

Census of Helena, Arkansas, Stampless Markings

Compiled by Francis J. Crown, Jr.

Description



Type A



Type B

Helena Stampless Markings (not to scale)

The different markings are identified by the 2012 *Confederate States of American (CSA) Catalog and Handbook* Stampless Type. The letters "X, Y, and Z," are used to designate added items not in the CSA Catalog. The absence of a CSA Catalog Type in the illustrations above indicates that item is not included in the census.

Items are presented in the census in the order of the illustrations above.

Only stampless covers with a handstamped marking are included in the census.

This census is based on images of covers. Only covers for which an image was obtained are listed in the census. For this reason, this census may be far from complete.

NOTE: Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the census, but the inclusion of an item is not a guarantee of authenticity.

Count of the Helena Stampless Markings

Marking	Color	Type	Covers	Everett Count*
PAID + 10 (ms)	Black	A	17	15
PAID + 5	Black	B	4	5
PAID + 5 revalued 10 (ms)	Black	Ba	2	1

* The **Everett Count** is not always accurate. See 'Everett Count' under "Notes."

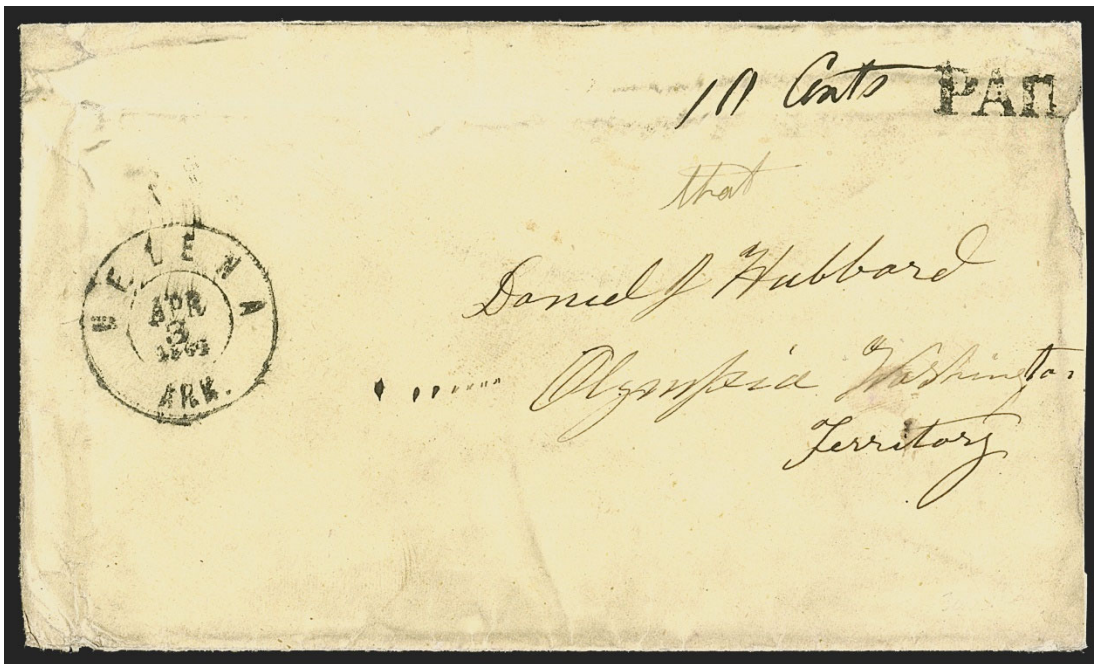
Notes

Confederate Helena

Helena was a Confederate town from the secession of Arkansas on 6 May 1861 until July 1862 when it was occupied by Union forces.

Cover from Helena to Washington Territory

The date on the postmark illustrated below has been given as 3 April 1862. The year date is probably 1863. This would explain the use from Helena to the Washington Territory. Helena was occupied by Union force in July 1862. The US rate to the west coast was 10c until it changed to 3 cents on 1 July 1863. This cover is not included in the census.



