days after judgment, then such person or persons shall be adjudged by the court to serve on the roads for any period, not exceeding five years.—*ibid.* § 15.

57. If any person or persons shall import or bring into this state any free negro or mulatto, or any person bound to service for a term of years only, and shall sell or dispose of such free negro, &c. as a slave for life, or for any longer time than by law such person may be bound to serve, knowing such negro or mulatto to be free, or entitled to freedom at a certain age, every such person or persons shall, for every such offence, forfeit 800 dollars, to be recovered by action of debt or indictment, one half to the use of the county, the other to the informer; and in case the said sum shall not be paid, or secured to be paid, within 30 days, then such person or persons shall be adjudged to work on the roads for any term not exceeding 5 years.—*ibid.* § 16.

58. If any master, mistress, owner or owners of any slave or slaves, shall suffer any such slave or slaves to depart from their respective habitation or quarter, and remain at large, begging or becoming burthensome to the respective neighbourhoods, or to other persons, it shall be
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