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OFFICE OF POST QUARTER MASTER. FORT DODGE, KANSAS.
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Governor--

I wrote you some days since in regard to the prosecution commenced against Col. R. I. Dodge caused by the action taken by him in the Taylor murder at Dodge City last summer-

Will you please inform me whether you can and if so will take any action to prevent judgement being against Gol. Dodge--

I understood at the time that Col. D-- was acting on instructions received from you and therefore presume his actions in the matter was not in violation of law--

Col. D- is in Arizona and unless some defence is made judgement
will be given against him-- Please let me hear from you on the subject-Resp-Your Observt-

E. B. Kirk

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Hon. Thomas A. Osborn

Governor of Kansas

Topeka, K.S.