

aforesaid, who shall not dissolve or supersede such attachment by giving security or otherwise, within twenty days after the return day thereof, and every such trader who shall depart this Province or abscond, or remain concealed therein, with intent to defraud his creditors, and every such trader who shall make, or cause to be made within this Province, any fraudulent grant or conveyance of any of his lands, household goods, or chattels, or any fraudulent gift, delivery or transfer of any of his moneys, goods or chattels, or other effects or assets, or of his credits or evidences of debt; and every such trader who shall willingly or fraudulently procure himself to be arrested, or his goods or chattels, debts or credits, lands or tenements, to be attached, distrained, sequestered or taken in execution, and every such trader who shall remove or cause to be removed, or who shall conceal or cause to be concealed any of his goods, chattels or effects, in order to prevent their being seized upon or taken in execution under attachment or other process, shall be deemed to have thereby committed an act of bankruptcy.

Declaration filed by trader in form of Schedule A, to be an act of bankruptcy.

III. And be it enacted, That if any trader shall file with the Clerk of the Court of Bankruptcy hereinafter constituted, a declaration in writing in the form of the Schedule (A) hereunto annexed, signed by such trader, and attested by an Attorney or Notary, that he is unable to meet his engagements, every such trader shall be deemed thereby to have committed an act of bankruptcy at the time of filing such declaration, provided a commission of bankruptcy shall issue against such trader within two months from the filing of such declaration.

Compounding with petitioning creditor.

IV. And be it enacted, That if any trader as aforesaid, after the issuing of any Commission of Bankruptcy, or the filing of any petition or adjudication of bankruptcy against him, shall pay money to the petitioning creditor, or give or deliver to such petitioning creditor any satisfaction or security for his debt, or for any part thereof, whereby such petitioning creditor may receive more in the pound in respect of his debt than the other creditors, such payment, gift, delivery, satisfaction or security, shall be an act of bankruptcy; and if adjudication of bankruptcy shall have been made under such petition, the Court may either declare such adjudication to be valid and direct the commission to be proceeded in, or may order it to be annulled, and a petition or new petition for adjudication may be filed; and such petition or new petition may be supported either by proof of such last mentioned, or any other act of bankruptcy.

A trader may be summoned by his creditor.

V. And be it enacted, That if any creditor of any such trader, or the duly accredited and appointed agent or attorney of any such creditor of such trader, shall make an affidavit before a Judge of the Court of Bankruptcy,