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Camp Parapet La.

Tuesday, September 2nd, 1862

Dear Brother Russell,

I received your letter bearing date of August 10th some time since & was very glad to hear from you. I am at present & I hope that few lines will find yourself & the rest of the family in the enjoyment same blessing. We were paid two months pay yesterday twenty six dollars (26). We have now over two months pay due us. We were paid up to the first day July last. I have sent you home ten dollars of it by Express. It may be at the Express Office when you receive this. It has been bad and rainy weather for the past two days. Soon as it gets fair I shall have two more pictures taken & shall send them home. The Balance of the money I shall keep in case that I should need some. I was nearly out of money when they paid us this time as I have not been very well and used it for things of which I stood in need. I could not eat much of the stuff. There was *[foleht? Illegible]* out to us by the Government *[halt heoss & heardbreads svent? Illegible]* against my stomach. If I had my health I should have sent home more money. If I have my health until next pay day I shall send home nearly all the pay which I shall receive. Had we been paid up to the first of this month I should have sent home thirty five dollars. If one has money hear they can buy whatever they like such as soft bread.

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Cheese cakes pies eggs butter &c. If one gets sick hear and has no money they *[fare? Illegible]* gather hard. It is always best to keep a little money on hand in case one should stand in need of it. Everything in the eating line is very clean. Hear I could buy as much at home for a *[tenneent? Illegible]* price as I can hear for a quarter of a Dollar. I shall buy nothing excepting that of which I stand much in need. Every man in our Company that had not received their ten Dollars Bounty from the town of Stonington received it last week with the Exception of the men that were from the towns of Enfield & East Windsor. We received none. Our Captain E Kempton Abbot says that we are not entitled to it as we received Bounty's from the towns that we belonged to. John Moffit received his ten dollars bounty from the town of Stonington while he was in Camp in Hartford. There are seven of us that have not got it *[Nezselfe? Illegible]* for one & Andrew *[CD. Bish? Illegible]* Benton *[CD? Illegible]* Whipple Thomas Costello which makes four from the

town of East Windsor. From the town of Enfield there are three that have not got it namely William W. Allen James W. Pease & *[Chnilns N. Taseos? Illegible]* I do not see why we are not as much entitled to it as the rest of the men in the Stonington Company. If I should live to get home I shall enquire into it. It looks queer to me why all should get it but us seven. I do not think that the people of the town of Stonington put a proviso in their note stating that if men got no bounty from the towns where they belonged that they would pay them ten dollars. I should like very much to know

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How the note read since I wrote last General Philips has been appointed acting Major General & Colonel Cahill of the 9th *[borm. Hob? Illegible]* has been appointed acting Brigadier General. Our Regiment is in his Brigade. His Brigade consists of the 9th & 12th born *[bs? Illegible]* the 8th New Hampshire. The 15th Main *[bs? Illegible]* & *[two Baters? Illegeble]* Our Brigade was *[sevienoed on Thailay? Illegible]* last by General Butler & last Sunday morning by General Cahill. General Cahill complemented our Regiment very highly. He said that we marched the best of any regiment in the Brigade. Our Brigade is called the Second Brigade. Col. Dudley of the 30th *[Mass. bs? Illegible]* has been appointed Acting Bri Gen. Two more Colonels of our division have been appointed Acting Brigadier Generals which makes four Brigades in the division the 1st *[Louiaanna? Illegible]* Regiment is now full & the 2nd will be hosttey. One of the prisoners confined in the guard house was shot & severely wounded last evening while attempting to run past the guard that was stationed on duty in front of the guard house. The sentinel on guard shot him in compliance with the orders of the officer of the day. Lieutenant Roach of our company was officer of the day he *[was frmt? Illegible]* in the guard house yesterday afternoon. He was drunk & disorderly. There was any amount of drunkenness and fighting about camp yesterday & quite a number got in the guard house. Lieutenant Roach shot up every place near our camp where liquor or beer were sold. The man that was shot and the man that shot him were both members of our Regiment & they were both of them *[laishmen? Illegible]*

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The man that was shot was taken the hospital last evening/ How he is today I have not heard as yet. I think it is doubtful if he lives through it. Last evening at 9 o'clock [*gast? Illegible*] as the drums commenced to beat for Roll call. The guards commenced firing throughout our line. The drums beat the long roll. We fell in double quick. Colonel Colburn gave us orders to take the [*Purafed? Illegible*] Double Quick. We thought surely that the evening was close at hand. We were ordered to load the big guns. Were maned & in five minutes time we were ready for the approach of the Enemy. It proved to be a false alarm. We were ordered back to our company streets, the Roll was called & then we broke ranks and retired to our quarters. What raised the alarm I have not heard as yet. Every man that was able turned out. Several turned out and fell into the ranks that was on the sick list & have been for some time [*hand? Illegible*] The Star & Stripes must be upheld. Our Flag shall wave to the Rio Grand & [*Yeason? Illegible*] shall go down if the Rebels should dare to come hear to [*retack? Illegible*] us they will find that we are well prepared to meet them. I expect that we are able to give them a nice little fight. Quite an interesting [*boresfyndance? Illegible*] passed a few days and between General Philips & Butler as I see by the New Orland's Daily Delta. It has been forwarded Washington by General Butler. I expect that you will read it long [*ear? Illegible*] you receive this in the Norther Newspapers. The correspondence that I refer to is in relation to that Everlasting Nigger question. I will now bring this to a close as I think that I have wrote about enough for this day. Give my love to Father Mother Brothers sisters grandmothers & take a large share to yourself. Also give my compliments to all enquiring friends. Please write soon as you can make it convenient after you receive this. Good bye for the present. This is from your affectionate Brother. Henry Mr. James Russell Lord Luman Henry Lord

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