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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

James Edwin Love was born September 27, 1830, in County Antrim, Ireland. He emigrated to the United States in 1849, settling first in Cincinnati and then in St. Louis. He traveled to Australia in 1854 and remained there for four years before returning to St. Louis. Upon the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted as a sergeant in Company D, 5th United States Reserve Corps (3 months). After his regiment was mustered out in August 1861, he spent several months on unattached service in Missouri and western Kansas, before being mustered into the 8th Kansas Infantry at Fort Leavenworth in February 1862. He rose to the rank of captain. He was wounded and taken prisoner in the Battle of Chickamauga, and was confined in Libby Prison and other Confederate prisons before his escape in February 1865. On May 2, 1865, he married Miss Eliza (Molly) Wilson in St. Louis, where he spent the remainder of his life. He died December 27, 1905.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers consist primarily of the correspondence of James E. Love to his future wife while serving in the 5th U.S.R.C. (3 months) along the Missouri River in central and western Missouri from June to August 1861, and with the 8th Kansas Infantry in Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee, and while confined in Confederate prisons. Letters describe the affairs of these regiments and include accounts of military operations in the vicinity of Nashville, Tennessee, from November 1862 to June 1863, and accounts of the Battle of Perryville and the Tullahoma and Chickamauga Campaigns. The letters also provide information on marches, camp life, diet, guerrilla warfare, and prison life, and include several poems. The collection also contains Love's diary, dated December 1862 to July 1863, written mostly while stationed at Nashville and during the Tullahoma Campaign; his undated typescript autobiography, which

includes accounts of his military service and his escape from a Confederate prison; two family letters addressed to Robert Love; and reproductions of Love family photographs.

The brief descriptions of the content of the James E. Love letters in this inventory focus on his references to military matters; however, the correspondence contains regular discussion of personal matters as well. The collection contains typescripts of the correspondence, diary, and autobiography, in addition to the originals.

Letters to Robert Love

- ALS (photocopy) James Adams to Robert Love regarding family news and Civil 1862 Dec 12 War affairs. 4 pages
- 1876 Jul 6 ALS (photocopy) James Love to Robert Love regarding the death of Robert's father. 7 pages

Love family photographs

Contains reproductions of 13 photographs of various members of the Love and allied families.

Diary of James Edwin Love, 1862 Dec 1-1863 Jul 21 (60 pages, plus typescript)

Diary contains entries recorded while serving with the 8th Kansas Infantry at Nashville, Tennessee, and during the Tullahoma Campaign. Includes brief account of skirmishes and marches in middle Tennessee.

Undated, typescript autobiography of James Edwin Love (23 pages; published in the Missouri Historical Society Bulletin, Volume 6, Nos. 2 & 3, January & April 1950) Written toward the end of his life, the autobiography includes accounts of his early life in Ireland, his travels in Australia and the United States, his Civil War service, and his escape from a Confederate military prison.

