

A2004-061.0001.0007: Letter 7, November 30, 1862

12th Connecticut Infantry, Co. K

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*Letters from Luman Henry Lord to his brother William while he was
in Louisiana from 1862-1865*

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Envelope

A picture of an eagle carrying an American Flag in its beak in flight is on the upper left corner.

Under the picture: Woe, woe, to the traitorous children of Mars, Who challenge this bird, with his banner of stars. We will teach them this lesson, that truth and the rights are ever triumphant, and must win the fight.

3 cent US postage stamp in upper right corner with a cancellation stamp from New Orleans DEC

Addressed to:

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Camp Kearney L. A.

Sunday November 30th 1862

My Dear Brother Russell

I received your welcome letter bearing Date of Nov. 9th & 10th. Some days since Enclosed were some postage stamps (one dollar worth) which I was very glad to receive I now also glad to hear from you & the folks at home & to hear that all were well I am on the gain & am now nearly as well as ever I hope that yourself & the family are in the enjoyment of good health which is the greatest blessing one can have in this life. The men of our regiment up the river I am told were paid on Thursday last I hear that they received but two months' pay we have this day five months' pay due us from the U.S. Government which is sixty five (\$65.00) Dollars.

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We were last paid up to the 30th of last June we have seen nothing of the paymaster hear as yet & I do not know as we shall until next pay day.

But we may be paid hear within a few days perhaps tomorrow we have been expecting to receive orders to pack up & go up the river & gain the regt. every day since Capp. Roach was down hear but yesterday evening Orders were received from Major Teck for us to stay here until he sent for us. He said that when He wanted us he would let us know it Col.

Denning is acting Mayor of the City of New Orleans & out Lieutenant Colonel Colburn is superintendent of the New Orleans & Opelousas Railroad & Major Teck now has command of the regiment. Things hear are in a sad condition large plantations of sugar & corn gain to most for

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the want of hands to gather them most of the niggers have left their maters and come within our lines & they cannot get help to harvest their crops. Some Rebel Plantations have been confiscated to the U. S. Gov. & our troops are trying to save as much of the crops as they can. They were around hear the other day with rifles loaded cocked and locked halting every contraband Nigger that they laid eyes on making them come down to the railway station at Carlton & sending them all up the river to cut Cain make sugar & Molasses & they will be protected by our troops & paid for their labor if this war for the Union is successful these Rebels will lose their Fine Plantations for Uncle Sam will sell them to Loyal men & pocked the money that he receives for them.

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The weather here for the last few days has been fine & pleasant I am writing today in my shirt sleeves with no coat or vest on last night it was quite warm the mosquitoes bother us considerable. I can think of no more today worth writing about so I will now bring this to a close. Please write soon as you can make it convenient after you receive this without fail & give me all the news that you can think of give my love to Father Mother Brothers Sisters Grandmothers & take a large share to yourself. Also give my compliments to all enquiring friend good bye for the present this is from your Affectionate Brother Henry.L.H. Lord

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