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Yeoman; the slave of William Fitzhman as a proper object of our mercy
the fruit of our peace and whatsoever appertaineth unto us you that he
not having the fear of God before his eyes but being moved and seduced
by the instigation of the Devil, on the eighth day of October in the year
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven with force
and arms and so forth at Queen Anns County aforesaid and within the
Jurisdiction of the County Court of the same County in and upon one
Mary Murphy a white woman, in the peace of God and the said
State then and there being, violently and feloniously did make an
assault, and her the said Mary Murphy against the will of her
the said Mary Murphy then and there feloniously did attempt to
ravish and carnally know contrary to the Act of Assembly in
such case made and provided and against the peace Government
and dignity of the State of Maryland, and also for that he
the said Adam not having the fear of God before his eyes but
being moved and seduced by the instigation of the Devil, on the
said eighth day of October in the said year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and eighty seven with force and arms and so forth
at Queen Anns County aforesaid and within the Jurisdiction of
the said Court in and upon one Mary Murphy a white woman
in the peace of God and the said State then and there being
then and there feloniously willfully and of his malice aforethought
did make an assault and that he the said Negro Adam with a
certain shoemakers knife of the value of one shilling which he
the said negro Adam in his right hand then and there had and
held her the said Mary Murphy then and there feloniously will-
fully and of his malice aforethought did attempt to kill and murder
contrary to the act of Assembly in such case made and provided
and against the peace government and dignity of the State of