10 A.M.
Hilton Head, S.C. August 5th 1862

Friend Harris

Your letter dated July 31st I received Yesterday I was Verry Glad to hear from You and to hear that You Was Well and Enjoying Good health. Beeman & Reynolds have Just been before the board and been Examined they are both Going home on the Arago which is to Sail on Thursday Doct Eastman goes also. Mr Woods & Capt. Kelley Sailed this Morning on board of the Star of South I think Mr. Woods (was) Was Verry lucky in getting off as he did I Went Aboard of the boat last Night and Wrote a letter for Capt Kelley, to Leuit Col Sleeper in relation to getting Some Men detailed. have You heard from Hunt Since he went away he promised Me befor leaveing that he would write to Me but I have Not heard from him Since. I Saw Col. Bell this Morning he Stoping at the Genl Hospital With his Brother Who is quite Ill he was poisend Some time Since While Amputateing he Cut his finger and got Some of the Blood into the Cut and Since that his arm has Swoolen a good deal. I was quite Surprised to hear that the Col Was Under Arrest. When You Write please let Me Know What for. Our New Chaplin Was in the office to See Me to day he heard that I belonged to the 4th N.H. [Bully*] Regiment he interduced himself as Mr. Williams of Concord N.H. he is a Verry pleasent fellow. I hope he will Give You some good advice. or how about Fourth of July I shall Never forget that day and My Walking that Set line in My room. how is Hod Parker please tell him for Me, that I am all right and havent Got into the General Hospital. Yet tell him Joe Knowlton is here and Cant get discharged. Genl Wright and Staff have gone North. So Joe hasent got Anything to do. I Suppose You Knew that I had been detailed to take Charge of a Goverment Drug Store. get My 40 cts a day Extra besides My Company pay, big thing dont You think So [Doit*]

Eastman thought So When I told him. I Which Wish You Could Come down Up here and See Your Old friend Ward. I have been to Beaufort but Could See Nothing of Your Brother I Enquired after him but did Not Succeed in finding him. Beemas is a going this afternoon perhaps he May find him. Harris I tell You What it is if We onley Could be to gether And have Such a Nice time as We did on The foruth. I Would give a good deal. How is Mrs Sawyer please Give My love to her And tell her they have Got A New Hotel built here Now and there is quite a number of Ladies Stopping here at present, and if She wants to Go home She Can Stop here at the Hotel and Mrs Morse also. How Are all of the boys getting along. While I am writing this letter who Should pass the door but Fort Sumpter And Tom Weeks girl What in the Devil ever Sent them down here Every body is gazing at them as they pass by. Fort Sumpter holds her dress Upt to her Ass And So does the other one to. big thing for St. Augustine. There is Nothing New here at present the Gen Steamer Vanderbilt is Expected in Every day. Please answer this So as to Send by this boat don’t fail to do So and I will answer Good by old friend.

From Your Old friend
{Leander Harris} {Theodore Ward}