## SLAVE LAWS OF JAMAICA

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Slaves laying misances on highways, ac. to be approbended, and detained in the workhouse till a penalty of *ci*. is paid.

Enacts, Clause 2 .-- " That it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons to apprehend, or cause to be apprehended and secured in the nearest workhouse, any negro or other slave who shall be detected in laying on any of the said highways, or on any place within one hundred yards of the same, the carcase or carcases of any dead horse, mare, mule, ass, or horned beast, or in conveying to the said high ways any filth or other annovance, whereby the lives or healths of his majesty's subjects may be affected ; and on information being made, on oath, before any one of his majesty's justices of the peace, that the negroes so apprehended and secured were guilty of such offence, it shall and may be lawful for such justice, and he is hereby required, to issue his warrant to the overseer or supervisor of the workhouse in which they are secured, authorizing and directing him to detain all such negro or other slaves until the master, owner, possessor, or employer, shall pay the said sum of five pounds, together with costs attending such complaint, not exceeding ten shillings, and the workhouse fees."

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