

Yesterday assumed the command of this
important post ~~on~~ under a promise to hold
it as long as the enemy continued in sight
or until a suitable officer could be
appointed to take the command -

The last of
the enemy's ships are passing the mouth
of the river standing down the Bay with
a fresh wind from the S.W. It is
said they intend proceeding down to
Poplar Island where they have sent
their Barge ships to repair. I shall
wait here for further orders & hold
myself in readiness to proceed to my
station at a moment's warning.

The Hall

Wm. Jones

Comd. of Station

I have the honor to

with great respect

believe me to be

Yours truly