

A2004-061.0005.0002: Letter 32, July 29, 1864

12th Connecticut Infantry, Co. K

**From the Luman Henry Lord Collection of South Texas Archives
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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

3"x 5 1/2"

3 cent US postage stamp in the upper right corner

Cancellation stamp from Washington dated July 64

Addressed to

Mr. L Russell Lord

Warehouse Point

Hartford County

Conn.

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in the field near Washing D.C. Friday July 29th 1864

My dear brother Russell,

I received your welcome letter bearing date of 21st June last eve. and was glad indeed to hear from you and the family and all my friends at home. Glad to hear that all were in good health, I also received a letter from our sister Cornelia and one from our sister Melissa. Cornelia's letter bore the date of the 24th June and Melissa's letter bore the date of the 21st June. I am happy to be able to inform you that I am as well as could be expected under the circumstances. As I have had nothing to eat but hard tack for the last 48 hours. Our cooks are now cooking

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meat of some kind. We left Bermuda Hundred Landing on board the steamship [*Chanbu sp illegible*] last Wednesday at seven o'clock A.M. Arrived at Washington D.C. at two o'clock P.M. Landed there and marched thru Washington and Georgetown and halted for the night about five miles from Washington. We are on our way to join the division, Expect to move again as soon as we get something to eat. I received your private letter. I think you are sound on the question. I do not think that Mary Ann can beat you much. I think that you will lend me two cents and see if I do not go crazy. You were wrong in one thing. My informant was not the one you expected. It was not a she. It was a he,

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a citizen of Warehouse Point that lives on Water Street. The one you suspect never wrote me a word about you private affairs. She never even mentioned the young lady's name in any of the letters that I have received from her. I have not received those letter or those photographs or newspapers that were sent to me at New Orleans, LA, And I do not think that I shall as one mail steamship on its way to New Orleans was sunk and several lives were lost. One mail ship on it's way there was captured and brunt or destroyed. It is said by the pirate Florida although some think it was rebel gunboat Mariel Lane that done the business. I do not expect to receive any of those letters that have been mailed for New Orleans

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of late. I expect that I have received all the letters that have been sent to me that have been directed to New Orleans, LA. Excepting those that are lost. Do not expect to receive any from that quarter. I expect that I lost other letters by those disasters. I will now bring this to a close. Please write often and I will do the same. Give my love to all enquiring friends. Goodbye for the present. I will write you a good long letter as soon as I can get a chance. Tell our sister Cornelia & Melissa that I will write them soon as I possibly can. I remain ever your affectionate brother,

L. Henry Lord

Mr. L. Russell Lord

L.H. Lord

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