

greeting; Whereas Negro Hetty late of Baltimore County  
was presented by the jurors for the body of Baltimore  
County aforesaid for Stealing and carrying away on the  
fifteenth day of October Seventeen hundred and ninety seven  
one Dimity Petticoat of the value of fourteen shillings  
current money of Maryland, and Two handkerchiefs  
each of the value of three shillings current money of the  
goods and Chattels of Benjamin Wells and the said  
Negro Hetty on trial by a jury before the Justices of the  
Court of Oyer and terminer &c for Baltimore County at a  
court held in and for the said County on the third Tuesday  
in November in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety seven  
for the trial of all felonies &c in the said County committed,  
was found guilty thereof and was adjudged to serve and  
labour in a place of confinement agreeably to an act of  
Assembly for the term of Eighteen months, and Whereas  
it appears by the affidavit of Philip Fiddeman of Queen  
Anns County that the said Negro Hetty is his slave, I have  
thought proper to pardon the said Negro Hetty for the  
offence aforesaid, and do hereby order and direct that  
she be forthwith discharged from the service to which she  
hath been adjudged. Given under my hand and the  
Seal of the State of Maryland this Twenty fourth day  
of May Seventeen hundred and ninety seven  
By the Governor  
Ninian Penney Clk

J. H. Stone

City of Annapolis May 29<sup>th</sup> 1797

The State of Maryland, Do all our Bailiffs and good  
People to whom these presents shall come greeting

Whereas James Nelson of Baltimore County Freeman  
was presented by the Jurors for the body of Baltimore County  
for Stealing and carrying away on the Twentieth day of  
November last one Iron Chest of the value of twelve pounds  
current money of Maryland, one hundred pieces of coined  
Silver commonly called Spanish milled Dollars each of the  
value of seven shillings and six pence like money;