Everett Count

Reliable censuses of stampless covers do not exist. In the late 1970s and early 1980s Morris Everett published lists of the gross number of individual stampless markings he had collected since 1946. They were listed by the 1956 Dietz Catalog types and were not detailed lists, just numbers. In the initial list Everett noted:

“One of the principal problems I’ve had in compiling my lists is that well meaning collectors have reported owning such and such handstamp paid covers, but they have failed to identify these holdings (as requested) by supplying the date in the canceller or the address details. This has meant that in a number of instances, I have had to assume that when later reports in full were made that they were referring to the unidentified covers. . .”

In addition to the problems noted by Everett there are two other problems. Everett gives the stampless type, the postage value, and the total quantity. These do not always align with the types listed in the 1956 Dietz Catalog and in some cases Everett introduces unlisted types. The other problem is the additions to the basic listing contained in the two subsequent listings are not always based on the original totals resulting in errors in the final totals.

As can be seen by Everett's remarks and the errors mentioned above, the counts in his listings are not always accurate. The Everett counts are only included in this census to give users **an approximate idea** of how many examples of a particular stampless marking were known 40 years ago.

Everett's listings first appeared in the *Dixie Philatelist* as a series of articles in the summer of 1978 through the winter of 1980 issues. Later the articles were combined in the booklet *Confederate Handstamped Pairs* published by the Confederate Stamp Alliance in 1981. An addendum, *Confederate Handstamp Pairs Addendum*, was published by the Confederate Stamp Alliance in 1983. A second addendum was published in the July-August 1987 issue of the *Confederate Philatelist*.

Mini Census of Helena, Arkansas, Stampless Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
PAID + 10 (ms), black-- Type A				
10 Jun 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Pardido St / New Orleans / La	UR	UL-UC	022*
15 Jun 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Perdido St / New Orleans / La	UL	UC	002*
14 Jul 1861	Jas N. Edmonston / Asst Quartermaster C. S. A. / Montgomery [LO] / Ala [LO] / Charleston / S C	UC	UR	018*
7 Aug 1861	[Carroll] Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	UR	UR	023*
10 Aug 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	UL	UC	003*
7 Sep 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	UL	UR	004
14 Sep 1861	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL	UR	005*
-- Sep 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	UC	UR	006*
30 Oct 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	UC	UR	021*
18 Nov 1861	Miss Sarah M. Berlew / Care D. John G Berlew / Bealton [Bealeton] / Fauquier / Va	UL	UR	019*
4 Dec 1861	Mrs. Ellan Coleman / Palmer Springs / Mecklenburg / Va	UL	UR	007*
7 Dec 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	UL	UC-UR	008*
11 Jan 1862	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL	UC-UR	009*
18 Jan 1862	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL	UC-UR	010*
24 Jan 1862	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL-UC	UR	013*
31 Jan 1862	[Car]roll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL	UC-UR	001*
8 Feb 1862	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	UL	UR	011*
PAID + 5, black -- Type B				
21 Jun 1861	Jemes Sommer / ---	UC	UR	020
31 Jul 1861	Hon Sylvester Bailey / Memphis / Tenn	UC	UR	016
31 Jul 1861	Mrs Mary F Howard / Hillsboro / Union Co / Arks	UC	UR	014*

* Indicates a color image

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
5 Aug 1861	Mrs Jane C Anderson / Senatoba [Senatahoba] / Mississippi	UL	UC	015*
PAID + 5 revalued 10 (ms), black -- Type Ba				
5 Jun 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	UL	UC	017*
25 Dec 1861	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	UL	UR	012*

* Indicates a color image

Last Name Index of Helena, Arkansas, Stampless Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Typ</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
5 Aug 1861	B	Anderson	Mrs Jane C Anderson / Senatoba [Senatahoba] / Mississippi	015*
31 Jul 1861	B	Bailey	Hon Sylvester Bailey / Memphis / Tenn	016
18 Nov 1861	A	Berlew	Miss Sarah M. Berlew / Care D. John G Berlew / Bealton [Bealeton] / Fauquier / Va	019*
5 Jun 1861	Ba	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	017*
10 Jun 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Pardido St / New Orleans / La	022*
15 Jun 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Perdido St / New Orleans / La	002*
7 Aug 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	[Carroll] Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	023*
10 Aug 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	003*
7 Sep 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	004
14 Sep 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	005*
-- Sep 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	006*
30 Oct 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.	021*
7 Dec 1861	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	008*
25 Dec 1861	Ba	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La	012*
11 Jan 1862	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	009*
18 Jan 1862	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	010*
24 Jan 1862	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	013*
31 Jan 1862	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	[Car]roll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	001*
8 Feb 1862	A	Carroll Hoy & Co	Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La	011*
4 Dec 1861	A	Coleman	Mrs. Ellan Coleman / Palmer Springs / Mecklenburg / Va	007*
14 Jul 1861	A	Edmonston	Jas N. Edmonston / Asst Quartermaster C. S. A. / Montgomery [LO] / Ala [LO] / Charleston / S C	018*

