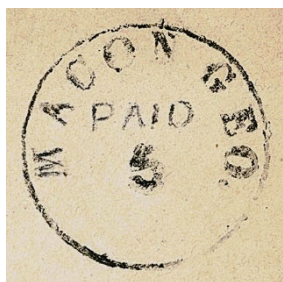


Census of Macon, Georgia, Stampless Postmaster's Provisionals

Compiled by Francis J. Crown, Jr.

Description



MAC-GA-E01



MAC-GA-E02



MAC-GA-E03

Macon Stampless Provisionals

The 5c stampless provisionals were prepared by replacing the date logos in a prewar postmark with "PAID" and "5" markings and handstamping envelopes with the device. The 10c provisionals were prepared by handstamping envelopes with a "PAID / 10" rate marking.

The "PAID / 10" stampless provisional is only considered a provisional when it is postally unused.

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

Count of the 5-cent black Macon stampless provisionals

| Provisional | CSA Cat No | Scott Cat No | Covers |
|---------------------|------------|--------------|--------|
| 5c black (PAID / 5) | MAC-GA-E01 | 53XU1 | 21 |
| 5c black (5 / PAID) | MAC-GA-E02 | 53XU1 | 4 |
| 10c black | MAC-GA-E03 | | 2 |

Notes

Caution

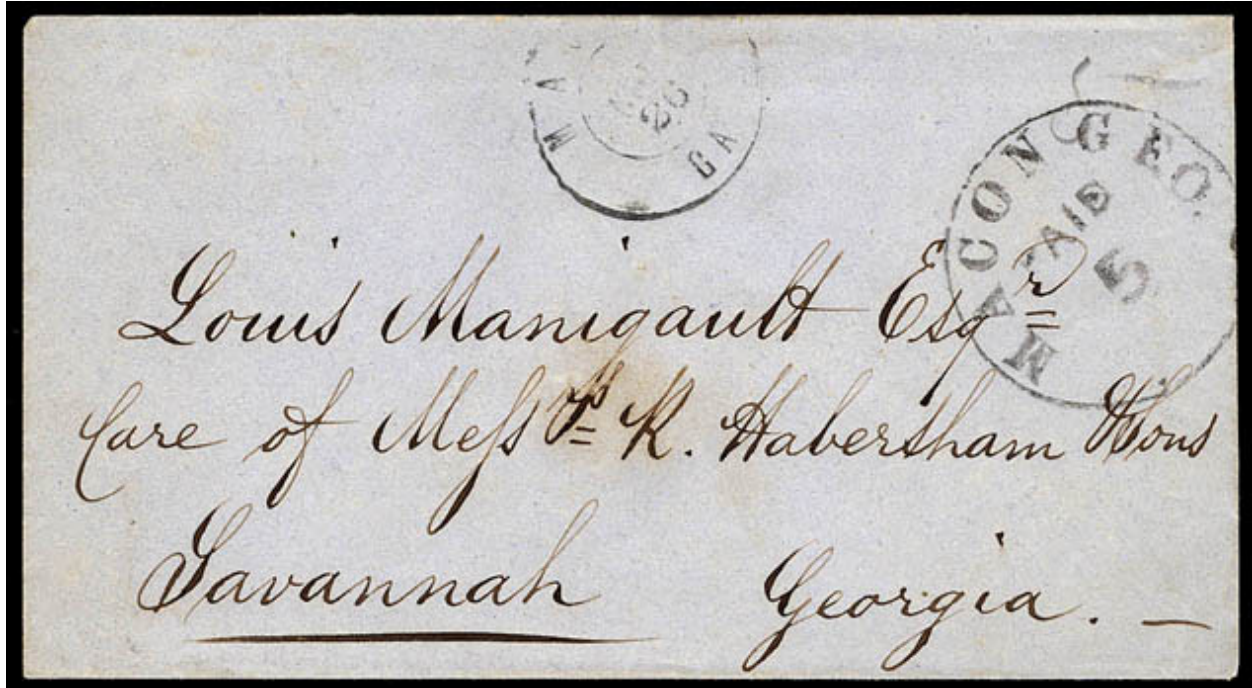
One third of the Macon stampless provisionals have either a penciled "5" or a manuscript paid marking (see example below). The penciled "5" markings (of which there are nine) may be an indication of a clerk writing the rate on the envelope when it was presented for mailing. Later a clerk would apply the appropriate rate marking. This practice was so common in the US stampless period that there was a regulation prohibiting the practice.

The 1847 *Postal Regulations* state:

§ 79. At offices where there is much business, the work of rating and marking should be performed as fast as the letters are received, and not left until the time of closing the mail, when, in the hurry of business, many errors might be committed.

