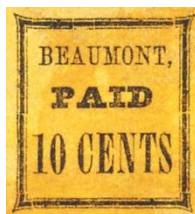


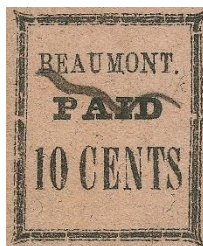
Census of Beaumont, Texas, Postmaster's Provisionals

Compiled by Francis J. Crown, Jr.

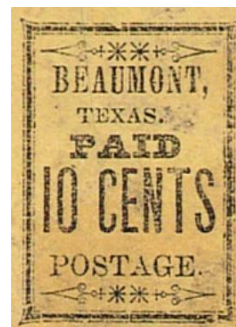
Adhesives



BEA-TX-A01



BEA-TX- A02



BEA-TX-A03

The Beaumont Provisionals

All the provisionals were typeset and printed on yellow or pink paper. The earliest recorded use is of the small square black on yellow provisional. This was soon followed by the larger rectangular black on pink provisional. It is assumed the largest and most ornate design was the last.

Few of the Beaumont provisional covers can be dated. Those that can be dated are from 1864. Based on this and other factors, **all Beaumont provisional uses are assumed to be from 1864.**

Some Beaumont covers do not bear postmarks but do have date docket. These dates are used as postmark dates in this census.

Beaumont had several different postmasters during the Confederate period. The postmaster during the 1864 period was Rev. Alexander Hinkle.

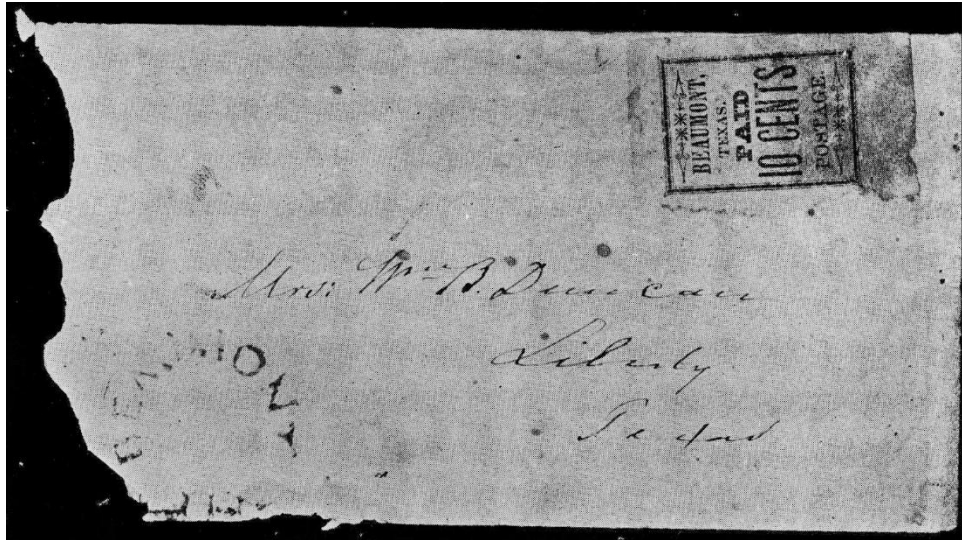
NOTE: Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the census, but the inclusion of an item is not a guarantee of authenticity.

