

TO HIS EXCELIENCY GOVERNOR CHARLES R. MAREY 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 her health being poor and having to scrub and wash to  
support her family , naturely little George, being the baby  
was neglected very much.

When just a small child he had scarlet fever which affected  
his spine and his brain, as it left him mentally unbalanced  
and crippled 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 provocation. I am convènced the  
tradgety was the outcome of the deseased mine which the scarlet  
fever was +responsible for.

George was always humored by everybody as we realized he couldn't  
be opposed in the slightest manner . When a little child  
little boys used to tease him and to use their own little  
words was "To make George go crazy ", which was real sport  
for them.

He was always a very hardworking and honest boy and all the  
people had sympathy for him in Mendon.

I do sincerely wish you could give him a chance as I know  
from his past life when upset or excited he was insane and  
I hope and pray you will fully appeeciate his said condition  
of mind and give him justice by giving him a chance, I am

Respectfully

*May Wheeler*