



Thomas Montgomery and family papers.

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Camp 65th U.S. G. Inf.
 Baton Rouge La. Aug 4th /66.

Dear Father: -

Herewith send another check on New York, for \$300.00/100, from the same banking house that I procured my last.

I could not manage to get any 7/30. bonds, without paying as high as 4 per cent premium.

So I thought I would send what I could spare to you, as I only had to pay 7/4 per cent.

I wish you to convert the check into bonds as soon as practicable if you can do so without any inconvenience to yourself.

I think you can get them cheaper there, than I can here.

I believe they are quoted in New York as high as 4 per cent.

I would rather - so long as they
are safe - have the bonds, than
any thing else, but if you have
bought the Cove place for \$1000,
it is all right. So, you get the
market value for the bonds.

I have \$850 in bonds, here with
me, nearly all mine, which I thought
was enough to keep about me.
If we are mustered out soon
I will of course have a large
addition to ~~add~~ to my Cares.

Please acknowledge the receipt.

There is very little news here
There was a riot in New Orleans
on the 30th ult, resulting in the
death of about 50 negroes and
a number of white persons &
the wounding of nearly 200.
The Rebels were the aggressors
of course & commenced the
outrages. Policemen and city
officials shot down negroes indiscriminately.

The old Convention of 1864, was assembling
in order to pass the Constitutional
Amendments. The negroes were marching
to the Institute in procession with
Music & flags. Shooting commenced
without provocation, and the Convention
was broken up, but the worst feature
is that Pres. Johnson seems to
sustain the City Authorities in their
proceedings. In the absence of
Gen. Sheridan in Texas Genl. Baird
turned out the military and put
the city under Martial Law.
The soldiers are camped out in
the squares, in tents. Batteries are
parked. Sentinels patrol the streets
as of old. The citizens don't like it.
The river is getting low again.
Weather pretty warm, plenty rain.
Part in time pleasantly and, as
profitable every way as I can,
With Love to all I close remaining
your affectionate son J. Montgomery.

Aug 4

182 1/2	3.65
<u>9</u>	<u>44</u>
1642 1/2	14.60

32.85

144.60

47.45

300.00

64.50

47.45

17.05