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in two years as aforesaid, then the money so paid to the levy court shall be applied to the use of the county; provided, that any servant or slave sold as aforesaid shall not be carried or transported out of this state until after two years have elapsed from the time of such sale, and any person or persons who shall carry, or cause to be carried out of this state, within the time limited as aforesaid, any such servant or slave, shall incur and be subject to the like penalties as persons are who shall transport or carry any free negro out of this state.

Penalty for ne-  
glect.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any sheriff shall refuse or neglect to comply with the directions of this act, he shall, for every such refusal or neglect, forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred dollars.

Acts repealed.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That an act, entitled, A supplement to the act relating to servants and slaves, passed May session, seventeen hundred and nineteen, and an act, entitled, An act to restrain the ill practices of sheriffs, and to direct their conduct respecting runaways, passed November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-two, be and they are hereby severally repealed.

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## An ACT for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors.

Passed 8th of  
January, 1803.  
Preamble.

WHEREAS John J. Sothoron, George Burroughs and Raphael Saxton, of Saint-Mary's county; William Jones, of Kent county; Philip Jenkins, John Warfield and Samuel Godman, of Anne-Arundel county; Charles Williamson, of Calvert county; John F. Beall, Philip T. Briscoe, Henry Hagan, Thomas L. Sothoron, Zachariah Sothoron and Joseph Boarman, of Raphael, of Charles county; John Shrote, Zedekiah Snow, Christopher Shrote, William Greer, Matthew Chambers, William Parsons, David Poe, Jacob Mordicai, Ralph M'Creery, John Johnson, Charles Forman, Henry Reese, John Croxall, Thomas Paul, Robert Courtney, Barton Brashers, Thomas B. Randall, John B. Darby, John Boase, junior, Lewis Geanty and Lewis Julien Delarue Legoux, of Baltimore county; James Dudley, James Parrott, John Burgess, Solomon Hopkins, Thomas Gordon and Philemon H. Abell, of Talbot county; John Campbell and John Houston, of Somerset county; David Shippey, Samuel Mills, Robert Rolle and Levi Rue, of Dorchester county; Joseph Reynolds, Andrew Gordon and Jacob Lum, of Cæcil county; Isidore Hardy, Rinaldo Johnson, Edward L. Boteler, Seth Hyatt, Aquila Hyatt, Wilkason Brashers and Francis Boone, of Prince-George's county; Daniel Knock, Francis J. Wilson, Philemon Murphy and Philemon C. Blake, of Queen-Anne's county; Francis Rosse, of Worcester county; John Marky, David M'Clary, Abraham Lemaster, senior, and John L. Dorsey, of Frederick county; John Lee, Randall Wallis, James Bevard, Ezekiel Williams, Robert White, Daniel N. Robinson, Thomas Robinson, Daniel Robinson, senior, and James Johnson, of Harford county; Jane Green, William Boone and James Dickinson, of Caroline county; Claudius Besse, Patrick Kelly, John C. Hatton, William Ashwell, Luke Usher, Thomas Edwards, Nicholas W. Easton, Peter Gardner, Alexander F. Hall, William Everard, John Phelan, John M'Coy, Owen Allen, William Jacobs, Dominick Jordan, Alexander Martin, Alexander Kenny, Robert Doyme, Robert Colgate, John Michael, Benjamin Solomon, Jonathan Askew, Archibald Smithson, Salathiel Tuder, Benoet Castaing, John Bradley, William C. Bordley, Henry Troup, Robert Stratton, William Weary, David Porter, William Gibbons, John Lane, Christian L. Junderman, William Owen, Peter D. Goverts and Robert Spencer, of the city of Baltimore; John Wilson and James Chapline, of Washington county; John Thomas, 3d, of Montgomery county; Samuel B. Beall, of Allegany county; by their petitions to this general assembly have set forth, that by reason of many misfortunes they are unable wholly to pay their debts, and have prayed that they may be discharged therefrom, upon their delivering up all their property for the use of their creditors; and the prayer of the said petitioners being found reasonable, therefore,

Chancellor, on  
application, to  
direct notice,  
&c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That on application of either of the said debtors to the chancellor, by petition in writing, offering to deliver to the use of his creditors all his property, real, personal or mixed, (the necessary wearing apparel and bedding of himself and his family excepted,) to which he is in any way entitled, a schedule whereof, (on oath or affirmation, as the case may require,) together with a list of the creditors of the person so applying, on oath or affirmation, as far as he can ascertain them, shall be annexed to or accompany such petition, the chancellor shall direct personal notice of such application to be given to the creditors, or to as many of them as can be served therewith, or their agent or attorneys, or direct notice of such application to be advertised in the most public places of the county where the said debtor resides, or to be inserted in some news-paper for such time as he may think proper, and on the appearance of the said creditor, or neglect to appear on notice, at the time or times and place appointed, the chancellor shall administer to the petitioning debtor the following oath or affirmation, as the case may