

ges heretofore contracted for, and during the Space of Seven Years, to be computed from the End of this present Session of Assembly, they giving their Creditors Security not to depart this Province, or send their Effects out of the same, for Eight Years after the End of this Session of Assembly; and upon so doing, the said *Govane* shall permit them to go at large: And lest their Creditors may not approve of, or take Security, that then any Three of the Justices of *Anne-Arundel* County Court, take such Security as they think fit, in the Name of the Lord Proprietary, to and for the Use of their Creditors; which shall be lodged with the Clerk of *Anne-Arundel* County Court, for the Use of such Creditor or Creditors.

*AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED*; by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That if any of the Creditors of the aforesaid Persons shall bring an Action or Actions of Escape against the said Sheriff for any Matter or Thing by this Act required to be done by him, the said Sheriff may enter a common Appearance or Appearances to any such Action or Actions that may or shall be brought against him, and plead thereto the General Issue; and give this Act, or the Exemplification thereof, with the special Matter thereon arising, in Evidence. And in Case, the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs be Nonsuit, the Defendant shall recover double Costs of Suit: Any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

*PROVIDED NEVERTHELESS*, That none of the Persons herein before-mentioned, shall have any Benefit or Advantage by Virtue of this Act, unless such Person or Persons claiming to have any Benefit or Advantage, shall, before he or they have such Benefit and Advantage, pay and satisfy, or secure to be paid and satisfy'd, to the Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County, all the Fees due to him, on Account of such Person or Persons Commitment and Imprisonment: Any Thing in this Act to the contrary, notwithstanding.

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*An Additional and Supplementary ACT to the several Acts for the Administration of Justice in Testamentary Affairs.*

**W**HEREAS it is necessary, as well to explain several doubtful Clauses in the Acts heretofore made for the Administration of Justice in Testamentary Affairs, as to make Additions to supply some Defects therein,

*BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED*, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That no Negroe, or other Slave, shall be sold by any Executor or Administrator, or reserv'd for his or her own Use, for the Payment of any Debt due or owing to any Executor or Administrator; nor shall any Negroe, or other Slave, be taken in Execution for any Debt due from any Testator or Intestate, so long as there shall be other Goods, which were of such Testator or Intestate, sufficient to satisfy such Execution; the Executor or Administrator shewing such other Goods, which the Sheriff, or other Officer is hereby required to demand.