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would be attended with loss and damage to his creditors, as well foreign as
 meitic, to require the assent of foreign creditors, or their agents, to his relief,
 and the said representation appearing to the legislature to be true,

Chancellor,
 on applicati-
 on, to direct
 notice to be
 given, &c.

II. **Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,** That upon the ap-
 plication of the said Nicholas Slubey to the chancellor, by petition in writing
 offering to deliver up all his estate, in possession, reversion or remainder, for the
 benefit of his creditors, and annexing to the said petition a schedule of his prop-
 erty and debts, the said schedule comprehending distinct and separate lists of
 the property and debts belonging to him in his own right, and of all property
 and debts belonging to his copartnership, and a list of his creditors, so far as he
 can ascertain the same, on oath, the chancellor shall direct notice of such ap-
 plication to be given and published in such manner as he shall think expedient,
 and appoint a certain day for the creditors of the said Slubey to appear in the
 chancery court to recommend a trustee or trustees on their behalf, and on the
 appearance of the said creditors, or on their neglect to appear on notice as afore-
 said, the chancellor shall administer to the said Nicholas Slubey the following
 oath: "I, Nicholas Slubey, do swear, that I will deliver up, convey and trans-
 fer, to my creditors, in such manner as the chancellor shall direct, all my
 property that I have or claim any title to, or interest in, at this time, and all
 debts, rights, claims and credits, which I have, or am any way entitled to,
 in possession, reversion or remainder, as well in my own right as in copart-
 nership with any other person or persons, and that I have not, directly or in-
 directly, at any time sold, conveyed, lessened or disposed of, for the use or
 benefit of any person or persons, or intrusted, any part of my money or other
 property aforesaid, debts, rights or claims, thereby to defraud my creditors,
 or any of them, or to secure the same to receive or expect any profit, benefit
 or advantage thereby;" and in case of the neglect of the said creditors to ap-
 pear and recommend a trustee or trustees, the chancellor shall appoint such per-
 son or persons to be trustee or trustees as he shall think proper.

On executing
 a deed, to be
 discharged,
 &c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That upon the said Nicholas Slubey executing and ac-
 knowledging a deed to the trustee or trustees to be appointed as aforesaid, conveying
 all his property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts, rights and claims, agree-
 ably to the oath of the said Slubey, and on the delivery of the possession of
 the said property, and his books, papers, and evidences of debts of every kind
 and the said trustee or trustees certifying the same, in writing, to the chanc-
 ellor, the chancellor shall thereupon order that the said Nicholas Slubey shall be
 discharged from all debts, contracts, covenants, promises and agreements, due
 from, or owing or contracted, made or entered into by him, before the date of
 the said deed, either in copartnership with any person, or by himself; provided
 that such discharge shall not operate so as to discharge any other person from a
 debt; and provided also, that any property which the said Nicholas Slubey may
 thereafter acquire by descent, gift, devise, or in course of distribution, shall be
 liable to the payment of his debts.

Trustee to ap-
 ply the pro-
 ceeds, &c.

IV. **And be it enacted,** That the trustee or trustees of the said Nich-
 olas Slubey shall, in the first place, apply the proceeds of the property held in
 own right, which shall come to his or their hands, to the satisfaction and
 charge of debts due to this state, and the residue, after the discharge of
 heretofore created thereon, amongst his several creditors, in equal proportion
 their respective debts; and the interest, share or part of the said Nicholas Slubey
 in any property or debts, held by or due to him, in copartnership with any
 person or persons, shall be applied, in the first place, to the satisfaction and
 charge of such copartnership debts.

And give
 bond, &c.

V. **And be it enacted,** That any trustee or trustees to be appointed in virtue
 of this act, before he or they shall proceed to act as such, shall give bond, with
 security to be approved of by the chancellor, for the faithful execution of the
 trust reposed in him or them, and pursue in all respects the directions of the
 chancellor in the performance of the said trust, in the same manner as is provided