

10th of March 1772.

Maryland &c.

Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. 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 Hannah late of Baltimore County Labourer (the Slave of a certain Alexander Lawson) as a proper Object of our Mercy the Suit of our Peace and whatsoever appertaineth unto us for that the said Negro Hannah not having the fear of God before her eyes but being instigated and seduced by the Devil and feloniously contriving and intending the aforesaid Alexander Lawson to injure oppress and bring to ruin did on the Twenty fifth day of June in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy One at Baltimore County aforesaid the Dwelling House of the said Alexander Lawson there situate the said Dwelling House there and there having therein Twelve Chairs and two Tables of the goods and Chattels of the said Alexander Lawson wickedly maliciously willingly and feloniously set on fire and there attempted to burn against our Peace good Rule and Government and contrary to the form of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided, whereof she was convicted on the Monday before the first Tuesday in August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy One before the Worshipful Thomas Franklin Esq^r and others Justices of Baltimore County Court. Nevertheless We grant unto her our firm Peace and will not that she suffer any Corporal Punishment therefor but that she shall stand and be in the same plight and Condition to all intents and purposes whatsoever as if the said Felony whereof she the said Negro Hannah hath been convicted had never been done or committed. Witness our Trusty and well beloved Brother Robert Eden Esq^r Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over our said Province this 10th day of March in the Twenty fifth Year of our Dominion Anno Domini 1772.

signed by Order
W. Scott Esq^r Lord