

County Gaol on a charge of Murder which cannot be  
tried till the ensuing Court on the third Monday in  
March next without a special commision. That the  
Gaol is insecure unless the Prisoner is heavily ironed  
and that the prisoner will in that case from the open-  
ness of the Gaol be liable to great injury from the cold  
and whereas it appears necessary to Justice and Humanity  
know ye that I have appointed and commisioned  
and by their Parents do appoint and commision  
you the said John M. Gantt Edmund Key and  
Daniel Clark Jointly or any two or one of you to  
hear and determine all crimes offences and misde-  
meanors - and to deliver the Gaol of the said County  
from all persons therein confined for any crime offence  
or Misdemeanor - and I do command you that on  
Monday the fourteenth day of December next you  
or any two or one of you attend at Port Tobacco in  
the said County of Charles to deliver the said  
Gaol of the prisoners aforesaid doing what to  
justice may appertain according to the laws of the  
State, adjourning the same from day to day as  
may be judged necessary and I hereby command  
the Sheriff of said county, that on the said day  
or any other day or days that he shall be required  
by the said Court he cause to come before the Court  
the said prisoners and the attachments - In Testimony  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused  
the Great Seal of the State of Maryland to be affix-  
ed to these Presents this Twenty fourth of November  
in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and seven

William Kite  
By the words

Thomas Rinkney  
Clerk of the Court

Robert Wright