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[1902?]

St Paul. Jan 8/1900

Gov. Vars. Pant.

Dear Sir;

Seeing by the daily papers that. Cole and James younger. have made application of the Honorable Board of Pardons. for a full pardon. I take this opportunity of writing you. that I hope their prayers will be answered and that you will do all in your power. to grant their request. I was resident Surgeon at the prison. from June 1900 to May 1901 and it is needless for me. to say anything additional in their defense. than has already been said. but

only say I echo the sentiments
of all the citizens in the county
in which I reside.

I am located at Royalton,
Morris county, and can refer
you to all the leading citizens
of that place. Prominent among
the many are

J. W. Brock, Sol. of your staff.
A Swanson, Postmaster, ^{and} Ed. Roughton ^{Damers.}

G. Wilson, Mayor of the city.

Chas. Wilson, Prop. of Lumber Mills.

W. Brock, Merchant, J. Russell.

James, Boyd, L. M. Braggle,

W. H. Kelly, all business men,
and many others.

All these gentlemen have
requested me to use their names

in this cause. as I do,
met all these ~~men~~ personally
in August: when he was
up there, and ^{hope} at the next
meeting "returns" will be favorable
I remain

Ever yours
etc

J. P. Chance, M. D.,
Royalton
Main.

I am writing this in St. Paul,
as am here on a few days
visit and want this to
get in before Monday

J. P. C.

-OFFICE OF-
N. W. CHANCE, H. O.,
CITY PHYSICIAN.

Little Falls, Minn.

June 8

1902

Dr. Van Sant
Portland

Dear Sir

Please use
your influence in
securing full pardon
for George
so that we return to the
old home in Wis. that
the grand sentiment
of the good people of
this country
Yours
W. Chance

NICHOLS LUMBER CO.

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LITTLE FALLS, MINN.,

Jan 8 1907

Gov J. R. Van Sant

St Paul Minn

Dear Sir

As the Board of Directors
will take up the matter of granting the
younger Brother full pardon I
hope you will do what you can
to secure for them the right to return
to their friends in Mass

yours truly
J. R. Murray



State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thirty-Second Session.

52^d DISTRICT

W. H. NOYES

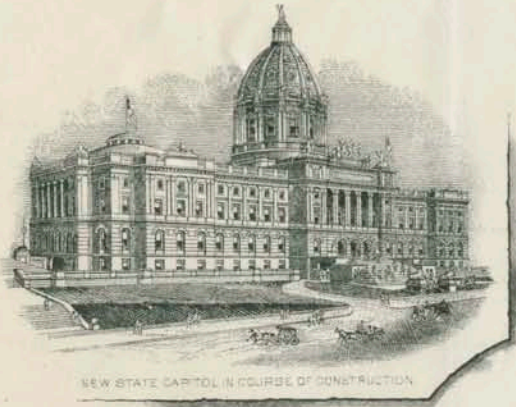
BARNUM

Barnum Minn 7/8 1902

Col. Younger Esq
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir,

I notice by the daily papers that you and your brother are going to apply to the Board of Pardoners next Monday for a full and complete pardon. You will remember our meeting you the day that Post McKinley was shot and that I introduced you to Representative Von Wood, and that I told you I voted against the bill giving you a parole. I have watched the matter carefully since and I am frank in saying that it is a force to retain you and your brother longer under the present circumstances. You have both been punished enough, and I sincerely hope that the Board will now grant you full pardon and allow you to go and come free from any and



State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thirty-Second Session.

52^d DISTRICT

W. H. NOYES

BARNUM

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all restraints, so that you can go back to old friends and relatives and enjoy the few remaining days of life as a free man.

I assume that in case the Board refuses your request that I will at the extra session, if possible, introduce a bill for your full pardon, and if this letter will serve to your interest you are at liberty to use it in any way you desire.

