

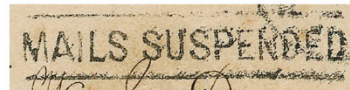
Census of “Mails Suspended” Covers

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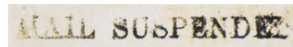
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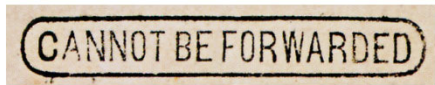
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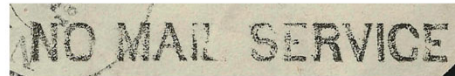
C



D



E



F



G



H

The Mails Suspended Markings

The illustrations above show the “MAILS SUSPENDED” (Type A) marking and those that are accepted as having the same meaning. The two markings labeled G and H are also accepted as Mails Suspended markings. However, they are not US markings, they were applied in Great Britain.

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

Important

Several covers have both the oval “MAILS SUSPENDED” marking and one of the other mail suspended markings. These are listed under both the oval marking and the other marking. The oval markings are listed by a numeric CN number. The other markings are listed with the same CN number as the oval marking with an “A” suffix. This also means the same cover may appear twice in the “Count of Covers” below.

Brackets are used in the listings to indicate information obtained from a text source (auction, journal, book, etc.). Thus, information in brackets may not be correct in all cases. Information without brackets was obtained from an image.

This census includes a listing by backstamp. This is important for studying the source of the different markings and their period of use.

The reports use the following country abbreviations

BA – Bahamas
FR – France
GB – Great Britain
GR – Germany
VC – Victoria (state in Australia)

Count of Covers with “Mails Suspended” markings

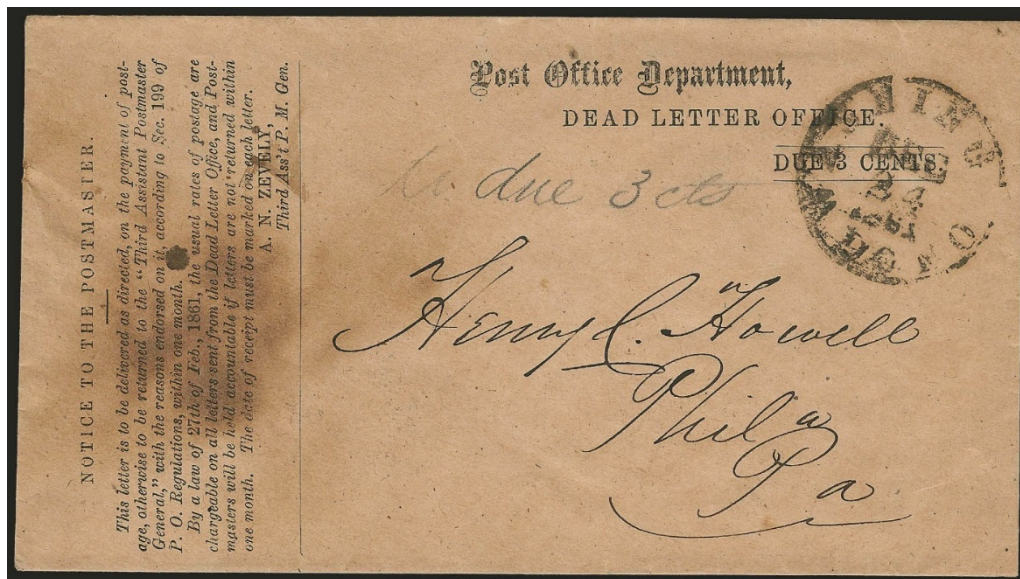
Type	Description	Black	Blue	Red	Unk	Total
A	“MAILS SUSPENDED” (oval)	17	10		3	30
B	“MAILS SUSPENDED (between two lines)	8				8
C	“MAILS SUSPENDED”	1				1
D	“MAILS SUSPENDED” (partially underlined)	1				1
E	“CANNOT BE FORWARDED” (enclosed)	9			2	11
F	“NO MAIL SERVICE”	1				1
G	“SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . .”			4	2	6
H	“SENT-BACK-TO-ENGLAND . . .” (boxed)			5	3	8

Notes

Dead Letter Office Cover Envelopes

Letters addressed to points in the Confederacy that were not under Federal control were sent to the Dead Letter Office. There the letters were opened to determine if they contained valuables or the address of the sender. In cases where the sender's address was determined the letter was placed in an envelope similar to that below and returned to the sender. This cover has a manuscript "due 3 cts" which was the charge for returned letters. In 1863 the rate was raised to 6 cents.

The Dead Letter Office envelopes also had preprinted rates: first "Due 3 Cents" and later "Due 6 Cents."

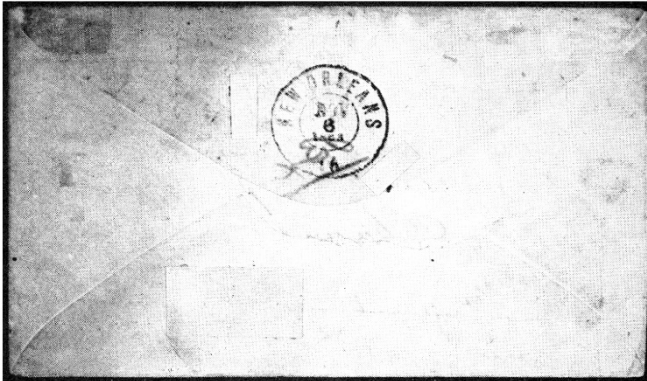


Official envelope used to return a dead letter to the sender. Courtesy Robert A. Siegel Auctions

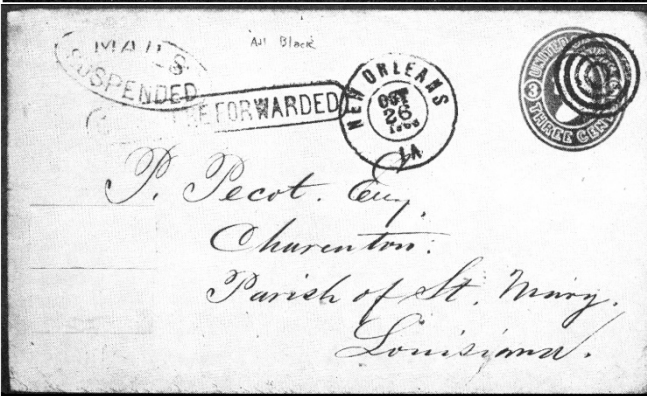
Assumed Date

One cover with the Type B marking ("Mail Suspended" between two lines) was previously listed as 28 Jun with an illegible year date backstamp (CN-017). There are seven other covers with the Type B marking with the backstamp date of 28 Jun 1865. It is hard to believe this is coincidental. Rather it is logical to assume that all the covers were backstamped on the same day, 28 Jun 1865, as a single batch. The single cover with the illegible year date backstamp but the same month and day date is assumed to be from the same batch.

