

able person or persons in his or their family, for every such offence, or not giving a true list or account of them as aforesaid to the constable by the time required, and for every taxable person by them concealed, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred pounds of tobacco for every such offence, (d) one half thereof to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of government, the other half to the informer, or him or them that will sue for the same, to be recovered in any county court within this province, by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, wherein no essoin, protection or wager of law to be allowed.

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XV.

(d) By 1719, ch. 12, section 2, masters, &c. of families concealing any taxable, or not giving true account thereof, pursuant to this clause, shall, for every taxable so concealed, or not given in, forfeit 500lb. tobacco, one half to the county school, the other to the informer.

V. AND, for the better ascertaining what persons are, and shall be deemed taxables, and what not, BE IT ENACTED, That all male persons, residents in this province, and all (e) female slaves therein, of the age of sixteen years, or above, shall be accounted taxables, except clergymen of the church of England having benefices within this province, and likewise such poor people as receive alms from the county, and also all such slaves as shall be adjudged by the county court to be past labour, who are hereby exempted; any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

What persons  
are deemed tax-  
ables, &c.

(e) All female mulattoes born of white women, and all free negro women, shall be taxables, by 1725, ch. 4.

VI. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid, That all constables within this province shall obey, and are hereby obliged to execute, all warrants and precepts to them directed from any justice or justices within this province, touching or concerning any matter, debt or demand between party and party; and such constable shall and may have, take, exact and receive from the party complaining, a fee of two shillings and six-pence current money, or thirty pounds of tobacco, for serving all the precepts relating to any one action, matter or demand, and no more.

Constables to  
obey warrants,  
&c.

VII. PROVIDED, That where several constables are to be employed in executing precepts relating to one and the same matter or demand, the justice before whom such matter or demand is determined, shall and may direct what fee, not exceeding two shillings and six-pence, or thirty pounds of tobacco, each constable shall have; which fee or fees are to be levied by way of execution on the party complaining, and to be allowed the party recovering in his costs.

Provido.

This act is printed at large; but several parts of it have been altered by subsequent acts. See October, 1780, ch. 17, April, 1782, ch. 40, 1791, ch. 68, 1794, ch. 53, and 1798, ch. 34.

C H A P. XVI.

An ACT prohibiting the carrying of liquors to the Indian towns, or selling any quantity of strong liquors to the Indians, to prevent differences between them and his majesty's subjects, and to punish the transporters of any friend Indian or Indians out of this province. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 139.

Passed 3d of  
June, 1715.

C H A P. XVII.

An ACT for encouragement of tillage, and relief of poor debtors. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 142.

For three years. Continued 1719, ch. 11, for three years. Expired.

C H A P. XVIII.

An ACT prohibiting the importation of bread, beer, flour, malt, wheat, or other Indian or English grain or meal, horses, mares, colts or fillies, from Pennsylvania, and the territories thereto belonging. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 144. Repealed 1728, ch. 3.

C H A P. XIX.

An ACT prohibiting all masters of ships or vessels, or any other person, from transporting or conveying away any person or persons out of this province, without passes. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 146.

BE IT ENACTED, by the King's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of his majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same, That from and after the publication hereof, any person or persons whatsoever, intending to depart this province, shall first give notice of his, her or their intended departure, by setting up his, her or their name or names at the secretary's office of this province, and also at the door of the court-house of the county where such persons reside at the time of setting up such name as aforesaid, the full space of three months; that if in the time aforesaid no person shall underwrite the said person or persons so setting up his, her or their respective name or names as aforesaid, it shall be then lawful for the governor, keeper of the great seal, or secretary of this province, for the time being, upon certificate thereof from the clerk

Persons to give  
notice, &c.