

Census of Adam's Run, SC, Stampless Markings

Markings



Type A



Type B

Adam's Run, Stampless Markings (not to scale)

Description and Count

Marking	Color	TYPE	Covers	Everett Count ¹
PAID [no rate]	Black	A	20	--
PAID + 10 (ms)	Black	Aa	1	--
PAID (enclosed) [no rate]	Black	B	1	--
Paid (ms)	--	Ms	1	--
Paid 5 (ms)	--	Msa	3	--
Paid 10 (ms)	--	Msx	2	--
Due [no rate] (ms)	--	Msb	-- ²	--
Due 10 (ms)	--	Msc	3	--

1. The Everett Count **is not always accurate**. For more information [click here](#).
2. No example of this marking was found while preparing this census.

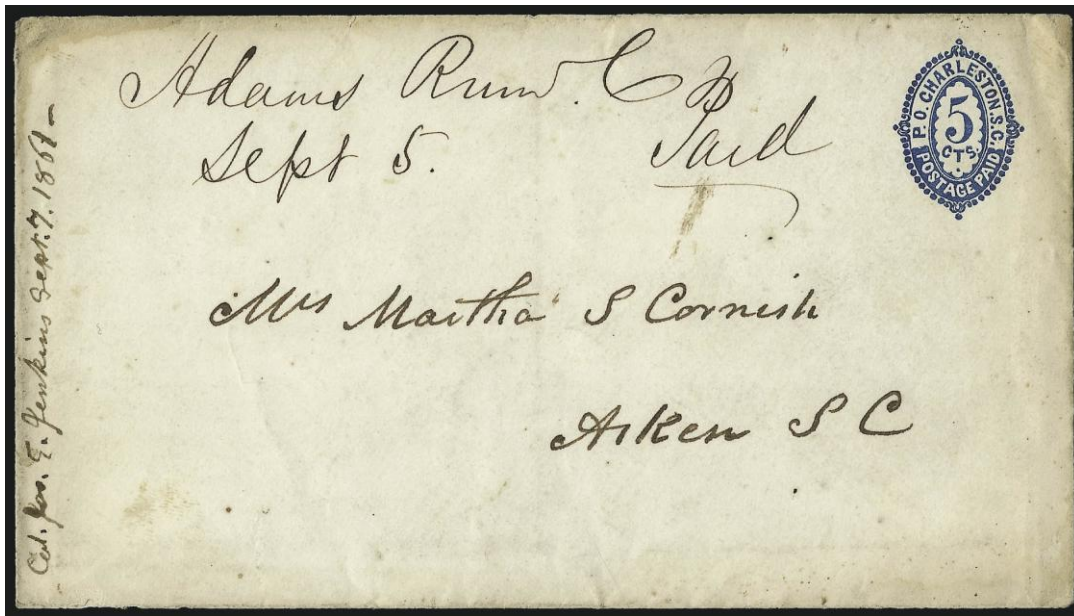
NOTE: Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the census, but the inclusion of an item is not a guarantee of authenticity.

Notes for the Collector

An Interesting Cover

The cover below is one that Confederate collectors could debate well into the night. Is it a Charleston provisional accepted for postage at Adams Run, or is it an ordinary stampless cover from Adams Run?

Telep makes a case for it being the former (see Telep – Verifying in References). As can be seen in this census the Adam's Run postmaster did not use handstamped rate markings but he did include a rate in manuscript markings. So, what does the combination of the Adam's Run manuscript "Paid" marking and Charleston provisional stationery represent. Another theory is the postmaster used both to represent the postage paid. The manuscript "Paid" marking meant the postage was paid at the Adam's Run office and the prominent "5" in the Charleston postal stationery indicium the amount of postage paid. This theory also meant the Adam's Run postmaster would have not have to account for an unpaid letter on his returns to the Post Office Department in Richmond.



Courtesy Robert A. Siegel Auctions

References

Telep, Daniel M., "The Adam's Run Anecdote," *Confederate Philatelist* 20:2 (March-April 1975): 31-37.

