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October 23/1864

Office Probst Marshal,

Pulaski, Tenn.,

Octo 25<sup>th</sup>

1864.

Dear Father

I received your letter of the 21<sup>st</sup> last night on my return from Nashville I went there on Friday with a Prisoner and did not return until Monday evening - I saw Maj J. R. Brans and John then they were on their way home on Sunday I went to the 2<sup>nd</sup> church and heard two of the best sermons I have heard for over a year in fact the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian sermon I have heard since I left home. I do not know his name - I sent letter to Geyin on this morning and also sent him 3/ I can send him any amount he may need now he did not write for it but I thought he might want it and I would send him some. I make considerable money here doing writing for

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John Ritchie and I think he did not  
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about it I heard this after he had gone  
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would see him and synce it up  
that Regiment has moved to Louisville  
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will soon get together or else he will  
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he would stay with Doc.

I am sorry Doc is going to leave  
our Regt but I want to see every one  
as the best he can - I understand  
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of a Drafted Regiment if so I wish  
you would see him he can give  
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wishes - I can get good recommendations  
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Yours aff ever

James B. Safford

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Your Off son

James B. Safford