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Thursday, April 13, 2000

Confederate States Stamps and Covers

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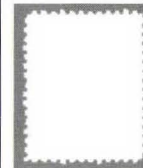
Extremely Fine (EF): Exceptionally large margins or near perfect centering. The term “Gem” describes condition that is the finest possible for the issue.

Very Fine (VF): Normal size margins for the issue and well-centered with the design a bit closer to one side.

Fine (F): Smaller than usual margins or noticeably off center. Pre-1890 issues may have the design touched in places.

Very Good (VG): Attractive appearance, but margins or perforations cut into the design.

Good (G) or Average (Ave.): Cut into or perfs far into design and usually with slight faults. This condition is generally acceptable for rarities, scarce multiples or stamps used on unusual covers.

Gum Categories:	MINT N.H.	ORIGINAL GUM (O.G.)				NO GUM
	 Mint Never Hinged <i>Free from any disturbance</i>	 Lightly Hinged <i>Faint impression of a removed hinge over a small area</i>	 Hinge Mark or Remnant <i>Prominent hinged spot with part or all of the hinge remaining</i>	 Part o.g. <i>Approximately half or more of the gum intact</i>	 Small part o.g. <i>Approximately less than half of the gum intact</i>	 No gum <i>Only if issued with gum</i>
Catalogue Symbol:	★★	★	★	★	★	(★)
PRE-1890 ISSUES	<i>Pre-1890 stamps in these categories trade at a premium over Scott value</i>			Scott Value for “O.G.”		Scott “No Gum” Values thru No. 218
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1935 TO DATE	Scott Value for “Unused”					

Covers

Minor nicks, short edge tears, flap tears and slight reduction at one side are normal conditions for 19th century envelopes. Folded letters should be expected to have at least one file fold. Light cleaning of covers and small mends along the edges are accepted forms of conservation. Unusual covers may have a common stamp with a slight crease or tiny tear. **These flaws exist in virtually all 19th century covers and are not always described. They are not grounds for return.**

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Symbols and Abbreviations (see chart above for gum symbols)

⊞	Block	E	Essay	pmk.	Postmark	No.	Scott Catalogue Number
⊞	Cover	P	Proof	cds	Circular Datestamp	hs	Handstamp
FC	Fancy Cancel	TC	Trial Color Proof	var.	Variety	ms.	Manuscript

SECESSION OF CONFEDERATE STATES AND TERRITORIES



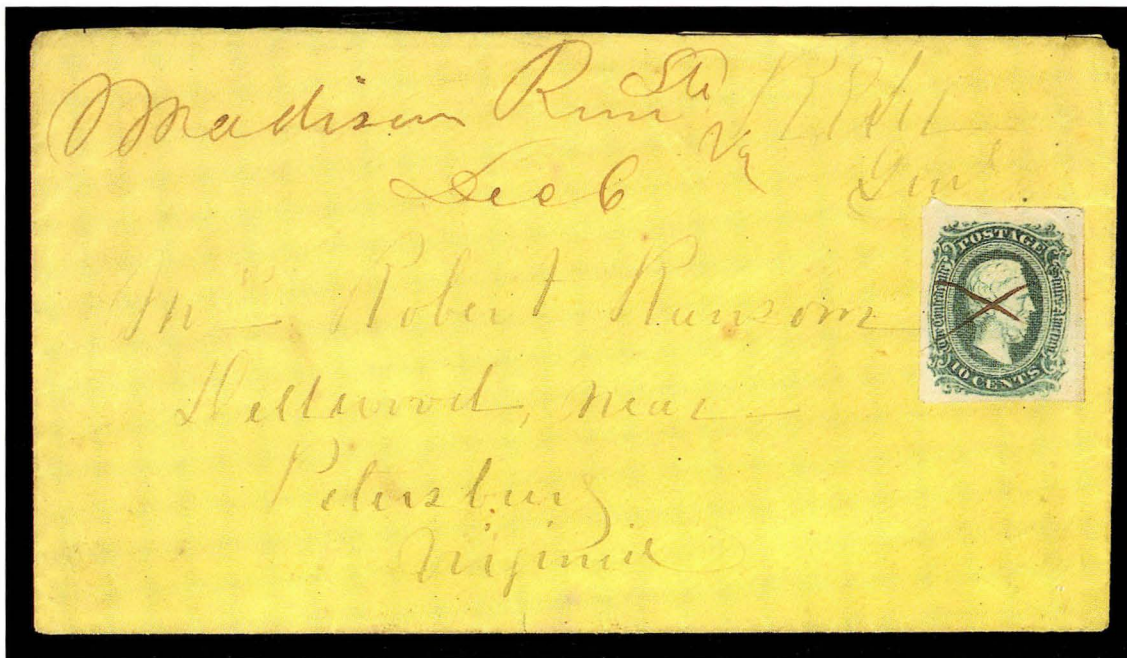
State or Territory	Ordinance Passed (*Interim Periods)	Admitted to Confederacy
Alabama	January 11, 1861	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Arizona Territory	April 3, 1860. Provisional Government *March 16, 1861. Mesilla Secession Conv. *March 23, 1861. Tucson reaffirms Secession *August 1, 1861. Military proclamation	*January 13, 1862. Congressional bill passed effective upon declaration President *January 18, 1862. Pres. Davis signed bill February 14, 1862. Presidential proclamation
Arkansas	May 6, 1861	May 18, 1861
Florida	January 10, 1861	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Georgia	January 19, 1861	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Indian Territory		November 22, 1861. Dept. Ind. Terr. formed
Kanawha	*Aug. 20–Nov. 26, 1861. West Va. Renamed	*November 26, 1861. Reverted to West Va.,
Kentucky	Neutrality proclaimed May 20, 1861. *Secession ordinance November 18, 1861. Both Union & Confederate governments.	December 10, 1862
Louisiana	January 26, 1861	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Mississippi	January 9, 1861	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Missouri	May 21, 1861. Neutrality proclaimed *October 31, 1861. Legislature remnants Both Union and Confederate governments	*August 19, 1861. "Alliance" formed November 28, 1861
New Mexico Territory	July 23, 1861. Confederate invasion and occupation of Mesilla commences	*August 1, 1861. Military proclamation for Territory of Arizona (see Arizona)
North Carolina	May 20, 1861	May 27, 1861
South Carolina	December 20, 1860	February 4, 1861. Montgomery Convention
Tennessee	*May 6, 1861. Secession referendum *June 8, 1861. Popular vote June 24, 1861. Ratification election	May 16, 1861 (contingent upon June 24 vote)
Texas	*February 1, 1861. Secession referendum *February 23, 1861. Popular vote, effective March 2, 1861.	March 6, 1861
Virginia	*April 17, 1861. Secession referendum May 23, 1861. Popular vote	May 7, 1861
West Virginia	*June 11, 1861. Second Wheeling Convention *June 19, 1861. "Restored government" *October 24, 1861. Popular vote	*December 31, 1862. President Lincoln signed West Va. State Act Proclaimed April 20, effective June 20, 1863

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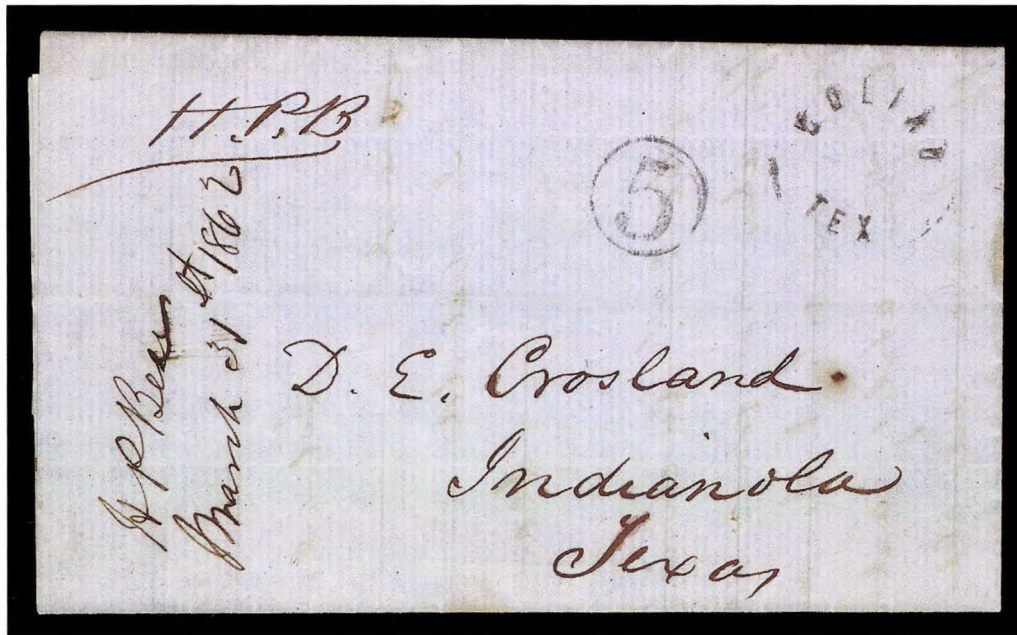
- 301 ☒ **Robert E. Lee.** Clear signature "R. E. Lee Genl" at top right of yellow cover addressed in his hand to "Mrs. Robert Ransom, Dellwood, near Petersburg, Virginia", the cover also bears a **10c Greenish Blue, Die A (11c)**, huge margins all around, ms. "X" cancel, matching "Madison Run Sta. Va. Dec. 6" (1863) postmark, stamp has a tiny pre-use tear in lower left margin

EXTREMELY FINE. A REMARKABLY FRESH AND CHOICE EXAMPLE OF GENERAL LEE'S SIGNATURE IN COMBINATION WITH A CONFEDERATE GENERAL ISSUE STAMP.

Robert E. Lee's letters sent from the field were enclosed in envelopes signed "R. E. Lee Genl". The letters and other important papers were carried by military courier, usually to Richmond, where they were either mailed or delivered by hand. Letters were also stamped and mailed at post offices near Lee's location, as in this case. The addressee was the wife of General Robert Ransom.

Ex Birkinbine. With 1985 P.F. certificate. E. 12,000-15,000

HAMILTON P. BEE



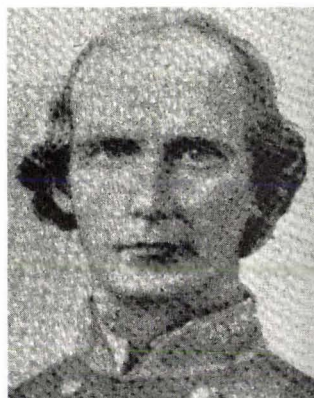
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- 302 ☒ **Hamilton P. Bee.** Confederate Brigadier-General who supervised importation of munitions from Europe via Mexico and exportation of cotton. Autograph letter signed "H. P. Bee" and datelined Goliad, Mar. 31, 1862, to D. E. Crosland at Indianola Tex., address side initialled "H.P.B." with clearly struck "Goliad Tex." dateless and rimless circle, matching "5" in circle rate handstamp, neatly docketed, letter concerns an appointment to General Bee's staff

EXTREMELY FINE. ONLY TWO COVERS FROM BRIGADIER-GENERAL HAMILTON P. BEE ARE REPORTED. A VERY DESIRABLE FIELD COVER AND AUTOGRAPH LETTER FROM ONE OF THE OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING LINES ACROSS THE FEDERAL BLOCKADE.

Hamilton P. Bee was a prominent Texan military officer who joined the state militia in 1861 and attained the rank of Brigadier-General in the Confederate Army on March 4, 1862, just weeks before this letter was written. He commanded a military fort in Texas, overseeing the import of munitions and export of cotton across the Mexican border. Later in the war, he was involved in the Red River campaign and other engagements, but his battlefield command was criticized. General Bee went to Mexico after the war and returned to Texas in 1876.

Ex Birkinbine. E. 3,000-4,000



Brigadier-General H. P. Bee

INDEPENDENT AND CONFEDERATE STATE USE OF U.S. STAMPS



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- 303 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Aug. 12, 1861.** Clearly struck circular datestamp ties **30c Orange (38)**, few scissors-blunted perfs, vivid color, on piece of cover sent to France, pencil "55/ Through" (55c paid, including 30c postage and 25c express fee), re-franked with horizontal strip of three **5c Brown, Ty. II (30A)**, tied by blue grids and "Louisville Ky. Aug. 13, 1861" double-circle datestamp, part of Havre transit at bottom of piece, strip lifted to show markings, Extremely Fine, a very rare usage, ex Birkinbine E. 1,000-1,500



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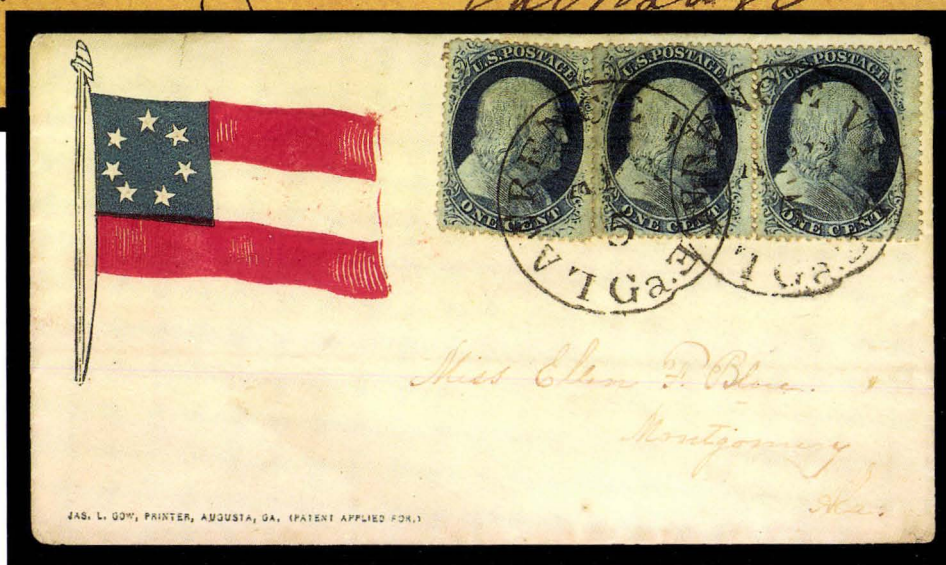
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- 304 **5c Brown, Ty. II (30A).** Pair and single, cancelled by "New Orleans La. 3 Feb." (1861) large circular datestamp on piece, **last day of Louisiana's independent statehood** (lasted only nine days), Very Fine, ex Birkinbine, with 1982 P.F. certificate..... E. 500-750
- 305 **24c Gray Lilac (37).** Well-centered, deep shade, tied by blue grid, matching "Louisville Ky. Jul. 29, 1861" double-circle datestamp on small piece, stamp affixed over **Richmond Va. "Paid 10" in circle Confederate rate handstamp**, a thru-the-lines express usage to England, stamp lifted to check condition and show marking, Extremely Fine and rare, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 306 **30c Orange (38).** Two, one well-centered with "Richmond Va. May 22, 1861" circular datestamp, last day before popular vote to enter the Confederacy, Extremely Fine, other (Very Fine centering, small faults) with "Jacksonville Fla. Apr. 25, 1861" double-circle datestamp, Confederate State usage, choice pair..... E. 500-750

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307



- 307 ☒ **Lawrence Ville Ga. Apr. 5 (1861).** Two perfectly clear strikes of circular datestamp tying pair and single 1c Blue, Ty. V (24), deep rich color, on small cover to Montgomery Ala. with red and blue 7-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic design and "Jas. L. Gow, Printer, Augusta, Ga. (Patent Applied For)" imprint, tiny edge tear at top mentioned only to emphasize the superb condition of this cover

EXTREMELY FINE. A RARE ONE-CENT 1857 FRANKING AND IMMACULATE EXAMPLE OF UNITED STATES STAMPS USED IN THE CONFEDERACY.

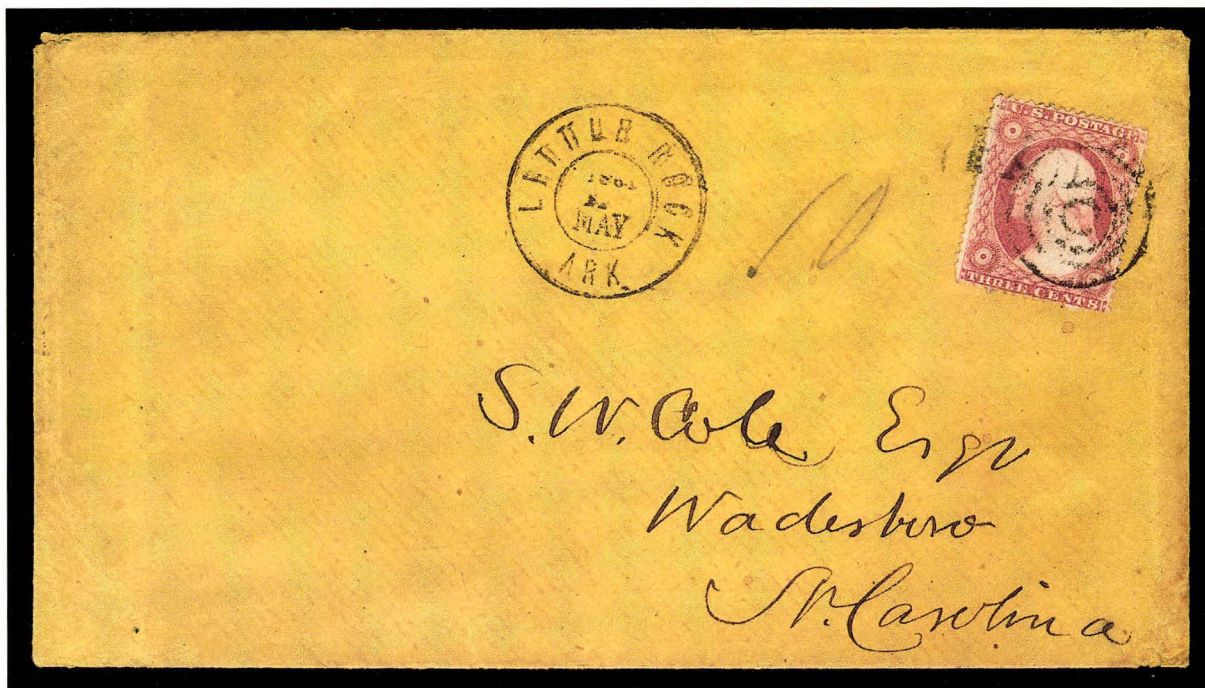
Ex Walcott and Knapp. E. 2,000-3,000

- 308 ☒ **Early Grove Miss. Mar. 23 (1861) — "No. 2 Registered Registry fee 5cts."** Mostly clear circular datestamp ties 3c Dull Red (26), creased, on orange cover to Jackson Miss., registry markings in manuscript, docketing indicates \$25 enclosed

EXTREMELY FINE. THE ONLY RECORDED REGISTERED COVER FROM A POST OFFICE IN THE CONFEDERATE STATES, WHICH WAS POSSIBLE ONLY DURING THE PERIOD PRIOR TO JUNE 1, 1861.

After the Confederate postal system commenced operation on June 1, 1861, there was never any provision for registered letters; valuables were usually entrusted to express companies and couriers. However, prior to June 1, post offices in the Confederate States could still transmit registered mail, although the great rarity of registered covers from this period suggests that the service saw limited use. The Dietz catalogue lists one registered usage from Wetumpka in Alabama (as an independent state) and one registered Confederate usage, the cover from Early Grove, Mississippi, which is offered here (illustrated in Dietz on page 12).

Ex Birkinbine. E. 2,000-3,000



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- 309 ☒ **Little Rock Ark. 1861 17 May — Last Day of Arkansas Independent Statehood.** Well-struck double-circle datestamp, matching target cancel ties 3c Dull Red (26) on buff cover to Wadesboro N.C., evidently missent (to S.C.?) and re-routed with “Paid” handstamp also tying stamp, upon arrival in Wadesboro — after June 1st — the postmaster at receiving office rated the letter “10” in pencil for 10c Confederate postage due, a fascinating usage from Arkansas on the last day of Independent Statehood (admitted to C.S.A. on May 18th) and rated with both U.S. and Confederate postage, signed Dietz..... E. 1,000-1,500



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- 310 ☒ **24c Gray Lilac (37).** Vertical pair with scissors-trimmed perfs at left and lower right, tied by bold “New Orleans La. 8 May” circular datestamp and red “N. York Br. Pkt. 38” credit datestamp on cover to **Edinburgh, Scotland**, receiving backstamp, sealed opening tear at lower left and top center (could be made invisible with simple restoration), otherwise Fine, extremely rare double-rate use of the 24c 1860 from the Confederate State of Louisiana, with 1976 P.F. certificate E. 1,000-1,500



- 311 ☒ **Montgomery Ala. Mar. 11, 1861.** Bold strike nicely ties well-centered 3c Dull Red (26) on cover to Southwick Mass., backflap removed, still Very Fine and choice Confederate usage..... E. 150-200
- 312 ☒ **Savannah Geo. Mar. 23 (1861).** Mostly clear circular datestamp and "24" in circle rate handstamp on 1861 folded letter to **Edinburgh, Scotland**, blurry New York exchange office debit datestamp, "1/-" due handstamp, receiving backstamp, interesting contents written after secession but before the first shots of the war — "*Business is paralised, our political disturbance we believe to be near a settlement and business we hope will at once improve. The Govt. of the Southern Confederacy will establish a lower rate of tariff duties than the old. . .*" — file fold, Very Fine, accompanied by a pre-war cover from the same correspondence.. E. 500-750
- 313 ☒ **Portsmouth Va. Apr. 17, 1861 — First Day of Virginia Independent Statehood.** Blue double-circle datestamp, matching grid ties 3c Dull Red (26) on buff cover to Edenton N.C., Extremely Fine, the Ordinance of Secession was declared on April 17th — a choice example of this historic usage..... E. 400-500
- 314 ☒ **Harper's Ferry Va. Apr. 22, 1861.** Double-circle datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Montgomery Ala., fresh and Extremely Fine, independent state usage, ex Birkinbine..... E. 150-200
- 315 ☒ **Mobile Ala. May 22, 1861.** Double-circle datestamp tied 3c Dull Red (26) on yellow cover to New Orleans, small piece out of backflap, still Extremely Fine..... E. 150-200

FIRST DAY OF THE CONFEDERATE POSTAL SYSTEM



- 316 ☒ **Pensacola Fla. Jun. 1 (1861) — First Day of the Confederate Postal System.** Beautiful bold strikes of circular datestamp, "Paid" in circle and "5" rate handstamps on orange cover to Vice President Stephens in Crawfordville Ga., most of backflap intact (unusual for this correspondence), clearly docketed with 1861 year date, very slightly reduced at top
EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN FIRST DAY COVERS OF THE CONFEDERACY, OF WHICH VERY FEW EXIST FROM FLORIDA.
Ex Birkinbine. E. 2,000-3,000
- 317 ☒ **Graniteville S.C. Jun. 1 (1861) — First Day of the Confederate Postal System.** Clearly struck balloon-style circular datestamp with "Paid 3" in circle handstamp, obliterated by another marking, re-rated with "Paid" straightline and ms. "5 cts" for new Confederate rate on buff cover to Phoenix S.C.
EXTREMELY FINE. A REMARKABLE FIRST DAY USE OF NEW CONFEDERATE RATE IN COMBINATION WITH THE OLD 3-CENT MARKING.
There is nothing on this cover to indicate when the "Paid 3" was applied, which leaves the possibility that the envelope was prepared in advance — giving it *provisional* status — and re-rated when brought to the post office for mailing. Covers showing a combination of the old and new rates are extremely rare, and we doubt more than a few exist postmarked on June 1, the first day of the Confederate postal system.
Ex Kohn and Birkinbine..... E. 2,000-3,000

SOUTHERN "OLD STAMPS NOT RECOGNIZED"



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- 318 ☒ **Hendersonville N.C. June 3 (1861).** Clearly-struck circular datestamp (some letters in watery ink) ties 3c Dull Red (26) on lady's small cover to Bowman's Bluff N.C., **obsolete Federal stamp not recognized**, blurry "Hendersonville N.C. June 5" circular datestamp and ms. "Pd 5" Confederate rate applied two days later, neatly docketed on back "Annie — Rec'd June 6th 1861"

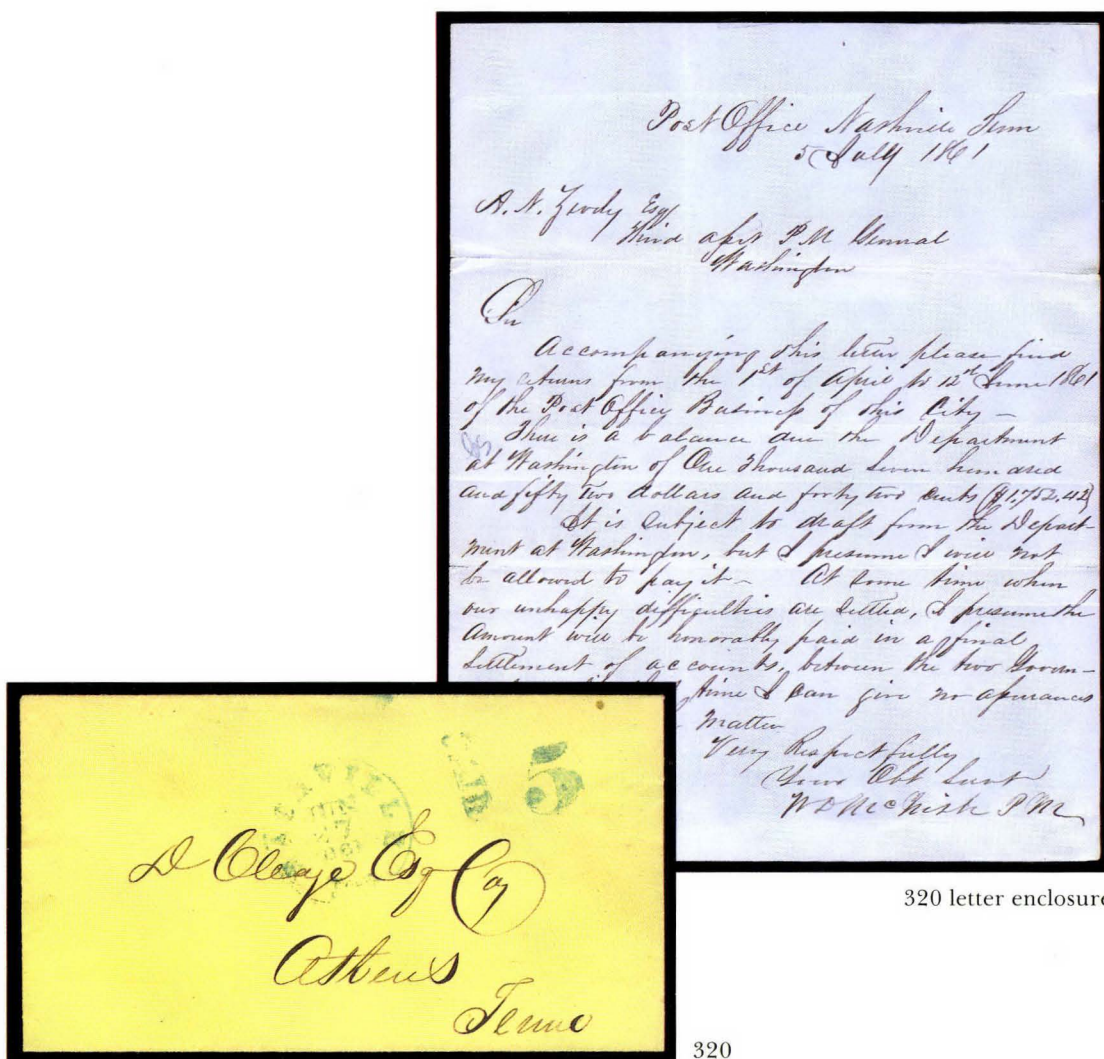
EXTREMELY FINE. A VERY RARE EXAMPLE OF CONFEDERATE "OLD STAMPS NOT RECOGNIZED" TREATMENT OF PREPAYMENT WITH UNITED STATES POSTAGE AFTER JUNE 1, 1861.

The Federal demonetization of all United States stamps issued before the new 1861 series resulted in use of "Old Stamps Not Recognized" markings on letters originating in the North with obsolete postage affixed. In the South, Federal postage stamps were not accepted as prepayment of the Confederate rates effective June 1, 1861. Markings used to reject prepayment were applied in manuscript, or letters were simply marked postage due or held for postage. This cover was mailed by a young lady (Annie) to another young lady (Harriet) on June 3 with the old United States 3c stamp affixed (upside down — deliberately?). The postmaster at Hendersonville held the letter until the 5c required Confederate postage was prepaid. Examples such as this are extremely rare.

Ex Birkinbine. E. 2,000-3,000

- 319 ☒ **Memphis Ten. Jun. 10 (1861).** Partly clear circular datestamp ties 3c Dull Red (26) on red and blue 7-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic cover to Lieut. Thos. P. Shields, Co. A, 2nd Regt. Va. Vol., Fort Pickens Va., ms. "due 3", with original letters enclosed, dated Jun. 3 and Jun. 9 with interesting comments regarding current events — for example, "The Lincolnites are doubtless preparing to make the attempt to take Memphis, but I am inclined to think that they will not do so till they have subjugated Va. & that is equivalent to an indefinite postponement of any attack on us here." (in fact, Memphis fell to Union forces one year later, almost to the day) — expertly repaired flap tear and cleaned stain at center, Very Fine appearance, a rare use of United States stamps from Memphis after Tennessee was admitted to Confederacy (May 16) and the Confederate postal system started (June 1), but before the June 24 ratification vote confirmed Tennessee's status as a Confederate State, which explains the use of U.S. rates and postage on this cover E. 1,500-2,000

NASHVILLE POSTMASTER'S FINAL RETURNS



320 letter enclosure

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- 320 ✉ **W. D. McNish, Postmaster at Nashville Tenn.** Autograph letter signed "W. D. McNish PM" and datelined "Post Office, Nashville Tenn., 5 July 1861" to Third Asst. Postmaster General A. N. Zevely in Washington D.C.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER FROM THE NASHVILLE POSTMASTER, PRESENTING A FINAL ACCOUNTING OF POSTAL RETURNS FROM APRIL 1 TO JUNE 12, 1861, THE LAST DAY OF SERVICE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

Tennessee's secession referendum was passed on May 6, 1861. The popular vote to secede took place on June 8. Although Tennessee was admitted into the Confederacy on May 16, it did not officially enter until the ratification vote on June 24. The Nashville postmaster was caught between his oath to the Federal government and his new role as Confederate postmaster. Sometime between June 8 and 12, service between Nashville and the Federal post office at Louisville ceased. This letter pinpoints June 12 as the final date of McNish's returns to the Post Office Dept. in Washington. The letter reads:

"Accompanying this letter please find my returns from the 1st of April to 12th June 1861 of the Post Office Business of this City. . .[and referring to a balance due the U.S.] At some time when our unhappy difficulties are settled, I presume the amount will be honorably paid in a final settlement of accounts, between the two Governments. . ."

Accompanying this letter is a yellow cover from the Cleage correspondence, addressed to Athens Tenn., with blue "Nashville Ten. Jun. 27, 1861" circular datestamp and matching "Paid 5" handstamps. This cover shows the new Confederate rates used a few days after Tennessee's admission was ratified.

Ex Birkinbine. E. 2,000-3,000

SOUTHERN LETTER UNPAID



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- 321 ☒ **SOUTHN. LETTER UNPAID.** Blue two-line handstamp with matching "Louisville Ky. Jun. 27" double-circle datestamp and "DUE 3" straightline on 3c Red Nesbitt entire to Keene Ky., Confederate "Montinas Ga. June 11 — 61" ms. pmk. and "Paid 5" across 3c embossed stamp

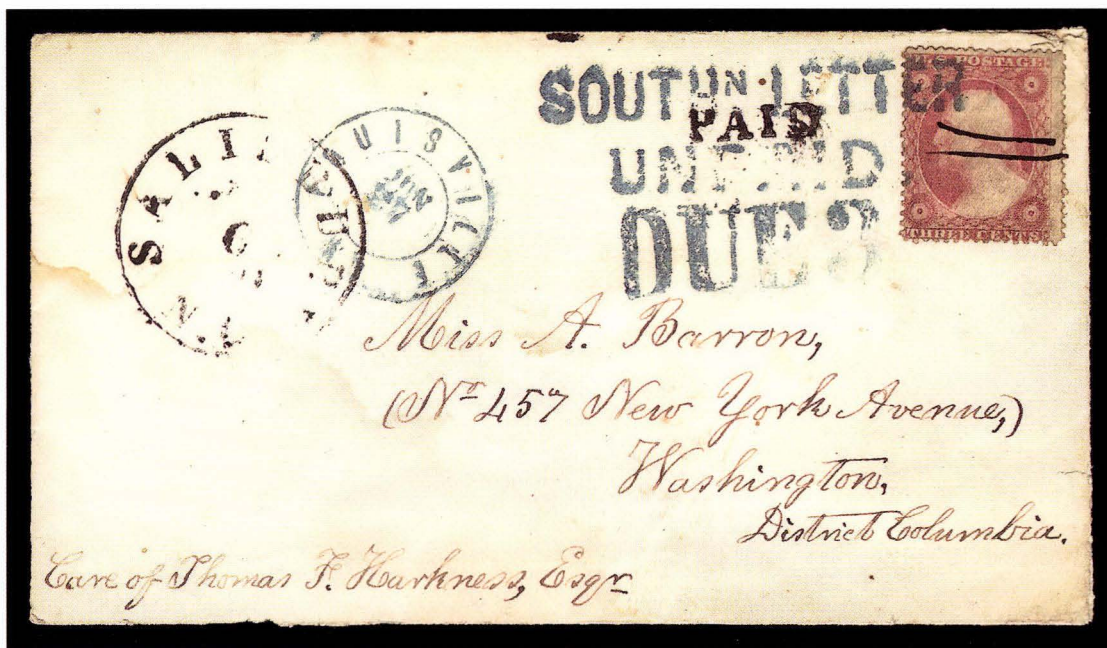
EXTREMELY FINE AND FRESH "SOUTHERN LETTER UNPAID" COVER.

By Postmaster General Blair's order of May 27, mail service to disloyal Southern states was discontinued. On or about June 8, mail exchange between Louisville and Nashville was also banned. In early and mid-June, however, a large quantity of mail from the South reached Louisville for delivery to correspondents in the North. However, Federal government postage stamps affixed in the South were regarded as contraband and were refused as prepayment.

On June 24 Dr. J. J. Speed, the postmaster at Louisville was advised to forward letters from the South to the loyal states after *removing* postage. With approximately 5,000 such letters accumulating at Louisville by this date, Postmaster Speed employed a more practical means of invalidating postage by creating the "Southern Letter Unpaid" handstamp.

Immediately after receiving instructions from Washington to forward mail, the Louisville post office began marking letters. Some of these have circular datestamps (Jun. 27, 28 and 29 being the most common dates).

Ex Weatherly and Wiseman. Illustrated in Shenfield (p. 10) E. 15,000-20,000



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- 322 ☒ **SOUTH. LETTER UNPAID.** Bold two-line handstamp ties 3c Dull Red (26) on cover to Washington D.C., stamp slightly gum stained, originated in Confederacy with "Salisbury N.C. Jun. 6" circular datestamp with pen cancel also tying stamp, blue "Louisville Ky. Jun. 27" double-circle datestamp and matching "DUE 3" straightline, water stains at lower left have been lightened, part of backflap removed

VERY FINE WITH ALL MARKINGS CLEARLY STRUCK ON AN ATTRACTIVE COVER. A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE "SOUTHERN LETTER UNPAID" HANDSTAMP USED TO CANCEL THE UNITED STATES 3-CENT 1857 STAMP.

