

To John Hambright, Esq.

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St[.] Louis

Nov[.] 9th 1864

John Hambright Esq.

Dear Sir

Your favor of 24th ult came to hand and right glad were we all to hear that you and all the family were well. We are all well at present and getting along as well as we can[.] I have seen your friend Ray[.] he is in the Liquor business and has a partner[.] I wrote you the name and sent you his card more than a year ago[.] he told me then of having given your measure for some clothes but the tailor lost [*text stricken through*] it or something of that kind[.] I wrote you all about it at the time. I hope you and all will keep well and safe. My advise would be for you to sell all your surplus stock &c and get you and family to some safe place[.] our troubles are not over by a long ways. You have our thoughts and we speak of you and family often[.] I have written most of our acquaintance but cant hear anything since the late raids[.] All acquaintance and friends are well here and a great many have been here and are now back. Where is Dow B[?] Write soon[.] Give our kind regards to all[.]

J[.] [MS. illegible]