

That in case on the Appearance of the said Prisoner before any of the said Courts of Law in this Province, on his Petition to them at any time during their Sitting Preferred as aforesaid, the Person or Persons at whose Suit such Prisoner was charged in Execution, or any of them, shall not be satisfied with the Truth of the said Prisoner's Oath at that Time made, but shall desire further Time to inform himself of the Matters contained therein, the said Court may and shall remand the said Prisoner, and direct the said Prisoner and the Person or Persons dissatisfied with such Oath, to appear at another Day to be appointed by the said Court, some Time within and during their then present Sessions for that purpose; subject in the mean Time, and until such second Day, to the same Allowance to the said Prisoner, by such Person or Persons so dissatisfied with the said Prisoner's Oath, and liable to the like Discharge in case of Default of such Allowance, as is herein before directed, upon Application to the said two Justices as aforesaid; and if at such second Day so to be appointed, the Creditor or Creditors dissatisfied with such Oath, shall make Default in appearing, or in case he, she, or they shall appear, but shall be unable to discover any Estate, or Effects of the Prisoner, omitted in such his or her Petition, or to shew any Probability of his or her having been forsworn in the said Oath, then the said Court shall immediately cause the said Prisoner to be discharged, upon such Assignment of his or her Effects in manner as aforesaid, unless such Creditor or Creditors do insist upon his or her being longer detained in Prison at their Suit, and do agree, by Writing under his, her or their Hands, to supply and allow weekly, the Quantity of *Eight Pounds* of good and wholesome Biscuit Bread per Week, unto the said Prisoner, to be supplied and allowed the first Day of every Week, so long as he or she shall continue in Goal at his, her or their Suit; on Failure of the supplying of which weekly Allowance at any Time, the said Prisoner shall forthwith, upon Application to the Court, or during the Interval of such Courts Sitzings, to any two of the Justices of the said Court, be discharged by such Order as aforesaid. But in case the said Prisoner shall refuse to take the said Oath, or having taken the same, shall be detected of Falsity therein, he or she shall be presently remanded.

*And to prevent Persons who may be charged in Execution, from lying in Prison until they have spent their Substance, wherewith they should satisfy their Creditors, and afterwards taking the Benefit of this Act, when they have nothing left to deliver up to their Creditors; That, from and immediately after the Publication hereof, no Person charged or to be charged in Execution, shall be allowed or permitted to exhibit a Petition to any of the Courts of Law in this Province, or to any of the said two Justices of such Courts from whence the Process issued, as is before provided; unless such Petition be exhibited, if before the Court, within *Four Days* next after the first Meeting of the said Court, which shall be next after such Person shall be so charged in Execution, and if before the said two Justices, within *Ten Days* next after such Person shall be so charged in Execution.*

*Provided always, That tho' the Persons of the Debtor or Debtors so discharged, shall never after be arrested for the same Debt or Debts, yet notwithstanding such Discharge, the Judgment against him or her shall stand and remain in Force, and Execution may be taken out thereon against his*