

Montgomery Feb 15th 1860.

To Hon A. B. Moore
Governor of Ala:

Dear Sir:

I respectfully ask
your attention to the accompanying recommenda-
tion of nine of the jury who tried Grandville
at the recent term of our Circuit Court. You
will also see that the presiding Judge
Hon S. D. Hale fully concurs in the
recommendation of the jury. And
P. T. Sayre Esq acting attorney
Genl. who, prosecuted the case
before the jury likewise concurs.

I defended the negro (who belongs
to S. H. Benjamin who of this city)
and I unhesitatingly say I most
fully concur in these recommenda-
tions. The negro formed on the
trial a most excellent character;
& there were many reasons (unnecessary
here to mention them) which induced
the recommendation of the
jury, Judge & Solicitors.

I hope you may find
it consistent with your sense of
public duty to save this
poor negro's life & have inflicted
such punishment as the recom-
mendation suggests.

Very respectfully
J. A. Watts

Letter to
Gov. A. B. Moore
from
Thos. A. Wally