A rate in pencil indicating the rate marking to be applied later is indicative of a stampless use, not a provisional use. However, two thirds of the Macon stampless provisional covers show no such penciled marking. However, some of the penciled markings may have been removed over the years.

This is pointed out so anyone considering purchasing a Macon stampless provisional cover can make an educated decision.



The penciled "5" at upper right is partially struck over by the provisional marking.

Mini Census of Macon, Georgia, Stampless Provisionals

| <u>Pmk Date</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>PmkPos</u> | <u>PrvPos</u> | <u>CN</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| 5c black, PAID / 5 -- MAC-GA-E01 (53XU1) | | | | |
| 16 Aug [1861] | Joseph E. Burch / Augusta / Ga | UL | CR | 001 |
| 26 Sep [1861] | Col. David J Bailey / Griffin / Ga. | UR | UC | 002 |
| 19 Oct [1861] | Messrs McWilliams & Ro[berts] /Griffin / Ga | UC | UR | 003 |
| 27 Oct [1861] | Mess McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Geo | UC | UR | 004 |
| 7 Nov [1861] | Messrs McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga | UC | UR | 005 |
| 7 Nov [1861] | Mrs Dr. Gamble / Tallahassee / Florida | CTR | UR | 006 |
| 12 Nov [1861] | Messrs McWilliams / & Roberts / Griffin / Ga | UR | UR | 008 |
| 18 Nov [1861] | Mr J A Ansley / Augusta /Ga | UC | CR | 009 |
| 19 Nov [1861] | John Chapman Esqr / Jeffersonville / Twiggs County / Georgia | UC-UR | UR | 010 |
| 21 Nov [1861] | Mrs Peter. J Williams / Milledgeville / Geo | UC | UR | 011 |
| 23 Nov [1861] | Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah Georgia | CTR | UR | 019 |
| 26 Nov [1861] | Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah Georgia | UC | UR | 015 |
| 31 Nov [1861] | Mrs / Judieth Maye / Houghton Co / Hayneville Ga | CTR | UR | 007 |
| 3 Dec [1861] | Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah / Georgia | UR | UC | 012 |
| 3 Dec [1861] | Mrs Howell Cobb / Athens / Georgia | UC | UR | 016 |
| 5 Dec [186-] | Rev J L Brooks / Hamburg / South Carolina | UC | UR | 018 |
| 2 --- [186-] | Rev J. L. Brooks / Hamburg / South Carolina | UC | UR | 020 |
| 12 --- [186-] | McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga | UL | LL | 022 |
| 17 --- [186-] | William H. Baldy Esqr. / Starkville / Ga. | UC | UR | 023 |
| 1- --- [186-] | Mess McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Geo. | UC | UR | 024 |
| -- --- [186-] | Mrs Howell Cobb / Athens / Georgia | UC | UR | 021 |

| <u>Pmk Date</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>PmkPos</u> | <u>PrvPos</u> | <u>CN</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| 5c black, 5 / PAID -- MAC-GA-E02 (53XU1) | | | | |
| 29 Oct [1861] | Hon Edward J. Harden / Savannah / Geo | UC | UR | 025 |
| 30 Oct [1861] | Messrs McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga | UC | UR | 026 |
| -4 --- [186-] | Wm. H B Prater Esqr / Knoxville [LO] / Tenn [LO] / Atlanta, Ga | UC | UR | 013 |
| 10 --- [186-] | Mr. J. M. C. Robertson / Greenville / Ga | UL | UR | 027 |
| 10c black -- MAC-GA-E03 | | | | |
| No Postmark | Mrs John A. Cobb / Americus / Ga | | UR | 014 |
| No Postmark | Mrs Wm M Blanton / Griffin / Ga | | UR | 017 |

Full Census of Macon, Georgia, Stampless Provisionals

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5c black, PAID / 5 -- MAC-GA-E01 (53XU1)

16 Aug [1861]

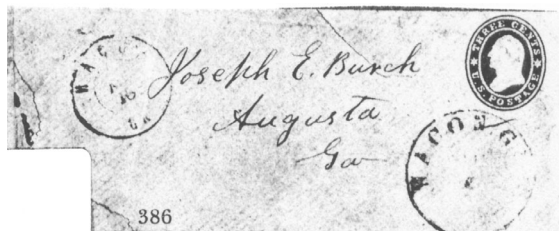
Description: "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UL, provisional marking CR. US 3c star die envelope.

Address: Joseph E. Burch / Augusta / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-10Jul1996(779)-386. [001]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



26 Sep [1861]

Description: "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UR, provisional marking UC.