Backstamps



Type A – Black / Type E – Black
New Orleans, LA – 6 Nov 1863
CN-053 / CN-053A



Type A – Black / Type F – Black
Memphis, TN 2 Dec [1863]
CN-004 / CN-004A





Type A – Black / Type E - Black
New Orleans, LA – 23 Oct 1862
CN-024 / CN-024A



Type B – Black
Nashville, TN – 28 Jun [1865]
CN-027





Type B – Color Unknown
Nashville, TN – 28 Jun [1865]
CN-031



Type B – Black
Nashville, TN -- 28 Jun [1865]
CN-032

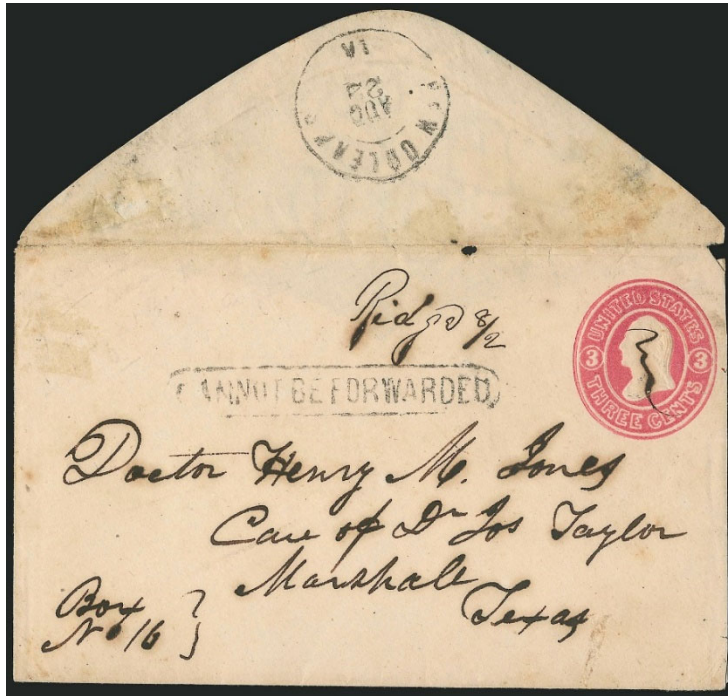




Type E – Black
New Orleans, LA 7 Sep 1864
CN-035



Type E – Black
New Orleans, LA 10 Jul 186-
CN-037



Type E – Black
New Orleans, LA – 24 Aug 186-
CN-038



Type E – Black
New Orleans, LA 8 Aug 186-
CN-040



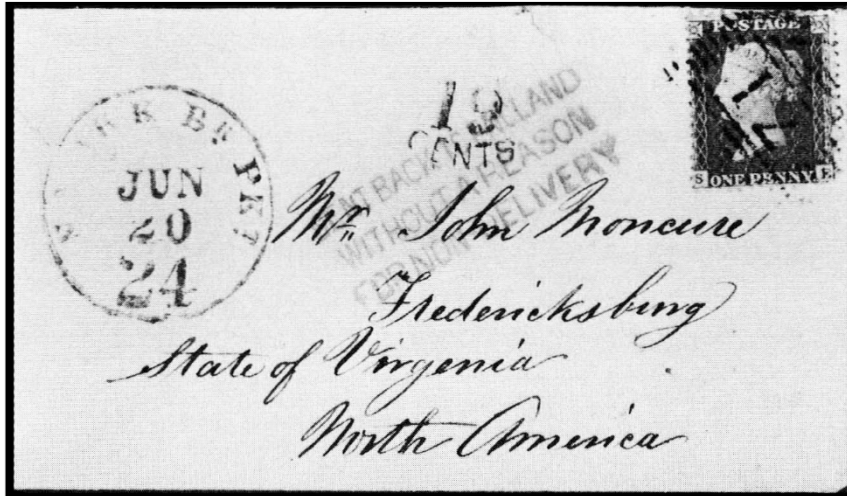


Type H – Color Unknown
None
CN-055



Type H – Color Unknown
None
CN-003

CASTLE DOUGLAS
JUL 7 1861



Type G – Color Unknown
Castle Douglas
CN-058

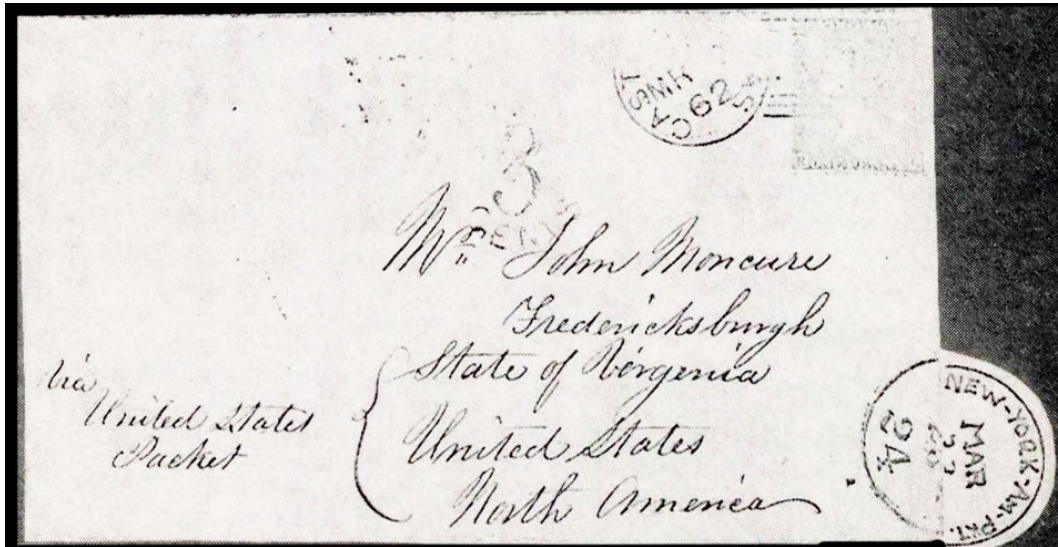
Problematic Use

Cover 057 (G-1) illustrated below is problematic. Neither the addressed town or county could be found in lists of post offices prepared by the US Post Office Department between 1859 and 1862.

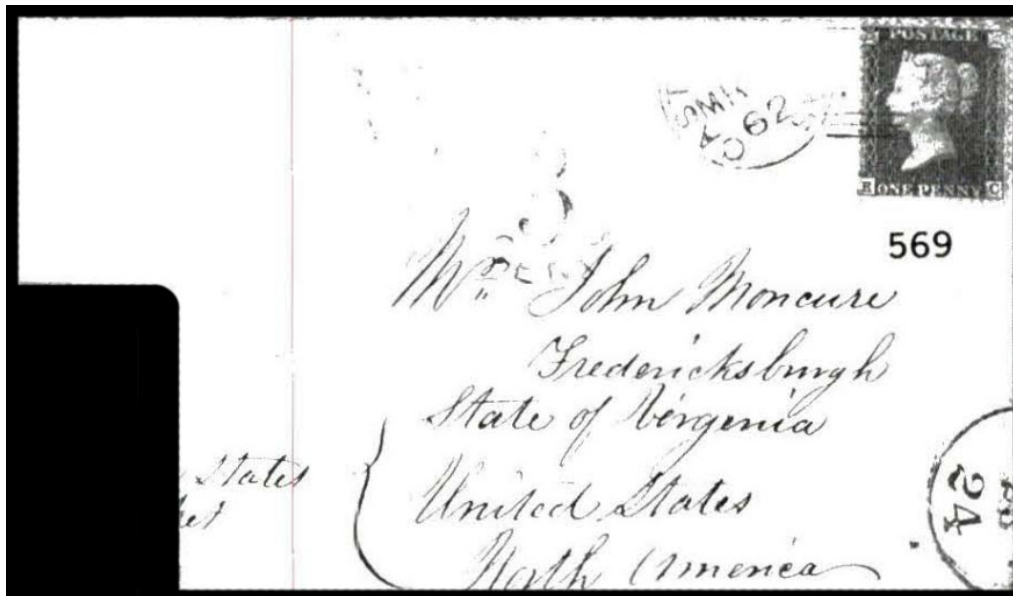


Before and After

The illustrations below show CN-003 before and after the stamp was added.



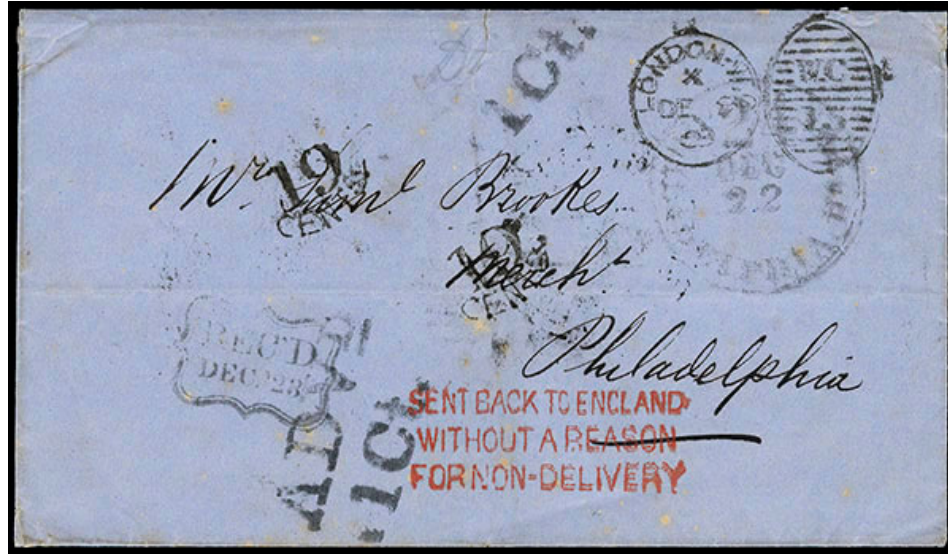
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Courtesy Robert G. Kaufman Auctions (Sale 43, 26 Feb 1986, lot 569).

British Markings Used Before June 1861

The "Sent Back to England" British markings were used as early as October 1859. An example used in December 1859 is illustrated below.



Courtesy Schuyler Rumsey Auctions, Sale 89, 5 October 2019, Lot 3190.

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Mini Census of "Mails Suspended" Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
A-1 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Black (oval)			
22 Nov 1861	Philadelphia, PA	Mess Ashby & Bybee / Glasgow / Kentucky	001*
13 Jun [1862]	New Orleans, LA	Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss	047*
13 Jun 1862	New Orleans, LA	Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama	020
[--Jun 1862]	[Doylestown, PA]	Guy M. Bryan / Brazoria / Brazoria County / Texas	023*
21 Jul 1862	Reading, PA	Leonie Durand / Minden / Caliborne Parish / Louisiana	021*
27 Aug [1862]	Hill, NH	Mr. E. B. Cilley / Salsbury [Salisbury] / N. C. / North Carolina	026*
23 Sep [1862]	Boston, MA	Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.	024*
[10 May 1863]	[Chipping-Norton, GB]	Major Tait / Late of Generals Longstreet Staff / Richmond / Confederate States	006*
16 May 1863	Philadelphia, PA	Genl. Winder / Richmond / Va / (via) / Washington / D C	005*
20 Aug 1863	Edinburgh, GB	Messrs John Fraser & Co / Charleston / South Carolina	007
26 Oct 1863	New Orleans, LA	P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana	053
20 Nov 1863	New York, NY	Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi	004*
27 Apr [1864]	Glenn Falls, NY	Lieut E. Will Warren U. S. A. / Libby Prison / Richmond / Va.	012*
9 May 1864	Paris, FR	Madam Mercent Vr. Blvis / Savanah [Savannah] / States Uni d' Amerique /	044*
24 Aug [186-]	Knoxville, IA	Mr Lewis J. D. Pitchford / Waldo Missouri	039*
21 Dec [186-]	South Norridgewock, ME	Mr. John E. Allen / Rome / Ga	018*
No Postmark		Mr. Abraham Plank / Lynchburg / Va.	061*

* Indicates color image.