Count and Description

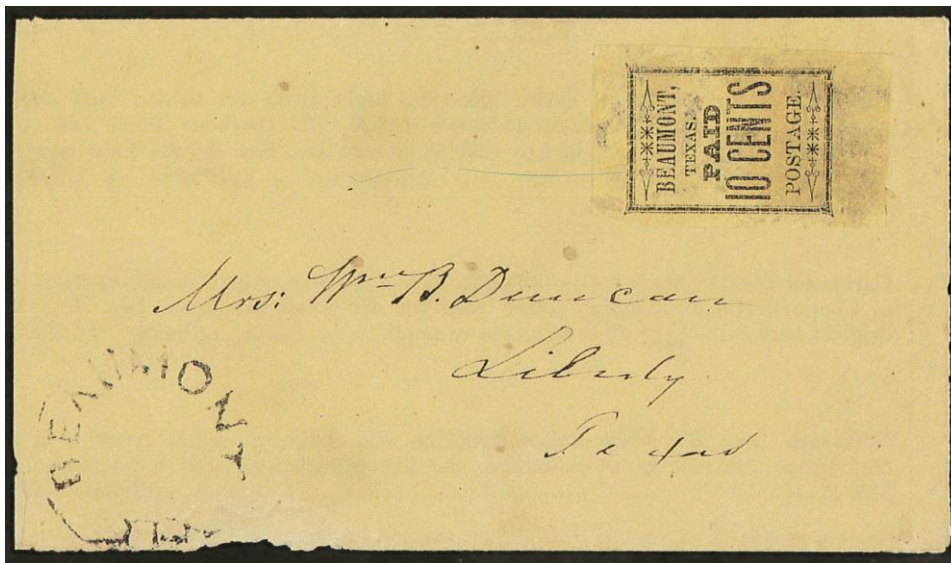
Provisional	CSA Cat No	Scott Cat No	Unused	Used	Covers	Total
10c black on yellow	BEA-TX-A01	12x1		1	4	5
10c black on pink	BEA-TX-A02	12x2	1	2	13	16
10c black on yellow	BEA-TX-A03	12x3			1	1

Notes for the Collector

Cover Restoration



The large Beaumont provisional (BEA-TX-A03) as it appeared in the July 1923 issue of the *Collectors Club Philatelist*.



The same cover as it appeared in the Camina Sale (Robert A Siegel Sale 757 (24 Feb 1994). The light blue line into the stamp does not appear on the cover in the Weill Brothers sale (Christie's, 13 October 1989) or the Haub sale (HRH-10 December 2019).

The Cover that Never Was

The article to the right appeared in the 19 September 1895 edition of *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News*. The stamp was described as a single off cover printed on yellow paper. Eight years later the stamp appeared on a cover in the 22 January 1903 edition of *Mekeel's Stamp Collector* (right image in Fig. 1 below).



Figure 1.

The same stamp then appeared in the third Ferrary sale in 1922 as a single (Figure 2.).

Later the same stamp appeared on a cover submitted to the Philatelic Foundation (Figure 3). Not knowing the history of the stamp, the cover was determined to be authentic with a note the stamp "was lifted and put back in place."



Figure 2

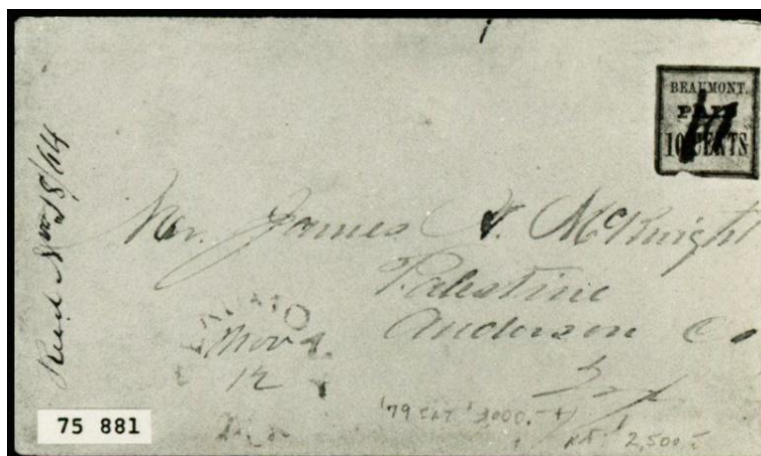
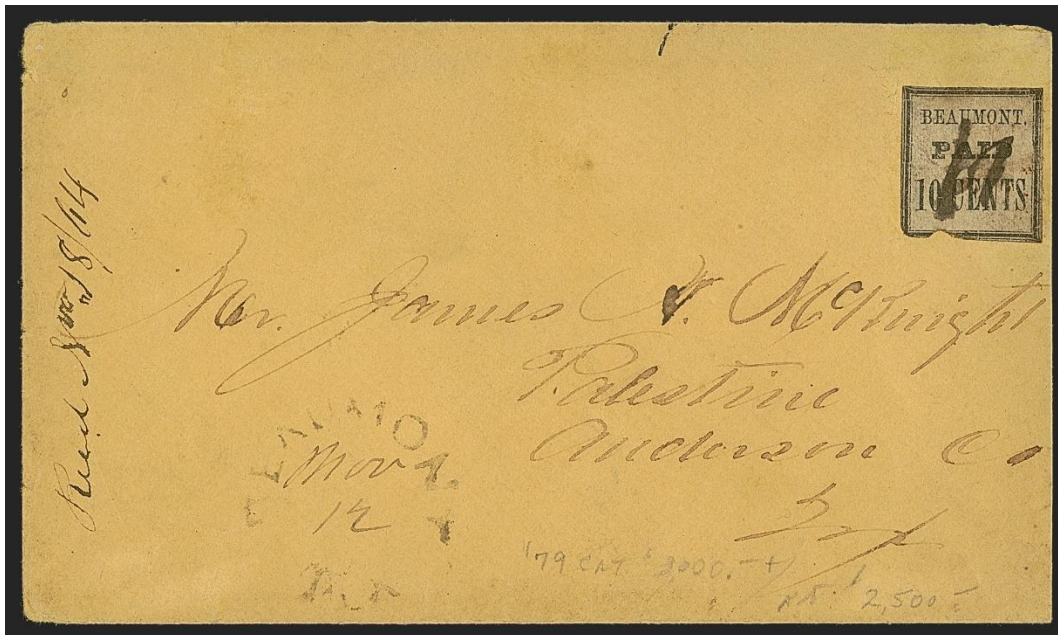