Correspondence of James Edwin Love to Miss Eliza (Molly) Wilson

1859 Dec 24	James E. Love to [Molly?]. Brief note. 1 page
[1861?]	James E. Love to Miss W. [Molly]. Expresses sympathy for the sad disaster that has befallen your brother. 2 pages
[1861?]	James E. Love to Molly. Brief note; includes transcript of song lyrics. 2 pages
1861 Mar 1	James E. Love to Molly. Discusses their engagement. 8 pages
1861 Apr 25	James E. Love to Molly. Brief note. 1 page
1861 Jun 16	James E. Love, on board steamer <i>D.A. January</i> , Missouri River, to Molly. Brief note: "We are at present near St. Charles & en route for Jefferson City" 1 page
1861 Jun 18	James E. Love, steamer <i>D.A. January</i> , Jefferson City, Missouri, to Molly. Describes journey from St. Louis to Jefferson City, the quelling of a prison riot at the state penitentiary, and receiving order to proceed to Boonville. 10 pages
1861 Jun 19	James E. Love to Molly. Mentions activities of the regiment and news of the battle at Boonville. 4 pages
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1861 Jun 21	James E. Love, Boonville, [Missouri], on board steamer <i>D.A. January</i> . Describes recent affairs of the regiment in and around Boonville. 12 pages
1861 Jul 2	James E. Love, Boonville, steamer <i>Louisiana</i> , to Molly. Briefly recounts recent affairs of the regiment. 6 pages
1861 Jul 6-10	James E. Love, steamer <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Describes Fourth of July dance held on the steamboat; expeditions to the towns of Brunswick, Waverly, and Lexington; the capture of a prisoner; and encounters with local secessionists. 20 pages
1861 Jul 14	James E. Love, Lexington, steamer <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Briefly describes life on the steamboat. 4 pages
1861 Jul 14-15	James E. Love, Lexington, steamer <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Mentions the mutiny of a company; debates over the treatment of the wives of prisoners; dinner at a local citizen's home; and expectation of an attack. 8 pages
1861 Jul 20	James E. Love, Lexington (Camp Fremont), steamer <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Mentions fortifications being built at Lexington, and relations with both pro-Union and pro-Confederate citizens in the vicinity. 4 pages
1861 Jul 23	James E. Love, Lexington (Camp Fremont), to Molly. Briefly describes expedition along the river and skirmish with the enemy. 4 pages
1861 Jul 25	James E. Love, Lexington, <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Describes the expedition to capture Colonel Alf. Jones and Captain Mountjoy, and the attack on the Union steamer <i>White Cloud</i> . 4 pages
1861 Jul 27 & 29	James E. Love, Lexington, to Molly. Describes dream he had last night. 4 pages
1861 Aug 3	James E. Love, Lexington, to Molly. Describes scouting expedition and skirmishes with rebels. 8 pages
1861 Aug 6	James E. Love, Lexington, [Missouri], to Molly. "We start in an hour on a dangerous expeditionOur Secesh friends here are trying to enclose us in a net" 1 page
1861 Aug 9	James E. Love, Lexington, to Molly. Describes scouting expedition and skirmishes with rebels. 6 pages

1861 Aug 15	James E. Love, Lexington, to Molly. Describes skirmishes with rebels, a threatened mutiny, and an expedition up the Missouri River to Leavenworth, Kansas. 3 pages
1861 Aug 18-19	James E. Love, near Hermann, steamer <i>A. McDowell</i> , to Molly. Describes dangerous journey down the Missouri River en route to St. Louis with the steamer <i>White Cloud</i> , including accounts of skirmishes with rebels at Buckhorn Point, near Glasgow, and other locations. 10 pages
1861 Sep 20	James E. Love, Washington, Missouri, to Molly. Mentions rumors of the fall of Lexington and his desire to raise a company. 3 pages
1861 Sep 23	James E. Love, Osage City, Missouri, to Molly. Mentions the accidental shooting of an acquaintance at Franklin, Missouri, and discusses his recruiting efforts. 8 pages
1861 Oct 4	James E. Love, Jefferson City, Missouri, to Molly. Laments the unattached status of his regiment and the health of Colonel [Robert] White. 8 pages
1861 Oct 9	James E. Love, Georgetown, Missouri, to Molly. Mentions health of Colonel [Robert] White and recent affairs of the regiment. 4 pages
1861 Oct 10 & 13	James E. Love, Sedalia, Missouri, to Molly. Discusses the movement of troops and guerrilla warfare in the vicinity. 16 pages
1861 Oct 18	James E. Love, Tipton, Missouri, to Molly. Mentions disappointing reports of Colonel [Robert] White's health. 4 pages
1861 Dec 3-4	James E. Love, North Missouri Depot, to Molly. Receives orders to go to New Mexico. 2 pages
1861 Dec 25	James E. Love to Molly. Brief note. 1 page
1861 Dec 25	James E. Love to Molly. Christmas greetings. 2 pages
1862 Jan 3	James E. Love, St. Louis, to Molly. Discusses their engagement. 13 pages
1862 Jan 15	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Describes journey by train to Kansas. 4 pages
1862 Jan 19	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, to Molly. Discusses the uncertain state of his regiment. 8 pages

