

fourteen days from this date enlist on board of the Navy of the United States for the term of three years. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland this twenty sixth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen

By the Governor

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C. Ridgely of Hampton

Clerk of the Council

The Hon. The Attorney General

The State of Maryland, to wit. Whereas a certain Silas C. Norris stands charged with forging sundry Instruments of writing purporting to be judgements and selling and transferring them to a certain James Scott of the City of Baltimore. And whereas The honorable Nicholas Baice Chief Judge of Baltimore City Court the said James Scott together with several respectable persons Inhabitants of the said City have recommended that I would grant a *Hoti Prosequi* to the said Silas C. Norris for the said offences. And whereas it has been stated to me by the said James Scott that he has received from the said Silas C. Norris the amount of the said forged Instruments of writing and having together with others stated to me that the said Silas C. Norris prior to the said charge supported a good character and is of respectable connexions I have thought proper to order and direct that all proceedings at law against the said Silas C. Norris for or on account of the said offences do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for or on account of the same. Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen

By the Governor

C. Ridgely of Hampton