

debted, sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed, disposed of, or intrusted, all or any Part of my Estate, thereby to secure the same, to receive or expect any Profit or Advantage thereof.

AFTER which Proceedings, and Oath, so had and made, it shall and may be lawful for any such Person or Persons as aforesaid, that shall be actually in Prison, for any of the Causes, and in Manner as aforesaid, at the next County Court after such Imprisonment, to be held for the County where such Debtors are in Prison, or at any other Court thereafter, give an Account upon Oath, to the Justices of the said Court, or any Three of them as aforesaid, of all his Estate, real and personal; and of his Readiness to surrender up, and assign to such Trustee or Trustees, ~~being appointed as aforesaid~~ ^{being appointed as aforesaid}, or for want of such Trustee or Trustees, to the Sheriff of the said County, according to the Oath herein before prescribed, and declare his Willingness to part with the same, to be equally divided amongst his or their Creditors, towards Satisfaction of his or their Debts; upon which Tender of Surrender to be made, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Justices, or any Three of them, in Court sitting, as aforesaid, and they are hereby impowered and required, to cause publick Notice to be given, to all his or their Creditors, in Forty Days after the End of the said Court, to appear at the Court-house where the Debtor is detained in Prison, before Two or Three Justices of the Peace of the said County, whom the Sheriff of the said County is hereby required to summon, on Request of such Prisoner or Prisoners, to make Choice and appoint a Trustee or Trustees; and in case of such Appointment not being made by such Creditors, then the Sheriff of such County to take and receive such Debtors Estate into his or their Charge; and cause the same to be inventoried, appraised, and valued: And the said Debtors are hereby ordered and directed to convey, assign, transfer, and make over, to the Trustee or Trustees, so to be appointed by the Creditors of such Debtor or Debtors, and for want of such Appointment, to the Sheriff of that County, for the Use of the said Creditors, all such their Estate, Interest, or Claim, after such Manner as the said Trustee or Trustees, or the Sheriff aforesaid, or his or their Council learned in the Law, shall reasonably devise or require, at the Cost and Charges of such Person or Persons as shall claim the Benefit thereof; so always as such Prisoners be not burthened with any Warrantys thereof, other than from themselves, or those that claim by, from, or under them; with an Account to such Trustee or Trustees, or Sheriff, as aforesaid, of their Debts due from such Debtors: And after such Appraisement, the said Trustee or Trustees, or Sheriff, are impowered to sell the same, by way of Auction, or otherwise, as to them shall seem meet; after which Assignment and Conveyance, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Justices, in case it appears to to them that the Poverty and Inability of such Prisoners proceeded rather from the Causes mentioned in the Preamble, than any deceitful and fraudulent Practices, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, to direct the said Sheriff to discharge such Prisoner or Prisoners; which said Sheriff shall forthwith accordingly discharge the same from his Custody.

A N D whereas several Persons are now in Prison, for Debt, who before the Meeting of this present General Assembly, have continued so for Forty Days, and upwards, who always since their first Imprisonment, have been, and now are, willing to yield, surrender, and give up, for the Use