Figure 3

A more recent illustration of the stamp and the cover are illustrated below. In this census the stamp is correctly listed as a used single (CN 15).



The 10c Beaumont adhesive did not originate on this cover. Courtesy Robert A. Siegle Auctions.

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Full Census Beaumont, TX, Provisional Covers

Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on yellow, used -- BEA-TX-A01 (12X1)

Used

Postmark:

Notes: This off cover example has been added to a cover. See Notes for the Collector.

Address: NA

Provenance: Ferrary, "Magnolia"

References: GIL-5Apr1922(96-3)-595 RAS-16Sep2026(1386)-34*

Cert: PF-75881

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [015]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on yellow, on cover -- BEA-TX-A01 (12X1)

9 Apr 1864

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Adversity cover made from ruled paper. Date docket.

Address: Mrs Mary P. Watson / San Augustine / Texas

Provenance: Hind, Hall, Gross, King

References: RAS-13Apr2000(823)-397*; SPK-19Nov2009-9*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [011]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on yellow, on cover -- BEA-TX-A01 (12X1)

11 Jun [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: Adversity cover made from Confederate naval form. Origin of "PAID" unknown.

Address: Mrs. Mary P. Watson, / San Augustine, / Texas

Provenance: Caspary, Kilbourne

References: RAS-28Sep1999(815)-14*; RAS-26Jun2014(1075)-1224*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [001]



No Date

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Turned cover.

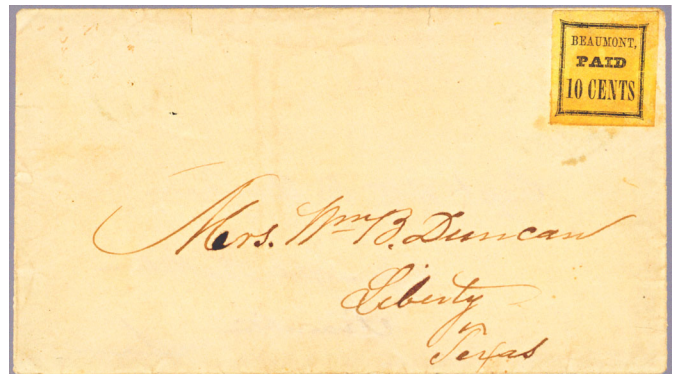
Address: Mrs. Wm B. Duncan / Liberty / Texas

Provenance: Caspary, Lilly, Haub

References: PPH-82*; HRH-5Mar1956-62; RAS-27Apr1967(317)-284

Cert: PF-25678

Image: Philatelic Foundation [016]



No Date

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Stamp has been moved.

