

was nearly within hail of the enemy's boats -
I am on shore waiting the result of their offer of battle
but our prospects are very faint as yet, not one
has offered. I went on board the Constellation
to night by request of the Genl to consult with
Stewart on the most suitable place for sinking
bombs. There are three preparing & will be
to night we have concluded to plant them
at the Diamond Shoal off Crany Island.

I have the honor to
be, Sir, your Obedt Servt
John Casper

The Honble

Wm James