account of the said offence do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for or on account of the same. on this Express condition that he do within twenty days from the date hereof depart from the State of Maryland and do not at any time thereafter return into any part thereof. Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this Sixteenth day of September eighteen hundred and Seventeen.

By the Governor

Nivian Pinkney C. Ridgely of Hampton

Clerk of the council

The Prosecutor for Kent County

The State of Maryland to wit. Whereas a certain Jewell Barens was Presented at Caroline Court at March term last for an assault and Battery committed on the Body of his wife Ann Barens. And whereas a number of respectable persons Inhabitants of said County have represented to me that the said Jewell and Ann Barens are industrious good citizens and have except in the present instance lived peaceably together that the injury sustained by her was very trifling and that she was not the Complainer against him and have joined in praying that a Nole prosequi might be granted to the said Jewell Barens. I have therefore thought proper to order and direct that all proceedings at Law against the said Jewell Barens for or on account of the said ~~offence~~ decease & determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for or on account of the same. Given under my hand as the Seal of the State of Maryland this twenty third of September