

Census of Tellico Plains, Tennessee, Confederate Postmasters' Provisionals

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Description



Setting A
TEL-TN-A01

Setting B
TEL-TN-A01a

Setting C
TEL-TN-A02

Tellico Plains Provisionals

The Tellico Plains provisionals were prepared as three typeset settings placed in a form to make a plate from which they were printed in sheetlets of three subjects. According to the write up for lot 2275 in Siegel Sale 1104 (24 June 2015) they were printed by Hawes Lea in Knoxville, Tennessee.

The same settings used to make the Rheatown, Tennessee provisionals were used to make the Tellico Plains provisionals by changing the name of the post office and the postmaster. When preparing the printing form, settings A & C were reversed from that found on the Rheatown provisionals.

All recorded pairs are 5-cents + 10-cents (setting B + C).

The settings are:

Setting A (Position 1) – “PAID / 5.” There is a period after “JOHNSON.” The border piece above the “D” of “PAID” is missing the bottom curved line.

Setting B (Position 2) – “PAID / 5.” There is a comma after “JOHNSON.” The inside border piece to the left of “P” in “PAID” is inverted.

Setting C (Position 3) – “PAID /10.” There is a comma after “JOHNSON.” The outside border piece to the right of “D” in “PAID” is missing the curved line on the right side.

All recorded pairs are 5-cents + 10-cents (setting B + C). No 5-cents + 5-cents pairs (setting A + B) have been recorded.

The mini census contains only provisionals on cover. I was not useful to include the used and unused examples in the mini census.

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

Count of the Tellico Plains provisionals

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Unused	Used	Covers	Total
5c red, with period	TEL-TN-A01	81X1	11		1	12
5c red, with comma	TEL-TN-A01a	81X1	8	1		9
10c red	TEL-TN-A02	81X2	8			8
5c + 10 red	TEL-TN-A02a	81X2a	7			7
5c + 5c + 10c	TEL-TN-A03	81X3	9			9

Notes

Problems Compiling a Census of Stamps

It is difficult to compile a census of provisional stamps when there are a large number of them. This is even more difficult when the stamps were printed in sheets or sheetlets. This is the case with the Tellico Plains provisionals.

The Tellico Plains provisionals were printed in sheetlets of three. Over the years some of these have been cut to make individual stamps of the 5-cent and 10-cent denomination or pairs of the 5-cent and 10-cent stamps.

Every effort has been made to determine if any of the sheetlets recorded in this census have been cut into individual stamps or pairs of stamps or if margins were trimmed. The only sheetlet identified as being cut is illustrated below. Two of the individual stamps cut from the sheetlet are also illustrated below. These can be identified by the strains in the lower right corner of each. The third stamp was not located.



Source: PF-43563 and
LSA-5Mar1945(135)-787 (Col
Green

The Sheetlet was cut sometime prior to 10 July 1996 when the single CN-32 was sold in Siegel Sale 779, lot 409.

The uncut sheetlet is not listed in the census. The two 5c stamps are. The 10c is not in the census because it has not been found in an auction or collection.



CN-007



CN-032

Mini Census of Tellico Plains, Tennessee, Provisionals

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
5c red on white, period after "JOHNSON," cover -- TEL-TN-A01 (81X1)				
10 Dec 1861	Mr. G McAdoo / Clerk Confederate Court / Knoxville /Tenn	UR	UR	029

Full Census of Tellico Plains, Tennessee, Provisionals

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5c red on white, period after "JOHNSON," unused -- TEL-TN-A01 (81X1)

Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Fekete.

Source: RAS-21Oct2014(1082)-593*. [028]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Walcott, Meroni.

Source: RL-23May1935-184A; JAF-20Mar1961(258)-198.
[043]

Image Credit: John A Fox Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Mueller, Boshwit.

Source: PF-56287; BWB-14May1976(31)-138; RAS-
27Sep2007(940)-363*; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-
2288*. [020]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-43563; RAS-22Oct2019(1209)-1402*. [007]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hessel, Brandon.

