

of land called Lloyd's Freshes, in Queen-Anne's county aforesaid, to public sale, for current money, on their giving eight weeks notice in the most public places in said county before such day of sale, to the highest bidder, and to execute a deed of conveyance in fee simple to such purchaser; and the money arising from such sale shall be appropriated to the payment and discharge of all claims against the estate of the aforesaid Frederick Foreman, deceased; and if any overplus remain, the same shall be paid over to the representative or representatives of the said Frederick Foreman; which appropriation and distribution shall be finally settled and adjusted by the register of wills for Queen-Anne's county aforesaid, according to law.

III. And be it enacted, That in case the administrators of the said Frederick Foreman should refuse or neglect to expose the aforesaid land to public sale, as herein before directed, within three months from the end of this session of assembly, the petitioner, Francis Rochester, junior, shall have full power and authority to sell the same, in the same manner as the administrators are by this act directed and empowered to sell it.

In case of refusal F. Rochester to sell land, &c.

C H A P. XXVII.

An ACT for the relief of Duncan Campbell and James Burney, languishing prisoners in Talbot county gaol.

WHEREAS Duncan Campbell and James Burney, by their petitions to this general assembly have set forth, that they petitioned the justices of Talbot county for the benefit of an insolvent act, passed in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-four, but were denied the benefit thereof, the justices not apprehending the general insolvent act to be in force at that time: And whereas they still continue in the like deplorable situation, not being able to redeem their bodies with all the estate they have in the world, which they would readily surrender up and part with to their creditors, if they would accept the same, and grant the petitioners their liberty: And as the allegations of the said Duncan Campbell and James Burney appear to this general assembly to be true, and that their lying in gaol can be of no advantage to their creditors,

Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in case the said Duncan Campbell and James Burney shall deliver up and surrender to the sheriff of Talbot county aforesaid, in presence of two justices of the peace for the said county, whom the said sheriff is hereby authorized and required to summon at the request of said petitioners, all their real and personal estate, either in possession, reversion, remainder, or in trust, or in or unto which they have 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 their 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 Duncan Campbell and James Burney be not burthened with any warranty thereby, other than against themselves, or those claiming by, from, or under them; and that the said prisoners, at the time of such surrender and transfer of their estate as aforesaid, shall take an oath before the said two justices to the following effect, viz. "I, Duncan Campbell, and I, James Burney, do swear, that the goods, debts, and effects, which I have delivered, assigned, and made over, to the sheriff of Talbot county aforesaid, in trust, for the use of my creditors, are the whole estate both real and personal of mine in possession, or that I have any title to in the world, and that I have not any

Prisoners relieved, &c.