

and them safely convey to the Gallows in the county aforesaid
the common place of execution of Malefactors and there on or
before twelve of the clock on the same day, the said Negro
Perry, Negro John, Negro Calo and negie Will hang
by the neck on the said Gallows until they be dead
for all which this shall be your sufficient power and
authority - Given under my hand and the Seal of the
State of Maryland this eighteenth day of November in
the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and
nine

By the Governor
Ninian Pinkney
Clerk of the Council

Edward Lloyd

The State of Maryland to the honourable Joseph
Hopper Nicholson chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial
District and Thomas Jones and Zebulon Hollingsworth
Associate Judges of the same Greeting - Whereas it has
been represented to me that four Negro Men have been
committed to and are now confined in Harford county gaol
charged with breaking the House of a certain John Ely
in said county in the night and robbing the owner
thereof of some Money and beating the said Ely his
wife and others in a most inhuman manner who
cannot be tried until the ensuing Court which will
not take place till the second Monday in March next
without a special Commission for that purpose and that
the said Gaol is insecure - Now know ye, that I have
appointed and commissioned you the said Joseph
Hopper Nicholson, Thomas Jones and Zebulon Hol-
lingsworth esquires jointly or any one or more of you
to hear and determine all crimes offences or Misdemean-
ors and to deliver the gaol of the said County of
Harford from all persons therein confined for any
crime offence or Misdemeanor and I do command you
that on Tuesday the nineteenth day of December next
that one or more of you attend at Bellear in