

State of South Carolina }
Lexington District

To His Excellency A. G. Magrath, Governor
of the said State

The humble Petition of the undersigned citizens of
the District aforesaid respectfully shews that Martin Grant
of said District, has been ordered into the military service
as one of the Militia, and is attached to Capt. Steedman's
Company, 15th Regt. S. C. Mil. That he is fifty six years
of age, and a blacksmith by trade - That his services
to the Community in which he resides cannot
be dispensed with, without serious detriment,
there being no other blacksmiths within many
miles of his shop, and owing to the great scar-
city of mechanics of that trade, it will
be impossible for the poorer classes to
have their work done without their
his charges are uniformly moderate and
in many instances, altogether gra-
tuitous, especially to soldiers fami-
lies, and other indigent persons,

is a poor man, and has no means of support for himself and family except his labour, and his family consists of a wife and four children, three daughters and a son nine years old, who is now crippled. He is a good citizen and a faithful mechanic, and the Community will ~~lose~~ sustain much loss if ~~being~~ deprived of his service.

You Petitioners therefore pray that the said Master Justice be detailed as a Blacksmith in Lexington District and your Petitioners will ever pray for the success of your undertaking.

J. W. Thurman
 Wm Halloran
 Bazel Hartley
 H. R. Holloway
 Jas. H. Hogg
 M. J. Beatty
 Levi Hartley
 John Baxter
 William Williams

Mrs. Francis Wooten
 Mrs. E. M. Carder
 Mrs. W. W. Proter
 Mrs. J. B. Hallaw
 Mrs. Jane Reynolds
 Mrs. Helen Foster
 Mrs. Andrew Shealy
 Mrs. Henry Kincaid
 Mrs. Thos. Beatty
 Mrs. Thos. Quatrone

Mrs Martin Gunter: Address
Lenoirville P.O.
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appeared, ~~Wicks~~ ~~Colum~~ ~~John~~ ~~Centerfit~~ and Bazil Hartley
two respectable citizens worthy of credit, who being
sworn by that they are cognizant of the
facts stated in the foregoing Petition and that the
same are true } Wicks-Columbus
I sworn to and subscribed this } John Centerfit
5th day of February 1865 } Bazil Hartley
W. C. Sawyer S. P.
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