1862 Jan 30	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Discusses the weather, camp life, the uncertain state of his regiment, and family matters. 16 pages
1862 Feb 2	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Discusses camp life and family matters. 6 pages
1862 Feb 9	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Discusses camp life and pro-Southern civilians taking the loyalty oath. Also includes a poem. 7 pages
1862 Feb 16	James E. Love, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions recent war news and describes traveling in Kansas. 8 pages
1862 Feb 24	James E. Love, Camp Hunter, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Waiting for orders. 4 pages
1862 Mar 2	James E. Love, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions monotony and inactivity in camp. 6 pages
1862 Mar 9	James E. Love, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions consolidation into the 8th Kansas Cavalry and preparations to leave Fort Leavenworth. 6 pages
1862 Mar 13	James E. Love, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions his company's imminent departure to West Point, Missouri. 4 pages
1862 Mar 15-16	James E. Love, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions skirmish with the jayhawker Quantrill. 8 pages
1862 Mar 26-28	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Describes march to Aubrey, skirmish with Quantrill's men, and reconnaissance into Missouri. 12 pages
1862 Mar 26	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions Missouri refugees in Aubrey, and includes brief extracts from his journal describing the march. 6 pages
1862 Apr 3	James E. Love, Camp Graham, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions visit to camp of Captain Herd's wife. 8 pages
1862 Apr 6	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Briefly complains of inactivity. 4 pages

1862 Apr 13-14	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Mentions war news; includes enclosed brief letter of John Facemiers, 4th Virginia Regiment, to Joseph Duffle, Olathe, Kansas, March 30, 1862. 7 pages
1862 Apr 22	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Describes daily life in camp, expeditions into Missouri, and the selling of seized stock and horses. 10 pages
1862 May 1	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Brief note. 2 pages
1862 May 1	James E. Love to Molly. Personal matters; includes a poem. 8 pages
1862 May 4 & 7	James E. Love, Olathe P.O., to Molly. Discusses combating jayhawkers on the border. 8 pages
1862 May 17	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Personal matters. 12 pages
1862 May 19 & 21	James E. Love, Aubrey, Kansas, to Molly. Speculates on possible postwar occupations. 5 pages
1862 May 27	James E. Love, Leavenworth, Kansas, to Molly. Hurried note mentions that the regiment is en route to Corinth. 3 pages
1862 Jun 4-5	James E. Love, Columbus, [Kentucky], to Molly. "We are under orders for Union City, Tennessee" 7 pages
1862 Jun 11	James E. Love, Union City, Tennessee, to Molly. Briefly describes march from Columbus, [Kentucky], to Union City; mentions a couple incidents regarding the policy of Union troops in regard slaves. 4 pages
1862 Jun 23	James E. Love, Trenton, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes ride from Hickman, Kentucky, to Trenton and mentions encounters with "Secesh" civilians. 4 pages
1862 Jul 1 & 4	James E. Love, Humboldt, Tennessee, and Corinth, Mississippi, to Molly. Awaiting orders; mentions social visit to local "secesh" ladies and march to Corinth. 12 pages
1862 Jul 8-9	James E. Love, camp near Rienzi, [Mississippi], to Molly. Includes brief descriptions of camp life and copy of <i>Chicago Tribune</i> newsclipping dated June 28, 1862, which describes affairs in the vicinity of Corinth. 12 pages

1862 Jul 27-28	James E. Love, camp near Jacinto, Mississippi, to Molly. Mentions petition to Frank Blair and Governor Gamble to have the company transferred to a Missouri regiment in the field; also describes Corinth. 16 pages
1862 Aug 2	James E. Love, in the field, near Jacinto, Mississippi, to Molly. Mentions presumed movement to Alabama. 4 pages
1862 Aug 6	James E. Love, Eastport, Mississippi, on the Tennessee River, to Molly. Describes camp and mentions recruitment of citizens into the Union army. 10 pages (Letter written on illustrated stationery.)
1862 Aug 10-12	James E. Love, camp at Eastport, Mississippi, to Molly. Briefly describes skirmish with guerrillas and "a shooting scrape in camp." 8 pages
1862 Aug 20-23	James E. Love, camp near Waterloo, Alabama, to Molly. Mentions movements of regiment. 14 pages (Letter written illustrated stationery.)
1862 Aug 25-Sep 4	James E. Love, on the march, Florence, Alabama, Mount Pleasant, Columbia, and Franklin, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes march and towns en route from Florence to Nashville, Tennessee. 20 pages
1862 Sep 9 & 11	James E. Love, camp near Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes hardships of march, mentions his arrest for entering Nashville against orders, and condemns General Buell as a traitor. 12 pages
1862 Sep 16-26	James E. Love, Bowling Green, Pilot Knob, West Point, and Greenwood, Kentucky, to Molly. Describes marches from Nashville to Bowling Green and then on to Glasgow; mentions news of the surrender of Union troops at Mumfordsville [Munfordville]; and discusses preparations for upcoming battle, marches, and skirmishes with forces under General Bragg. 28 pages
1862 Sep 28 & 30	James E. Love, Louisville, Kentucky, to Molly. Criticizes General Buell. 8 pages
1862 Oct 2	James E. Love, camp near Mount Washington, Kentucky, to Molly. Brief note mentions march. 2 pages
1862 Oct 10	James E. Love, camp near Danville, Kentucky, to Molly. Lengthy account of marching and skirmishing during the preceding ten days, including the Battle of Perryville. 19 pages
1862 Oct 10	James E. Love, camp at Goodnight Spring, [Kentucky], to Molly. Describes wounded and dead in the wake of the battle. 4 pages

