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Brotherly if you should see that some have been
to write friendly they are great friends and that
is a matter from the fact. so an old dog would say
working you success with your collection. good night
Dad you write

Stillwater Minn
March 19th 1893

Col W B Branough.

Lewis Station Mo

My Dearest friend.

Your kind favor of
14th is at hand. Glad to learn you
were all well and getting on finely
hope your visit to Jefferson City will be
a pleasant one all round. Hope Hal R. is
doing well if his cousin together with
Marion did get left in the soup till him
not to go back an Whallow if he did get so
badly beaten by Stevens. Hals old Uncle has
over four million. Hal has been fact but not
any worse than the average young man raised in
large cities by wealthy fathers. I think drinking
was his worst crime but he told me when I
saw him last he never touched whiskey any
more. He is not a saint in his morals but
he suffered wrongfully as far what he was
not guilty. his mother and sisters are devoted
Christians of the Methodist persuasion. I
learn that Loyd Tucker has left St Paul &
told him at the start I thought it had policy
to stop this I hope he has taken charge of
some good county paper for he is by nature
a newspaper man and away above the average

Put the letter in the best of health
she is in the best of health
no once a week she is in the best of health

My dear Mr. Garrison
I have no answer to your March 10th & 11th of this morning
I was very anxious to have no answer from you
The day before and the day after I was
He was killed but he was in his own
Do believe I tell you that Mr. Rowland the day before
I believe I believe with you that when Mr. Marshall
leaves this earth he will go to that better world
and join the Angels. I did not learn of his
own death until you wrote me and it had
been so long past I have ever since
from writing I did not want to bring up
what I knew was a great grief to him and
would not write and say nothing concerning
the death of his only child. I get a letter every
week from Miss Letitia Jones my niece she is
a noble Christian her health is not very
good but she never speaks of the fact one
would think her in the best of health from
her letters. Hope your little March Angel will
always be as happy as the Cleveland Democrat
was on her birth day. Yes I hope Rogers
will get the Coal Oil inspectors ship for St. L.
if I had thought a petition from the rural
districts would have helped him I would have
written my friends Brightwell & Hill might
give him a lift. Hope your trip to Athens will
be a success I could not catch an 'em as there
is fine as you would answer to those initials
I believe Warden Walford or Warden Garner
and others are going to make a move this
week to have the legislators to pass a law to have
24 years less good time a life sentence several
states and most of the European powers have something
similar & shorter time with hard labor.

release so we can return to our
 home and live in peace the
 rest of our lives & would like
 to know it & know and would
 like for my friends to know
 it. Death has no terror to me
 I have only wanted to live to
 live down the past and the
 thousand Gals heads that have
 been told about us but being
 shut up in prison a thousand
 years would not enable me to
 do that. if the Officers of the
 prison have not mad up their
 minds in regard to us after
 eight years they never will
 think they have and I believe
 they would be glad to see us released
 I think Sheriff Barton if he was
 Gov would pardon us to morrow
 but he will never be Gov of this
 State I think he is trying to get into
 Congress from the 3 District that

the same District Gov Hubbard
 has his eye on if any and I
 dont think Barton has any show
 but he think he has and that is
 the same thing. if I could make
 his Election sure I would rarely
 do so, but I dont think he can get
 the nomination of his party and
 not be elected if he did. I think
 Campbell will be more apt to get
 the appointment of U.S. Marshal of
 this State than Barton as Campbell
 is backed by Doran & Kelley of St Paul
 and they seem to have the ear of Vilas
 & Lamar & Cleveland. I suppose you
 have not heard from Gov Marshall
 since the letter you sent us. I learn
 from Bob that he sent the letter
 to Curz Jones. so I cannot return
 it you could write to Curz for it
 I dont know why Bob sent it
 I will write you again next Sunday
 but write me if you have any news
 when this reaches you

I have written you a letter
 but it is so full of mistakes
 that I have not sent it
 I will write you again
 when this reaches you

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TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF PARDON FOR THE STATE OF MINNESOTA,

VIZ: HIS EXCELLENCY D. M. CLOUGH, CHIEF JUSTICE CHARLES M.

STANT AND ATT'Y GENERAL H. W. CHILDS.

-: # # # # # :-

WE, The undersigned members of the 39th General Assembly of Missouri, most respectfully ask at your hands, the pardon of Cole and James Younger, now confined in the Stillwater prison, 1st for the following reasons.

