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Letter from Thomas S. Armstrong to Jacob G. Armstrong

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
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Winchester Va.

Jan. 23rd 1863

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So says Jeff Davis
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Mr Jacob L. Armstrong
Norwich
Muskingum County Ohio



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