

At the **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** of the Province of Nova-Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday, the 6th day of February, 1812, and continued by several Prorogations to Thursday, the Thirteenth day of February, 1817, in the Fifty-seventh year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord **GEORGE** the Third, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain and Ireland, **KING**, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c. being the Seventh Session of the Tenth General Assembly convened in the said Province.*

* In the time of the Right Honorable **GEORGE**, Earl of Dalhousie, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor; S. S. Blowers, Chief Justice, and President of Council; Simon Bradstreet Robie, Speaker of the Assembly; Rupert D. George, Secretary of the Council; and James B. Franklin, Clerk of Assembly.

CAP. I.

An Act for the more effectual Relief of Insolvent Debtors.

WHEREAS, the Acts now in force for the relief of Insolvent Debtors have been found, in some cases, insufficient; for remedy thereof—

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That whenever there shall not be two Justices of the Supreme Court within twenty miles of any County or District Gaol, within this Province, in which any person or persons shall be charged in execution upon any Judgment of the Supreme Court, for any sum or sums of money, that it shall and may be lawful for the person or persons so charged in execution in such Gaol, to exhibit a petition to any two Justices of the Inferior Court for such County or District, in the same manner as it is directed by an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, that such petition shall be exhibited by any two Justices of the Court from whence the process issued; and the Justices of the Inferior Court to whom such petition shall be presented, are hereby empowered and directed to proceed upon such petition in the same manner that any two Justices of the Court from whence the process issued, are, in and by the said Act, and by the Act in addition to and amendment thereof, made and passed in the fifty-third year of His present Majesty's reign, directed to proceed, and shall make a record of the Judgment which they shall pronounce upon such petition; and return the same into the Court from whence the process on which such prisoner was taken in execution issued, to be kept among the records of the said Court. *Provided always*, That if either the Plaintiff or Defendant be dissatisfied with the order or judgment of the Justices of the Inferior Court upon such petition, the party so dissatisfied may appeal to the Supreme Court, at its next Sittings, in the said County or District, or to any two Justices of the said Court in vacation; and the said Supreme Court, or the said Justices, may examine the record of the proceedings

Preamble

In the absence of Justices of Supreme Court, two Justices of Inferior Court may decide on Petitions of Insolvent Debtors.

Appeal from decision of the Justices of Inferior Court.