1st Because they have been in prison for more than TWENTY years.

2nd Because during this entire period their behavior has been so excellent as to win not alone the respect but perfect confidence of the prison authorities.

3rd. Every intention of the law has been fulfilled in this that the punishment for the violation of it has been ample and complete.

4th If restored again to freedom almost the entire population of this state would stand security as a mass to their becoming law abiding, peaceful, upright and worthy citizens.

5th. Because: their downfall and departure from the path of rectitude was unquestionably the direct result of the unfavorable conditions surrounding them during and following the late civil war.

6th. Whatever may have been said to the contrary, both of these men were brave and honorable soldiers in battle, and merciful in victory.

7th. Because these men have served more than twice the length of time allotted to life prisoners committed to prison on life sentences- less than ten years being the average time.

8th. Because we are informed that every warden under whom they have served has learned from close contact with them, to

trust them and to place them in positions of responsibility, and have advised that if liberated, they would become good, honorable and useful citizens.

9th. Because these are now old men and we believe the spirit of christian charity and mercy suggests that they should be permitted to spend their few remaining days among their friends and relatives, many of whom are numbered among the best families of Missouri all of whom will stand surety for their future good behavior, and a number of whom are ready and willing to furnish them constant employment, by reason of which they, may and will be self-supporting and independant.

10th. Because it is a recognized ^{principle} of penology that the object of all punishment is to reform the punished, and when this reformation has been accomplished, to longer continue the punishment, is not only of no benefit, but is turning the arm of the law into an instrument of torture to satiate revenge.

Your petitioners are of all political faiths, and are of either military service. We simply come to you as one united whole asking this pardon in the name of mercy and humanity, ever praying your health, happiness and long continued prosperity.

(Members of the House)

<u>W. Block</u>	From	<u>Henry</u>	County.
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State of Missouri,
Treasury Department,
Jefferson City.

FRANK L. PITTS, Treasurer.
WM. H. BASSETT, Chief Clerk.

February 10, 1897.

To the Honorable Board of Pardons for the
State of Minnesota, namely, His Excellency,
David M. Clough; Chief Justice, Chas. M. Start;
and Attorney General, H.W. Childs:--

Gentlemen:--

I am informed that the pardon of James and Cole Younger is being sought by some of our best and most loyal citizens.

Without justifying any of the acts which led to their incarceration; by reason of their environments at the time they entered upon their life of crime, their long imprisonment, their reputation as model prisoners and the state of their health, I most cheerfully and earnestly join in the request for clemency at your hands.

In asking this, I feel that they have fully expiated their crime and, if released, will become law-abiding and peaceable citizens.

With the hope that you may look with favor upon their petition for pardon, I am,

Very Respectfully, Yours,

F. L. Pitts
State Treasurer.



American District Telegraph Co.

GENERAL OFFICE: 106 EAST FIFTH STREET.

St. Paul, Minn., April 2, 1897

W C Bronough
Dear Friend,

I have been expecting to hear from you for some time and I am getting anxious that we should at least make an effort to do something for the boys at Stillwater - I suppose we are all expecting you & Mr Cole to take the initiative in the matter. One of our attorneys Mr J D McChung called on me a short time ago and proffered his services and said he would help us all he could when the time came to act - I must write to Cole to day

My own affairs remain just the same as when I wrote before

Hope to see you soon
Your friend
P. G. Yates

SHEPARD BARCLAY,
JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Jefferson City, Mo. June 5th 1897

To the Board of Pardons of
Minnesota:

Mr. W. C. Bronaugh of Missouri
is about to submit to your
honorable Board an application
for clemency toward the Youngers
who are serving a term of im-
prisonment in Minnesota. I am
not sufficiently acquainted
with your laws to know the
proper limits of your discretionary
power in such cases; but if
it be entirely appropriate, allow
me to say that I join with Mr.
Bronaugh in requesting favor-
able consideration of the
said application, believing

that the interests of public
justice would suffer no in-
jury by the granting thereof
at this time.

Very respectfully yours
Shepard Barclay

Circuit Court Meets First Mondays in March
and September.

L. B. WOODSIDE, Judge, - Salem, MO.
H. E. ROLLINS, Clerk and Recorder.
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J. L. JOHNSON, Prosecuting Attorney.

