

To His Excellency

A B Moore Governor &c

Joseph Smith a Citizen of Char-
oter County plead guilty at the late Fall term of our
Circuit Court to two indictments for retailing without
license - and was fined twenty Dollars in each
Case - The retailing was by the quart & the offence consisted
in its being drunk on or about the premises - This he
alleges & ^{we} believe it true - he done in ignorance of its
being in violation of law. Mr Smith has always sus-
tained the Character of a quiet, peaceable, lawabiding
Citizen - this is his first & only offence of which we
have any knowledge & we have known him for years.
He is not & never has been, so far as we know or believe
in the habit of keeping liquors for sale in any
quantity - He is poor & has a family dependent upon
his labor for a support. The cost incident to the two
prosecutions amount in the aggregate to about fifty Dollars,
these costs he will have to pay - to pay which & the
fines in such case he will have to make a sacrifice
of his homestead for he has no ~~other~~ property free
from the Exemption laws - He will give up all before
his friend shall suffer. Thus we think under the circum-
stances will be a punishment too severe. In consideration
of the premises we respectfully ask your Excellency
to release him from the fines aforesaid - we believe
he sorely repents his error and we believe he will never
be guilty of a repetition of the same offence. Many of us
are his immediate neighbors - Oct 29 1859.

Thos B Cooper

G. B. Larner

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J. Thomson Hall
P. C. Ellenburg

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Green & ones
James Price

John D. Cook
Samuel J. Tipton

James W. Allen
~~James~~ Martin
Cason

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W. I. Brown
E. C. Tipton
Nathan Nabors
Peter Crouch
W. J. Wester
J. S. Cothren
William Wester

W. W. Wester
Ardon Wester
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W. M. Jackson
A. Snodgrass
N. M. Bishop
Gilbert
W. M. Basley
James Price
J. P. Sharp
J. S. Mills
G. W. Williams
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Geo Pratt
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John S. Dana
S. C. Ward
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William. Pearson

W. H. Riggs
Eliza McMath
Mordecai Tipton
D. B. Norvell
William Swandey
L. H. Garies
J. Chisolm
R. L. Middleton
Lewis Birmingham
E. C. M. Brown
Wm B. Garry
Treston Sharp
N. B. Smith
Wm. Jones
James Jones
J. C. Mann
Wm. Vinson
Wm. H. Cripps
W. J. Henderson
J. P. Thompson
G. S. Land
L. H. Davis
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Alex. Kimer
A. M. Reel
W. B. Sparks
W. E. Cothren

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Wm H. Hannigan
Leonard Dancie

John Miller
J. G. Vail
Thos Angle
John Angle
Sam Taylor
George Taylor
J. C. Chandler
J. A. Sparks
Wm H. Reed

B. Sinclair
Thomas Blair
Jefferson Parker
R. J. Angle

Wm. Chell
W. F. Brisenhall
Ira Sharp

James Hannigan
J. Hannigan
Joseph Reed

Barney Vagel

W. R. Bramblet
J. L. Thomas
A. J. Chandler

J. H. Baker
J. W. McCee

W. M. Mathes
H. W. Hawkins
J. E. Chas

W. H. Miller
Joseph Whiston
Hugh Vincent
John C. West
H. J. Bagum

J. K. McSpadden
J. M. Karswick
D. J. Thomson
J. M. Tipton

Executive Department
15 Dec 1859

Joseph Smith has enclosed again
convinced in two cases at the Fall
Term of the circuit Court of Cherokee
County for violating national license
& for ~~using~~ ^{using} ~~drugs~~ ^{drugs} in each case
before the representatives of the nation
petitioners & others I have determined
to remit all but five dollars of
the fine in each case, & to direct
the off of said county to discharge
the debt upon the payment of
five dollars & the cost in each
case

A. B. Moore

