

Misfortunes, Sickness, and other Casualties, he hath been much reduced in his Fortune; and is advanced in Years, and feeble and weak in Body; and hath, through the Inhumanity of his Brother in Law, Hance Hanson, been confined in the common Goal of Cæcil County for near three Years last past, for a pretended Debt of one hundred Pounds, or upwards; which Debt the said Philip Cazeat alleges he can make appear a considerable Part to be paid; in tender Consideration whereof, it is prayed that it may be Enacted:

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And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Sheriff of Cæcil County for the Time being, and he is hereby directed and required, to release from his Prison and Confinement, and suffer to go at large, the said Philip Cazeat; any Execution, Commitment, Statute, Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

[The Sheriff to set Philip Cazeat at Liberty.]

Provided always, And it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that before the said Sheriff shall so as aforesaid release the said Philip Cazeat, he the said Philip shall give good Security, to the Liking of the Justices of Cæcil County Court, or the major Part of them, that he the said Philip shall and will file a Bill in the High Court of Chancery of this Province, in three Months after his Releasement, against the said Hance Hanson, in order to bring the Matter and Accounts, depending between him the said Philip Cazeat and the said Hance Hanson, to a fair and equitable Hearing in the said Court; and pay what shall be there decreed.

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[The said Cazeat to file a Bill in Chancery against Hanson.]

And be it likewise Enacted, That in case the said Sheriff of Cæcil County, for the Time being, shall be sued, molested, or disturbed, for releasing the said Philip Cazeat, in Virtue of, and by Direction of this Act; he shall and may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence to such Action; and any Person or Persons so molesting or suing him the said Sheriff, shall pay him double Costs; any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

[Sheriff not to be sued for complying with this Act.]

26<sup>th</sup> May 1750  
Read and Assented to  
by the Lower House of  
Assembly  
Signed p Order  
M. Macnemara Cl. lo ho.

On behalf of the Right  
Honourable the Lord  
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Sam. Ogle

1<sup>st</sup> June 1750  
Read and Assented to  
by the Upper House of  
Assembly  
Signed p Order  
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