

The State of Maryland to wit whereas William Stansbury of Baltimore  
county has been charged with maiming and disabling some time in June  
last a negro man belonging to himself - and whereas it has been repre-  
sented to me that the said William Stansbury being in his harvest field  
and at that time in a very low and weak state of health, was almost  
pushed to the ground and in other respects ill treated by the said  
negro man, merely because the said Stansbury had ordered him to  
continue the work in which, he had been engaged and from which,  
without any reasonable cause whatever he had at that time desisted  
that the said negro man immediately fled to avoid the punishment  
he merited, and the said Stansbury to prevent his escape requested  
a certain Maidwell, who happened to be then standing by with  
a loaded gun in his hands, to fire at the said negro's legs, which  
he did and thereby injured one of them so much as to require it to be  
amputated, which was afterwards done, and that said negro is now alive  
and in good health - and whereas it has been represented to me that the  
said William Stansbury is a good and humane Master I have therefore  
thought proper to order and direct that all proceedings at law against  
the said William Stansbury do cease and determine and that no further  
prosecution be had or carried on against the said William Stansbury  
for or on account of the said offence - Given under my hand and the  
Seal of the State of Maryland this first day of January eighteen hun-  
dred and twelve

By the Governor  
Ninian Pinkney  
Clerk of the Council

Robert Bowie

The Attorney General of Maryland

The State of Maryland to wit whereas William Fallowfield is  
now confined in the Jail of Queen Annes County on a charge of having  
feloniously stolen a small quantity of cloth from a certain Robert  
Harrison - and whereas a number of respectable persons inhabitants of  
the said County have represented to me that the said William Fallowfield  
had previous to the said charge supported a good character and have  
recommended him to me as a fit object for the interposition of Government,  
I have therefore thought proper to order and direct that all proceedings  
at law against the said William Fallowfield do cease and determine  
and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for