

CHAP. XCIV.

CHAP. 94.

An Act for the relief of Henry Alexander, of the City of Baltimore, an Insolvent Debtor. Lib TH. No. 2, fol. 252.

Passed Jan 6, 1810

Preamble.

WHEREAS Henry Alexander, heretofore carrying on trade in the city of Baltimore, as copartner of Isaac Lee Webster, under the firm of Alexander, Webster, and Co. by his petition to the general assembly of Maryland, hath set forth, from liability and misfortunes in trade, he hath become insolvent, and unable to pay and discharge the debts and engagements due, owing, and entered into by him; that the said firm of Alexander, Webster, and Co. at the time they become unable to comply with their regular negotiations, were possessed of a considerable property in merchandise, and stocks of different institutions, which said property the said Alexander, Webster, and Co. have paid over to several of their creditors; the petitioner further stated, that sometime after the failure aforesaid, the said firm of Alexander, Webster, and Co. become liable for large sums of money, by reason of their being endorsers for the house of Van Wick and Dorsey, of the city of Baltimore, who had failed, and who have since been released under the insolvent law of the state of Maryland; the petitioner further stated, that the preference given by the said Alexander, Webster, and Co. as aforesaid, hath been adjudged as undue and improper, within the intent and meaning of the insolvent laws of Maryland, and therefore prayed that a special act might pass to relieve him from all debts, covenants, contracts and engagements, as well in his individual and in his copartnership capacity as aforesaid; and the general assembly being of opinion that under the circumstances of the case that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable, therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the county court of Baltimore, or any one of the judges of the sixth judicial district, in the recess of the said court, upon the application of Henry Alexander, of the city of Baltimore, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to extend to him the full benefit and relief of the act of assembly passed at November session, eighteen hundred and four*, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and the supplements thereto, notwithstanding the aforesaid undue preference, which the said Henry Alexander, or the firm of Alexander, Webster, and Co. may before the passage of this act have given to any of his or their creditors, and without requiring that the said Henry Alexander should produce the assent of his creditors as prescribed by the act aforesaid, and upon his, the said Henry Alexander, complying with all the other requisites of the said act, and the supplements thereto, the said court or judge, shall extend and afford to the said Henry Alexander all the benefit of the said act for the relief of insolvent debtors, and the supplements thereto, in as full, large, ample and beneficial a manner, as the said Henry Alexander might or would have had.

Benefit of insolvent laws to be extended to him.

* Ch. 110.

CHAP. XCV.

An Act to open a Road in Frederick County. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 253.

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BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Peter Shover, Peter Zollinger and James Hughes, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and they, or a majority of them,

Commissioners appointed and authorised to lay out and open a road.