

Lib. C. B. Compl'y. I hope you will Excuse the trouble I am giving you  
No. 20 on this Occasion, and believe me to be Sir.

To Your most Obedient Servant.  
The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Daniel Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup> Joseph Sim.

Upon Consideration of the foregoing Letter, His Excellency, with the Advice and Consent of this Honourable Board, was pleased to Order a Noli Prosequi to stay all further Proceedings on the Presentment against the aforesaid John Lillie.

At a Council held at the Governor's on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of March in the Eighteenth Year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1769.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor.

The hon<sup>ble</sup> { Benedict Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup> Walter Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Daniel Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup> John Beale Bordley Esq<sup>r</sup>  
John Ridout Esq<sup>r</sup> George Steuart Esq<sup>r</sup>

Read the Transcript of the Conviction of Negro Scipio late of Prince Georges County Labourer (the Slave of a certain Thomas Ramsay Hodges,) Condemned at the last November Court held in the said County for breaking open and Robbing the Meat House of M<sup>r</sup> Stephen West of Prince Georges County af<sup>d</sup>

Read also the following Representation of the Justices relative to the Conviction of the aforesaid Negro Scipio.

May it please your Excellency.

p. 40 At last November Court Negro Scipio, the Slave of Thomas Ramsay Hodges of this County was indicted tried and found Guilty of breaking open the Meat House of M<sup>r</sup> Stephen West, and Stealing from thence a quantity of Bacon. The Evidence against him consisted of his own Confession, (which appeared to have been Voluntarily made), and some pretty strong Circumstances evincing his Guilt; He seemed to be extremely Ignorant, and not at all acquainted with the Penalty by Law inflicted on the Crime he had Committed. We have directed the Clerk to Transmit to Your Excellency a Transcript of the Proceedings

and are Your Excellency's most Obed<sup>t</sup> Servants.  
December 16<sup>th</sup> 1768.

Jos<sup>a</sup> Beall  
Alex<sup>r</sup> Symmer  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Duckett Jun<sup>r</sup>  
James Crow  
Joseph Sprigg.