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
A-2 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Blue (oval)			
15 May 1863	Elmira, NY	Mrs Danl. S. Printup / Care of Peter W Printup Esq / Union Point / Georgia	002*
[1 Mar 1865]	[Nassau-New Providence, BA]	Mr James Montgomery / Buena Vista P. O. / Greenville Dis / S. C.	010*
5 May 1865	Ephrata, PA	John R. Tompkins / Mobile, / Alabama.	008*
8 Jun 1865	Morristown, NJ	Miss M. A. McPherson / Charlottesville / Virginia	009*
-- May [186-]	North Middletown, KY	Mrs Mollie Everett / Keswick / Albemarle Co / Va	015*
11 May [186-]	Philadelphia, PA	John M. Herndon Esq / Counseller at Law / Fredericksburg / Virginia	042*
23 May [186-]	Idaville, PA	Mrs Susan Lours / Laurel Grove / Pittsylvania Co / Va. / Via Richmond Va.	051
23 May [186-]	Flemingsburg, KY	To Clerk County Court / Bowling green / Caroline Co. / Virginia	013*
31 May [186-]	New York, NY	Genl John H Cocke / Bremo / Fluvanna County / Virginia	014*
14 Jun [186-]	Washington, DC	Mrs. C. C. Clay / Macon / Geo.	011
A-3 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Color Unknown (oval)			
4 Sep 1861	Columbus, WI	T P Brockway Esqr / Marshfield / Webster Co / Mo	050
2 Aug 1862	New York, NY	A Williams Esq / Farmington / Ky	052
17 Jul 1863	Alexandria, VA	James Taylor Esq / Care Hon Miles Taylor / --- Plantation / Donaldsville / Louisiana	022

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<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
B-1 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Black (line above and below)			
21 Apr 1865	Sandusky, OH	Mrs I J Hardelle / Plantersville / Ala	028*
[-- Jun 1865]	Illegible	Mr J. M. Whitehead / care of / Mrs Gillen [LO] / Grantville / Georgia / Montgomery [LO] / Alabama [LO].	017*
12 Apr [1865]	Elmira, NY	Miss E. Z. Turner / Butler / Geo	027*
8 May [1865]	Chattanooga, TN	Mr Er Wood / Richmond Po / Tennessee	032*
12 May 1865	Sandusky, OH	Mrs C. F. Pearson / Gainesville / Sumter County / Alabama	041*
19 May [1865]	Old Point Comfort, VA	Mrs. J. D. Williams / Hartwell / Hart Co / Ga.	031*
26 May 1865	Sandusky, OH	Mr. A. C. Mitchell / Glennville / Barbour Co / Ala	029*
30 Mar [186-]	Nashville, TN	Hon J. W. S. Donnell / Tuscaloosa / Ala	030*
C-1 - "MAIL SUSPENDED" - Black			
16 May [186-]	Worcester, MA	Mr J. Sladen / In care of Serent [Seargent] Dooly in / charge of supply train / Franklin / Georgia	033*
D-1 - "MAIL SUSPENDED" - Black (partially underlined)			
25 Oct [186-]	Normal, IL	Mr. E. A. Patterson / Atlanta / Georgia	034*

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<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
E-1 - "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" - Black (enclosed)			
13 Jun [1862]	New Orleans, LA	Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss	047A
23 Sep [1862]	Boston, MA	Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.	024A
26 Oct 1863	New Orleans, LA	P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana	053A
5 Aug 1864	Desden, GE	Mr. Herman Koeler M. D. / Brownsville / Texas	035*
31 Jul 1865	Natchez, MS	Mr. T. A. Walker / Mt. Lebanon / Bienville Parish / La.	016*
2 Aug [1865]	Ridge, TX	Doctor Henry M Jones / Care of Dr Jas Taylor / Marshall / Texas	038*
8 Jul [186-]	Tunkhannock, PA	John P. Osterhout Esqr / Bellville / Austin County / Texas	036*
10 Jul [186-]	Mount Pulaski, IL	Mrs Augusta L Jewell / Care Leo Demingor Druggist / Care / Mrs. E. B. Slater / Clinton / Louisiana	037
No Date	Randolph, --	Mr. James. S. Milling / Collinsburg / Bashier Parish / Louisana [Louisiana]	040*
E-3 - "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" - Color Unknown (enclosed)			
13 Jul 1862	New Orleans, LA	Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama	020A
19 Jun 1865	San Francisco, CA	[McKinney, TX]	019
F-1 - "NO MAIL SEREVICE" - Black			
20 Nov 1862	New York, NY	Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi	004A
G-1 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Red			
[25 Mar 1861]	[Melbourne, VC]	Mess. Baker Pleasants Trayer / Richmond / Va. / U. S. A.	046*
[25 Mar 1861]	[Melbourne, VC]	A Dill Esqr / Richmond / Virginia / U S A	043*
22 May [1861]	Charing-Cross, GB	P. F. Howard Esq / State Library / Richmond / Virginia / United States of America	045*
28 May 1861	Colne, GB	Abraham Hargraves Esq / 17 Mile Creek / Waresboro / Ware County / Georgia / North America	060*

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<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
G-2- "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Color Unknown			
7 Jun 1861	Castle Douglas, GB	Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / North America	058
6 Jul 1861	Edinburgh, GB	Miss J--- / care of / Messrs Wilmer Brothers / Charlestown / South Carolina	049
H-1 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Red (boxed)			
[21Aug 1861]	Bewdley, GB	Mr John Baxter Bancks / Wanshaua / Breckenridge Co. / Texas - U. States / North America	057*
16 Oct 1861	Edinburgh, GB	Benjamin Howard Shackelford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton, / Virginia, / North America	025*
7 Feb 1862	London, GB	Stephen Minot Esqr / Districts Courts Office / San Antonio / Texas / United States	056*
25 Jun 1862	Edinburgh, GB	Mr Parvis / Care of Messrs John G. Milnor & Co / Charleston / So. Carolina / No. America	059*
30 Sep 1862	London, GB	Arthur Cook Esqr / New Iberia / Louisiana / United States	048*
H-2 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Color Unknown (boxed)			
24 Dec 1861	Edinburgh, GB	Benjamin Howard Shackelford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton / Virginia / United States	054
-- Mar 1862	Castle Douglas, GB	Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / [United] Staes / North America	003
2 Dec 1862	Castle Douglas, GB	Mr. Moncure / Fredericksburgh / Virginia / United States / N. A.	055

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Last Name Index of "Mails Suspended" Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
19 Jun 1865	E	---	[McKinney, TX]	019
21 Dec [186-]	A	Allen	Mr. John E. Allen / Rome / Ga	018*
22 Nov 1861	A	Ashby & Bybee	Mess Ashby & Bybee / Glasgow / Kentucky	001*
[21Aug 1861]	H	Bancks	Mr John Baxter Bancks / Wanshaua / Breckenridge Co. / Texas - U. States / North America	057*
9 May 1864	A	Blvis	Madam Mercent Vr. Blvis / Savanah [Savannah] / States Uni d' Amerique /	044*
4 Sep 1861	A	Brockway	T P Brockway Esqr / Marshfield / Webster Co / Mo	050
[--Jun 1862]	A	Bryan	Guy M. Bryan / Brazoria / Brazoria County / Texas	023*
27 Aug [1862]	A	Cilley	Mr. E. B. Cilley / Salsbury [Salisbury] / N. C. / North Carolina	026*
14 Jun [186-]	A	Clay	Mrs. C. C. Clay / Macon / Geo.	011
23 May [186-]	A	Clerk County Court	To Clerk County Court / Bowling green / Caroline Co. / Virginia	013*
31 May [186-]	A	Cocke	Genl John H Cocke / Bremo / Fluvanna County / Virginia	014*
30 Sep 1862	H	Cook	Arthur Cook Esqr / New Iberia / Louisiana / United States	048*
10 Jul [186-]	E	Demingor	Mrs Augusta L Jewell / Care Leo Demingor Druggist / Care / Mrs. E. B. Slater / Clinton / Louisiana	037
[25 Mar 1861]	G	Dill	A Dill Esqr / Richmond / Virginia / U S A	043*
30 Mar [186-]	B	Donnell	Hon J. W. S. Donnell / Tuscaloosa / Ala	030*
21 Jul 1862	A	Durand	Leonie Durand / Minden / Caliborne Parish / Louisiana	021*
-- May [186-]	A	Everett	Mrs Mollie Everett / Keswick / Albemarle Co / Va	015*
20 Aug 1863	A	Fraser & Co	Messrs John Fraser & Co / Charleston / South Carolina	007