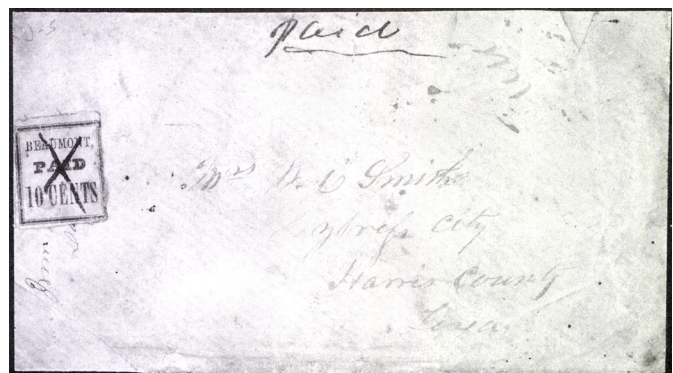
Address: Mrs W C Smith / Cypress City / Harris County / Texas

Provenance: Carnahan

References: RAS-24Feb1966(296)-161; SPB-9Mar1978(4091)-2015

Cert: PF-79913

Image: Sotheby Parke Bernet Auctions [017]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, unused -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

Unused

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Piece torn off UL.

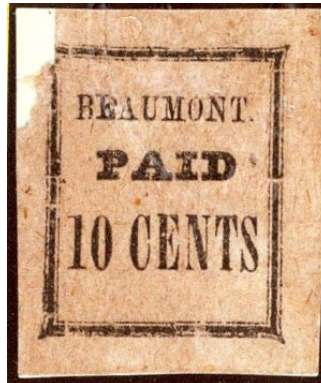
Address: NA

Provenance: Walcott

References: RL-23May1935-26A

Cert: PF-162124*

Image: Philatelic Foundation [013]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, used -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

Used

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: None.

Address: NA

Provenance: Caspary, Kirkman; Field, "Magnolia"

References: RAS-2Mar2022(1251)-1700*; RAS-16Sep2026(1386)-41*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [009]



Used

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: None.

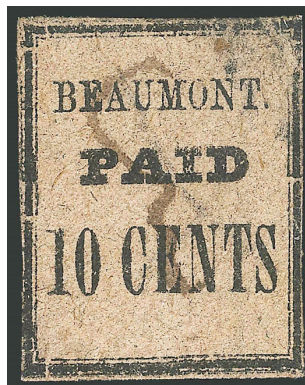
Address: NA

Provenance: "Magnolia"

References: RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2096*; RAS-16Sep2026(1286)-42*

Cert: CWPAS-02604

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [014]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, on cover -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

18 Jun [1864]

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Month day docket.

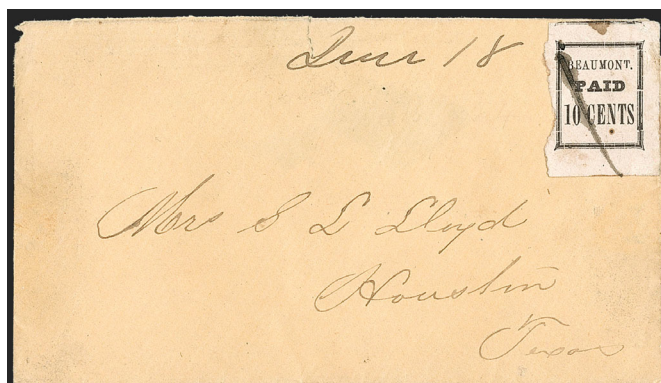
Address: Mrs S L Lloyd / Houston / Texas

Provenance: Hind, Caspary, Hill, Kilbourne, Gross, Przybyl, "Magnolia"

References: RAS-9Nov2021(1244)-524*; RAS-16Sep2026(1286)-36*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [010]



28 Jun [1864]

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Month day docket.

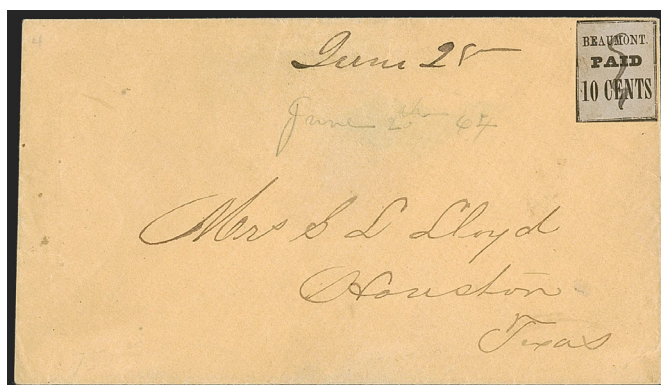
Address: Mrs S L Lloyd / Houston / Texas

Provenance: Moody, Kilbourne, Agre, "DK," Walker, "Magnolia"

References: RAS-9Jun2022(1257)-2535*; RAS-16Sep2026(1386)-37*

Cert: PF-393678*

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [007]



30 Jun [1864]

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Month day docket and pencil full date docket.