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Clerk County Court,

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E. G. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

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May, August and November.

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J. H. ADKISON, Bailey, MO.
S. R. HALE, Dixon, MO.

JUDGES COUNTY COURT.

S. M. MANES, Collector of Revenue.
S. S. WHITE, Assessor.

Waynesville, Mo.,

July 8 1897

Mr W C Bronaugh
Hester

Lewis Clinton Mo

If you remember I give
you 5⁰⁰ to aid you in your efforts
in favor of ~~the~~ Cole & Jim Yinger
& I told you to draw on me
for more money if you needed
it & as you did not I suppose
you had enough now ad friend
if you have not spent the money
in their behalf or if you have
any of it left give it to the
Boys to help them along give
all my love as I know no one
will die I do hope you will
get them pardoned If you bring
them back with you give them
my love still them if they ever
come to this section of the state
my home is their home
Yours
E. G. Williams

K. C. Mo. Oct-9" 97.

Captain Brough
Lewis Station.

I have not yet located the present whereabouts of the lady we were speaking of. But I have learned some things since you were here that convinces me that she is just the one to interview. I have written some letters to ascertain her address and think I will hear in a few days. Did you know the board of pardons incl. the 11th of October? Would it do ~~no~~ us good to address Stark so soon? If you should go to see the lady spoken of I would like to send her a note by you. If you have any ministerial names for me please send - I have sent out ten and will send more the coming week. Will send you address just as quick as I learn.

Sincerely in the Cause -

3272 Holmes St.

Mrs. C. M. Neil Dunning

Kansas City Mo.
Nov 12th 1897

Captain Bronough.

I received a letter from
Lillian Lewis. but as it was so
hard to read I do not send it - it
would take too much time to make
it out - but she would do anything
in the world "right or wrong" to
accomplish the purpose, but just
at present could not aid financi-
ally. She said she would be at the
Peoples Theatre all the week. N. Y. City
She said "write to me all about

it I am and always have
been their friend and have
time all I could for them
and will continue to do so."

Now Captain I was down to
Lee's Summit yesterday - there
I learned your idea was not
received favorably in Pleasant
Hill - but if you do not intend
to drop the matter, yet do not
care to go see L. at present - I
will write and find out when
she could advance what's wanted -
maybe it would be in short time.
I said nothing whatever about the
plan proposed but I suppose her
idea of what is necessary is the

Same as ours ^{or} of what it will
take. she leaves New York on
her tour ^{when her week is up,} and later on goes to
Omaha. I will write her

tonight but will not give any
of your plan until I hear from
you. She is one at least who
believes that is the only way.

Let me know what next to do
and if you wish to write her
direct to the People's House. She
says no one else sees her mail
and anything regarding them
is absolutely safe with her.

Mrs. Hall seems to think C

would not want me to proceed only in the
way in which he told me to do. but I
believe anyway to come ^{home} and surely he could
forgive me afterwards - if not I would have
the satisfaction of knowing another woman's
heart was made glad.

I am writing this down now and in haste
so please excuse it this time and let me
hear soon - C. Deming - 3272 Holmes St.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
PETTIS COUNTY.

R. H. GRAY, - CLERK.

Sedalia, Mo., February 11, 1901.

Mr. W. C. Bronaugh,
Victoria Hotel,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of the 10th, am pleased to send you my little mite (check for \$1.00), towards securing the release of the Youngers. I hope success may attend your efforts in this direction since these boys have already suffered their full measure of punishment.

Yours truly,

R. H. Gray
COUNTY CLERK.

HOTEL ETHEREDGE,

MRS. B. P. ETHEREDGE, Prop.

124 South Waco St.

RATES \$4.00 PER DAY.
SAMPLE ROOMS.

Hillsboro, Texas, / 10-25 1902

Dear Mother:

I wired you \$10 to St. Louis of of the Laelide Hotel from Austin Tex. And write you to address me at the Meenger Hotel San Antonio Tex. But have not heard from you and dont know whether or no you received the \$10. If you did not then I wish to take steps to recover same from Postal Telegraph Co.

Please write me the many incidents of your St. Louis Trip and of your safe return and much of how your health continues. Also what well had thought of your youngsters

HOTEL ETHEREDGE,

MRS. B. P. ETHEREDGE, Prop.
124 South Waco St.

