

Said Writ of Subpoena no hath he done any thing therein
Nevertheless the said Abner Sparkes voluntarily appears
in Court here by Ezekiel Forman Chambers and Wm
Harrison his Attorneys. Whereupon it is ordered by the
Court here that the said Abner Sparkes enter into recogni-
zance in the sum of Eight hundred Dollars Current Money
with security, that he the said Abner Sparkes do not remove
the aforesaid Negro Hannah and her Children Elijah, Ann
and Martha out of this state nor obstruct them from
attending this Court from time to time in support of their peti-
tion for freedom preferred against him the said Abner Sparkes
and in the mean time to feed cloath and use the said peti-
tioners well. Whereupon the said Abner Sparkes present
here in Court acknowledges himself to owe and stand justly
indebted unto the state of Maryland in the sum of Eight hundred
Dollars Current Money and a certain Levin Woodall of Queen
Anns County also present here in Court in like manner acknow-
ledges himself to owe and stand justly indebted to the said state
of Maryland in the said sum of Eight hundred Dollars Current
Money, which said sum they and each of them acknowledge
shall be made and levied of their respective bodies goods
and Chattels, Lands and Tenements to and for the use of
the said state, on Condition that the said Abner
Sparkes do not remove Negro Hannah and her Children
Elijah, Ann and Martha out of this state nor obstruct
them attending this Court from time to time in support of
their petition for freedom exhibited in the said Court against
the said Abner Sparkes and in the mean time to feed
cloath and use them well, and pay whatever satisfaction
the Court shall adjudge for the services of the said Negro
Hannah and her Children Elijah, Ann and Martha from
this term to the time of the Judgment with Costs -