

govern himself by the choice of a majority of them in value, unless upon notice being given by public advertisement, or in such manner as he shall think reasonable, the said creditors shall neglect to make such choice.

C H A P. LXIV.

XVII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That none of the said debtors, who do not make application as aforesaid on or before the first day of September next, shall have any benefit of this act. Time limited.

XVIII. AND, whereas Elkin Solomon, of the city of Baltimore, by his petition has set forth, that he is unable to pay debts which he owed before the seventeenth day of May, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, and that he has been imprisoned, and is still liable to be imprisoned for the same: And whereas many of his creditors have recommended him to the clemency of the legislature; therefore, BE IT ENACTED, That the said Elkin Solomon shall have the benefit of this act, in full discharge of all debts, covenants, promises and agreements due from or owing by him before the said seventeenth day of May, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, upon the same conditions and restrictions, and under and subject to the same penalties for any breach of any matter or thing imposed or directed by this act.

E. Solomon to have the benefit of this act, &c.

C H A P. LXV.

An ACT respecting the criminal business of the city and county of Baltimore. Lib. JG. No. 3. fol. 138. Passed 10th of Jan. 1799.

Repealed from the 30th of January, 1800, by 1799, ch. 58.

C H A P. LXVI.

An ACT to repeal certain clauses in the act, * entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in testamentary affairs, granting administrations, recovery of legacies, securing filial portions and distribution of intestates estates, as also in the act, † entitled, An additional and supplementary act to the several acts for the administration of justice in testamentary affairs. Lib. JG. No. 3. fol. 140. Passed 16th of Jan. 1799. * 1715, ch. 39. † 1729, ch. 24.

WHEREAS substantial justice and sound policy require that every peaceable denomination of christiana should equally enjoy the blessings of a free government, secured by the united efforts of all, and that no discriminations should subsist whereby a citizen of one religious denomination is precluded from the enjoyment of any civil right and advantage of any other religious denomination: And whereas it appears to have been the true meaning and intent of the founders of the declaration of rights, and form of government, to abolish all odious and injurious distinctions, but doubts are entertained whether or not any thing contained in the said declaration, or form, be sufficient to abrogate, repeal or annul, the tenth clause or article in an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in testamentary affairs, granting administrations, recovery of legacies, securing filial portions and distribution of intestates estates, and the twelfth and thirteenth articles or clauses in an act, entitled, An additional and supplementary act to the several acts for the administration of justice in testamentary affairs; Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said tenth clause, article or section, of an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in testamentary affairs, granting administrations, recovery of legacies, securing filial portions and distribution of intestates estates, passed at a session of assembly in the year seventeen hundred and fifteen, and also the twelfth and thirteenth clauses, articles or sections, of an act, entitled, An additional and supplementary act to the several acts for the administration of justice in testamentary affairs, passed at a session of assembly in the year seventeen hundred and twenty-nine, be, and are hereby declared to be, repealed, abrogated, and henceforth to all intents and purposes null and void. Clauses repealed.

C H A P. LXVII.

An ACT to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money to clear out the creeks leading to and from Upper-Marlborough and Queen-Anne, in Prince-George's county. Lib. JG. No. 3. fol. 141. Passed 15th of Jan. 1799.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Prince-George's county, that the creeks leading to and from Upper-Marlborough and Preamble.