

Telegram and envelope of the Washington and New Orleans Magnetic Telegraph Company sent by M. L. Bonham on July 11, 1848 to his wife in Edgefield, S. C. Bonham was on his way home from the Mexican War. From a private collection.

The following communication was received at this office, at 4 o'clock, 15 minutes, P. M. 14th. Dated, New Orleans July 11th 1848.

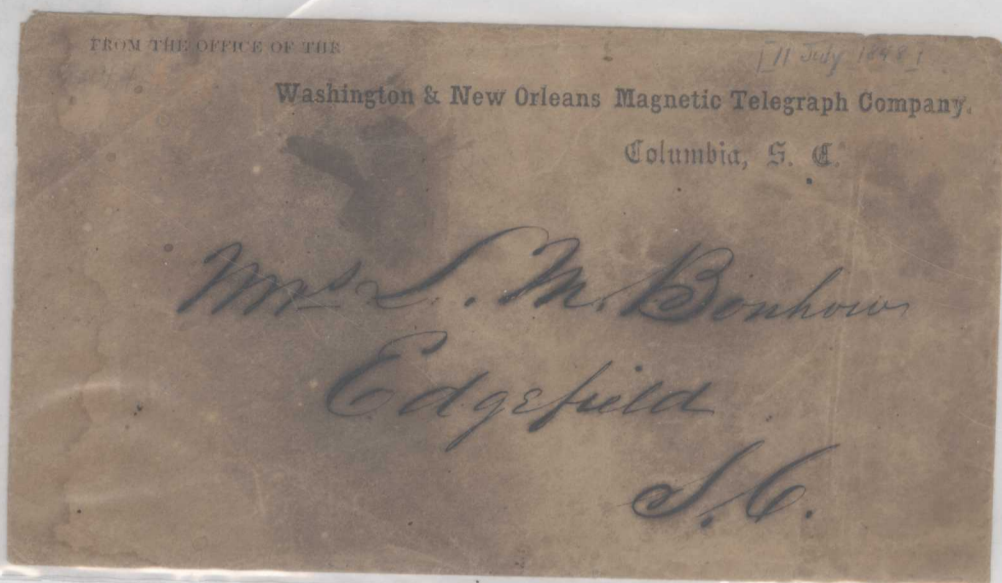
To Mrs L. M. Bonham
Edgefield, Dist. S. C.

Received by Telegraph in Columbia
July 14th 1848.

"Arrived at this place 12 o'clock noon in good health. I shall be detained here a week or ten days."

A. C. July 11th. — L. M. Bonham

Kennedy —
Chief Operator Magnetic Telegraph
Columbia S. C.



WASHINGTON AND NEW ORLEANS MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH CO.

Washington April 8th 1849

J M Clarke Esq

Dear Sir I now fulfil my promise to order 80,000 envelopes. The delay has been on account of getting the proper address of the various offices. You will please send the number set off against the names of the stations, as follows

Washington office over the city Post office	12,000	✓
Alexandria, over market house	2,000	
Federicksburg Telegraph office	1,000	
Richmond over Durwals Drug store	6,000	✓
Petersburg, at the exchange	3,000	✓
Raleigh Telegraph office	1,000	
Fayetteville	1,500	
Cheraw	500	27000
Camden	1,000	
Columbia	4,000	✓
Charleston	8,000	✓
Augusta	4,000	✓