

North Atlantic Squadron,

U. S. Flag-Ship "Malvern,"

Cape Fear River. July 28th 1865

Sir:

Turn over to Captain Harris
of the "Yantic" all orders &c
pertaining to the Guard vessel,
after which proceed to Hampton
Roads or James River and report
to Lieut Commander Braine of the
"Pequot" who will endorse upon
your orders when he no longer
needs you. Proceed then without
delay to Beaufort N.C. and carry
out my instructions relative to
the case of Acting Volunteer
Lieut Pickering.

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Respectfully Yours
David D. Porter
Rear Admiral
Commander U. S. Squadron

Acting Master
G. W. Frost
Commander U. S. S. "Fort Imbelson"

March 12th 1865.

Your services & that of your
vesel are no longer needed by me
for Court Martial purposes.

D. L. Praine
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Order to turn over orders
re to Sautie and proceed
to Southampton Road, &c.

Feb'y. 28, '63.