

and seduced by the Instigation of the Devil on the Fourth day of November in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy Five between the Hours of Ten and Eleven after the noon of the same day at the County aforesaid with Force and arms and of his Malice forethought in and upon a Certain Robert Gietto hall then and there being an Assault did make and the said Robert Gietto hall with a Certain Knife which he the same Arcow in his Right hand then and there had and held in and upon the Right side of the Belly of him the said Robert Gietto hall feloniously and of his Malice forethought did then and there strike giving to the same Robert Gietto hall then and there with the knife aforesaid upon the Right side of his Belly aforesaid a wound of the Length of Two Inches and the Depth of Four Inches and that the said Negro Arcow the aforesaid Robert Gietto hall then and there in Manner and Form aforesaid feloniously and Voluntarily did attempt to kill and Murder against our peace good Rule and Government and Contrary to the Form of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided whereof he the said Negro Arcow hath been Convict before the Worshipful Nicholas Worthington Esq<sup>r</sup> and others Justices of Ann Arundel County aforesaid on the Second Tuesday of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Five Nevertheless We grant unto him our firm peace and will not that he suffer any Corporal punishment therefor, but that he shall stand and be in the same plight and Condition to all intents and purposes what soever as if the said Felony whereof he the said Negro Arcow hath been Convict had never been done or committed Witness our Trusty and well beloved Robert Eden Esq<sup>r</sup> Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over our said province this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December in the Fifth Year of our Dominion Anno Domini 1775

Signed by Order

James Brooks Esq<sup>r</sup>

21<sup>st</sup> December 1775

Maryland's The Right Honourable Henry Harford Esq<sup>r</sup>  
 Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the province of Maryland  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> Eden