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Requests that passport be  
granted Wm. A. Gamble to  
proceed to Nashville with a  
lunatic boy by the name of  
Jas H Johnson.

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Genl Thomas  
Camp Army of the  
Cumberland  
Chattanooga Tenn.

Dear Sir - Mrs Hannah of Meigs  
County formerly Mrs Johnson, has a son about  
sixteen or seventeen years old by the name of  
James R Johnson, who is desperately deranged  
as I am advised by his physician G B Thompson  
and also by some of his neighbors. He is said  
to be wholly incapable of taking care of himself  
and he is represented to be dangerous to the  
balance of the family and to the community.  
The mother of the boy has no suitable person to control  
the insane one - and she is very anxious to send  
him to the Lunatic asylum at Nashville.  
William A Gamble of Meigs County has consented  
to take the insane boy to Nashville if he can get  
a passport to do so - I know Mr Gamble well and  
know him to be loyal to the Government of the United  
States. If you deem it a proper case to Grant a pas-  
sport to Gamble & the insane boy to go to Nashville and  
for Gamble to return please do so - and send the same  
to me. I will be very grateful.  
Respectfully Yours  
J. W. Gant.