

otherwise this our Pardon shall be and is hereby declared to be void and of none effect anything  
herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding - Witness Our Trusty and well beloved  
brother Robert Eden Esq. Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over our said  
Province this first day May in the Twenty second Year of our Dominion Anno Domini 1772.  
Signed by Order  
U. Smith Lord

Maryland

3<sup>d</sup> of May 1772.

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 Sam late of Anne Arundel County Labourer (the Slave of a certain Owner Savidge) as a  
proper Object of our Mercy the Suit of our Peace and whatsoever appertaineth unto Us for  
that he the said Negro Sam on the Thirtieth day of December in the Year of our Lord One  
Thousand seven hundred and Seventy One with Force and Arms at Ann Arundel County  
aforesaid in and upon One Negro Charles (the Slave of the said Owner Savidge) in the Year  
of God then and there being then and there feloniously wilfully and of his Malice before  
thought did make an Assault and that the said Negro Sam with a certain Gun of  
the value of five Shillings Sterling then and there charged with Gun powder and  
leaden shot which Gun he the said Negro Sam in his Hands then and there had and  
held to against and upon the said Negro Charles then and there feloniously wilfully  
and of his Malice beforethought did Shoot and Discharge and that the said Negro  
Sam with leaden shot aforesaid out of the aforesaid Gun then and there by Force of the  
Gun powder, Shot and sent forth as aforesaid the aforesaid Negro Charles in and upon the  
Right Leg of him the said Negro Charles then and there with the Shot aforesaid out of the  
Gun aforesaid by the said Negro Sam so as aforesaid shot discharged and sent forth felo-  
niously wilfully and of his Malice beforethought did strike penetrate and wound giving  
to the said Negro Charles then and there with Leaden shot aforesaid so as aforesaid shot  
discharged and sent forth out of the Gun aforesaid by the said Negro Sam in and upon the  
said Right Leg of him the said Negro Charles One Mortal Wound of the Depth of Three  
Inches and of the breadth of three inches and of the length of eight inches of which said  
Mortal Wound the said Negro Charles from the Thirtieth day of December in the  
Year aforesaid until the Thirteenth day of January in the Year of our Lord One  
Thousand seven hundred and Seventy Two at the County aforesaid did Languish and  
Languishing did live on which said Thirteenth day of January in the Year of our  
Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy Two aforesaid the said Negro Charles  
at the County aforesaid of the said Mortal Wound died and that the said Negro Sam