

The State of Maryland

J. Howard

To all our Bailiffs and
good people to whom these Presents
shall come Greeting.

Whereas William Burton late of
Baltimore County yeoman, was at a Court of Oyer and Terminer
and Goal delivery held for the Town & County of Baltimore, at
January term seventeen hundred and eighty nine, presented, tried
and convicted for having on the nineteenth day of January in
the year aforesaid, Stolen one piece of coined Silver commonly
called a french crown current in this State for and of the value
of Eight shillings and four pence, and one other piece of
coined Silver commonly called a quarter of a spanish milled
Dollar current in this State for and of the value of twenty
two pence and half penny of the Goods and Chattels of
William Miller, - and thereupon sentenced by the Court
aforesaid to work on the public Roads due until the
first day of October next - And whereas it appears
by the Petition of several respectable inhabitants of the
Town of Baltimore that the said William Burton is very
young, of respectable parents in Virginia, and has discovered
evident signs of contrition & sorrow for the said Offense,
who pray the interposition of Government in his favor - And
the Justices of the said Court having expressed it as their
opinion that a rigid execution of the law is not necessary
in the present instance - I have thought it proper and do
hereby pardon the said William Burton, and do order
and direct that the Sentence aforesaid shall not be

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