Yours truly
W. H. Noyes.

v White Bear Jan'y 9th 1902

To the Hon Samuel R Van Sant
Governor of Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I noticed by the daily papers that the Messrs Youngers will apply for a full pardon at the next meeting of the board of pardons. Having come in contact with Mr Cole Younger both in business and socially quite frequently since his parole I have always found him honest and gentlemanly in all transactions.

I hope the board will see its way clear and grant their request.

I know it will be favorable indorsed by every one from our

little Village of White Bear
Ramsey Co.

Respt Yours

John W Schuyler

St Paul Minn

1-9-1902

Hon, Board of Pardons .

State of Minnesota.

Gentlemen.

Having noticed in the papers that the Younger Brothers have applied to your honorable body for a pardon, I wish to add my voice to that of thousands of citizens, and ask you to act favorably on their application.

Y Truly Oblge.

Geo Gurdollach

206. E. 7th St

Janesville Minn July 9-1902

Hon Board Pardons

Gentlemen

I herewith present to you a petition signed by the leading men of this vicinity public sentiment in the section of the Country seems to be for a removal of the present parole restrictions in the case of James and Cole Younger in interest of humanity and prison reform if nothing more.

Hoping to meet with your approval -

We are Respt Yours

m O Toole

E J Goff -

Janesville, Waseca County Minnesota,

Jan. 7th, 1901.

To the Hon. Board of Pardons,

St. Paul Minn.,

Gentlemen:-

Believing the time has arrived for further action the undersigned, citizens of Janesville, Minn., and vicinity, would most respectfully represent, that the sentiment in this community is almost wholly in favor of removing the present parole restrictions which apply in the cases of James and Cole Younger and to that desirable end they would add their voices to that of others in asking that such restrictions be removed either in whole or in part. They believe that were these wards not confined to the limits of the state boundaries the ends of justice would be as fully subserved as now; that in line with the policy of release from the prison walls it would still further exemplify the principle of prison reform; and that it would tend to elevate the manhood of the men as well as to relieve them of the embarrassment of notoriety. We believe further that such action would be in the interests of all the people and that it would be heartily approved by at least nine tenths of the people.

Mr. O. Toole
E. J. Goff
W. R. Cahill
W. P. Bardish
Chas. Amundt
Bevnt Fischer
J. A. Price
W. S. Burrell
J. J. Cahill
W. M. Finnell
J. J. Davidson
Ed. Davidson
Oliver Lombard
W. Schromski
John Gleason,
Chris Krueger
Anton Munn
Jost Harrington
James Carmody
H. Schwoeber.
E. Gayer
J. J. Davidson
Willie Coughlin
H. D. Cameron
J. F. Hunk
J. M. Byron
Jas Justice
Geo Justice
M. W. Keeley

Pat Campion
Robert Crystal
Mike Betheran
Jas Sullivan
Laur Bunn
Jim Sullivan
H. Slider
H. Hilday
A. A. Bauer
J. Shepherd
H. Smith
Wm Stork
J. B. Secor
Charles Williston
E. L. Wilkins
S. H. Douglas
G. A. Giesmer

F. Rich
J. J. Hogan
W. H. Devereaux
Edw. Suberg
E. J. Connors
John Glynn
James McBride
John Finley Jr
John Finley Sr
Wm Finley
Le H. Koppfen
Matt McBride
Ch. H. H. H.
M. L. Vaughan
Patrick Hogan
Martha Joyce
John E. Laganan
C. P. Wilson
J. L. Laid

Orinus Glyn
A D Sucke

E L S. S. S.

