



Letter from A. P. Miller to Mississippi Governor James L. Alcorn; March 19, 1870

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Transcription:

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Home Rankin County Miss.
March 19th 1870
To His Excellency
Gov. J. L. Alcorn

This will be handed you by Thos. Eason a freedman one of my slaves in former days—He comes to ask of you a pardon for his son who was found guilty about four years ago of Horse Stealing in Warren Co. and was sent to the penitentiary for the term of four years, his time is near out and his old father the bearer & his mother want him to assist them in making a living. They were good obedient slaves and have been good freedman & woman since their emancipation, the boy was but a youth when found guilty, he had left his parents and enlisted in the federal Army and before he could get home he was found guilty of larceny, Tom is a good old negro and I think you could exercise your Executive Clemency in his sons favor without compromising the principle of justice, the Convict was very young and ignorant with but little moral training as all negroes are and as his term is very near out I would be glad indeed

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that you would grant his request,

With sentiments of profound regard am sir Yr Obt Servat
A, P, Miller,

To His Excellency
Governor J L Alcorn
Jackson
Miss.

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Executive Office,
State of Mississippi,
County of Rankin

From A. P. Miller
Address Rankin County
Dated Mar 19th 1870
Received 19
Answered __

Wishes you to Pardon Tom (a Colored man) who was put in jail for larceny
Application for Pardon

James L. Alcorn,
Governor.

H. F. Hewson,
Private Secretary.

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