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Central College,

Fayette, Mo

Jan 1st 1862.

Wm J. Holt.

Dear Sir.

Allow me in view
of the pleasant relations and recollections
of other years and the confidence I
have in your high regard for justice
right and humanity, to invoke your
aid in a matter which I will
briefly present. Rev. David Fisher
residing in this neighborhood a minister
of the M. E. Church, South was some
months ago arrested by the Military
as were nearly all of our ministers.
He was required to take the military
oath and give heavy bond. Since
that time he has been one of
our most quiet citizens, keeping himself
studiously on his farm, avoiding