

Denton Caroline County
July 19th 1852

To His Excellency
G. Louis Lomax
Gov^r of Maryland.

Sir. I have just been informed by
Jos Tarr Esq. that application has
been made to your excellency for
the pardon of "Isaac Gibson" free negro
now confined in the penitentiary upon
a conviction on the charge of assisting
a slave to escape.

I am familiar with ^{the} facts of ^{the} case
on which he was tried and convicted - was
one of the Counsel engaged in his defence
and believed then as I believe now, that
he was innocent of the offence.

The whole testimony against him, was
that of a negro man named Burgess -
and Burgess's wife - both of whom
testified under strong feelings of prejudice
against the accused - and whose characters
were strongly and I think successfully
sapped at the trial -

Without intending an imputation on