

29. June 1770.

Maryland^{gth} Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore To all Our Bailiffs and good People to whom these Presents shall come Greeting Know ye that of Our Especial Grace We have Pardoned unto Negro Abraham the Slave a certain Thomas Bond of Saint Marys County as a proper Object of Our Mercy the Suit of Our Peace and whatsoever Appertaineth unto us for that the said Negro Abraham on the Sixteenth day of April in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy between the Hours of Ten and Twelve on the Night of the same Day with Force and Arms at Saint Marys County at the Dwelling House of a certain Elias Smith of the same County there Situate Feloniously and Burglariously did break and enter and One Bill of Credit of the Province of Maryland intitled One Dollar of the value of Four Shillings and Sixpence Sterling Money One Bill of Credit of the Province of Maryland intitled half a Dollar of the value of Two Shillings and three pence Sterling Money Two halves of a silver cutt Dollar of the value of Four Shillings and sixpence Sterling, One Quarter of a Silver Dollar of the value of One Shilling Sterling Money, Three One eighth parts of a Silver Dollar of the value of One Shilling Sterling Money and One English Shilling of the Value of One Shilling Sterling Money of the goods and Chattels of the said Elias Smith in the said Dwelling House then and there being found then and there feloniously and burglariously did steal take and carry away against Our Peace Good Rule and Government and so forth And also for that the said Negro Abraham on the Twenty ninth day of April in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy with force and Arms and so forth at Saint Marys County aforesaid an Assault upon a certain Eleanor Brian of the County of Spinkster then and there in the Peace of God and a White Woman being did make and her the said Eleanor Brian then and there did Great Wound and Willy treat and the said Eleanor Brian then and there against her Will violently Wickedly and Feloniously did attempt to Ravish and carnally know against Our Peace Good Rule and Government and contrary to the form of the Act of Assembly in such cases made and Provided whereof he was convicted before the Worshipful George Staters Esq. and others Justices of Saint Marys County on Tuesday the fifth day of June in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy Nevertheless We grant unto him Our firm Peace and will not that he suffer any Corporal Punishment therefor Provided that he the said Negro Abraham Transport himself or cause himself to be Transported out of this Our Province within Ten Days from the times of his Delivery out of Goal and never to return again otherwise this Our Pardon shall be and is hereby declared to be Void and of no Effect Anything herein contained to the contrary Notwithstanding — Witness Our Trusty and well beloved Robert Eden Esq. Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Our said Province this 29. Day of June on the Twentieth Year of Our Dominion Anno Domini 1770 — Signed by Order

Wm Scott Esq. Lord