RATES \$2.00 PER DAY.
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2 Hillsboro, Texas, 1902

death where he was when
he heard the death and
did he go up to Miami
for his remains.
What is he working on
now - to have O'Leary released
or has he failed to secure
complete pardon.

John writes me he is
well - Had fine trip
to the historic city of
San Antonio, will
send you some booklets
of the Alamo City soon
Care at once

Your aff. son
H. H. Hance
50 Delaware Hotel
Get North Tex

The University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, Minn.,

July 1, 1921:

Capt. W. C. Fronaugh,
Clinton, Mo.

Dear sir:

The inclosed clipping is intended to introduce myself to you, and to enable you to judge whether such a stranger is entitled to your notice.

The third volume of the history will contain an account of the Northfield raid of 1876. My intention was to dismiss it as an episode of minor importance, but an accumulation of material and the fact that it occasioned material changes in our state laws has influenced me to give it fuller treatment. In particular your book *The Youngers Fight for Freedom* has enlarged my view of the matter. I congratulate you on the collection and presentation of the subject.

I am writing you at this time to inquire whether your health and engagements will allow you to reply to a number of inquiries which I should like to submit to you.

I venture to make one inquiry in this letter. A neighbor of mine was in Kansas City, Mo. in May and attended a movie show in which the career of Jesse James was depicted. The accompanying lecture was given by a grandson of Jesse James. The Northfield raid was included among his adventures. Does this mean that in Missouri it is generally understood that the James brothers were participants in that adventure?

A tramp who turned up in Los Angeles Cal. in 1914, and got religion in a mission, confessed that he was the Styles supposed to have been shot in the street fight at Northfield, and stated that he and the James brothers escaped through northern Minnesota and Wisconsin. That is the only straight allegation which have met with that the Jameses were at Northfield.

Governor Marshall was one of the best friends I ever had, and Wolfer and I were well acquainted.

I hope this may find you in as good health as I enjoy at eighty eight..

Very truly yours
Wm. W. Folwell.

We regret we cannot
use. A.L.S.

Bronaugh Place

Clinton, Missouri

January 20-1925

American Library Service Co.
New York City

Gentlemen:-

Soon after the "Younger Bros." were captured and incarcerated in the Stillwater State Penitentiary, Minnesota, Governor Marshall of Minnesota - United States Senator - Steve Elkins of West Virginia and my brother - the late Gen. Warren Carter Bronaugh of Kansas City, Mo. went to work in their Brothers behalf to have them pardoned, so soon as they could change the sentiment of the people - especially of Minn. This was finally done - but it took 25 years to secure their full pardon - My brother was backed in his work by prominent men in Minnesota and such men in his own State, as Governor T. T. Cretton, Murmuduke, Stephens, Stone - and United State Senators - G. M. Cockrell, George Graham Vest, William Joel Stone ^{of Mo.} and Steve Elkins of W. Va. All the prominent lawyers and the judges of the Supreme Court of Mo. were with my brother ^{in his} work of humanity - after he finally had them pardoned and the best men in the State had him write a book on the almost impossible work he did - it was colossal - so he wrote a book entitled "The Younger Fight For Freedom" It was published by the Stephens Publishing Company, Columbia, Mo. and the first edition readily sold at \$2.00 per copy - since my brother's death I found a carton of these books unsold -

they were mixed up with other boxes and overlooked.
I am anxious to sell these books as I need the money
so I am writing to you in regard to the matter.

Don't for one moment think this book is not
first class in every particular. There are some 40 illus-
trations in the book of influential men - high up in the
walks of life - all of whom endorsed my brother's book
and helped him in his work to liberate the
Younger Bros.

Judge Younger - the father of these Younger Bros -
was the owner of a large landed estate in Cass County
Mo. He was a strong Union man, and yet he was most
cruelly murdered. His home burned - his family driven
from home - after the war the Youngers returned to
Cass County - where they were arrested - shot at -
and driven from their home. It was then they turned
against those who persecuted them. There is nothing
sensational in the book - it is a historical book and
could be placed in the hands of any youth -

I hope you can take this box of books - I
think there must be 25 copies - but I haven't opened
the box yet.

You will let me hear from you at your
earliest - I mean - will you not - I hope so -

Very truly

Miss Eva Bronaugh

Don't you enclose a circular of your book of
Brooks.