-----, "Verifying Provisional Usage," *Confederate Philatelist* 26:2 (March-April 1981): 45-47.

Full Census Adam's Run, SC, Provisional Covers

Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

10 Oct [1863]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Folded letter with date docket across left end.

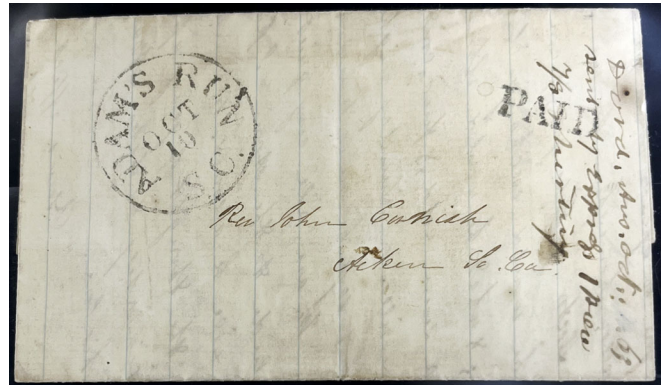
Address: Rev John Cornish / Aiken So. Ca.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-25Apr2024(115)-2025*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [014]



[--- Oct 1863]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Date docket across left end. Partial image of full US 3c star die envelope.

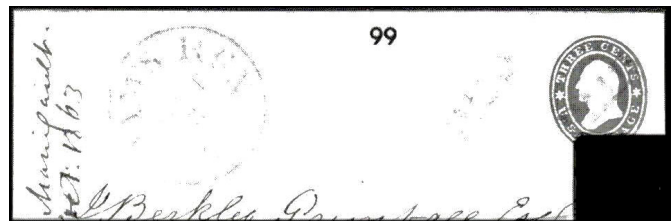
Address: J Berkley Grimball Esq / ---

Provenance: Telep

References: JWK-1Dec1987(133)-99

Cert: None

Image: John W Kaufmann Auctions [003]



17 Feb [1864]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Adversity cover made from printed form. Date docket across left end.

Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: Private*

Cert: None

Image: Private [002]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

[27 May 1864]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover with date docket across right end.

Address: [J B Gri]mball Esq / Spartanburg C H / So. Ca

Provenance: Gordon

References: SR-10Mar2014(55)-2451*; MB-1Apr2005(288)-210; SR-10Mar2014(55)-2451*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [004]



17 Jun [1864]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover with date docket across left end.

Address: J Berkly [sic] Grim[ball] / Spart[anburg] / SC]

Provenance: None recorded.

References: RAS-24Jun2015(1104)-2054*

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [008]



12 Oct [1864]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Date docket across left end.

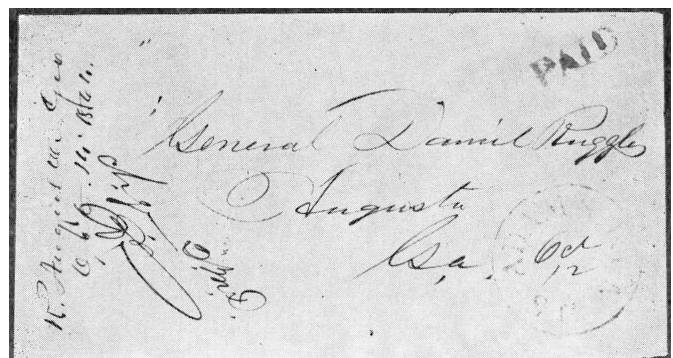
Address: General Daniel Ruggles / Augusta / G.a.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: CONP-Mar1981(26-2)-47

Cert: None

Image: Confederate Philatelist (journal) [028]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

27 Jan [1865]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Date docket across left end.

Address: J Berkley Grimball Esq / Spartanburg / S C

Provenance: None recorded.

