

XVII. And be it enacted, That such inventories shall be verified by the oath of the committee, to be taken before a Judge of any Court of Record in this Province.

*Inventory to be on oath.*

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the filing of such inventory shall be compelled by the order and process usual in such cases of the court which appointed the Committee.

*Filing of inventory compellible by usual process.*

XIX. And be it enacted, That whenever the personal estate of such drunkard above specified, shall not be sufficient for the discharge of his debts, it shall be the duty of the committee of his estate to apply by petition to the court by which they were appointed, praying for authority to mortgage, lease or sell so much of the real estate of such drunkard as shall be necessary for the payment of such debts; the said petition shall set forth the particulars and amount of the estate, real and personal, of such drunkard, the application which may have been made of any personal estate, and an account of the debts and demands existing against such estate.

*Provision when personal Estate of drunkard is not sufficient for discharge of debts.*

XX. And be it enacted, That on the presenting of such petitions, it shall be the duty of the Judge of such County Court to enquire into the matters therein contained, to examine into the truth of the representations made, and to hear all parties interested in such real estate with all convenient speed.

*Duty of Judge on Presentation of Petition in such cases.*

XXI. And be it enacted, That if it shall appear to such Judge upon examination of the matter, that the personal estate of such drunkard before specified is not sufficient for the payment of his debts, and that the same has been applied to that purpose, so far as the circumstances of the case rendered proper, an order shall be entered directing the mortgage, leasing, or sale of the whole, or such part of the said real estate as may be necessary to discharge the said debts.

*Order by Judge in such cases.*

XXII. And be it enacted, That the Court may require sufficient security to be given by any such committee, for the faithful application and accounting for the proceeds of such mortgage, lease or sale, and may require an account thereof to be rendered from time to time.

*Security may be required of Committee.*

XXIII. And be it enacted, That in the application of any monies raised by any such mortgage, lease or sale, the committee shall pay all debts in an equal proportion, without giving any preference whatsoever.

*Debts to be paid in equal proportion.*