

shall be Sued for any Matter or Thing required of him to be done by this Act; that then the said Christopher Gardiner, or the said Sheriff, or either of them, whom it may concern, may enter a Common Appearance or Appearances, without Special Bail, to any such Action or Actions as shall be brought against them, or either of them, and plead thereto the General Issue; and give this Act, or the Exemplification thereof with the special Matter thereon arising, in Evidence. And that in Case the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, commencing and bringing such Action or Actions as aforesaid, shall be Non-suit, the Defendant or Defendants, shall recover against him or them, double Costs of Suit: Any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding. Session
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And be it further Enacted, That the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, shall, after such Surrender and Delivery up as aforesaid, give publick Notice at the Churches, Court-Houses, and Mills, within the said County, of some precise Time by him the said Sheriff and the said Two Justices, to be appointed for the Distribution of the said Christopher Gardiner, his Effects and Estate, not less than Twenty Days after the Time of the making the said Surrender; and shall then and there, in the Presence of Two such Justices as aforesaid, and by their advice and Directions, make Distribution of the Estate of the said Christopher Gardiner, so as aforesaid to be surrender'd and deliver'd up, or transfer'd amongst such of his said Creditors only, as shall then by themselves, or their lawful Attorney or Attorneys, think fit to be present at such Distribution, by an equal and proportionable Distribution thereof to every such Creditor, with Respect had, and in Proportion to the Largeness of his or her Debt. The Proceedings of the said Justices and Sheriff, in that Behalf, to be certify'd to the Court of the County aforesaid, and there lodged for the Perusal of any of the Creditors of the said Christopher Gardiner, that shall require the same, without any Fee to be paid thereon, or for such lodging thereof. Saving the Right of the said Lord Proprietary, His Heirs and Successors, and of all Bodies Politick and Corporate.

Provided nevertheless, That in Case the said Christopher Gardiner, shall, at any Time after the making of such his oath, or taking such Affirmation as aforesaid, be convict of wilful and corrupt Perjury thereupon, or a wilful Breach or Non-compliance with the Tenour of such Oath or Affirmation as aforesaid, that then the said Christopher Gardiner shall, upon such Conviction, be adjudged to stand Two Hours in the Pillory, and have his Left Ear cut off, and shall be wholly deprived of any Benefit designed him by this law and shall be from henceforth liable to be prosecuted for any Debts or Demands whatsoever, in the same Manner as if this Act had