

C. P. And be itt further Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent af<sup>d</sup> that when any person or persons (Except Negroes  
 p. 139 and Molatto's) shall be found Travelling without passes as af<sup>d</sup> and shall be taken up as Suspected runaways and by any Justice of peace Comitted to the Custody of any Sher or Jayler within this province itt shall not be Lawfull for any such Sher or Jayler to hold such person in Custody Longer then Six months And if such person Can att any time within the s<sup>d</sup> Six months procure a Certificate or other Justification that he or She is no Servant he or she shall and may by Order of any two Justices of the County where such person is Comitted to prison be Discharged from any further Imprisonment he She or they Serving such Sher or Goaler or his Assignes soe many Days as he she or they were in Custody of such Sher. or Goaler or otherwise paying ten pounds of Tob<sup>o</sup> p Day to such Sher. or Jayler for their Imprisonment ffees and no more and paying unto such person or persons who took up such person two hundred pounds of Tob<sup>o</sup> or Serving him her or them twenty Days in Lieu thereof and if any such Sher. or Jayler shall Detaine such person in prison after such Order of two Justices as af<sup>d</sup> or the Expiration of Six months and payment of ten pounds of Tob<sup>o</sup> p Day as af<sup>d</sup> such Sher or Jayler shall be Lyable to An Action of false Imprisonment Any Law Statute or Usage to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

p. 140 An Act to Confirme and make Valid in Law all Mañer of process and proceedings in the Sev<sup>l</sup> Courts of this province from the Demise of her late Majesty, Queen Anne of Pious Memory to the end of this present Sessions of Assembly.

Whereas by the great Distance between this province and the Kingdome of Great Brittain itt was not Possible to have notice of the Demise of our Late Sovereigne Lady Queen Anne of pious Memory which happened on the first of August Last untill severall months were Elapsed dureing which space of time many and Various proceedings were had and made in the Severall Courts of Justice in this province and Judgments Decrees and Sentences awarded on Sundry writts pleas Indictments Informations bills Suites and Actions in her said Majestys Name and by her Authority which by reason of his present Majesty our now Sovereigne Lord King Georges Accession to the Crown which Could not be notified are Subject and Lyable to be reversed by writts of Error or Otherwise wherefore this Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly doe humbly pray that it may be Enacted—