

Lebanon, Ala. 12 August 1859.

Dear Sir,

Herewith you will receive a petition praying the remission of two fines, as posed to Mr. Renben J. Malone. It is signed by Judge Hale, who presided and was to have been signed by the Solicitor, but it was omitted through inadvertence. You will however receive a letter from him. There was no jury.

I was present and know the facts, and beg to assure you, that the case calls justly for Executive interference. Mr. Malone is the clerk of Mr. George Malone, who is our faithful, excellent, and only host, at our Courts. The Bar who you know, cannot do without a little good Whisky, had persuaded Mr. Malone to send for a Barrel, which he kept for their exclusive use. The defendant lately from Mississippi, know nothing of the law; and though ignorant legem, excusab non, yet he did not intend to violate the law. The two young men, nearly grown, who occasionally at a distance from this place, went to school, applied for the

spirits, and Mr. Reuben Malone, not suspecting
but what it was wanted by their families,
sold it. His principles have never sold
Liquors. Is a highly moral and respectable
Citizen, and though I am not concerned
except as a friend I hope you will find
it consistent with a sense of public duty,
as I know it will be with the public
will, to remit the fines.

With very great respect
Yours Chas. Sewt.

Thos. J. Porter

His Excellency Governor Moore.

His Excellency

A. B. Moore