Address: Col. David J Bailey / Griffin / Ga.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-10Dec1990(71)-816*. [002]

Image Credit: Private.



19 Oct [1861]

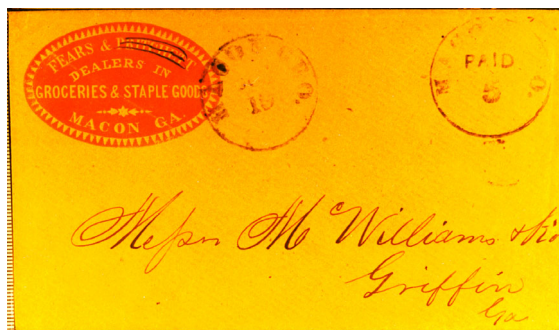
Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Red corner care of Fears, Groceries & Staple Goods, Macon, Ga., at UL. Cover reduced at right.

Address: Messrs McWilliams & Ro[berts] /Griffin / Ga

Provenance: Hill.

Source: CWPAS- 02456*; Hill CSEX (Aug1996)-54. [003]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service.



27 Oct [1861]

Description: "MACON GEO" postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mess McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Geo

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: JWK-20Aug1983(97)-115; RAS-29Feb1984(629)-217. [004]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



7 Nov [1861]

Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Green corner card of Fears, Groceries & Staple Goods, Macon, Ga., at UL.

Address: Messrs McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga

Provenance: Brandon.

Source: PF-538410*; RAS-17May1979(546)-582; RAS-22Jun2016(1132)-3138*; RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-286*. [005]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



7 Nov [1861]

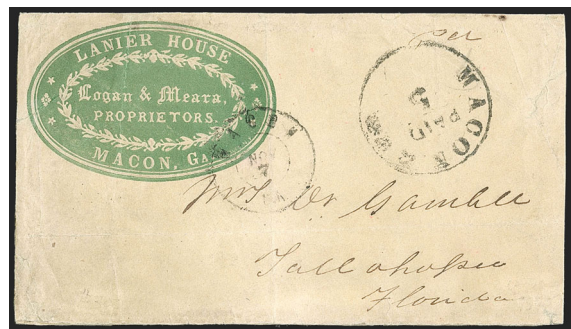
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark CTR, provisional marking UR. Green corner card of Lanier House, Macon, Ga., at UL. Manuscript "pd" above provisional marking.

Address: Mrs Dr. Gamble / Tallahassee / Florida

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-14Sep1990(69)-135*; RAS-25Oct2018(1191)-2410. [006]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



12 Nov [1861]

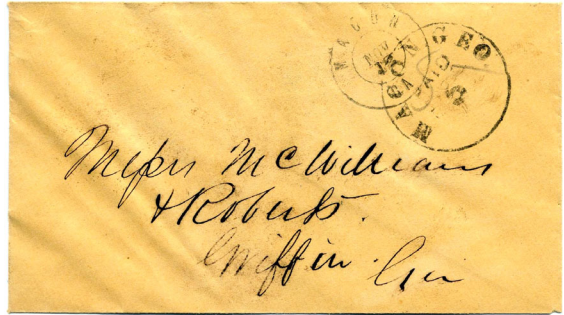
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UR, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" under provisional marking.

Address: Messrs McWilliams / & Roberts / Griffin / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: APB-17Oct1981-407. [008]

Image Credit: Private.



18 Nov [1861]

Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking CR. Folded letter. Manuscript "Paid 5c" at UR and penciled "5" to UL of provisional marking.

Address: Mr J A Ansley / Augusta /Ga

Provenance: Baker, Kaplan.

Source: RGK-18Feb1982(20)-1187; DF-14May2010-10213*. [009]

Image Credit: David Feldman Auctions.



19 Nov [1861]

Description: "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC-UR, provisional marking UR. Soldier's endorsement at LL and politeness of endorserment at UL.

Address: John Chapman Esqr / Jeffersonville / Twiggs County / Georgia

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: JWK-28 Aug 1980(66)-1251; RGK-9Sep1989(60)-1730*. [010]

Image Credit: John W Kaufmann Auctions.



21 Nov [1861]

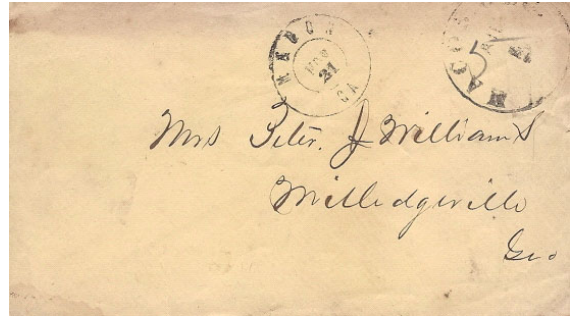
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" under provisional marking.