References: Private*

Cert: None

Image: Private [001]



10 Feb [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: None.

Address: Mrs. Thos Jordan / Winnsboro / So. Ca.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: Private*

Cert: None

Image: Private [005]



11 Feb [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover reduced at left.

Address: J Berkley G[rinball] / Spartanburg / S. C.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: RAS-28Oct1997(795)-1315*

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [006]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

-- Feb [186-]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Semi-official cover of South Carolina District.

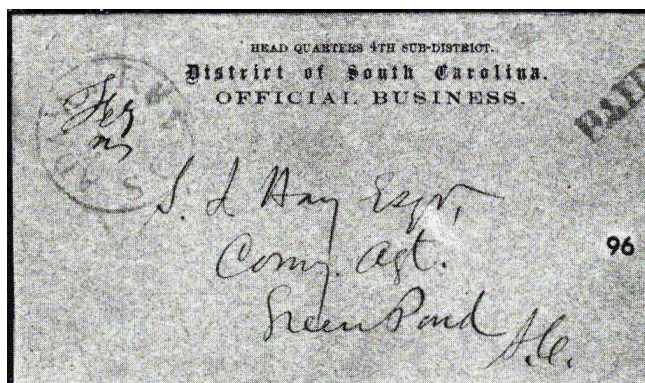
Address: S A Hay Esqr / Comy Agt / Green Pond / S. C.

Provenance: Telep

References: JWK-1Dec1987(133)-96

Cert: None

Image: John W Kaufmann Auctions [007]



30 Jun [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover forwarded from Charleston, SC with "PAID / 10 (in circle)" marking. Charge box: "chg R B Co / Box 40."

Address: J B. Grimball Esqr / --- [LO] / Spartanburg / S. C.

Provenance: Haas

References: RCF- 22Feb1986(27)-242*; RAS- 26SApr1999(810)-2336*

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [009]



5 Jul [186-]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: The "paid / W Geo" marking probably added by letter writer.

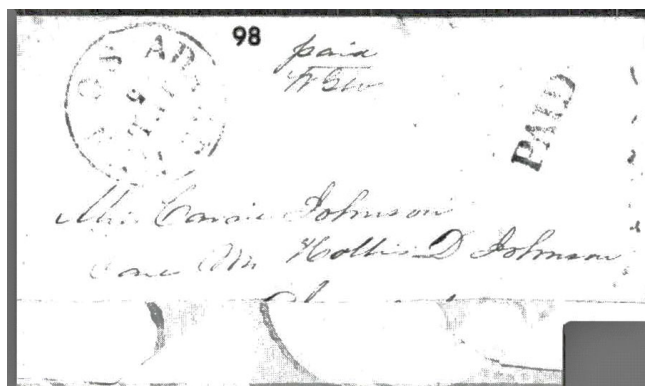
Address: Miss Carain Johnson / Care Mr Hollis D Johnson / ---

Provenance: Telep

References: JWK-1Dec1987(133)-98

Cert: None

Image: John W Kaufmann Auctions [010]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

12 Aug [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: None.

Address: Mrs J B Grimball / Spartanburgh / So Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

References: TK-4360*

Cert: None

Image: Patricia A. Kaufmann [011]



22 Sep [186-]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Partial image of full cover.

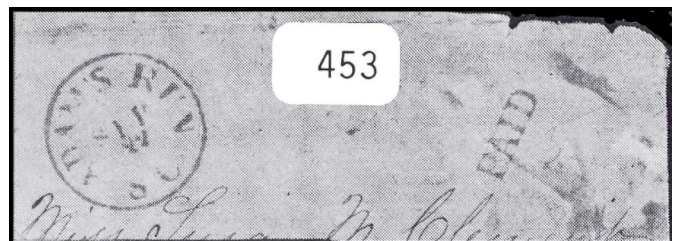
Address: Miss ---

Provenance: None recorded.

References: DGP-9May1986-453.t

Cert: None

Image: David G Phillips Co Auction [012]



23 Sep [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: None.

Address: Miss Mary W Moffett / Hartsville / Darlington Dist / So. Ca.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-15Feb2925(123)-2322*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [013]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

17 Oct [186-]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Charge box: "Chge" UL

Address: S. J. Hay Esqr / Green Pond / S.C.

