

Liber LL, 4 Conviction be adjudged to Stand two hours in the Pillory and have  
 Acts his Left Ear cut of and shall be wholly deprived of any the Benefitts designed him by this Law and shall be from thenceforth Liabile 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

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An Act for Relief of Ezekiel Parr of Cecil County

p. 153 Whereas Ezekiel Parr late of Liverpool in the Kingdom of great Brittain Merchant but now of Cecill County in the province of Maryland hath by humble Petition to this Present Generall Assembly amongst other things set forth that he hath Suffered and had many Great Losses both by Sea and Land In so much that he hath been thereby rendered Incapable of Satisfying his Just debts for some of which he has been sued by his Creditors and hath laine in prison near four years and still remains in the Custody of the same Sherriffe of the Same County of Cecil for such Large Sumes as that all he hath or hath right to in the world will not make Satisfaction for and Further that the said Ezekials debts wherein he stands Justly Engaged to his Creditors amount to about Five hundred and twenty pounds in mony and that all the Estate Effects or Interest that he hath in the world does not Exceed the Value of Fifteen pounds in mony that he has made freequent Application to his Creditors that they would take all that he had at present in part of what he owed amongst them and grant him his Liberty that he might have the better Oppertunity of getting wherewith to pay them and of provideing for his wife and three small Children who must otherwise Inevitably fall upon the Charity of that County or undertake the Extreame pressures of want But that thò some of his Creditors have been willing to relieve him and have Certified the same to this present Generall Assembly Others have refused so that unless relieved by an Act to be made in his favour he must necessarily Continue a prisoner whilst his wife and Children undergo all the Misfortunes of a Ruined family that the said Ezekieil desires not a Discharge from his debts but only his Liberty to Enable himselfe to pay them and thereupon the said Ezekieil prayed Reliefe and for that the truth of the said Ezekieills Allegations and pretentions is made Evident to this psent Generall Assembly by Sufficient Testimony worthy of Credit and that his prayer seems reasonable and rather (if granted) Likely to be a benefitt than a prejudice to his Creditors It is therefore humbly prayd that it may be Enacted and Be it Enacted by the kings most Excellent Majestye by and with the advice and Consent of his majesties Governour Councill and Assembly of this province and the  
 p. 154 Authority of the same that unless all or any of the Creditors of the said Ezekiel Parr or their Attorneys shall within three months after the End of this Session of Assembly go to the sherriffe of Cecil