

before a magistrate, who may order the same, not exceeding 39 lashes.
—*ibid.* § 18, 21, 22.

14. any woman servant, suffering herself to be got with child by a negro, shall, after the time of her servitude, and satisfaction for damage, become a servant again for seven years, and her time to be disposed of by the county court; any white man servant, begetting any negro woman with child, shall undergo the same penalty.—*ibid.* § 26, 28.

15. Bastard bearing servant women, not being able to prove the father, shall satisfy damages by servitude, or otherwise: but, if she prove the charge, then the father, if a servant, shall pay half damages: if a freeman, he shall satisfy the whole damage by servitude or otherwise, as the court shall think fit; if such freeman cannot be brought to justice, she shall satisfy the whole, as if no such proof had been made; if a promise of marriage be proved against such freeman, he shall be at his choice either to perform such promise, or recompence her abuse, as the court shall adjudge.—*ibid.* § 29, 30.

16. The provincial and county courts are empowered to hear and determine any complaints between masters and servants, by way of petition; and give judgment, and award execution thereon; and no such judgment shall be reversed, on appeal, or writ of error, for want of process, jury, form, &c. unless it appear by the record that the defendant was not summoned, or not heard. And all other disputes between masters and servants, relating to indentures, contracts, wages, &c. are determinable by petition as aforesaid.—*ibid.* § 31, 32.

17. Servants feloniously taking or purloining their masters goods, under the value of 1000lb. tobacco, shall be adjudged felony. And such servant on conviction, shall be adjudged to pay four fold by servitude, and also be whipped and pillored.—*ibid.* § 34.

18, 19. Persons conveying any servants out of the province, shall satisfy such damage to the owners of such servants, as the court shall think fit; and persons transporting or conveying any persons over *Susquehanna* river, or any part of the bay above the north side of *Sassafras* river, on the eastern shore, or over *Patowmack* or *Pocomoke* rivers, into *Virginia*, without a pass, or certificate under the hands of two county justices, and the county seal, that they are freemen, &c. shall be answerable to the masters or owners of such servants for all damages.—
1715, c. 19, § 3; 4.

20. Persons enticing, transporting, or secretly carrying or sending away out of this province, any apprentice, or other servants or slaves, shall forfeit to the employer or owner, treble the damages and costs for the time of such apprentice, or other servant or slave.—*ibid.* § 5.