[raised imprint reads: "Lake"]

Hilton Hed S.C. June the 28/63 Friend Haris

After a long time I, will try and write a few lines to let you know how I em [prorgesing] I em well & hope the few lines will find you the same I hear from the papers that the [rchs] ar throwing [saten] [rhat] quite plenty I hope you will keep clear from the're I em and I mean to stay clear for I do not like to play when they play so carless

L I have not herd from home for a long time if I do not hear in the next mail I shall hang up my fiddle I had a letter from Col Whipple the last mail he wishes to be rememberd to all of the Soltiers Belonging to the 4 Mass th Dr C and wife have gone home on a furlow it is very lonsom hear for me now you tell George Cook if his Captin is willing I will try and get him a chance hear if he wants me to and he must write

if you will warent me with a [hall] bed I will came up as son as I can get away now I must close for this time give my love to all of the boys and to your wife when you write to her a gain Please to except this from your friend with much love

J. E. Hayne Chief Sadler Ordnance Dept Hilton Hed S.C.

[Wait] wants you to be carful and not work to hard