* Indicates a color image

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Typ</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>CN</u>
31 Jul 1861	B	Howard	Mrs Mary F Howard / Hillsboro / Union Co / Arks	014*
21 Jun 1861	B	Sommer	Jemes Sommer / ---	020

* Indicates a color image

Full Census of Helena, Arkansas, Stampless Covers

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PAID + 10 (ms), black-- Type A

10 Jun 1861

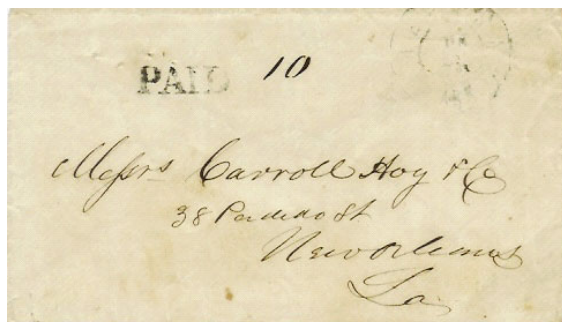
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UR, Type A marking UL-UC.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Perdido St / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [022]

Image Credit: Courtesy Jerry Palazolo.



15 Jun 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UC.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / 38 Perdido St / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-1151 3Mar2017(1151)-1854*; SR-25Apr2019(85)-1949*. [002]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



14 Jul 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UC, Type A marking UR. Cover forwarded from Montgomery on 19 July with manuscript "Ford 5" UR.

Address: Jas N. Edmonston / Asst Quartermaster C. S. A. / Montgomery [LO] / Ala [LO] / Charleston / S C

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [018]

Image Credit: Courtesy Trish Kaufmann.



7 Aug 1861

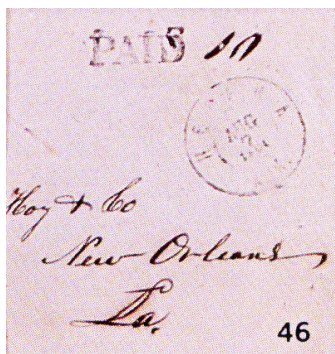
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UR, Type A marking UR. Partial image of full cover.

Address: [Carroll] Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: JWK-6Aug1988(137)-46*. [023]

Image Credit: John W Kaufmann Auctions.



10 Aug 1861

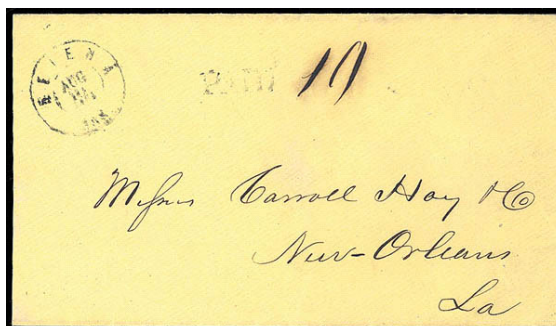
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UC.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La

Provenance: Warren

Source: RAS-10Apr2008(954)-3167*; SR-27Apr2013(53)-4063*. [003]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



7 Sep 1861

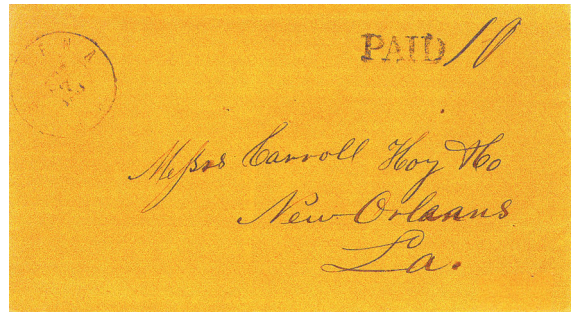
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Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-9Apr1997(787)-3053. [004]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



