

The State of Maryland to all our Bailiffs and good  
People to whom these presents shall come Greeting  
Whereas Emory Sheppard a free Mulatto has been  
heretofore on the third Monday in March in the year  
Eighteen Hundred and five in Kent County Court  
convicted on two Indictments for stealing a bag with  
some meal the property of Benjamin Chambers and  
a Bag from Joseph Corta and sentenced to five years  
labour on the public Roads of Baltimore County  
and whereas it is stated to me that the said  
Emory Sheppard has become sensible of his folly  
and has been recommended by a number of respect-  
able Citizens of Kent County for a pardon of the  
residue of his service. I have therefore thought proper  
to pardon the said Emory Sheppard for the offence  
aforesaid, and do hereby order and direct that  
he be released from the service to which he has  
been adjudged. Given under my hand and the seal  
of the State of Maryland this Eighth day of June  
in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hun-  
dred and seven

By the Governor  
Minian Pinkney  
Clerk of the Council

Robert Wright