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Charleston. Sept. 13. 1798. —

Madam.)

I received your obliging favor covering a very handsome little present of two Eagles from my young Friend Peter to my Boys. They return their very sincere thanks to their young acquaintance & have desired me to make their grateful acknowledgements to him for the marks of his recollection for them: & I hope that they will ever retain a due regard & affection for him, as I have endeavoured to impress it upon their minds. They remember the sincere esteem that I entertained for his Father and flatter myself they will follow the good example we had set them in our disinterested Friendships.

Immediately on the rec^d. of your letter I took the liberty of sending an order

to Mr Read on you for forty six ~~pounds~~ dollars
25 cents being the balance which was still due
on the three Santee Shares, & which I had paid to
prevent any forfeiture. — I am sorry to add
that there must be from the present prospects
of this work another payment next January,
which however we are positively assured will
be the last requisition; & I not only hope so,
but am encouraged to believe that it will be
certainly so. — your proportion for the three
shares @ £10 each share will be £30 or one
hundred & twenty eight dollars 57 cents, which
you can either remit, or I can draw on you
for the payment of it when you permit me
so to do. — I am much mortified at this, par-
ticularly as I informed you some time ago, that
I did not think there would be any occasion
for a further payment; but our Engineer

tho a very clever has not been very exact in his
calculations. However I can assure you that when
the work shall be finished, it will be as compleat
& as perfect as any that has ever been undertaken
in any part of the world, & consequently will not
need those expensive repairs, which are so much ^{usual}
in works of this kind, & which are generally fi-
nished as a Job.

I have communicated to Mr
Smith the polite acknowledgements you desired
me to make him for you, & he assures me that
it was a pleasure to him to oblige you, & that
he will be proud of your future commands
should you have any thing else on this Country
to be transacted. He is a very worthy man &
I am sensible speaks from the heart.

I am, Madam, with sentiments of
Esteem & Respect in which Mr. Gwinke sincerely

joins me, your very humble Servant

Cordial Friend,

J. G. Kimbrell

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Wth Kear.