With 1993 P.F. certificate. E. 10,000-15,000

MAILS SUSPENDED AND OLD STAMPS NOT RECOGNIZED



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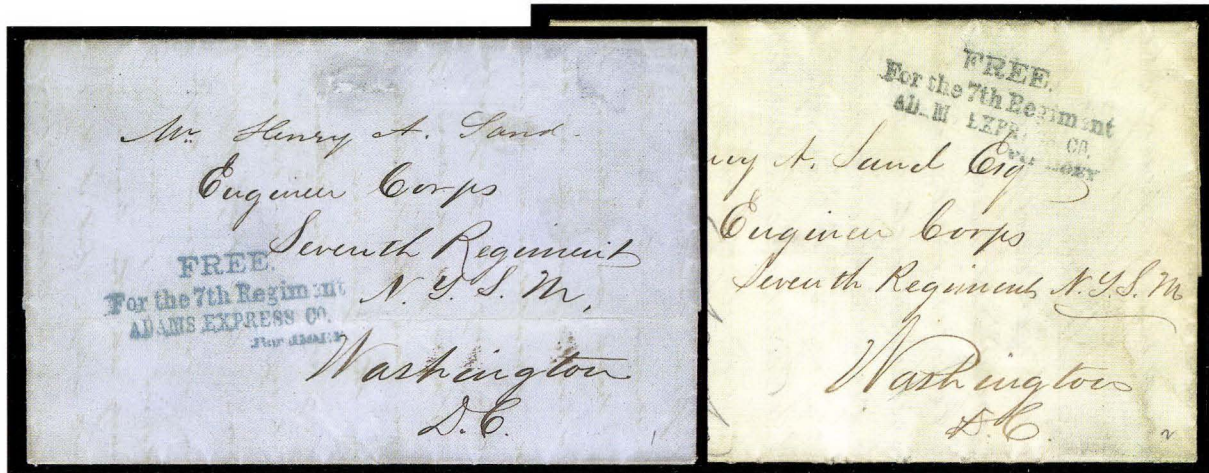


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- 323 ✉ **MAILS SUSPENDED.** Partly clear oval handstamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to **Waldo, Missouri**, "Knoxville Iowa Aug. 24" (1861) circular datestamp, lightly cleaned, Fine, Waldo lies in Southern Missouri where pro-Confederate activity caused suspension of mail exchange, this is a very rare example of the Mails Suspended marking used on a letter not addressed to a Confederate State E. 750-1,000
- 324 ✉ **CANNOT BE FORWARDED.** Mostly clear framed straightline on cover to Collinsburg La., 3c Rose (65) cancelled in ms., matching ms. "Randolph ?? July 17" postmark at lower left corner, sender's routing "Via Shreveport", "New Orleans La. Aug. 8" double-circle datestamp on back (where "Cannot Be Forwarded" marking was applied), reduced at left, faint lightened stain, Fine appearance, rare attempted trans-Mississippi mailing, probably post-war before service was fully restored, ex Seacrest E. 500-750
- 325 ✉ **CANNOT BE FORWARDED.** Partly clear framed straightline handstamp on orange cover to Bellville Tex., 3c Rose (65), tear at right, cancelled by target, matching "Tunkhannock Pa. Jul. 8" circular datestamp, "New Orleans La. Aug. 1" double-circle datestamp on back (where "Cannot Be Forwarded" handstamp was applied), pencil "due 25c" indicating express fee was paid for delivery to Texas, Very Fine, extremely rare, probably a post-war usage before Federal mail service was fully restored E. 1,000-1,500
- 326 ✉ **Old Stamps Not Recognized.** 3c Dull Red (26) used on **McKnight Guards, Co. L, 28th Regt. Penn. Vols. Capt. James Barr** Patriotic cover to Hamonton N.J., chaplain's endorsement, the demonetized stamp was not recognized and marked "X" in ms. with two strikes of "Due 3" — regular soldier's letter rate without penalty — Very Fine, unusual "Old Stamps" usage E. 500-750

ADAMS 7TH REGIMENT EXPRESS

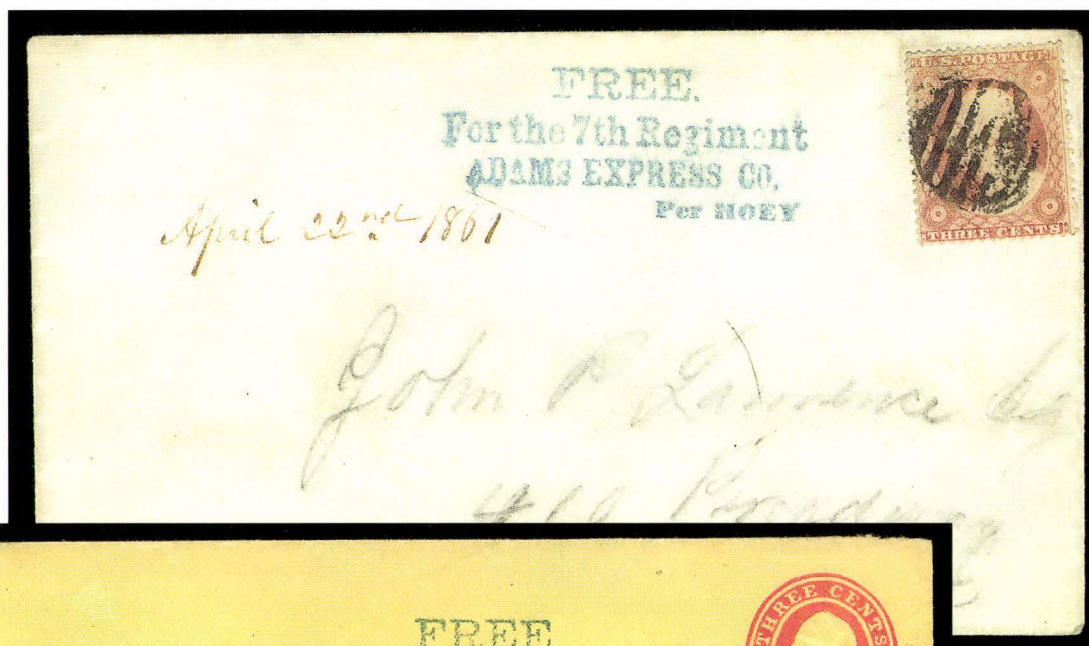


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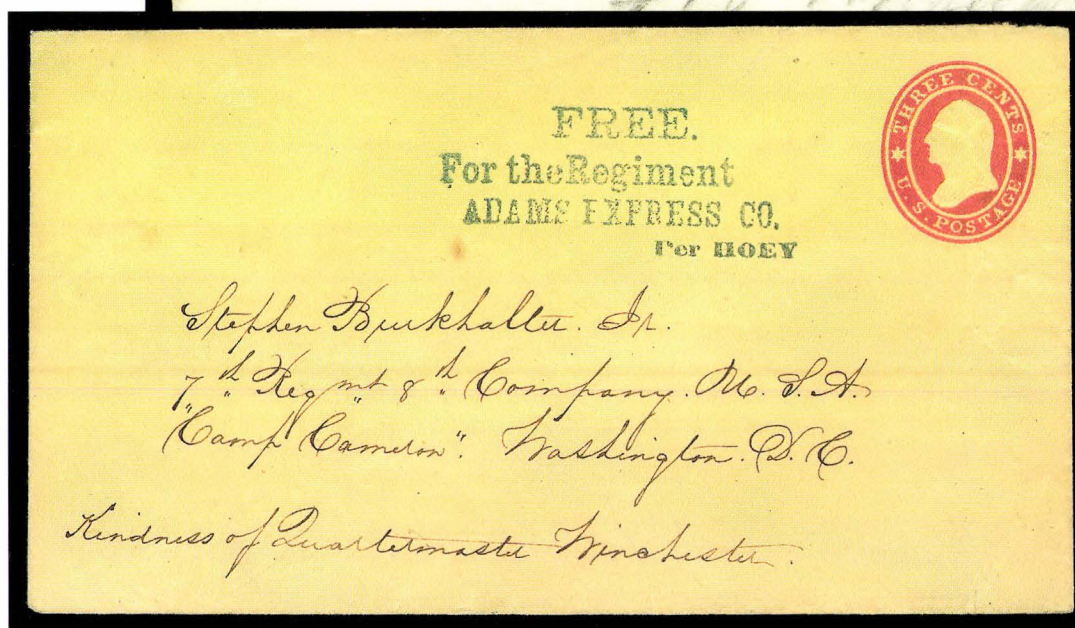
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327 ✉ **FREE./For the 7th Regiment/ADAMS EXPRESS CO./Per HOEY.** Four-line handstamp (with period after "Hoey"), a perfect bold strike in turquoise blue on blue folded letter datelined Brooklyn, Apr. 26, 1861, to Henry Sand, Engineer Corps, 7th Regt. N.Y.S.M. at Washington D.C., from his mother, who writes an eloquent 3pp letter, describing her frustration with the spread of untrue rumors and complains that "Since you left there has been no direct communication to Washington & the people here are furious & have had a meeting on the subject & say they will submit to no temporising on the subject — that the way must be opened through Baltimore to Washington & if the President do not order it — they will assemble an army on their own responsibility & march through." Mrs. Sand also writes about Zouaves: "There are companies of Zouaves — many of them desperate fellows — who are used to fighting — who glory in the idea of punishing the Plug Uglies — they are much better antagonists for such wretches — than the gallant 7th." After some family news, there is mention of European regiments in New York City and a significant comment "Capt. Wilson's Zouaves they say are composed of prize fighters, thieves & all kinds of ruffians. They say one of them remarked that when they left, there would only [be] three rogues left in the city & one of them was Fernando Wood." — Wood was the New York City mayor who advocated the secession of New York City from the Union; an Extremely Fine strike of this rare early express marking, which was used on mail carried free of charge between New York and regiments guarding the capital under Lincoln's authority during the beginning of the war; only seven or eight genuine examples of the "For the 7th Regiment" marking are known, of which this strike is arguably the finest..... E. 2,000-3,000

328 ✉ **FREE./For the 7th Regiment/ADAMS EXPRESS CO./Per HOEY** Four-line handstamp in greenish blue (without period after "Hoey"), mostly bold strike on bluish folded letter datelined New York, Apr. 29, 1861, addressed to Henry Sand, Engineer Corps, 7th Regt. N.Y.S.M. at Washington D.C., from his 16-year old brother, a 3½ pp letter with interesting comments: a reference to the special Adams express "That special messenger must have taken a long time to come here for it took three days longer than the other"; description of Zouaves "Today the Firemen Zouaves leave for Washington. . . They are a very queer set of fellows. Their dress is a bluish grey flannel jacket & pantaloons, with a felt hat. Their cuffs & the edge of the coat are bound with red & blue. The pantaloons also have a stripe."; paraphrased editorial from the Herald "there are 300,000 men in the North who will fight just for the spoils, & spoils they are determined to have & that they will not be satisfied till they have a farm & a nigger apiece. Traitors beware!"; typical teenage enthusiasm over warfare "I understand that your sidearms are to be taken away on account of the many accidents, so you will have to dispatch rebels with your bayonet" and naive patriotism "Jeff. Davis seems to be in a pretty tight place now & he will be forced to give up soon. I never believed the Secessionists could stand the pressure long & am now & always was of the opinion that before the year was out every seceded state would be back in again in the Union. As there being 2 Confederacies I think it absurd."; a final prediction, typical of the prevailing Northern attitude prior to the humbling battlefield experience of Manassas, "If 18,000,000 freemen with plenty of money, can not whip 600,000 pennyless wretches, don't think we deserve the name of Americans (for the northerners are the real Americans, not the Southerners.", a Very Fine and choice strike of this rare early express marking, which was used on mail between New York and the famous New York 7th Regiment, who were dispatched by Abraham Lincoln in April 1861 to defend the capital in Washington D.C.; the Adams messenger carried mail between the 7th Regiment (and others around Washington) and New York without charge, due to disruptions in regular mails over the railroads; only seven or eight of the "For the 7th Regiment" type are known..... E. 1,500-2,000



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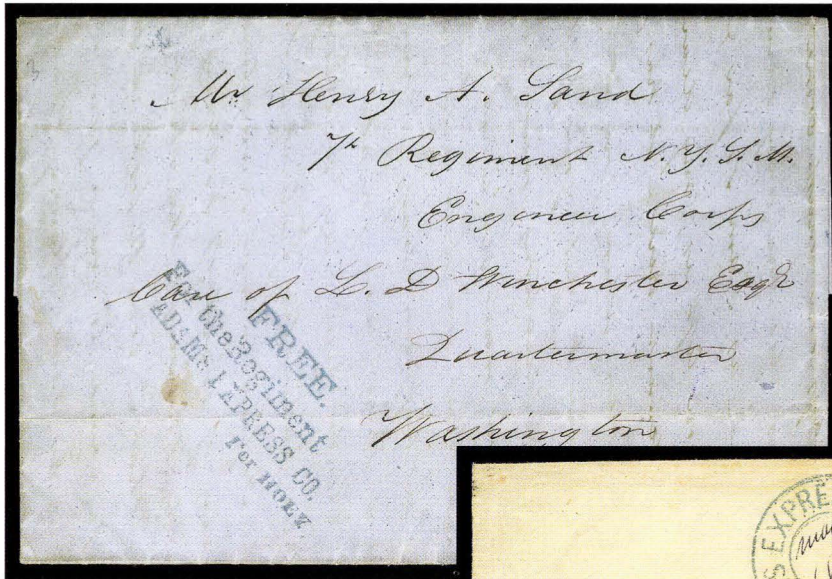
- 329 ☒ **FREE./For the 7th Regiment/ADAMS EXPRESS CO./Per HOEY** Four-line handstamp perfectly struck on cover **from the 7th Regiment in Washington D.C.** to New York City, addressed in pencil, ms. "April 22nd, 1861" date, **3c Dull Red (26)** tied along lefthand perfs by grid cancel — probably applied in New York City post office, where dropped off by Adams — cleaned around stamp to lighten gum stains

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FEW KNOWN COVERS CARRIED BY THE ADAMS 7TH REGIMENT EXPRESS NORTH TO NEW YORK CITY — ALSO THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF THIS MARKING WITH A UNITED STATES 3-CENT 1857 STAMP.

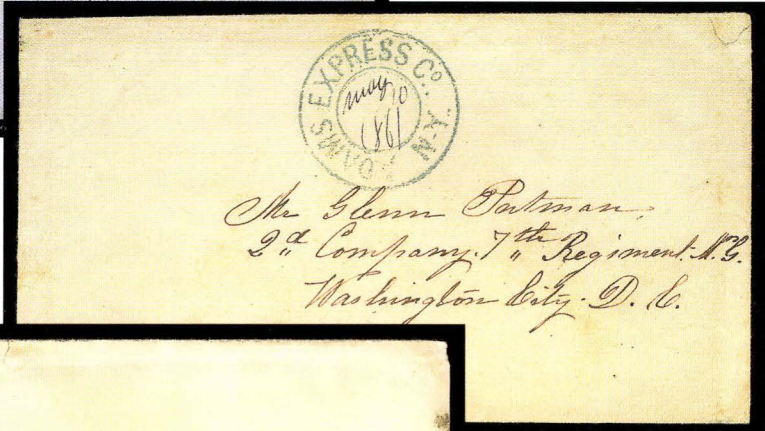
Most of the mail carried by the Adams 7th Regiment express was brought from New York City to Washington D.C. This is an extremely rare usage in the opposite direction, and it is the only recorded Adams 7th Regiment cover with a 3c 1857 stamp, which was probably required on letters entering the post office.

Illustrated in Graham's *American Philatelist* series. Ex Finney and Simon. E. 3,000-4,000

- 330 ☒ **FREE./For the Regiment/ADAMS EXPRESS CO./Per HOEY.** Four-line handstamp perfectly struck in greenish blue on 3c Red Star Die entire to Stephen Burkhalter Jr., 7th Regt., 8th Co., Camp Camelon, Washington D.C. "Kindness of Quartermaster Winchester", Extremely Fine, one of the finest known examples of this rare Adams marking, used on mail carried to and from the New York regiments guarding Washington D.C. at the beginning of the war, ex Knapp, Kimmell and Jarrett, with 1992 P.F. certificate E. 1,500-2,000



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- 331 ☒ **FREE./For the Regiment/ADAMS EXPRESS CO./Per HOEY.** Four-line handstamp clearly struck in greenish blue on blue folded letter datelined Brooklyn, May 2, 1861, addressed to Henry Sand, Engineer Corps, 7th Regt. N.Y.S.M., in care of L. D. Winchester, Quartermaster at Washington D.C., from his mother, who states "Adams Express advertises to take parcels & letters for the Seventh — free of charge.", a lengthy letter discussing local views on the war, Extremely Fine strike and cover, one of the finest of the dozen or so22 genuine examples of the "For the Regiment" marking..... E. 1,500-2,000
- 332 ☒ **Adams Express Co. N.Y.** Mostly clear blue double-circle with ms. "May 10, 1861" date at center on small cover to member of New York 7th Regiment at Washington D.C., Very Fine, choice example of this scarce Adams usage to the regiments guarding Washington D.C. early in the war E. 400-500
- 333 ☒ **The Adams Express Co. Boston Jun. 5.** Well-struck circular datestamp on red and blue **Washington and Flag Union Patriotic** cover to member of 5th Regt., Mass. Vol. Militia, at Washington D.C., slightly reduced at right, lightly soiled, otherwise Very Fine, scarce early express usage via Adams Boston office, Federal troops gathered around Washington D.C. relied on Adams for transmission of mail and valuables..... E. 1,000-1,500



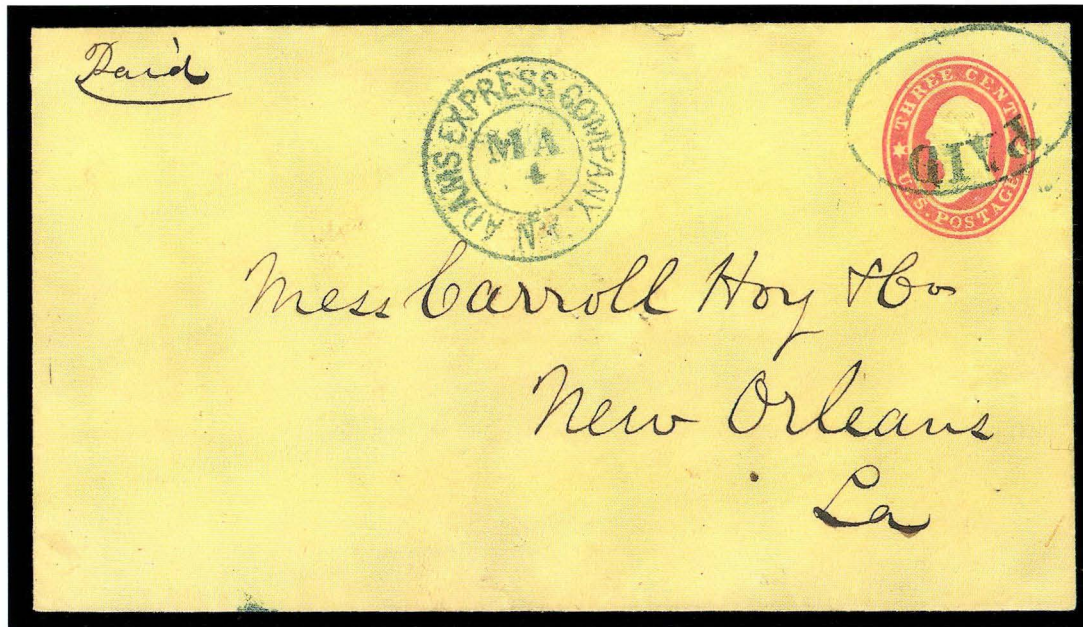
- 334 ☒ **American Express Company.** Red wax seal "American Express Company Louisville" on back of orange cover to lieutenant with the 25th Michigan Infantry at Munfordsville Ky. with instructions "If the Regt. has left PM will please return to the Am Xps Co Louisville", 3c Rose (65) tied by blue grid and "Louisville Ky. Dec. 28, 1862" double-circle datestamp, Extremely Fine, very scarce usage to a regiment in the field E. 500-750
- 335 ☒ **Forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from Louisville Ky.** Black on yellow glazed label (slightly oxidized) used on 3c Red Star Die entire to St. Louis Mo., merchant's hand-stamped return card, ms. "Pd 2/-" express charge (two bits, or 25c), Extremely Fine, ex DeWindt E. 300-400
- 336 ☒ **Forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from Nashville Tenn.** Black on yellow label used on 3c Pink entire to Chattanooga Tenn. military address, ms. "Paid 2/-", Southern Express Co. unclaimed package label on back, dated Memphis Aug. 10, 1869 — one of the three gatherings of unclaimed express packages after the war — minor edge nick and usual light soiling, Fine, scarce with the Adams Nashville label E. 300-400

EXPRESS MAILS PRIOR TO JUNE 1, 1861 — NORTH TO SOUTH



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- 337 ☒ **Adams Express Company, Great Eastern Western & Southern Express Forwarders, New-York.** Large blue oval handstamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Athens Tenn., "Augusta Ga. Jan. 14" (1861) circular datestamp, from the Cleage correspondence, Very Fine, scarce North-to-South express usage prior to suspension of mails on June 1, 1861. E. 500-750



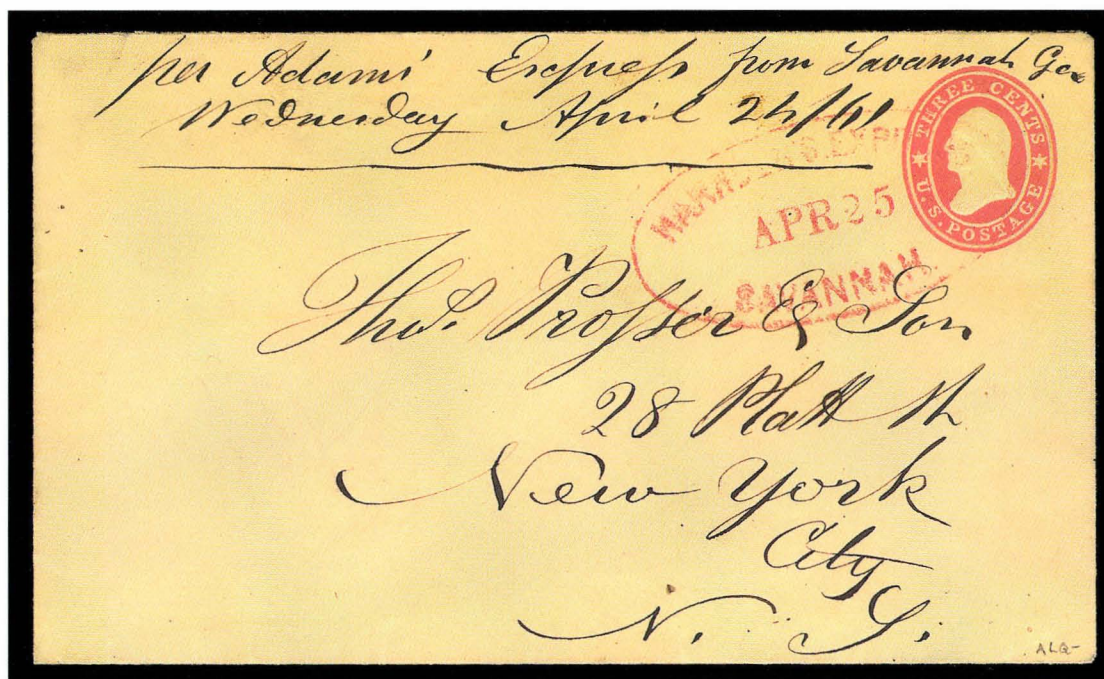
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- 338 ☒ **Adams Express Company N.Y. MA 4 (1861).** Greenish blue double-circle datestamp with matching "Paid" in oval on 3c Red Star Die entire to Carroll Hoy & Co. New Orleans, usual pinholes, fresh and Extremely Fine, signed Ashbrook, ex Everett..... E. 500-750

EXPRESS MAILS PRIOR TO JUNE 1, 1861 — SOUTH TO NORTH



- 339 ☒ **Adams Express Co. New-Orleans 16 Apr. (1861).** Mostly clear circular datestamp used in conjunction with “Adams Express Company, Knoxville Tenn. Apr. 19” oval datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Philadelphia street address, sender’s routing “Adams Express” and ms. “Pd” notation, light horizontal fold at bottom, Very Fine, sent from New Orleans days after the first shots of the war were fired on Fort Sumter, during which period concerns over disruption of the regular mails accelerated use of the expresses — this combination of the scarce markings from Adams’s New Orleans and Knoxville offices indicates an unusual route to Philadelphia (Nashville or Louisville being more typical) ... E. 1,500-2,000
- 340 ☒ **Adams Express Co. New-Orleans Apr.** Partly clear circular datestamp (month only — no day) on 3c Red Star Die entire to New York City, carried in 1861 outside the mails and delivered by carrier, partly clear red “New York Paid City Delivery 1 ct.” circular datestamp, pencil “Paid CPT” express mark, backflap removed, fresh and Very Fine cover, one of the few extant covers that show thru-the-lines express carriage from Confederate New Orleans and delivery by government carrier service, ex Knapp, Middendorf and Meyersburg E. 1,500-2,000
- 341 ☒ **Adams Express Co. New-Orleans May 11.** Partly clear circular datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to New York City, carried in 1861 outside the mails and delivered by carrier, partly clear red “New York Paid City Delivery 1 ct.” circular datestamp, ms. “2/” (two bits, or 25c) express mark, Very Fine cover, rare example of thru-the-lines express carriage from Confederate New Orleans and delivery by government carrier service..... E. 1,500-2,000



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- 342 ☒ **Harnden's Express, Savannah, Apr. 25 (1861).** Mostly clear red oval datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Thos. Prosser & Son, New York City, with sender's route instructions "per Adams' Express from Savannah Ga. Wednesday, April 24/61" across top, faint pencil "Pd 2/-" at left, remnants of adhesive label on back

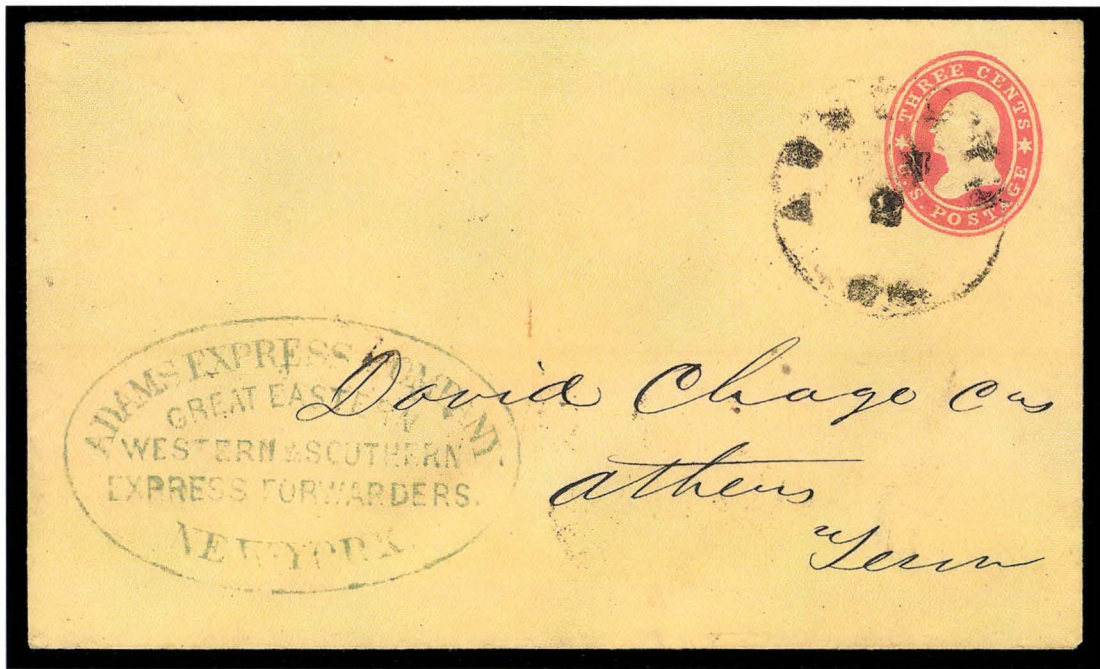
EXTREMELY FINE. THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF AN EXPRESS COVER WITH THE HARNDEN'S SAVANNAH OVAL HANDSTAMP.

Adams Express Company took over Harnden's Express prior to the war, but the Harnden name was retained in Georgia, because of its reputation and good will. When the threat of war jeopardized Adams's ownership of offices in seceded states, its directors sold its southern operation to Henry B. Plant on June 8, 1861. Plant reorganized the old Adams offices under a new firm, the Southern Express Company. Many believed that Adams still retained ownership beneath the facade of a sale, which was intended to protect their property from the Confederate government. In fact, in 1870 a lawsuit was brought against Adams by stockholders who felt entitled to the assets held by the Southern Express Company. The plaintiffs' claim was rejected, but there continued to be well-founded suspicion that the Southern Express Company was a dummy corporation set up for Adams's continued benefit.

The Harnden name is rarely seen on covers carried in seceded states. The cover offered here bears the only recorded example of Harnden's Savannah office handstamp. It is one of two recorded covers mailed by the same sender to the same addressee on the same day. Both have the sender's route instructions, directing the letter to the care of Adams Express. This cover was routed through Savannah, while the other was routed through Charleston S.C., where the "Adams Express Company Charleston S.C. Apr. 25" oval was applied. At Savannah, the oval with the Harnden name was applied, also on April 25. The sender probably sent duplicate letters by two different routes to ensure delivery during the first two weeks of war.

Ex White, Shenfield and Simon. E. 3,000-4,000

EXPRESS MAILS AFTER JUNE 1, 1861 — NORTH TO SOUTH



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- 343 ☒ **Adams Express Company, Great Eastern Western & Southern Express Forwarders, New-York.** Perfect strike of greenish blue oval handstamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Athens Tenn., "Augusta Ga. Jun. 2" (1861) circular datestamp, Extremely Fine, very rare post-June 1 express usage into independent state of Tennessee via Confederate State of Georgia — the U.S. entire was accepted at Augusta — ex Birkinbine..... E. 1,000-1,500



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- 344 ☒ **Adams Express Company, Great Eastern Western & Southern Express Forwarders, New-York.** Perfect strike of greenish blue oval handstamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Athens Tenn., "Augusta Ga. Jun. 21" (1861) circular datestamp, Extremely Fine, very rare post-June 1 express usage into independent state of Tennessee via Confederate State of Georgia — the U.S. entire was accepted at Augusta..... E. 1,000-1,500



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- 345 ☒ **Adams Express Co. Baltimore Md. Jul. 4, 1861.** Clearly struck circular datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Columbia S.C., blue "Adams Express Co. Augusta Ga. Jul. 11" oval datestamp, black "Paid 10" applied by Adams, "Augusta Ga. Jul. 11" double-circle datestamp and "Paid" for C.S.A. postage to Columbia, ms. "Signatures enclosed"

EXTREMELY FINE. THE FINEST OF THE FIVE RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE ADAMS BALTIMORE OFFICE MARKING.

We record five covers with the Adams Baltimore office datestamp (four of this type, one with large sans-serif letters). One of the covers is badly damaged. Of the remaining four, this cover has the clearest strikes.

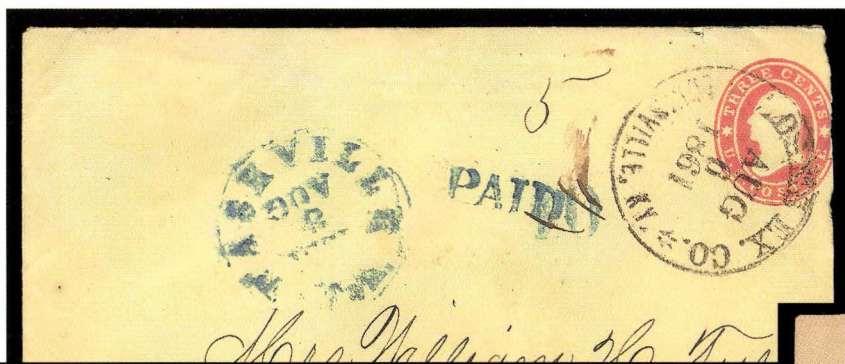
Ex Emerson..... E. 2,000-3,000



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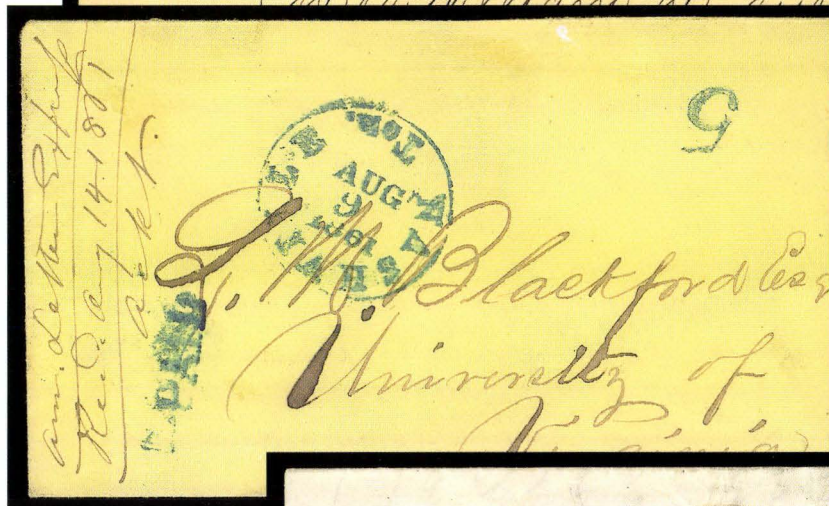
- 346 ☒ **Adams Express Co. Philadelphia, Pa. Aug. 19 (1861).** Red circular datestamp on 3c Pink entire to Charleston S.C., blue "Nashville Ten. Aug. 24, 1861" circular datestamp with matching "Paid" and "10", stain spots and small opening faults at top, also lightly creased at top, restorable condition and a Very Fine strike of this rare Adams Philadelphia office marking

E. 750-1,000

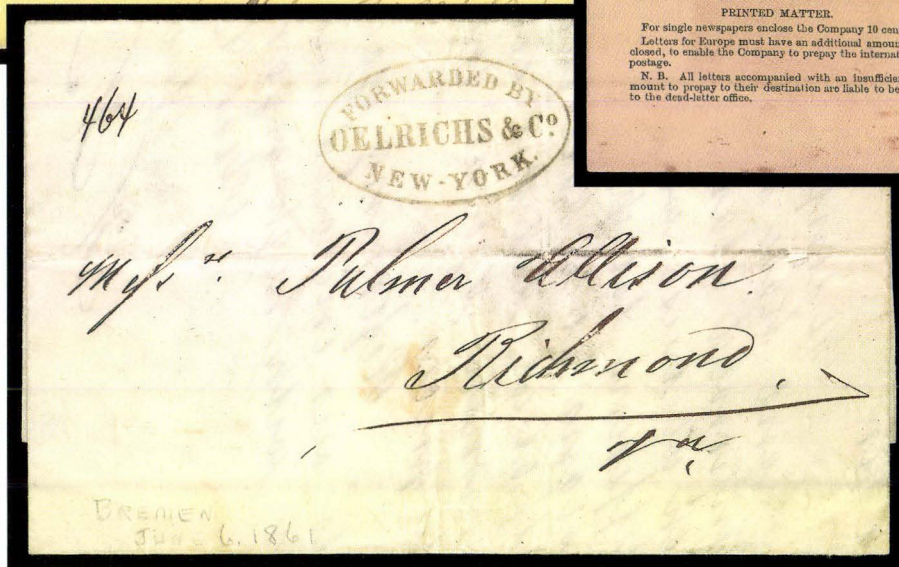
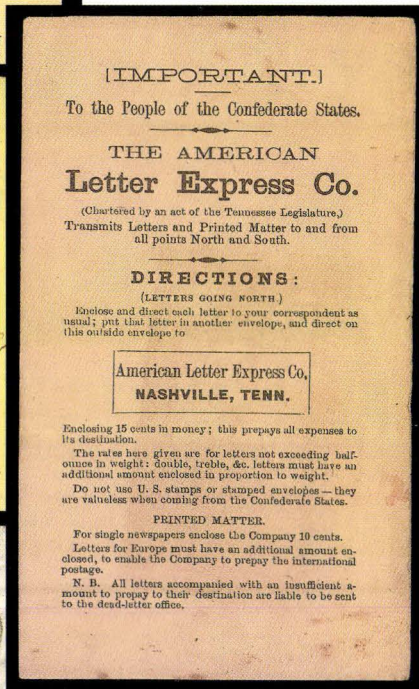


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- 347 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Aug. 6, 1861.** Mostly clear circular datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire from Hartford Conn. to La Grange Ga., red wax seal indicating origin on backflap, blue "Nashville Ten. Aug. 8, 1861" circular datestamp and "Paid" handstamp, "10" rate crossed out in ms. and re-rated "5" Confederate postage, slightly reduced at right, otherwise Fine, Ashbrook notes at left..... E. 750-1,000
- 348 ☒ **American Letter Express Company.** Ms. docketing "Am. Letter Express, Recd. Aug. 14, 1861" on North-to-South express cover to University of Virginia, blue "Nashville Ten. Aug. 9, 1861" circular datestamp, matching "Paid" and "5" handstamps, with two printed advertisements for American Letter Express Co. service, one for "People of the Confederate States", other for "People of the United States", Very Fine, outstanding exhibit group..... E. 1,000-1,500
- 349 ☒ **Germany to Richmond Va.** Folded letter datelined Bremen Jun. 5, 1861, to Richmond Va. after suspension of mails, oval "Forwarded by Oelrichs & Co. New-York" handstamp, file folds, Very Fine, ex Hart, very scarce early transatlantic cover carried across the lines..... E. 500-750

EXPRESS MAILS AFTER JUNE 1, 1861 — SOUTH TO NORTH



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- 350 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Aug. 6, 1861.** Clearly struck circular datestamp on fresh white cover to New Haven Conn., 3c Dull Red (26), slightly oxidized, tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Aug. 7, 1861" double-circle datestamp and blue grid, Extremely Fine, originated in one of the seceded Southern states and carried by Adams Express via Louisville E. 1,500-2,000



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- 351 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Jul. 6, 1861.** Bold circular datestamp on July 1 folded letter from New Orleans to New York City, horizontal pair of 3c Dull Red (26) tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Jul. 7, 1861" double-circle datestamps and duplex grids, also tied by bold "Due 6" straightline evidently applied in New York City on the assumption that the 3c stamps were applied in one of the disloyal states — they were actually applied by the Adams office in Louisville — Extremely Fine, rare double-rated thru-the-lines cover showing New York's refusal to accept stamps — essentially a "Southern Letter Unpaid" cover — ex Brown and Brooks E. 2,000-3,000



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- 352 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Jul. 11, 1861.** Bold circular datestamp on July 6 folded letter and printed market report from New Orleans to New York City, vertical pair of 3c Dull Red (26) tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Jul. 12, 1861" double-circle datestamp and duplex grid, file folds, a few tears along folds and edges, still Very Fine, rare double-rated thru-the-lines cover with all markings clearly struck, ex MacBride and Meroni E. 2,000-3,000
- 353 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Jul. 6, 1861.** Bold circular datestamp on July 1 folded letter from New Orleans to New York City, horizontal pair of 3c Dull Red (26) tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Jul. 7, 1861" double-circle datestamps and duplex grids, ms. "Due 6" evidently applied in New York City on the assumption that the 3c stamps were applied in one of the disloyal states — they were actually applied by the Adams office in Louisville — letter mentions enclosures from London and Liverpool and shipment of cargo thru Cuba, minor wear and small tears along file fold, otherwise Very Fine, from the same mailing as lot 351 with the same "Southern Letter Unpaid" treatment in New York E. 1,500-2,000



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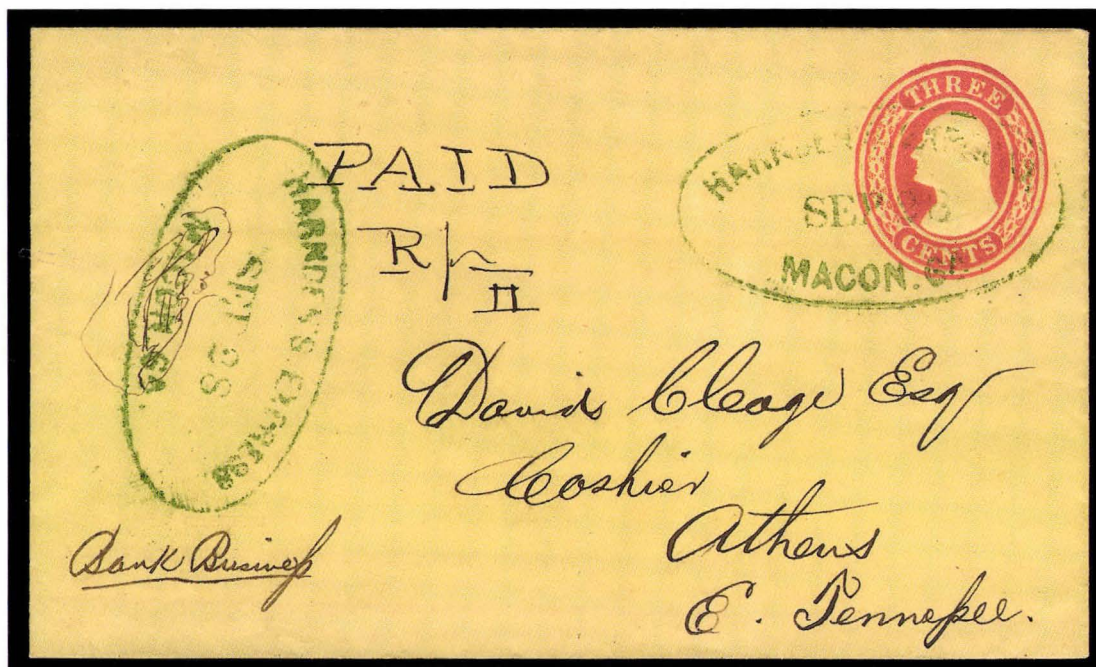
- 354 ☒ **Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Aug. 4, 1861.** Bold strike of circular datestamp on South-to-North express cover to Pottsville Pa., "Richmond Va. Jul. 30, 1861" circular datestamp and "Paid 10" in circle for Confederate rate, 3c Dull Red (26) tied by blue grid, matching "Louisville Ky. Aug. 5, 1861" double-circle datestamp, ms. "40c" express rate, backflap removed and small corner repair at top right, still Very Fine, rare express usage from Richmond, accompanied by pre-war cover from the same correspondence E. 2,000-3,000



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- 355 ☒ **Adams Express Company from New Orleans.** 3c Dull Red (26) pair, perfs trimmed at top, tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Aug. 17" circular datestamp and grid on folded letter (in German) datelined New Orleans Aug. 9, 1861, to New York City, additional enclosure, no express markings, this being an interior letter posted by Adams at Louisville, Very Fine, ex Antrim, Telep E. 200-300

SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY



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- 356 ✉ **Harnden's Express, Macon Ga. Sep. 28 (1861).** Two bold strikes of oval datestamp in green on 3c Red Nesbitt entire to Athens Tenn., from the Cleage correspondence, ms. "Paid R/- H" express charge notation in code

EXTREMELY FINE. POSSIBLY THE ONLY GENUINE EXAMPLE OF HARNDEN'S MACON OVAL IN GREEN IN EXISTENCE. A MAJOR RARITY OF CONFEDERATE EXPRESS MAILS.

After June 8, 1861, when Adams Express Company sold its interest in the offices operating in seceded states to Henry B. Plant, the Southern Express Company was formed. Offices gradually changed from the old Adams oval markings to the new "Southern Express Co." double-circle datestamps. This green oval from Harnden's Macon office was applied in late September 1861. Although our records contain several covers with Harnden's Macon oval, almost all of these are fakes (in black ink) distributed by John A. Fox in the 1950's and 1960's. Only four or five are genuine, and we record only one other in green that appears genuine.

Ex Dale-Lichtenstein. With 1997 P.F. certificate. E. 3,000-4,000



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- 357 ☒ **10c Rose (5).** Huge margins to clear at top, tied by blue “Southern Express Co. Augusta Ga. Jul. 1” (1862) double-circle datestamp struck three times on front and two more times on back of brown homemade cover to Atlanta Ga., ms. “Papers Valuable” and “Paid 2/-” express charge (two bits, or 25c)

EXTREMELY FINE. THE ONLY RECORDED USE OF THE 10-CENT ROSE ON A SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY COVER. THIS REMARKABLE FRANKING WAS REQUIRED FOR THE NEW 10-CENT RATE—THIS COVER IS POSTMARKED JULY 1, 1862, THE FIRST DAY OF THE RATE.

The absence of a mail-registration system in the Confederacy made it necessary to use express companies to transmit valuable letters. Postage was required on all express letters. This cover is remarkable because the scarce 10c Rose Lithograph is used — the only express usage of this stamp known to us — and it is postmarked on July 1, 1862, the first day of the new 10c rate, which it prepays.

Ex Richey, Antrim and Simon..... E. 7,500-10,000



- 358 ☒ **Adams Express Co. Atlanta Ga. May 24 (1861).** Oval datestamp with ms. "Paid R/- Brooks" express charge notation on 3c Red Star Die entire to **Howell Cobb** as President of the Southern Congress, in Macon Ga., with instructions to forward to Montgomery, flap tear and corner nick at T.R., Fine appearance, very rare Adams Atlanta handstamp, ex Dietz..... E. 750-1,000
- 359 ☒ **Southern Express Co. Augusta Ga. Sep. 2 (1861).** Clear blue double-circle datestamp on orange cover to New Orleans, ms. "2/- CHP" express notation, black "Paid" and "10" handstamps indicating prepayment of Confederate postage, as required, skillfully repaired opening tears in flap and along top left, Very Fine appearance, ex Antrim and Everett E. 500-750
- 360 ☒ **Columbia S.C. Aug. 13 (1861).** Bold blue circular datestamp with matching "Paid" and "5" on buff cover to Leesville S.C. with **Adams Southern Express** imprint, with letter on Adams stationery — a well-written letter from a brother to his sister during the early months of the war, telling her that cotton cannot be sold and must be stored until after the war "a few weeks or a few years, nobody knows. . ." — Extremely Fine, a superb exhibition pair, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 361 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone 1 (1c).** Ample to large margins, rich color, tied by blue "Columbia S.C. 9 Jan." (1862) circular datestamp on orange cover with **Adams Southern Express** imprint ("Co." added in manuscript), fresh and Extremely Fine, ex Simon E. 750-1,000



362

- 362 ☒ **Adams Express Company, Knoxville Tenn. Aug. 7 (1861).** Perfectly clear oval datestamp with "Paid 10" Confederate rate handstamp at upper right on Exchange & Deposit Bank corner card cover to Abingdon Va., sender's ms. routing "*pr. Southern Express*" with notation "50\$" enclosed, ms. "*Paid RE*" express notation, docketed at right, with original letter enclosure

EXTREMELY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING CONFEDERATE EXPRESS MONEY-LETTER USAGE CARRIED OUTSIDE THE MAIL.

