

you said and do hereby order and direct that all
proceedings at law against the said Negro Benjamin
for or on account of the said offence do cease and
determine and that no further prosecutions be had
or carried on against the said Negro Benjamin
for or on account of the offence aforesaid. Given under
my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland
this twenty third day of May eighteen hundred
and seventeen.

By the Governor, C. Ridgely of Hampton
Ninian Pinckney

Clerk of the Council
To the Prosecutor of Queen Anns County

The State of Maryland, to the Sheriff of Saint Marys
County Greeting. Whereas Negro Harry Slave of
Mordecai Jones, Negro Jack Slave of William Evans
and Negroes Abraham, Joe and John, Slaves of
Daniel M. Campbell have been indicted arraigned
and found Guilty of an insurrection or rebellion on the
seventh day of April last and by the Judges of a Special
Court of Oyer and Terminer and Goal delivery begun
and held at Leonard Town in and for the said County
on the twelfth day of May last were sentenced to be
hanged. And whereas a number of respectable
persons inhabitants of said County have recommended
the said Negroes Harry Jack Abraham Joe and
John to me as fit objects for the interposition of