

Dallas County, Alabama
March 1859

To His Excellency, Andrew P. Moore, Governor
of Alabama.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, Citizens of
Dallas County, represent to your Excellency that
Reuben Pearson, was convicted in the Circuit
Court of Dallas County, in the year 1847, of
Murder, and sentenced to be hanged, and that
punishment commuted to imprisonment for
life in the penitentiary. He has been now con-
fined ~~over~~ ^{nearly} twelve years, and has reached his
68th year. We are pleased to see, from the
recommendation, or certificate, of the Inspec-
tor of the Penitentiary, that his conduct as
a prisoner has been unexceptionable and
exemplary, and do not doubt that he has
undergone a complete reformation.

Regarding his good conduct, and his ex-
treme old age, we agree with the Inspector
of the penitentiary that "the remission of the re-
mainder of his term would not be inconsis-
tent with the public good". His extreme old
age surely renders him a public charge
and expense, and his life must be near its
close.

His son, a most excellent, and much
respected merchant of Louisiana, is here, and

anxious to take his old father to that State,
and comfort him in his last hours.

In consideration of these things, we
respectfully ask your Excellency to remit
the balance of his imprisonment.

<u>Geo. A. Carr</u>	G. Lee Hazle
R. J. Travers	A. D. Beazley, Circuit Clerk
Thos. W. Martin	J. L. Evans
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Nathan Roberts	J. D. Williams
Thos. Howell	Wm. H. Duke
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H. B. Boynton	Sam. H. Hill
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Thos. W. Lewis	J. P. Duke
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	J. L. Milhous
	J. W. Walker
	M. Woodruff
	W. B. Andrews
	James W. Kelly
	J. R. Sommers
	W. W. Lambros

I have considered
- read this
petition & the
letter of the
solicitor &
have concluded
to discharge
the court on
the first of
Oct next
17. March 1839
J. B. Moore

Reuben Pearson.
Dallas Co.

Petition
to
the Governor

Reuben Pearson
William C.

Pardoned Oct. 1. 1839

Number 1 again
sentenced for
life, commuted,
and afterwards
pardoned

Recorded

