

Census of 2c Mobile, Alabama, Postmaster's Provisionals

Compiled by Francis J. Crown, Jr.

Description



MOB-AL-A01

The 2-cent black Mobile Provisional

The 2-cent Mobile provisional was lithographed on white wove paper. The number of subjects on the printing stone is unknown. For more information see Reference in Notes.

NOTE: The inclusion of an item in this census is not a guarantee of authenticity.

Count of the 2-cent black Mobile provisionals

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Covers
5c black	MOB-AL-A01	58X1	30
5c black, multiple singles	MOB-AL-A01x	58X1	3
5c black, pairs	MOB-AL-A01a	58X1	3

Notes

Fakes

There are several fakes of the 2-cent Baton Rouge provisional. Most are crude reproductions marked by the lack of detail. Two are illustrated below.



Genuine



Fake



Fake

Reference

Van Koppersmith, "Mobile, Alabama C. S. A. Provisional Stamps," e *Collectors Club Philatelist* 84:5 (September-October 2005): 269-278.

Mini Census of 2c Mobile, Alabama, Provisionals

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
2c black -- MOB-AL-A01 (58X1)				
10 Aug 1861	J P Parham / Knoxville / Ala	UR	UR	003
11 Aug 1861	Col A. P. Calhoun / Pendleton / S. C.	UR	UR	005
11 Aug 1861	J S. Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala	UR	UR	021
11 Aug 1861	R. B. Waller Esq / Greensboro / Ala	UR	UR	023
13 Aug 1861	Gaius Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala	UR	UR	017
30 Aug 1861	Sereno Watson Esq / Greenesborough / Ala	UR	UR	006
1 Sep 1861	J M Alexander Esq / McKinley / Ala	UR	UR	008
1 Sep 1861	Mr G. Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala	UR	UR	022
1 Sep 1861	Mr Gaius Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala	UR	UR	032
1 Sep 1861	Zac Critze Esq / Thompson Station / Williamson Co / Tenn	UR	UR	031
14 Sep 1861	Mrs. W. T. Walthall, / Mobile. / Ala.	UR	UR	019
-- Sep 1861	Mr E. S. --- / Portersville / [Ala]	UR	UR	033
1 Oct 1861	Capt D F Holland / Mobile / Ala.	UL	UL	026
1 Oct 1861	Major Thos A Hamilton / Asst Adj Genl 9th Brigade A. M. / Mobile	UR	UR	027
7 Oct 1861	Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala.	UL	UL	024
18 Jan 1862	Messrs F. Stewart & Co / Mobile	UR	UR	011
19 Jan 1862	Mr F Stewart / Mobile	UR	UR	025
14 Feb 1862	Mrs Josephine Key / Care of James Childress Esq / Mobile	UR	UR	028
26 Feb 1862	Miss Henrietta E Rogers / Care Mess Rogers & Pope / Mobile	UL	UL	015
18 Mar 1862	Miss Lillie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile / Ala	UR	UR	036

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
23 Mar 1862	Miss Maggie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile / Ala	UR	UR	001
-- Mar 1862	Dr Matt Clay / Bayo [Bayou] LaBatsa [Labatre] / Mobile [LO] / Ala	UL	UL	029
2 April 1862	Miss Lillie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile, / Ala	UR	UR	035
5 May 1862	Mrs M C Bailiff / Mobile / Ala	CR	CR	004
05 May [1863	Mr Adolph Renaud / Mobile	UR	UR	013
-- Jan [186-]	Miss Anna W. Dorr / Care of S. W. Dorr Esq. / Office Advertiser & Register	UR	UR	014
13 Mar [186-]	Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala	UR	UR	016
12 --- [186-]	Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala	UR	UR	020
Illegible Date	G. H. Kimbrough Esq / Scooba / Miss.	UC-UR	UC-UR	018
Illegible Date	Mr R. P. Waller / Greensboro / Ala.	UL	UL	030

