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Headquarters Provost Marshal's Office,

Washington, D. C., Nov 10 1862.

Isaac Brawnin

is directed
to proceed to City Jail
and obtain the copies
of Sandy and Rachel
Sutherland peaceably if
he can forcibly if he
must, and deliver them
over to both to Mr. Nichols
Supt. of the Contraband
Quarters

W. E. Bostwick,
Provost Marshal.

Washington D. C. Nov 11th 1862

Proceeded last Night Nov 10th 12. o'clock, p.
To City Jail, With 9 men, 1 corporal, and
one Sergeant, entered the Jail yard
gained admittance to the Jail and
demanded the Books of the Within
named Colored Persons. Was told By
the Parties in command of the Jail
that they would not deliver them up,
and that if I took them it must be
By Force. I then took the Guard in the Jail
and assured the Persons in command of
the Jail that I should take them and
use all the Force necessary for the
Carrying out of my orders. When the Parties
at the Jail concluded to give them up
under Protest. they then made a copy
of the Within order, and having secured
the Within named colored Persons, I took
them to the Contraband Quarters and
gave them in charge of the Noncommissioned
Officer acting in command at that Place

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Lieut. Co B 10th N. Y. Vols