Census of Talladega, Alabama, Postmaster's Provisionals

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Description



The Talladega Provisional

The Talladega provisional was prepared using the same "I E / PAID" and "10" markings used on stampless covers. The initials are those of the postmaster, Isaac Estell.

There is only one recognized Talladega provisional, the **unused** 10c value. Used examples of the I E / PAID marking with a 5 or 10 value are considered stampless markings. Previously these were listed in this census as pseudo-provisionals. They are now listed in the Stampless Census section.

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

Count of the Talladega provisionals

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Postally Unused Cover
10c black	TAL-AL-E02	143XU2	1

Notes

The Fake Talladega Adhesive Provisional



The fake Talladega provisional was prepared by handstamping pale blue paper with a fake blue impression of the town postmark to which was added a "PAID" and a "5" marking. The marking was then struck a second time with a fake blue impression of the town postmark with a month and date added. All recorded copies are on a piece like the above. For more information on these fakes see Reference below.

Reference

Crown, Francis J., Jr., "The Fake Talladega, Ala., Adhesive Provisionals," *Civil War Philatelist* 67:2 (2nd Qtr 2022): 24-27.

Mini Census of Talladega, Alabama, Provisional Covers

Pmk Date	Address	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>		
10c black unused TAL-AL-EO2 (143XU2)						
No Postmark	Dr William Taylor / Surgeon 7th Ala. Regt. Ala Vol / Bowling Green / Kentucky		UR	001*		

* Indicates a color image.

Full Census of Talladega, Alabama, Provisionals

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10c black unused -- TAL-AL-EO2 (143XU2)

No Postmark

Description:	No postmark. Provisional marking UR. Unused provisional carried outside the mail or never mailed.	
Address:	Dr William Taylor / Surgeon 7th Ala. Regt. Ala Vol / Bowling Green / Kentucky	
Provenance:	None recorded.	
Source:	CWPAS-03272*; RAS-9Jun1998(801)-304; RAS- 15Dec2020(1230)-1509*. [001]	
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