P. L. Schramm

W Maloney

John Justice

R. Guert

Henry Guert

John Laake

Wm. Sacke

Martin Sexton

A. Lane

Arthur Sarabee

W E Keegan

John Morgan

John Janke

John Miller

Leok Hentelman

~~J O Whitney~~

John Goff

Robt. A. Noble

L. A. Brown

R. B. Johnson

Jud. M. Merrill

Edward Hayden

Thos. Justice

John Cahill

R. L. H. Britton

Wm. Glyn

Emil Looney

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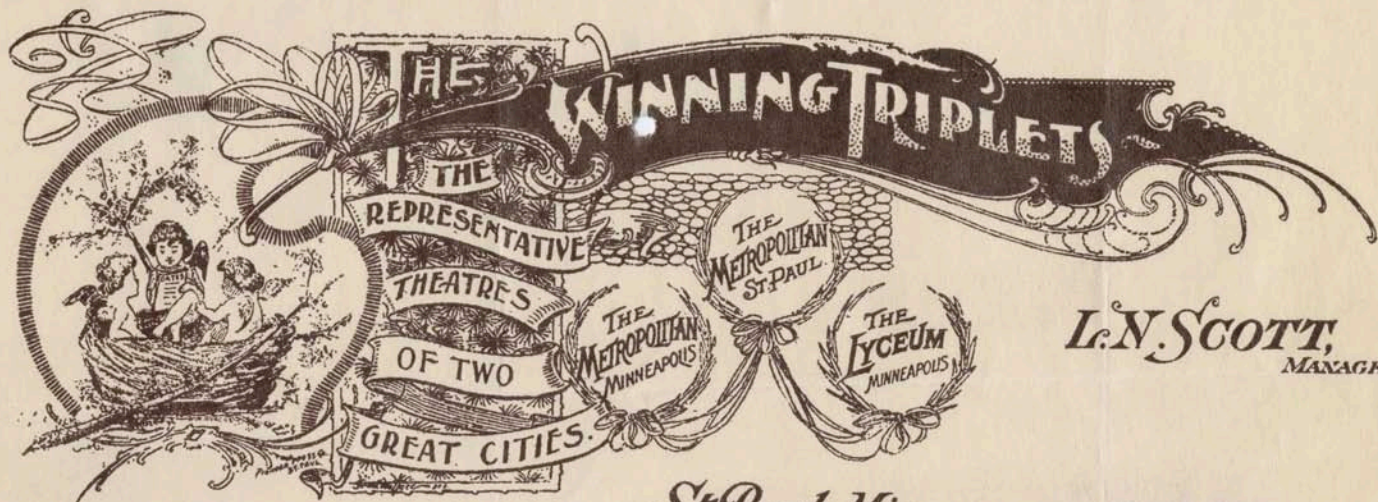
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Jan 9, 02

Gov. Van Santz

Please do all you
can to allow the younger
brothers to return to their
home state. That is the
overwhelming sentiment
of the people here.

W M Fuller



L. N. SCOTT,
MANAGER.

St. Paul, Minn. Jan 9th, 1902

State Board of pardons,

State Capitol, City.

Gentlemen:-

I see the Younger Brothers are asking for a full pardon and that the matter comes up before your Board Monday next; I would be much pleased to hear that you have given them full pardon.

Yours truly,

L. N. Scott

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CONNECTIONS.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 9th.- 190 2.

To the Hon. Board of Pardons, State of Minnesota,
State Capital,
St. Paul,

Gentlemen:-

Being informed that Cole and James Younger are applying for a full pardon, I am pleased to inform you that I have met both the applicants, and have found them good, sensible men, and I, as a great many others, believe that they have by their long confinement in prison, paid the penalty for their crime, would respectfully ask that they be given their full citizenship.

Respectfully Yours,

Patrick J. Kavanagh

St. Paul, Minn.

Jan 9, 1902

To the Hon Board of Pardons: -

Having noted by the daily press that the Younger brothers have applied for a full pardon, I wish to personally request that the same be granted, fully believing that my sentiments in this regard are those of the general public as they certainly those of immediate acquaintance.

Yours Respectfully

John J. Plant M.D.

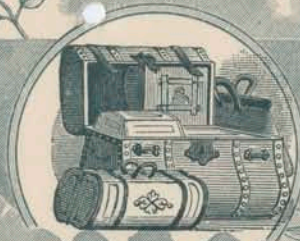
490 Endicott Arcade
St. Paul, Minn.



J. M. BACH & BRO.

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365 JACKSON STREET, COR. FIFTH.