2c black, multiple singles -- MOB-AL-A01x

5 Aug 1861	Miss Misa C Martin, / Rock Mills / Randolph Co / Ala.	UC-UR	UC-UR	002
26 Aug 1861	Mrs John J Walker / Choctaw Agency / Oktibbeeha [Oktibbeha] County / Missi	UC-UR	UC-UR	007
13 Jan 1862	[New Orleans]	UC-UR	UC-UR	010
-- --- 1862	Miss Margaret King / Care of / Jasper Gongalez Esq / Pensacola / Fla	LL	LL	012

2c black, pairs -- MOB-AL-A01b

7 Sep 1861	Gen John J Cocke / Burns Bluff / Fluvannah Co / Va	UR	UR	034
24 Sep 1861	Mrs. M. J. Anderson /Messrs. W. A. Violett & Co / [New Orleans]	UC	UC	009

Full Census of 2c Mobile, Alabama, Provisionals

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2c black -- MOB-AL-A01 (58X1)

10 Aug 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular letter.

Address: J P Parham / Knoxville / Ala

Provenance: Solomon.

Source: PF-541241*; JWK-14Nov1981(78)-61; CG-13Jun2016(34)-842*. [003]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



11 Aug 1861

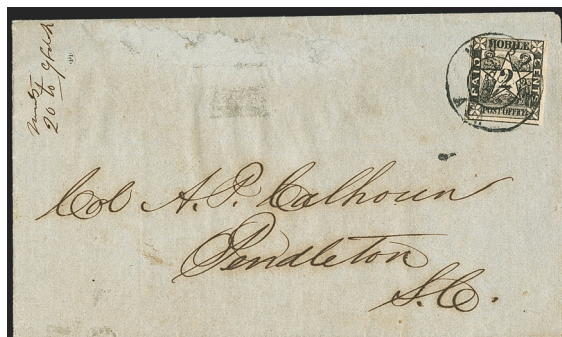
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular with prices current.

Address: Col A. P. Calhoun / Pendleton / S. C.

Provenance: Warren.

Source: PF-542191*; SR-27Apr2013(53)-4249*; RAS-15Dec2016(1146)-1613*. [005]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



11 Aug 1861

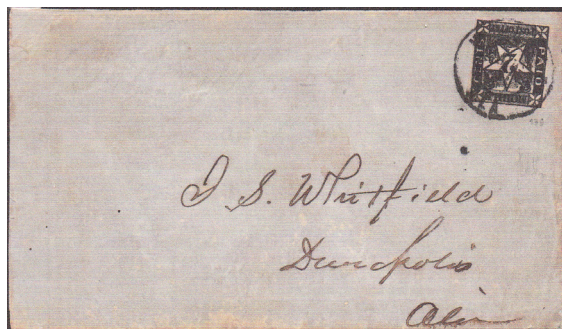
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular letter.

Address: J S. Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala

Provenance: Caspary, Stonewall, Jaretsky.

Source: CWPSX-Jaretsky(Apr2021)-23*; HRH-5Mar1956-257; EMC-15Apr1980(153)-179*. [021]

Image Credit: Edgar Mohrmann & Co Auctions.



11 Aug 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular Letter.

Address: R. B. Waller Esq / Greensboro / Ala

Provenance: Everett, Agre.

Source: RFA-14Dec1893(17)-898; RAS-30Oct1993(754)-155; RAS-25Sep2002(850)-5751*. [023]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



13 Aug 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular letter reduced at right.

Address: Gaius Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala

Provenance: Brooks.

Source: CWPAS-04239*; L&S-24Apr1943(123)-96; RAS-15May2002(845)-895*; RAS-15Dec2020(1230)-1495*. [017]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



30 Aug 1861

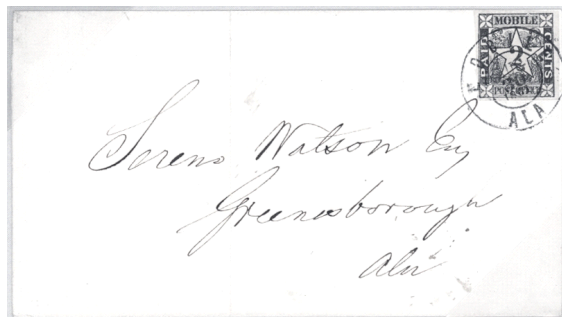
Description: "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Folded wrapper.

