

always under their Correction and Discipline and in Case the
 Owner of any Runaway Slave that shall be Committed to the Custody
 of the Sheriff in manner aforesaid after one months notice given by
 the Sheriff to such Owner if living in the Province of this Kingdom
 such Slave or Slaves in his Custody or two Monthes notice
 if living in any of the neighbouring provinces or if after Six
 monthes Imprisonment of such Slave the Owner shall not be
 discovered to such Sheriff and if such Owner of such Runaway
 Slave do not appear within the time limited as aforesaid pay
 such Imprisonment fees as are due to the Sheriff together with
 the several Sums of money deposited out of the publick Stock for
 taking up such Slave or Slaves as also the fee of Ten Shillings
 Current money allowed the said Commissioners for his trouble
 on each Slave in all such Cases the Sheriff having such Slaves
 in his Custody is hereby authorized & required such time of notice
 limited as aforesaid being expired immediately to give publick notice
 to all persons by setting up notes at the Churches and Court house
 doors of the County of the Slave or Slaves in his Custody and of
 the time and place of the Sale thereof by him to be appointed
 not less than ten days after the time limited as aforesaid is expired
 and at such time and place by him appointed as aforesaid to proceed
 to sell and dispose of such Slave or Slaves to the highest bidder
 and out of the money the said Slave or Slaves shall be sold for to
 pay himself his own just fees reckoning his Tobacco at one penny
 per pound Current money and likewise paying to the said Commrs
 all such Sums by him deposited out of the publick Stock for taking
 up such Runaway Slave together with his own fees by this Act
 allowed him and after such payments made if any Residue shall
 remain of the money such Slave or Slaves were sold for such Sheriff
 shall be only accountable to the Owner of such Slave or Slaves for
 such Residue or Remainder of the money as aforesaid and not otherwise
 and in case the Owner of such Slave so as aforesaid sold shall not
 make out his Title to such Slave within Six monthes after such
 Sale as aforesaid and demand such Residue as such Slave shall be
 as aforesaid after Reward & fees as aforesaid then such Sheriff shall
 pay such Residue to the publick Treasury of this Province for the
 time being there to be lodged for the use of such person as shall
 make appear a Right to it and in Case any Sheriff or the Buyer
 of such Slave or others concerned in the Execution of this Act shall
 be Punished by any person or persons for any matter or thing done
 or to be done in pursuance thereof it shall and may be lawful