

Ellyton Augth 16/59

Gov. A B Moore

Dear Sir

At the last term of the Circuit Court of this County Henry A Little & Phibe M^c Daral were tried & convicted before me for an Assault & Battery - Little was fined One Hundred & thirty three dollars & M^c Daral One Hundred & four dollars.

Both def^s will petition you for a remission of at least a portion of the fines assessed to them. The petition of Little will accompany this letter. The nature of the A.S. as testified to on the trial, is set forth in Little's petition, with substantial accuracy. I thought myself that the fines were under the circumstances, if not excessive, much more than the public good required. I think a portion of the fines of each ought to be remitted - how much I am hardly prepared to say. Ten of the jury

and a number of respectable
citizens have recommended the
fine to Little to be reduced to \$25.⁰⁰.

A reference to the petition, and
a consideration of the facts stated
in it, will enable you to determine
fully satisfactorily what amount
should be remitted. All that
I can say is, that I think a large
portion might be remitted, & that
even if you should reduce the
amount to twenty five dollars,
it will afford no cause of com-
plaint to any one, but will no
doubt meet the general appro-
bation of the people of the County
generally.

Yours Respectfully
Wm. M. D.

Columbiana Aug 20th 59

Gov A. B. Moore

In the cases referred to
by Judge Mudd of the State vs Little
and Phoebe McDonald, I acted as Solicitor
in the prosecution under the facts and
the evidence in those cases. I think
that the ends of justice would be
subservd by reducing the fine
in each case to \$25.00.

Very Respectfully
J. M. McKee

Executive Department

^{7th}
7. Sept 1859

Upon the recommendation of Judge
Mudd - the Solicitor, & 10 of the Jury who tried
Henry A. Little, and Thebe McDonald,
I have reduced the fine of each
to fifty dollars. Upon the payment
of \$50.00 each, the cost they
are ordered to be discharged
from the balance.

A. B. Moore

The Secretary of State will make
out the proper order read it to
the Sup. of Jefferson County

A. B. Moore



Recorded

Henry A. Little & Thebe
McDonald fined \$100.
\$50.00 each, \$100.00 fines
reduced to \$50 each,
Jefferson Co.,
Sept 10th, 1859