

1st Co Light Artillery,
James Island October 16. 1863

I am this evening, my darling,
in receipt of your kind note of
yesterday, and am happy to think
that you are quite well again,
and that amid the many en-
gagements which are claiming
your attention, you still find
leisure for the completion of your
beautiful "Aurora." All success.
I am very anxious to see it,
and with every touch of your
brush, remember that I am near
you, and whispering for you
every good wish. I regret to
learn that Berriew has pursued
such a course, but I hope upon
proper explanation submitted by
him of the motives which in-

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desired himself to leave the Institution ^{institutions} because that the Faculty will not refuse to re-admit him. But there is no question of the fact, that he has acted improperly. After the efforts used to secure him this desirable situation, I had hoped that he would have devoted his every energy faithfully to improving the advantages offered. - The great trouble now is that we have been heretofore left too much to pursue his own inclinations.

Now at length comes a letter from the Engobroos, which I enclose, and I am happy to know that our minds are reconciled on this subject. The Engobroos have placed me under an unexpected obligation - one

which we must appreciate the more, because under the circumstances we could have no claim upon their attention. I hope there for my Darling, that the Card will very shortly reach you. -

I send also a letter from my dear Aunt Susan, whom I know dearest, you will love very sincerely, and who will at once describe you to her warm, noble, motherly affection. Next to my own Parents I have held her in the most cherished affection, and she has been almost a mother to me. She is the only Sister of my beloved and honored Father. - Nothing but Cousin Laura's indisposition prevents her from being with us on the 28th. A letter from Cousin Mary

Roberts, and one from Phil, I
also enclose. I send these be-
lieving because they allude to
our marriage, and it may be
pleasur to you to know that
they respect for us every way
friends. - Mother writes that she
would be in December on the
14th Inst, bringing with her
two servants, and that she
would in person superintend
the removal of our furniture,
and the preparation of our
new home. Is she not kind,
then to favor us with her
personal presence and attention?
I received also this evening a
letter from Mr Ward dated 20th
Aug 19. - He writes that he will
be at home on the 15th of
November next. I hope he may

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but under present circumstances
it seems very problematical whether
we shall be able to compass
his purpose, so closely are our
forts blockaded.

The Review today was a very
fine one, and Genl Beauregard
expressed himself very much pleas-
ed with it. - He, Genl Col-
quhoun, ~~Genl~~ Pierre Soule and
some dozen other Officers dined
with us - quite a military
party.

Genl Whitehead has just have
sent me a pair of white kid
Gloves, the only pair he could
find in the City. They appear
to be entirely too small, but it
is the only apparent chance,
I will never to try the benefit

of a stretch, and make these
answers if practicable. I wish
if I could darling to obtain
a leave of absence commencing
on Sunday the 24th. If I suc-
ceed, I will spend a day in
Barnstable D.V., see that every
thing is ready for my Evng.
and come up to August 1st on
the Tuesday following. Now I
wish I could contemplate the in-
utterable pleasure and privilege of
our my days being with and
near my own precious darling. -
But such are the uncertainties
of this wretched period, that we
can calculate with but little
certainty with reference to the
future, so long as the war
lasts. But Evng. where ever we
may be, whatever may chance,

by God's blessing, our hearts can
never be separated, our love will
always be perfect. - You are my
own Evng. and I am entirely
yours own C. and we will
love each other with an entire
devotion at all times and under
every Circumstance, so long as
Heaven graciously blesses our lives.

I have not heard from the Bibles
of yet. He ought to reply in
at least a day or two. -

I know my darling that you
must be very busy, but do not
let those engagements prevent you
from, as often as you can, see-
ding at least a line of love
to

Yours own

Miss Erat's Ev

August 1st 1862.

Love to Cousin Philo.

C.

over,

Praying you will please ask
Edgeworth to collect the ex-
-cises for me from Mr Fargo,
and when collected, do keep
the amount for me until
we meet.

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