

and every other subject connected with the common cause.

Yours truly,  
JAC. BROWN.

Maj. General.

Commd. Chauncey,  
Sackett's Harbour.

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WILLIAMSVILLE,

April 20th, 1814.

Dear General,

Induced by reasons that I have fully explained to you I leave this for Sackett's Harbour in the morning. The particular Command upon this Frontier devolves upon you during my absence. I deem it unnecessary to give you detailed instructions as you will understand the situation of the country in which you are placed & without orders will do everything for the country & for the health & honor of the forces placed under your command that can be reasonably expected of an officer with the means in your power.

That part of the 3rd Artillery not ordered to Sackett's Harbour will remain at Batavia until further orders from me, unless a case should occur to induce you to believe their aid necessary.

We have agreed that it was most prudent and military under the existing state of things to order Maj. Gardner to fall back to the Depot of provisions along the Ridge Road. You will to-morrow send him the necessary directions upon this subject. Send a confidential officer to Capt. Elliott to ascertain the precise situation of the Flotilla upon Lake Erie & of the troops near Detroit & by all the means in your power possess yourself of information relative to the enemy's force and movements.

You will open all public letters addressed to me, take copies of such as may concern your command, send by express to me the originals of all such as may be important.

You shall be regularly advised of every important occurrence coming to my knowledge that may affect your command.

Yours,

JAC. BROWN,

Maj. Genl.

Brig-General Scott.