

To His Excellency A. B. Moore, Governor
of the State of Alabama.

The Undersigned respectfully
shew unto your Excellency, that Arthur C. Waugh,
of the City of Mobile, was indicted before the City
Court of Mobile, under Sections 118, and 127 of the
Code, for failing to give Bond as a Notary Public
duly commissioned by the Governor of the State
of Alabama, during the year 1856.

That, upon the trial of the
said indictment, the said Arthur C. Waugh ad-
mitted the facts set forth in said indictment,
and, by the consent of the Solicitor, and, with
the permission of the Court, made a statement
of the facts, and circumstances which led to his
omission, and failure to give the Bond, required
of him by Law.

That from said statement the
Undersigned feel satisfied that said omission
did not result from any intention on the part
of said Waugh to violate the law, but that it
naturally arose from the circumstances detail-
-ed by him.

That said Arthur C. Waugh is a
Marine Notary, of the City of Mobile, his business
being confined to that branch of the Notarial
business, and there was no evidence that by
reason of his failure to give his Bond, any per-
-son, or corporation had been injured - or, that
his duty, as a Notary, had been in any respect,
violated.

The Undersigned further represent
that as members of the Jury who tried the case,
they felt themselves bound, under the law, to
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return a verdict of "Guilty," and assess the fine at Five Hundred dollars, the sum fixed by the law - but, at the same time they felt that the punishment was altogether disproportionate to the offence in this case, especially as the defendant is wholly dependant on his business as Notary for the support of his family, and that so soon as notified, he attempted to repair his neglect by offering undoubted security - that he promptly gave bond under the Commission granted to him by your Excellency - In view of the fact that no private injury was inflicted, and no public good will be subverted by exacting the fine imposed, the Undersigned respectfully request that your Excellency will remit the same.

Mobile 20th Feb. 1858.

R. L. Burfoot foreman of Jury. J. H. Hedberg
C. P. Irons
Thomas J. Murdock
John M. May
John C. Hamilton
M. J. Tator
Danl. W. Logan
W. Harris
Harmon Goff

M. G. Johnson

Jesse Semison. (The signature of this juror was not obtained, as he left for Texas, before the petition was drawn up.)