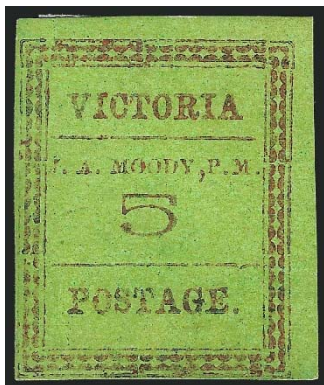


Census of Victoria, Texas, Postmasters' Provisionals

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Description and Notes



VIC-TX-A01



VIC-TX-A02



VIC-TX-A03

The three designs of the Victoria provisional

The Victoria provisionals were typeset and printed on green paper. The number of subjects in the printing form is unknown.

There are two basic designs of the Victoria provisionals. The first has the value in a thin Roman font. The second has the value in a smaller left sloped Roman font.

Over the years the paper used to print the stamps with the thin Roman numeral has at times been described as glazed. The paper used to print the slanted "10" variety has been described as pelure. In this census the paper for both types is described as green.

Since there was no 5-cent rate after 1 July 1862 we can assume the two provisionals with the value in a thin Roman font were prepared in 1861. Use of these provisionals probably ended by early 1862. However, at least one in 1863 indicates the provisional saw use during a later period. The provisional with the left sloped Roman font was probably prepared to meet demand in the later period.

A Victoria provisional was first chronicled in May 1902 (*American Journal of Philately* 15, No. 8 (5 May 1902): 150). Little is known about these provisionals other than what was published when they were chronicled at the turn of the last century.

The Confederate postmaster of Victoria was James A. Moody. He was appointed before the war and served throughout the Confederate period.

Count of Victoria provisionals

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Unused	Used	Covers	Total
5c red brown on green	VIC-TX-A01	88X1	5			5
10c red brown on green	VIC-TX-A02	88X2	3			3
10c red brown on green with "PAID"	VIC-TX-A02a	88X2			1	1
10c red brown on green with "PAID 10"	VIC-TX-A02b	88X2			1	1
10c red brown on green	VIC-TX-A03	88X3	2	2		4

Mini Census of Victoria, Texas, Provisional Covers

10c red brown on green paper with "PAID" *** VIC-TX-A02a (88X2)

Pmk Date	Pmk Posn	Prov Posn	Addressee	Town	State	CN
23 Jun [186-]	UR	UR	C Hellenkamp Esqr	Lagrange	---	009

10c red brown on green paper with "PAID 10" *** VIC-TX-A02b (88X2)

Pmk Date	Pmk Posn	Prov Posn	Addressee	Town	State	CN
30 Mar [1863]	UR	UR	Mr J San Roman	Brownsville	TX	008

Full Census of Victoria, Texas Provisionals

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Victoria, Texas *** 5c red brown on green paper, unused *** VIC-TX-A01 (88X1)

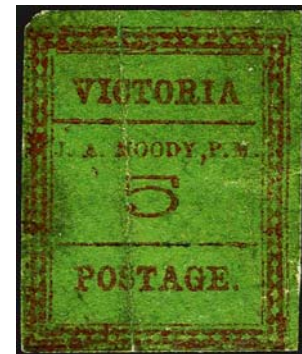
Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Original gum.
Address: NA
Provenance: Ferrary, Hind, Hall, DK, Sharrer.
Source: PF-355367*; DFA-14Jun1922(4)-113; P&K-20Nov1933(1)-181; RAS-13Apr2000(823)-438*; RAS-28Mar2012(1022)-1122*; RAS-10Dec2012(1035)-92*. [001]
Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



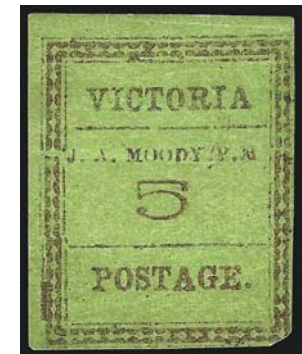
Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Vertical crease.
Address: NA
Provenance: Caspary, Lilly, Kilbourne, Haub.
Source: HRH-5Mar1956-482; RAS-27Apr1967(317)-378; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-157*; HRH-7Aug2020(3035)-95 Erivan. [006]
Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Small thins and light crease in upper margin.
Address: NA
Provenance: Hessel, Brandon.
Source: HRH-21Oct1975-311; RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-350*. [002]
Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Small paper flaw at UR.
Address: NA
Provenance: Felton.
Source: CSA-05127*; RAS-15Nov2011(1016)-645*; RAS-15Nov2011(1016)-645*; RAS-25Jun2013(1048)-419*. [005]
Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Repaired.
Address: NA
Provenance: None recorded..
Source: RAS-20Apr1985(645)-423*. [012]
Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Victoria, Texas * 10c red brown on green paper, unused *** VIC-TX-A02 (88X2)**

Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Horizontal crease ending in small tear at left.
Address: NA
Provenance: Felton.
Source: CSA-05128*; RAS-15Nov2011(1016)-646*; RAS-25Jun2013(1048)-420*. [007]
Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Faults.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hessel.

Source: HRH-21Oct1975-312. [010]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional. Lower right corner missing. Best image available.

Address: NA

Provenance: Steves.

Source: SCPP-354; SL-20. [014]

Image Credit: Surveys of the Confederate Postmasters' Provisionals (book).



Victoria, Texas *** 10c red brown on green paper with "PAID," on cover *** VIC-TX-A02a (88X2)

23Jun [186-]

Description: Adhesive provisional tied by red "Victoria / Tex." postmark UR. Folded letter.

Address: C. Hellenhamp Esqr / Lagrange

Provenance: Caspary, Muzzy, Haub.

Source: PF-6703; PPH-170*; HRH-5Mar1956-483; HRH-21Apr1967(1764)-2077. [009]

Image Credit: Postmasters' Provisionals: United States and Confederate States (book).



Victoria, Texas * 10c red brown on green paper with "PAID 10," on cover *** VIC-TX-A02b (88X2)**

30 Mar [1863]

Description: Adhesive provisional tied by black "Victoria / Tex." postmark UR. Black "PAID 10" at UC. Folded letter.

Address: Mr. J. San Roman / Brownsville / Texas.

Provenance: Brooks, Kilbourne, Gross, DK.

Source: PF-483598*; SS-Black(1945)-35; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-156*; SPK-19Nov2009-46*; RAS-28Mar2012(1022)-1123*. [008]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Victoria, Texas * 10c red brown on thin green paper, unused *** VIC-TX-A03 (88X3)**

Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Haub.

Source: PF-28002; PPH-169*; RAS-28Mar1968(330)-207. [013]

Image Credit: Postmasters' Provisionals: United States and Confederate States (book).



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary, Hind, Brooks, Moody, Weill Brothers, Kilbourne, Brandon, Haub.

Source: DFA-14Jun1922(4)-113; P&K-20Nov1933(1)-182; L&S-24Apr1943(123)-161; HRH-27Nov1950(621)-102; CHR-13Oct1989-1319; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-158*; RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-351*; HRH-7Aug2020(3035)-96*. [004]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Victoria, Texas *** 10c red brown on thin green paper, used *** VIC-TX-A03 (88X3)

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Description: Adhesive provisional. Repaired.

Address: NA

Provenance: Caspary.

Source: HRH-5Mar-1956-484; RAS-24Aug1982(596)-73*. [003]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Unused

Description: Adhesive provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Camina, Sharrer.

Source: PF-280784*; RAS-24Feb-1994(757)-648; RAS-10Dec2012(1035)-93*. [011]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.