St. Paul, Minn., *Jan'y 9th* 1902

Gov. S. R. Van Sant,
St. Paul, Minn.

Sir:-

With reference to a full and complete pardon for the Younger Bros, - permit me to express myself in favor of granting them the liberty of spending the rest of their natural life in whatever State they may want to. I have had considerable dealings with them in a business way, and consider them honest and upright, with firm intentions of leading a straight life. It is but natural that they have a longing to spend their remaining days among relatives and friends. I sincerely hope you will consider their petition favorably.

Respectfully,

J. M. Bach & Bro
By J. M. Bach

Dr. F. H. Mero,

DENTIST.

Little Falls, Minn., Jan 9- [1902?]
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For Van Sant:-

Do all you can to pardon
the Youngers - The ends of justice
have been fulfilled.

Yours.

F. H. Mero.

-OFFICE OF-
N. W. CHANCE, H. O.,
CITY PHYSICIAN.

Little Falls, Minn., *July 9* 190*2*


The Honorable Board of Cordon
Grants

I would like very
much to see The Younger's
Brackets Pardonment I assure
you it is the sentiment of
Every Citizen in Little Falls
Respect yours

John A. Kennedy

Wetzel's Pharmacies,

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M. V. WETZEL, PROP. 

Little Falls, Minn.,

Jan 9 1902

Gov. A. R. Van Sant
St Paul Minn
Dear Sir

We understand that
the younger boys are seeking a
pardon, please use your influence
for them when it comes up
before the pardoning board
Yours very truly
M. V. Wetzel

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Jan 9/02

Gov. Van Sant

Dear Sir. Please use every effort
to give the Younger Brothers a
full pardon that they may be
able to go home. It is the earnest
wishes of many of our citizens

Yours Truly

x yours Truly

x yours Truly

x yours Truly

x yours Truly

x yours Truly

x yours Truly

Little Falls, Minn.

Jan. 9th 02.

Hon. Board of Pardons,

Saint Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen:--

I understand that an effort is being made to get a full pardon for the Younger Brothers. I believe that their punishment has already fully satisfied the claim of justice, and I would respectfully urge your favorable action in their behalf.

Your obedient servant

C. W. Buckman

NICHOLS LUMBER CO.

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LITTLE FALLS, MINN., Jan 9th 190ⁿ

Gav J. R. Van Sant

St Paul Minn

Dear Sir

As the Younger Bros
are desirous of returning to their old
Home to spend the remainder of their
days. I hope you will use your
influence with the Board of pardon to
grant them full pardon and let them
return to their Home and friends. As
we feel that this is no more than justice
and will please the majority of the people
of Minnesota.

Yours Truly
J. A. Nichols

OFFICE OF
DR. L. M. ROBERTS,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Jan 9 1902

Governor Vandant

Dear Sir

In my opinion would
be only just and wise to
release parole of Younger
brothers intirely

Sincerely yours
L. M. Roberts M.D.

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Little Falls 1-9-1902

Hon S. R. Van Sant,

A Pardon to the younger
boys to allow them to return
to their home in Missouri
would please the people of this
city and vicinity.

N. C. Stewart

City Editor

Daily Transcript.

Minneapolis, Minn., January 11, 1902.

R R Transfer Co

To the Honorable Board of pardons
of the State of Minnesota.

gentlemen,-

We, the undersigned, do respectfully petition your
Honorable Body that a full, complete and unconditional pardon be
granted to Cole Younger and James Younger.

Yours very truly,

J. F. Doan
 J. D. Myers
 J. H. Muller
 S. L. Poole
 J. E. Lavelle,
 Antiranahaw
 H. L. Ellis
 J. W. Whitsett
 William Sealey
 M. J. Brock
 Wm D Gammon
 R. L. Tutill
 Chas Prout
 H. F. Mc Cardill
 Geo Donnelly
 J. J. Trueth
 Wm Gleason
 F. Warhol

A. Skinner
 W. A. West
 G. D. Watson
 W. A. Carey
 W. A. Miller
 J. H. Burns
 Geo. Simpson
 O. D. Trueth
 H. F. Hansen
 G. Anderson
 James Stewart
 John A. Delin
 W. Campbell
 O. O'Brien
 M. J. Donohoe
 Michael Healey
 M. J. Perry
 Thos. Healey
 Pat Ryan
 Wm Bouck
 J. Holm
 H. H. Turner.

