

To His Excellency P. Frances Thomas Governour
of Maryland

The undersigned Citizens
of Baltimore, beg leave most respectfully to recommend
to your Excellency's most merciful consideration the
application for the pardon of M^{rs} Anne Matthews
who has just been convicted upon a charge of in-
sulting a slave to run away from her master.
The prisoner is a lone woman far advanced in
life and her incarceration in prison would be an
act of great hardship if not barbarism. A pardon
in such a case would indeed be an act of mercy
the propriety of which would hardly be called in question.

We therefore hope that your Excellency
may grant unto this aged woman the benefit
of the exercise of the merciful prerogative with
which the Law has clothed you and restore her to
an only daughter who is sorely afflicted by this
sudden stroke of misfortune

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