The threat of war forced Adams Express Company's directors to protect their assets by selling all offices in seceded states to Henry B. Plant on April 8, 1861, who reorganized them as the Southern Express Company. Several Adams offices continued to use the Adams-named markings until Southern Express Co. markings were produced. This cover shows the scarce Adams Knoxville office datestamp in conjunction with the "Paid 10" to indicate that Confederate postage had been paid, as required on all express mail. The sender used the correct "Southern Express" title in the route instruction.

There was no registered mail in the Confederate postal system, and valuable letters were entrusted to private express companies. Examples are scarce, and those with the early oval markings are extremely rare.

Ex Simon. E. 2,000-3,000

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- 363 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b).** Ample to large margins, deep shade and proof-like impression, tied by bold "Montgomery Ala. Dec. 17, 1861" circular datestamp on cover to Col. Lomax, 3rd Regt. Ala. Volunteers, Norfolk Va., bold blue "Southern Express Co. Montgomery Ala. Dec. 18" double-circle datestamp and matching "Montgomery Alabama Southern Express" in circle, faint stain touches stamp

EXTREMELY FINE. CONSIDERED TO BE THE FINEST OF THE FEW KNOWN COVERS BEARING THE "MONTGOMERY ALABAMA SOUTHERN EXPRESS" HANDSTAMP — ONLY TWO RECORDED WITH THE 10-CENT GENERAL ISSUE.

Although stamped and postmarked by the Montgomery post office on December 17, this letter was handed over to the Southern Express Company for delivery to Colonel Lomax's regiment in proximity to Norfolk, Virginia. We know of three other covers with similar markings, including one with a 10c stamp (Montgomery Dec. 22 datestamp). All are addressed to Col. Lomax. It appears that the Montgomery Southern Express Co. agent (D. H. Brooks) made arrangements with the post office to bring mail to the regiment after it was properly prepaid and postmarked.

Ex Lamborn, Dukeshire and Birkinbine..... E. 10,000-15,000

- 364 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone A-B (1c).** Horizontal pair, large margins, tied by faint black Southern Express Co. double-circle datestamp, blue "Southern Express Co. Montgomery Ala. Nov. 29" double-circle datestamp and matching "Montgomery Ala. Dec. 2" circular datestamp (express agent marking) also ties pair on cover to Col. Lomax, 3rd Regt. Ala. Volunteers, Norfolk Va., some faint stains still visible after cleaning, still Very Fine, an extremely rare express usage with Confederate postage prepaid, carried outside the mails to Colonel Lomax's regiment in proximity to Norfolk, the blue circle tying pair is not recorded and evidently pre-dates the smaller circular handstamp found on other covers from this correspondence (see previous lot), ex Shenfield E. 2,000-3,000



- 365 ☒ **Southern Express Co. Richmond Va. Jun. 14.** Double-circle datestamp on buff cover to Adam's Station Ga. on "South Western Rail Road", ms. "Paid 8/-" (8 bits, or \$1.00), "\$100-" refers to contents, red wax seals, minor toning and slightly reduced at left, still Very Fine, choice example of a Southern Express Co. money letter with interesting railroad tie-in, from the Eldridge correspondence (addressee's husband was with 16th Ga. Volunteers stationed near Richmond), signed Brian Green E. 500-750
- 366 ☒ **Southern Express Company from Savannah Ga.** Black on orange glazed label, affixed with brown glue (stains and minor faults) on large buff cover to Vice President Stephens and B. H. Hill at Richmond Va., docketed on back indicating Feb. 4, 1862 origin date from two officers near Savannah, backflap removed as usual for this correspondence, Fine, very scarce label, ex Birkinbine..... E. 400-500

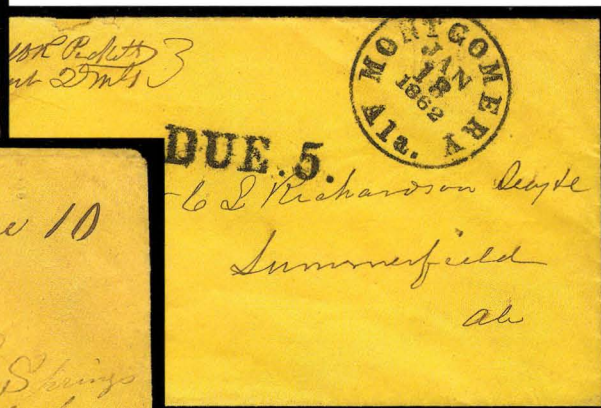
POST-WAR AND PRIVATE EXPRESSES

- 367 ☒ **Southern Express Co. Columbus Geo. Jun. 23.** Ca. 1865 double-circle datestamp on brown cover to New York City, ms. "Express" and pencil "Paid 2/- W" express charge (two bits, or 25c), posted by regular mails at Richmond Va. with circular datestamp, U.S. 3c stamp has been removed from cover, slight wear, Very Fine, scarce post-war usage, ex Knapp E. 200-300
- 368 ☒ **Chandler's News Express.** Clearly-struck oval handstamp with ms. "5c" on yellow cover to Liberty Miss., 3c Rose (65) cancelled by target, pencil note "1864", reduced at right, stamp lifted and moved slightly to left, Fine, extremely rare express marking..... E. 500-750
- 369 ☒ **"Per Blackberry express".** Manuscript endorsement on cover to Mayo Forge Va., small toned spot, Very Fine, a rare privately organized courier operation, ex Birkinbine..... E. 300-400
- 370 ☒ **"Care of Boy Henry" — Delivered by Slave.** Sender's ms. endorsement on cover to Atlanta Ga., Very Fine and scarce, ex Birkinbine..... E. 100-150

CONFEDERATE HANDSTAMPED PAID AND DUE MARKINGS



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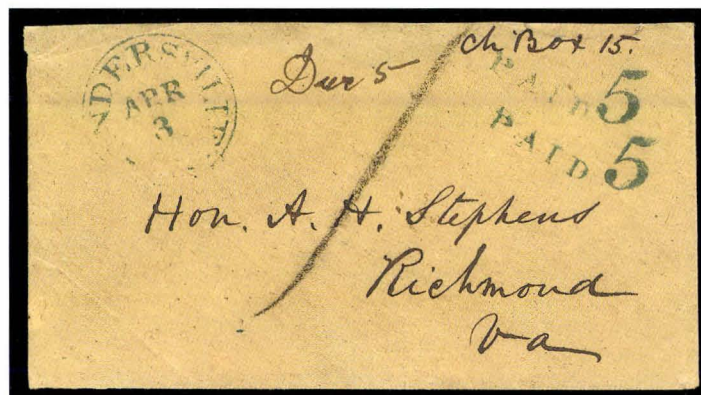


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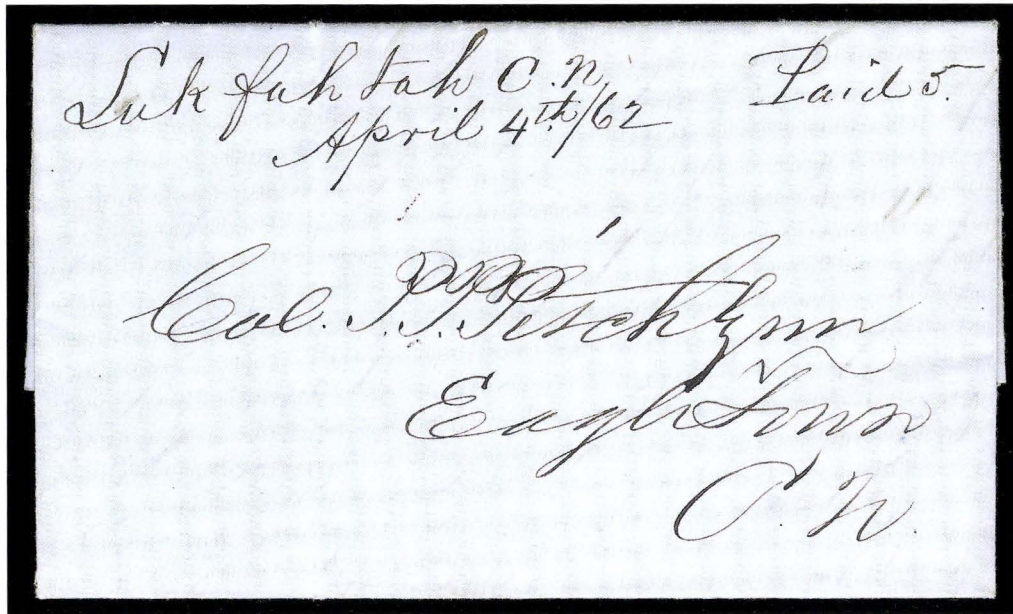
- 371 ☒ **Hayneville Ala. Jul. 15 (1862).** Clearly struck circular datestamp and "Paid 10" in circle (unusual style) on folded letter to the Shelby Iron Works near Columbianna Ala., sender's railroad routing "via Montgomery & Selma/Chg Streeley", Extremely Fine and scarce, the Hayneville Paid markings exist unused and have provisional status (Dietz \$300.00)..... E. 300-400
- 372 ☒ **Montgomery Ala. Jan. 18, 1862.** Bold circular datestamp and "DUE .5." straightline handstamp on orange cover to Summerfield Ala., ms. "Chg. W. R. Pickett, Asst. QMG" misread as officer's endorsement, thus the "Due 5" was applied (scarce — used before Jul. 1, 1862), slightly reduced at left, tiny opening nick, Very Fine, ex Birkinbine . E. 300-400
- 373 ☒ **Fort Smith Ark. Sep. 6, 1861.** Clearly struck double-circle datestamp with ms. "Due 10" and large crayon "Due" on buff cover to Crystal Springs Miss., soldier's endorsement from member of Monticello Rifles, 3rd Regt. La. Vol., small piece of backflap removed, Very Fine and scarce Arkansas Confederate usage..... E. 400-500



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- 374 ☒ **Richmond Va. Carrier Service.** Large pencil slash and ms. "Due 5" — said to represent carrier charge for five letters (the top cover in stack was marked) — on brown cover to Vice President Stephens in Richmond, blue "Sandersville Ga. Apr. 3" (1862) circular datestamp and two strikes each of "Paid" and "5", ms. box charge notation, backflap removed as usual for this correspondence, small tear at top, Very Fine, extremely scarce usage, ex Birkinbine..... E. 750-1,000

CONFEDERATE DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY



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- 375 ☒ **Luk fah tah C.N. April 4th/62.** Manuscript **Choctaw Nation** postmark and “**Paid 5**” **Confederate rate** on blue folded letter written in a different hand, datelined “*Luk fah tah C.N., April 4, 1862*” from an assistant to the colonel at Luk Fah Tah to Colonel Peter P. Pitchlynn at Eagletown, the letter concerns a request for payment of expenses related to Confederate regiments under Col. Pitchlynn’s and Captain Washington Hudson’s commands, the writer provides a certification form that must be signed by each before payment can be made

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF TWO RECORDED COVERS MAILED FROM A POST OFFICE WITHIN THE CONFEDERATE MILITARY DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY — THIS IS THE ONLY REPORTED COVER BEARING A POSTMARK WITH THE TOWN NAME. ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT POSTAL ARTIFACTS SURVIVING FROM THE AMERICAN INDIANS’ ROLE IN THE CIVIL WAR.

Luk Fah Tah, which is the Choctaw word for “white clay”, lies in what is now eastern Oklahoma (McCurtain County). During the Civil War, it was part of Indian Territory and was located on the Confederate mail route 409, which included Para Clifta and Ultima Thule (in Arkansas), and Eagletown, Wheelock and Doakesville (in Indian Territory). The Luk Fah Tah post office was discontinued in 1866 (established 1853). In 1873 it was reestablished as Lukfata (discontinued 1917).

Colonel Peter P. Pitchlynn was the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation and a prominent representative of the Five Civilized Tribes located in Indian Territory. When the Civil War broke out, Col. Pitchlynn was in Washington D.C. attending a meeting with President Lincoln. Although pro-Union, Col. Pitchlynn honored the wishes of his people to join the Confederate cause. He commanded the Choctaw forces with headquarters at Fort Towson in Doakesville. Col. Pitchlynn and his contemporary, Stand Watie — the only American Indian to attain the rank of General in the Confederate Army — are reported to have been the last Confederates to surrender to Federal forces, on June 19, 1865. (Reference: reprint of Judge Harry J. Lemley *Confederate Philatelist* articles, John W. Kaufmann auction sale, Oct. 22, 1977).

A thorough search of auctions and other sources located only one other example of mail sent from within Confederate Indian Territory, but it is not postmarked with the town name. Only this Luk Fah Tah cover survives as an example of the Confederate post office’s presence in the slave-owning Indian Nations. As such, it is a truly remarkable artifact of postal history.

Ex Birkinbine. E. 5,000-7,500

KENTUCKY



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- 376 ✉ **Bowling Green Ky. Jan. 7 (1862).** Bold blue circular datestamp and red crayon "due 10" on small oblong cover to Handsboro Miss., soldier's endorsement from a member of 20th Regt. Miss. Vol., Floyd's Brigade, "Due 10" handstamp applied en route at Memphis, "10" in circle applied at Handsboro, minor edge toning and slight wear, Very Fine, an unusually colorful and clearly-marked soldier's cover sent via the Confederate post office at Bowling Green, ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000



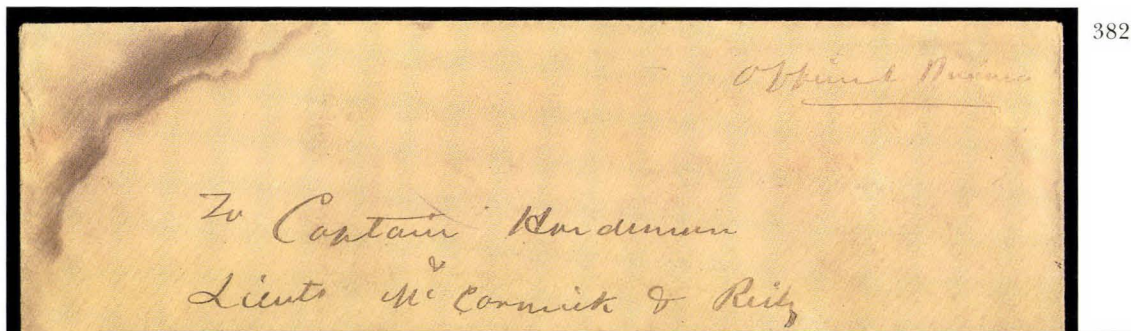
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- 377 ✉ **Bowling Green Ky. Jan. 9 (1862).** Perfectly clear blue circular datestamp on yellowish cover to Savannah Ga., ms. "Paid 5" paying part of required 10c rate for distance, ms. "Due 5" applied in transit and red "Due 5" oval handstamp applied at Savannah, charge box notation, Extremely Fine, one of the finest strikes of the Bowling Green postmark we have encountered (including the Nunnelley and Gallagher collections sold by our firm), ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000

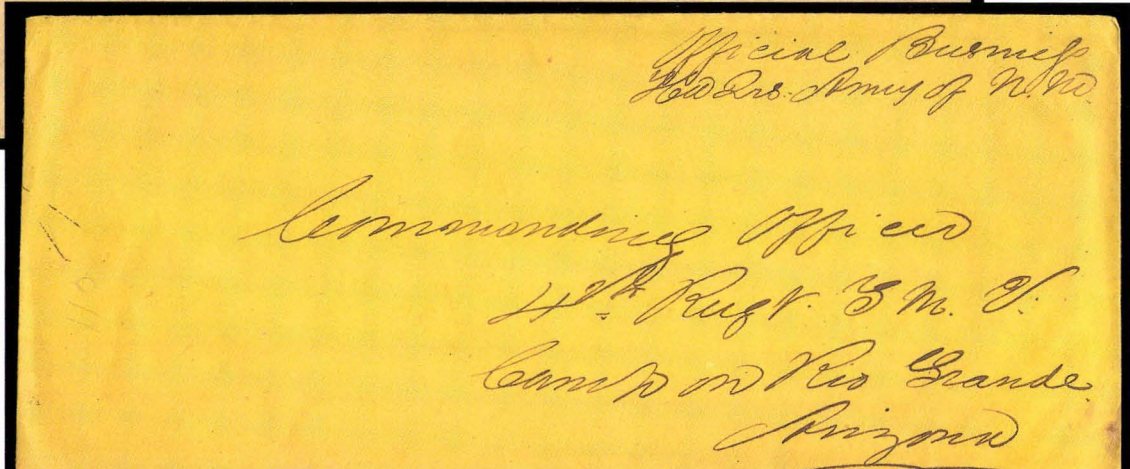


- 378 ☒ **Columbus Ky.** Faint circular datestamp and ms. "Due 5" on buff cover to Egg's Point Miss., "Due 5" handstamp applied en route at Memphis, soldier's endorsement from member of Bolivar's Troops, 1st Batt. Miss. Cavalry, Army of Central Kentucky under Gen. Johnston (1861-62), Very Fine and choice Confederate Kentucky usage E. 300-400
- 379 ☒ **Columbus Ky. Dec. 30 (1861).** Lightly struck circular datestamp with "Paid" in oval and ms. "5" on buff cover to Memphis Tenn., soldier's endorsement from a member of 4th Regt. Tenn. Vol., with original 8pp letter datelined "Camp near Columbus Ky." from an extremely articulate and pious soldier to his mother — clearly a privileged youth who is adjusting to a soldier's life and has not yet seen the blood of battle — he writes "Camp life is the place to find out a man, and I must confess the more I know of men the better I like dogs", mentions futility of sending goods, "I don't want you to trouble yourself about sending boxes again as Hamlin men are the only ones now who get them. . .", mentions Generals Polk and Pillow who "live high & get the best of everything", some talk of impending action, slightly reduced at right, Fine E. 300-400
- 380 ☒ **Alexandria La. Oct. 27 (1861).** Red circular datestamp with matching "Paid" and "5" handstamps on fresh cover to Carroll Hoy & Co. New Orleans, usual pinholes, Very Fine, ex Knapp E. 200-300
- 381 ☒ **Shreveport La. Sep. 16, 1861.** Well-struck double-circle datestamp, matching "Paid" in oval and "5" handstamps on yellow cover to Carroll Hoy & Co. in New Orleans, usual filing pinholes, small sealed tear at bottom and on bottom flap, otherwise fresh and Very Fine E. 300-400

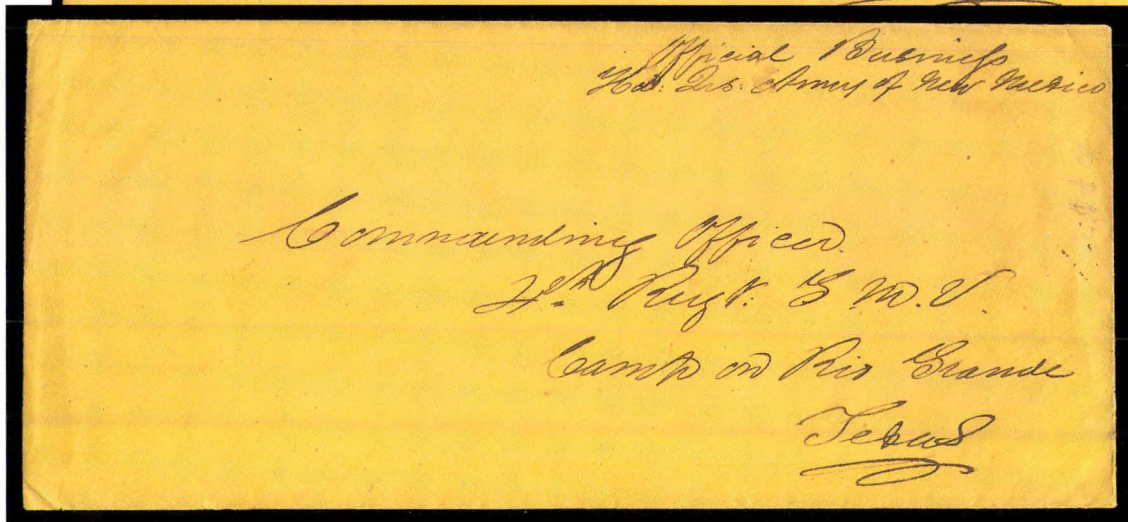
CONFEDERATE TERRITORY OF ARIZONA (NEW MEXICO)



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- 382 ☒ **Confederate Arizona Territory.** Legal-size brown "Official Business" cover addressed to "Captain Hardeman & Lieuts. McCormick & Reily" — Capt. William P. Hardeman, Co. A, 1st Lieut. David R. McCormick, Co. F (died Feb. 25, 1862) and 1st Lieut. John Reily, Artillery — all participants in the Battle of Valverde, Feb. 20-21, 1862, this cover was sent by military courier within the Confederate Territory of Arizona, stained, otherwise Fine, very rare, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 383 ☒ **"Official Business Hd. Qrs: Army of N.M."** Manuscript endorsement on large orange cover to "Commanding Officer 4th Regt. T.M.V. Camp on Rio Grande Arizona". Very Fine, mail addressed specifically to Confederate-named Arizona is exceedingly rare, ex Camina E. 1,000-1,500
- 384 ☒ **"Official Business Hd. Qrs. Army of New Mexico."** Manuscript endorsement on large orange cover to "Commanding Officer 4th Regt. T.M.V. Camp of Rio Grande Texas." Very Fine and rare, this was most likely sent shortly after Genl. Sibley ordered his troops further up the Rio Grande from Ft. Bliss to Ft. Thorn, ex Camina..... E. 500-750



- 385 ☒ **Goldsborough N.C. Mar. 12.** Partly clear circular datestamp and bold "Due 10" in circle on brown homemade cover to Buris Creek N.C., endorsed at upper left "James A. Sexton, Courier attached to Brig. Genl. Daniel's Brigade" — an unusual form of endorsement — evidently held two days and postmarked again on Mar. 14, Extremely Fine, ex Birkinbine..... E. 300-400
- 386 ☒ **Romney (West) Va. Jun. 20.** Well-struck circular datestamp, matching "Paid 5" handstamps on pink cover to "Col. E. M. Armstrong, Convention, Richmond Va.," Extremely Fine, interim usage, ex Birkinbine E. 400-500
- 387 ☒ **Romney (West) Va. Sep. 28.** Well-struck circular datestamp, matching "Paid 5" handstamps on blue cover to Bloomery Mills Va., couple faint stains, still Very Fine..... E. 300-400
- 388 ☒ **Handstamped Paid and Due Markings.** 17 covers, almost all different, includes Warrenton and Louisburgh N.C. on same cover (missent), Uniontown Ala. Paid 5, Tuscaloosa Ala. Paid 5 on college cover, Warrington Fla. Paid 5, Washington Ga. Paid 10, Wilmington N.C. Paid 5, Salem N.C. Paid 5 and Paid 10, Sumter N.C. Paid 10, Sandy Run S.C. Paid 10, Williamsburg Va. Paid 5 (two), Tudor Hall Va. Paid 10 and Due 10, Suffolk Va. Due 5, Strasburg Va. Paid 5 and Richmond Va. Paid 10, some have faults (college cover opened roughly), most are Fine-Very Fine, many ex Knapp E. 750-1,000

POSTMASTERS' PROVISIONALS

Featuring The Hall Collection, including many items acquired from the 1933 Hind sale and privately from the Knapp Confederate States collection



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- 389 ☒ **Aberdeen Miss., 5c Black entire (1XU1).** Clear strikes of "Aberdeen Mi. 5" and "Paid" provisional handstamps, bold "Aberdeen Miss. Jan. 20" (1862) circular datestamp on orange entire to Greensboro Ala.

EXTREMELY FINE. THE FINER OF TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE ABERDEEN POSTMASTER'S 5-CENT PROVISIONAL ENTIRE.

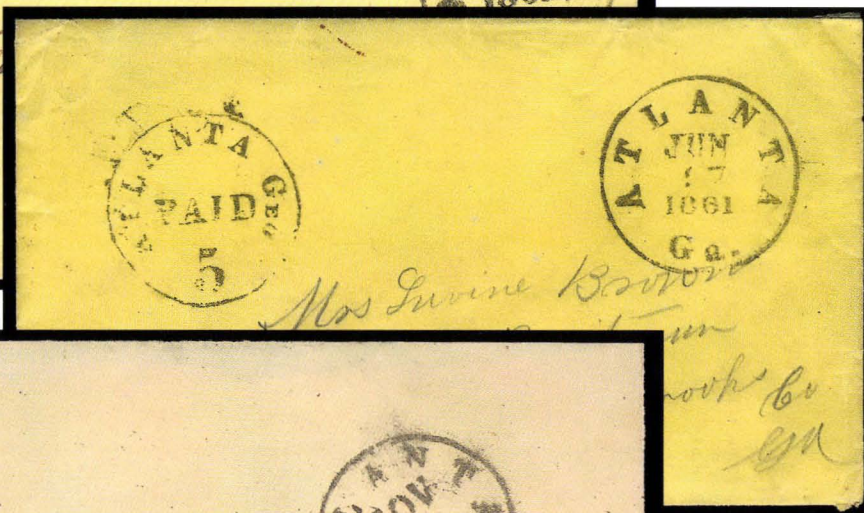
The Crown survey and our own records contain just two examples of 1XU1, the 5c provisional entire: 1) Sep. 13 (1861) datestamp on white entire to Miss Sallie Spann, Macon Miss., Crown book, p. 11; and 2) Jan. 20 (1862) datestamp on orange entire to A. S. Nelson, Greensboro Ala., the example offered here, discovered before 1900 and sold to Ferrary, then to Knapp. There is also one example of the 5c entire re-rated 10c (Scott 1XU2).

Ex Ferrary and Knapp. E. 5,000-7,500

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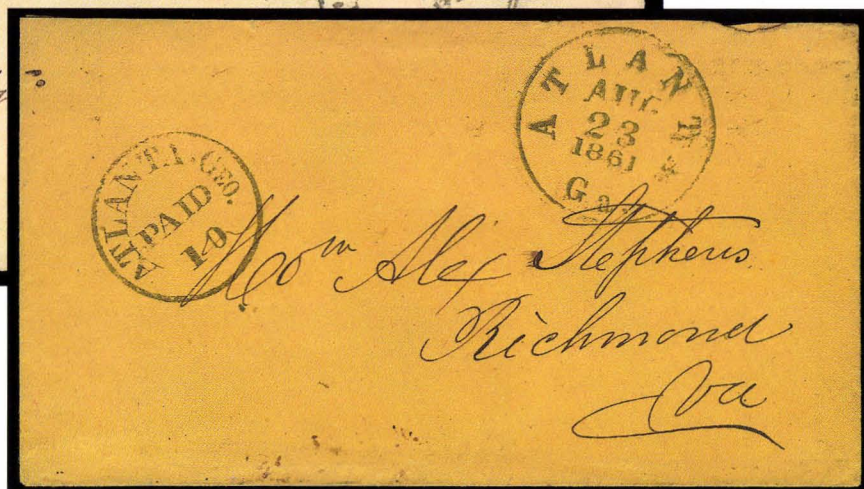
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- 390 ☒ **Atlanta Ga., 5c Black entire (6XU2).** Matching "Atlanta Ga. Jun. 18, 1861" circular datestamp on cover to Alexander Stephens at Crawfordville Ga., backflap removed as usual for this correspondence (trace of blue embossing remains), docketing regards someone wanting position as Commissary, fresh and Very Fine 600.00
- 391 ☒ **Atlanta Ga., 5c Black entire (6XU2).** Matching "Atlanta Ga. Jun. 27, 1861" circular datestamp on cover to Quitman Ga., Very Fine 600.00
- 392 ☒ **Atlanta Ga., 10c on 5c Black entire (6XU3).** Well-struck provisional handstamp and "Atlanta Ga. Nov. 7, 1861" circular datestamp on buff cover to Alexander H. Stephens in Richmond Va., docketing on back reads "J.A. Stewart Atlanta Ga. 8th Nov. 1861 — On the state of the country — Advocates a return to the Union to stop the war. Is in favor of reconstruction. Wants the South to offer terms of peace. Says there is a growing discontent which will soon break out in open resistance.", top flap removed on opening as usual for this correspondence and with full docketing, trivial repaired tear at top right, otherwise Extremely Fine and choice provisional usage, only four examples are recorded by Crown, with 1998 C.S.A. certificate 1,500.00
- 393 ☒ **Atlanta Ga., 10c Black entire (6XU6).** Matching "Atlanta Ga. Aug. 23, 1861" circular datestamp on orange cover to Alexander Stephens at Richmond Va., backflap removed as usual for this correspondence, docketing reads "Mr. A. Austell, Atlanta Georgia August 23, 1861. Wishes to receive appointment as chief collector for Georgia.", minor nick at top edge, Very Fine and choice, with 1976 C.S.A. certificate 850.00

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA



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Baton Rouge La., 2c Green (11X1). Calhoun Type B, huge margins all around including bottom sheet margin and part of adjoining stamp at top, bright shade on fresh white paper, still affixed to piece and cancelled by "Paid" straightline

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THE FINEST OF THE SIX RECORDED OFF-COVER BATON ROUGE 2-CENT PROVISIONAL STAMPS. AN OUTSTANDING 2-CENT PROVISIONAL RARITY OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES.

Of No. 11X1 we record 3 unused, 5 used off cover or on piece, and 5 used on covers. Of No. 11X1a ("McCormick" error) we record 1 unused, 1 used off cover and 1 used on cover. This sound stamp with enormous margins is the finest of the off-cover examples.

Ex Worthington and Hind. 3,750.00



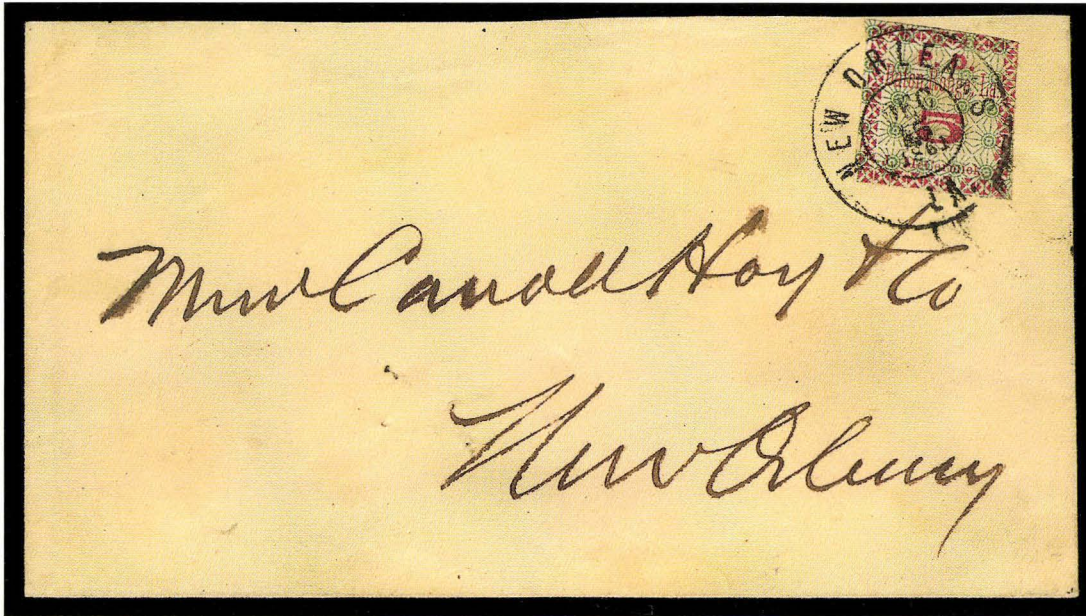
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Baton Rouge La., 5c Green & Carmine (11X3). Large part original gum, two large margins, green ornaments slightly cut in at right and bottom but well clear of red criss-cross border, remarkably fresh and rich colors, small tear at upper right corner reinforced with hinge

VERY FINE DESPITE TINY TEAR. THE ONLY RECORDED BATON ROUGE 5-CENT CRISS-CROSS BORDER (SCOTT 11X3) WITH ORIGINAL GUM. ONLY ONE OTHER UNUSED COPY KNOWN (AND IT IS REPAIRED). A GREAT CONFEDERATE PROVISIONAL RARITY.

Ex Crocker, Caspary, Lilly and Freeland. Scott Retail \$3,000.00 does not reflect true rarity of this stamp with original gum. 4,500.00



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- 396 ☒ **Baton Rouge La., 5c Green & Carmine (11X2).** Calhoun Type B, ample margins to slightly in, tied by "New Orleans La. Dec. 15, 1861" river-mail double-circle datestamp on cover to Carroll Hoy & Co. New Orleans, usual pinholes, slightly reduced at top and part of backflap removed, slight wear and creasing not affecting stamp

VERY FINE. ONE OF TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE BATON ROUGE PROVISIONAL CANCELLED AT NEW ORLEANS.

This cover travelled 129 miles down river from Baton Rouge and entered the mails at the New Orleans wharf office where the double-circle datestamp was used. Based on surviving covers, it is evident that the postmasters in New Orleans and Baton Rouge would accept stamps on letters coming off river boats. A second example of the Baton Rouge provisional cancelled at New Orleans (Jan. 1862) was sold in our Sale 810 (lot 1845) for \$18,500 hammer, which established the current Scott value of \$20,000.

Ex Brown. 20,000.00

BEAUMONT, TEXAS



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- 397 ☒ **Beaumont Tex., 10c Black on Yellow (12X1).** Position with comma after "Beaumont", full to large margins, neatly cancelled by ms. "X" with matching "Apr 9th/64" postmark on adversity cover made from lined paper, addressed to Mrs. Mary P. Watson at San Augustine Tex., the cover was turned and addressed to "Mrs. Maggie L. Watson, Sabine Pass, Texas", "Paid" and "10" handstamps (no town marking), some excess glue from flaps

AN EXTREMELY FINE BEAUMONT 10-CENT PROVISIONAL ON YELLOW PAPER — ONE OF FIVE KNOWN EXAMPLES OF THIS RARITY — USED ON A TURNED ADVERSITY COVER. THIS IS THE EARLIEST RECORDED EXAMPLE OF ANY BEAUMONT PROVISIONAL.

The Beaumont provisionals were issued on Pink (two shades) and Yellow paper. Only 21 of any kind are recorded, including the unique Large 10c on Yellow (on cover), 5 of the Small 10c on Yellow (each on cover), and 15 of the Small 10c on Pink (12 covers, 3 off cover). Most of the recorded covers are faulty, and only four have postmarks of any kind tying the stamps.

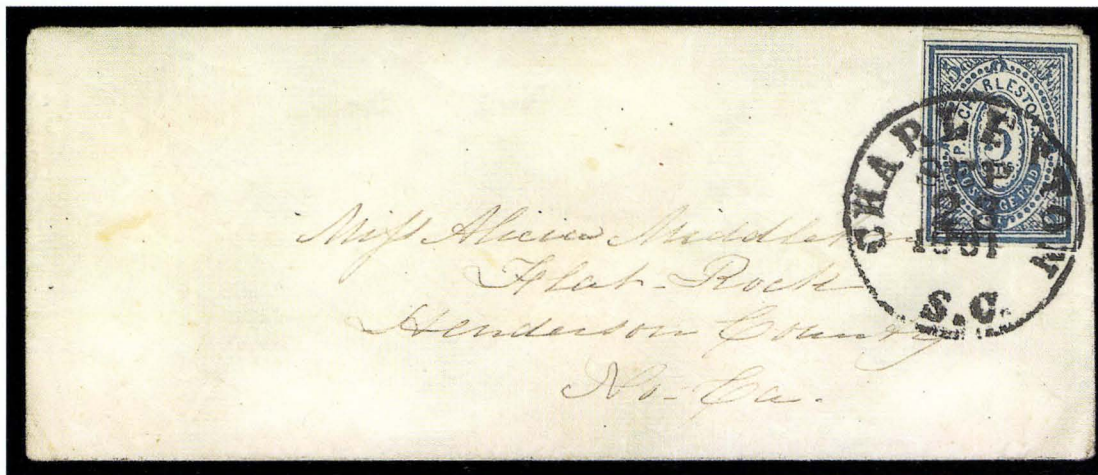
The five Small 10c Yellow covers we record are as follows: 1) ms. "X" cancel, not tied, ms. Apr. 9, 1864 date, to Mary J. Watson, San Augustine Tex., turned and addressed to Sabine Pass, the cover offered here, ex Hind; 2) tied by rimless town with ms. Jun. 11 (1864) date on turned cover to Mary J. Watson, San Augustine Tex., ex Caspary, Weatherly, Kilbourne (our Sale 815, realized \$52,500 hammer); 3) uncanceled, used on turned cover to Mrs. Wm. B. Duncan, Liberty Tex., ex Caspary, Lilly; 4) ms. "X" cancel, not tied, used on cover to Cypress City Tex., Siegel Sale 226; and 5) ms. "10" cancel, not tied, rimless town with ms. Nov. 12 (1864) date on cover to James C. McKnight, Palestine Tex., 1864 docketing, ex Ferrary.

Although the Dietz catalogue identifies the June 11 cover (No. 2 above, ex Kilbourne) as the earliest known use in 1861, it is actually the second earliest use in 1864. The earliest cover is the one offered here, dated April 9, 1864.

The addressee at Sabine Pass is Mrs. Maggie L. Watson, wife of C. S. Watson, who was part of the Texas Marine Department. The June 11 cover (No. 2 above, ex Kilbourne) is addressed to C. S. Watson with the C.S. Steamer *Sachem*, one of two Federal gunboats captured by the Confederates at the famous Battle of Sabine Pass in September 1863. *Sachem* became part of the Texas Marine Department and served the Confederate army at Sabine Pass. In the spring of 1864, she was turned into a blockade runner under the command of John Davidson.

Ex Duveen and Hind..... 25,000.00

CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA



398

- 398 ☒ **Charleston S.C., 5c Blue (16X1).** Huge margins all around showing three outer frame-lines and top sheet margin, tied by perfect bold "Charleston S.C. Sep. 23, 1861" circular datestamp on small cover to Flat Rock N.C.

EXTREMELY FINE. A REMARKABLY CHOICE STAMP ON A FRESH AND IMMACULATE COVER.

Ex Gehrmann and Emerson. 1,900.00

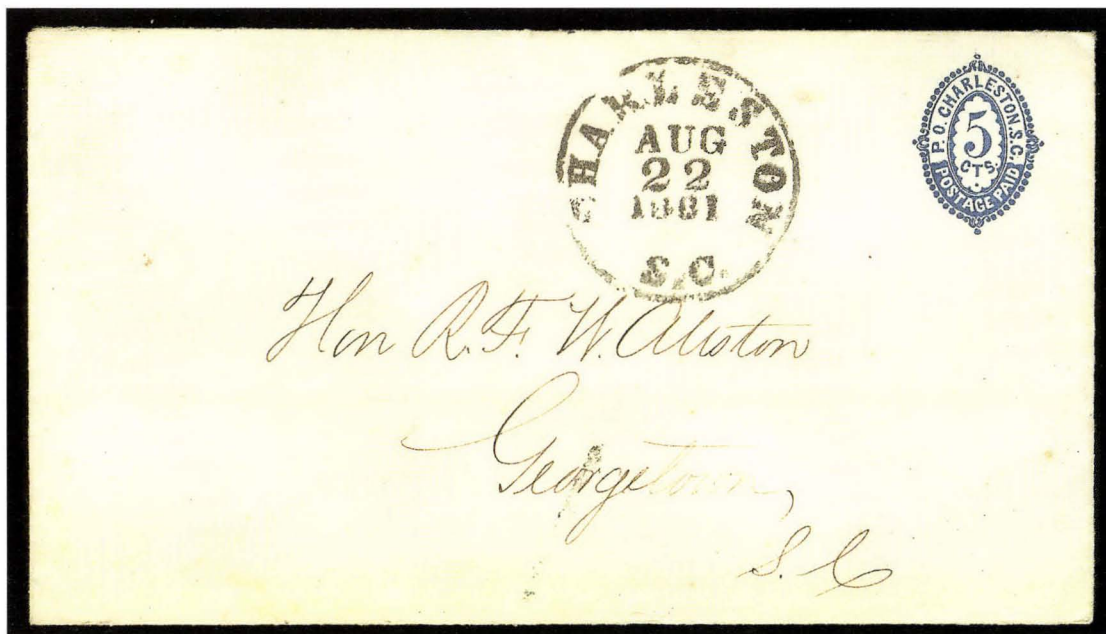


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- 399 ☒ **Charleston S.C., 5c Blue (16X1).** Huge margins all around showing three outer frame-lines and trace at right, tied by clearly struck "Charleston S.C. Nov. 9, 1861" double-circle datestamp on small cover to Manchester S.C., stamp creased before use, virtually unnoticeable except in cross-lighting

EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. A FRESH AND ATTRACTIVE EXAMPLE OF THE CHARLESTON PROVISIONAL ON COVER.

