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An Act to abolish Imprisonment for Debt excepting in cases of Fraud, and to render the remedy by Writs of Execution in Upper Canada, more effectual.

BE it enacted, &c.

That by virtue of any writ of *feri facias* against goods and chattels, to be sued out of any Court in Upper Canada, the Sheriff or other Officer having the execution thereof, What the Sheriff may seize and sell under a writ of *feri facias* against goods and chattels.

5 may and shall seize and take all *choses* in action at Law and in Equity arising *on debt* or contract, all debts, judgments, bonds, specialties, bills, promissory notes, securities for money, writings, deeds, stocks and interest in all kinds of companies and associations, money, bank notes

10 and checks, interests of mortgagor and mortgagee *in a chattel* or chattel security, and every other kind of personal property or right and interest therein, of the party against whose goods and chattels such execution shall issue, excepting the beds and bedding, wearing apparel, Goods exempted.

15 and cooking utensils of himself and his family in actual use,—and may and shall expose the same to public sale, and sell them in the manner in which goods and chattels now are sold, in satisfaction of such execution, save in the case of money and bank notes or checks current as money,

20 which may be seized and paid over to the party suing out such execution, in satisfaction of such execution, without exposing the same for sale: Provided always, that no agreement, deed, or writing in any way relating to lands, other than chattel interests therein, shall be seized or sold

25 so far as they relate to such lands, on an execution against goods and chattels.

II. And be it enacted, That by virtue of any such writ, the Sheriff or other Officer having the execution thereof, may and shall seize and take all books of account, vouchers and evidences of debts, or *choses* in action belonging Sheriff may seize and hold for the purposes of this Act,—Books of accounts, &c.

30 to the party against whose goods and chattels such execution shall issue, and shall hold them for the purposes mentioned in this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That the sale of any *choses* in Effect of the sale of *choses* in action.

35 action or property, made liable to seizure and sale under this Act, by any Sheriff or Officer having the execution of any such Writ, shall vest such *choses* in action and property in the purchaser thereof, to the same extent as it was vested in the party against whose goods and chattels

40 such execution issued; and such purchaser shall for all