

After the Word notwithstanding in the last Line of the second page insert the following proviso

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Provided also that the respective Sheriffs of the Counties aforesaid shall be first paid and satisfied their Imprisonment Fees before any Creditor or Creditors shall have or receive any Share or part of the Estates of the said prisoners respectively or of the produce thereof

After the Word Sheriffs in the 5.th Line of the last Page leave out the Residue of that enacting Clause and insert as follows in Manner following paid and satisfied (that is to say) After Satisfaction of the aforesaid Imprisonment Fees that the Estate and Interest of the aforesaid prisoners respectively upon which their Judgment Creditors or any claiming or that shall claim under them by Assignment or otherwise have or shall have any Lien or the produce thereof shall be in the first place after Satisfaction of the Sheriffs as aforesaid applied to the Discharge of the said Creditors according to the Order and priority of their Judgments and the Lien arising therefrom and that the Residue of the Estate and Interest of the said prisoners respectively or the Produce thereof shall be distributed among all their Creditors that shall apply therefore within thirty Days after the aforesaid Sale in equal proportion to their Demands And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if any of the persons intended by this Act to be relieved are and shall be of sufficient Ability of Body to labour such person or persons not having a Wife or Family shall be and are hereby obliged to serve for a Time not exceeding five Years to any person or persons who are or shall be inclined to purchase the Time or Servitude of such Debtor or Debtors and that the respective Sheriffs in whose Custody the aforesaid persons or any of them are be and are hereby authorized & obliged at the first County Court to be held at their respective Countys next after the End of this Session and during the Time of Court Sitting by Order of such Court to publish the Sale of such Debtor and the Time of his or her Servitude and the same may and are hereby obliged to sell and dispose of to the highest Bidder and the Money arising from such Sale shall be as Effects of such Debtor in the Hands of the respective Sheriffs subject as aforesaid to a Distribution in Manner aforesaid and the Sale and Service of such Debtor as aforesaid is hereby directed to be taken as a full and sufficient Acquital and Discharge against all Debts due from such Debtor before such Sale and Service as aforesaid any thing to the Contrary notwithstanding

And the petitions of several languishing Prisoners in the County Goals of this province and the petitions of Capt.ⁿ W.^m M.^cClellen Capt.ⁿ Evan Shelby and of Mary Covington Administratrix of Philip Covington of Somerset County deceased severally Indorsed