Ex Green. 1,900.00



400

- 400 ☒ **Charleston S.C., 5c Blue entire (16XU1).** Bold "Charleston S.C. Aug. 22, 1861" circular datestamp, to the Hon. R. F. W. Allston at Georgetown S.C., Extremely Fine, immaculate condition and one of the finest known, ex Walcott..... 2,500.00



401

- 401 ☒ **Charleston S.C., 5c Blue on Buff entire (16XU4).** Boldly-struck "Charleston S.C. Sep. 9, 1861" circular datestamp, to Greenville S.C., two ink spots, Extremely Fine and choice, ex Brown 2,500.00



- 402 ☒ **Columbia S.C., 5c Blue entire, Seal on Front (18XU4).** Unusually clear strike of oval provisional seal, overstruck by blue "5" with "Paid" straightline (Dietz Ty. 1E) and "Columbia S.C. Sep. 10 5 cts." (1861) pre-war integral rate circular datestamp on blue cover to Andrew P. Calhoun (son of John Calhoun) at Fort Hill S.C., with original letter enclosed

EXTREMELY FINE. QUITE POSSIBLY THE FINEST OF SEVEN RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE COLUMBIA OVAL PROVISIONAL SEAL STRUCK ON THE FACE.

Our records contain just seven Columbia provisional entires with the oval seal struck on front and not on the flaps, all dated in August and September 1861 with the pre-war integral rate datestamp. 1,650.00

- 403 ☒ **Demopolis Ala., 5c Black entire, "J. Y. Hall" (22XU2).** Bold strikes of "Paid" and "5" in circle provisional handstamps with postmaster's signature, very bold "Demopolis Ala. Dec. 5" circular datestamp on orange entire to Lauderdale Springs Miss.

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF FOUR RECORDED DEMOPOLIS POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL ENTIRES OF ANY VARIETY, OF WHICH ONLY TWO ARE SCOTT 22XU2.

The complete story of the discovery of the three Demopolis entires is told in the Crown book (page 94). The three entires were discovered in 1899 by Robert S. Nelson among Dr. Whitfield's papers. Two, including this example, have the handstamped "5" marking and the postmaster's signature "J. Y. Hall". The third has the "Jno. Y. Hall" spelling and is listed separately as Scott 22XU1. A fourth entire was later discovered (pictured in Crown, p. 665) and listed in Scott as 22XU3; it is a third variety with "5 cts" in manuscript and signed "J. Y. Hall".

Ex Ferrary and Knapp. 2,000.00

GOLIAD, TEXAS



404

404 **Goliad Tex., 10c Black on Gray (29X7).** Large margins except at bottom right where well clear of ornaments, lightly cancelled by "Paid" straightline, tiny corner crease almost entirely in margin at upper right

EXTREMELY FINE. ONLY EIGHT 10-CENT TYPE II GOLIAD ARE RECORDED, INCLUDING THREE OFF COVER. THIS AND THE EX-CASPARY STAMP ARE THE TWO FINEST EXAMPLES OFF COVER.

Of the eight Goliad 10c Type II (29X7) stamps in our records, five are used on covers, including an uncanceled stamp on a cover in the Tapling collection at the British Library, which leaves four covers and three stamps available to collectors. In addition to the normal 10c Type II, there are two other covers with the Type II "GOILAD" spelling error.

It is our theory that the Type I provisionals were issued in 1861, followed in 1863 by a new provisional-stamp printing from the Type II settings, which contain the postmaster's name and title.

Ex Ferrary and Hind. 5,000.00

GREENWOOD DEPOT, VIRGINIA



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Greenwood Depot Va., 10c Black on Gray Blue (35X1). "Paid" straightline with denomination "Ten Cents" in ms. and signed "J. Bruce" (Postmaster), uncanceled, "Greenwood Depot Va. Sep. 25" (1862) circular datestamp on small **green** homemade cover to Rev. Paul Whitehead, Macfarland's P.O. Va., faint waterstains at sides

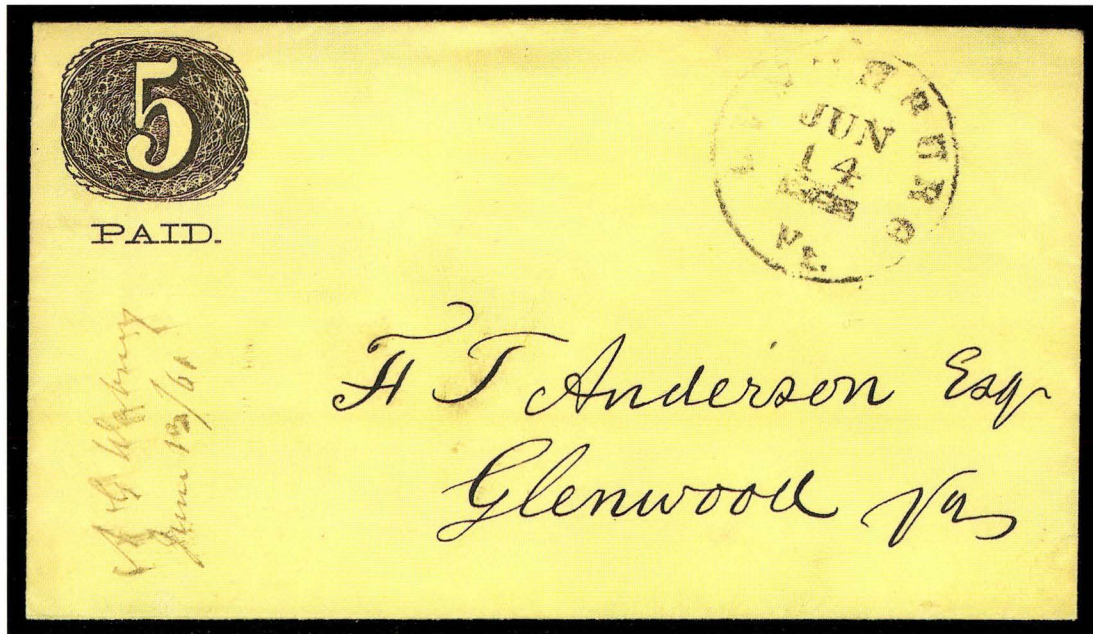
FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF SIX RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THIS WONDERFULLY PRIMITIVE POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL, ALL OF WHICH ARE ON COVERS FROM THE REVEREND WHITEHEAD CORRESPONDENCE — ONLY FIVE ARE AVAILABLE TO COLLECTORS, AND THIS IS THE ONLY GREENWOOD DEPOT PROVISIONAL ON A GREEN COVER.

The six Greenwood Depot provisional covers were discovered by G. M. Bastable in June 1887 (Crown book). Each is addressed to the Rev. Paul Whitehead with the following 1862 dates: 1) Jul. 31, ex Caspary; 2) Sep. 17, ex Kilbourne; 3) Sep. 21, ex Hessel; 4) Sep. 25, the cover offered here, ex Ferrary, Hind and Brooks; 5) tied by Oct. 8 datestamp, British Library's Tapling collection; and 6) tied by indistinct datestamp, ex Caspary. The condition is similar among the six covers — only two are cancelled (and tied), one of which is in the British Library's Tapling collection. None of the other envelopes is green, to the best of our knowledge.

The 10c rate (raised from 5c) was effective July 1, 1862, and the Greenwood Depot provisional stamps were issued to meet this new rate. Pencil docketing on a few of the Rev. Whitehead covers confirm the year.

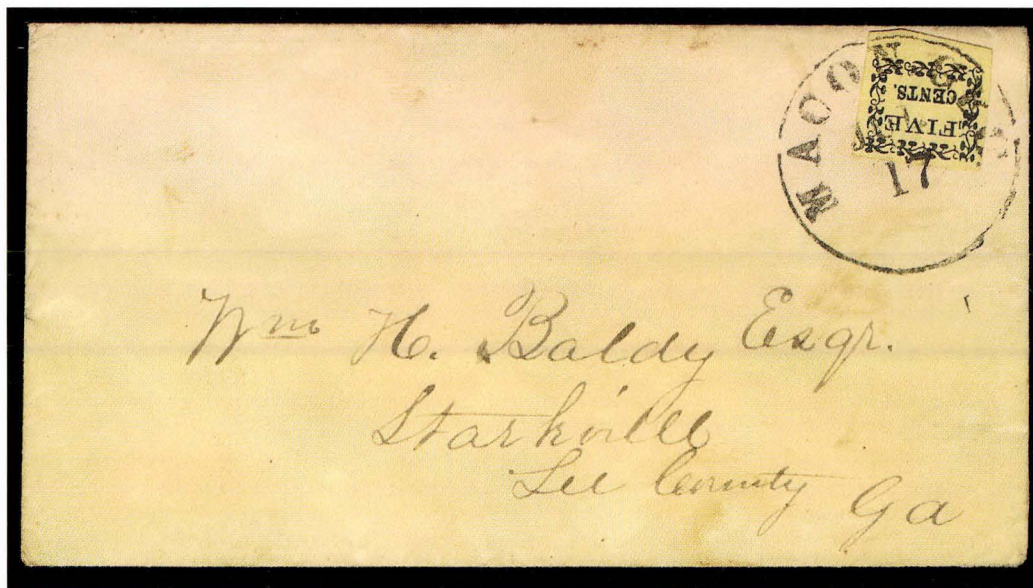
Very few post offices *east of the Mississippi River* issued and used 10c adhesive (A) or press-printed (E) provisionals. This group is as follows: Baton Rouge La. (A - three known); Charleston S.C. (E - unique); Danville Va. (E - probably not used); Fincastle Va. (E - unique); Fredericksburg Va. (A - never used); Greenville Ala. (A - two known); Greenwood Depot Va. (A - six known); Knoxville Tenn. (A - unique; and E - rare used); Marion Va. (A - six known on cover); Nashville Tenn. (A - seven known on cover); Tellico Plains Tenn. (A - never used); and Uniontown Ala. (A - eight known). All other 10c provisionals were used in Texas or were issued as handstamped entires.

Ex Ferrary, Hind and Brooks. Signed on inside of flap by 19th century dealer, Wm. P. Brown. The cover in the Kilbourne collection (Sale 815, lot 46) realized \$18,000 hammer.
..... E. 15,000-20,000



406

- 406 ☒ **Lynchburg Va., 5c Black on Amber entire (52XU2).** Incredibly sharp impression on bright yellow entire, partly clear "Lynchburg Va. Jun. 14" (1861) circular datestamp, addressed to Glenwood Va., neat docketing at lower left, part of backflap removed, Extremely Fine example of the Lynchburg provisional entire used within the first two weeks of issue, ex Brown 1,500.00



407

- 407 ☒ **Macon Ga., 5c Black on Yellow Wove (53X3).** Enormous margins including sheet margin at bottom, tied by unusually clear strike of "Macon Geo. Jul. 17" (1861) circular datestamp on cover to Starkville Ga.
EXTREMELY FINE STAMP TIED ON AN ATTRACTIVE COVER. ONE OF THE CHOICEST OF THE MACON FLORAL-BORDER PROVISIONALS KNOWN ON COVER.
The use of this Macon datestamp to tie the provisional is very unusual. 5,000.00

MARION, VIRGINIA



408

408 **Marion Va., 5c Black (55X1).** Enormous margins all around, trace of adjoining stamp at left and what appears to be a sheet margin at top, strong well-inked impression on bright white paper, tied by clear "Marion Va. Feb. 3" (1862 but not year-dated) circular dates-tamp on piece of cover affixed to backing paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. ARGUABLY THE FINEST EXAMPLE OF THIS POSTMASTER'S PROVI-SIONAL RARITY EXTANT, ON OR OFF COVER.

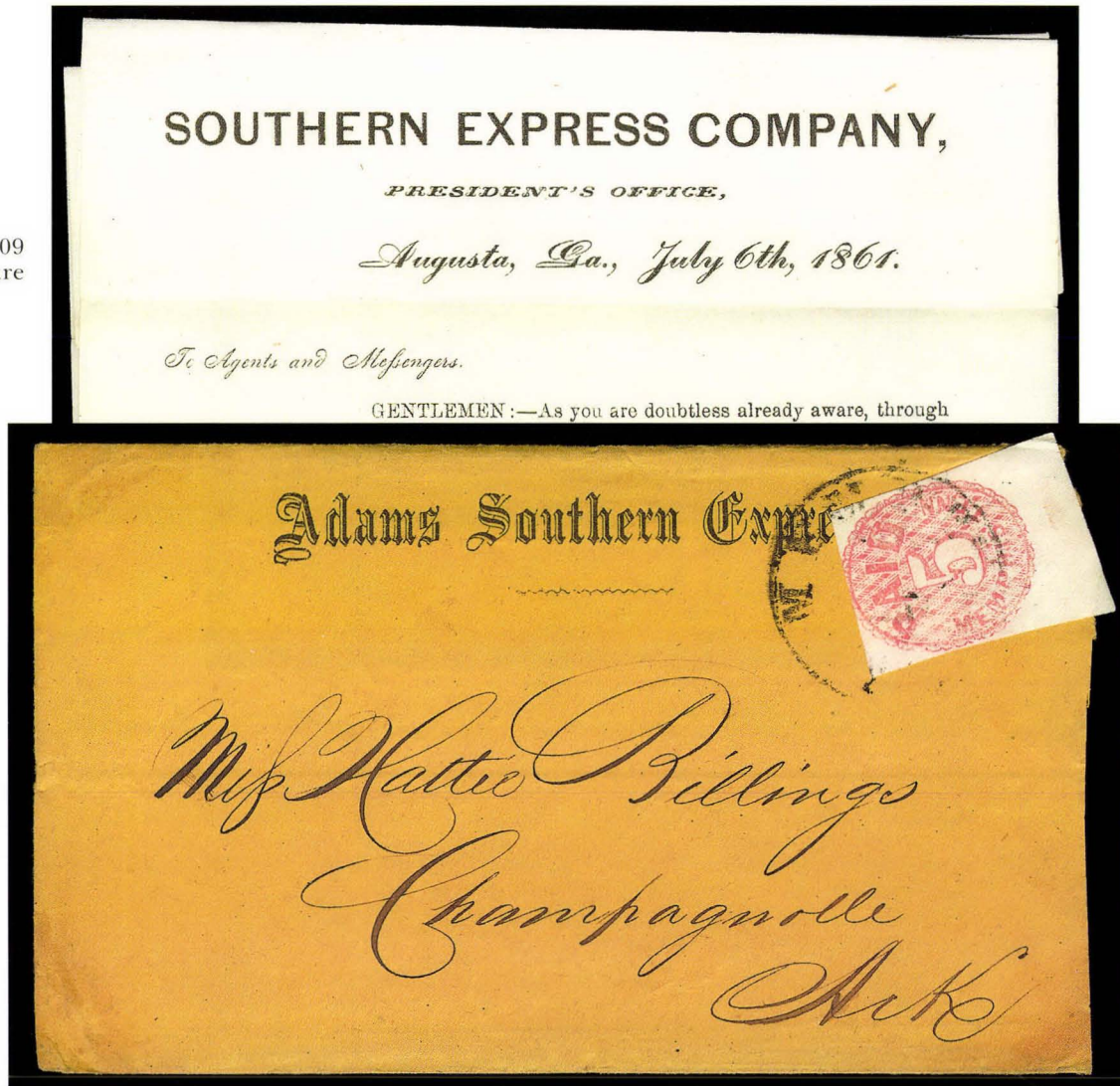
The Marion Va. 5c and 10c provisional stamps, with their distinctive "Check" label at top, were issued by Postmaster J. H. Francis in 1861. The stamps were printed in two steps: first, the typeset form containing the border and words "P. Office, Marion, Va., Check. Paid" was impressed; then the value, "5" or "10" was handstamped on the blank center. Postmaster Francis described his stamps in a January 1880 letter to August Dietz, and he offered to make more from the "die" which he still possessed. Various "reprints" made from the typeset form were made by John W. Scott, including 2c, 15c and 20c values that have never been seen genuinely used.

Genuine Marion provisional stamps are extremely rare. Our records contain a total of 10 examples of the 5c, including 4 covers (one of which is in the British Library's Tapling collection), 3 stamps remaining on pieces, 2 used off cover and an unused example on bluish paper (of uncertain status, but counted in our census).

Illustrated in Crown book on page 201. Ex Hind..... 5,000.00

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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enclosure



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409 ☒ **Memphis Tenn., 5c Red (56X2).** Huge bottom sheet margin, ample at sides and just barely in at top, tied by "Memphis Ten." circular datestamp on orange cover to Champagnolle Ark., "Adams Southern Express" imprint at top, slightly reduced at right but not affecting stamp

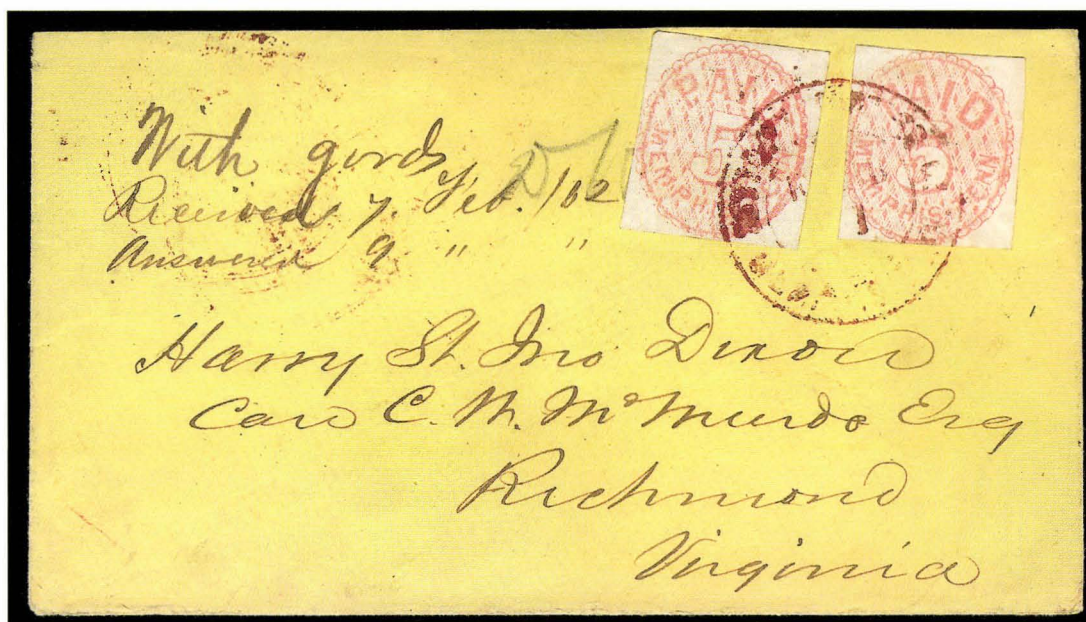
VERY FINE. A REMARKABLE USE OF THE MEMPHIS POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL ON AN ADAMS SOUTHERN EXPRESS ADVERTISING COVER. ACCOMPANIED BY AN ORIGINAL LETTER AND PRINTED NOTICE RELATED TO THE DIFFICULTIES OF MAIL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH.

Enclosed in this cover are two items. One is a letter to the addressee, Miss Hattie Billings, datelined "Office Southern Ex. Co. Memphis, Sept. 15/61" from H. Borden, the express agent in Memphis. It informs Miss Billings that "Communication with the North ceased entirely about one month since, and I am directed by this company to open and return all letters sent us." Borden offers to send a letter received from her to the North in care of a "fellow Statesman (New Jersey) who goes North tomorrow."

The other item is a printed notice from Henry B. Plant, datelined Augusta, July 6, 1861, announcing the purchase of Adams's southern offices and the formation of the Southern Express Company with the board of directors listed.

This trio of items forms a spectacular and historic exhibit page chronicling the Southern Express Company's role in transmitting correspondence across the lines of war.

Ex Seacrest. E. 7,500-10,000



410

- 410 ☒ **Memphis Tenn., 5c Red (56X2).** Two, pale shades, ample margin to just touching, tied by partly readable red "Southern Express Co. Memphis Ten. Feb. 1" double-circle datestamp on 1862 yellow cover to Richmond Va., pencil "DH" express notation, neatly docketed, backflap removed

FINE AND EXTREMELY RARE USE OF MEMPHIS POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL ON SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY COVER CARRIED OUTSIDE THE MAILS.

With 1987 P.F. certificate..... E. 1,500-2,000



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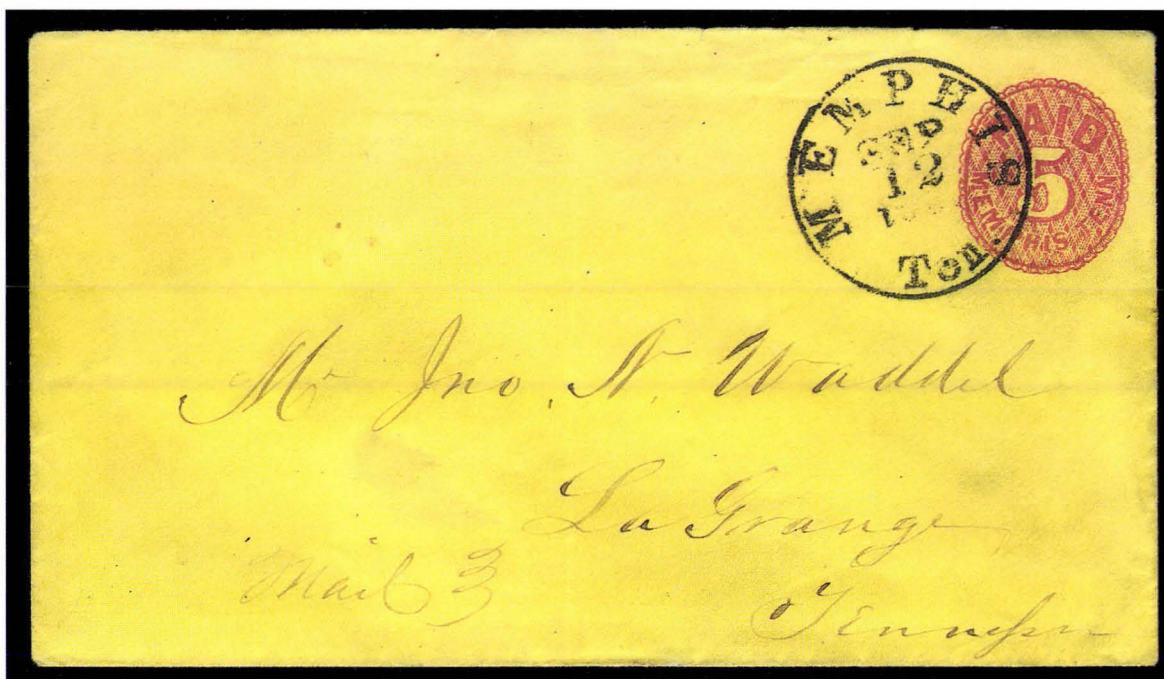
- 411 ☒ **Memphis Tenn., 5c Red (56X2).** Large margins to clear at left, rich color, tied by "Memphis Ten. Oct. —" circular datestamp on cover to Oglethorpe University, Talmage Ga. "DUE 5" two-line handstamp applied at Memphis, couple soiled spots, stamp with tear at bottom and small tears at top and right, Very Fine appearance, ex Seybold and Caspary (where acquired by the Kilbournes), with 1999 P.F. certificate 1,500.00

- 412 **Memphis Tenn., 5c Deep Red on Pelure (56X2c).** Distinctive dark shade on very thin semi-translucent paper, large margins, cancelled by Memphis circular datestamp, Extremely Fine, very rare E. 1,000-1,500



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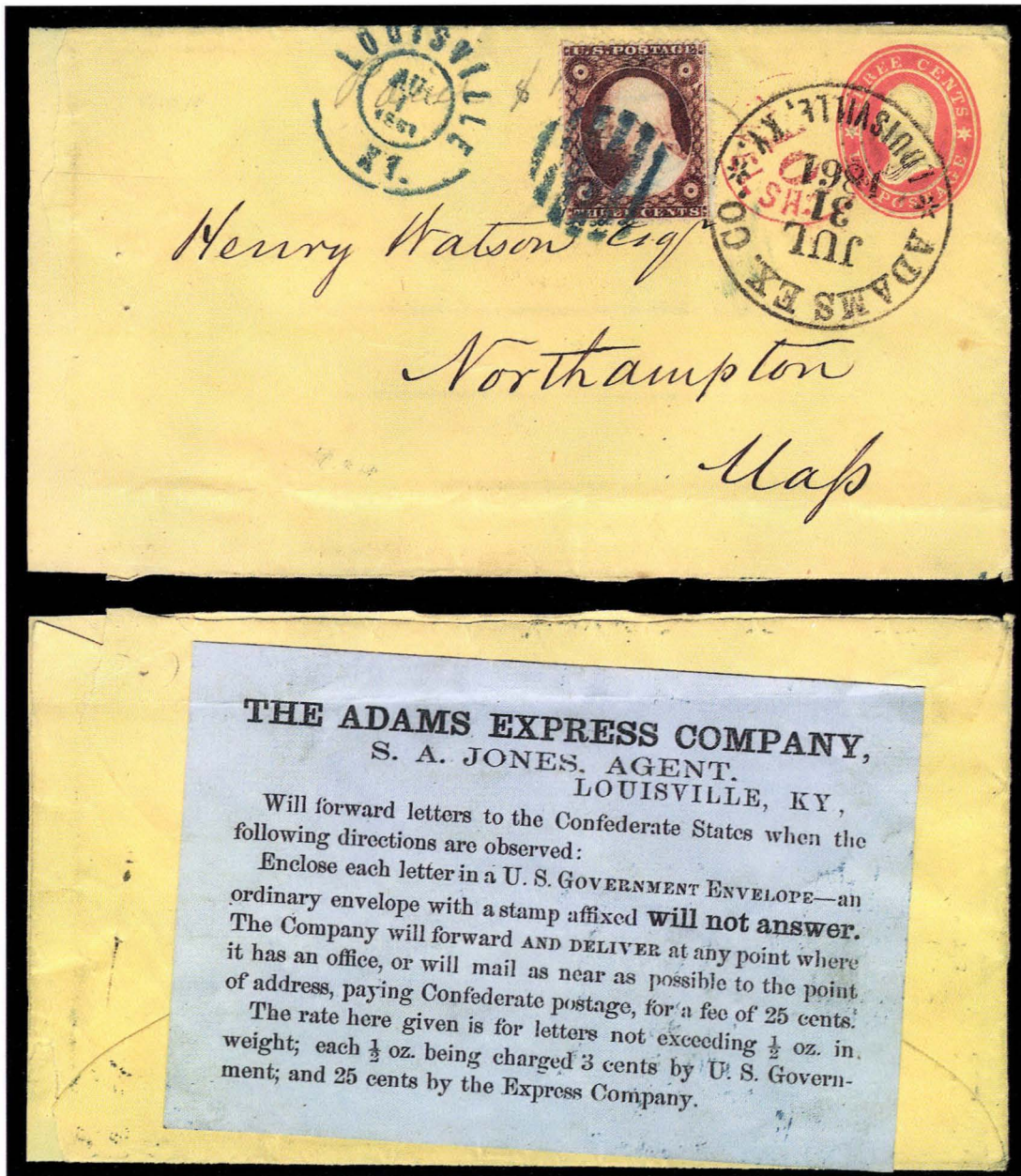
- 413 ☒ **Memphis Tenn., 5c Red entire (56XU1).** Cancelled by "Memphis Aug. 7, 1861" circular datestamp, addressed to Gen. John E. Garner at Springfield Tenn., brown stains around edges mostly confined to back, still Very Fine, ex Hind, Emerson and Brooks. 2,500.00



414

- 414 ☒ **Memphis Tenn., 5c Red on Amber entire (56XU2).** Bold "Memphis Ten. Sep. 12, 1861" circular datestamp, addressed to La Grange Tenn., light vertical fold, Extremely Fine, ex Hind, Emerson and Brooks..... 4,000.00

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA



415 front and back

- 415 ☒ **Montgomery Ala., 10c Red entire (59XU3).** Partly clear strike of provisional rate handstamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Northampton Mass., from the Watson correspondence, "Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Jul. 31, 1861" circular datestamp and pencil express charge overlapped by 3c Dull Red (26) tied by "Louisville Ky. Aug. 1, 1861" double-circle datestamp and blue grid, black on blue **Adams Express Company advertising and instruction label on back**, opened roughly along left edge, repaired with paper added, opened on three sides for display

FINE AND COLORFUL. AN EXTREMELY RARE USE OF THE MONTGOMERY PROVISIONAL HANDSTAMP ON A SOUTH-TO-NORTH EXPRESS COVER WITH UNITED STATES FRANKING.

Accompanied by another cover from the same correspondence with 3c 1857 tied by Louisville Ky. Aug. 10, 1861 double-circle datestamp, which was presumably carried inside another cover from Montgomery. E. 3,000-4,000

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE



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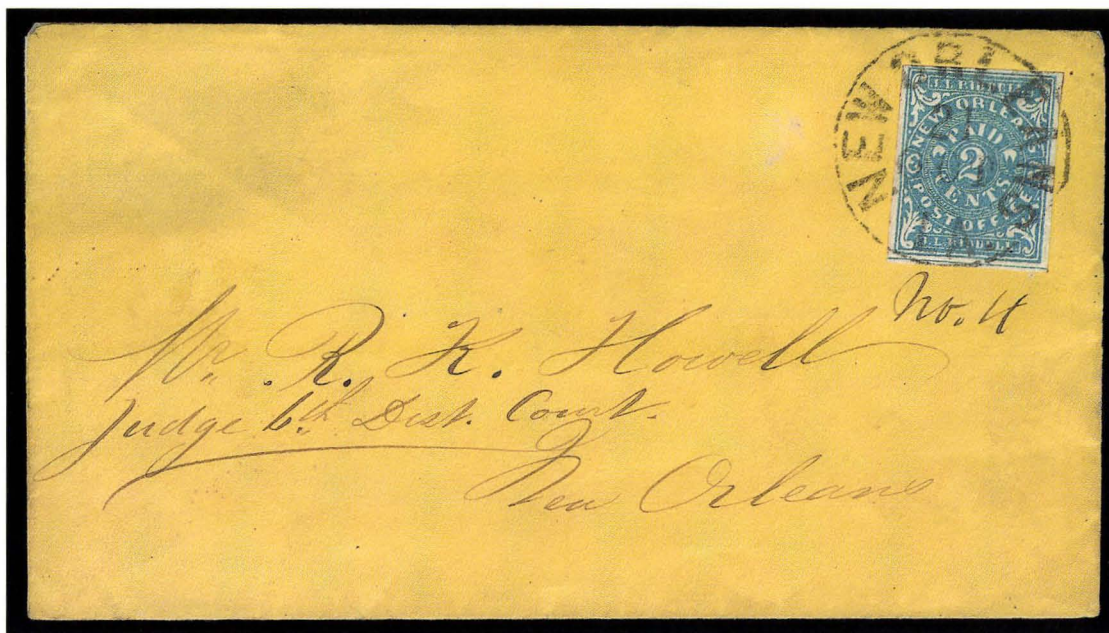
- 416 **Nashville Tenn., 5c Brick Red (61X3).** Ample margins all around, unusual claret shade on blue paper, cancelled by part of blue **Adams Express Company** oval datestamp, Very Fine and rare E. 750-1,000



417

- 417 ☒ **Nashville Tenn., 5c Brick Red (61X3).** Remarkably vivid color with unusually strong orange hue, ample margins, tied by blue "Nashville Ten. Sep. 21, 1861" circular datestamp on buff cover to Eagleville Tenn., fresh and Very Fine, dealer's backstamp on flap, with 1999 P.F. certificate 3,500.00

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA



418

- 418 ☒ **New Orleans La., 2c Blue (62X1).** Large even margins, deep shade and clear impression, tied by "New Orleans La. 21 Oct." (1861) circular datestamp on buff cover to Judge Howell of the 6th District Court in New Orleans

EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE NEW ORLEANS 2-CENT BLUE USED TO PAY THE DROP-LETTER RATE.

Ex Green 3,500.00



419

- 419 ☒ **New Orleans La., 5c Ocher (62X3b).** Three huge margins including **part of imprint** at top, just touched at bottom, incredibly rich color, tied by "Paid" straightline, "New Orleans La. 14 Aug." (1861) circular datestamp on blue folded cover to Memphis Tenn., docketed on back, stamp has tiny corner margin crease, still a Very Fine and choice example of the rare Ocher shade on cover, ex Seybold..... 2,250.00



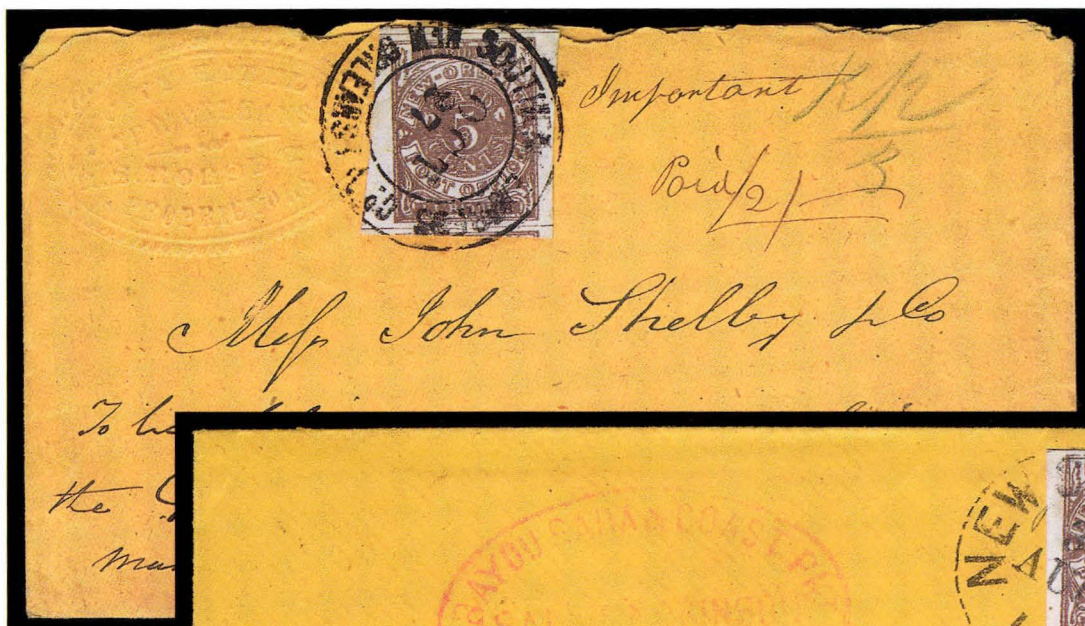
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- 420 ☒ **New Orleans La., 5c Red Brown on Bluish (62X4).** Three huge margins, ample to clear at bottom, rich color, tied by "New Orleans La. 7 Sep." (1861) circular datestamp on small oblong cover with red and blue **10-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic** design, to Donaldsonville La., slightly reduced at top, piece of backflap missing, vertical crease clear of stamp

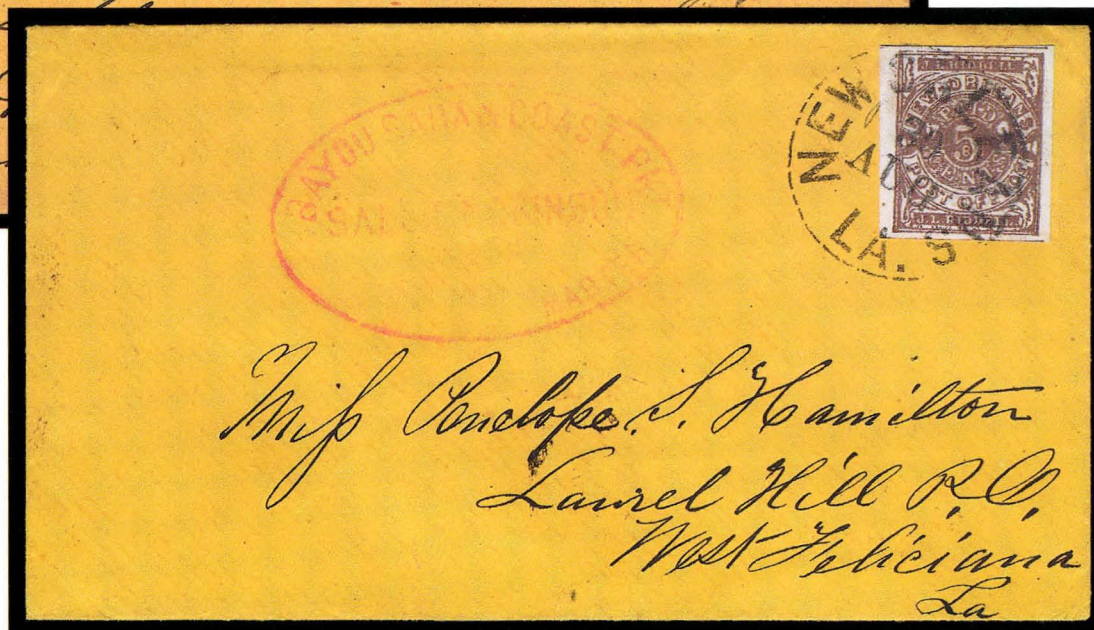
VERY FINE. A COLORFUL AND EXTREMELY RARE USE OF THE NEW ORLEANS PROVISIONAL ON A CONFEDERATE 10-STAR FLAG PATRIOTIC.

We are aware of eight patriotic covers with the 5c New Orleans provisional stamp, including red and blue Flag and Cannon designs and the unique "Soldier" design in black. The 10-Star Flag on this cover has a distinctive pattern of stars; another example used from Evergreen La. is shown in the Wishnietsky book on Confederate patriotics (p. 56). The design was modified by adding an eleventh star to the center. Two different imprints are recorded: 10-Star with "J. K. Sutterley, Bookseller, under the St. Charles Hotel, N.O." (Grant collection, John A. Fox sale, Mar. 11, 1959, lot 137) and 11-Star with "R. Coburn, Bookseller, N.O." (Wishnietsky, p. 69).

Ex Emerson..... E. 5,000-7,500



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422

- 421 ☒ **New Orleans La., 5c Red Brown on Bluish (62X4).** Enormous margins all around, deep rich color on strongly blued paper, tied by "Southern Express Co. New Orleans Oct. 27" (1861) double-circle datestamp on buff cover to Memphis Tenn., City Hotel embossed oval corner card, ms. "Important, Paid 2/-" express charge (two bits, or 25c), blue pencil express notation, with original enclosure from a merchant in New Orleans on business, opened a bit irregularly along top

EXTREMELY FINE. VERY RARE USE OF THE NEW ORLEANS POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL ON A SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY COVER.

Due to the disruption of rail lines and mail service, and the absence of a Confederate registration system, merchants turned to expresses for urgent or valuable letters. However, examples of postmasters' provisionals used to pay the required postage on express letters are rare.

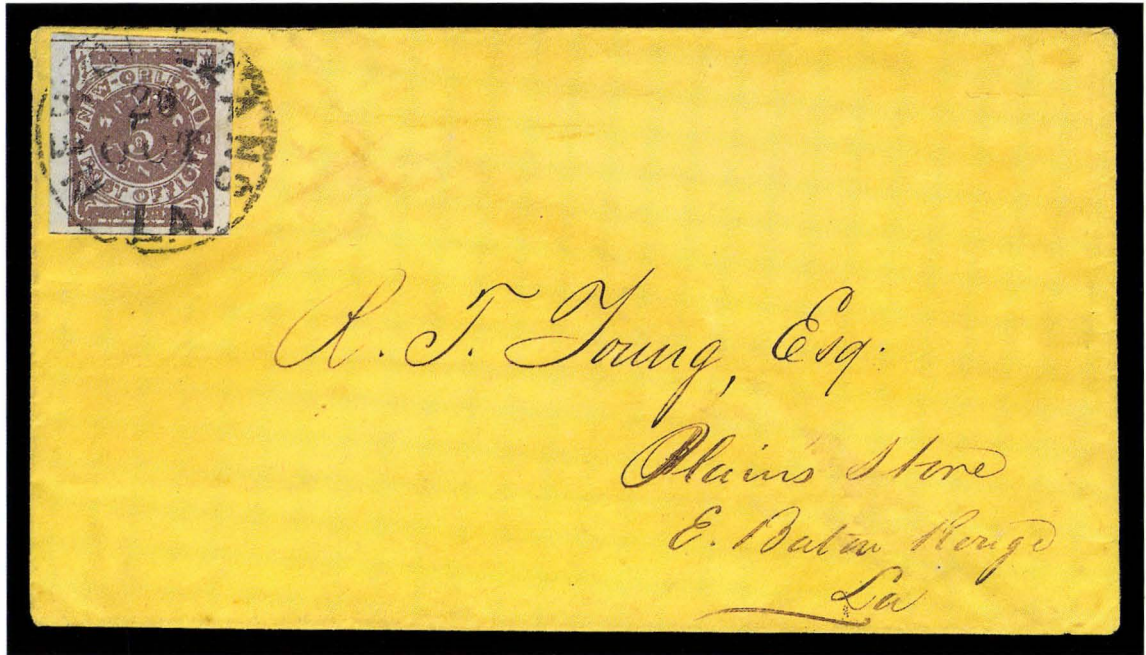
Ex Emerson..... E. 3,000-4,000

- 422 ☒ **New Orleans La., 5c Red Brown on Bluish (62X4).** Large even margins, intense color, tied by "New Orleans La. 30 Aug." (1861) circular datestamp on orange cover to Laurel Hill La., mostly clear red "Bayou Sara & Coast Pkt./Sallie Robinson/ — Master" oval handstamp


EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FEW KNOWN NEW ORLEANS PROVISIONAL COVERS WITH A NAME-OF-BOAT MISSISSIPPI RIVER PACKET MARK.

