

shall be at the time of any such Cause of Accon accruing within the age of one and twenty years ffeme: Covert non Compos Mentis Imprison'd or beyond the seas that then such person or persons shall be at liberty to bring the same Accon or Actions within the time as is before limited after their coming to or being of full age sound Memory at large or return'd from beyond seas as other persons having no such Impediment might or should have done.

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And fforasmuch as divers disputes formerly arose whether Persons absenting the Province or wandring from County to County untill the time by the late Act for the reasons and purposes aforesaid Limited and allowed were expired should have any benefit thereby and different Iudgments given thereon in the severall and respective Countys within this Province for that the said Act was altogether silent.

Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that from and after the Publication hereof No person or persons whatsoever absenting themselves out of this Province or that shall remove from County to County after any Debt Contracted whereby the Creditor or Creditors may be at an uncertainty of finding out the said person or persons or his or their Effects shall have any benefit by the Limitation or Restriction in this Act Specified.

Provided allways that it is the true Intent and Meaning hereof that this Act or Anything herein Contain'd shall not be Construed Reputed or taken to prejudice or Debarr any person removing himself or ffamily from one County to another for his Conveniency or any person leaving this Province for the time and terme in this Act Limited from the benefitt thereof he leaving Effects Sufficient and known for the payment of his Just Debts in the hands of Some person or persons who will assume the payment thereof to his Creditors any thing in this Act contain'd to the Contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid that no bill Bond Judgment Recognizance Statute Merchant & of the Staple or other Specialty whatsoever shall be good & pleadable or admitted in Evidence against any person or persons of this Province after the Principall Debtor and Creditor have been both dead twelve years or the Debt or thing in Accon above twelve years Standing.

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Read and Assented to by the  
house of Dellegates p<sup>r</sup> Ord<sup>r</sup>  
W Taylard Cl h.D.

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Majestys hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill  
W Bladen Cl Concil.