Address: Sereno Watson Esq / Greenesborough / Ala

Provenance: Hill, Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-10*; CSX-Hill(Aug1996)-26; RAS-7Jan1965(280)-99; RAS-24Apr1982(596)-41*. [006]

Image Credit: Collection or Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website.



1 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular letter.

Address: J M Alexander Esq / McKinley / Ala

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-05115*; SR-14Dec2017(77)-1160*. [008]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



1 Sep 1861

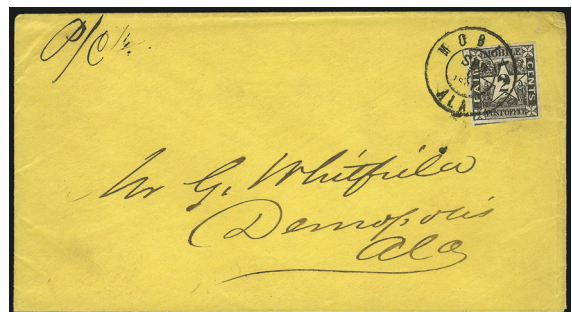
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Circular letter.

Address: Mr G. Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala

Provenance: Caspary, DK.

Source: PF-503938*; HRH-5Mar1956-255; RAS-28Mar2012(1022)-1056*. [022]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



1 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Printed circular.

Address: Mr Gaius Whitfield / Demopolis / Ala

Provenance: Caspary, Kilbourne.

Source: HRH-5Mar1956-256; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-84*. [032]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



1 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Printed circular.

Address: Zac Critze Esq / Thompson Station / Williamson Co / Tenn

Provenance: Hall.

Source: RAS-17Dec2001(840)-76*. [031]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



14 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter.

Address: Mrs. W. T. Walthall, / Mobile. / Ala.

Provenance: Caspary, Kilbourne, Gross.

Source: PF-483000*; HRH-5Mar1956-259; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-83*; SPK-19Nov2009-29*. [019]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



-- Sep 1861

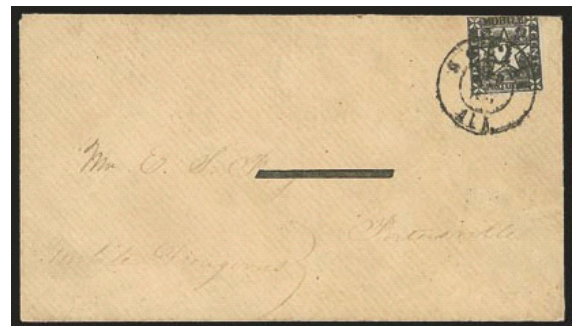
Description: ties provisional UR. Circular letter docketed "Mobile Dragons" at LL-LC.

Address: Mr E. S. --- / Portersville / [Ala]

Provenance: Telep, Dr Green.

Source: JWK-1Dec1987-40*; RAS-12Apr2000(822)-89*. [033]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



1 Oct 1861

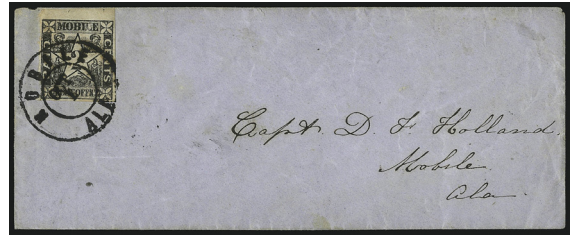
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UL. Drop letter

Address: Capt D F Holland / Mobile / Ala.

Provenance: Weatherly, Brandon.

Source: CS-25May1951(101)-45; RAS-20Oct1972(420)-645; RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-300*. [026]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



1 Oct 1861

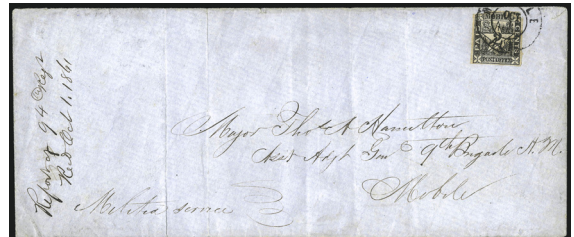
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter docketed "Report 9th Regt / Recd Oct 1, 1861" across left end and "Militia service" at LL.