While Confederate riverboat mail was prolific prior to Federal control of the Mississippi River, examples of the provisionals with name-of-boat markings are extremely rare. We are aware of three different: "Packet Mary E. Keene", "Steamer Genl. Quitman" and the "Sallie Robinson" offered here.

Ex Blaisdell E. 3,000-4,000



423

- 423  **New Orleans La., 5c Red Brown on Bluish (62X4).** Huge margins all around, distinctive impression from later printing in Brown shade (not the Red Brown or impression of 62X4), tied by "New Orleans La. 20 Oct." (1861) circular datestamp on orange cover to Plain's Store La., Extremely Fine and fresh 400.00



424 front and back

- 424 **New Orleans La., 5c Red Brown on Bluish, Printed on Both Sides (62X4a).** Full to large margins, nearly full impression on back, New Orleans circular datestamp
EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE PRINTED-ON-BOTH-SIDES VARIETY. PROBABLY FEWER THAN A DOZEN EXAMPLES EXIST ON EITHER WHITE OR BLUISH PAPER.
Ex Hind..... 2,750.00

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA



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Petersburg Va., 5c Red (65X1). Complete reconstruction of pane of ten from eight singles and one pair, includes nine cancelled by blue Petersburg circular datestamp and one cancelled by blue "5": Pos. 1 top left corner sheet margin, ample to touching on other two sides, early state showing "C" for "G" in "Petersburg" but no broken letters and "e" of "Office" still present; Pos. 2 full to slightly in at sides; Pos. 3 ample margins to just touching; Pos. 4 full to large margins except touched at bottom left; Pos. 5 top right corner sheet margin, others clear to ample; Pos. 6-7 in horizontal pair, large margins to just touching; Pos. 8 ample margins to barely in; Pos. 9 three huge margins to clear at left, "5" cancel; and Pos. 10 bottom right corner sheet margin, others ample to slightly in, ms. at right — a few stamps have tiny corner crease in margin well clear of design

VERY FINE TO EXTREMELY FINE. ONLY THREE OR FOUR RECONSTRUCTED SHEETS OF THE PETERSBURG PROVISIONAL ARE KNOWN.

Ex Walcott..... 4,950.00



426

426 ☒

Petersburg Va., 5c Red, "C" for "G" in "Petersburg" and Missing "e" in "Office" (65X1 var). Position 1, late state showing break in letters "burg" of "Petersburg" and "e" of "Office" almost completely missing — these type flaws are proven by at least three other examples and should be listed in Scott — the top margin shows part of the adjoining stamp from a second impression of the plate of ten, huge left sheet margin, large to touching at right and bottom, tied by blue "Petersburg Va. Jan. 17" (1862) circular datestamp on folded letter to Weldon N.C., lightly soiled, Very Fine, a fascinating variety deserving full catalogue recognition E. 2,000-3,000



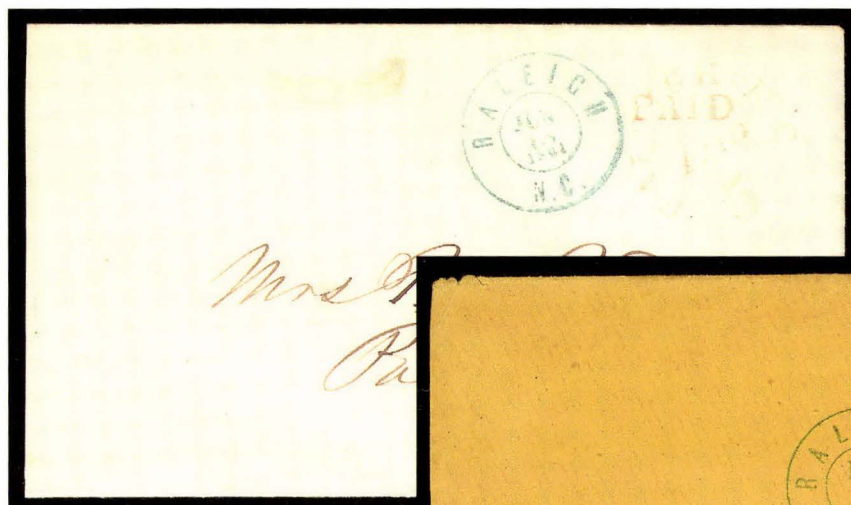
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- 427 ☒ **Petersburg Va., 5c Red (65X1).** Position 2, light shade from late printing, huge margins showing bits of adjoining stamps, touching at upper left, tied by blue "Petersburg Va. Mar. 21" (1862) circular datestamp on cover to Hillsboro N.C., slightly reduced at left, Extremely Fine, ex Emerson..... 2,500.00

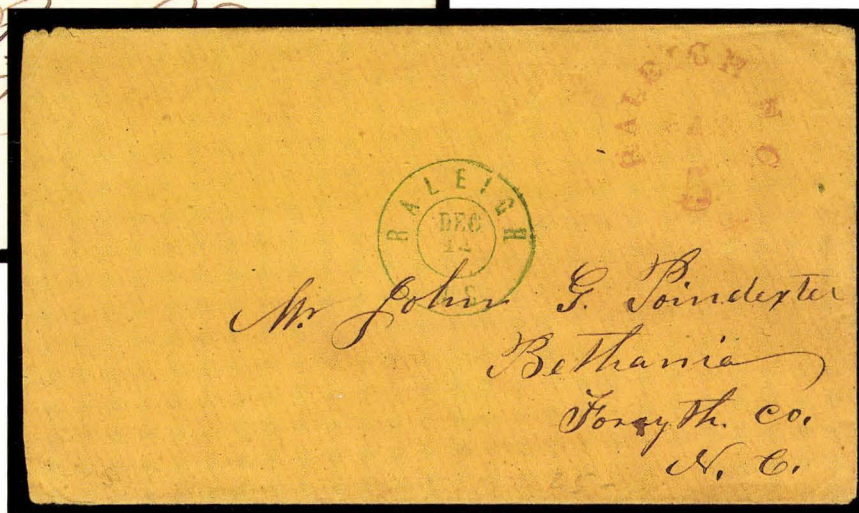


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- 428 ☒ **Petersburg Va., 5c Red (65X1).** Position 2, deep shade from early printing, ample margins to just touching ornaments, tied by blue "Petersburg Va. Nov. 5" (1861) circular datestamp on small oblong cover to Scuppernon N.C., couple light vertical folds, stamp has wrinkles from application, still Very Fine, ex Brown and Brooks..... 2,500.00



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- 429 ☒ **Raleigh N.C., 5c Red entire (68XU1).** Typically faint but readable strike of provisional handstamp, also cancelled by red "Paid", blue "Raleigh N.C. Jun. 13, 1861" double-circle datestamp on cover to Patterson N.C., slightly reduced at left, Fine 500.00
- 430 ☒ **Raleigh N.C., 5c Red entire (68XU1).** Mostly clear strike of provisional handstamp, blue "Raleigh N.C. Dec. 12, 1861" double-circle datestamp on orange cover to Bethania N.C., Very Fine 500.00

- 431 **Rheatown Tenn., 5c Red (69X1).** Position 1 in setting, huge margins all around, deep shade, **cancelled by part of Rheatown Tenn. circular datestamp**, without pen cancel, two thins that do not detract from appearance

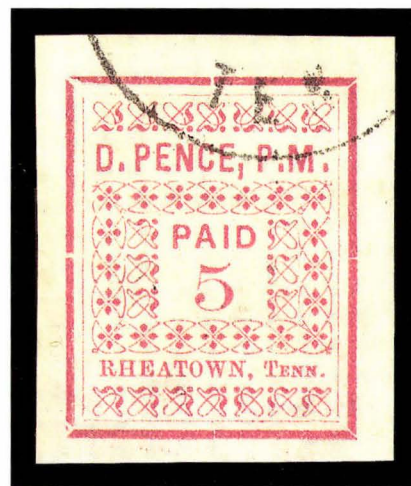
EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. ONE OF TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE RHEATOWN POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL CANCELLED BY THE TOWN MARKING.

The 5c provisional stamps issued by Postmaster D. Pence were printed by the same printer who produced the Tellico Plains Tenn. provisional. The June dates recorded for the Rheatown suggest that it came first, and the postmaster's own recollections place the issue in "midsummer 1861" (see Crown book, p. 307). Although dated examples show usage into April 1862, a relatively long period of time, the issue is extremely rare.

The same basic type form containing three subjects was used for the Rheatown and Tellico Plains Tenn. provisionals. For the Rheatown, all three were 5c denominations. The inside border at the top of each stamp is made up of seven ornaments; the unique arrangement of these ornaments in each subject enables philatelists to identify the position of any stamp.

Our records contain at least a half-dozen off-cover examples the Rheatown 5c, including an unused pair, the only known multiple. There are five recorded covers and one dated piece. Of the known examples, only this off-cover stamp and one cover are cancelled by the town datestamp — all others are pen cancelled.

Ex Deats (acquired from Warren H. Colson in 1934).
Scott value for usual pen cancel 2,750.00



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SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA



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- 432 ☒ **Spartanburg S.C., 5c Black (78X1).** Cut circular, clear or just touching outer circle, tied by "Paid" straightline, "Spartanburg S.C." double-circle datestamp with ms. "June 22" (1861) date on orange-buff cover to Rev. A. Nettles, Summerville S.C.

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST OF THE APPROXIMATELY TWENTY KNOWN COVERS BEARING THE SPARTANBURG POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL.

Most of the recorded Spartanburg Type I provisionals (thin numeral at center) are cut in a circular shape. Some varieties exist, including Scott 78X1a (value omitted). Only one pair is known, used on a cover from the Dean correspondence.

Ex Ferrary and Hind. The Spartanburg cover in the Kilbourne collection (Sale 815, lot 144) realized \$40,000 hammer. 17,500.00



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- 433 ☒ **Talbotton Ga., 5c Black entire (94XU1).** Bold strikes of provisional handstamps and "Talbotton Ga. Jul. 11, 1861" double-circle datestamp on folded letter to Macon Ga., from a destitute woman writing to her nephew for a loan, ink smear, otherwise Extremely Fine..... 750.00



434

- 434 (★) **Tellico Plains Tenn., 5c-5c-10c Red, Se-Tenant Sheet of Three (81X1-81X2).** Unused (no gum), large margins to just into frameline at left, bright and fresh
VERY FINE. ONE OF THE THREE FINEST OF THE SIX RECORDED SE-TENANT SHEETS OF THE TELICO PLAINS POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL IN PRIVATE HANDS.

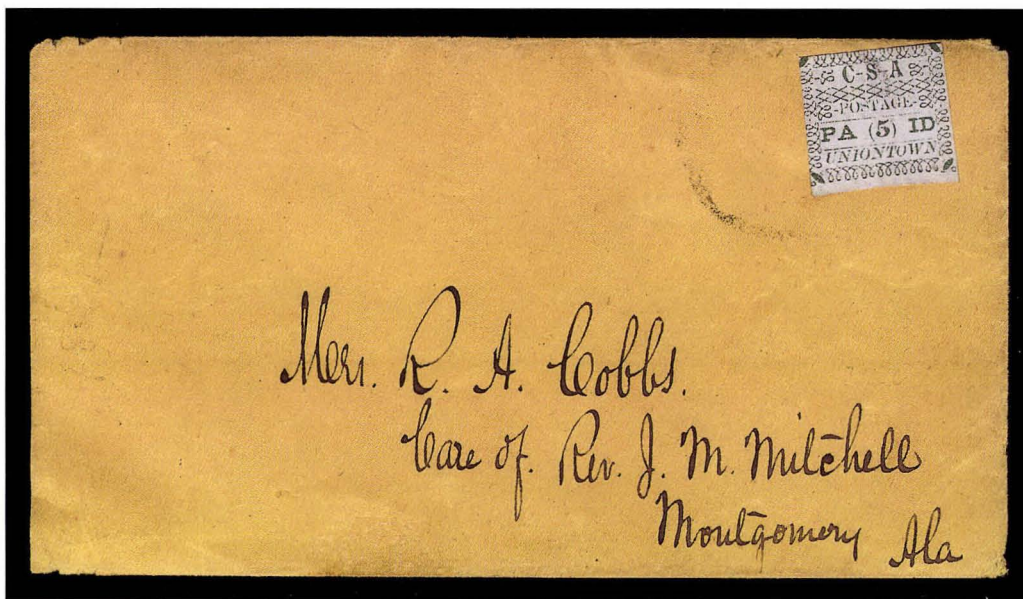
The Rheatown and Tellico Plains provisionals were printed by the same printer, using a typeset form of three subjects. For the Tellico Plains provisional, which probably followed the Rheatown, the post office and postmaster's names were changed, and the third subject at right was reset with a 10c denomination. Only two are known used, including one on cover (both are December 1861 dates).

Our records contain eight se-tenant sheets, including two in the British Library's Tapling collection. Of the six available to collectors, two are completely sound with full margins (one realized \$8,000 hammer in our September 1999 Kilbourne sale). This is the third sound sheet. One of the others is repaired, and two have small faults.

Ex Ferrary..... 5,250.00

UNIONTOWN, ALABAMA

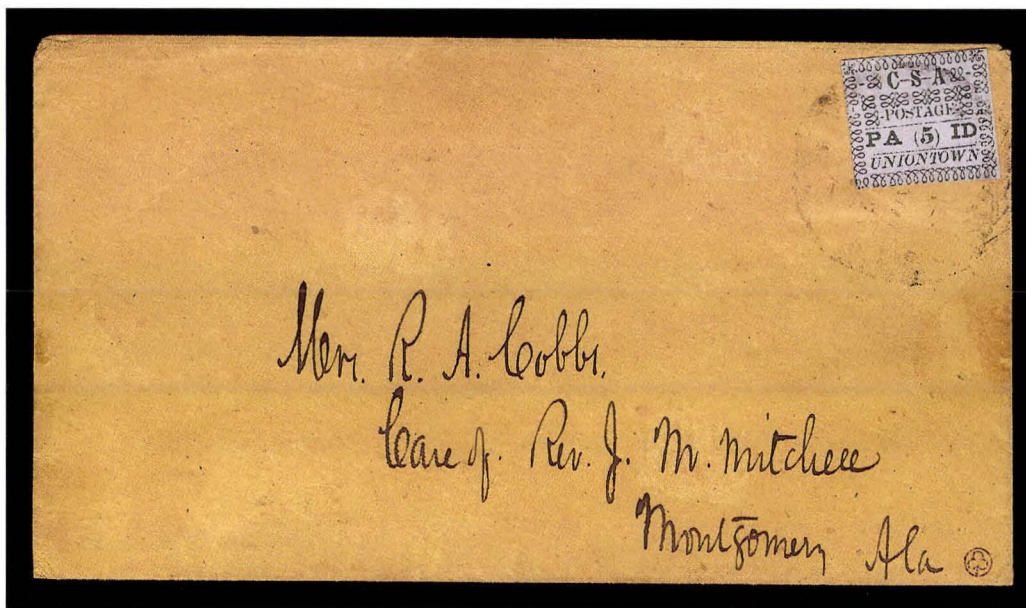
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- 435 ☒ **Uniontown Ala., 5c Green on Gray Blue (86X3).** Position 1, large bottom margin, ample at right and just touching other two sides, tied by usual lightly-struck Uniontown Ala. circular datestamp on brown cover to Montgomery Ala., from the Cobbs correspondence
VERY FINE AND ATTRACTIVE COVER. ONLY NINE COVERS WITH THE UNIONTOWN 5-CENT ON GRAY BLUE PAPER ARE RECORDED IN THE CROWN CENSUS.

Ex Walcott..... 6,500.00

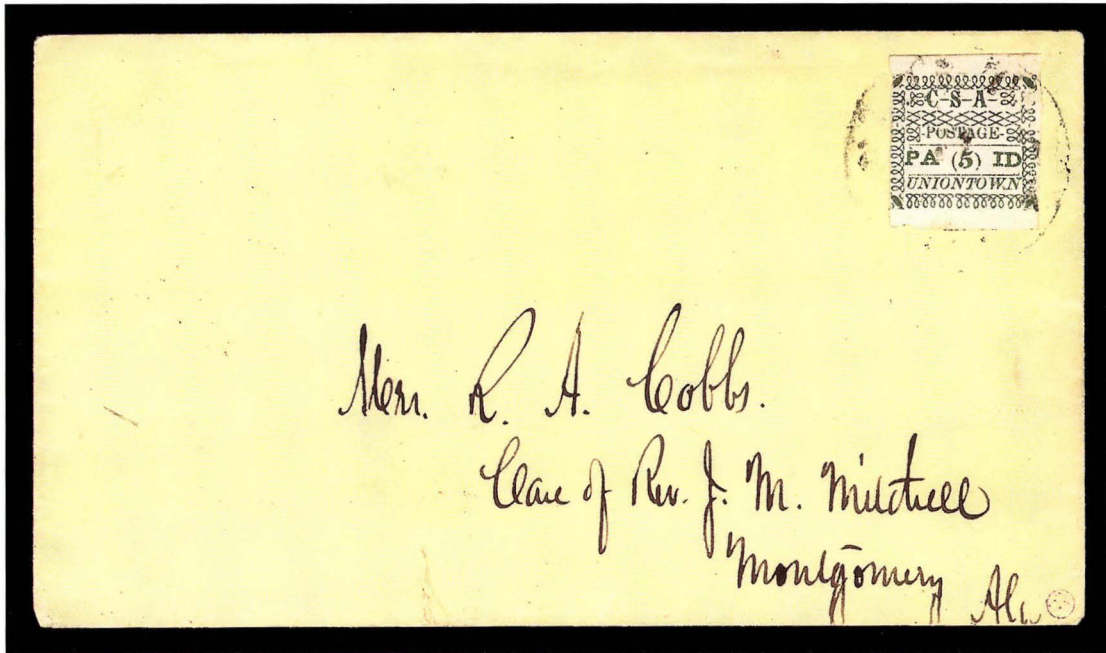
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- 436 ☒ **Uniontown Ala., 5c Green on Gray Blue (86X3).** Position 2, the only one of four positions with Lobe ornaments at top and Loop ornaments at bottom, close margins all around, tied by usual light strike of Uniontown Ala. circular datestamp on brown cover to Montgomery Ala., slight edge wear
A VERY FINE AND ATTRACTIVE COVER FROM THE COBBS CORRESPONDENCE. ONLY THIRTEEN COVERS WITH THE UNIONTOWN 5-CENT ON WHITE PROVISIONAL ARE RECORDED IN THE CROWN CENSUS.

Although the Scott Catalogue does not distinguish between types, the distinctive typography of Position 2 should qualify it as a major variety of Uniontown provisionals.

Ex Ferrary and Hind. 6,500.00



437

- 437 ☒ **Uniontown Ala., 5c Green (86X4).** Position 4, large margins at top and bottom, clear to barely touched at sides, tied by usual faint "Uniontown Ala." circular datestamp on yellow cover to Montgomery Ala., from the Cobbs correspondence, close examination reveals a tiny scuff in the stamp at right

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. ONLY THIRTEEN COVERS BEARING THE UNIONTOWN 5-CENT ON WHITE PAPER ARE RECORDED IN THE CROWN CENSUS.

Ex Caspary and Antrim. With 1997 C.S.A. certificate..... 7,000.00

VICTORIA, TEXAS



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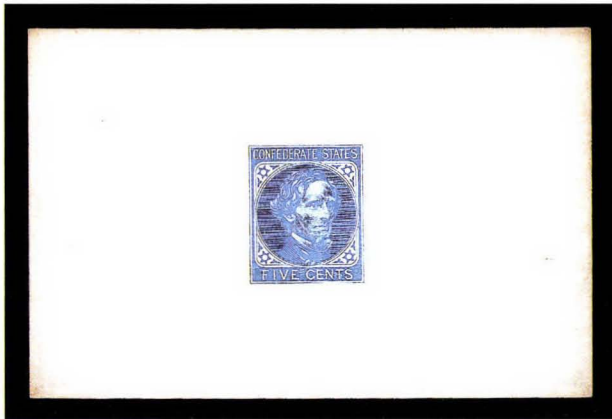
- 438 ★ **Victoria Tex., 5c Red Brown on Green (88X1).** Original gum, huge margins at top and right — presumably from the corner of the sheet — ample at left and bottom, clear impression on bright green paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. BY FAR THE FINEST OF THE FOUR RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE VICTORIA 5-CENT POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL.

In addition to the stamp offered here, we record a top-left margin stamp also described as having original gum (ex Hessel, "small faults"); an original-gum stamp with vertical crease, ex Kilbourne (realized \$7,000 in our Sale 815); and a left-margin uncanceled stamp, ex Steves (P.F. photo files). No cancelled Victoria 5c stamps or on-cover examples are known. Of the four recorded stamps, the example offered here is the finest.

Ex Ferrary and Hind. 4,000.00

GENERAL ISSUE PROOFS

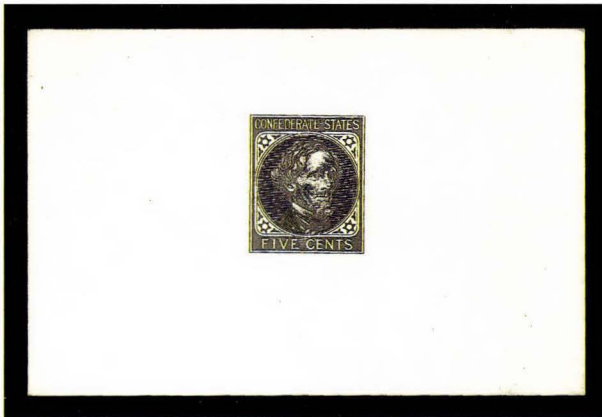


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- 439 P **5c Blue, De La Rue, Die Proof on Glazed Card (6P1).** 93 x 61mm, fresh color, faint toning at edges, Very Fine, with 1991 P.F. certificate identifying this as a proof, it is a slightly deeper shade than the following lot 600.00
- 440 P **5c Light Blue, De La Rue, Die Proof on Glazed Card (6P1).** 92 x 60mm, fresh and bright, Very Fine and choice, with 1991 P.F. certificate calling this a trial color proof, Scott does not list a trial color in Light Blue 600.00

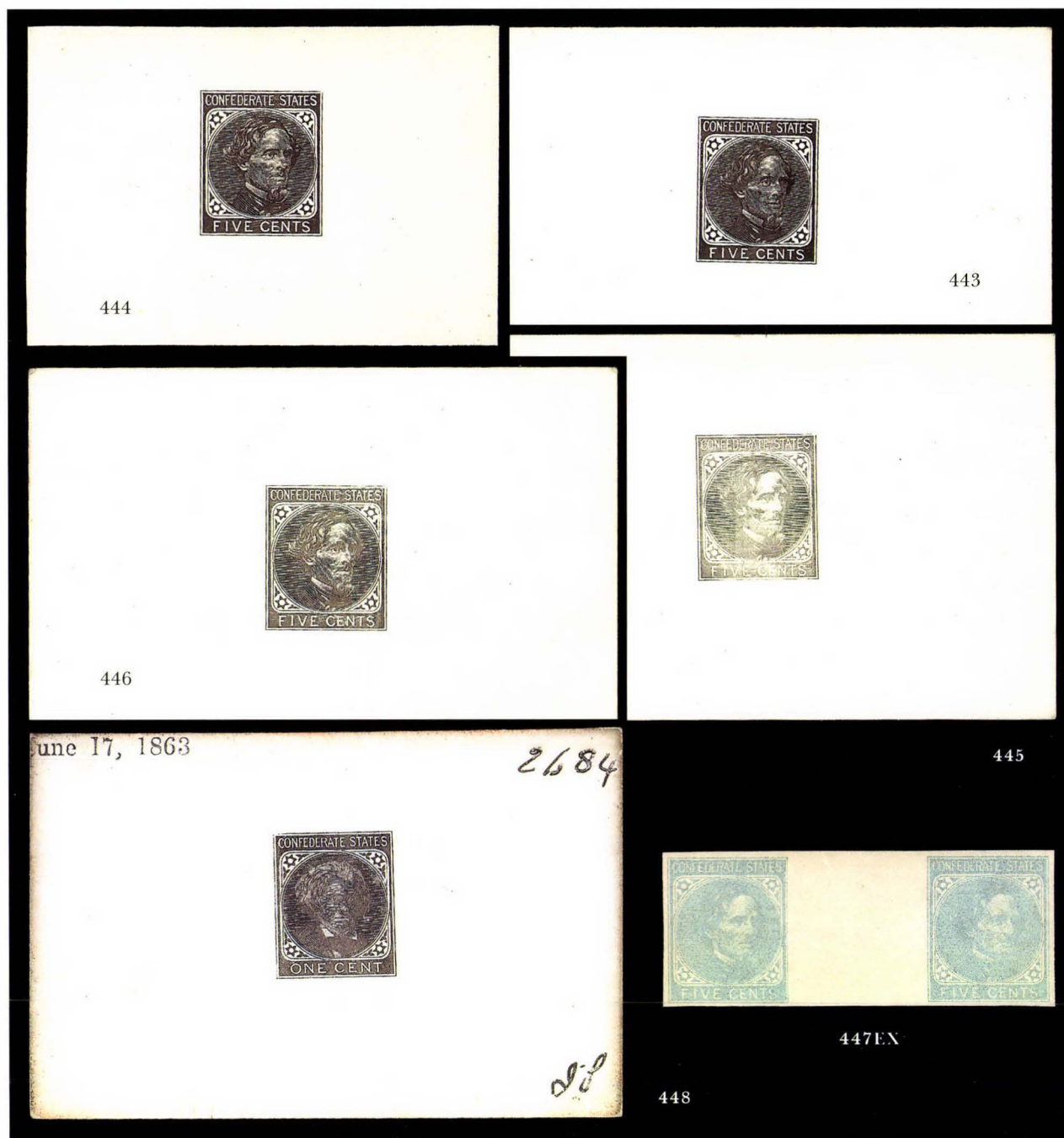


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- 441 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 92 x 60mm, fresh and bright, Extremely Fine..... 900.00
- 442 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 92 x 60mm, more intense shade than previous lot, remarkably fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1991 P.F. certificate..... 900.00



- 443 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 92 x 60mm, intense shade, Extremely Fine 900.00
- 444 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 73 x 50mm, Very Fine and choice 900.00
- 445 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 92 x 60mm, light Gray Black shade, Extremely Fine 900.00
- 446 TC **5c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (6TC1).** 92 x 60mm, creased at lower right, otherwise Very Fine 900.00
- 447 P **5c Light Blue, De La Rue, Plate Proof on Wove Paper (6P5).** Two gutter pairs: one vertical and one horizontal, both have large margins, the vertical pair folded in gutter and internal tear, otherwise Very Fine, both with copies of 1976 P.F. certificate for panes of 400 750.00
- 448 TC **1c Black, De La Rue, Trial Color Die Proof on Glazed Card (14TC1).** 92 x 60mm, dated "June 17, 1863" at T.L., numbered "2684" and signed "J.P." at R., minor edge toning, otherwise Very Fine, very rare 2,500.00

GENERAL ISSUES OFF COVER



449

- 449 **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Complete horizontal row of ten from the sheet of 100, plating note indicates this comes from the second row, large margins all around, bright color, neat "Jamestown Va. Apr. 4" circular datestamps, vertical crease between fifth and sixth stamps (gutter), trivial corner crease

EXTREMELY FINE. THE LARGEST RECORDED USED MULTIPLE OF ANY OF THE FIRST GENERAL ISSUES. A PHENOMENAL SURVIVOR OF THE CONFEDERATE ERA.

Ex Knapp..... E. 3,000-4,000



- 450 **10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b).** Position 4 "Zen" variety, ample to huge margins, cancelled by New Orleans circular datestamp, Very Fine..... 300.00
- 451 ★田 **5c Blue, Stone 2 (4).** Two blocks of four, both o.g., both have ample margins, one with few tiny wrinkles, other with gum soaks, both appear Fine-Very Fine..... 2,000.00
- 452 **10c Rose (5).** Huge margins all around, rich color, neat circular datestamp cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 P.F. certificate..... 500.00
- 453 **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Horizontal pair, large margins to just touched, clearly struck "Randolph Macon College Va. Sep. 16" circular datestamp, Very Fine..... E. 100-150
- 454 ★ **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** O.g., lightly hinged, wide margins, rich color, Extremely Fine and choice, with 1999 P.F. certificate..... 800.00
- 455 **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** Large to huge margins all around, rich color, light cancel, small purple owner's handstamp on back only, Extremely Fine..... 525.00
- 456 **10c Gray Blue, "TEN" (9b).** Large to huge margins all around, blue town circular datestamp, slightly oxidized, Extremely Fine, with 1988 and 1998 P.F. certificates 650.00

10-CENT FRAMELINE



457

- 457 **10c Milky Blue, Frameline (10a).** Horizontal strip of six and detached single at left, beautiful early shade and impression, large margins with frameline complete at bottom and sides, mostly complete at top, tied by four strikes of "Milledgeville Ga." circular datestamp on large piece, the strip was prepared for separation by cutting the sheet into horizontal strips and applying a razor cut carefully between each stamp about three-quarters up from bottom, three stamps at right slightly creased in margin, end stamp at right lifted and repositioned in alignment with others

EXTREMELY FINE. THE LARGEST RECORDED USED MULTIPLE OF THE 10-CENT FRAMELINE STAMP.

Although unused Frameline multiples are known — a block of four (unique), strips of four, six and seven — used multiples are extremely rare. This strip of six (with the detached single) is by far the largest used multiple and has no equal. It is illustrated in the 1929 Dietz book (page 212) and described as the property of R. W. Evans.

Ex Evans and Knapp. E. 10,000-15,000

- 458 **General Issue Balance.** Six, incl. Nos. 2b H&L (3, one with blue Tex. town, one "Paid"), 3, 4a pair and 11a, minor thins, Very Fine-Extremely Fine appearance..... 1,900.00
- 459 **General Issue Balance.** Fourteen stamps, incl. Nos. 1 (red cancel), 4 (2, one on piece), red town circular datestamp on Nos. 6, 11 and 12, military target on two No. 12, No. 12 K & B on piece (enormous margins), block of four of No. 12, No. 13 used and No. 14 unused (no gum), mixed condition, interesting group, all Fine-Very Fine appearance, the No. 13 with 1999 C.S.A. certificate E. 200-300
- 460 **Keatinge & Ball.** John Fraser & Co. bill of exchange datelined Charleston Dec. 23, 1864, issued to Keatinge & Ball, printers of Confederate postage stamps and currency, Very Fine E. 100-150

GENERAL ISSUES ON COVER



461

- 461 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone A-B (1c).** Two, one has three huge margins, in at left, other has ample margins to touching, both tied by blue **"Bowling Green Ky. Nov. 23" (1861)** circular datestamp on buff cover to B. N. Clements, Chief Appointment Bureau, Richmond Va., very slight edge wear, Very Fine, extremely early use of Confederate General Issue from Bowling Green and one of the finest known — Kentucky's pro-Confederates seceded on Nov. 18 and were admitted on Dec. 10, 1862, but politics followed the fortunes of each side's military campaign — ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000



462

- 462 ☒ **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Large margins except touched at bottom left, tied by "Griffin Ga. Mar. 15" (1862) circular datestamp on cover with magnificent **Synodical Female College blue cameo corner card with illustration of building**, to Reynolds Ga., expertly cleaned to remove stains and toning, Extremely Fine appearance, the building on this corner card was used as an emergency hospital for Confederate soldiers from the battlefields of Jonesboro, Griffin and Atlanta (it burned in 1865)..... E. 1,000-1,500

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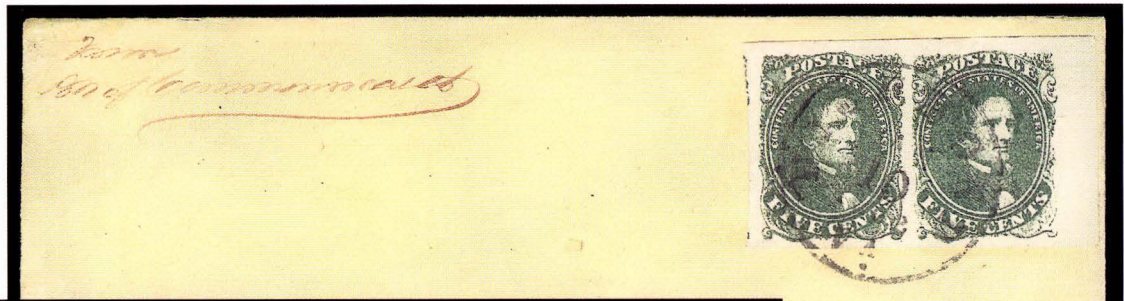
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- 463 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone A-B (1c).** Large margins, intense shade and proof-like impression, tied by balloon-style "Botetourt Springs Va. Jan. 8" (1862) circular datestamp on **lady's embossed envelope** to Jetersville Va., Extremely Fine E. 400-500
- 464 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone 1 (1c).** Ample to large margins, **red** grid cancel with corresponding **blue** "Raleigh N.C. Dec. 16, 1861" double-circle datestamp on buff cover to Hillsboro N.C., fresh and Extremely Fine, Raleigh is one of the few Confederate post offices to use a combination of red and blue cancelling inks..... E. 200-300
- 465 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone 1 (1c).** Ample to large margins, tied by **blue** "Raleigh N.C. Dec. 12, 1861" double-circle datestamp on brown cover to Tallyho N.C., fresh and Extremely Fine, ex Knapp, Emerson E. 200-300
- 466 ☒ **5c Olive Green, Stone A-B (1c).** Three full margins, just touching at bottom, tied by **blue** "Nashville Ten. Dec. 6, 1861" circular datestamp on small yellow cover to Clifton Tenn. with ms. "I.O.O.F." **International Order of Odd Fellows** notation, fresh and Very Fine... .. E. 200-300



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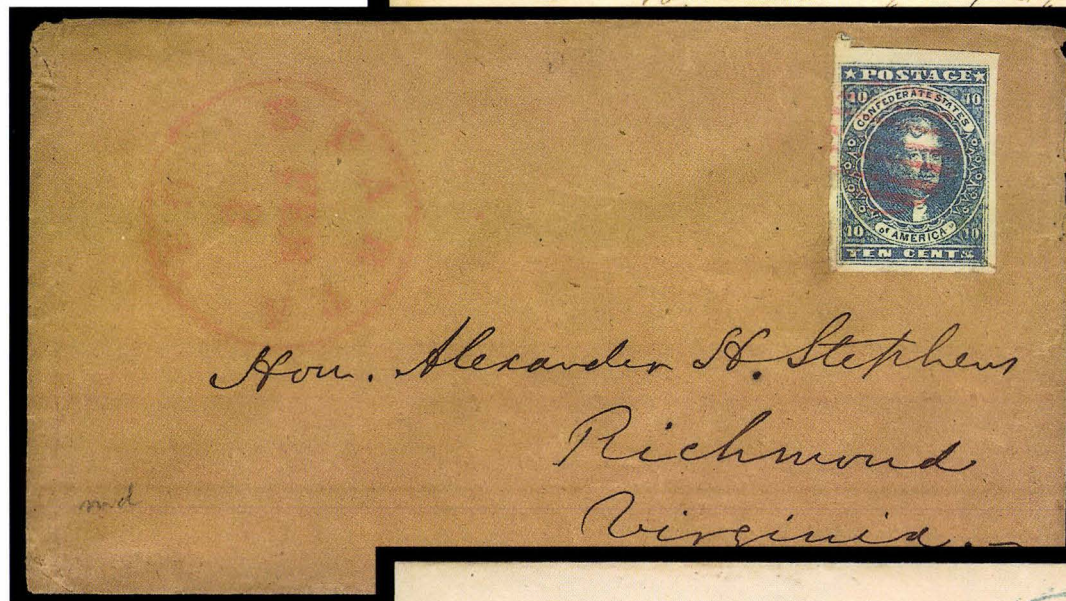
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- 467 ☒ **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Horizontal pair, gigantic margins all around including right sheet margin, tied by "Richmond Va. Jan. 10" (1862) circular datestamp on cover to Lynchburg Va., lightly cleaned, few cosmetic improvements along left edge, Extremely Fine Gem pair and beautiful cover..... E. 750-1,000
- 468 ☒ **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Large to huge margins, bright color, **used with U.S. 3c Dull Red (26)**, both tied by two strikes of "Augusta Ga. Jan. 6" (1862) double-circle datestamp on buff cover to Double Wells Ga., vertical fold at center, Extremely Fine, a remarkable combination, the 3c stamp was probably affixed to the envelope before the war and the 5c added by sender before mailing — extremely rare with a 3c adhesive and with the Confederate stamp not covering the obsolete postage — ex Emerson, Brooks and Knapp E. 1,000-1,500
- 469 ☒ **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Two large margins, just touching at right and bottom, **used with 5c Blue, Stone 2 (4) on U.S. 3c Red Star Die entire** to Tupelo Miss., stamps tied by unusual segmented cork grid, "Canton Miss. Jul. 17, 1862" circular datestamp, Very Fine, genuine Green and Blue combinations are extremely rare — this is especially desirable with the fancy cancel and adversity use of an obsolete 3c U.S. entire.... E. 500-750

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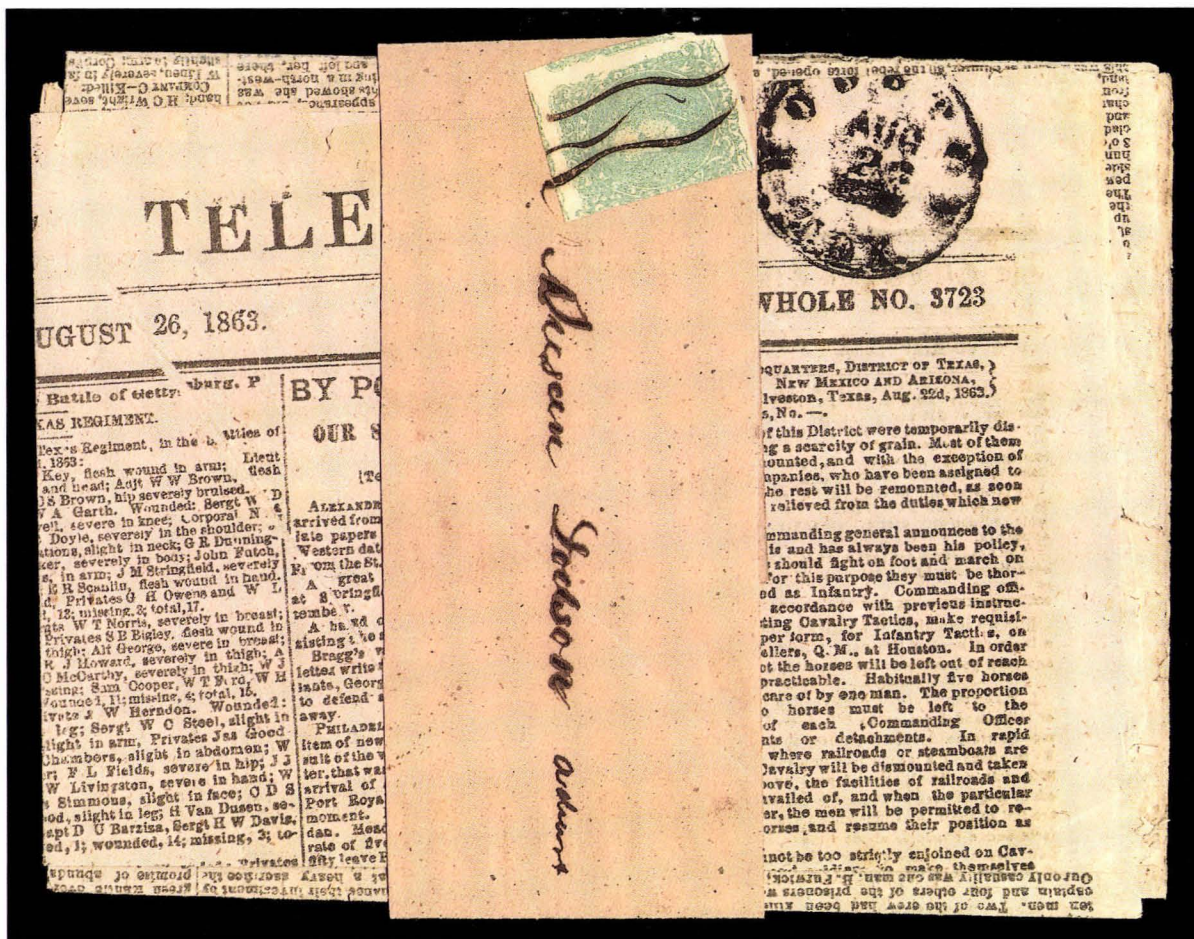


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- 470 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b).** Cut close all around, tear at upper left, tied by ms. "X" over Camden S.C. "Paid" and "10" handstamps on envelope prepared as a provisional issue, red "Camden S.C. Dec. 30" (1861) double-circle datestamp, used to Manassas Junction Va., faint toning, Fine and rare, a very similar cover in the Kilbourne collection (Sale 815) was sold for \$950 hammer, with 1986 P.F. certificate... E. 500-750
- 471 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b).** Large to huge margins, beautiful proof-like impression, tied by red grid with matching "Sparta Ga. Feb. 8" (1862) circular datestamp on brown cover to Vice President Stephens in Richmond, backflap removed and docketed as usual, Extremely Fine..... E. 500-750
- 472 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b).** Bright shade, small even margins all around, tied by blue "Pendleton S.C. Jul. 23" (1862) circular datestamp on small cover to Greenville S.C., Very Fine E. 200-300



473

473 ☒ **2c Green (3).** Three large margins showing part of adjoining stamps on two sides, in at left and small bit overlapping edge, tied by ms. cancel (cracked in places) on narrow wrapper band around **original August 26, 1863, edition of the The Tri-Weekly Telegraph** newspaper, "Houston Tex. Aug. 26" (slug below date) circular datestamp in margin of newspaper

A VERY FINE AND REMARKABLE USAGE OF THE 2-CENT GREEN LITHOGRAPH ON A TEXAS NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED BY E. H. CUSHING OF TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS FAME.

