

or distant Parishes to work, and if they do not return by reason of Sickneſs, or any other Impediment, it ſhall not be accounted a Settlement tho' they ſtay after their Work is done; and if any return from the Pariſh from whence they are removed, it is in the Power of the Juſtice of the Peace to ſend them to the *House of Correction*, where they may be puniſhed as Vagabonds; or, at his Diſcretion, he may ſend them to a common Work-houſe, there to be employed at hard Labour; and upon the reſuſal of the *Churchwardens* and *Overſeers* of the Poor to receive them, and find them Work, &c. they may, by the Juſtice, be bound over to anſwer it at the *Sessions* or *Aſſizes*.

But by a ſubſequent Act 8 & 9 *Will.* a poor Man may remove into any Pariſh where he may have Work; but then he muſt have a Certificate under the Hands and Seals of the *Churchwardens* and *Overſeers* of the Poor, or the *major part of them*; or under the Hands and Seals of the *Overſeers*, where there are no *Churchwardens*, acknowledging him to be an Inhabitant legally ſettled in the Pariſh; which Certificate muſt be attested by two Witneſſes, and allowed and ſubſcribed by two Juſtices, and then delivered to the Pariſh Officers to which he is removed; and this ſhall oblige the Pariſh from whence he came, to receive him and his Family, when he ſtands in need of Relief.

And by another Law 'tis declared, that thoſe Poor People who ſhall come into a Pariſh by ſuch Certificate, ſhall not be adjudged to have a lawful Settlement by any Act whatſoever, unleſs he take a Leaſe of 10*l.* per Annum, or execute ſome annual Office in the Pariſh.