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21 Apr 1865	B	Hardelle	Mrs I J Hardelle / Plantersville / Ala	028*
28 May 1861	G	Hargraves	Abraham Hargraves Esq / 17 Mile Creek / Waresboro / Ware County / Georgia / North America	060*
11 May [186-]	A	Herndon	John M. Herndon Esq / Counseller at Law / Fredericksburg / Virginia	042*
20 Nov 1863	A	Holland	Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi	004*
20 Nov 1862	F	Holland	Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi	004A
22 May [1861]	G	Howard	P. F. Howard Esq / State Library / Richmond / Virginia / United States of America	045*
2 Aug [1865]	E	Jones	Doctor Henry M Jones / Care of Dr Jas Taylor / Marshall / Texas	038*
5 Aug 1864	E	Koeler	Mr. Herman Koeler M. D. / Brownsville / Texas	035*
23 May [186-]	A	Lours	Mrs Susan Lours / Laurel Grove / Pittsylvania Co / Va. / Via Richmond Va.	051
8 Jun 1865	A	McPherson	Miss M. A. McPherson / Charlottesville / Virginia	009*
No Date	E	Milling	Mr. James. S. Milling / Collinsburg / Bashier Parish / Louisana [Louisiana]	040*
7 Feb 1862	H	Minot	Stephen Minot Esqr / Districts Courts Office / San Antonio / Texas / United States	056*
26 May 1865	B	Mitchell	Mr. A. C. Mitchell / Glennville / Barbour Co / Ala	029*
7 Jun 1861	G	Moncure	Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / North America	058
-- Mar 1862	H	Moncure	Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / [United] Staes / North America	003
2 Dec 1862	H	Moncure	Mr. Moncure / Fredericksburgh / Virginia / United States / N. A.	055
[1 Mar 1865]	A	Montgomery	Mr James Montgomery / Buena Vista P. O. / Greenville Dis / S. C.	010*
8 Jul [186-]	E	Osterhout	John P. Osterhout Esqr / Bellville / Austin County / Texas	036*

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25 Jun 1862	H	Parvis	Mr Parvis / Care of Messrs John G. Milnor & Co / Charleston / So. Carolina / No. America	059*
25 Oct [186-]	D	Patterson	Mr. E. A. Patterson / Atlanta / Georgia	034*
12 May 1865	B	Pearson	Mrs C. F. Pearson / Gainesville / Sumter County / Alabama	041*
26 Oct 1863	A	Pecot	P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana	053
26 Oct 1863	E	Pecot	P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana	053A
24 Aug [186-]	A	Pitchford	Mr Lewis J. D. Pitchford / Waldo Missouri	039*
No Postmark	A	Plank	Mr. Abraham Plank / Lynchburg / Va.	061*
15 May 1863	A	Printup	Mrs Danl. S. Printup / Care of Peter W Printup Esq / Union Point / Georgia	002*
13 Jun [1862]	A	Rose	Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss	047*
13 Jun 1862	A	Rose	Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama	020
13 Jun [1862]	E	Rose	Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss	047A
13 Jul 1862	E	Rose	Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama	020A
16 Oct 1861	H	Shackleford	Benjamin Howard Shackleford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton, / Virginia, / North America	025*
24 Dec 1861	H	Shackleford	Benjamin Howard Shackleford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton / Virginia / United States	054
16 May [186-]	C	Sladen	Mr J. Sladen / In care of Serent [Seargent] Dooly in / charge of supply train / Franklin / Georgia	033*
23 Sep [1862]	A	Stratton	Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.	024*
23 Sep [1862]	E	Stratton	Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.	024A
[10 May 1863]	A	Tait	Major Tait / Late of Generals Longstreet Staff / Richmond / Confederate States	006*
17 Jul 1863	A	Taylor	James Taylor Esq / Care Hon Miles Taylor / --- Plantation / Donaldsville / Louisiana	022
5 May 1865	A	Tompkins	John R. Tompkins / Mobile, / Alabama.	008*

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[25 Mar 1861]	G	Trayer	Mess. Baker Pleasants Trayer / Richmond / Va. / U. S. A.	046*
12 Apr [1865]	B	Turner	Miss E. Z. Turner / Butler / Geo	027*
31 Jul 1865	E	Walker	Mr. T. A. Walker / Mt. Lebanon / Bienville Parish / La.	016*
27 Apr [1864]	A	Warren	Lieut E. Will Warren U. S. A. / Libby Prison / Richmond / Va.	012*
[-- Jun 1865]	B	Whitehead	Mr J. M. Whitehead / care of / Mrs Gillen [LO] / Grantville / Georgia / Montgomery [LO] / Alabama [LO].	017*
2 Aug 1862	A	Williams	A Williams Esq / Farmington / Ky	052
19 May [1865]	B	Williams	Mrs. J. D. Williams / Hartwell / Hart Co / Ga.	031*
6 Jul 1861	G	Wilmer Brothers	Miss J--- / care of / Messrs Wilmer Brothers / Charlestown / South Carolina	049
16 May 1863	A	Winder	Genl. Winder / Richmond / Va / (via) / Washington / D C	005*
8 May [1865]	B	Wood	Mr Er Wood / Richmond Po / Tennessee	032*

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Full Census "Soldier's Mail" Covers

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A-1 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Black (oval)

22 Nov 1861

Postmark: Black "PHILADELPHIA / Pa."

Backstamp: Unknown.

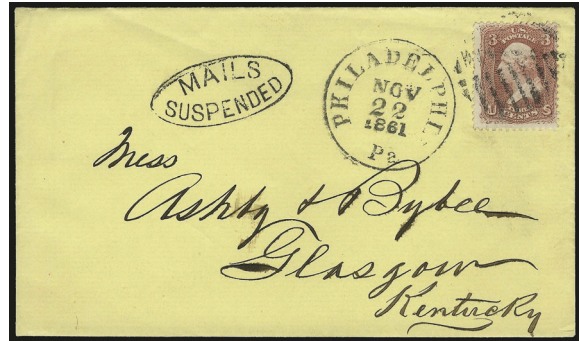
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Address: Mess Ashby & Bybee / Glasgow / Kentucky

Provenance: Walske.

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13 Jun [1862]

Postmark: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans, LA postmark (20 Jun1862)].

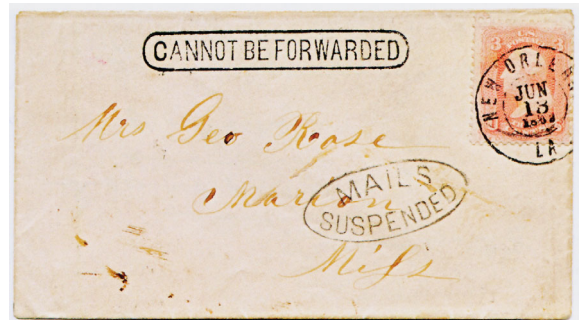
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark. Also, black "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" marking (see CN-047a).

Address: Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: FCWH-365*; APSJ-Dec1944(58:3-176 [047]

Image Credit: Federal Civil War Postal History - Milgram (book)



13 Jun 1862

Postmark: "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans, LA postmark (20 Jun [1862]).

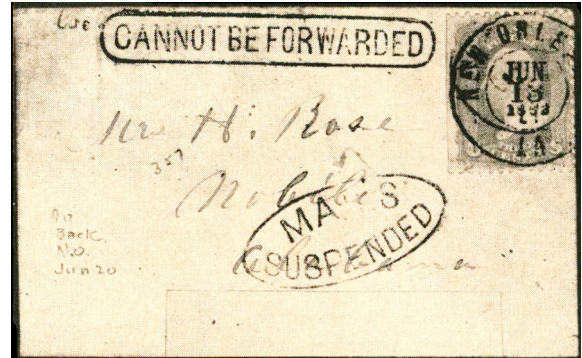
Description: Postmark ties US 3c 1861 stamp. Also "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" (see CN-020a).

Address: Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama

Provenance: Brooks, MacBride.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58:3)-176; LSA-24Apr19439123)-357; JAF-20Oct1953(103)-27 [020]

Image Credit: American Philatelist (journal)



[--Jun 1862]

Postmark: [Doylestown, PA].

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Folded letter. Enclosure datelined [Doylestown, 14 Jun 1862]. Docketed "Answered to be forwarded."

Address: Guy M. Bryan / Brazoria / Brazoria County / Texas

Provenance: Walske.

Source: RAS-5Apr1980(560)-353; RAS-23Apr1988(692)-504R; RAS-27May2010(988)-48* [023]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



21 Jul 1862

Postmark: Black "READING / PA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

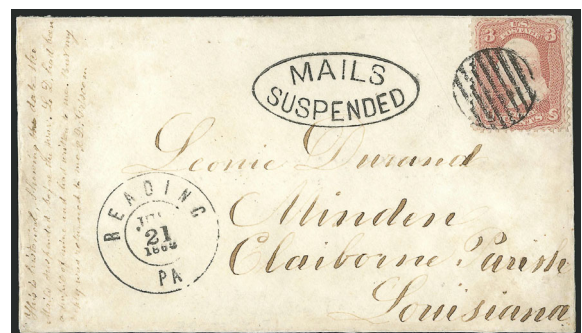
Description: Grid ties US 3c 1861 stamp on cover front.

Address: Leonie Durand / Minden / Caliborne Parish / Louisiana

Provenance: H Green.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-173; RAS-12Apr2000(822)-23*; RAS-15Dec2014(1088)-143* [021]

Image Credit: American Philatelist (journal)



27 Aug [1862]

Postmark: Blue "HILL / N. H." postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp pen canceled. Forwarded by blue "SALISBURY / N. H." postmark. Docketed "Missent & For'd." and "Prisoner of War/ from the 5th N. H. Reg."

