

Cumberland Md

July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1865

My dear John

I have to advance at once \$500  
and if it is perfectly convenient for  
you to send me a check for this amount  
or if you prefer it, for the whole a  
month falling due me in February  
I am ready to receive it and would  
be glad to do so.

I write this request from a suppo-  
sition that it may be as convenient &  
perhaps more so, to pay the amount  
now, as in February, of course de-  
ducting the interest that may accrue  
between now and the day of payment.

Draw the check in such man-  
ner as will show on what account  
it is made.

Yr. truf & affly ser  
W. H. Murray  
M. G.

Colonel J. R. Suring

You were proposed to pay the whole  
amount, but I was not in condition  
to attend to it & had to decline. If you  
choose now to do so, I am willing to  
accept & close the business, tho I really do not  
know any safe investment.

W. H. E.