

Liber H. S. And be it further Enacted That if any Action of Escape be brought
 No. 1 against any Sheriff or any Suit or Action against any Justice or Justices for their performing their Duty in Pursuance of this Act he or they may plead the General Issue and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence and if the Plaintiff be nonsuit or discontinue his Action or Credit pass against such Plaintiff or Judgment upon Demurrer the Defendant shall have and recover double Cost Provided That nothing in this Act shall extend to barr any Creditor or Creditors of the before mentioned John M^cPherson from having and maintaining any Action of Escape against any Sheriff who hath permitted an Escape before the making this Act

And be it further Enacted That in Case the said John M^cPherson shall at any Time after making such Oath as aforesaid be convict of wilful and corrupt Perjury thereupon or of a wilful Breach or noncompliance with the Tenor of such Oath or Affirmation as aforesaid that then upon such Conviction aforesaid he shall be wholly deprived of any Benefit intended him by this Act and shall from thenceforth be liable to be prosecuted for any Debt or Demands whatsoever in the same Manner as if this Act had never been made

Provided also That the Sheriff of Charles County aforesaid shall be first paid for Imprisonment Fees before any Creditor or Creditors shall have or receive any Share or Part of the Estate of the said John M^cPherson or of the Produce thereof.

By the Lower House of
 Assembly 21st June 1768.
 Read & Assented to
 Sign'd by Order
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On Behalf of the right
 Honble the Lord Proprietary of this Province
 I Will this be a Law
 Hor^o Sharpe

By the Upper House of
 Assembly 21st June 1768
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the Great Seal
 in Wax Appendant

N:^o 26: An Act for the relief of certain Languishing Prisoners in the several Goals therein mentioned

[Preamble, with the Names of the Prisoners relieved by this Act] Whereas Clement Spalding, Charles Holt Flower, Thomas Cooke, Ignatius Edwards, John Higdon & Robert Huston of S.^t Marys County Thomas Freeman, Richard Young, John Ruffe and David Wilkinson of Calvert County Peter Roby, Presly Cahiehl, Mark Latimer, George Lovely, John Tallmage, Robert Wilson, Catharine M^cDonal, George Waple, John Wade, Grace Pilkington, William Hudson & John Lammond Joseph Nalley, John Lockett, Elisha Harbin, Cornelius Maddox, Thomas Nalley and John Gilmore of Charles County Joseph M^cCubbin, John Berry, Thomas Todd and Thomas Town of Ann Arundel County Joseph White and Benjamin Kidwell of Prince Georges County John Bain, Francis Harris, William Conhold, Thomas Dey, William Andrews George Grehon, Wil-