Address: Mr. E. B. Cilley / Salisbury [Salisbury] / N. C. / North Carolina

Provenance: Walske.

Source: PF-127990; RGK-3Mar1990(64)-21*; RAS-27May2010(988)-52* [026]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



23 Sep [1862]

Postmark: Red "BOSTON / MASS" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS LA / FREE" double circle postmark (23 Oct 1862).

Description: US 3c 1861 tied by cork cancel. Also "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" marking (see CN-024a). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.

Provenance: Mitchell.

Source: Private*; PH-585804*; RAS-13May2003(859)-171* [024]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



[10 May 1863]

Postmark: [Chipping-Norton (10 May 1863)] and [London (11 May 1863)] (backstamps).

Backstamp: Unknown.

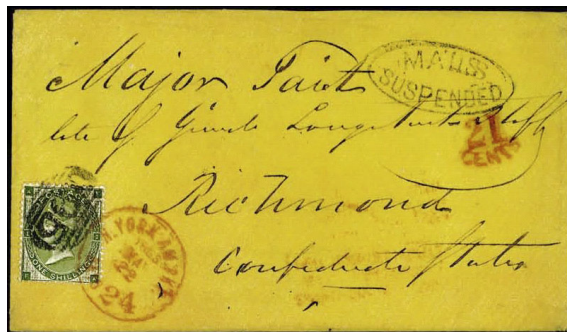
Description: Great Britain 1-shilling green stamp tied by black numeral marking and red New York transit marking.

Address: Major Tait / Late of Generals Longstreet Staff / Richmond / Confederate States

Provenance: Walske.

Source: FCWH-366*; RGK-3Mar1990(64)-23*; RAS-28Oct1997(795)-96*; RAS-17May2010(988)-50* [006]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



16 May 1863

Postmark: Black "PHILADELPHIA / Pa" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

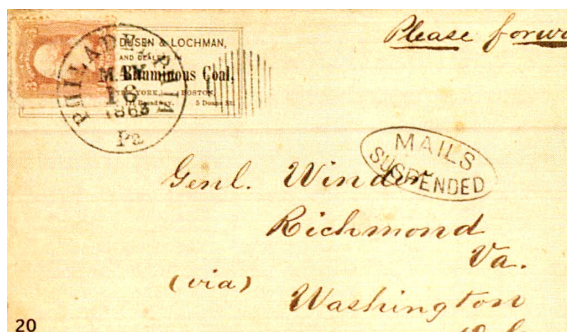
Description: Postmark ties US 3c 1861 stamp UR over corner card of coal dealer. Image reduced at bottom.

Address: Genl. Winder / Richmond / Va / (via) / Washington / D C

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-3Mar1990(64)-20*; RAS-10Dec1995(772)-3032* [005]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions



20 Aug 1863

Postmark: Black "PAID AT EDINBURGH" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Red "N. YORK BR. PKT / 48 PAID" marking dated 26 Aug 1863.

Address: Messrs John Fraser & Co / Charleston / South Carolina

Provenance: Brandon.

Source: RAS-20Nov2014(1087)-48 [007]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



26 Oct 1863

Postmark: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark

Backstamp: NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark (6 Nov 1863),

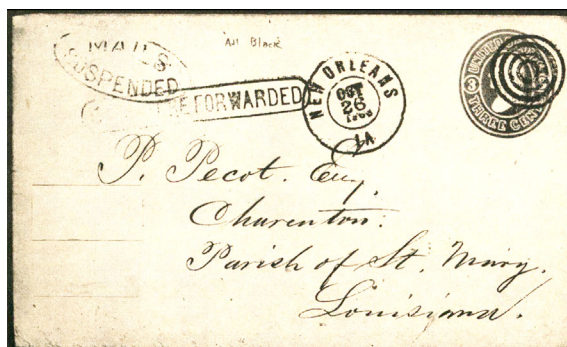
Description: US 3c postal stationery canceled by target cancel. Also "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" (see CN-053a). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-176; CRL-14Jun1989-2245 [053]

Image Credit: American Philatelist (journal)



20 Nov 1863

Postmark: Black "NEW-YORK" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "MEMPHIS / TENN" double circle postmark (2 Dec [1863]).

Description: Black grid cancels US 3c 1861 stamp. Docketed "via - Memphis, Tenn. UL-UC. Also "MAIL SUSPEANDED" marking (see CN-004a). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi

Provenance: Mitchell.

Source: Private*; PF-585803*; FCWH-367*; RAS-13May2003(859)-169* [004]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



27 Apr [1864]

Postmark: "GLENNS FALLS / N. Y" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

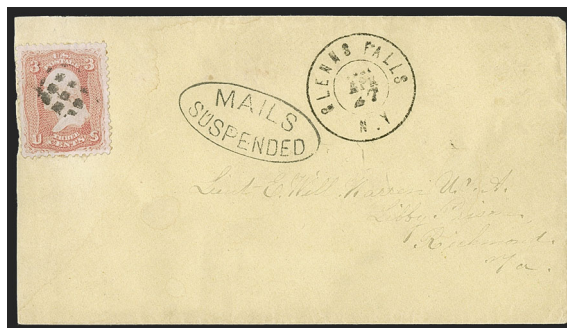
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by cork cancel. Address strengthened.

Address: Lieut E. Will Warren U. S. A. / Libby Prison / Richmond / Va.

Provenance: Baker.

Source: SPAJ-Jul1983(45-11)-699; RAS-3Apr1978(526)-131; RAS-22Apr2025(1350)-719* [012]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



9 May 1864

Postmark: Black "PARIS" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Two French 80c carmine stamps tied by two dotted star cancels.

Address: Madam Mercent Vr. Blvis / Savanah [Savannah] / States Uni d' Amerique /

Provenance: Walske.

Source: FCWH-366*; RAS-16Mar2016(1119)-568* [044]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



24 Aug [186-]

Postmark: Black "KNOXVILLE / Iowa." postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c star die cancelled by postmark

Address: Mr Lewis J. D. Pitchford / Waldo Missouri

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-356337*; CHRO-Aug1978(30-3)-183; RGK-3Mar1990(64)-22* [039]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation



21 Dec [186-]

Postmark: Black "SOUTH NORRIDGEWOCK / ME" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c 1816 stamp tied by target cancel. Docketed "In care of / T. J. Lahmbert / A A Q M"

Address: Mr. John E. Allen / Rome / Ga

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-219543*; SR-25Apr2009(34)-2520* [018]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



No Postmark

Postmark: None

Backstamp: Unknown.

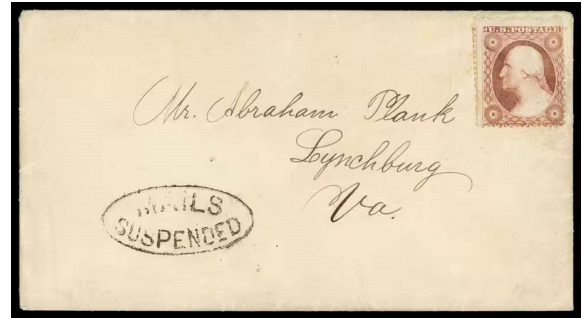
Description: Unknown if unused stamp originated on this cover.

Address: Mr. Abraham Plank / Lynchburg / Va.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-238021*; MKA-22Feb2025(6)-1141* [061]

Image Credit: Kewriga Auctions



A-2 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Blue (oval)

15 May 1863

Postmark: Black "ELMIRA / N. Y" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

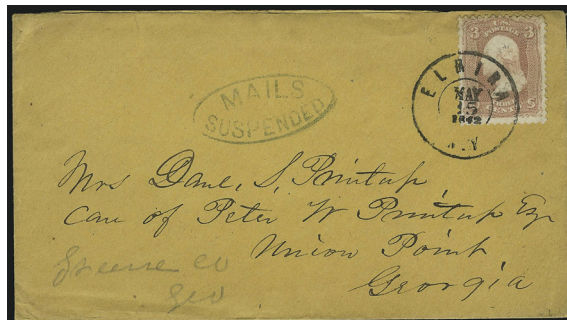
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark UR.

Address: Mrs Danl. S. Printup / Care of Peter W Printup Esq
/ Union Point / Georgia

Provenance: Mitchell.

Source: RAS-13May2003(859)-172* [002]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



[1 Mar 1865]

Postmark: See backstamp.

Backstamp: [Black Nassau - New Providence, BA (1 Mar 1865)] (backstamp).

Description: Bahamas six pence violet stamp tied by black numeral marking.

Address: Mr James Montgomery / Buena Vista P. O. /
Greenville Dis / S. C.

Provenance: Walske.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-179; RAS-27May2010(988)-51* [010]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



5 May 1865

Postmark: Black "EPHRATA / PA." postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Black bird cancels US 3c 1861 stamp.

Address: John R. Tompkins / Mobile, / Alabama.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*; RAS-26Sep1994(761)-365 [008]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



8 Jun 1865

Postmark: Black "MORRISTOWN / N. J" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Black grid tied US 3c 1861 stamp. Two strikes of "Suspended Mail" marking.