1862 Oct 12	James E. Love, camp between Harrodsburgh and Danville, Kentucky, to Molly. Discusses his recent poor health and marching in pursuit of General Bragg's forces. 4 pages
1862 Oct 16	James E. Love, camp near Mount Vernon, Kentucky, to Molly. Describes marching and skirmishes with Morgan's Cavalry and Bragg's forces. 10 pages
1862 Oct 17 & 24	James E. Love, camps near Mount Vernon and Lebanon, Kentucky, to Molly. Contains criticism of General Buell, and describes marches and movements of Morgan's Cavalry and Bragg's forces. 16 pages
1862 Nov 3 & 4[?]	James E. Love, Bowling Green, Kentucky, to Molly. Speculates on their future movements and describes recent marches. 20 pages
1862 Nov 9-10	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes march into Tennessee and skirmish with guerrillas; also describes the accidental death in camp of Martin Cochran, a soldier from St. Louis. 16 pages
1862 Nov 16	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Anticipates a period of rest for the regiment in Nashville. 4 pages
1862 Nov 26	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Accepts position as adjutant; mentions theft of some belongings in camp. 3 pages
1862 Nov 27	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions his recent opportunities for promotion. 10 pages
1862 Nov 30	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Brief notes on life in camp; mentions attending church. 8 pages
1862 Dec 6	James E. Love, camp south of Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes their current camp and mentions skirmishing with guerrillas. 4 pages
1862 Dec 8	James E. Love, camp south of Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions attending church and socializing in town. 4 pages
1862 Dec 18	Password and countersign issued at 14th Army Corps headquarters. 1 page
1862 Dec 21 & 23	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Gives account of regimental affairs during the preceding two weeks; describes his duties as adjutant and his views regarding aid to blacks; and discusses public opinion regarding the reputation of the regiment. 24 pages

