

• Maryland, To the State of Maryland To the Honorable the Chief  
Judge and Associate Judges of the fifth Judicial Dis-  
trict greeting Whereas the Court of Appeals for the  
Western Shore was lately certified of the record and  
proceedings in a certain plea or a petition for freedom  
which was in the County Court of Frederick between negro  
Mary petitioner and the said Otho Sprigg defendant in which  
said plea the said County Court rendered Judgment  
against the said Otho Sprigg from which said Judgment  
so rendered the said Otho Sprigg appealed unto the said  
Court of Appeals hold for the Western Shore and the  
Court of Appeals having duly examined the record  
and proceedings aforesaid in the premises aforesaid at the  
City of Annapolis on the first Monday in December  
last did reverse the Judgment aforesaid by the said County  
Court rendered as to the opinion of the said County  
Court of Frederick and their refusing to give the  
opinion and direction to the Jury on the prayer of  
the said Otho Sprigg as stated in the third bill of  
Exceptions in the record and proceedings aforesaid  
certified and therefore there is manifest error in  
the rendition of that Judgment; <sup>wherefore for</sup> ~~certified for~~ certain  
causes appearing to the said Court of Appeals  
and agreeably to the act of assembly in such case  
made and provided the action aforesaid with