Address: Miss M. A. McPherson / Charlottesville / Virginia

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-545521*; SR-21Mar2017(73)- 2455* [009]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



-- May [186-]

Postmark: Black "NORTH MIDDLETOWN / KY" postmark

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark.

Address: Mrs Mollie Everett / Keswick / Albemarle Co / Va

Provenance: Gallagher, Agre.

Source: RAS-9Jun1998(801)-32; RAS-9Dec200866)-2483*; jDFK-15May2018(713)-1569* [015]

Image Credit: Daniel F Kelleher Auctions



11 May [186-]

Postmark: Black "PHILA PA." postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c 1861 entire.

Address: John M. Herndon Esq / Counsellor at Law /
Fredericksburg / Virginia

Provenance: Meroni.

Source: PF-503329*; JAF-20Mar1961(258)-12; RAS-16Mar2006(907)-2520*; RAS-19Dec2007(950)-2065* [042]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



23 May [186-]

Postmark: Blue "FLEMINGSBURG / KY" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by grid UR.

Address: To Clerk County Court / Bowling green / Caroline Co. / Virginia

Provenance: Gallagher.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58:3)-178; CONP-Jul1968(13:4)-63; RAS-9Jun1998(801)-31; RAS-16Mar2006(907)-2519* [013]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



23 May [186-]

Postmark: Manuscript Idaville, Pa 23 May

Backstamp: Unknown.

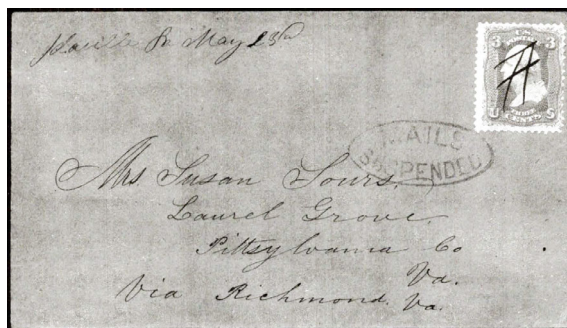
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp pen cancelled.

Address: Mrs Susan Lours / Laurel Grove / Pittsylvania Co / Va. / Via Richmond Va.

Provenance: "Atlanta."

Source: JWK-12Jun1981(72)-4 [051]

Image Credit: John W Kaufmann Auctions



31 May [186-]

Postmark: Black "NEW YORK" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Black grid ties US 3c 1861 stamp.

Address: Genl John H Cocke / Bremo / Fluvanna County / Virginia

Provenance: Wishnietsky, Saadi.

Source: PF-519381*; APSJ-Dec1944(58:3)-177; RAS-26Feb2024(1064)-32*; RAS-24Sep2024(1329)-148* [014]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



14 Jun [186-]

Postmark: Black "WASHINGTON / D C" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

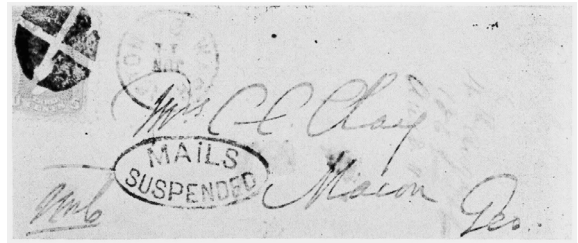
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by cork cancel UL.

Address: Mrs. C. C. Clay / Macon / Geo.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CONP-Jul-Aug1968(13:4)-62 [011]

Image Credit: Confederate Philatelist (journal)



A-3 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Color Unknown (oval)

4 Sep 1861

Postmark: "COLUMBUS / WIS" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

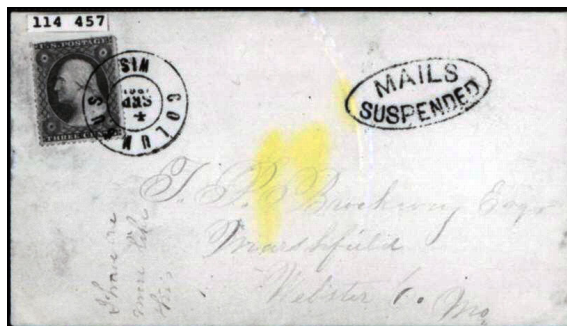
Description: US 3c 1857 stamp tied by postmark

Address: T P Brockway Esqr / Marshfield / Webster Co / Mo

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-114457. [050]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation



2 Aug 1862

Postmark: "NEW-YORK / 1862" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

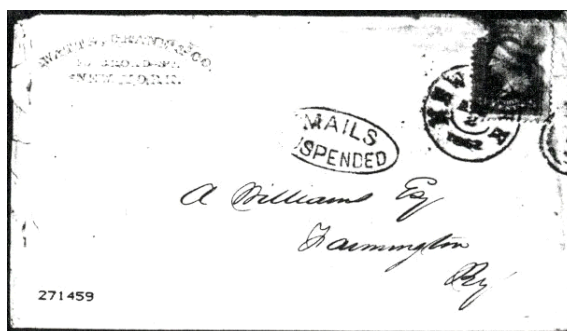
Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark. Company corner card UL.

Address: A Williams Esq / Farmington / Ky

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: PF-271459 [052]

Image Credit: Philatelic Foundation



17 Jul 1863

Postmark: "ALEXANDRIA / VA" double circle postmark

Backstamp: Unknown.

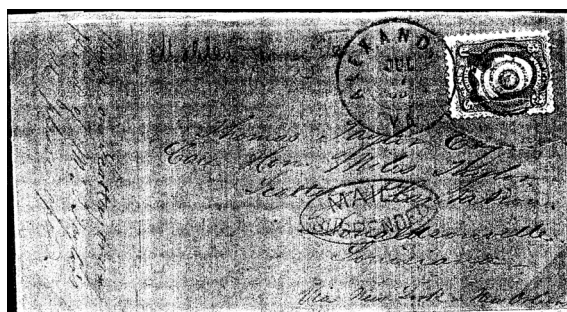
Description: US 1861 stamp replaced.

Address: James Taylor Esq / Care Hon Miles Taylor / ---
Plantation / Donaldsville / Louisiana

Provenance: Gunter.

Source: CSX-Gunter-24Jan1992-159 [022]

Image Credit: Exhibit on Civil War Philatelic Society Website



B-1 - "MAILS SUSPENDED" - Black (line above and below)

21 Apr 1865

Postmark: Blue "SANDUSKY / O" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN, double circle postmark (28 Jun 1865)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp cancelled by blue target. Prisoner of war cover with black examined marking. Docketed "Flag of Truce / Via Vicksburg Miss.

Address: Mrs I J Hardelle / Plantersville / Ala

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*; RAS-10Dec1995(772)-3033* [028]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



[-- Jun 1865]

Postmark: Illegible.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN (28 Jun 1865)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by black fancy cancel UR. Second US 3c 1861 stamp uncanceled UL.

Address: Mr J. M. Whitehead / care of / Mrs Gillen [LO] / Grantville / Georgia / Montgomery [LO] / Alabama [LO].

Provenance: MacBride.

Source: FCWH-367*; APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-174; JAF-20Oct1953(103)-28; SR-25Apr2003(15)-550 [017]

Image Credit: Federal Civil War Postal History - Milgram (book)



12 Apr [1865]

Postmark: Black ELMIRA / N. Y" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NASHVILLE / TEN" double circle postmark (28 Jun 1865).

Description: US 3c1861 stamp tied by postmark. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Miss E. Z. Turner / Butler / Geo

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-17Dec2015(1117)-4561*; SR-27Ajpr2023(108)-2602* [027]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



8 May [1865]

Postmark: Black "CHATTANOOGA / Ten" postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NASHVILLE / TEN" double circle postmark (28 Jun [1865]).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by black target. Docketed "White Co." Backstamp dated 18 Jun [186-]. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mr Er Wood / Richmond Po / Tennessee

Provenance: Brandon.

Source: CWPAS-05946*; RAS-20Nov2014(1087)-49* [032]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



12 May 1865

Postmark: Blue "SANUSKY / O" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, LA, double circle postmark (28 Jun 1865)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark and target. Prisoner of war cover with black examiners marking LL. Docketed "Via Flag of Truce / Via Vicksburg Miss / W. E. Pearson Asst-Surg

Address: Mrs C. F. Pearson / Gainesville / Sumter County / Alabama

Provenance: Walske.

Source: RAS-27May2010(988)-392*; RAS-23Jun2021(1238)-398* [041]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



19 May [1865]

Postmark: Black "OLD POINT COMFORT / VA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: "NASHVILLE / TEN" double circle postmark (28 Jun 1865).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by cork cancel. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mrs. J. D. Williams / Hartwell / Hart Co / Ga.

Provenance: Wishnietsky.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-175; RAS-26Feb2014(1064)-30* [031]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



26 May 1865

Postmark: Blue "SANDUSKY / O" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN postmark double circle postmark (28 Jun 1865)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by blue target. Prisoner of war cover with black examined marking. Docketed "Via Mobile & Mobile Ala."

Address: Mr. A. C. Mitchell / Glennville / Barbour Co / Ala

Provenance: Walske.

Source: SR-28Apr2011(43)-704*; RAS-27May2010(988)-393* [029]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



30 Mar [186-]

Postmark: Black "NASHVILLE / TEN" postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN. double circle postmark (28 Jun [1865])].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by star cork cancel. Manuscript examined marking left side. Year date of backstamp assumed - see "Notes."