G. Kavaueo

Frederic Simus

Peter Iversen

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L. J. Paul

W. Z. Kirby

Chas. Lindell

W. D. Whitson

Chas. Hoyt

V. Fernstrom

D. Hesse

A. Edman

Gym. G. Wargan

Paleas Department Minneapolis

Minneapolis, Minn., January 11, 1902.

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF PARDONS:-

We, the undersigned, do respectfully petition your Honorable Body to grant full pardon to Cole and James Younger, who are now on parole.

We believe the ends of justice have been fully subserved and their exemplary conduct while under duress and since their release shows that they are worthy to again become free citizens:

John - A. Proctor
A. C. Hartung
Lauris Hansen
John E. Witticus
James Mc Donnell
And Nelson
D J Daly
Thos Slette
M. Siverling
Paul P. Hass
S. S. Peterson
Thomas Knutson
John Starbo
O A Holmes
E J Hall
J E Hefferin
A. P. Johnson
W J Johnson
Charles H Brown

R. L. Hillier
Thomas & Russell

E. E. Kerr
Geo. W. Hamilton
L. B. Kneeland
J. W. Powers
A. A. Bucke
H. Postel

Martin Binsberg
John Fern
Sam. S. Olson
J. T. Gannon

L. R. Gorman
Joseph. Kolantersky
Frank Zaluskay

W. W. Basworth
H. W. Armstrong
Wick Mauren
E. S. Chamberlain
H. Michaud
Peter Laalle

J. Van Rieckley
J. M. Gibbs
P. P. Ring
D. Keliker
P. J. Ouelley
J. A. ...
Iver Tolleson

John Knight
Joseph Rhoades
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John Maloney
James Mc Elligott
George Riviere
John Long
Geo. W. Kellogg

M. P. Kennedy
Jas. B. Pindell
Sarah B. Schaeffer
Beck C. Hill
Chris Flaming
W. J. Lyburn

W. J. Ford
Joseph Schutter
Geo. Williams
Otto Wirtensahn

Edwin M. Connor
Geo. E. M. Whistler
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F. Ferris
Amos Provost
J. C. Baily
M. F. Gwin

W. H. Bunting
Theo & Price
~~W. H. Bunting~~
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E. W. Dudley
A. Lyaid
Thomas Gallagher
Andrew Framing
Wm. Smith
Fred Carter

L. L. Thompson

A. L. Anderson.

A. Lincoln Bean

Henry Thompson

J. L. Chestnut

Leroy Harrell

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James Byanson

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Minneapolis, Minn. Jan. 11, 1902

Honorable Board of Pardons of the State of Minn.
Stillwater, Minn.

Gentlemen:

As one of the managers of the Minn. State Prison for several years, during the confinement of Cole and Jim Younger, I wish to recommend their pardon. It seems to me that justice has been fully done by the time these men have served in prison and their unqualified good conduct entitles them to a pardon as soon as your Board can consistently grant it.

Hoping that you can see your way clear to grant their pardon at your next meeting, I am,

Yours truly,

B. F. Nelson

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OFFICE OF
COUNTY ATTORNEY, HENNEPIN COUNTY,
COURT HOUSE.

FRED H. BOARDMAN, COUNTY ATTORNEY.
AL. J. SMITH, ASSISTANT.
C. L. SMITH, "
W. C. LEARY, "
WIRT WILSON, "

Aug 11 1902

Hon J R Van Sant

Dear Chairman

I understand
the question of absolute pardon of
the Younger Bros is to come up
before the pardoning board Monday
next. I hope you will pardon
them. If I was one of you I
should certainly vote for it.

Respectfully

F H Boardman