

Richard Smith
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My dear Mr Barrett,

I wrote you on Monday last with reference to Ky. affairs, thinking it might be important to have the President advised of the situation. I now enclose two letters I received from Dr Stanton of Danville (one of the professors in Danville Seminary, with Dr. Breckinridge) a true man, giving the inside history of the Brantlette Rebellion. The President ought to read these letters. They look long, but if you Commence them you will be sure to go through with them. I expect to go to Washington the latter part of the week, but as I hear Brantlette has gone on, I thought it important this inside history should be

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