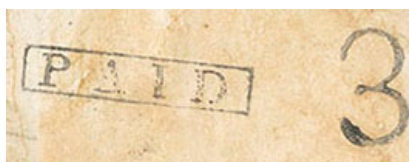


Census of Darlington C. H., SC, Provisionals

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Description



A-DAR-SC-E0x

The Darlington C. H. Provisional

The Darlington provisionals were prepared by using the office “PAID” and “3” markings to stamp envelopes.

Provisional E0x was used in the relatively brief period before 1 June 1861, when Darlington was short of stamps. It is considered a provisional only when a Confederate stamp is used over the handstamped markings (see Notes).

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

Count of the Darlington provisionals

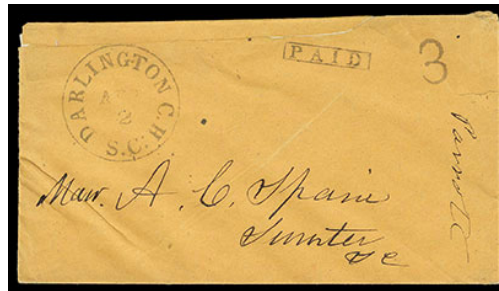
Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Covers
3c black	A-DAR-SC-E0x	8AXU1	1

Notes

The PAID 3 Marking

The Darlington 3c provisional was prepared like the US 3c stampless cover below. In the case of the Darlington provisional the prepaid envelope was never used during the brief period US postage was valid before 1 June 1861,

There is no way to determine if the cover below was prepared in advance of use. It is very doubtful because the month of use is August. US postmasters in the South prepared provisionals only between January and the end of May 1861.



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Mini Census of Darlington C. H., SC, Provisionals

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
After Secession -- 3c black under a postally used CSA stamp -- A-DAR-SC-E0x (8AXU1)				
12 Apr [1861]	Mr. C Bacot Law / Care of Capt F. F. Warley / Lamar's Battalion / Charleston S. C.	UR	UR	001

Full Census of Darlington C. H., SC, Provisionals

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After Secession -- 3c black under a postally used CSA stamp -- A-DAR-SC-E0x (8AXU1)

12 Apr [1861]

Description: Black "DARLINGTON C. H. / S. C." postmark ties pair of 5c Richmond prints over provisional marking UR.

Address: Mr. C Bacot Law / Care of Capt F. F. Warley / Lamar's Battalion / Charleston S. C.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-06189*; SR-14Dec2020(94)-1965*.
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