

\* will listen to the promptings of  
mercy as well as justice in  
this case, for the sake of those  
of his household who are the  
innocent sufferers - and  
also wishing you the seasons  
greetings I am  
Your friend and staunch  
supporter

Will L. Hoags.

Pleasant Grove Dec. 15-24

Governor Chas. R. Mabey.

Salt Lake City.

My  
Dear Governor:-

As much as the last meeting  
of the Board of Pardon will soon  
meet for the last time in 1904  
I am taking the liberty to write  
you in behalf of my old friend  
S. W. Ross who has been confined  
at the State institution for some  
time. When he made his applica-