

from thenceforth liable to be prosecuted for any Debts or Demands whatsoever, in the same manner as if this Act had never been made; any Thing therein contained to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Provided likewise, and be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That notwithstanding the Discharge of the Persons of the Prisoners aforesaid, upon taking the Oath aforesaid, all and every Judgment now had and taken, or that shall hereafter be obtained, had and taken, against any the aforementioned Prisoners, by any of their Creditors, for any Debt or Debts owing and remaining due from any of them to such their Creditors, after such Surrender and Distribution made as aforesaid, shall be and stand good and effectual, in Law, to all Intents and Purposes, against the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels, that the said several Prisoners so discharged as aforesaid, shall hereafter acquire, and come to the Possession of, and in their own Right only. And it shall and may be lawful to and for the Creditors of the said several Prisoners so discharged as aforesaid, their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, to take out any new Execution, against the Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels of the Prisoner or Prisoners aforesaid, (except his or their Wearing Apparel, Bedding for his or their Family, and Tools necessary for his or their Trade or Occupation, and what may be necessary for their Subsistence, not exceeding the Value of Five Pounds current Money,) for the Satisfaction of the Remainder of his or their said Debt, in such Sort, Manner and Form, as he or they might have done, if the Person or Persons of the said several Prisoners so discharged as aforesaid, had never been taken in Execution: Any Act, Statute, or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding.

And Whereas Mr. Charles Carroll, has shewn to this present General Assembly, a Bill of Sale, from Nathaniel Wright, in this Act mentioned, and now in the Custody of the Sheriff of Queen Anne's County, for Four Negroe Slaves, to wit, Sambo, Leader, Sam and Coffee, which said Slaves, notwithstanding, as the said Charles suggests, in Fact belong to him, yet the said Nathaniel has disposed of them, to Persons unknown to the said Charles; so that the said Charles could never discover where the said Negroes were: And the said Charles having prayed, that the said Nathaniel Wright might not be discharged of his Imprisonment, by Virtue of this Act, until the said Nathaniel Wright, should, upon Oath, declare what is become of the said Negroes, whether they be Living or Dead; and if Living, in whose Possession, and where, and by what Right, and upon what Consideration he disposed of the same.

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the aforesaid Nathaniel Wright, have no Benefit by this Act, until upon Oath, by him to be taken, before Two of the Justices of Queen Anne's County, he declare in Writing, what is become of the said Negroes, whether they be Living or Dead; and if Living, in whose Possession they are, and where, and by what Right, and upon what Consideration he disposed of the said Negroes: Any Thing in this Act before to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, That Samuel Stevens, shall not be Entitled to any Benefit or Privilege by Virtue of this Act, until he give good Security for his good Behaviour, during his Residence within this Province, before Two Justices of the Peace for Anne-Arundel County: Any Thing in this Act to the contrary, notwithstanding.

The following PRIVATE LAWS, were also Enacted this Sessions:

AN ACT for the Relief of John Beale, of Charles County.

An ACT for the Relief of Sarah Massey, of the City of Philadelphia.

An ACT to confirm Two Deeds of Sale, the one from George Oldfield, to Petronella his Wife, and the other from Richard Carr, Son and Heir at Law to a certain John Carr, of Cecil County, deceased, to Casparus Augustine Herman.

An ACT for the Naturalization of William Reynolds, of the City of Annapolis.

An ACT for the Relief of Francis Garterell, of Anne-Arundel County.

An ACT for the Relief of Edward Parfitt, in Anne-Arundel County.



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