

Portage Utah

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to His Excellency Governor Charles  
W. Mahey and the honorable  
members of the State Board  
of Pardons of the state of  
Utah in regards to Mr  
George Gardner, which is a  
brother of mine I would  
like to state a few of the  
facts concerning his past  
life our poor mother was  
left with eight little ones  
to support and she was  
very poor as her health was  
poor and she had to scrub  
and wash to support her  
family motherly little George  
being the baby was neglected  
very much when just a

a small child he had  
scarlet fever which  
affected his spine and his  
brain as it left him mentally  
unbalanced and crippled him  
for life my poor mother went  
to her grave worrying about  
his brain being affected  
to the extent of making him  
insane at the least pronounced  
he was always humored by  
every body as we realized he  
couldn't be opposed in the  
slightest manner and the little  
boys used to tease him and  
jest to use their own little  
words to make George go  
crazy was real sport to them