

~~proceed wherever my services may be thought useful~~

I have the honor to be
very respectfully

Sir Your Obedt Serv^t

J. W. Tingle

Hon^{ble} W. Jones.

On Sunday morn^g 28th After terminating the foregoing
last even^g
I had scarcely laid down my pen, when a smart cannon-
ading commenced at, or from Fort Washington, which con-
tinued from heavy cannon till after 7 o'clock, during
which it appeared as if two or three severe explosions had
taken place. No doubt that it was between the
enemy's frigates and the fort - but as to the result I am
entirely without information - nor have I at command
the means of obtaining it, the wind blowing too fresh up
the river, for a light boat to make any progress down.

I shall hire sufficient hands, as soon as practicable
and collect all the materials, unhurt by the fire which
shall be suitably deposited and protected

J. W.

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