

An ACT for prohibiting the selling of Rum, or other strong Liquors, to any Negro or other Slave. N^o. 93.
Vid. No. 416

WHEREAS many enormities have been committed, and mischiefs hatched and contrived by Negroes and other Slaves, when opportunities have been given of meeting; and excessive drinking thereat: For remedy thereof for the future, Be it enacted by his Excellency Colonel *James Kendal*, Captain General and chief Governor of this, and other the *Caribbee Islands*, the Honourable the Council and General Assembly of this Island, and by Authority of the same, That whatsoever Person or Persons after publication hereof, shall sell any Rum or other strong Liquor to any Negro or Slave, or any other Person for the use of any Negro or Slave, and being convicted thereof by the oath of any Christian, before the next Justice of the Peace, shall forfeit twenty shillings Sterling for every such offence, the one half to the Informer, the other half to the Poor of the Parish where the Offender liveth; to be recovered by Warrant from the said next Justice of the Peace, as in case of Servant's Wages. And if any white Person whatsoever shall buy any Rum or other strong Liquors, for any Negro or Slave, shall forfeit twenty shillings for every such offence; to be recovered in manner as aforesaid, the one half to the Informer, the other half to the Poor as aforesaid; or receive ten lashes upon his or her bare back by order of the next Justice; the Whipper to receive fifteen pence, to be paid by the Church-warden by order of the said Justice for the time being.

Preamble.

Clause I.

Who sells Rum, or strong Liquors to a Slave, or other Person for their use, and convicted by the oath of a Christian, forfeits 20 s. half to the Informer, and half to the Poor.

White Person buying Rum, &c. for a Slave; forfeits 20 s. in like manner; or receive 10 lashes.

Whipper to be paid 15 d. by the Church-warden.

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