

Whereas sixteen of the Grand Jury together with a  
number of respectable persons inhabitants of the said  
County have recommended the said William Smith  
to me as a fit object for the interposition of Government  
I have therefore thought proper to order and direct that  
all proceedings at law against the said William  
Smith for or on account of the said offence do cease  
and determine and that no further prosecution be had  
or carried on against him for or on account of the same  
on this express condition that he surrender himself  
to the keeper of the Hospital in Baltimore County  
to remain in confinement for and during the period  
of seven years. Given under my hand and the seal  
of the State of Maryland this eighteenth day of June  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and Seventeen.

By the Governor  
Minian Pinney

C. Ridgely of Hampton

Clerk of the Council

The Honble the Attorney General

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The State of Maryland to wit Whereas Basil  
Tracy was presented at Baltimore City court for  
Bigamy. And whereas sixteen of the Petit Jury who  
attended said court together with a number of the Gentlemen  
of the Bar have recommended the said Basil Tracy  
to me as a fit object for the Interposition of Government