

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That all Actions, Pleas, Proceſs, and Proceedings, either Civil or Criminal, now depending in, or returnable to any County Court in this Province, which cannot be holden, or cannot proceed on the Buſineſs in the ſame Courts depending, for Want of the ſaid Juſtices or Attornies, ſhall be, and are, by Virtue of this Act, continued from the Courts, which were or are to be holden according to Law, in this Month of *Auguſt*, until the ſeveral Courts which are to be held in *November* next; any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforeſaid, That the Juſtices of thoſe Courts which cannot be holden or proceeded, as aforeſaid, may, by Virtue of this Act, continue any Cauſe returnable to, or now depending in the ſame Courts, for one other Court longer, than they may do by the Laws of this Province, for the Limitation of Actions; any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

An ACT for the Relief of John Bradford, a languishing Prisoner in Prince George's County Goal.

WHEREAS, the ſaid *John Bradford*, by his humble Petition to this General Aſſembly, hath ſet forth, That he hath continued a Priſoner for Debt, in the Cuſtody of the Sheriff of *Prince George's County*; and ſtill continues in the like deplorable Circumſtances, not being able to redeem his Body with all the Eſtate or Intereſt he hath in the World, which he would deliver up and part with to his ſeveral and reſpective Creditors, if they would accept of the ſame, and grant the ſaid Petitioner his Liberty; which ſeems ſo unlikely for him to obtain, that unleſs relieved by a particular Act paſſed in his Favour, which by his ſaid Petition he hath humbly prayed, he muſt inevitably continue a Priſoner for Life. And, for that the Truth of the ſaid Petitioner's Allegations are made appear to this General Aſſembly, by ſufficient Teſtimonies, and that the ſaid Petitioner is a fit Object of Charity, and that his lying in Goal can be no Benefit to his Creditors, it is humbly prayed that the ſaid Petitioner may be relieved according to his Prayer, and that it may be Enacted:

AND BE IT ENACTED, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the ſame, That unleſs all or any of the Creditor and Creditors of the ſaid *John Bradford*, or the Attorney of ſuch Creditors aforeſaid, within this Province, ſhall, within Twenty Days after this Seſſion of Aſſembly, go to the Sheriff of the aforeſaid County of *Prince George*, and give good Security to pay the Imprisonment Fees, the Sum of Ten Pounds of Tobacco *per Day*, that ſhall or may become due from the ſaid *John Bradford*, after the End of the ſaid Twenty Days; and alſo, find the ſaid *John Bradford*, ſufficient Meat, Drink, and Cloathing, during his future Imprisonment: And in Caſe he, the ſaid *John Bradford* ſhall deliver up and ſurrender, or cauſe to be delivered up and ſurrendered to the Sheriff of the County aforeſaid, in the Preſence of Two Juſtices of the Peace of the

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