14 Sep 1861

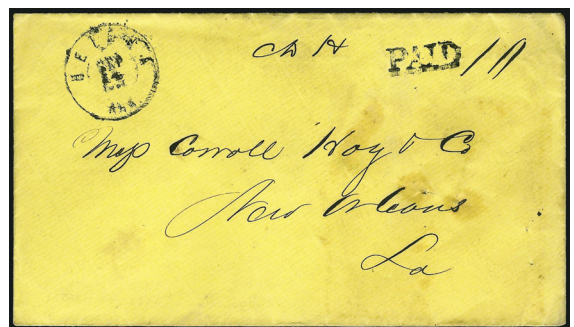
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UR. Charge marking: "Ch H" UC.

Address: Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: JWK-6Aug1988(137)-45*; RAS-9Dec2009(980)-2885*. [005]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



-- Sep 1861

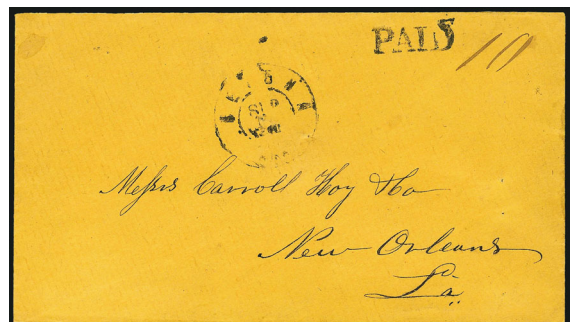
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Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.

Provenance: "Atlanta"

Source: JWK-12Jun1981(72)-123; RAS-10Apr2008(954)-3168*. [006]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



30 Oct 1861

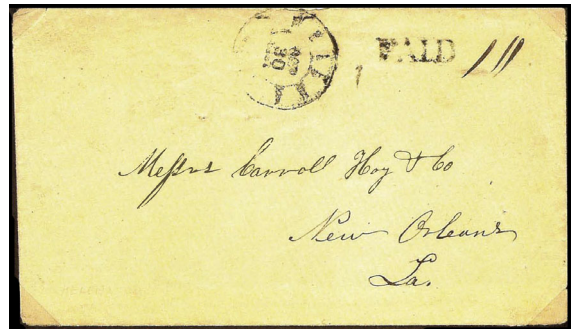
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Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La.

Provenance:

Source: CONP-Jan2012(57-1)-13*. [021]

Image Credit: Confederate Philatelist.



18 Nov 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UR.

Address: Miss Sarah M. Berlew / Care D. John G Berlew / Bealton [Bealeton] / Fauquier / Va

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [019]

Image Credit: Private Collection.



4 Dec 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UR.

Address: Mrs. Ellan Coleman / Palmer Springs / Mecklenburg / Va

Provenance: Agre

Source: PF-238615*; RAS-25Sep2002(850)-5101*. [007]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



7 Dec 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UC-UR.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: FPM-27514*; SR-3Dec2004(19)-629*. [008]

Image Credit: Frajola PhilaMercury Website.



11 Jan 1862

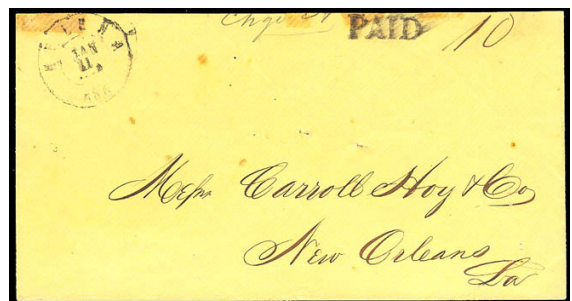
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Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-10Oct1987(51)-566; SR-2Dec2005(21)-1836*. [009]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



18 Jan 1862

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UC-UR. Charge marking: "Ch H" UC.

Address: Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*; RGK-10Dec1990(71)-85; RAS-17Dec 2015(1117)-4501*. [010]

Image Credit: Courtesy Trish Kaufmann.



