

same, That all the provisions of the act, entitled "An act to encourage the warranting and patenting of lands, north and west of the rivers Ohio and Allegheny and Conewango creek," passed the first of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, shall be and the same are hereby re-enacted and continued in force until the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two. Former act extended to April 1, 1822.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That such parts of the act passed the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, entitled "An act providing for the settlement of certain disputed titles to lands north and west of the rivers Ohio, Allegheny and Conewango creek," as expired on the first of April last, be and the same are hereby re-enacted, revived and continued in force until the first of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two. Former act revived and extended to April 1, 1822.

JOSEPH LAWRENCE, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

ISAAC WEAVER,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

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CHAPTER XI.

*A SUPPLEMENT*

To the act, entitled "An act, for the relief of Insolvent Debtors."

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That from and after the passing of this act, any debtor may apply in term time, by petition in writing for the benefit of the existing insolvent laws of this commonwealth, to the judges of the court of common pleas of the county where such debtor resides, and such petitioner shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges, and the same proceedings shall be had under the said insolvent laws as though he was in actual confinement in one of the goals of this commonwealth, on mesne or final process at the time of such application: *Provided always,* That such debtor shall have resided within such county, at least six months immediately preceding such application. Petitioner for benefit of insolvent laws entitled to same privileges as though in confinement.

Debtor under arrest may petition judges of the court of common pleas of the county. Give bond for appearance next term. Condition of the bond.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any such debtor as aforesaid, shall in vacation be arrested in execution, he may apply by petition to the president or any one of the associate judges of the said court of common pleas for the county in which such debtor is arrested, and give bond to the plaintiff or plaintiffs at whose suit he is arrested in such penalty and with such security as shall be directed and approved of by the said judge, conditioned that the debtor shall appear before the said court of common pleas at the next term, and then and there remain, and abide the final order of the said court to be made during such term, and surrender himself to prison in case on his said appearance he shall not comply with all things required by law to procure his discharge, and on such bond being given, the same proceedings shall be had as though the application had been made in term time under the first section of this act; and the said judge shall give an order to the sheriff, jailor or keeper of the prison to discharge the said debtor, and such sheriff, jailor and keeper are hereby required, on payment of costs and jail fees by such debtor, to discharge and forthwith set him at liberty.

Bond being given, same proceedings as if the application had been made in term time. Discharge of debtors.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That any sheriff, jailor or keeper of any prison, performing the duties of his office in pursuance of this act, may make return of the said order of the said judge to the process, which said return shall be good and effectual to all intents and purposes.

Order of discharge, good return upon process.

Debtor applying in a county where he does not reside, only discharged from imprisonment for the debts for which he was arrested. Liable for all other debts as before. Proviso.

SECT. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any debtor shall apply for the benefit of this act to any other court, than the court of common pleas of the county where such debtor resides at the time of such application, such petitioner shall be only discharged and exonerated from arrest and imprisonment from the debt or debts of the plaintiff or plaintiffs who held such petitioner under arrest at the time of such application, and he shall remain liable to arrest and imprisonment at the suit of any other of his creditors, as if he had not applied for the benefit of the said insolvent laws: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any debtor from making application for the benefit of the laws heretofore enacted for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Fraudulent collusion punished by servitude at hard labor.

SECT. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any debtor petitioning for the benefit of the insolvent laws of this Commonwealth, shall fraudulently collude or contrive with any person or persons to conceal any part of his estate, effects or credits, or shall fraudulently conceal or convey the same for the use of himself, family or friends, such debtor on conviction thereof before the proper court, shall undergo a servitude at hard labor for a term not less than one, nor more than seven years. to be fed, clothed and treated as in such like cases is directed by the laws of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority afore-* Exceptions  
*said,* That the provisions of this act shall not extend to dis- to fine in a  
charge or relieve any defendant from any fine whatsoever, criminal pro-  
set or imposed in any criminal prosecution. secution.

JOSEPH LAWRENCE, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand  
eight hundred and twenty.

WILLIAM FINDLAY,

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## CHAPTER XII.

### *AN ACT*

For the relief of Thomas Smiley.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature, that Thomas Smiley being a good citizen, strongly attached to his country, was on the twenty-fourth day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and one, employed by colonel Abraham Horn, an agent of government, to receive relinquishments from certain settlers on Towanda creek, Luzerne county, and that in consequence of the said appointment, and while in the faithful discharge of his duty, he was attacked by a company of insurgents from other parts of the county, and was by them abused and compelled to leave the country for a considerable length of time, thus sustaining a heavy loss and great abuse on account of his attachment to the government.

Therefore,

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the State Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Thomas Smiley or to his order, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, immediately after the passing of this act.

JOSEPH LAWRENCE, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.