1862 Dec 26	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Personal matters. 8 pages
1863 Jan 3	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Account of the Battle of Murfreesboro (or Stone's River), Tennessee. 8 pages
1863 Jan 3-4	James E. Love, [Nashville, Tennessee], to Molly. Recounts action of the preceding several days in the Battle of Murfreesboro (or Stone's River). 20 pages
1863 Jan 11-15	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions recent guerrilla attacks. 12 pages
1863 Jan 18	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions recent guerrilla attacks. 8 pages
1863 Jan 22	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Brief note mentions prices of food and newspapers. 3 pages
1863 Jan 25	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Brief letter includes several poems clipped from a newspaper and copy of Confederate presidential electoral ticket. 4 pages
1863 Feb 1	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions assistance provided by some women refugees from the South. 16 pages
1863 Feb 8	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions war news. 12 pages
1863 Feb 15	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions war news and arrest of Captain Herd. 8 pages
1863 Feb 22	James E. Love, camp at Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions weather and positive morale of the troops. 8 pages
1863 Mar 7	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Discusses the recent arrival of new companies to bolster the strength of the regiment, mentions a celebration in camp and the participation of the regimental band, and criticizes General Gilbert. 11 pages
1863 Mar 22	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Discusses actions to be taken against deserters, and mentions sickness in camp. 8 pages
1863 Mar 31-Apr 1	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions the regimental band and popular songs in the army. 16 pages
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1863 Apr 10 & 12	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions recent skirmishes in the area and a social visit to a local family. 14 pages
1863 Apr 16	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Briefly describes the regiment's parade through the city; also includes a poem. 7 pages
1863 Apr 25 & 27	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions arrests of rebels dressed in Union uniforms. 6 pages
1863 May 3	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. "Movements in the army are innumerable and with good results, but nothing decisive and no general engagement" 4 pages
1863 May 10	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Comments on copperheads in the north. 6 pages
1863 May 20	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions preparations for moving south; also mentions attending the execution of a deserter. 4 pages
1863 May 20	James E. Love, [Nashville, Tennessee], to Molly. Brief note. 2 pages
1863 May 28	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes monotony of camp life. 4 pages
1863 May 29	James E. Love, Nashville, Tennessee, to Molly. Personal matters. 5 pages
1863 Jun 7 & 10	James E. Love, on the march to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and on picket, to Molly. Describes march and picket duty at Murfreesboro. 10 pages
1863 Jun 10	James E. Love, on picket near Murfreesboro, to Molly. Personal matters. 6 pages
1863 Jun 12	James E. Love, on picket, Shelbyville Road, Tennessee, to Molly. Briefly describes picket duty. 2 pages
1863 Jun 23	James E. Love, camp at Murfreesboro, to Molly. Receives marching orders; claims captain's commission. 1 page
1863 Jun 27	James E. Love, in the field, to Molly. Describes marching and skirmishing with rebels during the Tullahoma Campaign. 4 pages
1863 Jun 28	James E. Love, camp at Beech Grove, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes marching and skirmishing with rebels during the Tullahoma Campaign. 4 pages
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1863 Jun 30	James E. Love, camp at Manchester, [Tennessee], to Molly. Describes hardships of the march during the Tullahoma Campaign. 3 pages	
1863 Jul 5	James E. Love, camp at Winchester, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes march. 4 pages	
1863 Jul 5	James E. Love, Winchester, Tennessee, to Molly. Mentions Fourth of July celebrations; speculates on future movements. 4 pages	
1863 Jul 18	James E. Love, Winchester, Tennessee, to Molly. Describes camp, pursuit of guerrillas, and mentions war news. 8 pages	
1863 Jul 25-26	James E. Love, camp at Winchester, Tennessee, to Molly. Personal matters. 12 pages	
1863 Aug 6	James E. Love, camp at Winston's Valley Head, Alabama (near Rome, Georgia), to Molly. Mentions recent marches, describes life in camp, and speculates on future movements. 6 pages	
1863 Aug 10	James E. Love, St. Louis, Missouri, to Molly. Personal matters. 6 pages	
1863 Aug 21	James E. Love to Molly. Brief note. 2 pages	
1863 Aug 21	James E. Love, St. Louis, Missouri, to Molly. Brief note. 1 page	
1863 Aug 22	James E. Love, Louisville Hotel, to Molly. En route to rejoin his regiment. 4 pages	
1863 Aug 30	James E. Love, near Trenton, Alabama, to Molly. Describes a river crossing and pursuit of rebels. 4 pages	
1863 Sep 12	James E. Love, camp near Alpine, Chatooga [Chattooga] County, Georgia, to Molly. Describes movements of the regiment and recent military operations in the area. 4 pages	
1863 Sep 15	James E. Love, camp on Trenton Road, Winstons Valley, Alabama, to Molly. Mentions picket duty and movements of the regiment. 3 pages	
1863 Sep 19	James E. Love, camp in Walker County, Georgia, between Chattanooga and Lafayette, to Molly. Describes skirmish and movements of the regiment. 4 pages	
1863 Sep 23	James E. Love to Molly. Briefly describes his wound suffered during the Battle of Chickamauga in battle, and his hopes for an exchange. 2 pages	
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1863 Oct 10	James E. Love, Atlanta, Georgia, to Molly. Brief note: "Here I am a prisoner and wounded in the leg twiceI hope to be exchangedI am well treated as possible under the circumstances" 1 page
1863 Oct 24	James E. Love, Libby Prison Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Describes his wound and treatment; sees no prospect of exchange at present. 2 pages
1863 Oct 31	R.B.M. Wilson, Peoria, by telegraph from Washington, to Dr. Murphy. "Love is wounded in the leg doing well—Prisoner at Atlanta." 1 page
1863 Nov 8	James E. Love, Libby Prison Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Briefly describes his condition and conditions generally in the prison hospital. 2 pages
1863 Dec 5	James E. Love, Libby Prison Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Briefly describes his activities in the prison hospital. 3 pages
1863 Dec 13	James E. Love, Libby Prison Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Personal matters. 3 pages
1863 Dec 14	James E. Love, Libby Prison Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note. 2 pages
1863 Dec 18	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Briefly discusses his improving health and restrictions on supplies sent to prisoners. 2 pages
1864 Jan 4	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions activities in prison. 3 pages
1864 Jan 10	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions monotony in prison. 4 pages
1864 Jan 13	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions activities in prison. 4 pages
1864 Jan 17	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions his good health. 4 pages
1864 Feb 14	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note mentions escape attempt via tunnel. 1 page

