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lect the whole of the county charges of said county imposed by an act, (a) entitled, An act to authorise the county courts to impose an assessment to defray their county charges, by distress and sale of any goods or chattels within said county, the property of any person charged therewith, of which sale five days notice, excluding the day of notice and sale, shall be given, and by distress and sale of any goods and chattels found on any land chargeable with the said county charges, of which the same notice shall be given; which said sales shall be for current money; and if no effects can be found on the said land, the same shall be chargeable with the county charges which may be unpaid, with six *per cent.* interest thereon from the respective dates on which the same should have been paid, in the possession of any person or persons, and any goods, at any time found on the premises, shall be liable to distress and sale for payment thereof.

(a) Otober, 1780, ch. 26.

A copy to be
transmitted,
&c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if it shall appear to any collector, that any person or persons, whose property shall be charged in said county, shall not reside therein, it is hereby declared to be the duty of such collector to make diligent inquiry where such person shall live, and he shall, if known, under the penalty of ten pounds current money, transmit to the collector of the tax of the county where such person or persons shall reside, a copy of the county charge on the property of such person or persons in said county, and the said collector, on the receipt thereof, shall collect the same in the same manner that the county charges of his county are collected, and pay the same, on demand made of him in the county where he resides, to the collector of Allegany county, or his order, on or before the first day of August annually.

This section is repealed by 1796, ch. 8, by which a different mode of collection in such cases is prescribed, except as to land granted to officers and soldiers, and not sold by them.

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Passed 22d of
Dec. 1792.

An ACT for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors. Lib. JG.

No. 1. fol. 651.

Preamble.

WHEREAS James Glanville, Gideon Clarke, Josiah Riley and Joel Willis, of Kent county, William Leigh and Edward Ware Boswell, of Charles county, George Robertson, Stephen Christopher, of Somerset county, John Waggaman Footman, William Keene, junior, and Edward Smith, of Dorchester county, Elisha Christopher, of Worcester county, Moses Patterson, of Cecil county, John Burges, Joshua Dorsey, of Henry, William Worthington, of Anne-Arundel county, John Weems Lewis, George Swingle, senior, Francis Curtis, Charles Franklin, James Burn, Daniel Carroll, Windel Kellar and John M. Curdy, of Baltimore county, Zachariah Owens, of Prince-George's county, John Woodburn, Thomas Rigby Smith, Charles Taylor, senior, James Preston, William Prigg, of Harford county, Joseph Haslet, John Carmon, James Errickson, junior, of Queen-Anne's county, John Dorsey, of John, Joseph Wood, Benjamin Musgrove, Thomas Schley, Samuel Cleland and George Adams, of Frederick county, William Stephen Compton, of Washington county, Barton Baker, Edward Wheeler and Edmund Wayman, of Montgomery county, by their petitions to this general assembly, have set forth, that by reason of many misfortunes, they are unable wholly to satisfy their creditors, and have prayed, that they may be discharged, upon their delivering up all their property for the use of their creditors; and the prayer of the said petitioners being found reasonable, therefore,

Chancellor, on
application, to
direct notice,
&c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That on application of either of the said debtors to the chancellor, by petition in writing, offering to deliver to the use of his creditors all his property, real, personal or mixed, to which he is any way entitled, a schedule whereof, (on oath, or affirmation, as the case may require,) together with a list of the creditors of the person so applying, on oath or affirmation, as far as he can ascertain them, shall be annexed to such petition, the chancellor shall, in his discretion, either direct personal notice of such application to be given to the creditors, or so many of them as can be served therewith, or their agents or attorneys, or direct notice of such application to be inserted in the public news-papers for such time as he shall think proper, which, in case of there being a creditor or creditors beyond sea shall not be less than six months, and on their appearance, or neglect to appear on notice, at the time or times and place appointed, the chancellor shall administer to the petitioning debtor the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may require: "I, A. B. do swear, or solemnly, sincerely and truly declare and affirm, that I will deliver up, convey and transfer, to my creditors, in such manner as the chancellor shall direct, all my property that I have, or claim any title to or interest in, at this time, and all debts, rights and claims, which I have, or am in any way entitled to, in possession, reversion or remainder, and that I have not, directly or indirectly, at any time, sold, conveyed, lessened or disposed