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Case No. 15,863.

UNITED STATES V. NELSON.

[4 Cranch, C. C. 579.]¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Oct. Term, 1835.

SLAVE-PUNISHMENT FOR LARCENY.

A slave, convicted of larceny, is to be punished by whipping, although not charged as a slave in the indictment

The prisoner [negro Nelson] was convicted of stealing a hair cap, of the value of one dollar and twenty-five cents. It appears, in evidence, that he was a slave, although not charged as such in the indictment

THE COURT (nem. con.) sentenced the prisoner to be whipped with twenty stripes.

¹ [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief judge.]