The *Houston Telegraph* was published by E. H. Cushing, who also operated an express mail service between Texas and river offices along the Mississippi. Cushing's express started as early as 1862 and operated until it was banned by the Confederate P.O. Dept. in 1864. Postmaster General Reagan was unwilling to tolerate the loss of revenue to the department — Cushing required only a 10c stamp per letter, while the post office charged 40c for their Trans-Mississippi Express. *Please see lots 549-551.*

This edition of the *Telegraph* contains several fascinating news accounts — for example, headlines include "List of Casualties in the Battle of Gettysburg, Pa. — Fourth Texas Regiment", "By Pony Express — Our Special Dispatches — Telegraphed from Beaumont", reports from "Headquarters, District of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona", and "Ladies' Fashions". Advertisements include rewards for return of runaway slaves and a notice from a man whose wife left him that he will not honor her debts.

Condition of the newspaper is excellent. A small acidified spot has been reinforced with archival tape, and there are typical minor edge tears and nicks.

Our Levi records contain only six Texas usages of the 2c Lithograph, of which this is the only newspaper. E. 5,000-7,500

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- 474 ☒ **2c Dark Green (3).** Horizontal strip of five, mostly large margins, clear in two places, tiny margin tear, small nick in bottom touches design, ms. "X" cancel on each stamp, tied by target cancels on greenish cover to "Lieut. Theo. Perry, Col. Randall's Regiment, Shreveport La.", with original letter enclosure datelined "At Home, June 30th 1863" from Lieut. Perry's wife, contents mentions sickness among family, friends and "negroes", obtaining "fine Confederate gray" cloth for a new suit, and references to Texas regiments

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY UNUSUAL USE OF THE 2-CENT GREEN LITHOGRAPH.

Other covers from Mrs. Perry to her husband are known, addressed to Little Rock Ark. with Marshall Tex. datestamps (1862-63 usages). This letter contains a possible explanation for the absence of a Marshall postmark on the cover: "Your Father is going to Shreveport in a few days", which leads us to speculate that he carried this by hand to Shreveport and gave it directly to Col. Randall's army camp office for delivery to Lieut. Perry.

With copy of 1979 P.F. certificate. E. 4,000-5,000

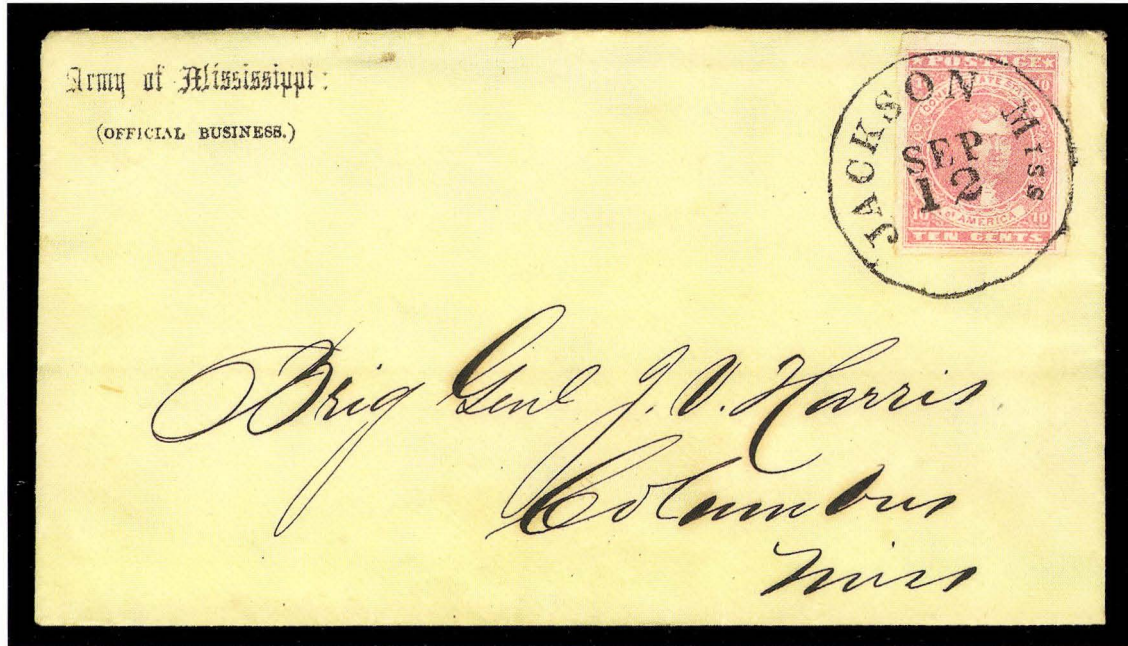
- 475 ☒ **2c Green (3).** Horizontal strip of three and pair, large margins, close examination reveals a vertical crease in right stamp in the strip and a diagonal crease in the left stamp of pair — both creased before use, lifted, pressed and reaffixed — tied by "Gainesville Ga. May 10" circular datestamp on brown homemade cover to Lawrenceville Ga.

EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. A MAGNIFICENT 2-CENT LITHOGRAPH FRANKING FOR THE 10-CENT RATE.

Ex Weatherly. With 1999 C.S.A. certificate. E. 5,000-7,500

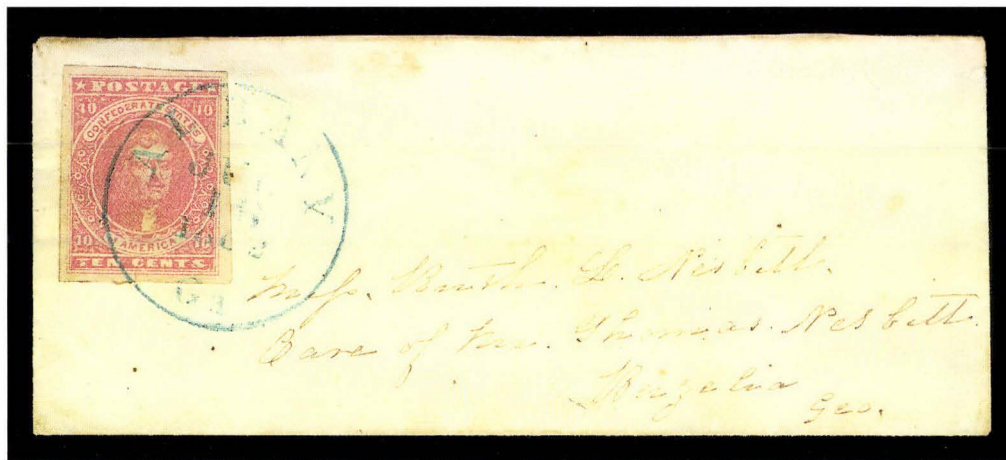


- 476 ☒ **2c Green (3).** Three large margins, irregular at left to in, tied by indistinct strike of Savannah circular datestamp on blue folded **printed Savannah Volunteer Guards Company Orders** used as a wrapper to Robertville S.C., right margin of stamp creased from placement at edge of cover, stamp with few tears, still a Fine and highly exhibitable item 2,750.00
- 477 ☒ **2c Green (3).** Irregular margins slightly into bottom and right, tied by "Savannah Geo. Paid Sep. 20" circular datestamp on folded cover with local military address, one flap missing, stamp with repaired corner at bottom right, small stain at bottom, Fine, with copy of 1984 P.F. certificate... 2,750.00
- 478 ☒ **2c Green (3).** Full margins, bright shade, affixed and tied by "Savannah Geo. Mar. 10" circular datestamp over flap of **deep green** folded freight bill of Savannah, Albany & Gulf Railroad, locally addressed, stamp torn in half when opened, still a handsome usage 2,750.00
- 479 ☒ **5c Blue, Stone 2 (4).** Ample to large margins, deep shade, tied by "Talladega Al. Apr. 11" circular datestamp on brown cover to Jacksonville Ala., reduced at left, otherwise Very Fine 250.00
- 480 ☒ **5c Blue, Stone 3 (4).** Horizontal pair, top sheet margin, other sides large to clear, tied by perfect bold strike of "**Union Va. Jul. 19**" circular datestamp on lady's small cover to Lexington Va., few tiny edge tears, Very Fine, one of the more desirable Confederate town postmarks, ex Walcott, Knapp..... E. 300-400
- 481 ☒ **5c Light Milky Blue, Stone 3 (4b).** Horizontal pair, ample margins to just touching at upper right, tied by "Gordonsville Va. Aug. 1, 1862" circular datestamp on cover to Martin's Depot S.C., Extremely Fine, a beautiful example of this pastel shade..... E. 400-500
- 482 ☒ **5c Blue, Stone 3 (4).** Horizontal pair, ample to large margins, beautiful color and impression, tied by perfect dark strike of "Society Hill S.C. Apr. 4" (1862) circular datestamp on brown homemade cover to Black Jack La., vertical fold at center, Extremely Fine 525.00



483

- 483 ☒ **10c Rose (5).** Large to huge margins, beautiful bright color, tied by perfect dark strike of "Jackson Miss. Sep. 12" (1862) circular datestamp on **Army of Mississippi Official Business** imprint cover to Brig. Ge. J. V. Harris at Columbus Miss., backflap removed, Extremely Fine, a magnificent Rose cover E. 1,000-1,500



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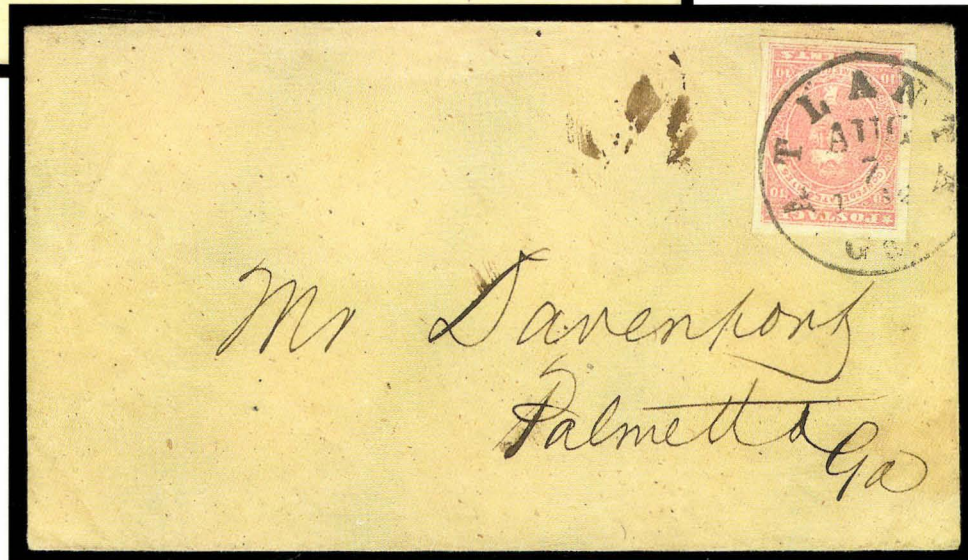
- 484 ☒ **10c Deep Rose (5).** Large margins, beautiful intense shade, tied by **blue** "Albany Ga. Jul. 15, 1862" circular datestamp on small oblong cover to Berzelia Ga., tiny piece of backflap missing, Extremely Fine and colorful 850.00



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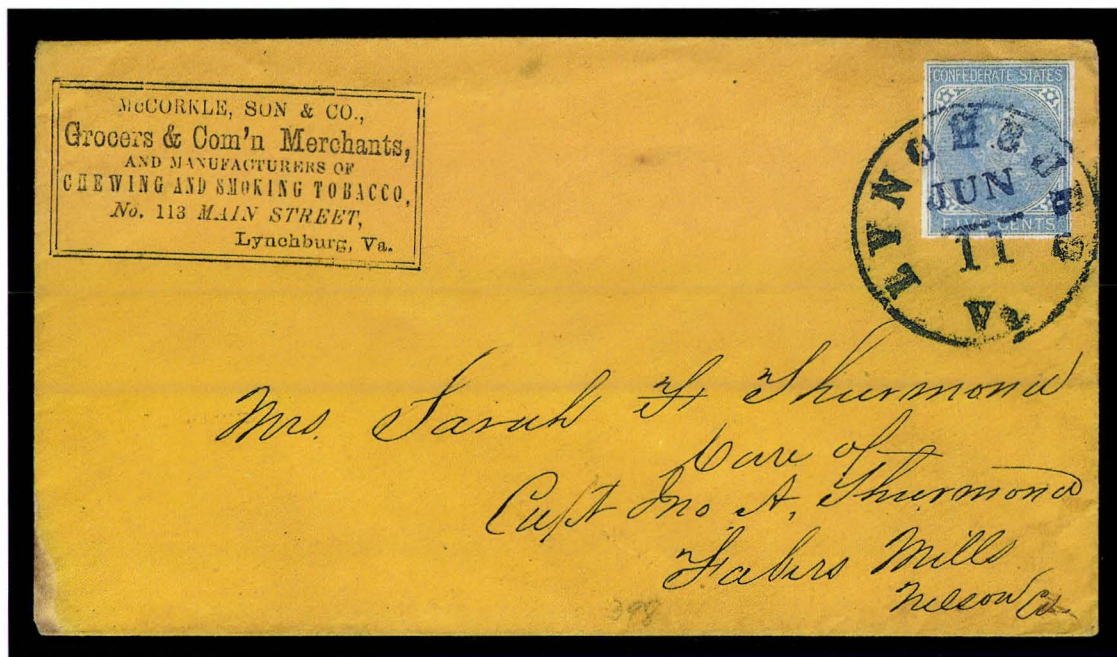
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- 485 ☒ **10c Deep Rose (5).** Right sheet margin and large margins all around, intense shade, tied by perfectly struck "Staunton Va. Jul. 6" (1862) circular datestamp on lady's light pink cover to Christiansburg Va., backflap removed and two small nicks at top, stamp Extremely Fine and a very attractive cover..... 800.00
- 486 ☒ **10c Rose (5).** Extraordinarily large margins all around, bright shade, tied by "Gainesville Ala. Apr. 22" (1863) circular datestamp on cover to Raleigh N.C., most of backflap removed, small opening nick, otherwise Extremely Fine..... 800.00
- 487 ☒ **10c Rose (5).** Large margins all around, tied by "Atlanta Ga. Aug. 7, 1862" circular datestamp on homemade cover to Palmetto Ga., stamp lifted and replaced, cover with few minor wrinkles, appears Very Fine 800.00



488

- 488 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Three huge margins, ample to clear at left, bright shade, tied by **vivid green** "Monticello Ga. Jun. 3" circular datestamp on buff cover to Athens Tenn., cover has very slight wear, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Lehman and Haas, realized \$950 hammer in our 1988 Rarities sale E. 750-1,000



489

- 489 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Ample margins to just clear, tied by bold **blue** "Lynchburg Va. Jun. 11" (1862) circular datestamp on orange cover to Faber's Mills Va. with merchant's corner card, fresh and Very Fine, immaculate condition..... 125.00



- 490 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Ample to large margins, tied by "Knoxville Ten. May 3, 1862" double-circle datestamp on brown cover to Fort Browder Ala., small nick at top right corner, otherwise Extremely Fine..... 125.00
- 491 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Horizontal pair, ample to huge margins including left sheet margin, tied by perfectly clear strike of "Little Rockfish N.C. Sep. 20" circular datestamp on pink cover to Richland N.C., reduced at right, lightly cleaned, Extremely Fine E. 200-300
- 492 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Horizontal pair, large margins, tied by clear "Lauderdale Station Miss." circular datestamp on brown homemade cover to Randallsville N.C., Extremely Fine 150.00
- 493 ☒ **5c Deep Blue, Local (7).** Horizontal pair, large even margins, small tear at bottom right, tied by bold "Bonham Texas Jun. 19" (ca. 1863) circular datestamp on orange cover to Paris Tex. "Care Maj. A. S. Cabell, Bonham Tex.", evidently carried by hand to Bonham and mailed there, Extremely Fine appearance..... E. 300-400
- 494 ☒ **5c Blue, De La Rue, Local (6, 7).** One No. 6 pair, two No. 7 pairs (light and dark shades), each tied on separate cover, No. 6 ample margins to touching, both No. 7's large margins, Very Fine-Extremely Fine.....Not illustrated 290.00



495

- 495 ☒ **2c Brown Red (8).** Horizontal strip of five with left sheet margin and huge margins all around, rich color, tied by three neat strikes of "Gainesville Ga. Sep. 27" circular dates-tamp on homemade cover to Lawrenceville Ga., reduced at right, waterstain across upper right third of cover does not affect strip

EXTREMELY FINE GEM STRIP. THE 2-CENT "RED JACK" USED TO PAY THE 10-CENT RATE IS ONE OF THE KEYS OF CONFEDERATE PHILATELY. THIS MAGNIFICENT STRIP RANKS AMONG THE FINEST EXTANT.

Despite the significant number of 2c Red strips on cover sold by this firm over 70 years, only a handful have been sound with full margins all around. A sound strip with margins of the dimensions seen here exists on probably no more than five covers. 5,000.00



- 496 **2c Brown Red (8).** Horizontal strip of five, large margins to barely touching along top, tied by three neat "Mobile Ala. May 26" double-circle datestamp on buff rebacked cover front only to Montgomery Ala., skillfully restored with edges reduced all around, some repairs in cover and the strip has been lifted and replaced (crease between lefthand pair), Very Fine appearing example of the 10c rate, Scott Retail as two pairs and a single off-cover..... 2,350.00
- 497 **2c Brown Red (8).** Large even margins, trivial corner creases, tied by ms. "X" cancel on complete Mar. 21, 1864 edition of *Daily Chronicle & Sentinel*", Augusta Ga., addressed in pencil to Savannah, overall toning, still in excellent condition
A REMARKABLE NEWSPAPER USAGE OF THE 2-CENT ENGRAVED FROM THE LAST YEAR OF THE WAR.
The newspaper itself contains several interesting articles, including commentary on Lincoln's forthcoming presidential campaign, reports of "negro" troops and Federal army movements. A fascinating historical usage..... E. 750-1,000
- 498 **2c Brown Red (8).** Three large margins, slightly in at R., tied by "Aberdeen Miss. Dec. 17" circular datestamp on tiny blue **adversity** cover made from printed form, locally addressed, faint soiling at right, stamp with small scuff at center, still Fine, a most attractive drop letter usage, with 1997 C.S.A. certificate 1,250.00
- 499 **2c Brown Red (8).** Three large margins, in at T., affixed upside down and tied by "Richmond Va. Oct. 13" circular datestamp on locally addressed cover, missing backflap, tear at T. of cover and slightly reduced at T., still a Fine drop letter usage, with 1982 C.S.A. certificate . 1,250.00
- 500 **2c Brown Red (8).** Seven covers or wrappers incl. four with singles, one with strip of three used with 5c Local (7) with additional stamp cut out, one with strip of three and pair on back of cover, last with three single also used with No. 7, very mixed condition, still few appear Fine, an interesting and valuable group.....Not illustrated E. 2,500-3,500



501



501 detail

- 501 ☒ **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** Horizontal strip of seven, large margins all around, tied by five strikes of "Darlington C.H. S.C. Jun. 2" circular datestamp on large blue courthouse cover to Marianna Fla., court docketing at left also ties end stamp in strip, light bend thru center stamp, couple tiny scrapes in margins, cover has typical edge wear and faint stains, but this artifact is in its original condition as discovered

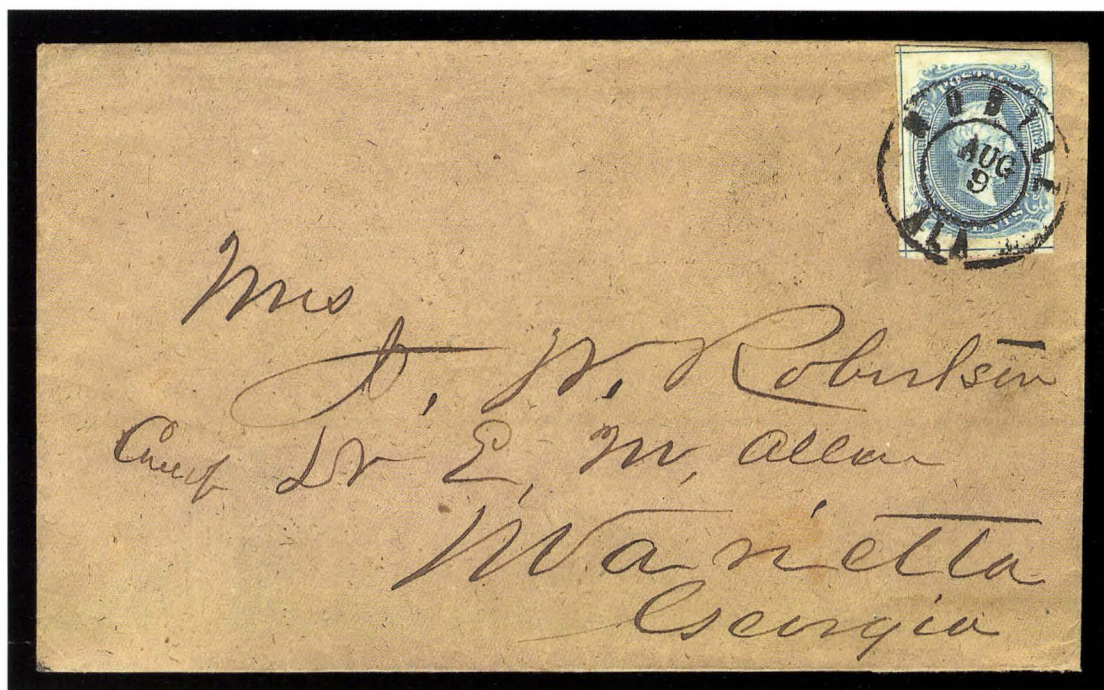
EXTREMELY FINE. THIS IS THE LARGEST USED MULTIPLE OF THE RARE 10-CENT "TEN" ISSUE ON OR OFF COVER — NO OTHER COMES CLOSE TO THIS STRIP'S SIZE OR QUALITY. IN OUR OPINION, THIS COVER IS ONE OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING ITEMS IN CONFEDERATE PHILATELY, AND IT IS OFFERED FOR THE FIRST TIME AT AUCTION SINCE ITS DISCOVERY NEARLY A CENTURY AGO.

A photograph of this extraordinary cover appears in the 1929 Dietz book (page 275), and its existence is noted among the listings for the 10c "TEN" issue. However, the cover was previously owned by Edward S. Knapp and was sold to John H. Hall after Knapp's Confederate collection was dispersed privately. Therefore, to the best of our knowledge, this is the first offering of this cover at public auction.

Ex Knapp. E. 10,000-15,000



- 502 ☒ **10c Milky Blue, "TEN" (9a).** Huge margins, very pale pastel shade, tied by "Richmond Va. Apr. 28, 1863" circular datestamp on cover **addressed and signed by James A. Seddon, Secretary of War under President Jefferson Davis**, to Charleston S.C., slightly reduced at right, faint gum toning, still Extremely Fine, very rare use of the "TEN" on a cover signed by Seddon (there was no free franking privilege), ex Knapp E. 2,000-3,000
- 503 ☒ **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** Large margins all around, beautiful bright color and impression, tied by perfect blue "Salem Va. Jun. 25" (1863) circular datestamp struck again on cover to Boster Mill's N.C., minor edge wear, Extremely Fine Gem stamp and attractive cover. 1,600.00
- 504 ☒ **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** Three large margins incl. part of adjacent stamp at top, just clear at right, deep rich color, tied by perfectly struck "Atlanta Ga. Jun. 17" circular datestamp on blue cover to Salem N.C., missing top flap and barely reduced at top, stamp with light toned spot at bottom right, otherwise Very Fine and attractive cover 1,600.00
- 505 ☒ **10c Blue, "TEN" (9).** Two large margins, other sides touched, tied by ms. "X", "Castalia Nash C N.C. 20th July, 1863" ms. pmk. with **Nash County designation** — very rare as such — on homemade cover to Wilson N.C., stamp slightly creased prior to use, Fine 1,600.00



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- 506 ☒ **10c Blue, Frameline (10).** Huge margins showing two full framelines, nearly full at top and about half of right frameline, beautiful proof-like impression, tied by "Mobile Ala. Aug. 9" (1863) circular datestamp on brown homemade cover to Marietta Ga., Very Fine and choice Frameline cover..... 2,500.00



507

- 507 ☒ **10c Blue, Frameline (10).** Framelines at right and bottom, other sides well clear of design, tied by bold "Chattanooga Tenn. Jun. 26, 1863" circular datestamp on cover to Col. Gilmer, Chief of Engineer Bureau, at Richmond, Very Fine, ex Walcott.. 2,500.00



508

- 508 ☒ **10c Deep Blue, Die A, Keatinge & Ball (11b K&B).** Ample to large margins, tied by "Jackson Miss. May —" (1865) circular datestamp on **multicolored floral wallpaper** cover to Uniontown Ala., with original letter enclosed, datelined "Spring Ridge Miss. May 8/65" — asking for the return of clothing "abstracted" by a "little negro boy" who carried the writer's bags on a trip from Alabama — flap folded over at left for display

VERY FINE. THE LATEST RECORDED USE OF THE 10-CENT ENGRAVED DIE A STAMP EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER. ONLY ONE LATER EASTERN USAGE OF ANY GENERAL ISSUE IS RECORDED.

According to Dietz, the latest 10c Die A usage east of the Mississippi is May 4, and the latest Die B usage is May 22, 1865. Both are Keatinge & Ball printings. This cover post-dates the May 4 listing by four days. Accompanying this cover is another wallpaper cover with the large Jackson circle (dateless) and a U.S. 3c Rose (65) tied by target. The two make an outstanding page to conclude a Confederate collection or exhibit.

Ex Birkinbine. E. 1,500-2,000

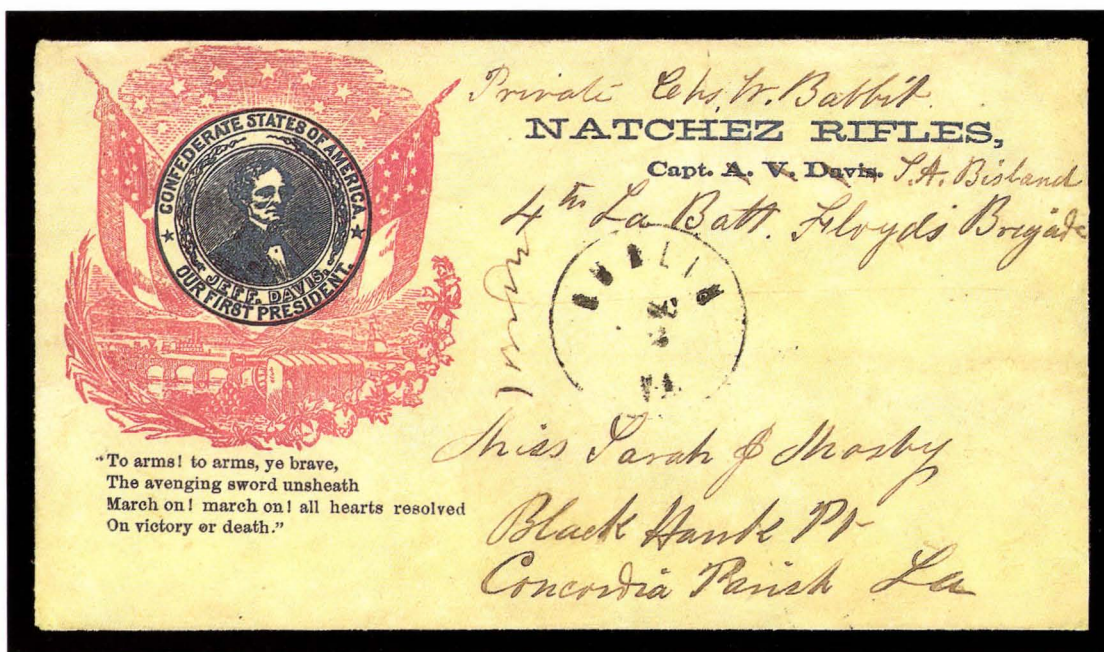


- 509 ☒ **10c Blue, Die A (11).** Huge even margins, tied by "Richmond Va. Nov. 29" circular datestamp on buff cover with blue **Richmond & Petersburg R.R. shield-shaped cameo corner card**, to Capt. Powhattan Ellis at Gen. Gardner's headquarters in Meridian Miss., Extremely Fine Gem, ex Haas and Birkinbine E. 400-500
- 510 ☒ **10c Green, Die A (11d).** Large even margins, tied by beautiful **blood red** "Christiansburgh Va. Sep. 8" circular datestamp on brown homemade cover to Brownsburgh Va., Extremely Fine Gem, ex Brown, Brooks, Lehmand and Haas E. 400-500
- 511 ☒ **10c Blue, Die A (11).** Right sheet margin and large margins all around, tied by dark bold "Albany Ga. Feb. 26, 1864" circular datestamp on oatmeal homemade cover to Petersburg Va., Extremely Fine Gem 75.00
- 512 ☒ **10c Blue, Die A (11).** Large margins, deep shade, tied by grid cancel, "Winnsborough S.C. 9 Nov." circular datestamp on blue **turned** cover to City Hall Hospital, Macon Ga., originally sent to member of Kershaw's Brigade near Russellville Tenn., blue "Columbia S.C. Mar. 8" circular datestamp with matching "Paid" in circle and "10" handstamp, area around stamp cut and folded over for display, Extremely Fine and choice turned usage E. 200-300
- 513 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Ample to large margins, tied by absolutely perfect strike of "Bristol V. & T.R.R." Virginia & Tennessee Railroad dateless circle on cover to Lynchburg Va., Apr. 11, 1864 ms. date, faintest hint of toning, still Extremely Fine, one of the clearest strikes of this railroad marking we have ever encountered, ex Blaisdell E. 400-500
- 514 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Massive top left corner sheet margin and huge margins all around, tied by "Georgetown S.C. Jan. 28" circular datestamp on cover to Marion S.C., brownish gum, tiny edge tear in cover, Extremely Fine and remarkable, ex Walcott, Emerson E. 150-200



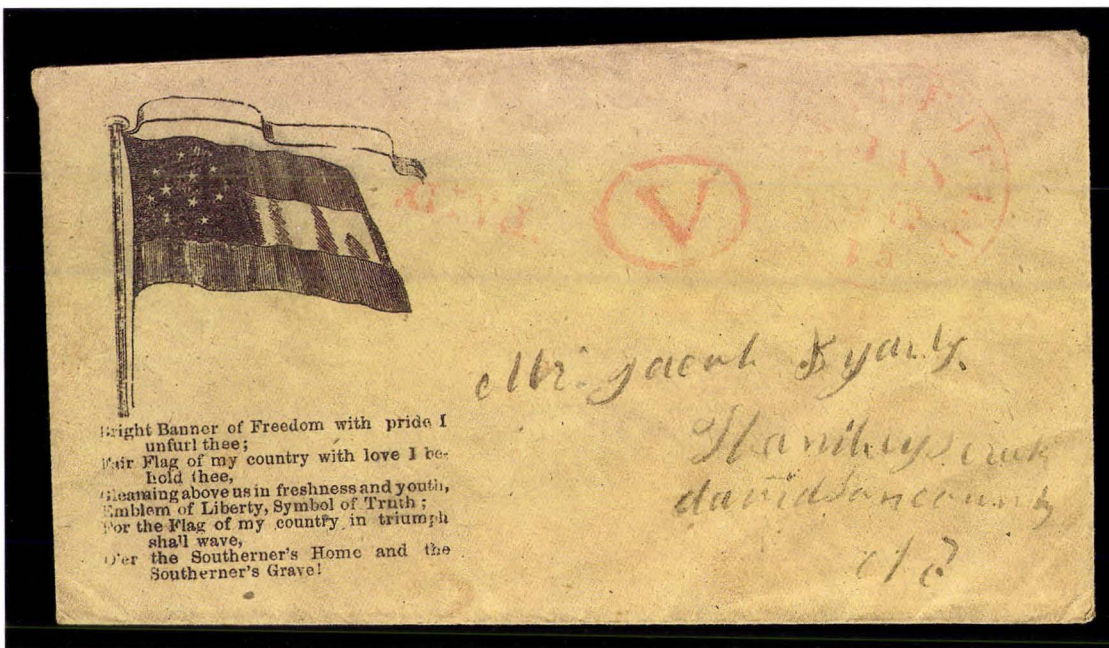
- 515 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Die B (12d).** Huge margins all around, dark shade, tied by red "Petersburg Va. Oct. 26" circular datestamp on yellow cover to Fleetwood Academy Va., Extremely Fine Gem.... E. 150-200
- 516 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Four margins, ms. "No account" and tied by bold target cancel of Washington D.C. with Jul. 28, 1864 datestamp, and addressed to Boscobel N.Y., ms. "3" due and soldier's endorsement, Fine and unusual usage..... E. 200-300
- 517 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Three full margins, clear at left, beautiful rich color, faint gum toning, tied by "Charleston S.C. Aug. 8, 1866" circular datestamp on cover to Columbia S.C., large "10" due handstamp applied at Charleston, Very Fine..... E. 100-150
- 518 ☒ **10c Deep Blue, Die B, Keatinge & Ball (12d K&B).** Large margins including left sheet margin, tied by "Richmond Va. Mar. 23" (1865) circular datestamp on oatmeal homemade cover to Zethania N.C., ms. endorsement "Treasury Department C.S.A. 2d Auditor's Office", with original enclosure dated Mar. 22, 1865, notice to the widow of a deceased soldier regarding application for payment in arrears — a polite piece of bureaucracy mailed ten days before Richmond fell to Federal forces — Extremely Fine and rare late usage, ex Birkinbine..... E. 500-750
- 519 ☒ **10c 1863 Issue, Dies A, B (11-12, shades).** Six covers, each has a large-margined 10c tied by circular datestamp, including three in red, one in blue, "Company Shops N.C." dateless circle and Pittsboro N.C. (No. 11d, Green shade), Extremely Fine group..... E. 500-750
- 520 ☒ **20c Green, Diagonal Half Used as 10c (13c).** Upper left half, ms. "X" cancel, on adversity cover made from brown ledger paper addressed to Richmond Texas, ms. "from W.A. McMurry of Capt. H.H. Good / cavalry unattached" at top, cover with edge faults, back flap gone, otherwise Fine..... 2,000.00
- 521 ☒ **Confederate Cover Balance.** 17 covers, incl. Nos. 4b, some Nos. 6 and 7 incl. four used from Texas, also several shades of Nos. 11 and 12, few faults, most are Fine-Very Fine, an interesting group..... E. 500-750

PATRIOTIC COVERS



522

- 522 ☒ **Dublin Va. Dec. 2 (1861).** Mostly clear circular datestamp without rate marking on red and blue **Jefferson Davis Medallion, Verse and "Natchez Rifles" Regimental Patriotic** cover to Black Hawk Point La., soldier's endorsement from member of 4th La. Batt., Floyd's Brigade, with imprint changed from "Capt. A. V. Davis" to "S. A. Bisland", some very minor cosmetic improvements along edges and mended flap tear, still Extremely Fine, a colorful and beautiful regimental patriotic E. 2,000-3,000

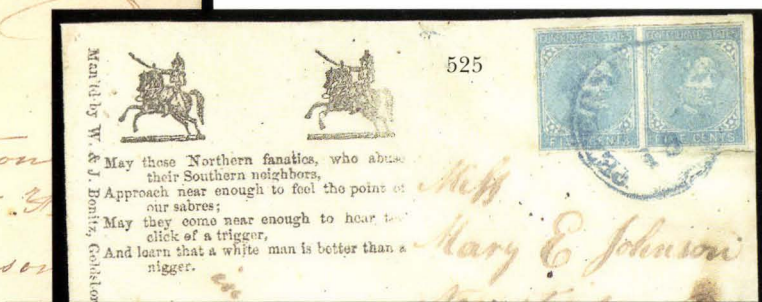


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- 523 ☒ **Smithfield Va. Jan. 30 (1862).** Red circular datestamp with matching "Paid" and "V" in oval handstamps on **10-Star Confederate Flag and Verse Patriotic** cover, Very Fine, scarce E. 500-750



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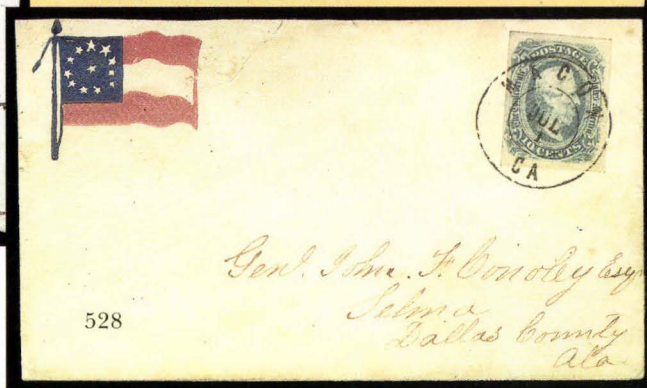
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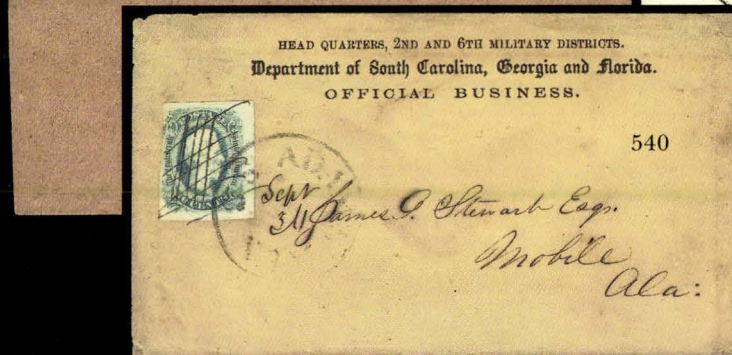
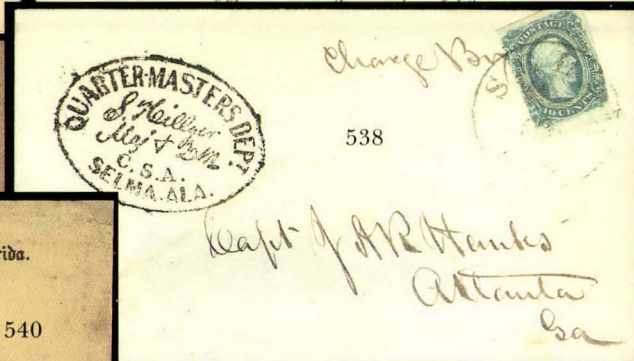
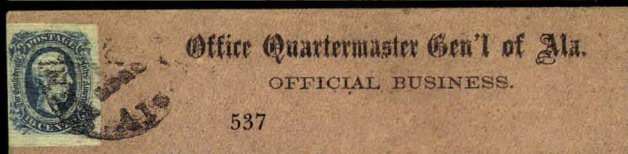
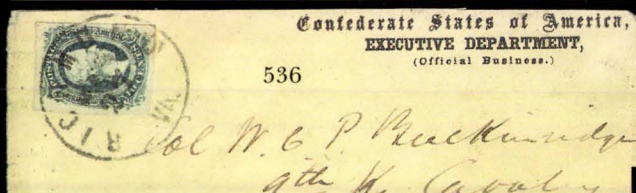
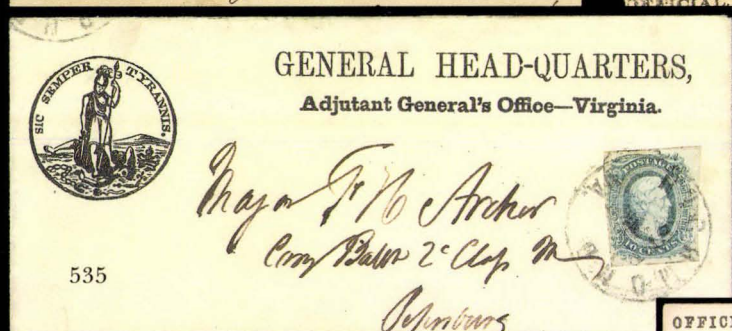
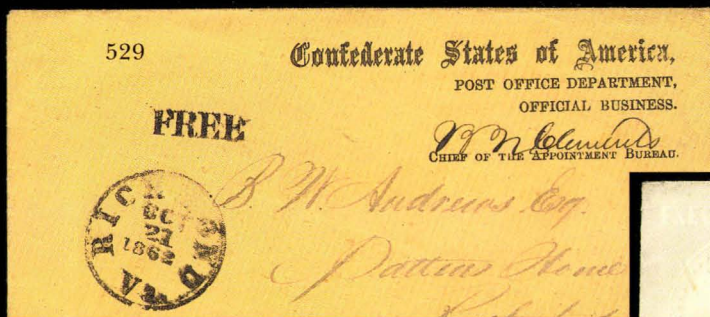


