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Fort Mifflin S.C.
June 17 1762.

rather enclosed, find a bearing
draft, no 280. dated Hilton Head
June 10. 1762 for \$500 - which please
pay to the order of Kate - as it will not
be, perhaps safe for her to have so
much cash about, you had better
put it in some safe place - I
will send another draft for \$500
4000 in July - Please acknowledge
the receipt of this draft - I have not
your receipt for the last draft I
sent you - one of \$300, mailed in
April - I presume that it came to
hand, because it is one of your recent
letters, you speak of having sent
a receipt for a draft - which I hope
was for the \$300 -

Most of our forces
are on James Island, operating
against Charleston - about 14 miles
from here I have command of

The garrison on this Island, & I suppose that my command will remain until the preparations are all made for the final attack on Charleston. In our situation here the greatest vigilance is required. The enemy will probably attack us, in the hope of making a diversion in the movement against Charleston. I shall defend the Island to the last extremity.

The health of my command, especially of my own Regiment, is very good. I have but few cases of sickness in that Regiment. I have of a mild character - I enjoy the best of health. This climate agrees with me much better than I could have imagined.

The progress of the operations against Charleston, is necessarily not the most rapid. We hope that it will soon come right. More troops should be here.

I wish that you would send me the former direction

repaid under the act of Assembly
for the back pay &c - I should
like to send you a power of attorney
to collect the money - get it in
make, if possible, & send on immu-
diately. Our postal arrangements
here are very imperfect, but I hope
that the papers will come to
hand someday -

I should like to
hear from Alice & Harry. I
trust that they are doing well.
& hope that the grain operations
may result so that you will be saved
from any sacrifice -

How is George Coffey
getting? Will he recover entirely
from his attack?

Give my love to
Mother; & my regards to my friends
& acquaintances, Dr. Stewart, Banks,
&c &c

Yours
P. White.

P. White

26th July 1862

Dear Mother
I received your kind letter
of the 15th and was glad
to hear from you. I am
well at present and hope
these few lines will find
you the same. I have not
much news to write at
present. I am still in
the hospital and have
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to go out. I am
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and hope to be home
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