

An Interpretation or Explanation of  
that Act limiting Servants' times  
made the last Assembly Anno  
1661

Whereas at an Assembly held at Saint Marys the  
17<sup>th</sup> of April 1661 there is a Clause in the Act limiting  
Servants' times (viz) that every Master M<sup>o</sup> or Dame  
Assigne or Trustee of what kind soever owning or keeping  
any such Servant as aforesaid who by any means of trans-  
portation purchase or otherwise shall within 6 months  
next after the receiving such Servant into their custody  
within this Province bring the said Servant into the  
respective County Court where they do inhabit And  
every of the said Courts are now by authority of Judges  
determined to be ago of such Servants so brought and cause  
the same to be entered upon Record. And every one a  
foresaid neglecting or refusing to bring such Servant  
or Servants before the Court as aforesaid shall lose one  
whole years time of service of the said Servants  
which said Clause was not intended to the benefit of such  
Servants as were twenty two years old or upwards  
and brought into the Province. Be it therefore enacted  
by the said Proprietary with the advice and consent of  
the Upper and lower houses of the present General  
Assembly that no Master Mistris or Dame Assigne or  
Trustee what soever shall suffer any damage for not  
bringing any Servant of the age of twenty two years or  
upwards to the County Courts, anything in that Act to  
the contrary here notwithstanding.

The lower house have  
Assented  
W<sup>m</sup> Brodson C<sup>k</sup>.

The Upper house have Assent  
John Gittings C<sup>k</sup>.

An Explanation of that Clause in  
an Act made by Capt. William  
Stonell the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April  
1649 touching hoggs and  
marking of Cattle.

Whereas some disputes have been raised in  
County Courts touching the killing or marking  
Swine upon one's own land as is signified by a  
Parol in this that the Bote howsoever done in a  
rule or preface that one's own land shall be