

SEP 30

Mrs S. M. Westfield
at Northbrook

His Excellency, Hon. Reynolds
Jefferson City
Missouri

Post Mark
at Northbrook

1872

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Newark N.J. Sept 6th 1842

His Excellency Tho Reynolds
Sir

Yours of the 30th ult for Mr
Fads came duly to hand last night & I am
sorry to say that the letter was not handed
me until Mr Fads was on his return to New
Haven I do not know that I could have
been of any material service to him, for these
rnegades look upon me with suspicion

Nothing short of a reward or a regiment
of Militia will get him from his hiding place
A reward will, I think make or find a Judas
among them, They laugh at the idea of his
being removed by a hundred men, in short they
say that "Brother Joseph" shall never be taken to
Missouri. Our Sheriff is on the alert but I do
not think ^{he} will see his appearance, soon,
again on our side of the River. He was in our town
about two weeks ago late at night. I do most sincerely
hope that you will be the means of bringing this rnegade
to justice, I am as well satisfied, as is this whole
community, that Rick will, by the order of Smith, be the
person that attempted the assassination of Boygs as
I am that there is such a place as Paris

You have not much to expect from Gov. Carlin, he
is about half Mormon himself or at least appears
so from his Sycophanacy, when he meets those Smiths

Should Smith make his appearance again in our
town he will be arrested, and every thing I in readiness
to carry him across the Wisconsin River & in the
mean time should any thing occur that would be impor-
tant to be known by you I will advise you of it immedi-
ately, Be good enough to command me at all times

Respectfully Yours Obedt Servt
J. J. Smith