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Jeremiah Gage to Mary M. Sanders (31 March 1863)

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soon as any other should be thus
gratified, of course, I wish write
to you, not only "occasionally," but as
often as circumstances will permit
And Cousin Sammie now shows
you my letters. So far as I am
concerned you have my consent to
see them all. If there is any thing
in my letters that I think would
interest you I always send it
as a message, and Cousin Sammie
takes it for granted very properly
that what ever else I might wish
would not interest you and he
doesn't show it. Well, let me
tell you about my prospects now.
In the course of two weeks we will
have an election for 3rd Se^r. I am
a candidate - how the thing will go
it is difficult to say. I rather be-
lieve my prospects kinder gloomy.
If I am defeated I shall have

The consolation of knowing that I re-
ceive the support of the best and
most intelligent portion of the cor-
ps. Then the Adjutant of our
Regiment has been promoted as In-
spector General with the rank of
Captain on Genl. Davis' Staff. This
leaves the Adjutancy vacant, and
I have already been solicited
by quite a number of the officers
in the Regiment to make applica-
tion for the position. They volunta-
rily offer me their most cordial
recommendation, I am expecting
to go back every day - at any rate
I am going to make this applica-
tion as soon as Holliday our pres-
ent Adjutant enters upon his
duty as Inspector General. Of Genl.
Davis' Brigade, I know rather than
the Adjutancy than any other po-
sition in the Regiment. I would

Have the Rank of 1st Lt - draw
\$100.00 dollars per month, and have
a horse to ride, If I can get
this I will be satisfied, but un-
less I make a rise in some way
I am going to get out of this
place, I am tired playing Pri-
vate - it wont pay, so a man can
wear good clothes, and have
a little money in his pocket;
My "flank" is entirely too light
to suit me, and I havent got
any fine clothes either,
I dislike to hear you speak so dis-
couragingly about our matters in
Miss. I have no idea the Yankees
will we get Vicksburg or go down the
Gulf River, I am much love to all
and talk a great deal to Ada &
dear little Octavia about me, I received
the papers you sent me, If Cousin
Fannie is married while Ab- War-