Address: Mrs Peter. J Williams / Milledgeville / Geo

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private collection. [011]

Image Credit: Private.



23 Nov [1861]

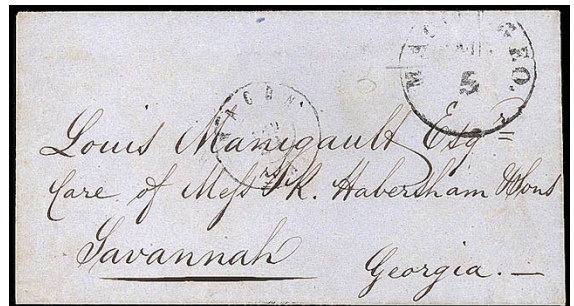
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark CTR, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" to left of provisional marking.

Address: Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah Georgia

Provenance: Atlanta.

Source: JWK-12Jun1981(72)-55*. [019]

Image Credit: John W Kaufmann Auctions.



26 Nov [1861]

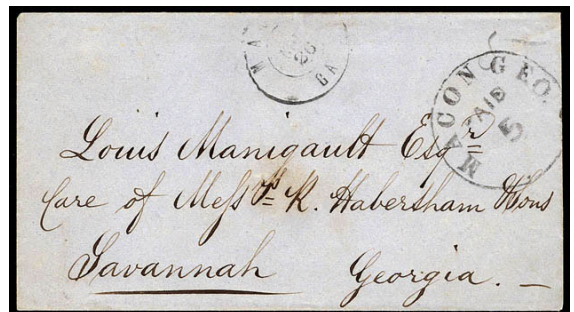
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" at top of provisional marking.

Address: Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah Georgia

Provenance: Ballard.

Source: SR-25Apr2009(34)-2670*. [015]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



31 Nov [1861]

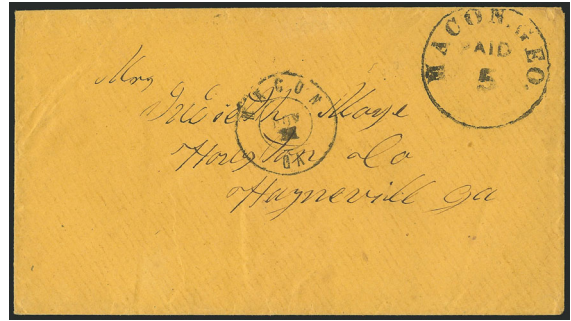
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark CTR, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mrs / Judieth Maye / Houghton Co / Hayneville Ga

Provenance: Wishnietsky.

Source: RAS-26Feb2014(1064)-71*. [007]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



3 Dec [1861]

Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UR, provisional marking UC. Penciled "5" under provisional marking at left.

Address: Louis Manigault Esqr / Care of Messrs R. Habersham & Sons / Savannah / Georgia

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-02084*; RGK-3Mar1990(64)-110*; RAS-22Jun2016(1132)-3139*. [012]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



3 Dec [1861]

Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mrs Howell Cobb / Athens / Georgia

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-05305*; RAS-9Apr1997(787)-3234. [016]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service.



5 Dec [186-]

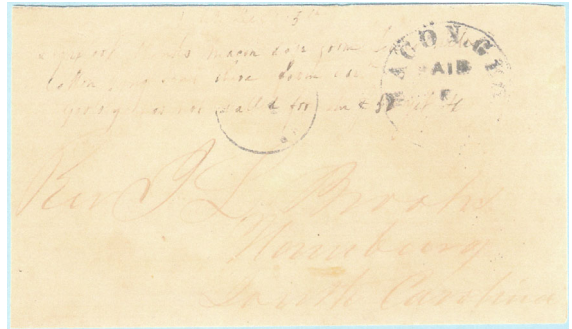
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Weak notation across top.

Address: Rev J L Brooks / Hamburg / South Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private collection. [018]

Image Credit: Private.



2 --- [186-]

Description: "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: Rev J. L. Brooks / Hamburg / South Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-12Jun1982(22)-46. [020]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions.



12 --- [186-]

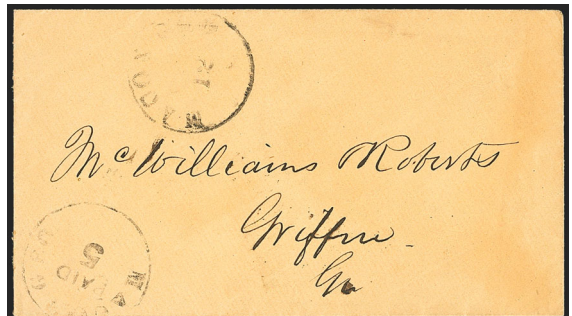
Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UL, provisional marking LL.

