

by and with the advice and consent aforesaid that in all actions of the case for
Slandrous words to be sued or prosecuted by any person or persons in any Courts of
Record of this Province that hath power to hold pleas of the same after the end of
this present Assembly, if the Jury upon the tryall of the Issue in such action or the Jury
that shall enquire of the Damages doo find or assess the Damages under forty shillings
then the plaintiff or plaintiffs in such action or actions shall sue and recover
only so much Cost as the Damages given or assessed amounts unto And as it further
Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if any person or persons Intitled to any
the action or actions aforesaid shall be at the tyme of any such cause of action
according within the age of one and twenty years, feme covert, non compos mentis,
Imprisoned or beyond the seas that then such person or persons shall be at libertie
to bring the same action or actions within such tyme as aforesaid limited after
their coming to or being of full age, discreet, sound memory at large or returned
from beyond the seas as other persons having no such Impediment might or should
have done

And forasmuch as diverse disputes have formerly rose whether persons
absenting the Province or wandering from County to County until the time by the
late Act for the reason and purposes aforesaid limited and allowed were expired
should have any benefit thereby, and different Judgments given thereon in
the severall and respective Counties within this Province for that the said Act
was therein altogether silent, Be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid
that from and after the Publication hereof no person or persons whatsoever absenting
themselves out of this Province or that shall remove from County to County after
any debt contracted whereby the Creditor or Creditors may be at an uncertainty
of finding out the said person or persons or his or their effects shall have any
benefit by the Limitations and Restrictions in this Act specified, Provided always
that it is the true intent and meaning hereof that this Act or any thing herein
contained shall be construed to put no obstacle or hindrance to prejudice or to bar any
person removing himself or family from one County to another for his
convenience) or any person leaving this Province for the tyme and tyme in
this Act limited from the benefit thereof he leaving effects sufficient and
known for the payment of his Just debts in the hand of some person or persons who
will assume the payment thereof to his Creditors any thing in this Act contained to
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