

Baltimore county, be laid off for the said Mrs. Rebecca Hanson and Catherine Dulany, adjoining to the five hundred acres reserved to the said Mary Fitzhugh, and in such manner as to exclude the dwelling plantation of the said Walter Dulany, their father; and that the said one thousand acres be reserved for the use of the said Rebecca Hanson and Catherine Dulany, in fee simple, as tenants in common, and not as joint tenants.

III. Be it further enacted, That the said one thousand acres be surveyed and laid off by the surveyor of Baltimore county, at the cost and charges of the petitioners, and that the said surveyor return a certificate of the said survey to the next general assembly. To be surveyed, &c.

C H A P. XV.

An ACT for the relief of Edward Hargadine, a languishing prisoner in Queen-Anne's county gaol.

WHEREAS Edward Hargadine, by his petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that he has continued a prisoner for debt in Queen-Anne's county gaol for a considerable time past, and still continues in the like deplorable situation, not being able to redeem his body with all the estate or interest he hath in the world, which he would readily surrender up and part with to his creditors, if they would accept the same, and grant the petitioner his liberty; and as the allegations of the said Edward Hargadine appear to this general assembly to be true, and that his lying in gaol can be of no advantage to his creditors, it is humbly prayed that the said Edward Hargadine may be relieved, according to his petition aforesaid: Therefore, Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in case the said Edward Hargadine shall deliver up and surrender to the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county aforesaid, in presence of two justices of the peace for the county aforesaid, whom the said sheriff is hereby authorized and required to summon at the request of the said prisoner, all his real and personal estate, either in possession, reversion, remainder, or in trust, or in or unto which he hath any claim or interest, and likewise convey, assign, transfer, and make over, unto the said sheriff, for the use of the said creditors, all such his estate, interest, or claim as aforesaid, after such manner as by the said sheriff, and by the major part of such creditors, or such of them as shall think fit to attend, shall reasonably devise or require, at the costs and charges of the person or persons who shall claim benefit thereof, so that the said Edward Hargadine be not burthened with any warranty thereby, other than against himself, or those claiming by, from, or under him; and that the said prisoner, at the time of such surrender and transferring his estate as aforesaid, shall take an oath before the said two justices to the following effect, viz.
" I, Edward Hargadine, do swear, that the goods, debts, and effects, which I have delivered, assigned, and made over, to the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county aforesaid, in trust, for the use of my creditors, are the whole estate, both real and personal, of my own, in possession, or that I have any title to in the world; and that I have not any estate, goods, or effects, of any kind whatsoever, left, either in possession, reversion, or remainder (the necessary wearing apparel of myself, wife and children, E. Hargadine relieved, &c.