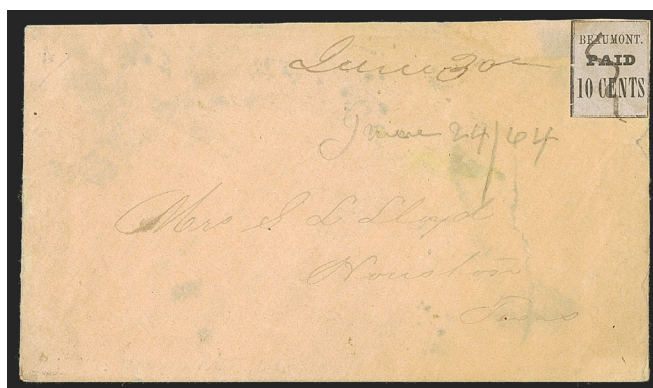
Address: Mrs S L Lloyd / Houston / Texas

Provenance: "Magnolia"

References: RAS-23Mar1972(409)-219; RAS-16Sep2026(1386)-40*

Cert: PF-75879

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [008]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, on cover -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

30 Jun [1864]

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Month day docket

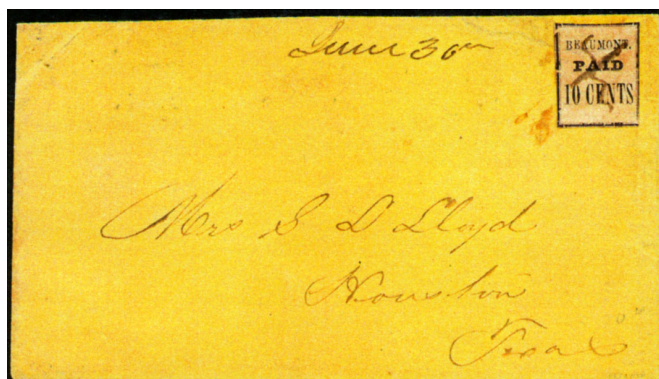
Address: Mrs S L Lloyd / Houston / Texas

Provenance: None recorded.

References: None

Cert: CWPAS-02969*

Image: Civil War Philatelic Authentication Service [020]



2 Jul [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: Turned cover on which the stamp has been moved.

Address: Mrs. C. Saml. Watson / Galveston / Texas

Provenance: Moody, Hill, Jaretsky

References: RAS-28May1968(330)-204*; RAS-4Jun2005(896)-739*

Cert: PF-332516

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [003]



5 Jul [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: Turned cover.

Address: Miss E. J. Newman / Independence / Texas

Provenance: None recorded.

References: MESC-1Feb1904-49; RAS-24Apr1982(596)-12*

Cert: PF-108916

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [004]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, on cover -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

5 Jul [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: Stamp cut out and replaced. Turned adversity cover.

Address: Mrs C. Saml. Watson / Galveston / Texas

Provenance: "Magnolia"

References: RAS-16Sep2026(1386)-39*

Cert: PF-75880

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [019]



16 Jul [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: None.

Address: Mrs. F. L. Ragsdale / Mountain City / Hays County / Texas

Provenance: Hessel, "Stonewall," Haas, Hill, "Penguin"

References: RAS-4Jun2005(896)-738*; RAS-25Sep2024(1330)-566*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Richard C Frajola Auctions [002]



-- Jul [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: None.

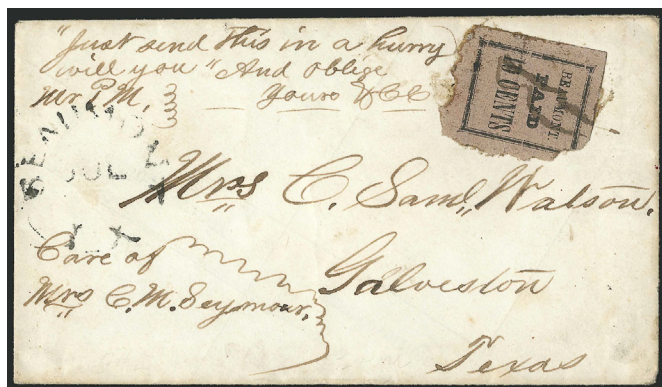
Address: Mrs. C. Saml. Watson. / Galveston / Texas

Provenance: Ferrary, Hessel, Brandon, "Magnolia"

References: RAS-24Jun2014(1073)-215*; AS-16Sep2026(1386)-38*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [006]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, on cover -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

25 Oct [1864]

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: None.

