XIX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case at any time hereafter through oversight, or otherwise through misapprehension and mistaken construction of the powers, liberties and franchises, in this charter or act of incorporation granted, or intended to be granted, any ordinance should be made by the said corporation of regents, or any matters done and transacted by the corporation, contrary to void, &c. the tenor thereof, all such ordinances, acts and doings, shall of themselves be null and void, yet they shall not, in any courts of law, or by the general assembly, be deemed, taken, interpreted or adjudged, into an avoidance or forfeiture of this charter and act of incorporation, but the same shall be and remain unhurt, inviolate and entire, unto the said corporation of regents, in perpetual succession, and all their acts, conformable to the powers, true intent and meaning hereof, shall be and remain in full force and validity, the nullity and avoidance of such acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

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XX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That this charter and act of incorporation, and every part thereof, Charter to be shall be good and available in all things in the law, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, good, &c. and shall be construed, reputed and adjudged, in all cases most favourably on the behalf, and for the best benefit and behoof of, the said regents and their successors, so as most effectually to answer the valuable ends of this act of incorporation, towards the general advancement and promotion of medical knowledge.

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An ACT authorising Alexis Boone, late sheriff of Prince-George's Passed 20th of January, 1808. county, to complete his collections.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Alexis Boone, late Preamble. sheriff of Prince-George's county, that from various causes therein set forth, he has been unable to complete his collections within the time limitted by law, and that there is still due to him, as sheriff of said county, considerable sums of money, and praying a law may pass to enable him to collect the same; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Alexis Boone be and he A. Boone may is hereby authorised to collect, until the first day of December, in the year one thousand eight hun- collect, &c. dred and eight, all balances due him as sheriff of Prince-George's county, for the year eighteen hundred and six, in the same manner as he could or might have done within the time limitted by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the said Alexis Boone, before he pro- To deliver an ceeds to execute or distrain the property of any person or persons for taxes or public dues in virtue of this act, to deliver to such person or persons chargeable with the same, at least thirty days previous to laying such execution or distress, an account, written in words at full length, of the taxes or public dues demanded of him, her or them, with an affidavit annexed, if required, that he hath not received any part thereof, nor any security or satisfaction for the same, more than credit given, to the best of his knowledge.

IV. And BE IT ENACTED, That the said Alexis Boone, before he derives any benefit from or Books to be under this act, shall lodge a copy of his collection books in the clerk's office of Prince-George's lodged, &c. county, to be opened for the inspection of all persons interested therein.

C H A P. LV.

A Further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of Passed 20th of January, 1808. sundry insolvent debtors.

WHEREAS doubts are entertained as to the meaning and construction of the words " undue Preamble. and improper preference to any creditor or creditors or security," contained in the ninth section of the act to which this is a supplement; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any deed, conveyance, transfer, Certain deeds assignment or delivery, of any property, real, personal or mixed, of any debts, rights or claims, to undue and imany creditor or creditors, security or securities, made by any person with a view or under an expec- proper, &c. tation of being or becoming an insolvent debtor, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be, an undue and improper preference to such creditor or creditors or security, within the true intent and meaning of the said ninth section of the said act.