

City of Annapolis January 21<sup>st</sup> 1801

The State of Maryland To all our Bailiffs and good people  
to whom these presents shall come greeting  
Rem ogle Whereas Negro John slave Henry Dukehart  
of Baltimore County hath been arraigned and  
found guilty of setting fire to an out house the property  
of the said Dukehart and was by the Criminal Court of  
the said County, sentenced to be hanged by the neck until  
he be dead, Now know ye that by virtue of the powers  
vested in me by Law I have thought to commute  
and change the said sentence of Death into banish-  
ment out of the United States, and sale as a slave  
for life, and the Sheriff of Baltimore County is hereby  
required to take bond from the person to whom the  
said John shall be delivered as well for the  
faithful performance of this commutation as to  
pay the State of Maryland such sum as the said  
John shall sell for Given under my hand and  
seal of the State of Maryland this Twenty first day  
of January Eighteen hundred and one  
attest Merian Pinkney Clk

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Whereas James Jaffray of Baltimore County stands  
presented at Baltimore County Criminal Court at  
January Term Eighteen hundred for breaking the seal  
of a letter directed to a certain William Thompson  
without authority, and Whereas the said James  
Jaffray has prayed that a Noli prosequi may be granted  
and a number of respectable persons having stated that  
such an Interference is right and proper, I have