

harbour any Servant belonging to this province or else-where for the space of 24 hours & not make the same known to one of the Justices of the peace of that County, within the time aforesaid, Every such person shall for that his offence be Lyable to pay unto the owner of such Servant 5 shillings for every day that Such Servant shall be Concealed entertained or harboured as afore-said.

Confirmed by chapter 154, 1684; chapter 175, 1685; chapter 186, 1688; and chapter 191, 1691. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 66. See also Vol. II St.L. 54, ch. XLIX.

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## CHAPTER 138.

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### LAW ABOUT TRUCKING WITH SERVANTS.

Chap: 138 Be it &c: That no person shall at any time hereafter within this province of territories therof, Give, trust, Sell or dispose of any of his or her master, mistress or dames goods to any person, without the Consent of the said master, mistress or dames . . . And if anie person shall at any time here-after, take, receive or possess goods of any kind whatsoever from any Servant as aforesaid, Such person shall, for such offence be Lyable to pay to the owner of such Servant, double the value therof, And Return the said goods to the owner again, or the value therof.

Confirmed by chapter 154, 1684; chapter 175, 1685; chapter 186, 1688; and chapter 191, 1691. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 67.

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## CHAPTER 139.

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### LAW ABOUT TERMS OF SERVITUDE.

Chap: 139 And be it &c: That every Servant brought into this Province or the territories thereunto belonging, without Indenture or Covenant for the time of their Service, Every such Servant being 17 years of age or upwards Shall Serve 5 years, And all those that Shall

be under 17 years shall serve till they Come to the age of 22 of which age each respective County-Court wherein they do Reside shall be their proper judges. And every master or mistres shall be bound to bring Such Servant or Servants within 3 months time after their arrival befor the said Courts, to be adjudged as aforesaid And shall then and there Oblige themselves to pay unto every Servant at the Expiration of their time One new Sute of apparrell, tenn bushells of wheat or 14 bushells of Indian-Corn, one Ax, two howes, one broad & another narrow, and a discharge from their Service.

Confirmed by chapter 154, 1684; chapter 175, 1685; chapter 186, 1688; and chapter 191, 1691. Abrogated in 1693. Replaced by chapter 107, 1693.

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## CHAPTER 140.

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### LAW ABOUT CRIMES COMMITTED BEFORE PROPRIETARY.

Chap: 140 That whereas diverse misdemeanors have bin heretofore & of Late time Committed by Severall persons inhabiting this Province & territories Therof, that by a Strict prosecution of the Law may be Liable to Corporall punishment, or fines to the Governor for the same. And becaus the present proprietary and Governor is favourably pleased to express his inclination to mercy, And by an Extraordinary Clemencie to teach Such offenders to mend their Lives, & all others to behave themselves with kindnes & forgivenes towards each other That an Unanimous foundation for peace & an Amicable Understanding may be Layd among the Inhabitants of this Province & territories thereof . . . Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That Such persons shall not hereafter be fined, punished or brought to tryall for any Crime or fault penall that they have Committed or done, before or Since the time of the arrivall of the present Proprietary & Governor in this Province, Treason against the king & Murther only excepted.