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Head Quarters, U S Forces  
Columbia Tenn, July 17. 1864.

General,

Mr Charles Russell who has been acting as Guide and Scout for my command visits Nashville for the purpose of informing you of conduct of Quartermasters at Nashville. He will give you his own experience and other facts he has obtained -

About a week since Miss Gordon of Columbia presented a Voucher to Quartermaster payment of which was declined, whereupon a clerk by the name of Minchin advised her that if she would take it to a certain Wood contractor whose name I have been unable to obtain, he would cash it at 6 per cent discount - This was done upon giving Minchin as reference, tho' 10 per cent was demanded giving the appearance of collusion - Mr Russell will also advise you of pilfering by Train guard and employees -

Major Genl S D Rousseau  
Nashville

Very Respectfully  
Oliver W. Prigler  
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