Provenance: Agree

References: RAS-24Sep2002(850)-5393

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [015]



19 Oct [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover.

Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-16Feb2008(29)-38348*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [-16]



20 Oct [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: No rate marking. Charge box: "chg O / a. o. g."

Address: Mr Saml J Hay / Agt &c / Green Pond / S. C.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: TK-18747*

Cert: None

Image: Patricia A. Kaufmann [017]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type A -- black, PAID [no rate]

13 Dec [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Folded letter or circular from Walker, Evans & Co.

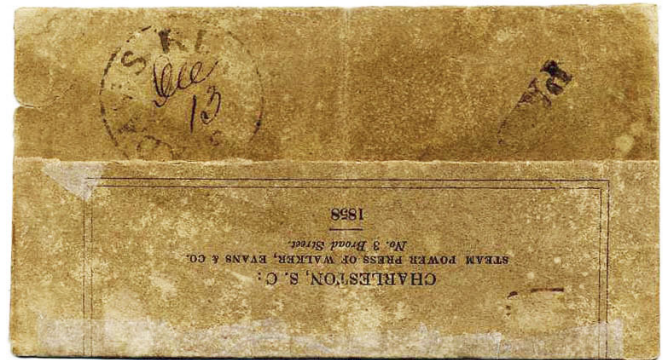
Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: TK-12332*

Cert: None

Image: Patricia A. Kaufmann [018]



-- Dec [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover.

Address: Mrs J Berkeley [sic] Gim[ball] / Spartanburgh / South Carolina

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-15Feb2025(123)-21468*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [019]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Aa -- black, PAID + 10 (ms)

-- --- 1864

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover. Manuscript year date may be part of docketing..

Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: RAS-16Jun2026(1383)-3221*

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [020]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type B -- black, PAID (enclosed) [no rate]

23 Oct [1863]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Folded letter with date docket.

Address: J Berkely Grimball Esq / Spartanburg C. H
/ S. C

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-154Feb2025(123)-2147*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [021]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Ms -- Paid (ms)

5 Sep [1861]

Postmark: "Adams Run SC" (YD)

Notes: Not possible to determine if Adams Run postmaster accepted Charleston provisional as postage payment.

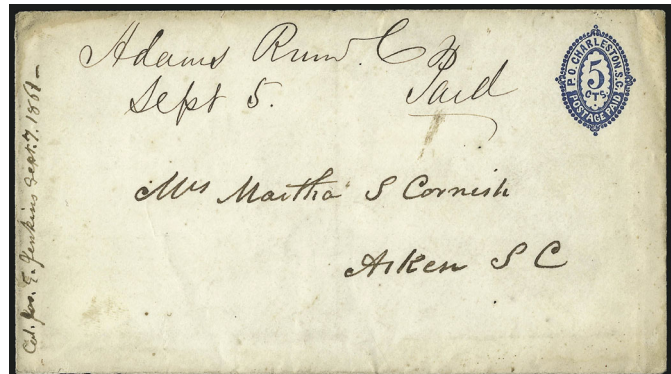
Address: Mrs Martha S Cornish / Aiken S C

Provenance: None recorded.

References: RAS-27Feb2014(1065)-669*

Cert: None

Image: Robert A Siegel Auctions [022]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msa -- Paid 5 (ms)

6 Mar [1862]

Postmark: "Adams Run SC" (ms)

Notes: None.

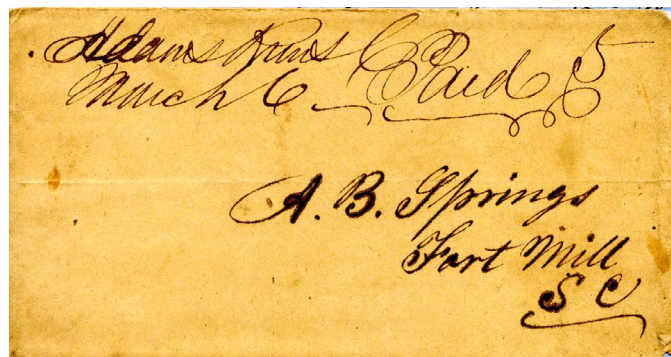
Address: A B Springs / Fort Mill / S C

Provenance: None recorded.