Source: HRH-21Oct1975(2291)-300; RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-342*; RAS-22May2018(1182)-280*. [018]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hill, Erivan.

Source: CSX-Hill(Aug1996)-127; RAS-5May1995(766A)-1522; HRH-10Dec2019(3030)-87*. [017]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-212286*; CRL-14Jun1989-2074. [030]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: DFK-15Nov2022(777)-1221&. [045]

Image Credit: Daniel F Kelleher Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-93477; JWK-17Jun1972(6)-525; RAS-22Jun2016(1132)-3201*. [019]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-314124*. [031]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: HA-17Sep2016-43787*. [044]

Image Credit: Heritage Auctions.



5c red on white, period after "JOHNSON," cover -- TEL-TN-A01 (81X1)

10 Dec 1861

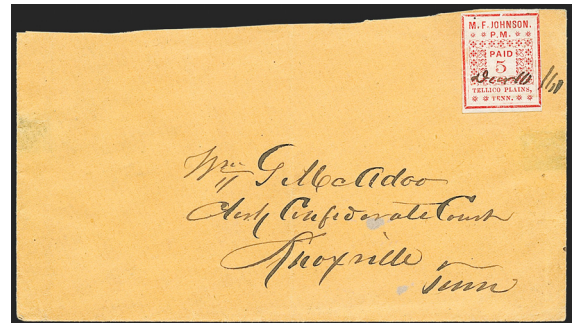
Description: Manuscript date ties provisional UR.

Address: Mr. G McAdoo / Clerk Confederate Court / Knoxville /Tenn

Provenance: Hind, Everett, Kilbourne, Gross, Przybyl.

Source: PKA-20Nov1933(1)-1590[177]; RAS-30Oct1993(754)-187*; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-149*; SPK-19Nov2009-40*; RAS-9Sep2020(1225)-133*; RAS-9Nov2021(1244)-549*. [029]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



5c red on white, comma after "JOHNSON," unused -- TEL-TN-A01a (81X1)

Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hill.

Source: CWPAS-04833*; HRH-2Apr1964(1555)-969; HRH-15Feb2007(2970)-4186*; RAS-18Apr2013(1043)-2090*. [012]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



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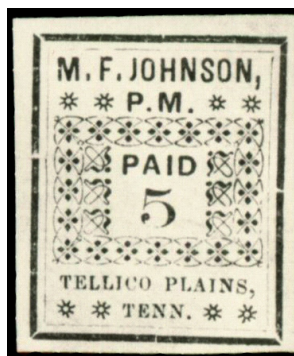
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Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-12614; SPB-16Apr1979(S-32)-1066. [033]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-02721*; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2289*. [035]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-10Jul1996(779)-409. [032]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2288*. [034]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hind.

Source: PF-11137; PKA-20Nov1933(1)-1587[174]; RAS-18Apr2013(1043)-2091*; HSA-20Aug2015(106)-2257*. [015]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-00250; PF-117061. [016]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-325703*; HRH-17Mar1998(2916)-727. [013]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



5c red on white, comma after "JOHNSON," used -- TEL-TN-A01a (81X1)

12 Dec [1861]

Description: Provisional cancelled by manuscript date.

Address: NA

Provenance: Kirkman.

Source: PF-10054; HRH-1Mar1962(1423)-963. [014]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



10c red on white, unused -- TEL-TN-A02 (81X2)

Unused

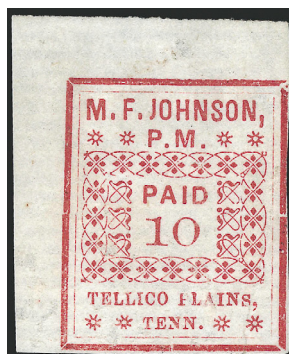
Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Boshwit.

