

Shawver has been indicted arraigned and found guilty
committing a rape on the twenty fifth day of February last
and by the judges of a special Court of Oyer and Terminer and
Gaol delivery begun and held at Annapolis in and for the
said County on the first Monday in July eighteen hundred
and eighteen was sentenced to be hanged by the Neck until he
be dead. There are therefore to will and require as also to charge
and command you that on or before twelve of the Clock on Wed-
nesday the twelfth day of August eighteen hundred and eigh-
teen you take the said Negro Dick from your Prison and him
safely convey to the Gallows in the County aforesaid the com-
mon place of execution of Malefactors and there the said Negro
Dick hang by the Neck on the said Gallows until he 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 thirty first day of July in the year of our Lord one Thousand
eight hundred and eighteen.

By The Governor
Morgan Pinckney
Clerk of the Council

C Ridgely of Hampton

By His Excellency Charles Ridgely of Hampton esquire Governor of
Maryland

A. Proclamation

Whereas, it appears by the deposition of Isaac M. Adams of Dorchester
County, that his barn was consumed by fire on the night of the sixth
of January last, and that he has strong reason to believe that it was set
on fire by some evil disposed person: I have thought proper to