Address: Major Thos A Hamilton / Asst Adj Genl 9th Brigade A. M. / Mobile

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CRL-14Jun1989-2053*; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2190*. [027]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



7 Oct 1861

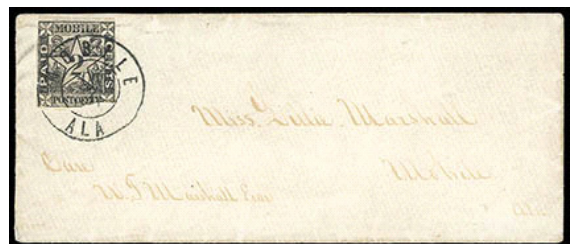
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UL. Drop letter docketed "Care / W. T Marshall Esq" at LL.

Address: Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala.

Provenance: Carnahan.

Source: SPB-9Mar1978(4091)-2072; SR-26Apr2018(78)-2046*. [024]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



18 Jan 1862

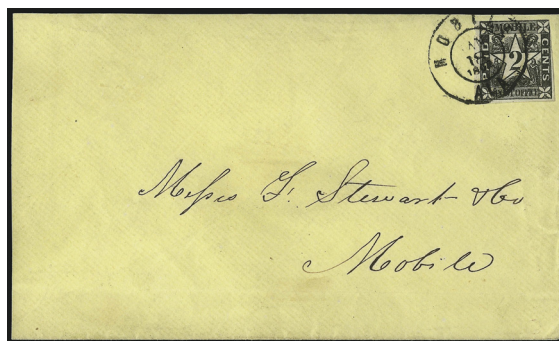
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter.

Address: Messrs F. Stewart & Co / Mobile

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-01610*; PF-529612*; RAS-10Jul1986(668)-494. [011]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



19 Jan 1862

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop printed circular. Stains around stamp have been removed.

Address: Mr F Stewart / Mobile

Provenance: Myerson, Corwin.

Source: CWPAS-01757; AHA-27Jun1998(4)-127*; MB-27Jun2002(249)-1081*; RAS-3Mar2017(1151)-1591*. [025]

Image Credit: Matthew Bennett Auctions.



14 Feb 1862

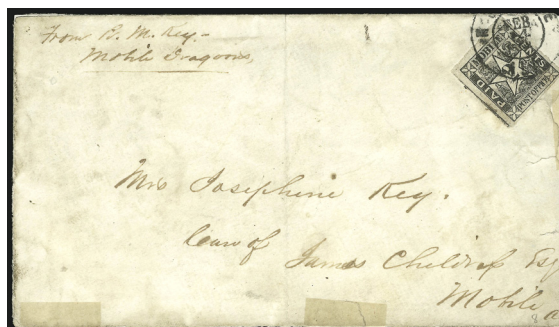
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter docketed "From B. M. Key / Mobile Dragoons" at UL.

Address: Mrs Josephine Key / Care of James Childress Esq / Mobile

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-9Apr1997(787)-3246; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2189*. [028]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



26 Feb 1862

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UL. Drop letter.

Address: Miss Henrietta E Rogers / Care Mess Rogers & Pope / Mobile

Provenance: Moody, Nunnelley, Clovis.

Source: CWPAS-04229*; HRH-27Nov1950(621)-75; RAS-28Oct1997(795)-393; RAS-25Sep2019(1208)-120*. [015]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



18 Mar 1862

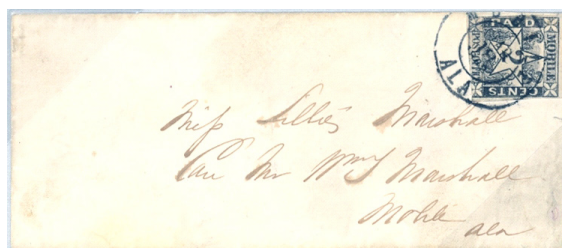
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark UR. provisional tied by UR. Small ladies' drop letter.

