

give false colour to his claim for more than is *bonâ fide* due, such creditor shall lose his debt truly due, and shall be totally excluded in the distribution.

If arrested,
may be dis-
charged, &c.

XIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if the said debtors, or any of them, shall be arrested or imprisoned on any process sued out on any judgment or decree obtained against them, or any of them, for any debt, damage or costs, contracted, owing or growing due, before the passage of this act, the court, out of which such process issued, or any one judge of the general court, or the chief justice of the district court, or the two associate justices of the county court of the county where the said debtor may be arrested or imprisoned, on application made to them, shall and may discharge such debtor on motion; and if the said debtors, or any of them, shall be arrested or imprisoned on any process for the recovery of any debt, damages or costs, contracted, owing or growing due, before the passage of this act, the court before whom such process shall be returned shall and may discharge such debtor or debtors out of custody on his common appearance being entered, without any special bail; provided, that the discharge of such debtor or debtors shall not acquit or discharge any other person from such debt, damages or costs, or any part thereof, but that all such persons shall be answerable for the same in such manner as they were before the passing of this act.

XIV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all proceedings under this act shall be recorded by the clerk of the county court in which such debtor shall reside, who shall be entitled to the same fees as are fixed by law for services in other cases, which shall be paid at the time of obtaining the discharge.

Proceedings to
be recorded,
&c.

XV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in all appointments of trustees under this act by the county court, in the room of any person before appointed, the county court shall consult the creditors, and govern themselves by the choice of a majority of them in value, unless upon notice being given by public advertisement, or in such manner as they shall think reasonable, the said creditors shall neglect to make such choice.

Creditors to be
consulted, &c.

XVI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That none of the said debtors who do not make application as aforesaid on or before the first day of June next, and who shall not execute a deed for all his estate real, personal or mixed, to any trustee appointed in virtue of this act, within one month after the appointment of such trustee and bond given by him according to the provisions of this act, shall have any benefit of this act.

To apply be-
fore June, &c.

XVII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That Charles Rogers, now confined in the gaol of Baltimore county, Robert Cooke and Walter Willson, of the city of Baltimore, shall be entitled to receive the full relief and benefit by this act granted to the petitioners herein before mentioned, on their complying with all the rules and conditions of such petitioners required, except that the said Charles Rogers, Robert Cook and Walter Willson, shall not be required to produce to the county court any evidence of their being a citizen of Maryland and of their having resided therein two years preceding the passage of this act.

C. Rogers, &c.
to have relief,
&c.

C H A P. CXI.

An ACT for the payment of the journal of accounts.

Passed Janua-
ry 20, 1805.

WHEREAS it appears by the journal of accounts of this session, that there is due from this state the sum of thirty-one thousand three hundred and fifty-eight dollars and twenty-eight and three quarters cents,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore shall and he is hereby authorised and required to pay the several persons, their executors, administrators, assigns or orders, or to such of them as shall offer to receive the same, the several sums of current money allowed to them respectively, as they appear to be settled and ascertained by the said journal of accounts, out of any money now in the treasury, or that shall come into the treasury, subject to the appropriation of the general assembly.

Treasurer to
pay, &c.

RESOLUTIONS assented to November Session, 1804.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore advance to Frederick Green, printer to the state, the sum of six hundred dollars, in part of the salary which may be allowed him on the civil list for the ensuing year.