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**CHARLES M. LANDER
LETTERS, AUGUST-NOVEMBER, 1864**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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SKETCHES

Charles M. Lander (1843-1925) was from East Boston, Massachusetts, where he worked as a clerk. In August, 1864, he enlisted in Company E of the 60th Massachusetts Regiment as a private and served until November, 1864.

The **60th Massachusetts Regiment** (a 100 days regiment) was formed on 1 August 1864 at Camp Meigs, Readville, Massachusetts, and was mustered out on 30 November 1864. The unit saw no combat and spent most of its time in Indianapolis, Indiana, as a deterrent against supposed Confederate sympathizers in the area and guard Confederate prisoners at Camp Morton. It was rumored that men from this regiment voted in the 1864 gubernatorial election multiple times for Republican Oliver P. Morton.

Sources:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of two letters written by C. M. Lander from Indianapolis, Indiana, to his family in Massachusetts while serving with the 60th Massachusetts Regiment.

His first letter was written to his sister from Camp Carrington in Indianapolis, 27 August 1864. He complains of the cold temperature and lack of food and asks her to send him some money so he could buy some. He also writes about family and friends from home. The second letter is from Camp Burnside in Indianapolis to his mother, 13 November 1864. He writes about the prospect of leaving Indianapolis soon and returning to Boston by Thanksgiving. He also describes a play he attended in town called *The Jew of Frankfurt*.

Both letters include transcriptions.

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