Flag Ship Wabash
Port Royal Harbor S.D.
Decy 17th 1853

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 13th making explanations in reference to your conduct on board the "Circassian."

Acting Capt. Eaton was very explicit in stating to me that he had informed you that the order in question was from me. It further appeared in the testimony taken before the Court of Inquiry that you declared on one or more occasions, in the hearing of officers and men, that you were turned out of the ship for standing up for your rights.

This fact, taken in connection with your disobedience of orders as officially reported to me by your commanding officer, constituted a very grave offense. But in consideration of the short period you have been in the Navy and the proper spirit in which your letter is written
written. I believe you from suspension
and return to your duty.

I enclose orders.

Respectfully,

Your obedient

Acting Master
Geo. W. Frost

on board USS Vermont

Rear Admiral Kenney

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