

Schnell, late of Washington County, Maryland, into the State of Pennsylvania; And whereas the said Negroes, Charles and Abraco have been recommended to Executive clemency by their owner, who represents that he is anxious to retain them, and that they are of a disposition easily controlled, and he is well assured that they will in future faithfully perform their duty as his slaves.

Now therefore, I, Francis Thomas, Governor of the State of Maryland, do hereby grant a Nolle Prosequi to the said Charles and Abraco on account of the aforesaid offence, and order and direct that all further proceedings against them do cease and determine, and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against them for or on account of said offences.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this seventh day of September Eighteen hundred and forty three and of the independence of the United States, the Sixty eighth

(Seal)

By the Governor

Wm. C. Selgrade

Secretary of State.

Francis Thomas.

" State of Maryland, ss. Wm. C. Selgrade

Whereas a certain Peter Suter Esq. late of Washington County, stands charged by presentment of the Grand Jury of the said County with the offence of selling Pew-iron and cut-nails without license; And whereas, the said Peter Suter Esq. has been recommended to Executive clemency, and whereas it appears from the papers presented to the Executive, that the said Suter was ignorant that he was violating any law of the State, having been assured by a lawyer, that there was no law of the State which required him to take out a license for the sale of the aforesaid articles.

This petition is not a matter of grace or favor, but a matter of law, and the Governor is bound to grant it if the facts are as stated.

Now therefore, I, Francis Thomas, Governor of the State of Maryland, do hereby grant a Nolle Prosequi to the said Peter Suter Esq. on account of the aforesaid offence, upon payment of the costs incurred upon said presentment aforesaid, and other proceedings, if any, and order and direct that all further proceedings against him on the presentment aforesaid, do cease and determine, upon payment of the costs aforesaid, 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 Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this seventh day of September Eighteen hundred and forty three and of the independence of the United States, the Sixty seventh.

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Secretary of State.

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September 11th 1843

The governor to day commissioned Robert Wilson as Register of Wills for Washington County vice deceased

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