

Census of Salem, Mississippi, Postmasters' Provisionals

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Description



SAL-MS-A0X

Salem Provisional

The Salem provisional was prepared by postmaster George N. Dickerson. He handstamped paper sheets with a "PAID" marking and then added the value ("5") in manuscript below the "PAID" and his initials (G. N. D.) as a control above. The makeshift provisionals were then cut into individual stamps or blocks as needed.

The cover is from the collection of Lucius B. Dabney, Jr. of Vicksburg, Mississippi, who died August 11, 2022. It was among many Mississippi covers that Dabney collected over the years.

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

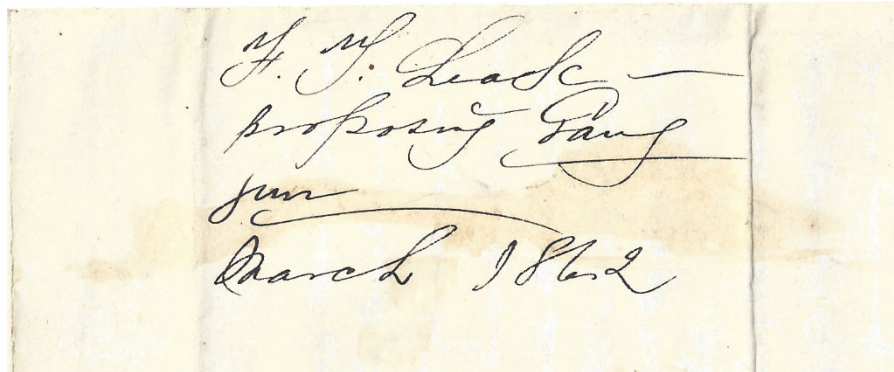
Count of the Salen provisional

Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Covers
5c black	SAL-MS-A0X	--	1

Note

Date Docket

Image of cover reverse showing date docket.



A photograph of the reverse side of a book cover, showing a handwritten date docket in cursive script. The text is written on a piece of aged, yellowish paper. The handwriting is elegant and fluid, with long, sweeping strokes. The text reads: "H. J. Leach", "Proposing Gang", "June", and "March 1862". The words are arranged in four lines, with horizontal lines drawn under the first three lines. The paper shows signs of age, including some staining and a slightly textured surface.

H. J. Leach
Proposing Gang
June
March 1862

Mini Census of Salem, Mississippi, Provisional Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
PAID + 5 (ms), black -- Type A0X				
24 Mar [1862]	Gov. Pettus / Jackson / Mississippi	CL-CR	UR	001*

* Indicates a color image

Full Census of Salem, Mississippi, Provisional Covers

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PAID + 5 (ms), black -- Type A0X

24 Mar [1862]

Description: Black "Salem, Mi" mans pmk CL-CR, adhes prov UR. Folded letter. 1862-year docket on reverse.

Address: Gov. Pettus / Jackson / Mississippi

Provenance: None recorded.

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