

Conduct indicated his innocence - the Governor, upon the personal vouching of Mr. Mason, together with the confirmatory proofs filed in the case, granted a pardon, which he considered an act of justice and not of clemency. His confidence in the honor of the Council, can not permit him to question or doubt the entire correctness of the statements made, apart from the strong corroborative evidence filed in the case.

The pardon of Fleming was recommended by the following persons, citizens of Baltimore: Charles F. Bond, J. Wesley Watkins, Wm. Parker Whyte, O. F. Mack, W. Nickman, David Stewart, Ben. W. Cole, Patrick Kelly, Chas. Woodward, S. S. Norwood, Wm. E. Beale, John Hayes, C. J. M. Grimm, J. J. Turner, Walter C. Hayes, Geo. Reilly, H. D. Daniels, Jr., William Clapett, Wm. W. Harris, John Morris, Levin D. Drummond, Patrick Collins, Hugh McCall, Bernard Donnelly, W. S. McCullough, James J. Kim, Richard Crawford, Robert Kim, Smith Hempsey, B. R. Meredith, Walter P. Hunter, Thomas Hall, George W. Henry, Wm. Williams, Henry Gatto, James C. Pinder, M. J. Cohen, Chas. McComas, Patrick Cahidy, Thomas Roberts, W. C. Carpenter, Joshua Vassant, Wm. H. Cole Jr., James Cahidy, Cornelius Queen, Charles P. Ray, Robert Wilson, Wm. H. Baldwin, John Moran, John Andrews, Charles Soran, James H. Benson, James Kim, Jacob Taylor, Patrick Hoyle, Christian Wolf, Patrick Fleming, Louis Swaney, J. J. Laws, Francis Gallagher, R. B. Meredith, James N. Roberts, Wm. Thomas Hall, Henry B. Broadus, Thomas Chell, Charles B. Kent.

These gentlemen recommended the pardon upon the ground of their belief in the boy's innocence.

The Gov.
to S. Seagrave
in relation
to James
prohibition
of military
all nations
& also to
his app't.
of Com.

Executive Department
Annapolis Md
July 12th 1853

Richard Seagrave Esquire

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, which reached me only yesterday. I have written to one of the largest manufacturing houses of Barnes & Co. in the City of Baltimore, to ascertain from them what would be the cost, and by what time they could make a banner four feet by three employed with the arms of the State &c, and have