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(The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, GLC07202.03 p1)

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of an alien Black ignoramous nor shall her [2] sons & daughters be made to bow their heads, &  
grovel in the Earth at the command of an Alien.

So beware I sware & I never sware falsely your life shall be the penalty.

Yours with extreme disgust

K.L.K.

P.S. Perhaps you are working for a negro son in Law we will all award you one

K.L.K.