24 Jan 1862

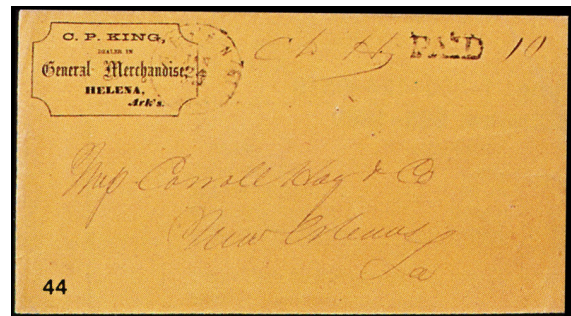
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL-UC, Type A marking UR. Corner card of C. P. King" UL. Charge marking: "Ch H" UC.

Address: Mess Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: Telep

Source: JWK-1Dec1987(133)-57; JWK-6Aug1988(137)-44*. [013]

Image Credit: John W Kaufmann Auctions.



31 Jan 1862

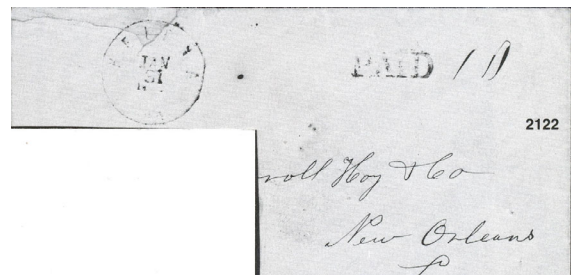
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Address: [Car]roll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [001]

Image Credit: Private Collection.



8 Feb 1862

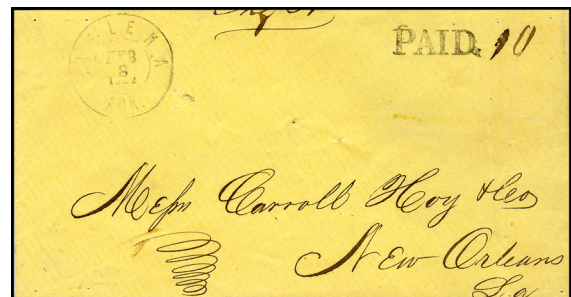
Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type A marking UR. Charge marking UC.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [011]

Image Credit: Private Collection.



PAID + 5, black -- Type B

21 Jun 1861

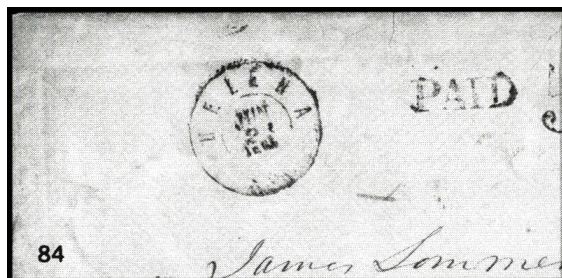
Description: "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UC, Type B marking UR. Partial image of full cover.

Address: Jemes Sommer / ---

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RGK-10Dec1990(71)-84. [020]

Image Credit: Robert G Kaufmann Auctions.



31 Jul 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UC, Type B marking UR.

Address: Hon Sylvester Bailey / Memphis / Tenn

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: RAS-17Dec2015(1117)-4501.tif. [016]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



31 Jul 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UC, Type B marking UR. Patriotic flag envelope (CSA Type F10-5).

Address: Mrs Mary F Howard / Hillsboro / Union Co / Arks

Provenance: Kilbourne

Source: JWK-22Mar1980(62)-389; RAS-24Oct2018(1190)-1588*. [014]

Image Credit: Robert A Siegel Auctions.



5 Aug 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type B marking UC. Folded letter.

Address: Mrs Jane C Anderson / Senatoba [Senatahoba] / Mississippi

Provenance: Warren

Source: SR-27Apr2013(53)-4062*. [015]

Image Credit: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



PAID + 5 revalued 10 (ms), black -- Type Ba

5 Jun 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type Ba marking UC.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La

Provenance: Boshwit

Source: Private*; RAS-27Sep2007(940)-230*. [017]

Image Credit: Private Collection.



25 Dec 1861

Description: Black "HELENA / ARK." DC YD postmark UL, Type Ba marking UR.

Address: Messrs Carroll Hoy & Co / New-Orleans / La

Provenance: None recorded.

Source: Private*. [012]

Image Credit: Private Collection.

