

**Daniel Read Larned Papers**  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Daniel Read Larned Papers

**Span Dates:** 1861-1865

**ID No.:** MSS29470

**Creator:** Larned, Daniel Read

**Extent:** 1,100 items

**Extent:** 5 containers

**Extent:** 2 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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**Summary:** Army officer and private secretary to General Ambrose Everett Burnside. Correspondence and other material concerning campaigns by the Union Army in North Carolina and Virginia and Burnside's relationship with other generals.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Burnside, Ambrose Everett, 1824-1881.

Halleck, H. W. (Henry Wager), 1815-1872.

Larned family--Correspondence.

Larned, Daniel Read.

Leonard family--Correspondence.

McClellan, George B. (George Brinton), 1826-1885.

Morgan, John Hunt, 1825-1864.

Rosecrans, William S. (William Starke), 1819-1898.

### Organizations

United States. Army--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

### Subjects

Antietam, Battle of, Md., 1862.

Cold Harbor, Battle of, Va., 1864.

Fredericksburg, Battle of, Fredericksburg, Va., 1862.

New Bern, Battle of, New Bern, N.C., 1862.

Spotsylvania Court House, Battle of, Va., 1864

Wilderness, Battle of the, Va., 1864.

### Places

Beaufort (N.C.)--Siege, 1862.

Confederate States of America--History.

Fort Macon (N.C.)--Siege, 1862.

Knoxville (Tenn.)--Siege, 1862.

Maryland--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

North Carolina--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Ohio--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Petersburg (Va.)--History--Siege, 1864-1865.

Roanoke Island (N.C.)--History--Capture, 1862.

Tennessee--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Campaigns.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Economic aspects.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Medical care.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Participation, African American.  
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Prisoners and prisons.  
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Psychological aspects.  
Virginia--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

**Occupations**  
Army officers.

## Provenance

The papers of Daniel Read Larned, army officer and private secretary to General Ambrose Everett Burnside, were purchased by the Library in 1936. A gift of additional material was received from Daniel Larned in 2000.

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished papers of Daniel Reed Larned in these papers and in other collections of papers in the Library of Congress is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

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## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Daniel Read Larned Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

Date	Event
1828, July 26	Born, Thompson, Conn.
1863-1865	United States Army officer
1864	Cited for gallantry and meritorious service during a campaign in eastern Tennessee and during the siege of Knoxville, Tenn.
1865	Cited for gallantry and meritorious service during the campaign from the Rapidan River to Petersburg, Va.
	Resigned from United States Army
1879	Returned to United States Army as paymaster
1892	Retired from United States Army

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Daniel Read Larned (born 1828), Civil War Union officer, span the years 1861-1878 and consist principally of letters by Larned to his sisters and brother-in-law concerning General Ambrose Everett Burnside's expedition to North Carolina.

Larned, Burnside's private secretary, describes the battles of Roanoke Island, New Bern, Beaufort, and Fort Macon, North Carolina. His letters also include information concerning the Antietam, Fredericksburg, Knoxville, Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg campaigns; the pursuit of General John Hunt Morgan in Ohio; Burnside's

relationship with Generals Henry Halleck, George B. McClellan, and William S. Rosecrans; and military organization, disputes over rank, discipline, morale, marches, depredations, African-American life, African-American troops, entertainment, prisoners of war, foraging expeditions, disease, inflation, furloughs, military appointments, and the effect of the war on noncombatants in the South. Also included is a book inscribed by Burnside to Larned and two photographs of Larned.

## **Arrangement of the Papers**

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material; correspondence arranged chronologically.

## Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Correspondence
BOX 1	1861, Dec. 9-29
BOX 1	1862
BOX 1	Jan. 2-May 5
BOX 2	May 15-Oct. 24
BOX 3	Oct. 25-Dec. 31
BOX 3	1863
BOX 3	Jan. 1-July 16
BOX 4	July 21-Dec. 10
BOX 4	1864, Jan. 2-1865, May 11
BOX 5	Inscribed book, <i>Holy Roman Empire</i> by James Bryce, 1878
BOX 5	Photographs, undated
BOX 5	Typescripts of selected letters, 1862-1864