

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in all cases where the said register Francis King has made any short entry, shewing that any last will or testament, inventory or account, was proved by any person or persons, or has lodged any last will or testament, inventory or account, among the records of his said office, it shall and may be lawful for the said register, under the direction of the orphans court of the said county, to enter thereon a certificate of such probat in the usual form, and such certificate, so made, shall be, to all intents and purposes, as good and available as if the same had been done by the said Francis King in his life-time.

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LXXXI.
In certain cases
to enter a cer-
tificate, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said register, for his services in recording the said wills, inventories, probats and accounts, shall be entitled to the same fees as are now allowed by law in like cases; and it shall and may be lawful for the said register to charge the person or persons, his her or their legal representatives, with the same, to whom the same would properly have been chargeable by the said Francis King, and the said fees, so charged, to put in the sheriff's hands, to be collected as other officers fees.

And entitled to
the same fees,
&c.

C. H. A. P. LXXXII.

An ACT for the relief of Stephen Zacharie, of the city of Baltimore. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 702.

Passed 20th of
Jan. 1798.

WHEREAS Stephen Zacharie, by his petition to this general assembly, sets forth, that he is considerably indebted as a partner of Coopman and Vochez, trading under the firm of Zacharie, Coopman and company, and also in his private capacity, which debts he is unable to pay, but is willing and desirous to deliver up all his property to trustees, for the benefit of the creditors, and prayed an act might pass to exempt his person from arrest and imprisonment, on account of said debts: And whereas the creditors have agreed to the same, on certain terms and conditions agreed to by the said Stephen Zacharie, and this general assembly are willing to carry into effect the agreement of the parties,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Stephen Zacharie shall be empowered, and he is hereby required, to deliver possession of all his real and personal estate, of what nature and kind soever, unto Archibald Campbell, David Williamson, James Dall, John Munnickhuysen and Joseph Sterett, on or before the tenth day of March next, and to convey, assign and transfer, to them, all bonds, notes, books, accounts and other vouchers, of any and all sums of money, or other property, due and owing to the said Stephen Zacharie on his separate account, and to the firm of Zacharie, Coopman and company.

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deliver his pro-
perty, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said Stephen Zacharie, at the time of delivering possession of the said real and personal estate to the said trustees, shall also make a schedule of the same, and deliver it to them, and make oath, to be annexed thereto, that the said schedule contains a true account of all the real and personal estate, and debts due to him in his own right, and to the firm of Zacharie, Coopman and company, appearing by the books, papers and documents, of the said Zacharie, Coopman and company, in the possession or knowledge of the said Stephen Zacharie; and thereupon and from thenceforth, for the period and on the terms hereafter mentioned, the said Stephen Zacharie shall be, and he is hereby acquitted, exonerated and discharged, of and from all claims and demands now due and owing from him, either in his separate capacity, or as a partner of the aforesaid Coopman and Vochez; provided, that any property hereafter acquired by the said Stephen Zacharie, by gift, devise, bequest, or in the course of distribution, shall be liable to the creditors.

And make a
schedule, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That upon the assignment as aforesaid to the said trustees, they, or the survivor or survivors of them, shall be and are hereby vested with the absolute estate and property of, in and to the same, in trust, for the benefit of the creditors, to be applied and disposed of to the payment and satisfaction of the said creditors, in equal proportion, according to the amount of their respective claims; and the said trustees, or the survivor or survivors of them, shall have full power and authority to sell, convey and dispose of the same, or any part thereof, and to collect and receive the said debts due and owing to the said Stephen Zacharie, or to Zacharie, Coopman and company, or if need be, to bring suit or suits at law or equity in their own names, or in the name or names of the survivor or survivors of them.

Estate vested,
&c.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in the execution of this trust, all reasonable or just expenses incurred or expended by the said trustees, or the survivor or survivors of them, shall be paid out of the

Expenses to be
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