

any matter or thing requiring of him to be done by this Act that then the said Samuel Lyle or the said Sherriff may Enter a Common Appearance w<sup>th</sup>out Speciall Bayle to any such Action as shall be so brought against them or Either of them and plead thereto the Generall Issue and Give this Act or the Exemplification thereof with the speciall matter thereon arizeing in Evidence and that in Case the Plaintiff shall be nonsuited in such Action the Defendant shall Recover against him double Costs of suit any Law Statute usage or Custom to the Contrary notwithstanding And be it further Enacted by the same Authority Advice and Consent aforesaid that the sherriff of the same County of Calvert aforesaid shall after such Surrender and Delivering up as aforesaid Give Publick notice at the Churches Court house and Mills in the said County of some precise time by him the said Sherriff and the said two Justices to be appointed for the Distribution of the said Samuels Effects and Estate not Less then twenty days after the time of the Makeing the said surrender and shall then and there in the psence of two such Justices as aforesaid and by their Advice and Directions make distribution of the said Samuels Estate so as aforesaid to be Surrounded delivered up or Tranceferred amongst such of the said Samuels Creditors onely as shall then by themselves or their Lawfull Attorney or Attornys think fitt to be present at such distribution by an Equall and proportionable distribution thereof to Every such Creditor with respect had in proportion to the largeness of his or her Debt The Proceedings of the said Justices and Sherriff in that behalf to be Certified to the said Calvert County Court and their Lodged for the perusal of any the said Samuels Creditors that shall require the same without any fee to be paid for the same or for such lodging thereof Saveing the Right of the right Honourable the Lord Proprietarie his heirs and Successors and of all bodyes Politick and Corporate provided nevertheless that in Case the said Samuel shall be at any time after the makeing such his Oath as aforesaid Convict of willfull and Corrupt perjury thereupon that then the said Samuel upon such Conviccōn be adjudged to stand two houres in the Pillary and have his left ear Cut of and shall be wholly deprived of any the Benifitts designed him by this law and shall be from thence forth liable to be prosecuted for any Debts or Demands whatsoever in the same Maner as if this Act had never been made anything therein before Contained to the Contrary notwithstanding.

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And whereas Christopher Bateman of Kent County has likewise Petitioned this present Generall Assembly that he hath had a Vexatious and Troublesome Law suit with a Certain Laughlin Flinn of the same County whereby he was forced to Expend the most part of his small Substance and Estate, that the said Laughlin has since obtained Judgment against him and thereupon taken him in Execution for the sume of thirty pounds Currant money and two thou-