References: TK-16335*

Cert: None

Image: Patricia A. Kaufmann [023]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msa -- Paid 5 (ms)

11 Mar 1862

Postmark: "Adams Run SC" (YD)

Notes: None.

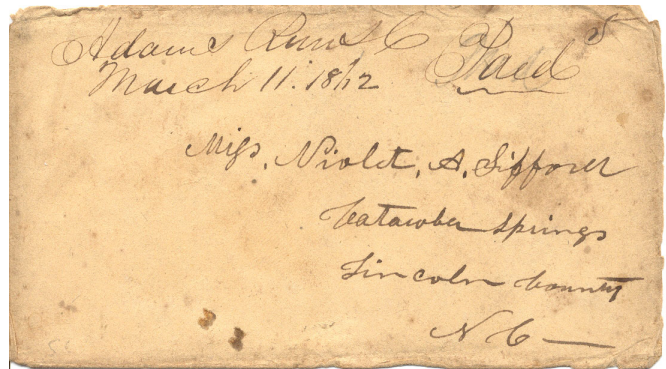
Address: Miss Violet A. Sifford / Catawba Springs /
Lincoln County / N C

Provenance: None recorded.

References: Private*

Cert: None

Image: Private [024]



1 Apr [1862]

Postmark: "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Partial image of full cover.

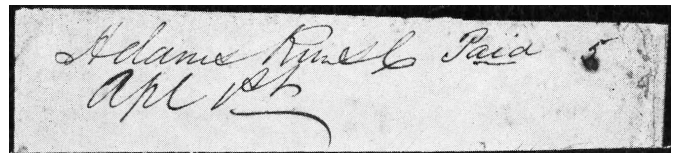
Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: CONP-Mar1981(26-2)-46

Cert: None

Image: Confederate Philatelist (journal) [029]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msx -- Paid 10 (ms)

30 Aug [186-]

Postmark: "Adams Run SC" (ms)

Notes: Partial image of full cover.

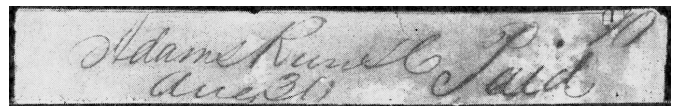
Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: CONP-Mar1981(26-2)-46

Cert: None

Image: Confederate Philatelist (journal) [030]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msx -- Paid 10 (ms)

11 Sep [186-]

Postmark: "Adams Run SC" (ms)

Notes: Partial image of full cover.

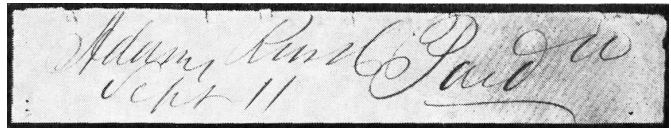
Address: Unknown

Provenance: None recorded.

References: CONP-Mar1981(26-2)-46

Cert: None

Image: Confederate Philatelist (journal) [031]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msc -- Due 10 (ms)

11 Feb [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Wallpaper cover with soldier's endorsement across top.

Address: Mrs Thos Jordan / ---

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-23Apr2026(130)-2142*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [025]



1 Mar [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Soldier's endorsement across top.

Address: Miss Nannie Jordan / Winnsboro' / S. C.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: Private*

Cert: None

Image: Private [027]



Adam's Run, SC -- Type Msc -- Due 10 (ms)

25 -- [186-]

Postmark: Black "ADAM'S RUN / S. C."

Notes: Soldier's endorsement UR.

Address: Mr Saml D. Booker / Clarksville / Va.

Provenance: None recorded.

References: SR-25Apr2024(115)-2025*

Cert: None

Image: Schuyler Rumsey Auctions [026]

