

as a proper object of our Mercy the Suit of our peace and whatsoever appertaineth unto us, for that he not having the fear of God before his Eyes, but being moved and Seduced by the instigation of the Devil on the first day of July in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and eighty seven with force and arms at the County aforesaid in and upon Mary Able Wife of the said John Able in the peace of God and the State of Maryland then and there being feloniously wilfully and of his Malice aforethought did make an assault and that he the said John Able with a Club of the value of one penny Current money, which he the said John Able in his right hand then and there had and held the said Mary Able, in and upon the back of the said Mary then and there feloniously, wilfully and of his Malice aforethought did strike, beat and bruise, giving to the said Mary Able then and there with the Club aforesaid in and upon the Back of the said Mary one mortal bruise of the breadth of two inches, of which said mortal bruise the said Mary Able then and there at the County aforesaid instantly died, and the said John Able, the said Mary Able, in manner and form aforesaid, feloniously wilfully and of his Malice aforethought, did kill and Murder against the peace Government and Dignity of the State, whereof he the said John Able hath been convicted before the Worshipful, Upland Sheriffs and other Justices of the County Court of the same County begun and held at Frederick Town in and for the County aforesaid on the third Tuesday and twenty first Day of August Twenteen hundred and eighty seven, Nevertheless we went unto him the said John Able and our said