

mentioned. And whereas it appears by the deposition of George D. Blight
first officer of the Ship Exchange that the said George Davis was com-
pelled to strike the said Benjamin Morgan in self defence. And
whereas it appears from the statement of the George D. Blight and
others who served on board of different vessels with the said Davis
that he possessed a mild and amiable disposition. And where-
as Edward Johnson esquire Mayor of the City of Baltimore to-
gether with a number of respectable persons inhabitants of said
city have recommended the said George Davis to me as a fit ob-
ject for the interposition of Government I have therefore thought
proper to order and direct that all proceedings at law against
the said George Davis for or on account of the offence aforesaid
do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be
had or carried on against him for or on account of said offence
Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Mary-
land this eighteenth day of January in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen

By the Governor
Minian Pinkney
Clerk of the Council

C. Ridgely of Hampton

The State of Maryland to wit whereas Negro Benedict
Slave of Samuel Hollingworth esquire of the City of Baltimore
has been presented at the Court of Oyer and Terminer and
Gaol delivery for Baltimore County at January term Instant
for stealing four pair of Boots of the value of three Dollars
each pair of the goods and chattels of Alexander Young
likewise two pair of Shoes of the value of fifty Cents of the
goods and chattels of the said Alexander Young and was
a Petit Jury of the said County at the said term found