

Census of Greensboro, Alabama, Postmasters' Provisionals

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Description



GRE-AL-E01



GRE-AL-E02a



GRE-AL-E03



GRE-AL-E04

The Greensboro Provisionals

The Greensboro provisionals were prepared by taking three different postmarks (two single circle and one double circle) removing the date logos and overstepping them with "PAID" and a value. No example of the single circle "PAID / 5" is recorded. The only example is revalued "10."

One single circle postmark spells the town name "GREENSBORO" and the second spells it "GREENSBOROUGH." The double circle postmarks spell the name "GREENSBORO." The name of the town was actually Greensboro, although originally it was Greensborough.

Count of the Greensboro provisionals

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Covers
5c black	GRE-AL-E01	31XU1	2
5c black with added "PAID 5"	GRE-AL-E01a		1
5c black revalued "10"	GRE-AL-E02a	31XU4	1
10c black	GRE-AL-E03	31XU2	1
10c black	GRE-AL-E04	31XU3	1

Notes

The Greensboro Pretender

Occasionally the cover illustrated below is put forward as a provisional with general issues used over it. This is not correct. The "10" marking is not a recorded marking used by Greensboro during the Confederate period. Further no circled marking is known from Greensboro during the Confederate period.



Mini Census of Greensboro, Alabama, Provisionals

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
5c black -- GRE-AL-E01 (31XU1)				
8 Aug [1861]	Mr E. L. Stickney, / Marion, / Alabama.	UC	UR	001
12 Aug [1861]	Mr Edward L. Stickney, / Marion, / Ala.	UL	UR	006
5c black, with added "PAID 5" -- GRE-AL-E01a				
17 Aug [186-]	M A. Myatt Esqr / Marion / Ala.	UL	UR	003
5c black, revalued "10" -- GRE-AL-E02a				
18 Dec [1861]	Hon. Alex. H. Stephens / Vice President S Confederacy / Richmond / Virginia	CL-LL	UR	005
10c black -- GRE-AL-E03 (31XU2)				
26 Sep [186-]	Mrs. Arthur F. Hopkins / Richmond / Va.	UL	UR	004
10c black -- GRE-AL-E04 (31XU3)				
30 Mar]186-]	Mrs. H. H. Patton / Asheville / N. Carolina	UL	UR	002

Full Census of Greensboro, Alabama, Provisionals

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5c black -- GRE-AL-E01 (31XU1)

8 Aug [1861]

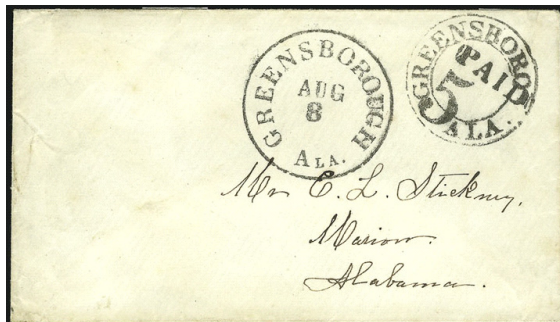
Description: Black "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mr E. L. Stickney, / Marion, / Alabama.

Provenance: Brooks, Hall, Agre.

Source: L&S-24Apr1943(123)-65; RAS-17Dec2001(840)-60*; RAS-25Sep2002(850)-5704*. [001]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



12 Aug [1861]

Description: Black "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark UL, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mr Edward L. Stickney, / Marion, / Ala.

Provenance: Erivan.

Source: HRH-10Dec2020(3039)-68*. [006]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



5c black, with added "PAID 5" -- GRE-AL-E01a

17 Aug [186-]

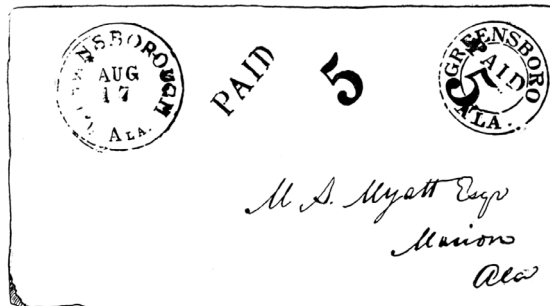
Description: "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark UL, provisional marking UR. This cover was lost in the mails in 1899. It is not known if it was recovered.

Address: M A. Myatt Esqr / Marion / Ala.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: VIPH-Jul1900(3:11)-190. [003]

Image Credit: Virginia Philatelist (journal).



5c black, revalued "10" -- GRE-AL-E02a

18 Dec [1861]

Description: "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark CL-LL, provisional marking UR.

Address: Hon. Alex. H. Stephens / Vice President S Confederacy / Richmond / Virginia

Provenance: Kimmel, Brandon.

Source: RAS-18May1976(492)-591, RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-254*. [005]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



10c black -- GRE-AL-E03 (31XU2)

26 Sep [186-]

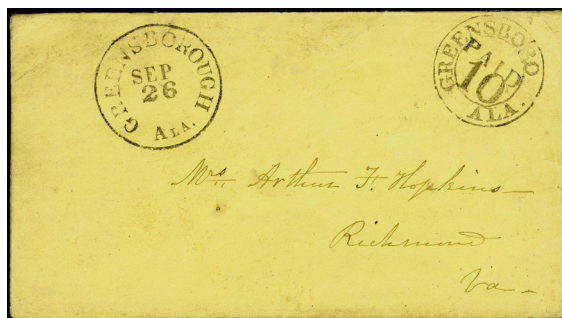
Description: Black "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark UL, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mrs. Arthur F. Hopkins / Richmond / Va.

Provenance: Brooks, Carnahan, Erivan.

Source: PF-297474*; L&S-24Apr1943(123)-66; SPB-9Mar1978(4091)-2047; HRH-10Dec2020(3039-4)-69*. [004]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



10c black -- GRE-AL-E04 (31XU3)

30 Mar [186-]

Description: Black "GREENSBOROUGH / ALA." postmark UL, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mrs. H. H. Patton / Asheville / N. Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-14Jun1990(68)-128*; RAS-27Apr1999(810)-1898; RAS-18May2002(846)-2462*. [002]

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