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M^r Drs. 3rd Brigade
Ranocok's Division
Bolivar Heights Va
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Brij. Genl. C. A. Arthur
General:

An order has just been promulgated here from the War Dept. authorizing regular Army officers to come into Volunteer regiments and ^{enlist} recruit our men into the regular service. The Colonels are powerless to prevent this most damnable outrage but I hope you will use your influence with Govr. Morgan to have him protest against the order & demand its annulment. — We make regts. a credit to the state & these worthless drones appointed into the ^{regulars} new regts take our good men & we must take Conscripts to fill their places. — The regulars who have never won a fight in this war are to be "boosted" by our efforts. Act for God's sake to stop it!

Yours

J. K. Foot
col 1st Artillery

Head Quarters 3rd Brigade
Hancock Division
Polina Heights
Oct. 19th 1862.

Col. J. W. Fook -