Address: McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF- 97540; JWK-10Mar1981(70)-1733; RAS-22Jun2016(1132)-3140*. [022]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



17 --- [186-]

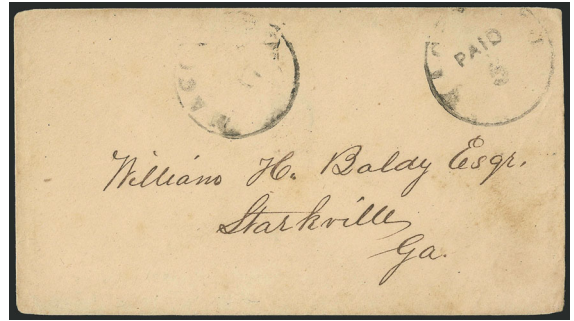
Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: William H. Baldy Esqr. / Starkville / Ga.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2159*. [023]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



1- --- [186-]

Description: "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" under provisional marking

Address: Mess McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Geo.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private collection. [024]

Image Credit: Private.



-- --- [186-]

Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UC, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mrs Howell Cobb / Athens / Georgia

Provenance: Atlanta, Carnahan.

Source: JWK-3Jun1978(44)-2498; JWK-12Jun1981(72)-57; SPB-9Mar1978-2068. [021]

Image Credit: Private.



5c black, 5 / PAID -- MAC-GA-E02 (53XU1)

29 Oct [1861]

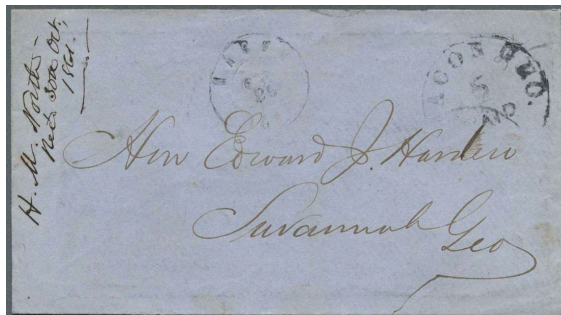
Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" under provisional marking. Docketed "H. M. North / Recd 30th Oct. /1861" across left end.

Address: Hon Edward J. Harden / Savannah / Geo

Provenance: None recorded..

Source: DFK-22Mar1983(560)-1467.. [025]

Image Credit: Private.



30 Oct [1861]

Description: Black "MACON / GA" double circle postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Penciled "5" below provisional marking. Red corner card of Fears, Groceries & Staple Goods, Macon, Ga., at UL.

Address: Messrs McWilliams & Roberts / Griffin / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-01174*; JWK-27Nov1979(59)-219. [026]

Image Credit: Private.



-4 --- [186-]

Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UC, provisional marking UR. Patriotic flag envelope (CSA Type F11-10B) at UL.

Address: Wm. H B Prater Esqr / Knoxville [LO] / Tenn [LO] / Atlanta, Ga

Provenance: Everett, Kilbourne.

Source: RAS-30Oct1993(754)-148*; RAS-18May2002(846)-2466*; RAS-24Oct2018(1190)-1505*. [013]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



10 --- [186-]

Description: Black "MACON GEO" postmark UL, provisional marking UR.

Address: Mr. J. M. C. Robertson / Greenville / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-5Sep1985(41)-423; RGK-10Dec1990(71)-818*. [027]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions.



10c black -- MAC-GA-E03

No Postmark

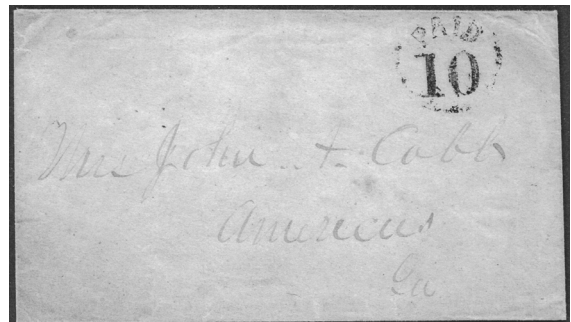
Description: Provisional marking UR. Carried outside the mail.

Address: Mrs John A. Cobb / Americus / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private collection. [014]

Image Credit: Private.



No Postmark

Description: Provisional marking UR. Notation "By / Tom" at LL.

Address: Mrs Wm M Blanton / Griffin / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-02954*. [017]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service.