Address: Miss Lillie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile / Ala

Provenance: Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-9*; RGK-14Sep1990(69)-140*. [036]

Image Credit: Collection or Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website.



23 Mar 1862

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter.

Address: Miss Maggie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile / Ala

Provenance: Walcott, DK.

Source: RL-23May1935-126; RAS-15Dec2016(1146)-1612*; RAS-28Mar2012(1022)-1057*. [001]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



-- Mar 1862

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UL. Drop letter forwarded from Brookville, Mississippi with "PAID / 5" marking. Docketed "Charge box 10" at UL, "Private in Mobile Dragoons" at UR, and "Care of Hamilton & Bush" LL-LC.

Address: Dr Matt Clay / Bayo [Bayou] LaBatsa [Labatre] / Mobile [LO] / Ala

Provenance: Walcott.

Source: RL-23May1935-125; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2188*. [029]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



2 April 1862

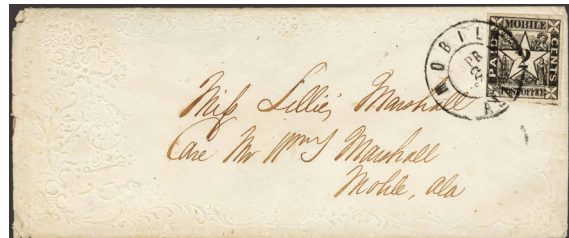
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter.

Address: Miss Lillie Marshall / Care Mr Wm T Marshall / Mobile, / Ala

Provenance: Caspary, Hill, Erivan.

Source: HRH-5Mar1956-258; HRH-2Apr1964(1555)-925; HRH-24Jun2021(3040-5)-73*. [035]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



5 May 1862

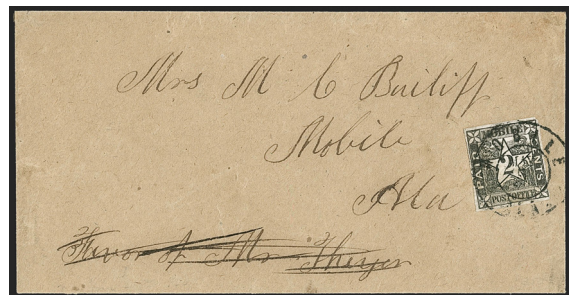
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional CR. Drop Letter. "Favor of" docket at LL-LC lined out.

Address: Mrs M C Bailiff / Mobile / Ala

Provenance: Everett, Clovis.

Source: CWPAS-04228*; RAS-30Oct1993(754)-156; RAS-25Sep2019(1208)-121*. [004]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service .



05 May [1863]

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Small fancy ladies drop letter.

Address: Mr Adolph Renaud / Mobile

Provenance: Brooks, Old Oak, Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-16*; L&S-24Apr1943(123)-95; RAS-24Apr1982(596)-42*; RAS-25May1983(619)-26; RGK-14Sep1990(69)-141*. [013]

Image Credit: Collection or Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website.



-- Jan [186-]

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter.

Address: Miss Anna W. Dorr / Care of S. W. Dorr Esq. / Office Advertiser & Register

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-06041*. [014]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service .



13 Mar [186-]

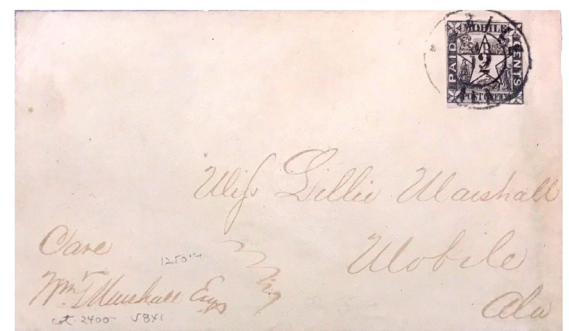
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter docketed "Care / Mr. T Marshall Esq" at LL.

Address: Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala

Provenance: A Hall.

Source: CWPAS-02519; RAS-28Oct1997(795)-395. [016]

Image Credit: Private.



