

This is to certify that we, the undersigned prisoners of the Penitentiary have undergone a material change, in our minds & feelings, respecting Slavery, & the act which brought us to this place.

Although we cannot feel that Slavery is right, yet we do feel that much of our effort to do it away, has been a "Zeal, not according to knowledge"; & can now exercise a charity for Slaveholders, which we did not before possess.

As to the act, we did, we feel that it was a wild, imprudent, fanatical step - being ignorant of the laws of the State, & the results, which would follow such a course. We have repeatedly said, we should not do so again; & feel, that it would be very wrong, if set at liberty, to repeat the act - should opportunity offer - & we pledge ourselves, if liberated, never to enter the State again, for any such purpose. Further, we will endeavor to prevent others from doing the like.

Can more, than the above, be reasonably required of us?

Geo. Thompson.
James E. Burr.

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