Address: Hon J. W. S. Donnell / Tuscaloosa / Ala

Provenance: Solomon, Mitchell.

Source: JWK-14Nov1981(78)-24; RAS-13May2003(859)-170* [030]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



C-1 - "MAIL SUSPENDED" - Black

16 May [186-]

Postmark: Black "WORCESTER / MASS" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp canceled by duplex postmark with target.

Address: Mr J. Sladen / In care of Serent [Seargent] Dooly in / charge of supply train / Franklin / Georgia

Provenance: Rudy.

Source: FCWH-368*; RAS-27Apr2004(874)-85*; SR-21Apr2022(101)-2169*; RAS-2Apr2025(1350)-718* [033]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



D-1 - "MAIL SUSPENDED" - Black (partially underlined)

25 Oct [186-]

Postmark: Black "NORMAL / ILL." postmark.

Backstamp: [Nashville, TN, double circle postmark (12 Nov 186-)].

Description: Soldier's endorsement.

Address: Mr. E. A. Patterson / Atlanta / Georgia

Provenance: Walske.

Source: RGK-6Apr1991(72)-5498; RAS-27May2010(988)-53* [034]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



E-1 - "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" - Black (enclosed)

13 Jun [1862]

Postmark: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans, LA postmark (20 Jun [1862]).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark. Also, black "MAILS SUSPENDED" marking (see CN-047).

Address: Mrs Geo Rose / Marion / Miss

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: FCWH-365*; APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-176 [047A]

Image Credit: Federal Civil War Postal History - Milgram (book)



23 Sep [1862]

Postmark: Red "BOSTON / MASS" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS LA / FREE" double circle postmark (23 Oct 1862).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by grid. Also "MAILS / SUSPENDED" marking (see CN-024). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Miss Maria E Stratton / Bayou Goula / La.

Provenance: Mitchell.

Source: Private*; PH-585804*; RAS-13May2003(859)-171* [024A]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



26 Oct 1863

Postmark: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" postmark.

Backstamp: "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark (6 Nov 1863).

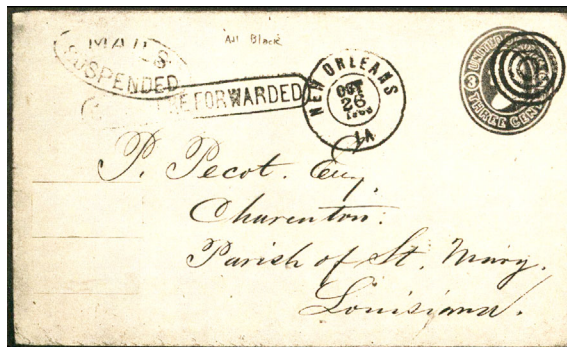
Description: US 3c1861 postal stationery canceled by target cancel. Also, black "MAILS SUSPENDED" marking (see CN-053). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: P. Pecot Esq / Charenton / Parish of St. Mary / Louisiana

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58-3)-176-177; CRL-14Jun1989-2245 [053A]

Image Credit: American Philatelist (journal)



5 Aug 1864

Postmark: Black "DRESDEN" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark (7 Sep 1864).

Description: Saxony 10ng blue 1857 and 2ng blue 1863 stamps tied by Dresden postmarks. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mr. Herman Koeler M. D. / Brownsville / Texas

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private* [035]

Image Credit: Courtesy Rolf-Dieter Jaretsky



31 Jul 1865

Postmark: Blue "NATCHEZ / MISS" double circle postmark

Backstamp: [New Orleans, LA (8 Aug 1865)].

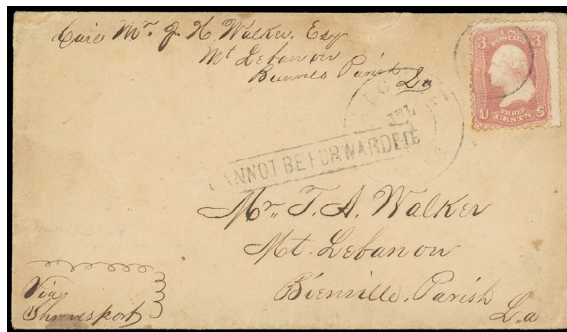
Description: Us 3c 1861 stamp tied by blue circle. Docketed "Via / Shreveport" LL.

Address: Mr. T. A. Walker / Mt. Lebanon / Bienville Parish / La.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: MKA-8Jun2024(2)-1329* [016]

Image Credit: Kewriga Auctions



2 Aug [1865]

Postmark: Manuscript "Ridge" [TX].

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark (22 Aug [1865]).

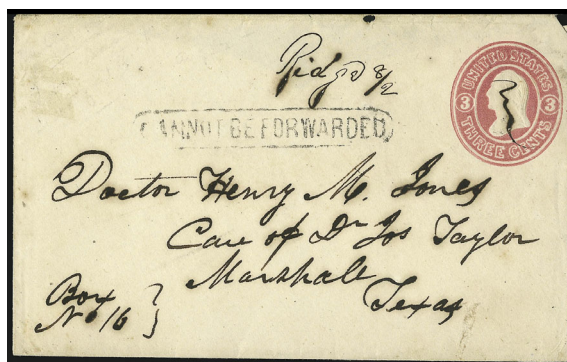
Description: US 3c entire pen canceled. Docketed "Box / No 16" LL. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Doctor Henry M Jones / Care of Dr Jas Taylor / Marshall / Texas

Provenance: Weatherly, Brandon.

Source: RAS-20Oct1972(420)-606; RAS-20Nov2014(1087)-50* [038]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



8 Jul [186-]

Postmark: Black "TUNKHANNOCK / PA" postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans postmark (1 Aug)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by black target. Docketed "due 25c" above addressee line.

Address: John P. Osterhout Esqr / Bellville / Austin County / Texas

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-26Sep1994(761)-336; RAS-29Oct1996(784)-2164* [036]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



10 Jul [186-]

Postmark: Black "MOUNT PULASKI / ILL." postmark

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS LA" double circle postmark (Aug).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by postmark. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mrs Augusta L Jewell / Care Leo Demingor Druggist / Care / Mrs. E. B. Slater / Clinton / Louisiana

Provenance: Meroni.

Source: JAF-20Mar1961(258)-11; RAS-16Mar2006(907)-2521 [037]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



No Date

Postmark: Manuscript "Randolph --" postmark.

Backstamp: Black "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark (8 Aug).

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp pen cancelled. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mr. James. S. Milling / Collinsburg / Bashier Parish / Louisiana [Louisiana]

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CWPAS-04817*; RGK-19Dec1991(75)-384; RAS-18Dec2002(853)-2874; RAS-16Mar2006(907)-2522 [040]

Image Credit: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service



E-3 - "CANNOT BE FORWARDED" - Color Unknown (enclosed)

13 Jul 1862

Postmark: "NEW ORLEANS / LA" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans, LA postmark (20 Jun 1862)].

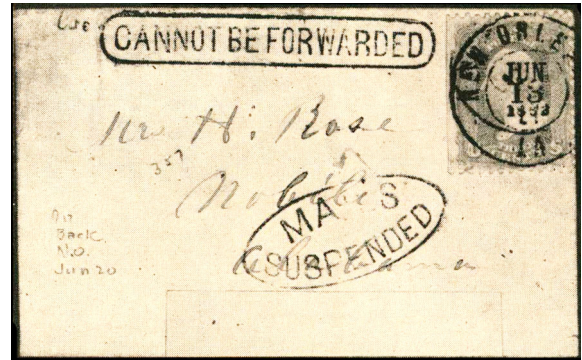
Description: Postmark ties US 3c 1861 stamp. Also "MAILS SUSPENDED" (see CN-020).

Address: Mrs H. Rose / Mobile / Alabama

Provenance: Brooks, MacBride.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58:3)-176; LSA-24Apr19439123)-357; JAF-20Oct1953(103)-27 [020A]

Image Credit: American Philatelist (journal)



19 Jun 1865

Postmark: "SAN FRANCISCO" postmark.

Backstamp: [New Orleans double circle postmark (1 Aug)].

Description: US 3c 1861 stamp tied by target cancel. Partial image of full cover.

Address: [McKinney, TX]

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-11Dec1995(772)-3034.ti [019]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



F-1 - "NO MAIL SERVICE" - Black

20 Nov 1862

Postmark: Black "NEW-YORK" double circle postmark.

Backstamp: Black "MEMPHIS / TENN" double circle postmark (2 Dec [1865]).

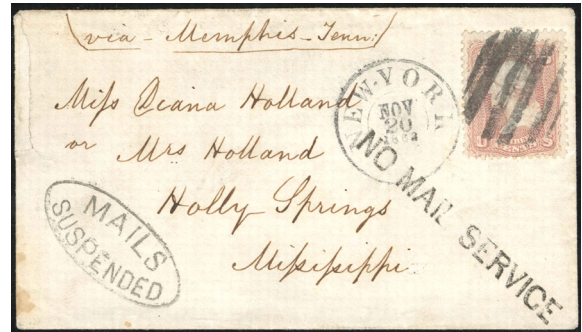
Description: Black grid cancels US 3c 1861 stamp. Docketed "via - Memphis, Tenn. UL-UC. Also "MAILS SUSPENDED" marking (see CN-004). See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Miss Diana Holland / or Mrs Holland / Holly Springs / Mississippi

Provenance: Mitchell.