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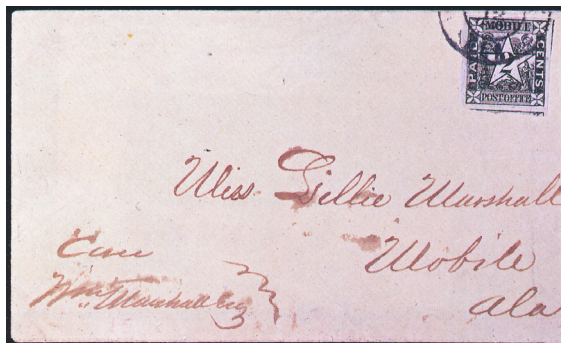
Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UR. Drop letter docketed "Care / Wm. Marshall Esq" at LL-LC

Address: Miss Lillie Marshall / Mobile / Ala

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CRL-14Jun1989-2052*; RAS-1Jul1993(751)-1340; RAS-28Oct1997(795)-394. [020]

Image Credit: Christie's Robson Lowe Auctions.



Illegible Date

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UC-UR. Circular letter

Address: G. H. Kimbrough Esq / Scooba / Miss.

Provenance: Hill, Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-10*; CSX-Hill(Aug1996)-26. [018]

Image Credit: Collection or Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website.



Illegible Date

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisional UL. Circular letter.

Address: Mr R. P. Waller / Greensboro / Ala.

Provenance: Wishnietsky.

Source: RAS-26Feb2014(1064)-79*. [030]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



2c black, multiple singles -- MOB-AL-A01x

5 Aug 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals UC-UR. Three strikes of postmark tie three singles on overpaid letter. Docketed "Mail" at LL-CL.

Address: Miss Misa C Martin, / Rock Mills / Randolph Co / Ala.

Provenance: Hill, Koppersmith.

Source: PF-204692*; CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-12*; CSX-Hill(Aug1996)-25; RAS-4Jun2005(896)-761*. [002]

Image Credit: Collection or Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website.



26 Aug 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals UC-UR. Five singles used to pay 10-cent rate. Right two stamps are a pair almost completely separated.

Address: Mrs John J Walker / Choctaw Agency / Oktibbeha [Oktibbeha] County / Missi

Provenance: Seybold, Caspary, Meroni, Kilbourne, Sharrer, Jaretsky.

Source: COLJ-Jan1909(1:1)-10; CWPSX-Jaretsky(Apr2021)-23*; HRH-5Mar1956-262; JAF-20Mar1961-93; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-82*; RAS-10Dec2012(1035)-47*. [007]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



13 Jan 1862

Description: "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals UC-UR. Two strikes of postmark tie three singles on overpaid folded letter. Three letters of plate imprint on bottom margin of left stamp. Partial image of full cover.

Address: [New Orleans]

Provenance: Everett.

Source: CHR-13Oct1989-1188; RAS-30Oct1993(754)-157. [010]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



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Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals LL. Three strikes of postmark tie three singles on to overpaid letter.

Address: Miss Margaret King / Care of / Jasper Gongalez Esq / Pensacola / Fla

Provenance: Moody, Caspary, Everett, Corwin, Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-11*; HRH-27Nov1950(621)-76; HRH-5Mar1956-261; RAS-30Oct1993(754)-154*; RAS-27Apr1999(810)-1924*; MB-27Jun2002(249)-1082*. [012]

Image Credit: Matthew Bennett Auctions.



2c black, pairs -- MOB-AL-A01b

7 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals UR. Blue folded prices current.

Address: Gen John J Cocke / Burns Bluff / Fluvannah Co / Va

Provenance: Caspary, Kilbourne, Koppersmith.

Source: CWPSX-Koppersmith(Feb2020)-11*; HRH-5Mar1956-260; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-81*. [034]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



24 Sep 1861

Description: Black "MOBILE / ALA" double circle postmark ties provisionals UC. Stamp to right of pair removed.

Address: Mrs. M. J. Anderson /Messrs. W. A. Violett & Co / [New Orleans]

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-02178; RGK-14Sep1990(69)-142*. [009]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions.