1864 Feb 14	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note requests articles for her to send. 1 page
1864 Feb 21	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note: "we are only allowed to write one letter of six lines each Monday" 1 page
1864 Feb 28	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note. 1 page
1864 Mar 6	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mention rumors regarding a rescue and hopes of a general exchange. 1 page
1864 Mar 13	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Brief note mentions prospects for an exchange. 1 page
1864 Mar 20	James E. Love, Hotel DeLibby, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions hopes for exchange. 2 pages
1864 Mar 27	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Waiting for exchange. 2 pages
1864 Apr 3	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Briefly discusses life and conditions in prison. 2 pages
1864 Apr 10	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Waiting for exchange. 2 pages
1864 Apr 17	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Waiting for exchange. 2 pages
1864 Apr 24	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Waiting for exchange. 2 pages
1864 May 1	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Mentions arrival of more prisoners. 3 pages
1864 May 5	James E. Love, Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, to Molly. Describes daily affairs in the prison. 4 pages
1864 May 10	James E. Love, prison, Danville, Virginia, to Molly. Briefly describe trip from Richmond to Danville and conditions in Danville prison. 3 pages
1864 May 18	James E. Love, Macon, Georgia, military prison, to Molly. Briefly describes prison. 2 pages

1864 Jun 2	James E. Love, Camp Oglethorpe, Macon, Georgia, to Molly. Briefly describes prison. 2 pages
1864 Jun 6	James E. Love, Camp Oglethorpe, Macon, Georgia, to Molly. Briefly describes life and conditions in prison. 3 pages
1864 Aug 3	James E. Love, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Mentions his escape and subsequent capture. 1 page
1864 Aug 6	James E. Love, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Waiting for exchange; asks her to send food and clothing. 2 pages
1864 Aug 20	James E. Love, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Briefly describes Marine Hospital where he is imprisoned. 2 pages
1864 Sep 10	James E. Love, Marine Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Briefly describes life in prison. 3 pages
1864 Sep 18	James E. Love, Marine Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Describes life and conditions in prison. 2 pages
1864 Sep 24	James E. Love, Marine Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Has received a parole, but does not expect to be moved soon. 4 pages
1864 Sep 28	James E. Love, Marine Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Mentions fellow officers who have been exchanged. 2 pages
1864 Oct 10	James E. Love, camp near Columbia, South Carolina, to Molly. Prisoners moved to Columbia due to sickness. 1 page
1864 Nov 19	James E. Love, Columbia, South Carolina, to Molly. Waiting for exchange. 2 pages
1864 Dec 5	James E. Love, Charleston, South Carolina, to Molly. Mentions failed escape attempt. 2 pages
1865 Jan 29	James E. Love, Camp Asylum, Columbia, South Carolina, to Molly. Mentions mood and conditions in camp. 2 pages
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James E. Love, [Columbia, South Carolina, and Charlotte, North Carolina], to Molly. Discusses the commotion in Columbia in expectation of the approach of General Sherman's troops, difficulties in receiving an exchange, prospects for an escape, and the prisoners' move to Charlotte. 12 pages