Source: RAS-27Sep2007(940)-363*; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2288*. [037]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-05418*; RAS-13Dec2010(1002)-4121*. [039]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary, Hind, Hill, Erivan.

Source: PF-11138; GIL-14Jun1922(98-4)-97; PKA-20Nov1933(1)-1588[175]; CSX-Hill(Aug1996)-127; HRH-10Dec2019(3030)-88*. [011]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: Walcott.

Source: RL-23May1935-184B. [038]

Image Credit: Robert Laurence Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-02824*; RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2290*. [040]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



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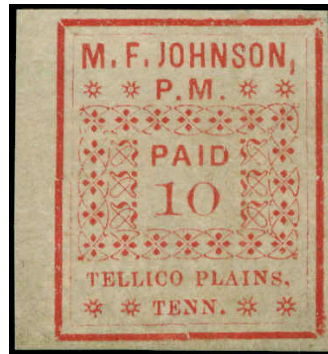
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Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-559407*. [010]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



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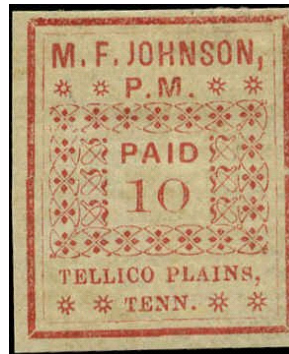
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Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-501973*. [009]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-19063. [036]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



5c + 10c red on white, unused -- TEL-TN-A02a (81X2)

Unused

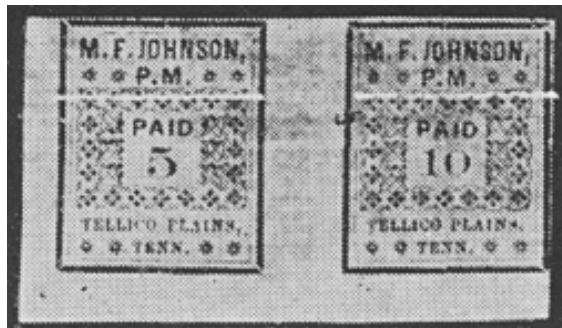
Description: Unused provisional pair.

Address: NA

Provenance: Walcott, Wickersham.

Source: RL-23May1935-184C; RL-14May1940(47)-123.
[025]

Image Credit: Robert Laurence Auctions.



Unused

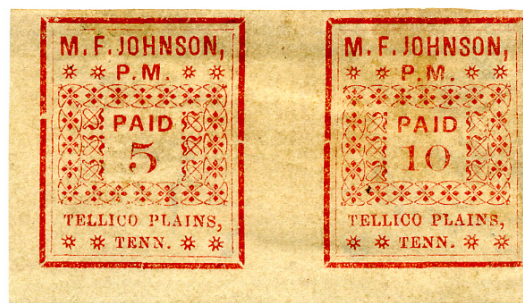
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Provenance: Hughes.

Source: CWPAS-05112*; SR-22Apr2010(37)-1424*. [024]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



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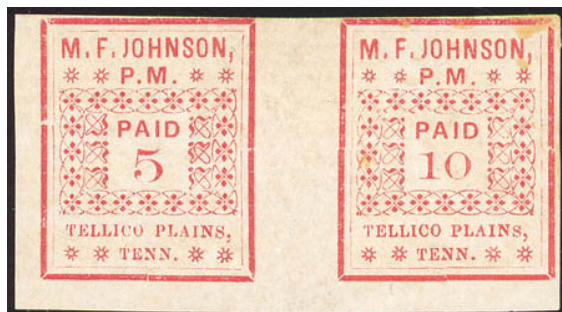
Description: Unused provisional pair.

Address: NA

Provenance: Caspary, Beverly Hills.

Source: HRH-5Mar1956(989)-463; RAS-23Apr1983(618)-
383*; JWK-20Feb1986-63; SR-1Jun2016(68)-
496*. [003]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional pair.

