

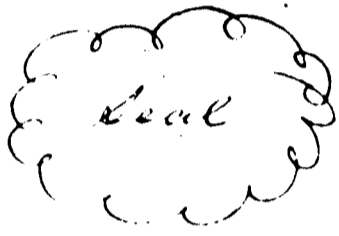
July 5th 1851

The Governor this day issued the following Death Warrants directed to the Sheriff of Kent County.

The State of Maryland, to the Sheriff of Kent County, Greeting:

Whereas, Nicholas Murphy late of Kent County, was indicted in Kent County Court, at the March Term, eighteen hundred and fifty one for the crime of Murder in the first degree, perpetrated upon one Rebecca C. Webster and was convicted in said Court on the twenty third day of June eighteen hundred and fifty one; and the said Court sentenced him to be hung by the neck until he be dead.

Now, Therefore, These are to Will and require, as also to charge and command you, that at or before the hour of twelve o'clock M. on Friday the eighth day of August next, you take the said Nicholas Murphy from your prison, and him safely convey to the Gallows in the County aforesaid, the place of the execution of Malefactors, and there the said Nicholas Murphy hang by the neck until he be dead: For all of which this shall be your sufficient power and authority.



Mrs. H. O'Neal
Secretary of State.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this fifth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one, and of the Independence of the United States, the Seventy sixth.

By the Governor.

E. Louis Lowe

The State of Maryland, to the Sheriff of Kent County Greeting.

Whereas, Abraham Taylor of Kent County, was indicted in Kent County Court, at the March Term eighteen hundred and fifty one, for the crime of Murder in the first degree, perpetrated upon one Rebecca C. Webster and was convicted in said Court on the 23^d day of June eighteen hundred and fifty one, and the said Court sentenced him to be hung by the neck until he be dead.

Now, Therefore, These are to Will and require, as also to charge and command you, that at or before the hour of twelve o'clock M. on Friday the eighth day of August next, you take the said Abraham Taylor from your Prison, and him safely convey to the Gallows in the County aforesaid, the place of the execution of Malefactors, and there the said Abraham Taylor hang by the neck until he be dead: For all which this shall be your sufficient power and authority.



Mrs. H. O'Neal,
Secretary of State.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this fifth day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty one and of the Independence of the United States, the Seventy sixth.

By the Governor

E. Louis Lowe

The State of Maryland, to the Sheriff of Kent County Greeting.

Whereas, William Shelton, late of Kent County, was indicted in Kent County Court, at the March Term, eighteen hundred and fifty one for the crime of Murder in the first degree, perpetrated upon one Amanda Cosden, and was convicted, and the said Court sentenced him to be hung by the neck until he be dead.

Now therefore, These are to Will and require, as also to charge and command you, that at or before the hour of twelve o'clock M. on Friday the eighth day of