Source: Private*; PF-585803*; FCWH-367*; RAS-13May2003(859)-169* [004A]

Image Credit: Courtesy Dan Knowles



G-1 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Red

[25 Mar 1861]

Postmark: Red "LONDON / PAID" postmark (6 May 1861) front.

Backstamp: [Melbourne, Victoria].

Description: Victoria 1sh and two 4p stamp tied by grid. New York packet marking dated 28 May [1861]

Address: Mess. Baker Pleasants Trayer / Richmond / Va. / U. S. A.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: APSJ-Dec1944(58:3)-180; CCPL-Sep1958(37:5)-212; RGK-3Mar1990(64)-25* [046]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions



[25 Mar 1861]

Postmark: Red "LONDON / PAID" (12 May 1861) front.

Backstamp: [Red Melbourne, Victoria].

Description: Victoria 4p rose pair of stamps and 1sh blue stamp tied by grids.

Address: A Dill Esqr / Richmond / Virginia / U S A

Provenance: Walske.

Source: RAS-27May2010(988)-22* [043]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



22 May [1861]

Postmark: Black "CHARING-CROSS D. C" postmark.

Backstamp: Red backstamp.

Description: Evidence of stamp being under Great Britain postmark at one time. Docketed "Recd Feb.19.1862" across left end.

Address: P. F. Howard Esq / State Library / Richmond / Virginia / United States of America

Provenance: H Green, Brandon.

Source: CHRO-May1980(32-2)-113; RAS-12Apr2000(822)-24*; RAS-20Nov2014(1087)-46* [045]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



28 May 1861

Postmark: Black "COLNE" postmark

Backstamp: Unknown.

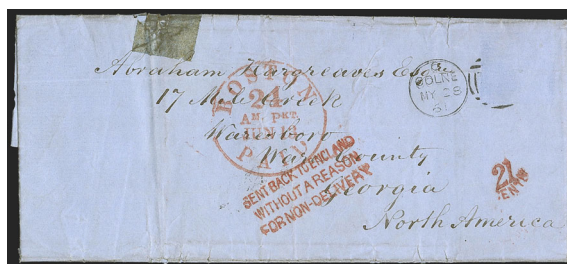
Description: Stamp removed

Address: Abraham Hargraves Esq / 17 Mile Creek / Waresboro / Ware County / Georgia / North America

Provenance: Walker.

Source: RAS-9Jun2022(1257)-2512* [060]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



G-2- "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Color Unknown

7 Jun 1861

Postmark: "CASTLE DOUGLAS // B /JUN 7 / 1861" postmark on reverse.

Backstamp: "CASTLE DOUGLAS // B /JUN 7 / 1861" postmark.

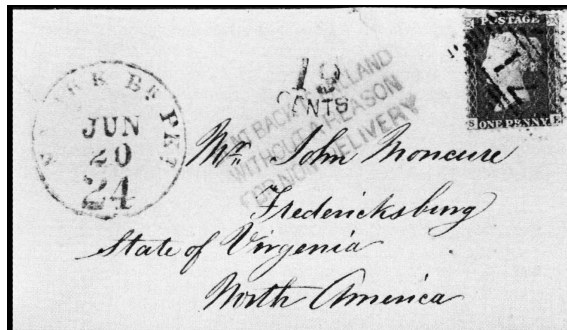
Description: One penny red Great Britain stamp tied by barred killer with numeral "71." See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / North America

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CHRO-May1989(141-2)-143 [058]

Image Credit: The Chronicle (journal)



6 Jul 1861

Postmark: "EDINBRUGH" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

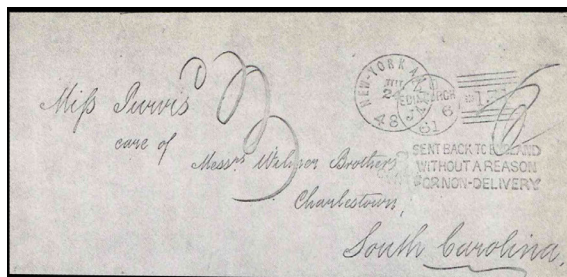
Description: Unpaid letter.

Address: Miss J--- / care of / Messrs Wilmer Brothers / Charlestown / South Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: POST-Jun1977(21:46)-6b [049]

Image Credit: Postal History Journal (journal)



H-1 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Red (boxed)

[21Aug 1861]

Postmark: [Bewdley, GB] (postmark backstamp)

Backstamp: [Bewdley, Aug 21 61].

Description: Great Brittain 1p postal stationery canceled by barred killer with numeral "68." Docketed across left end. Problematic use - See "Notes."

Address: Mr John Baxter Bancks / Wanshaua / Breckenridge Co. / Texas - U. States / North America

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-18Dec2002(853)-2732*; RAS-19Dec2007(950)-2064* [057]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



16 Oct 1861

Postmark: Black "H O / EDINBURGH" postmark

Backstamp: [Dead Letter Office].

Description: Great Britain 2p blue and 4p rose stamps tied by two strikes Edinburgh duplex postmark with numeral "131." Backstamped with Dead Letter Office double oval marking.

Address: Benjamin Howard Shackleford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton, / Virginia, / North America

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CCPL-Nov2002(81-6)-300; MKA-12Aug2023(1)-555*; RAS-22Apr2025(1350)-716* [025]

Image Credit: Kewriga Auctions



7 Feb 1862

Postmark: Black "LONDON-S.W." postmark

Backstamp: [Red Boston, MA (25Feb)] postmark.

Description: Unpaid letter.

Address: Stephen Minot Esqr / Districts Courts Office / San Antonio / Texas / United States

Provenance: "Penguin."

Source: RAS-25Sep2024(1330)-509* [056]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



25 Jun 1862

Postmark: Black "4 K / EDINBURGH" postmark

Backstamp: [Boston].

Description: Great Britain 1sh green tied by duplex postmark with numeral "13."

Address: Mr Parvis / Care of Messrs John G. Milnor & Co / Charleston / So. Carolina / No. America

Provenance: Warren.

Source: SR-12Dec2014(59)-4192* [059]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions



30 Sep 1862

Postmark: Black "LONDON - E C" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

Description: Great Britain 1sh green tied by duplex postmark with numeral "81."

Address: Arthur Cook Esqr / New Iberia / Louisiana / United States

Provenance: Walske.

Source: RAS-28Oct1997(795)-97*; RAS-27May2010(988)-49* [048]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions



H-2 - "SENT BACK TO ENGLAND . . ." - Color Unknown (boxed)

24 Dec 1861

Postmark: "EDINBURGH" postmark.

Backstamp: Unknown.

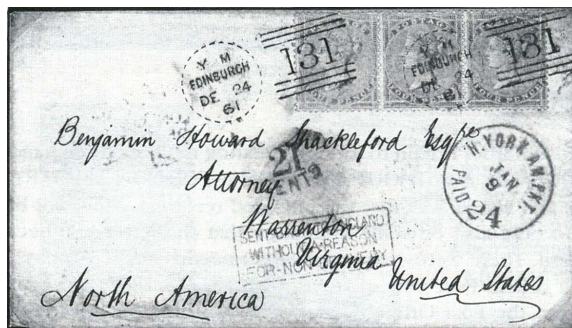
Description: Three Great Britain 4p stamps tied by Edinburgh postmark with barred killer "131."

Address: Benjamin Howard Shackleford Esqr / Attorney / Warrenton / Virginia / United States

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CCPL-Nov2002(81:6)-300. [054]

Image Credit: Collectors Club Philatelist (journal)



-- Mar 1862

Postmark: CAST[LE DOUGLAS] postmark.

Backstamp: Type H-2 marking and "DEAD LETTER OFFICE / P. O. DPT." marking.

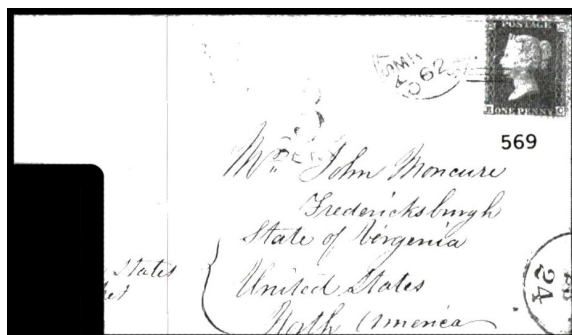
Description: British one penny stamp replaced original stamp canceled by Castle Douglas postmark. Docketed "Via / United States / Packet" LL. See "Notes" for image of earlier state of cover and backstamp.

Address: Mr. John Moncure / Fredericksburg / State of Virginia / [United] Staes / North America

Provenance: None recorded. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Source: POST-Jun1977(21:46)-6a; RGK-26Feb1986(43)-569 [003]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions



2 Dec 1862

Postmark: "CASTLE DOUGLAS // B DE 2 / 62" postmark.

Backstamp: Type H2 marking.

Description: British one penny stamp tied by postmark. Red British Mail suspended marking on reverse. See "Notes" for image of backstamp.

Address: Mr. Moncure / Fredericksburgh / Virginia / United States / N. A.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: CCPL-Nov2002(81:6)-299 [055]

Image Credit: Collectors Club Philatelist (journal)

