

2. Infinite swarms of idle Vagabonds are rooted out, which before wandered up and down, to the great danger and indignity of our Nation.

3. We our selves are now compelled but to relieve the poor of our own Parishes, (whose conditions and estates we know) and to a certainty of gift, wherewith we are now taxed by our Neighbours; whereas before we gave we knew not what, nor to whom; and many times to such as were ready to have cut our throats, if opportunity had served them.

In this title of Rogues, I have intermingled certain Resolutions of the Judges, made upon the Statute 39 *El. c. 4.* for the better understanding thereof, which Resolutions you shall find in *Mr. Lambert.*

Any one Justice of Peace may appoint all Rogues and Vagabonds which shall be taken begging, wandering, or misordering themselves, to be stripped naked from the middle upwards, and to be whipped till their Body be bloody, 21 *Jac. cap. 28.* §. 2.  
One Justice  
may cause  
Rogues to  
be whipped.

After such whipping, the said Justice of Peace shall make them a Testimonial under his Hand and Seal, testifying their punishment, and mentioning the day and place thereof, and the place whither they are to go, and in what time they are limited to pass thither, &c. Testimonial.

The Form of such a Testimonial, *vide hic.*

All Rogues and Vagabonds are to be sent and conveyed forthwith, from Parish to Parish, by the Officers (*sc.* the Constables of every of the same) the next straight-way to the Parish where they were born (if it may be known by the parties confession, or otherwise;) or, the place of his birth being not known, then to the Parish where such person last dwelt by the space of one year, there to put themselves to labour; or (it not being known where such person was born or last dwelt, then) to the Parish thorow which such person last passed without such punishment; and then the Officers of such Village or Parish, are to convey them to the House of Correction of that Limit wherein that Village is, or to the Common Gaol, there to remain and be employed in work, till they shall be placed in service for one whole year; or not being able of body, till such person shall be placed in some Alms-house of that County. §. 1.  
Convey-  
ance.

*Rogues are not to be sent to the House of Correction, but by Passes to the place of their Birth; and although it shall appear a person was an Inhabitant a long time in another Parish, and there become impotent by any mischance in labour, and then beg; yet he shall be sent to the place of his birth, as was resolved by Sir William Jones at Worcester Assizes, Lent, 14 Car. 1. in the Case of one Chappel. And it was then resolved, That if a Woman, great with Child, be sent to the House of Correction, and be there delivered of a Child, it shall not lie upon the Parish where the House of Correction is, but shall be sent to the place from whence she was sent, as the place of her last settlement.*

The Rogue whose place of birth or last dwelling cannot be known, having Wife and Children under seven years of age, they must go with the Husband to the place where they were last wilfully suffered to pass without punishment; where the Children must be relieved by the work of their Parents, tho' the Parents be committed to the House of Correction. §. 4.  
Children.

*A Rogue is taken at D. and will not confess the place of his birth, neither doth it appear otherwise, but that he confesseth truly his last dwelling to be at S. Whereupon he is whipped and sent to S. and coming to S. the place of his Birth is learned to be at W. and the Rogue confesseth it to be so: In this case the Rogue is to be sent to the place of his birth, without any new Vagrancy, for his settling at S. was no legal settling. Resol 27.*

Again, by the Statute made 7 *Jac. 4.* all such Rogues, Vagabonds, Sturdy Beggars,