


Act and Law. That made in Evidence and if the plaintiff be
Non Suis. In his own action or Verdict pass against him
the Defendant shall recover treble Costs of Suits -
And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid -
That any person whatsoever who shall be
discharged out of prison or receive any benefit by this act
shall wilfully and willingly commit any wilful and corrupt
perjury or wilfully or willingly swear themselves such
person being legally convicted thereof by Confession or Verdict
of twelve men shall be guilty of Felony and suffer death as a felon -
Provided always that nothing in this act shall extend or be
construed to extend to discharge any person out of prison who
is not actually a prisoner or in Custody for the Sum of five
pounds Sterling or one thousand pounds of Tobacco - And
provided also and it is hereby declared that the said Justices
or any three of them as aforesaid shall sell and dispose of
any Debtor's Estate shall have full power Liberty and authority to
allow unto such Debtor out of his Estate as aforesaid before
any division made, his Bed and Furniture a pot of pain and other
necessary working tools and necessary not exceeding five pounds
Sterling to any Debtor -

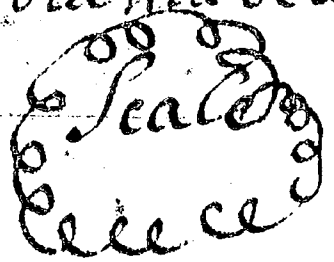
And be it further enacted and declared that all Sales made
after the end of this Session of Assembly by any Debtor of any
of his Estate either Real or personal to any person whatsoever
during the time of his Imprisonment shall be Null and
Void to all Intents and purposes whatsoever - This act to continue
for three years and until the end of the next Session of Assembly
which shall happen after the end of the said three years -

By the House of Delegates 16th December 1708: 

Read and assented to by the House of Delegates:

Signed of order Rich^d. Dallam Speaker
December the 16th 1708. Then was this bill read and assented to
by her maj^{ty} hon^{ble} Council & Signed of order
Bladen & Council -

December 17th 1708
On behalf of our Sovereign Lady Ann Queen of Great Britain
I will thus be a Law.



To: Seymour