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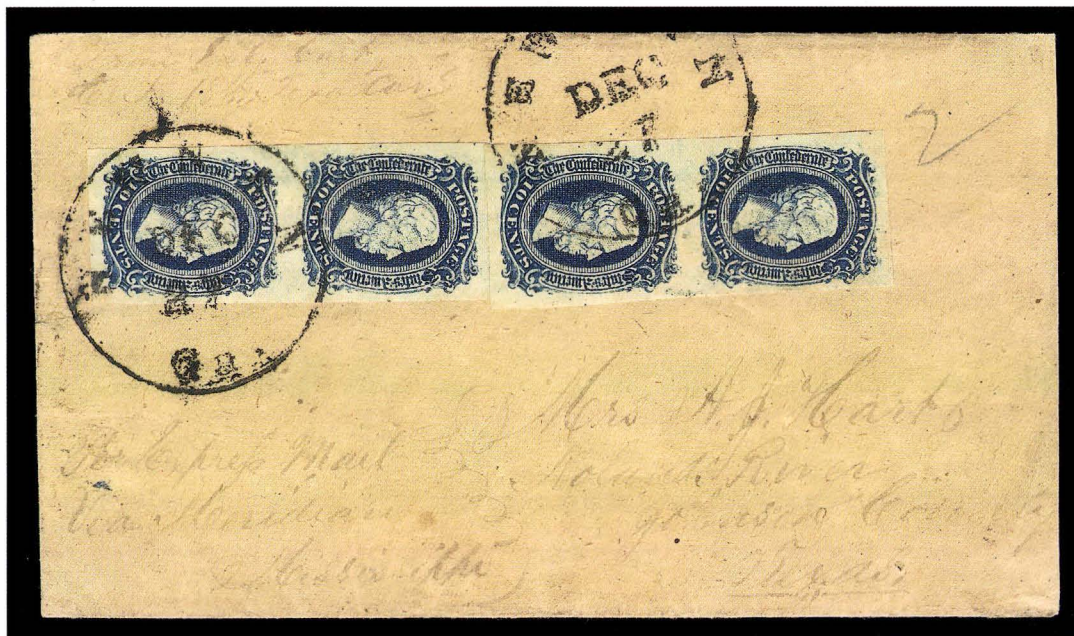
- 524 ☒ **Olive Branch Miss. July 17th.** Neat ms. postmark with matching "Paid 5" on **7-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic** cover to Stewart's Ferry Tenn., ms. "Via Nashville" sender's instructions at bottom left, with blue enclosure, some interesting contents: "There is some 20,000 men above Memphis under arms to help repel the invader. Gen. B. F. Cheatham has 14 units at Union City, near the Ky. line and if Lincoln's men come down they will ask Ky. no odds for her neutrality — they intent to march on her soil, neutrality or what not. . .", cover barely reduced at L. and two light toned spots, otherwise Very Fine..... E. 500-750
- 525 ☒ **5c Blue, Local (7).** Horizontal pair, just touched at left to ample margins, tied by blue "Petersburg Va." circular datestamp on **Mounted Dragoons and Verse Patriotic** cover to New Sterling P.O., N.C., faulty, appears Fine, ex Murphy..... E. 400-500
- 526 ☒ **5c Blue, Local (7).** Horizontal pair, ample to large margins, tied by blue "Dublin Va." circular datestamp on **captured Col. J. T. Toland Union Patriotic** cover to Wytheville Va., ms. "O.B." official business endorsement, slightly reduced at top, part of backflap removed, fresh and Very Fine..... E. 500-750
- 527 ☒ **5c Light Blue, De La Rue (6).** Vertical pair, large margins to touching, tied by "Richmond Va. Jun. 19, 1863" circular datestamp on blue **captured "Union & Constitution" Patriotic** cover to Fayetteville N.C., endorsed "Pettigrew's Brigade", slightly reduced at left, slight edge wear, still Very Fine, the sender carefully placed the stamps over the "Union & Constitution" slogan, ex Everett..... E. 1,000-1,500
- 528 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Ample to large margins, tied by "Macon Ga. Jul. 1" double-circle datestamp on small cover to Selma Ala. with red and blue **12-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic** design, sealed tear at top, flap removed, otherwise Fine..... E. 300-400



OFFICIAL AND SEMI-OFFICIAL IMPRINTS

- 529 ☒ **Post Office Department, Official Business, Chief of the Appointment Bureau.** Dietz Ty. II signed B. N. Clements on buff cover to Pattens Home N.C., "Richmond Va. Oct. 21, 1861" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, with interesting letter signed by Clements: *"You cannot receive postage stamps until you have been appointed and bonded as postmaster under our Government. Having failed heretofore to secure an appointment from this Department, it now becomes necessary that you shall forward a petition from the citizens in your favor, and accompany it with proof that you are exempt from military duty by age (45 years) or physical disability."*, Extremely Fine, ex Emerson, Birkinbine..... E. 500-750
- 530 ☒ **Richmond Va. Oct. 8, 1861.** Circular datestamp and "Paid 5 Cts." on gray overall **Virginia Executive Department** cover to Charlottesville Va., ms. charge notation, Very Fine E. 150-200
- 531 ☒ **Received Hd. Qrs. Dept. South Sep. 4, 1864.** Blue circular receiving datestamp on cover to Hon. Humphrey Marshall, Richmond Va., stamp removed from upper right — no postal markings, probably carried by courier with stamp removed before or after receipt — Very Fine and extremely scarce E. 150-200
- 532 ☒ **5c Blue, Local (7).** Horizontal pair, large margins to slightly in, tied by "Raleigh N.C. Mar. ?" double-circle datestamp on **Adjutant General's Office, Raleigh N.C., Official Business** imprint cover to Lt. Col. Jesse Hargrave, 14th Batt. St. G. Lexington N.C., Very Fine E. 150-200
- 533 ☒ **5c Blue, Local (7).** Horizontal pair, large margins to touching at right, tied by "Columbus Miss. Nov. 19" circular datestamp on **Head-Quarters Fourth Brig, Miss. Militia, Official Business** imprint cover to Libbee Station Miss., horizontal fold, slightly reduced at right, still Fine, very rare E. 200-300
- 534 ☒ **10c Green, Die A (11d).** Ample to large margins, tied by blue "Greensborough N-C Jan. 1" circular datestamp on brown cover to Salem N.C. with **Chief Enrolling Office, 6th Congressional District, Greensborough, N.C. Official** imprint, slightly reduced and tiny hole at left, otherwise Very Fine E. 150-200
- 535 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die A (11c).** Ample to large margins, tied by "Richmond Va. Sep. 4" circular datestamp on **General Head-Quarters, Adjutant General's Office, Virginia** imprint cover to Major F. N. Archer at Petersburg Va., state seal at upper left, opening nicks at top skillfully repaired, Very Fine appearance, ex Everett..... E. 200-300
- 536 ☒ **10c Blue, Die A (11).** Large margins to just touching at upper right, tied by "Richmond Va. Mar. 27" circular datestamp on **Executive Department** official imprint cover addressed to Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge, 9th Ky. Cavalry, Grigsley's Brigade, Oxford Ala., backflap removed, worn around the edges, otherwise Fine, many similarities between this writing and President Davis's, but offered as is..... E. 100-150
- 537 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Large margins, tied by "Montgomery Ala." circular datestamp on **Office Quartermaster Gen'l of Ala. Official Business** imprint cover to Mobile, slightly reduced at left, Extremely Fine, scarce imprint E. 200-300
- 538 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Irregular margins, large to cut in, tied by faint "Selma Ala. Mar. 29" circular datestamp on cover to Atlanta, clearly struck "**Quartermasters Dept. S. Heillger Maj. & QM C.S.A. Selma. Ala.**" oval handstamp, part of backflap removed, otherwise Fine, bold strike of this scarce semi-official handstamp . E. 300-400
- 539 ☒ **10c Blue, Die B (12).** Ample margins, tied by blue grid, matching "Raleigh N.C. Oct. 10" double-circle datestamp on **Adjutant General's Office of Raleigh N.C.**, to Mocksville N.C., some toning around stamp edge from gum, Very Fine and attractive usage..... E. 150-200
- 540 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Three huge margins, touched at left, ms. cancel, tied by "Adam's Run S.C. Sep. 30" circular datestamp on **Head Quarters, 2nd and 6th Military Districts, Department of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, Official Business** imprint cover to Mobile Ala., toned an a bit worn, otherwise Fine E. 150-200

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS



541

- 541 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Die A, Keatinge & Ball (11b K&B).** Two vertical pairs, originally a block of four, huge margins all around, intense shade and proof-like impression, tied by "Newnan Ga. Dec. 27" (1864) circular datestamp on brown cover to Noland's River Tex., soldier's endorsement "From J. H. Hart, Co. J, 18th Tex. Cav." and routed "Per Express Mail Via Meridian, Mississippi", pencil "2" at upper right, very slightly reduced at right

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS COVERS EXTANT. ONLY A FEW ARE KNOWN WITH THE DISTINCTIVE 10-CENT KEATINGE & BALL PRINTING.

The majority of 40c Trans-Mississippi Express covers have stamps with faults or margins cutting into part of the design, and the covers are usually stained and faulty. The condition of the stamps and overall quality of this cover are extraordinary.

Ex Simon. With 1997 P.F. certificate. E. 10,000-15,000



542

- 542 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Horizontal strip of four, ample margins, carefully cut to shape at corners, tied by "Camden S.C. Mar. 7" (1864) circular datestamp on East-to-West turned **40-cent Trans-Mississippi Express Rate** cover to Collinsburgh La., sender's routing "*Per express mail via Brandon Miss.*", inside used first to Camden, "Collinsburgh La. Sep. 9" circular datestamp and ms. "Paid 10", blue "Columbia S.C. Sep. 22" circular datestamp and matching "Missent" straightline, one side flap removed, small opening nick at right

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY UNUSUAL TURNED USAGE COMBINING THE REGULAR 10-CENT RATE, A MISSENT AUXILLIARY HANDSTAMP AND THE 40-CENT TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS RATE.

Listed in Krieger as E19 (page 44). Ex Birkinbine. With 1975 C.S.A. certificate.....
 E. 5,000-7,500



543

- 543 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Horizontal strip of three and single, large margins, tied by faint "Lumpkin Ga." circular datestamp on East-to-West **40c Trans-Mississippi Express Rate** cover to Natchitoches La. with sender's routing "Via Meridian Miss.", with **original enclosure** dated Dec. 22, 1863, re legal matters but comments "No war news of any interest since the defeat of Bragg at Missionary Ridge", letter reinforced with tape (stained), the cover is missing part of backflap and has slight wear along edges, small lightened stained spot in strip

FINE APPEARING AND VERY RARE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS COVER — REPUTED TO BE THE ONLY ONE WITH ITS ORIGINAL LETTER.

According to a notation by A. Earl Weatherly, this is the only 40c Trans-Mississippi Express cover with its original letter, but cannot verify this claim

Illustrated in Shenfield book and listed in Krieger as E11 (page 41)..... E. 4,000-5,000



544

- 544 ☒ **10c Dark Blue, Die B (12d).** Vertical strip of four, large margins except touching at left, deep shade, tied by "Richmond Va. Feb. 9" (ca. 1865) circular datestamp on East-to-West **40c Trans-Mississippi Express Rate** bluish gray cover to Washington La., clearly endorsed "By Express mail via Meridian, Miss." and "Trans-Mississippi", the cover in its present state has faults incl. slight erosion along inked lines, small piece out of top left, edge wear and creasing — out of view is a large piece of scotch tape on back — the tape and these other relatively minor condition problems could be easily remedied by a professional paper conservator, restoring this cover to beautiful appearance

A FINE STRIP ON AN ATTRACTIVE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS COVER. USE OF THE TERM "TRANS-MISSISSIPPI" IN THE ADDRESS IS UNUSUAL AND DESIRABLE.

Listed in Krieger as E42..... E. 3,000-4,000



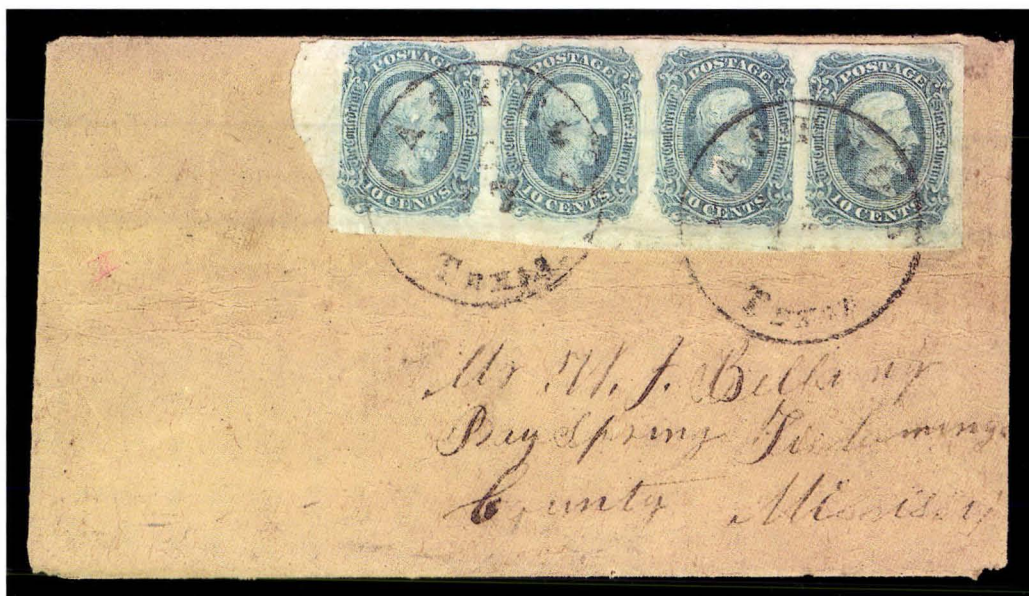
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- 545 ☒ **20c Green (13).** Horizontal pair, slightly irregular margins touching at sides, affixed over two "Paid" straightline handstamps and cancelled by "Eufaula Ala. Oct. 24" (ca. 1864) circular datestamp, matching strike on East-to-West **40c Trans-Mississippi Express Rate** cover to Monroe La. "via Shreveport", ms. charge box notation at top (thus marked paid and stamps applied by post office), edge wear and nicks, backflap mostly removed, small edge faults slightly impinging on top margin of pair

A FINE AND ATTRACTIVE COVER. A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE 20-CENT GREEN ENGRAVED STAMP USED TO PREPAY THE 40-CENT TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS RATE.

No more than twenty covers with a pair of the 20c Green paying the 40c Trans-Mississippi Express rate are known (see *The Trans-Mississippi Mails After the Fall of Vicksburg*, Richard Krieger). Of these only five or six are in reasonably clean and sound condition; the majority is heavily stained and damaged. This cover is listed in Krieger as E34 (page 49).

E. 4,000-5,000



546

- 546 ☒ **10c Greenish Blue, Die B (12c).** Horizontal strip of four, expertly repaired where insects have eaten thru paper, tied by "Bastrop Texas Nov. 17" circular datestamp on West-to-East **40c Trans-Mississippi Express Rate** cover to Bay Spring Miss., **turned** with inside addressed but carried outside the mails, wrinkles and toning, Very Fine appearance, a presentable example of this rare West-to-East express usage, listed in Krieger as W47

E. 1,500-2,000



547 ✉ **Agency Post Office Dept., Trans-Miss., Official Business, Agent.** Dietz Ty. I signed by Jas. H. Starr on 3c Red Star Die entire to the assistant postmaster of Shreveport La., no postmark — carried outside the mails — fresh and Extremely Fine, very rare and in superb condition.. E. 1,500-2,000

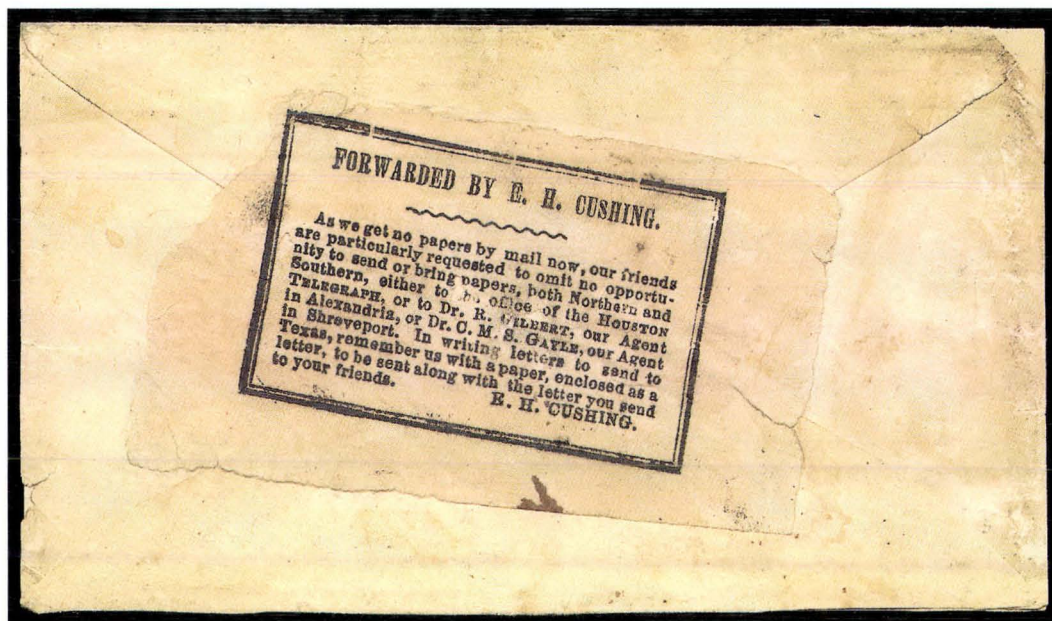
548 ✉ **20c Green, Diagonal Half Used as 10c (13c).** Left diagonal half, ample margins, small unnoticeable tear at top, tied by "Shreveport La. Mar. 23" (1864) double-circle datestamp on brown patterned cover endorsed in ms. "Office Chief of TMD, Official Business" Trans-Mississippi Department, to San Antonio Tex.

FRESH AND VERY FINE COVER. EXTREMELY RARE USE OF THE 20-CENT GREEN BISECT ON OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE WESTERN OFFICE OF THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT AND TEXAS.

Ex Meroni and Kimmel. With 1997 P.F. certificate. Scott Retail \$2,000.00 for bisect on normal cover..... E. 2,000-3,000

E. H. CUSHING'S EXPRESS

549 ✉ **Houston Tex.** Part strike of circular datestamp on Oct. 14, 1863 edition of *The Tri-Weekly Telegraph* published by E. H. Cushing, who also operated an express mail service between Texas and river offices along the Mississippi, **printed on green paper during shortage of regular paper**, several fascinating news stories, in excellent condition, Very Fine and believed to be a unique postally-used example of the green *Telegraph*, ex Birkinbine E. 1,500-2,000



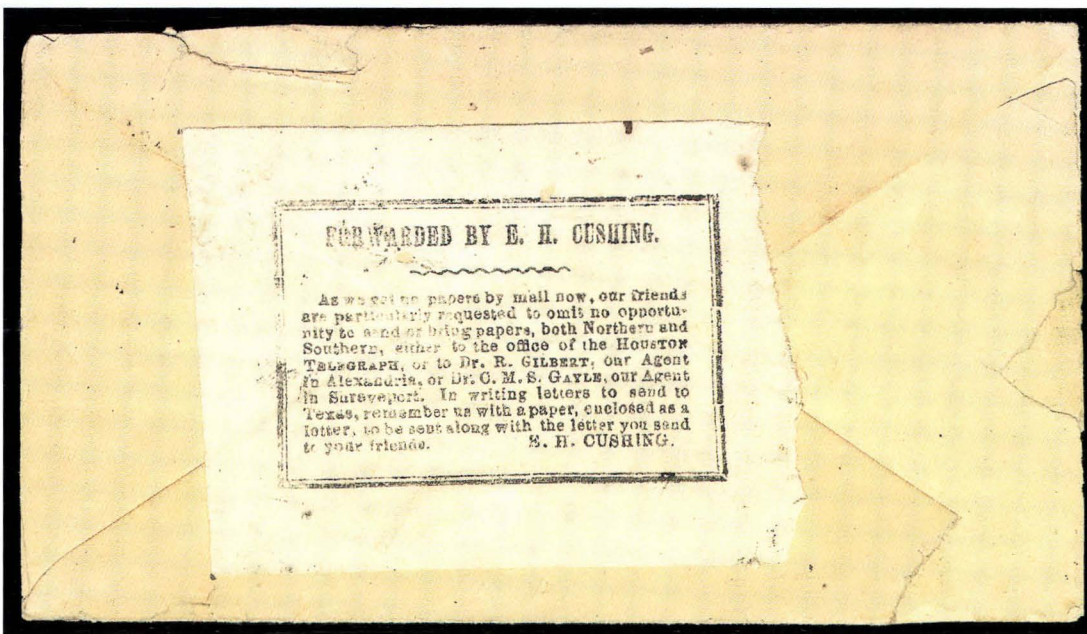
550 front and back

- 550 **E. H. Cushing Express.** Black on white newsprint label, Dietz Type II, affixed to back of cover originating west of the Mississippi River and addressed to Cooksville Miss., two horizontal pairs of **5c Blue, Local (7)**, ample to large margins, cancelled by matching ms. strokes, label has small scuffs at center, cover opened on three sides for display, slight wear and small mend at corner

A FINE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE CUSHING TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS LABEL.

E. H. Cushing, publisher of the *Houston Daily Telegraph*, commenced his express service after New Orleans fell to the Federals in April 1862. In an effort to improve communications between Texan regiments in the East and their relations at home, as well as secure safe lines for news transmission, Cushing established routes with pony riders and other means of conveyance necessary to cross the Federal lines. Cushing's agents affixed labels to the backs of envelopes carried by express. These were intended to inform patrons and advertise the service. Approximately 20 examples (of all varieties) are believed to exist.

Ex Frazier. E. 7,500-10,000



551 front and back

- 551 ☒ **E. H. Cushing Express.** Black on white newsprint label, Dietz Type II, affixed to back of cover originating west of the Mississippi River and addressed to Gainestown Ala., horizontal pair of **5c Blue, Local (7)**, large margins, affixed over corner card and tied by indistinct "Jackson Miss." (ca. 1862-63) circular datestamp, label is in excellent condition, cover has replaced side flap and repaired lower left corner

AN ATTRACTIVE AND FRESH EXAMPLE OF THE RARE CUSHING TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS LABEL.

Ex Finney, Camina and Seacrest. E. 5,000-7,500

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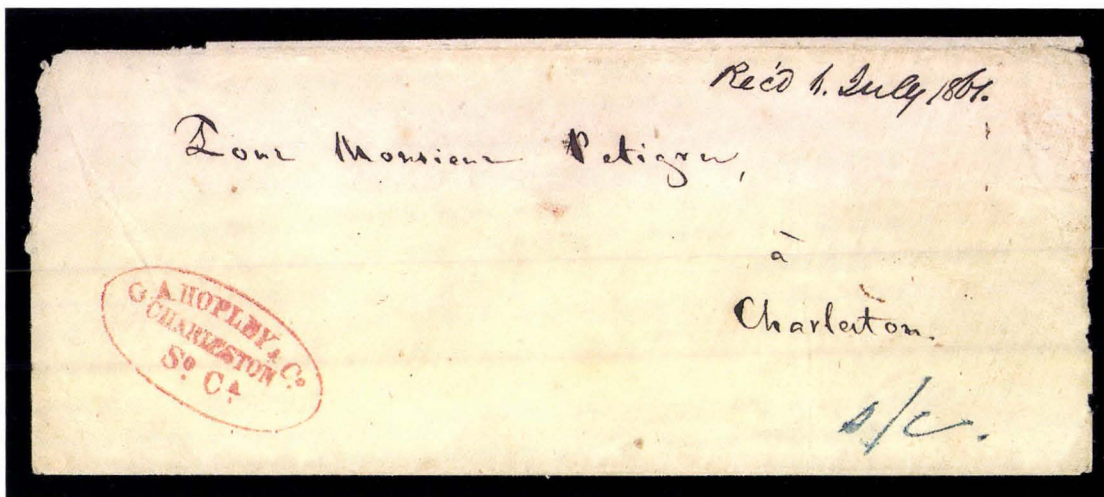


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- 552 ☒ **5c Blue, Local Print on De La Rue Paper (7 var).** Large margins, cancelled by **blue forwarder's oval in Spanish**, undoubtedly originating on a blockade-run cover, small crease, still Extremely Fine and rare, ex Weatherley and Birkinbine, with 1972 P.F. certificate (identifies stamp as No. 6) E. 400-500
- 553 ☒ **10c Gray Blue, "TEN" (9b).** Ample margins to touching, cancelled by **London "W35" oval grid**, evidently used on blockade mail and cancelled in London, small thins, Very Fine appearance, foreign cancellations on Confederate General Issues are rare, but this "TEN" usage is the only reported example of its kind, ex Weatherley and Birkinbine, with 1972 P.F. certificate E. 750-1,000



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- 554 ☒ **G. A. Hopley & Co. Charleston So. Ca.** Red oval handstamp on small cover addressed "Pour Monsieur Petigru a Charleston" with blue ms. "S/C" added and July 1, 1861 receipt docketing at top, edges slightly worn, Fine, probably an early blockade-run cover from France (blockade announced Apr. 27, 1861) E. 500-750

INBOUND BLOCKADE-RUN MAIL

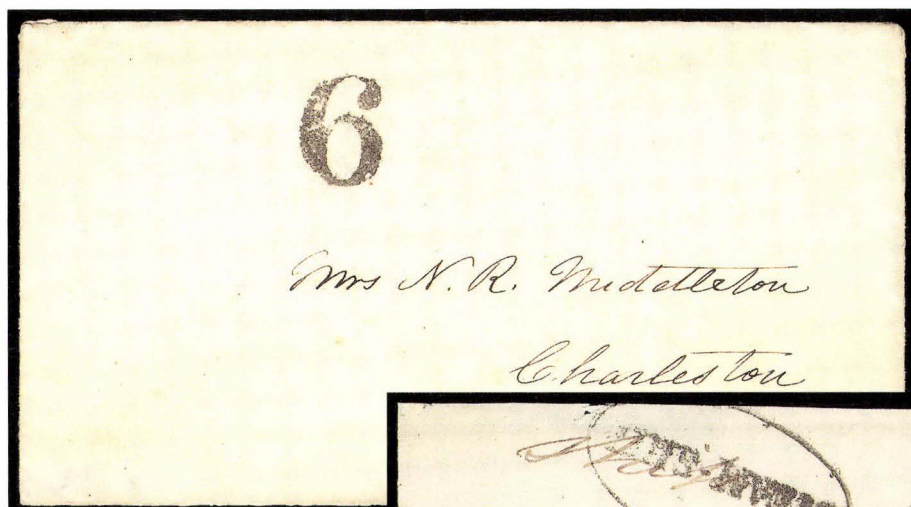


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- 555 ☒ **Forwarded by Henry Adderley & Co. Nassau, N.P. Bahamas.** Bold clear strike of blue forwarder's handstamp (second strike on back) on folded cover inbound to Jas. Wright, Oswehee Ala., bold partly-struck "Charleston S.C. Jul. 3, 1862" circular datestamp and "STEAM-SHIP" oval, pencil "32" rate for triple 10c postage and 2c ship fee, ms. "From J. F. & Co." (John Fraser & Co. in Liverpool), pencil receipt docketing indicates origin date was March 16, 1862

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THREE RECORDED INBOUND BLOCKADE-RUN COVERS WITH THE ADDERLEY FORWARDER'S HANDSTAMP. AN OUTSTANDING AND VERY RARE USAGE.

This mail was carried on the blockade-runner *Herald (I)*, from Nassau on June 30, arriving at Charleston on July 3, 1862. Adderley & Co. was the Nassau affiliate of Fraser, Trenholm & Co., who owned and operated blockade runners..... E. 4,000-5,000



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- 556 ☒ **London to Richmond via Baltimore.** Folded letter datelined "London 15th July, 1862" to James Thomas Jr. in care of Lanier Brothers & Co. in Richmond Va., carried from England to Baltimore and opened by forwarding agent who added his post-script to last page: "Balto July 30th 1862. I took the liberty of opening this that I might have a copy to send you by the next opportunity if this failed to reach you.", smuggled thru the lines to Richmond where forwarded again to Danville Va. with **10c Light Blue, Paterson (2)**, large margins to touching, tied by "Richmond Va. Sep. 30, 1862" circular datestamp, cleaned to remove stains from lettersheet, still Fine and exhibitable, an extraordinary cover documenting the surreptitious conveyance of mail from England to the Confederate States via Baltimore, with 1978 P.F. certificate E. 1,500-2,000
- 557 ☒ **Charleston S.C. Mar. 17, 1863.** Double-circle datestamp and "STEAM-SHIP" oval on inbound cover **from Lt. W. L. Maury in England to Mrs. Maury in Milton N.C.**, ms. "Ship" and pencil "12" rate (10c plus 2c), slightly reduced at top, Very Fine, carried by the blockade-runner *Ruby (1)*, leaving Nassau Mar. 13, 1863, arriving in Charleston on Mar. 17 — Lt. Maury was assigned to the commerce raider C.S.S. *Georgia*, which left England on Apr. 1 — ex Seacrest..... E. 2,000-3,000
- 558 ☒ **Charleston S.C. "6" In-Port Ship Fee.** Bold strike of rate handstamp on cover to Mrs. N. R. Middleton, Charleston S.C., docketed on back "From dear Cecilia, Bristol R.I., 1864", Extremely Fine and very rare in-port rate marking..... E. 1,500-2,000



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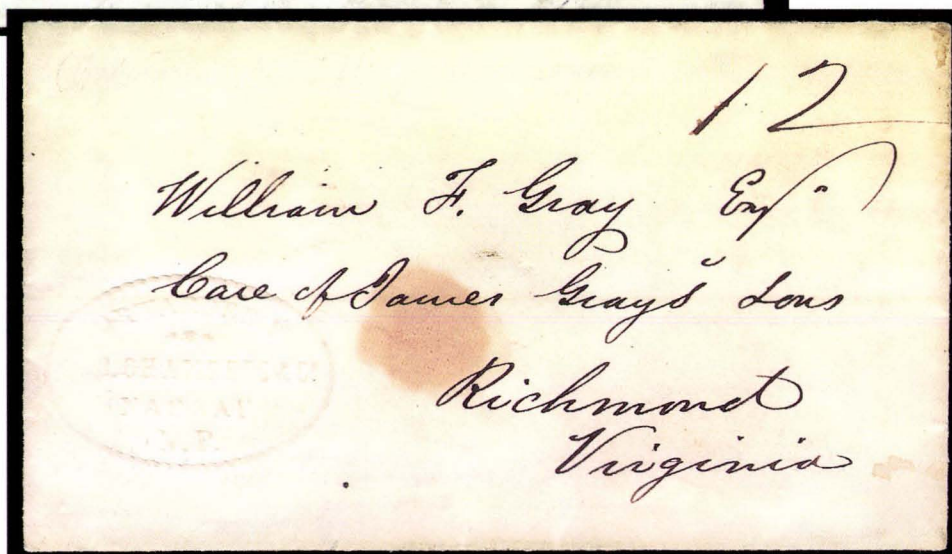


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- 559 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. May 15.** Mostly clear circular datestamp with "SHIP" handstamp and pencil "12" rate (10c plus 2c ship fee) on cover to Mrs. W. C. Rives at Cobham Va., docketing indicates Apr. 1863 origin date, tiny soil specks, Very Fine, carried on the blockade-runner *Cornubia* from Nassau, arriving May 13, 1863..... E. 1,000-1,500
- 560 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. 5 Paid Feb. 12 .** Fully struck integral-rate circular datestamp converted from 3c rate, matching "SHIP" straightline and ms. "12" rate (10c plus 2c) on incoming cover to Petersburg Va., very slightly age toned, most of backflap removed and slightly reduced at top, still Fine and scarce, carried on the blockade-runner *Mary Ann*, arriving from Nassau on Feb. 10, 1864, ex Lehman and Everett..... E. 1,000-1,500
- 561 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. Feb. 19.** Mostly clear circular datestamp with ms. "12" (10c plus 2c) and pencil "Due" on small cover **addressed in the hand of Commodore Samuel Barron**, writing from Paris to his family in Charlotte C.H. Va., envelope style is typical of French stationery, carried by Cunarder *Arabia* from Liverpool (Jan. 23, 1864) to Halifax (Feb. 4), then by branch line *Alpha* (Feb. 5) to St. Georges, Bermuda (Feb. 10), then from Bermuda by the blockade-runner *Advance*, leaving Feb. 13 and arriving in Wilmington on Feb. 18, opening tears along top and reduced at right, still Fine, a significant blockade-run usage..... E. 2,000-3,000



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- 562 ☒ **Forwarded by Geo. Chambers & Co. Nassau N.P.** Embossed oval forwarder's marking on small inbound blockade-run cover to William F. Gray at Richmond Va., ms. "12" rate (10c plus 2c) applied at Wilmington N.C., no datestamp — characteristic of Wilmington in 1864 — but pencil "March 6, 1864" origin date on flap, small wax seal stain

VERY FINE. ONLY THREE BLOCKADE-RUN COVERS ARE REPORTED WITH AN EMBOSSED FORWARDER'S MARKING — ALL WERE APPLIED BY CHAMBERS & COMPANY IN NASSAU, BAHAMAS.

This cover originated in Liverpool and was carried on the Cunarder *China* on Mar. 12, 1864, arriving in New York on Mar. 23. From New York it was carried on the Cunard branch line to Nassau. It was part of the mail transported to Wilmington on the blockade-runner *Syren*, departing Apr. 10 and arriving on Apr. 13.

Embossed markings applied by forwarders are very rare on examples of blockade-run mail. The other two reported examples are on covers arriving at Wilmington in May and July 1864; both are Chambers & Co. ovals.