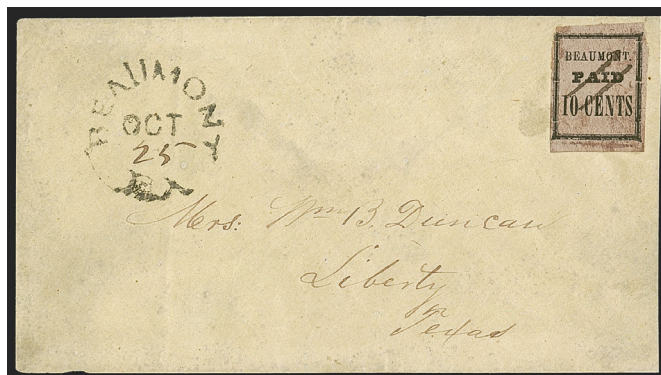
Address: Mrs. Wm B Duncan / Liberty / Texas

Provenance: Brooks, Solomon, "Beverly Hills,"
"Camina," "Magnolia"

References: RAS-24Feb1994(757)-610*; RAS-
16Sep2026(1386)-35*

Cert: PF-281239*

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [012]



No Date

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Area containing stamp torn out and replaced.

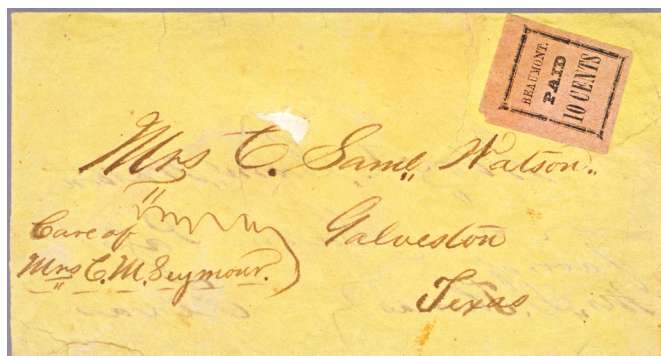
Address: Mrs C. Saml. Watson. / Galveston / Texas

Provenance: Caspary, Lilly, Haub

References: RAS-27Apr1967(317); HRH-
30Apr2024(3070)-194*

Cert: PF-25679

Image: H R Harmer Auctions [018]



Date Unknown

Postmark: Not known if there is a postmark

Notes: Partial image of cover.

Address: [Lloyd, ---, Texas]

Provenance: None recorded.

References: MESC-22Jun1903)-320;

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Mekeel's Stamp Collector (journal) [022]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on pink, on cover -- BEA-TX-A02 (12X2)

Date Unknown

Postmark: No postmark

Notes: Partial image of cover.

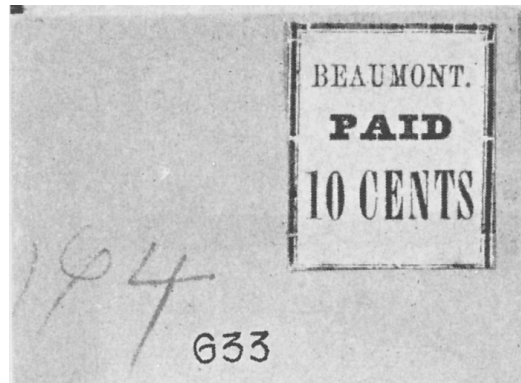
Address: Unknown

Provenance: Ferrary

References: GIL-5Apr1922(96-3)-633

Cert: None recorded.

Image: Gilbert Auctions (Paris, France) [021]



Beaumont, TX -- 10c black on yellow, on cover -- BEA-TX-A03 (12X3)

No Date

Postmark: Black "BEAUMONT / TEX" postmark

Notes: Cover reduced at left.

Address: Mrs. Wm. B. Duncan / Liberty / Texas

Provenance: Walcott, Caspary, Lilly, Weill Brothers, Camina, Hill, Haub

References: RAS-24Feb1994(757)-611*; HRH-10Dec2019(2)-55*

Cert: None recorded.

Image: H R Harmer Auctions [005]