Address: NA

Provenance: Meroni.

Source: PF-168552*; JAF-20Mar1961(258)-197. [002]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional pair. Margin touches border at UR.

Address: NA

Provenance: West Haven, Jaretsky.

Source: CWPAS-04944*; PF-442487*; CWPSX-Jaretsky(Apr2021)-41*; CHY-4Oct2006-452*; RAS-16Jun2007(937)-366*. [001]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



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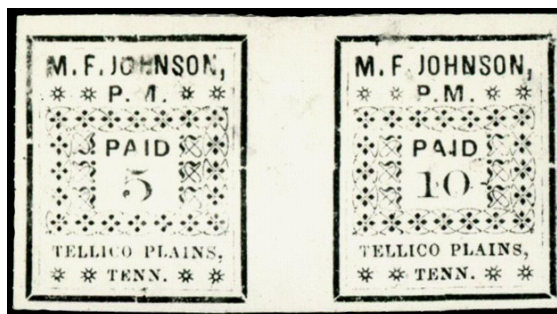
Description: Unused provisional pair.

Address: NA

Provenance: Non recorded.

Source: PF-39227; JWK-17Jun1972(6)-526. [023]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisional pair.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: JAF-16Oct1956; RAS-22Jun2016(1132)-3217*. [026]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



5c + 5c + 10c red on white, unused -- TEL-TN-A03

Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary, Kilbourne.

Source: PF-351111*; GIL-14Jun1922(98-4)-99; RAS-28Sep1999(815)-148*. [005]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary.

Source: PF-219210*; GIL-24Nov1925(123-14)-178; CHR-13Oct1989-1314. [006]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation.



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Brooks.

Source: LSA-24Apr1943(123)-153. [021]

Image Credit: Laurence & Stryker Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Hind.

Source: PKA-20Nov1933(1)-1589[176]. [022]

Image Credit: Phillips and Kennett Auctions.



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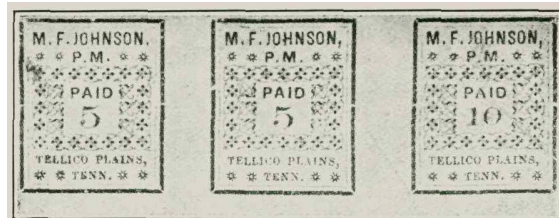
Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PHJA-Jun1913(23:12)-395. [027]

Image Credit: Philatelic Journal of America (journal).



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet. Margin cuts into border at LL.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary, Boshwit, Warren.

Source: GIL-14Jun1922(98-4)-98; RAS-13Apr2000(823)-434*; RAS-27Sep2007(940)-362*; SR-27Apr2013(53)-4297*; SR-10Mar2014(55)-2287*. [004]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet. Margins cut into border at top, left and right.

Address: NA

Provenance: Kirkman.

Source: PF-40006; JAF-1Jun1954(117)-67; JAF-11Jun1957(169)-127; HRH-1Mar1962(1423)-964; JWK-4Dec1982(89)-159*. [008]

Image Credit: H R Harmer Auctions.



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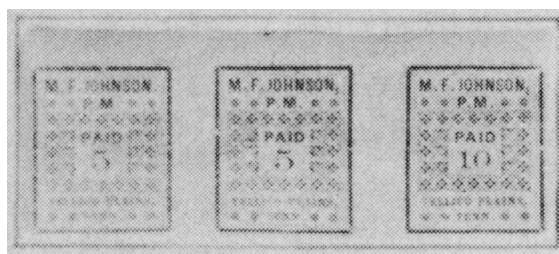
Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Tapling.

Source: APCB-1960(26)-126. [041]

Image Credit: American Philatelic Congress Book.



Unused

Description: Unused provisionals sheetlet.

Address: NA

Provenance: Tapling.

Source: APCB-1960(26)-126. [042]

Image Credit: American Philatelic Congress Book.

