

To the HOLDERS of ENGAGEMENTS under
the Signature of the Subscriber.

New-York Prison,

MARCH 24, 1792,

IT is with regret that the subscriber finds himself disappointed in bringing forward to his creditors, on this day, such specific propositions for the ultimate redemption of his debts, as he had once reason to expect.

At a meeting of a number of gentlemen (all of whom stiled themselves his friends, and amongst whom some were really so) it was thought adviseable to postpone the publication of the plan he had in view, till it was supported by them in such a manner as they conceived most likely to ensure success.

But (the causes of such change it is not necessary to detail) the malice of open enemies and the insidious insinuations of pretended friends, have chilled the first glow of benevolence; and left to the subscriber the guardianship of his own fame, and that of the interest of all his creditors. A sacred trust! which the subscriber pledges himself to, discharge with fidelity and honor.

In this view it is proposed by him as follows:

1st. That he will within nine months, computed from the present date (or sooner, if possible) make a settlement of all his concerns, point out the sources and amount of his losses, and constitute an adequate fund for the ultimate redemption of the principal and legal interest of all his debts.

2d. That this fund shall be so formed as not to place it within his own reach, to divert it from the objects of its destination.

3d. That he will make prompt arrangements for the reimbursement in the first instance, of all advances made by distressed widows, or orphans, mechanics and tradesmen, to whom any considerable delay would operate as ruin.

4th. That, till the above objects are effected, the walls of a prison shall secure that confidence which he feels, might have been justly placed in his honor.

5thly. That, trusting to time and a conscience void of intended injury for justification, he at present leaves to his enemies the cruel triumph of sporting over his afflictions, and to a generous people who may still be mindful of his public and private services, the protection of a virtuous wife and innocent family.

Wm. Duer.