With 1986 P.F. certificate..... E. 2,000-3,000

- 563 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. 5 Paid Apr. 14.** Partly clear circular datestamp and ms. "12" rate (10c plus 2c) on inbound folded letter to William Gray at Richmond Va., copy of letter datelined London Feb. 29, 1864, with handwritten letter datelined London Mar. 12, commercial contents, carried on the Cunarder *China* from Liverpool (Mar. 12), arriving New York (Mar. 23) and carried to Nassau on branch line, carried thru blockade on *Will O' The Wisp*, arriving at Wilmington on Apr. 14, Very Fine, with 1979 P.F. certificate

E. 1,500-2,000



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- 564 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. 5 Paid Apr. 18.** Pre-war circular datestamp with integral rate (not applicable) on gray folded letter datelined Liverpool, Feb. 13, 1864, from James M Calder to Mrs. M. A. Snowden at Charleston, redirected to Columbia, marked in ms. "Ships Letter" (rare) and ms. "12c" due, pencil "Due", interesting letter from a supplier of goods (thru blockade), mentions shipment of cloth for Relief Association "per 'Zouave'", Very Fine, unusual "Ship Letter" designation on blockade-run cover..... E. 1,500-2,000



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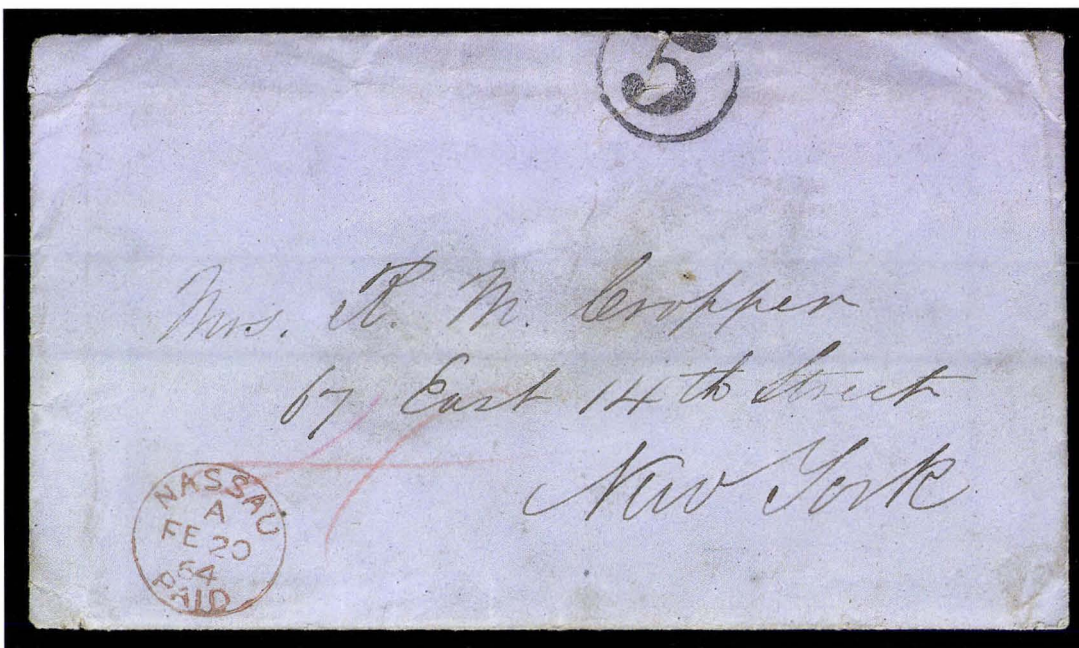
- 565 ☒ **Wilmington N.C. Aug. 3 (1864).** Bold circular datestamp and ms. "12" rate (10c plus 2c) on small inbound cover to Mrs. Anna J. Sanders at Richmond "Care of Hon. Ran. Tucker Atty. Genl.", carried from St. Georges, Bermuda, on the blockade-runner *Flamingo*, departing Jul. 28 and arriving in Wilmington on Aug. 3, Very Fine E. 1,000-1,500

OUTBOUND BLOCKADE-RUN MAIL



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- 566 ✉ **Charleston S.C. to New York City.** Brown cover from the Carson correspondence, left Charleston on May 2, 1863, aboard the blockade-runner *Ella & Annie*, arriving Nassau May 6 where red "Nassau Paid B MY 6 63" circular datestamp and crayon "4" pence due were applied, sent to New York via regular mails and handstamped "5" cents due on arrival, slightly reduced at left, Very Fine and rare outbound blockade-run cover, ex Everett E. 1,000-1,500



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- 567 ✉ **Wilmington N.C. to New York City.** Blue cover to New York City street address, with letter enclosure datelined "At Home, Jan'y 24th 1864", unknown origin, interesting references to "running the blockade. . . I have some little interest on a blockader. . .", the mail carrying this letter left Wilmington on Feb. 17, 1864, aboard the blockade-runner *Rothsay Castle*, red "Nassau Paid A FE 20 64" circular datestamp and crayon "4" pence due, sent to New York via regular mails and handstamped "5" cents due on arrival, faint toning and small piece out of backflap, opening tear into "5" rate marking, otherwise Very Fine, ex Hollowbush and Haas E. 1,500-2,000

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No 53 - dated April 2^a 1863
 Recd May 11th 1863
 Madame Fine 1/-
 3 letters

No 63 - dated July 24th 1863
 Received Sept 22nd 1863. Tuesday
 Sorrento
 Villen Nassau
 Madame
 Baring Brothers
 London

L. Locke
 Rome Italy
 Baring Brothers
 London

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No 69 dated 24 December 1863
 Recd 15th Feb 1864
 Madame
 Baring Brothers & Co
 London
 Rome Italy

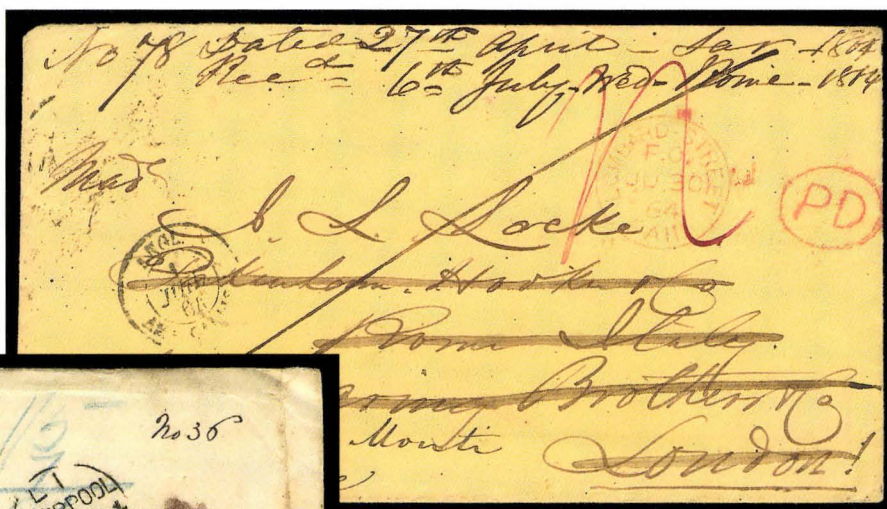
No 71 - dated March 26th 1864
 Recd July 5th 1864 - Rome
 Madame (including one from Mother & one from son)
 B. L. Locke
 No 10. Frimta del Monte -
 Casa Belvedere
 2nd piano
 Rome
 Bishop Lynch

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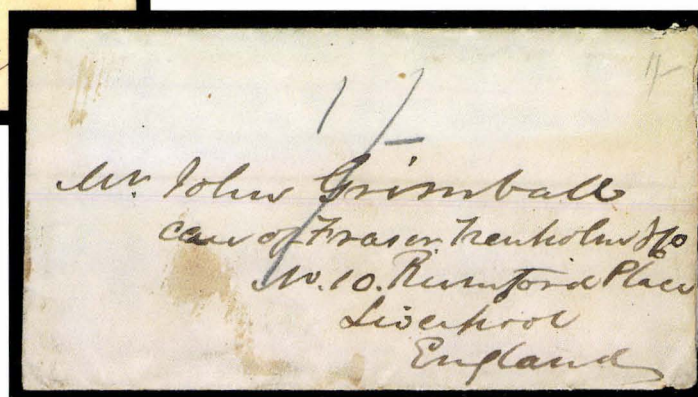
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- 568 ☒ **Savannah Ga. to Rome, Italy.** Buff cover from the Locke correspondence, originated in Savannah on Apr. 4, 1863 (docketed), addressed to Rome in care of Baring Bros. in London, carried from Charleston on the blockade-runner *Margaret & Jessie*, departing Apr. 6, 1863, arriving Nassau Apr. 10, backstamped "Bahamas AP 12 1863 B", carried from Nassau to New York, then by Cunarder *Africa* (Apr. 22) to Queenstown (May 3), red London receiving backstamp (May 4), ms. "1/-" plus "Fine 1/-" for a total of 2sh due, docketing across top, piece of backflap missing, Very Fine E. 750-1,000
- 569 ☒ **Savannah Ga. to Rome, Italy.** Buff cover from the Locke correspondence, originating in Savannah on Jul. 24, 1863 (docketed), addressed to Rome in care of Baring Bros. in London, carried from Charleston on the blockade-runner *Margaret & Jessie*, departing Aug. 1, 1863, arriving Nassau Aug. 4, held by forwarder until next sailing for New York, backstamped "Bahamas AU 22 1863 B", carried from Nassau to New York, then by Cunarder *China* (Aug. 26) to Queenstown (Sep. 4), ms. "Postage 1/-" plus "Fine 1/- Colonial claim", total "2/2" due, docketing across top indicating Sorrento as final destination, small edge wrinkles and tears, Very Fine E. 750-1,000
- 570 ☒ **Savannah Ga. to Rome, Italy.** Buff cover from the Locke correspondence, originating in Savannah on Dec. 24, 1863 (docketed), addressed to Rome in care of Baring Bros. in London, carried from Wilmington N.C. on the blockade-runner *Pet* departing Jan. 9, 1864, arriving Nassau Jan. 14, backstamped "Bahamas JA 16 1864 A", carried from Nassau to New York, then by Cunarder *Scotia* (Jan. 27) to Queenstown (Feb. 5), blue crayon "1/5" plus "7" for a total of "2/-" due, docketing across top, Very Fine E. 750-1,000
- 571 ☒ **Savannah Ga. to Rome, Italy.** Buff cover from the Locke correspondence, originating in Savannah on Mar. 26, 1864 (docketed), carried entirely outside the mails to Rome by favor of "Rt. Revd. Bishop Lynch", no postal markings, minor opening nicks at top, otherwise Very Fine, unusual contraband mail carried thru the blockade E. 200-300

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- 572 ☒ **Savannah Ga. to Rome, Italy.** Buff cover from the Locke correspondence, originating in Savannah on Apr. 27, 1864 (docketed), addressed to Rome in care of Baring Bros. in London, carried from Wilmington N.C. on the blockade-runner *Thistle (II)*, departing May 5, 1864, arriving in Bermuda on May 10, carried from Bermuda (Jun. 1) to St. Thomas (Jun. 4), then from St. Thomas (Jun. 15) by Royal Mail Steam Packet to Southampton (Jun. 29) — no transit markings for these legs of the trip — red “Lombard Street Paid F.O. JU 30 64” circular datestamp, red “PD” oval, French and Italian transits front and back, street address in Rome provided by Baring Bros., small piece out of back-flap, Very Fine, rare example of routing thru Bermuda..... E. 750-1,000
- 573 ☒ **Fort Pemberton S.C. to Liverpool, England.** Small cover from the Burckmyer correspondence, with original letter datelined Fort Pemberton S.C. Jul. 23, 1864, to the care of Fraser, Trenholm & Co. in Liverpool, letter mentions “I sent off this morning to Wilmington a long letter for you. . .”, carried from Charleston to Nassau on the blockade-runner *Fox*, departing Aug. 22 (first trip since Jul. 26), arriving Aug. 26, then to New York and from there by the Cunarder *Persia* on Oct. 5, arriving Liverpool Oct. 15, “Liverpool 15 OC 64” circular datestamp, blue crayon “1/5” plus “7” for a total of “2/-” due, restated “2/-” in pen, large ink smear (could be removed by a restorer), flap tears, otherwise in Very Fine condition..... E. 750-1,000
- 574 ☒ **Spartanburg S.C. to Liverpool, England.** Small cover to Lieut. John Grimball, in care of Fraser, Trenholm & Co. in Liverpool — Grimball was an officer on the C.S.S. *Rappahannock* and Fraser, Trenholm & Co. were major principals in the blockade-running business — no postal markings except a pencil “1/-” due, with letter datelined Spartanburg S.C. Dec. 20, 1864, carried from Charleston on the blockade-runner *General Whiting*, departing Dec. 23 and arriving at Nassau on Dec. 27 — a very late run — minor toning and edge faults, Fine..... E. 500-750

FLAG-OF-TRUCE MAIL



- 575 ✉ **Norfolk Va.** Blurry blue double-circle datestamp and matching “10” rate on orange **civilian flag-of-truce** cover to Clinton La., 3c Deep Rose (65), corner slightly creased, tied by grid, “Perth Amboy N.J. Jan. 21” (1862) circular datestamp, Fine, scarce use thru Norfolk exchange prior to capture by U.S. in May 1862, ex MacBride and Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 576 ✉ **5c Deep Blue, Local (7).** Three large margins, in at left, dark shade, tied by “Richmond Va. Sep. 29, 1863” circular datestamp on **unsealed mourning envelope sent by flag-of-truce at printed circular rate** to Petersburg Va., sender’s endorsement “By Flag of Truce” at lower left, neatly docketed, Very Fine, the regular letter rate in Sep. 1863 was 10c, this probably contained a printed death notice and was accepted at the 2c circular rate, ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000
- 577 ✉ **“Via Flag of Truce”.** Manuscript endorsement on cover to N.C., 3c Rose (65) tied by **“Fort Randall Dak. Apr. 23”** double-circle datestamp, backflap removed, stamp has minor faults and toned spots, still Fine, extremely rare usage from Dakota Territory, ex Seacrest..... E. 500-750
- 578 ✉ **“Approved C. L. White AAG”.** Assistant Adjutant General’s manuscript censor’s mark on cover to Huntsville Ala., 3c Rose (65) uncanceled at upper right, stamp has minor toning, Very Fine, unusual usage, evidently a censored flag-of-truce cover E. 200-300
- 579 ✉ **5c Green, Stone 1 (1).** Two, one folded over edge, other with approximately one-quarter torn off top, tied by “Mobile Ala. Feb. 11, 1862” double-circle datestamp on **civilian flag-of-truce** cover to Cambridge Md., route instructions **“Via Norfolk Va. and Flag of Truce”**, **3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26)** tied by “Washington D.C. Mar. 6, 1862” circular datestamp, one day after “Dead Letter Office Mar. 5, 1862” circular datestamp was applied, “Due 6cts” straightline handstamp, and attractive cover despite stamp faults, extremely rare combination and flag-of-truce usage... E. 1,000-1,500
- 580 ✉ **Civilian Flag-of-Truce.** 3c Brown Rose (65), few short perfs, tied by quartered cork, “Old Point Comfort Va. Sep. 14” double-circle datestamp on cover to Baltimore, with original letter datelined Peckaton (?) Aug. 29, 1864, which mentions enclosing four stamps (Confederate), Very Fine E. 150-200



581 front and back

- 581 ☒ **Provost Marshal of East Tennessee.** Colorless embossed seal on flap on buff cover to Blountville Tenn., sender's routing "By flag of truce", ms. "Ex & forwarded H. H. Thomas" at lower left (third line unreadable), 10c Greenish Blue, Die A (11c), large margins, slightly creased, uncanceled, very slight wear and minor flap tear not affecting seal, still Very Fine, extremely rare East Tennessee Provost Marshal marking, only one or two others believed to exist..... E. 1,000-1,500

CONFEDERATE PRISONS



- 582 ☒ **Andersonville Ga.** 10c Blue, Die B (12), three large margins, just touching at left, tied on cover by "Andersonville Ga." large double-circle on cover to Capt. J. H. Sammoner in Andersonville and forwarded to Columbus Ga., with original letter datelined "Hd. Qrs. Andersonville Ga. 25 Dec. 1864" ordering Capt. Sammoner and his "Battalion of Garrison Guard of Columbus" to report to the C.O. of Columbus Ga., stamp with gum staining around edges, Very Fine, Harrison states 32 covers known, this is not a prisoner's cover but an Andersonville military usage, with 1998 P.F. certificate E. 500-750
- 583 ☒ **Macon Ga. (Camp Oglethorpe for Officers).** Ms. examiner's marking "Examined C.H.B." on cover to New Haven Conn., "Old Point Comfort Va. Jul. 18" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, large ms. "50 Letters Examined to be sent to United States" on back and "Via Flag of Truce" at bottom, backflap detached but present, Fine, only 28 covers known E. 400-500
- 584 ☒ **Macon Ga. (Camp Oglethorpe for Officers).** Ms. examiner's marking "Ex. C.H.B." on cover to Newton Lower Falls Mass., prisoner's endorsement at top, "Old Point Comfort Va. Jul. 18" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, Very Fine E. 400-500
- 585 ☒ **Macon Ga. (Camp Oglethorpe for Officers).** Ms. examiner's marking "Ex. C.H.B." and prisoner's endorsement at top on cover to Washington Pa., 3c Rose (65), faulty, tied by quartered cork cancel, matching "Old Point Comfort Va. Jul. 18" double-circle datestamp, with original letter datelined "Prisoner's Camp Macon Geo. May 22, 1864", cover with small faults at left, otherwise Fine E. 300-400
- 586 ☒ **Salisbury N.C.** Stampless cover to Boston Mass., "Old Point Comfort Va. Jul. 18" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp and in pencil, ms. "Flag of Truce, Prisoner's Letter" at top, Boston receiving backstamp, couple light file folds, sender was Albert Deane Richardson, a war correspondent captured May 3, 1863, at Vicksburg and imprisoned at Salisbury from Feb. 3, 1864, until his escape Dec. 18, 1864, Very Fine E. 300-400
- 587 ☒ **Charleston S.C. (Roper's Hospital).** Pencil examiner's marking "Ex J" on cover to Newton Lower Falls Mass., "Port Royal S.C. Sep 27 1864" double-circle datestamp, "Due 3" straightline, ms. Soldier's letter Stewart L. Woodford Lt. Col. and Agent of exchange" and "Flag of Truce", Fine, only 19 covers known E. 750-1,000



- 588 ☒ **Charleston S.C. (Roper's Hospital).** Ms. examiner's marking "Exd" on cover to Newport R.I., "Port Royal S.C. Oct. 6, 1864" and "Newport R.I. Oct. 17 '64" double-circle datestamp, "Due 3" straightline, ms. prisoner's endorsement "Wm. We. Dinfee Jr., Leiut. Co. A. 5th R.I. Arty. Prisoner of War Charleston S.C." and "Soldier's letter Stewart L. Woodford Lt. Col and agent of exchange", cover slightly reduced at right, Very Fine E. 750-1,000
- 589 ☒ **Charleston S.C. (Roper's Hospital).** Ms. examiner's marking "Exd." on cover to New York City, "Port Royal S.C. Nov. 13, 1864" double-circle datestamp, "Due 3" straightline handstamp, ms. prisoner's endorsement and "Soldier's Letter W.T. Bennett Lt. Col. and agt. DS4", couple small sealed tears at top, otherwise Very Fine E. 400-500
- 590 ☒ **Charleston S.C.** 10c Blue, Die B (12), ample to large margins all around, tied by heavy pen cancel and faint Charleston circular datestamp on cover to Keene Ky., ms. "Due 6" and "By Flag of Truce", large backflap tear, otherwise Very Fine, a total of 30 covers known from all Charleston prisons E. 200-300
- 591 ☒ **Charleston S.C.** Bold ms. examiner's marking "Ex. H.H.R." on cover to Columbia S.C., no postal markings, with original letter datelined "Wickford R.I. Oct. 10/64", ms. "By Flag of Truce Boat", according to Harrison, this examiner's marking was that of Capt. Hugh Hamilton Rogers of the Provost Marshal's Office at Charleston; however, the city of Charleston was evacuated due to an epidemic of yellow fever in October 1864, causing everyone (incl. prisoners and prison support staff) to be relocated — obviously some were sent to Columbia S.C. — Extremely Fine, a rare and desirable yellow fever cover with letter E. 750-1,000
- 592 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Camp Asylum).** 20c Green (13), faults, uncanceled but tied by mucilage stains on cover to Dennysville Me., "Old Point Comfort Va. Oct. 17" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, ms. prisoner's endorsement and "Care of Hon. R.T. Ould Commissioner of exchange, Richmond Va." at left, with photocopy of Prisoner of War Records Office stating the sender was captured at Petersburg Va. July 30, 1864, and imprisoned in Camp Asylum until his escape in March 1865, Fine and extremely rare — very few known from this prison and only three or four examples of the 20c are known on prisoners' covers — with 1969 P.F. certificate E. 1,000-1,500
- 593 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Camp Sorghum).** Ms. examiner's marking "Exd." and prisoner's endorsement on cover to Washington Pa., "Old Point Comfort Va. Dec. 14" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, Camp Sorghum was only open for three months, closing in late December 1864, and its prisoners were relocated to Camp Asylum, Fine, only 20 covers known..... E. 400-500



- 594 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Camp Asylum).** 10c Blue, Die B (12), close to large margins with sheet selvage and part imprint at bottom, small fault at top right from poor placement, uncanceled, faint pencil examiner's marking "Exd. Capt. J.C. Martin" on brown cover to Reading Pa., "Old Point Comfort Va. Dec. 16" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, prisoner's endorsement "From Let. G.W. Grant, Prisoner of War, Columbia S.C. By Flag of truce Via Hilton Head S.C." at top, couple insignificant cover stains, otherwise Very Fine, illustrated in Antrim E. 750-1,000
- 595 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Richland Jail).** Ms. examiner's marking "Examined R.D. Senn Capt. Gd." at left on cover to Hannover Pa., "Old Point Comfort Va. Jan 21" double-circle datestamp, "Due 6" in circle handstamp, ms. "For Flag of Truce" at top, with original letter datelined "Richland Prison, Columbia S.C. Dec. 13, 1863", cover with few light creases, otherwise Fine..... E. 500-750
- 596 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Richland Jail).** Ms. examiner's marking "Examined R.D. Senn Com. of Post Guard" on yellow cover to Boston Mass., "Old Point Comfort Va. Mar. 16" circular datestamp, "Due 3" straightline handstamp, ms. "from prisoner of war per flag of truce via Richmond Va." with original letter datelined "Richland Jail, Columbia S.C., Mar. 2nd '64", cover slightly reduced at right, otherwise Extremely Fine..... E. 500-750
- 597 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Richland Jail).** Ms. examiner's marking "Examined R.D. Senn Capt. Post Gd." and prisoner's endorsement on cover to Westminster Md., 3c Rose (65) tied by grid, "Old Point Comfort Va. Sep. 3" double-circle datestamp, Very Fine..... E. 500-750
- 598 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Richland Jail).** Ms. examiner's marking "Examd R.D. Senn Capt. Gd." on **adversity cover** made from actuarial table to Nobleboro Me., 3c Rose (65), tied by grid, matching "Old Point Comfort Va. Sep. 26" double-circle datestamp, prisoner's routing instructions "By Flag of Truce, Care Robt. Ould Commissioner of Exchange, Richmond Va.", some light toning spots, otherwise Fine, an incredibly rare adversity cover from a prisoner..... E. 750-1,000
- 599 ☒ **Columbia S.C. (Richland Jail).** Ms. examiner's marking "Exd. R.D. Senn Capt. Post Gd." on cover to Kittery Me., "Old Point Comfort Va. Jan. 18" double-circle datestamp and "Due 6" in circle handstamp, soldier's endorsement "Capt. H.R. Sargent, Prisoner of War, Columbia S.C. via flag of truce care of Comis. Ould, Richmond Va.", with original letter datelined "Columbia S.C. Oct. 5th 1864" to Col. Wentworth, contents state "I suppose that you know all about who was captured so I will not give the names. I sent the Adj. a list soon after we was captured. The officers are here and the enlisted men are at Danville Va. . . I wish if it is in your power that you would get me exchanged. . .", cover with usual edge wear, otherwise Fine, signed Dietz E. 500-750

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 From William Whitten Latham Maine
 St. Benj. F. Whitten
 Prisoner of War
 Col. ... S. C.
 (By Flag of Truce)

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 Liut. B. F. Whitten 1. Me. Vols.
 Prisoner

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 Due 3
 W. B. ...
 Gallia, Co.
 Ohio

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 Miss Mary McOppong
 Auburn
 Capt. ...
 (By Flag of Truce)

602
 F. M. Wood
 Peola
 Tuscarawas Co.
 Ohio

604
 Mrs. J. Moody
 742 South 4th St.

607
 Major John Byrum

608
 Alfred E. ...
 S. C.
 Miss L. B. Bunnell

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 Letter from prisoner of war
 Maurice Va. Dec. 31 1864
 Mr. Benj. Litchfield Jr.

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 Told letter
 Maj. Hermann U. S. A.

610
 By Flag of Truce
 Due 3
 St. ...
 Richmond Va.

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 Mrs. S. J. Goodenell
 Poplar, Pa.
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 Letter from Prisoner

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 Mrs. Hannah ...
 Watford

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 Officers Letter
 Prisoner of War
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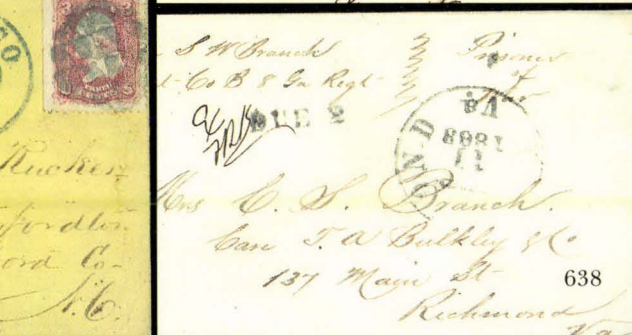
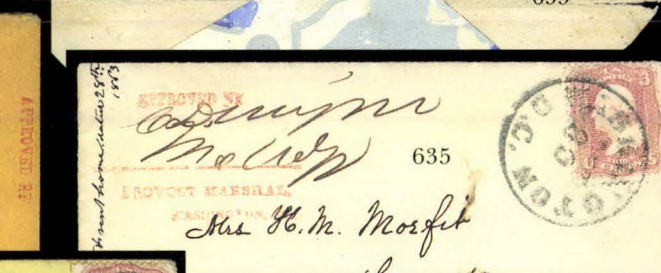
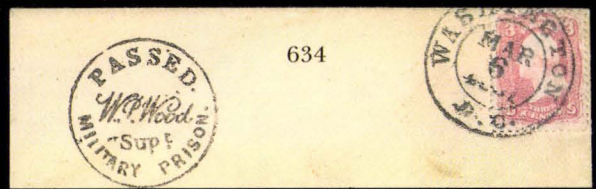
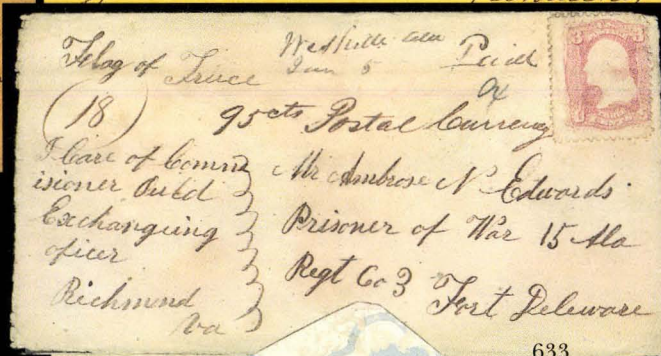
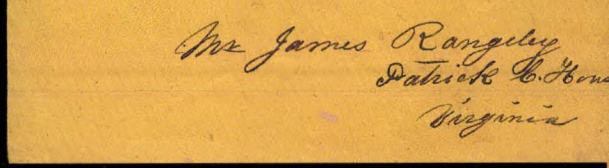
- 600 ☒ **Columbia S.C.** 10c Blue, Die B (12), close to large margins, cut in at bottom left, slightly toned, tied by Richmond Va. circular datestamp on cover to prisoner-of-war camp in Columbia S.C., with ms. "*By Flag of Truce*", with original letter datelined "*Topsham Maine Jan. 8th 1865*", Very Fine E. 500-750
- 601 ☒ **Columbia S.C.** 2c Brown Red (8), close to large margins, piece out at top right, tied by "Richmond Va. Feb. 8" circular datestamp on cover to "*Lieut. B.F. Whittier 9th Me. Vols. Prisoner of War at Columbia S.C.*", ms. routing instructions "*By Flag of truce Via Port Royal*", with original letter datelined "*Topsham January 8th 1865*", cover slightly soiled, Fine, extremely rare 2c usage, from the same correspondence as the previous lot E. 750-1,000
- 602 ☒ **Danville Va. (Building No. 5).** Pencil examiner's marking "Ex" on small folded letter to Peola O., datelined "*Prison No. 5 Danville Va. February 28th '64*", 3c Rose (65), defective, tied by grid and "Old Point Comfort Va. Mar. 9" double-circle datestamp, letter tape reinforced, otherwise Fine, seven covers known E. 300-400
- 603 ☒ **Danville Va. (Building No. 4).** Small folded letter datelined "*Danville Va. March the 21st 1864*" to Waterboro O., "Old Point Comfort Va. Apr. 19" double-circle datestamp, "Due 3" straight-line, letter from a recently captured prisoner in the 18th Ohio Vol. Infantry requesting supplies, Very Fine, pictured in Harrison, five covers known E. 500-750
- 604 ☒ **Danville Va. (Building No. 4).** 3c Rose (65) tied by cork cancel on cover to Philadelphia, matching "Old Point Comfort Jul. 18" double-circle datestamp and straightline "Due 10" handstamp, pencil "*Open when recd., nothing in it*" at top, Very Fine, signed Brian Green, similar cover illustrated in Antrim E. 400-500
- 605 ☒ **Danville Va.** Folded letter datelined "*Danville Va. Oct. 23rd 1864*" to Auburn N.Y., no postal markings, prisoner's endorsement "*Capt. F.A. Hopping Prisoner of War*" with "*By Flag of Truce*", contents state, "*Put this one in another sealed directed to Maj. Mulford Commissioner of exchanges Fortress Monroe Va.*", Very Fine, Harrison reports only seventeen total covers known from all Danville prisons E. 200-300
- 606 ☒ **Danville Va.** Ms. examiner's marking "Exd." and prisoner's endorsement "*Letter from prisoner of war Danville Va. Dec. 31 1864*" on cover to Rockland Me., "Old Point Comfort Va. Jan. 15" double-circle datestamp and "Due 6" in circle, Very Fine E. 500-750
- 607 ☒ **Danville Va.** Yellow cover to prisoner-of-war at Danville Va., 10c Greenish Blue, Die A (11c), ample to large margins, tied by "Salisbury N.C. Dec. 13, 1861 (sic)" circular datestamp used in 1862 but the old year date left in place, originally sent to Salisbury but forwarded to Danville, two pinholes at right and tiny tear at top, otherwise Fine E. 500-750
- 608 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Liggon's Tobacco Warehouse).** Buff cover to Dansville N.Y., "Washington D.C. Aug. 8, 1861" circular datestamp, Congressman (and fellow prisoner) **Alfred Ely's free frank** at top, identifying this cover as from this prison, slightly reduced at right, otherwise Very Fine, carried secretly across the lines and mailed at Washington, ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000
- 609 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Taylor's Tobacco Warehouse).** Prisoner's endorsement "*Lieut. Kenney, Prisoner of War, Richmond Va.*" on cover to Philadelphia, "Due 3" straightline handstamp, ms. "*Sold. letter Maj. V. Herrman U.S.A*" at top, with original letter datelined "*Richmond Prison Jan 21st 1862*", cover soiled and opened on two sides, otherwise Fine, two covers known from this prison E. 500-750
- 610 ☒ **Richmond Va.** Prisoner's endorsement "*Prisoners letter Lt. I.P. Rockwell Richmond Va.*" at left on cover to Norwich Conn., "Old Point Comfort Va. Mar. 1" circular datestamp and "Due 3" handstamp, ms. "*Flag of Truce*" at top, two tiny tears at bottom, otherwise Extremely Fine E. 400-500
- 611 ☒ **Richmond Va.** Prisoner's endorsement "*Letter from Pris. of War Richmond*" without prisoner's name on small yellow cover to Lower Waterford Vt., "Old Point Comfort Va. May 10" double-circle datestamp and "Due 5" handstamp, Extremely Fine and choice E. 400-500
- 612 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Prisoner's endorsement "*Prisoner's letter from Libby Prison*" at right of cover to Poplar O., "Due 6" in circle handstamp, with original letter datelined "*Libby Prison, Richmond Va., June 26th '63*", faint waterstaining, otherwise Very Fine E. 300-400
- 613 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Ms. examiner's marking "Ex J.M.H." on yellow cover to Jeffersonville Ind., 3c Rose (65) tied by target and "Old Point Comfort Va. Jul. 4" double-circle datestamp, stamp with natural s.e. at left, cover with waterstain at top right, appears Fine E. 150-200
- 614 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** 3c Rose (65) tied by quartered cork cancel on yellow cover to Jeffersonville Ind., matching "Old Point Comfort Va. Dec. 9" double-circle datestamp, records show the sender was in Libby prison at this time, Extremely Fine E. 100-150
- 615 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Yellow cover to Philadelphia, "Old Point Comfort Va. Dec. 25" double-circle datestamp and "Due 3" handstamp, with prisoner's endorsement "*Officers letter prisoner of war*", with original letter datelined "*Libby Prison, Richmond Va., Dec. 13, 1863*", Very Fine E. 300-400



- 616 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Two covers, both part of Marshall correspondence to Jeffersonville Ind., first No. U35 with prisoner's endorsement "Wm. S. Marshall Adj't 51st Ind. Vols. Prisoner of War Richmond", other with 3c Rose (65), both tied by grids with matching Old Point Comfort double-circle datestamp, usual light edgewear, otherwise Fine-Very Fine E. 100-150
- 617 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** No. U34 with grid cancel and matching "Old Point Comfort Va. Mar. 24" double-circle datestamp to Newark O., prisoner's endorsement "From Lieut. John C. Roney, Prisoner of War, Richmond Va. Mar. 13th '64", with original letter datelined "Libby Prison, Richmond Va., March 13th, 1864", cover with few light creases and couple small sealed tears, appears Fine..... E. 300-400
- 618 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Prisoner's endorsement "Officers Letter Prisoner of War per Flag of Truce boat" on small cover to Philadelphia, "Old Point Comfort Va. Mar. 24" double-circle datestamp and "Due 3" handstamp, faint waterstain at lower left, docketing on reverse indicates sender was Jacob Devine, 71st Pa. Regt., who was housed in Libby Prison E. 300-400
- 619 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Prisoner's endorsement "Prisoners Letter, Libby Prison, Richmond Va." on cover to Worcester Mass., "Old Point Comfort Va. May 3" double-circle datestamp and "Due 3" handstamp, with original 1864 letter datelined "Libby Prison, Richmond Va., Apr. 25", two creases, otherwise Very Fine..... E. 300-400
- 620 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Prisoner's endorsement "For Flag of Truce Officers Letter Prisoner of War D.J.B." on yellow cover to Westport Conn., "Old Point Comfort May 3" double-circle datestamp and "Due 3" handstamp, official records indicate this prisoner was held at Libby Prison, cover slightly reduced at left, otherwise Very Fine E. 300-400
- 621 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Hospital).** Incoming cover to "Prisoner of War, Mr. Rich Dunne 9th Regt. Co. J. N.Y.S.M. Hospital Richmond", blue Norfolk Va. double-circle datestamp and matching "5", ms. examiner's marking "Exd. C", Brooklyn return address on back, light soiling, backflap gone, otherwise Fine..... E. 300-400



- 622 ☒ **Richmond Va.** Incoming letter to "Lieut G.W. Kenney, Prisoner of War, Richmond Va., care of Gen. Winder via Fortress Monroe", 3c Rose (65) tied by blue "Norfolk Va. Nov. 30 1861" double-circle datestamp and black town circular datestamp, second strike of Norfolk datestamp and "5" handstamp, pencil examiner's marking "E.H.", light soiling and edgewear, otherwise Fine E. 400-500
- 623 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Hospital).** Incoming cover to "Mr. Henry A. Holden Company G. 2d. Regt. Maine Volunteers, Prisoner of War, General Hospital, Richmond Va.", No. U35 with grid, matching "Bangor Me. Nov. 8" double-circle datestamp, blue "Norfolk Va. Dec. 4 1861" double-circle datestamp and "5" handstamp, small pencil examiner's "Ed.", ms. "Via Fort Monroe", backflaps sealed with clipped newspaper advertisement "From Ambrose Warren, Botanic Druggist", few minor edge faults, otherwise Fine E. 400-500
- 624 ☒ **Richmond Va.** Incoming yellow cover to "George W. Kenney, Prisoner of War, Care Gen'l Winder, Richmond Va.", ms. examiner's marking "Exd. D.W.C." at top, blue "Norfolk Va. Dec. 20 1861" double-circle datestamp and "Paid 5c." in circle, ms. "By Flag of Truce", barely reduced at top, otherwise Very Fine E. 400-500
- 625 ☒ **Richmond Va.** Incoming cover to "George W. Kenney Prisoner of War Care Gen'l Winder, Richmond Va.", ms. examiner's marking "Exd. D.W.C." at top, blue "Norfolk Va. Dec. 28, 1861" circular datestamp and "Paid 5c." in circle, ms. "Via Flag of Truce", faint thin vertical toning band, otherwise Very Fine E. 400-500
- 626 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Liggon's Hospital).** Incoming brown cover to "Dr. L.A. Slater, Ligon Hospital, Richmond Va.", 10c Rose (5), ample to large margins, few light wrinkles, tied by "Columbiana Ala. Jul. 11" circular datestamp, small repair at top and half of backflap removed, otherwise Very Fine, extremely rare use of 10c Rose to a Confederate prison hospital staff member E. 750-1,000



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- 627 ☒ **Richmond Va. (Libby Prison).** Incoming letter to "Capt. J.P. Cummins, Prisoner of War, Libby Prison, Richmond Va.", and ms. "Care of Gen. Meredith, Flag of Truce, Fortress Monroe Va.", 3c Rose (65) tied by blue "Baltimore Md. Feb. 3 '64" double-circle datestamp and target, with typed notes from Ashbrook about Meredith and questioning why no Confederate postage due was charged, Very Fine E. 400-500
- 628 ☒ **The Confederate "600".** Prisoner's endorsement "W.E. Johnson, 7th So. Ca. Cavalry, Prisoner of War" on yellow cover to Liberty Hill S.C., 3c Rose (65) tied by grid and "Richmond Va. Aug. 13" circular datestamp, **Fort Delaware examiner's oval**, "Delaware City Del. Jul. 27" circular datestamp, "Due 10" straightline, ms. routing instructions *Via Fortress Monroe, Flag of Truce* at bottom left, **from one of the 600 Confederate prisoners moved from Fort Delaware to Morris Island on Sep. 7 by Federal forces**, prisoners on both sides were intentionally exposed in open barracks to direct shelling from their own forces, Extremely Fine, an intriguing and well-known story of the war, ex Birkinbine E. 750-1,000
- 629 ☒ **Fort Delaware.** Well-struck examiner's oval on yellow cover to Pamplin's Depot Va., 3c Rose (65) tied by grid, **used with 10c Blue, Die A (11)**, huge balanced margins, tied by "Richmond Va. Sep. 6" circular datestamp, Delaware City Del. Aug. 23" circular datestamp, ms. "Care of Maj. Genl. Butler, Camdg. Depmt. Va. N.C. and Fortress Monroe" at bottom left, and "Per Flag of Truce" at top, Extremely Fine, ex Dietz E. 750-1,000
- 630 ☒ **Fort Delaware.** Clear oval examiner's handstamp and ms. examiner's marking "Examined & Approved Thos. M. Werrie, Capt." on 3c Red Star Die entire (U26) to Hardsburg Ky., cancelled by grid, "Delaware City Del. Jun. 28" circular datestamp, "Due 6" in oval applied as the entire was no longer valid for postage, cover expertly reinforced, appears Extremely Fine E. 500-750
- 631 ☒ **Fort Delaware.** Clear examiner's oval on yellow cover to Lexington Ky., 3c Rose (65) tied by grid, "Delaware City Del. Sep. 24" circular datestamp, cover sent by Major Bullock, 8th Ky. Cavalry, to his wife, Bullock was one of **Morgan's Raiders**, Extremely Fine and choice, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 632 ☒ **Fort Delaware.** Prisoner's endorsement "J.H. Rangeley Lt. Co. K 30th Va. Regt." and routing instructions "By flag of Truce, Care Comdg. Officers at Fortress Monroe Va." on buff cover to Patrick C.H. Va., 3c Rose (65) tied by target, "Delaware City Del. Feb. 14" and "Richmond Va. Mar. 2" circular datestamps, "Due 10" handstamp, Very Fine E. 300-400
- 633 ☒ **Fort Delaware.** Gray and blue **wallpaper cover** to prisoner of war at Fort Delaware "In Care of Commissioner (sic) Ould Exchanging officer (sic) Richmond Va.", 3c Rose (65), uncanceled, ms. "Westville Ala. Jun. 5" and "Flag of Truce" at top, contents noted across top "95 cts. Postal Currency", side flap reattached, Very Fine, an extraordinary wallpaper cover used to send money to a Confederate prisoner E. 1,000-1,500
- 634 ☒ **Washington D.C. (Old Capitol Prison).** Circular examiner's handstamp "Passed/Military Prison/W.P. Wood Supt." on cover to Watertown N.Y., 3c Rose (65) tied by "Washington D.C. Mar. 6, 1862", slightly reduced at left, Extremely Fine E. 200-300
- 635 ☒ **Washington D.C. (Old Capitol Prison).** Red three-line handstamp "Approved by Provost Marshal, Washington, D.C." with unlisted signature on cover to Georgetown D.C., 3c Rose (65) tied by "Washington D.C. Oct. 30" circular datestamp, 1863 docketing at left, Very Fine, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 636 ☒ **Washington D.C. (Old Capitol Prison).** Red three-line handstamp "Approved by Provost Marshal, Washington, D.C." and signed "A.W. Baker, Act. ad." on buff cover to Fredericksburg Va., 3c Rose (65) tied by "Washington D.C. Jul. 26, 1862" double-circle datestamp, with original letter from **civilian political prisoner**, Extremely Fine, ex Birkinbine E. 500-750
- 637 ☒ **Camp Douglas.** Mostly clear oval examiner's handstamp on yellow cover to Rutherfordton N.C., **3c Rose (65)**, s.e., tied by blue segmented cork cancel, matching "Chicago Ill. Nov. 2 '64" double-circle datestamp, **used with 10c Blue, Die A (11)**, three large margins, in at B., very poor impression, tied by "Richmond Va. Dec. 15" circular datestamp, with routing instructions "Via Fortress Monroe and City Point Va. by Flag of Truce", small piece out of backflap, Fine and attractive mixed franking, illustrated in Antrim E. 750-1,000
- 638 ☒ **Baltimore Md. (West's Hospital).** Ms. "Ex FRK" examiner's marking on cover to Richmond Va., prisoner's endorsement "From S.W. Branch, 1st Lieut., Co. B 8 Ga. Regt. Prisoner of War" (**Anderson's Brigade**), "Due 2" straightline and "Richmond Va. Sep. 11 1863" circular datestamp

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- 639 ☒ **Point Lookout.** Beautiful clear strike of "Prisoner's Letter Examined" double-line octagonal handstamp on immaculate white cover to Greenville C.H. S.C., **3c Rose (65)**, faint pre-use crease, **used with 10c Blue, Die A (11)**, large margins all around, both with lovely early color and tied by duplex target and "Point Lookout Md. Dec. 8 '64" circular datestamp, 10c additionally tied by faint "Richmond Va." circular datestamp, ms. "Per Flag of Truce" at bottom
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- 640 ☒ **Point Lookout.** Large oval examiner's handstamp with J.N. Patterson's imprint on buff cover to Pittsylvania C.H. Va., **3c Rose (65)**, grid cancel, **used with 10c Blue, Die B (12)** tied by "Richmond Va. May 6" circular datestamp, "Point Lookout Md. Apr. 13 '64" circular datestamp, ms. "Via Flag truce" at top, usual light edgewear, otherwise Fine, ex Powell, this is the second to last known usage of the examiner's handstamp with J.N. Patterson's imprint E. 750-1,000
- 641 ☒ **Point Lookout.** Clear strike of "Prisoner's Letter Examined Sept. 9, 1864" double-line octagonal handstamp, on buff cover to Raleigh N.C., **3c Rose (65)** tied by target and "Richmond Va. Sep. 30" circular datestamp with matching "10" handstamp at left, partial Point Lookout datestamp, N.C. soldier's endorsement at left, some wrinkling, Fine..... E. 200-300
- 642 ☒ **Camp Chase.** Circular examiner's handstamp on buff cover to Covington Ga., **3c Rose (65)** tied by target and "Columbus O. Nov. 10" double-circle datestamp, **used with 10c Blue, Die A (11)**, huge margins and affixed with large piece of sheet margin (creating a hinge), tied by "Richmond Va. Jan. 13" circular datestamp, ms. routing instructions "By flag of Truce via Fortress Monroe Va." at bottom, backflap missing, tear at top into markings but clear of stamp, 10c soiled, otherwise Fine E. 500-750
- 643 ☒ **Johnson's Island.** Bold manuscript "Ex A.M.G. on cover to Fort Henbree N.C., **3c Rose (65)**, tied by large blue grid, matching "Sandusky O. Oct. 26" double-circle datestamp, **used with 10c Milky Blue, Die A (11c)**, ample to large margins, creased, tied by "Richmond Va. Nov. 11, 1863" circular datestamp, ms. routing instructions "Via Flag Truce Old Point Comfort", few light creases and small sealed tear at bottom, otherwise Fine, this examiner's marking was in use for only eleven weeks, with 1990 C.S.A. certificate E. 750-1,000
- 644 ☒ **Johnson's Island.** Prisoner's endorsement "W.J. Green A.D.C. Daniel's Brigade, Prisoner of War" on cover to Henderson N.C., franked by horizontal pair of 5c Blue, Local (7), tied by "Richmond Va. Feb. 23" circular datestamp, with original letter datelined "Johnson's Island Ohio, Feb. 1st 1864", letter with reinforced splits along folds, cover with edge toning, otherwise Very Fine, cover annotated and signed by Brian Green E. 300-400

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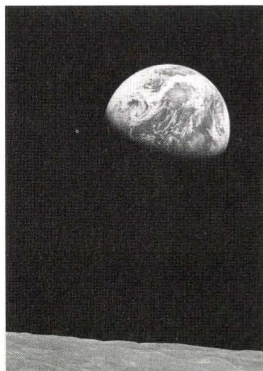
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