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Susquehanna Ford Co. Ark
August 30th 1874

To his Excellency Elisha Baxter
Little Rock Ark

Dear Sir

I wrote you
some time since in regard
to offering a reward for one
James H Stage of this county who
murdered a boy by the name of
Andrew Jackson and I see
no reward has been offered
when I was at Little Rock about
a month ago I asked you about
offering a reward & you said you
would attend to it but I
suppose owing to the general polit-
ical excitement prevailing at Little
Rock that it has probably slipped
your mind. Enclosed I hand
you a description of said James H
Jackson for fear the one I sent you
may be misplaced.

The people of this county unanimously
desire that you offer a reward for
Stage as he has left the county
& it is thought he can be found
& there is parties ready & willing to
pursue him but are waiting for a
reward. Andrew Jackson who
Stage killed was just a boy about 17 years

old + Stage that have from the
Bush. I hope you will attend
to the matter immediately as
the people are looking to me, to
attend to it + are continually
looking for the reward to be offered
Yours Respectfully
John McWhirter
Sheriff Ford Co

P.S
Our county is
all O.K for Baxter
for Governor our
convention yesterday
Instructed for you

Yours faithfully

~~No reward~~
~~offered~~
John McWhirter

Asking to have
a reward offered
for James H.
Stage

Reward offered
Sept 20/74.

Recd. E.A. on Sept 24/74