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2) Live Internet Bidding: Instructions for participating as a Live Internet Bidder are provided on the page opposite.
3) Phone Bidding: Bidders can be connected to the sale by phone and bid through a member of staff. Requests for phone bidding are subject to approval (please contact our office at least 24 hours before the sale). A signed Bid Form is required.
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I’ve bid through SAN before, but this is the first time I’ve bid in a Siegel sale. Then you just need to be approved by Siegel. Go to stampauctionnetwork.com/siegel and click on “Update Registration” at the top. Your SAN account information will be sent to us for approval (you might be asked for other trade references). Once approved by Siegel for bidding, you can move to Step 2.

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The visual interface will work with any browser on both PC and Mac operating systems. However, the audio feed only works with Internet Explorer on a PC with ActiveX software installed. If ActiveX is not on your computer, you will have the option to install it.

Before bidding by internet for the first time, we recommend finding a sale in progress and listening to the public broadcast or logging in as a registered bidder. This will help you develop a feel for the sale tempo and bidding interface.

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Grades and Centering

Our descriptions contain detailed information and observations about each item’s condition. We have also assigned grades to stamps and covers, which reflect our subjective assessment. For stamps, the margin width, centering and gum are described and graded according to generally-accepted standards (an approximate correlation to numeric grades is provided right). Although we believe our grades are accurate, they are not always exactly aligned with third-party grading terms or standards for all issues. A lot may not be returned because a certification service grades a stamp lower than the grade stated in the description. Information from the P.S.E. Stamp Market Quarterly and P.S.E. Population Report™ is the most current available, but lots may not be returned due to errors or changes in statistics or data.

Extremely Fine Gem (90-100): The term “Gem” describes condition that is the finest possible for the issue. This term is equivalent to “Superb” used by grading services.

Extremely Fine (80-90): Exceptionally large/wide margins or near perfect centering.

Very Fine (70-85): Normal-size margins for the issue and well-centered with the design a bit closer to one side. "Very Fine and choice" applies to stamps that have desirable traits such as rich color, sharp impression, freshness or clarity of cancel.

Fine (60-70): Smaller than usual margins or noticeably off center. Pre-1890 issues may have the design touched in places.

Very Good (below 60): Attractive appearance, but margins or perforations cut into the design.

Guide to Gum Condition

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Covers

Minor nicks, short edge tears, flap tears and slight reduction at one side are normal conditions for 19th century envelopes. Folded letters should be expected to have at least one file fold. Light cleaning of covers and small mends along the edges are accepted forms of conservation. Unusual covers may have a common stamp with a slight crease or tiny tear. These flaws exist in virtually all 19th century covers and are not always described. They are not grounds for return.

Catalogue Values and Estimates

Unless otherwise noted, the currently available Scott Catalogue values are quoted in dollars with a decimal point. Other catalogues are often used for foreign countries or specialized areas and are referred to by their common name: Stanley Gibbons (SG), Michel, Zumstein, Facit, etc. Estimates are indicated with an “E.” and reflect our conservative valuation in dollars. Reserves will never exceed the low end of the estimate range; they will sometimes exceed Scott Catalogue value for stamps in Extremely Fine condition.

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Symbols and Abbreviations (see chart above for gum symbols)

- Block
- Cover
- Fancy Cancel
- Essay
- E
- P
- FC
- pmk.
- pds
- var.
- No.
- cds
- Circular Datestamp
- hs
- No. Scott Catalogue Number
- Handstamp
- Manuscript

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AUGUSTA KY./JAN 24th. Well-struck two-line handstamp with date in red manuscript, matching “25” rate on folded cover to Woodville Miss., forwarded to Centreville Miss., manuscript “Ford. 6” additional rate, blue “Woode. Mi. Feb. 18” circular datestamp, minor wear at top, Very Fine, only seven examples of this Augusta marking are reported................................. E. 200-300

Bardstown Ky. 1818-32, seven stampless covers, most mounted on exhibit pages, incl. four with sawtooth circular datestamps with three in red and one in black, also two different types of straightline handstamps, one is for deposition involving slave girl used as partial payment of a debt, various destinations and rates incl. 6c, 12c, 25c, 18½c, free, some sight wear, overall fresh and Very Fine, scarce group.................................................. (Photo Ex) E. 750-1,000

“Bardstown Ky. Dec. 10”. Manuscript postmark with matching “Paid 50” rate on 1823 folded letter to Paris, France, red “Colonies Par Le Havre” two-line handstamp, manuscript “9” décimes due, receiving backstamp, fresh and Very Fine double-rate usage to France.............. E. 200-300

Bardstown Ky. May 12. Clear strike of red circular datestamp with sawtooth edge with manuscript “Paid 50” on 1825 folded letter to Paris, France, indistinct red “Colonies Par Le Havre” two-line handstamp at top, manuscript “11” décimes due, receiving backstamp, Very Fine double-rate usage to France of this unusual circular datestamp............................................ E. 300-400

Bardstown K. Feb. 2nd”. Manuscript postmark with matching “Paid 25” rate on 1832 folded letter to Paris, France, neat strike of “Pays D’Outremer” boxed handstamp and Le Havre transit, manuscript “9” décimes due marking, blue receiving backstamp, fresh and Very Fine .................. E. 200-300

4007  Bowling Green Ky. Two covers each with a variation of the semi-circle handstamp, first on 1828 folded letter (deposition) with manuscript “Paid 50” to St. Charles Mo., some slight waterstaining, second on 1851 folded letter to Alexandria Va. and free franked by tax collector, both are notable for the clarity of strikes, Very Fine................................. E. 400-500

4008  BROADWELL/KY. Two-line handstamp struck in red with “November 14th” date in manuscript, matching “18 3⁄4” rate on 1843 folded letter to Piqua O., some soiling and some splitting along vertical file fold well clear of marking, still Very Fine strike, this marking is reported to be unique.................................................................................. E. 500-750

4009  Choctaw Agency. Two covers, first with red “Choctaw Academy Ky.” double-ring handstamp on folded cover with matching “Paid” in circle and manuscript “25” rate to Choctaw Agency Miss., second with “Choctaw Academy 11 May 1837” manuscript postmark with manuscript “Free P.M. Johnson” on folded cover to Raleigh N.C., latter with some slight wear, Very Fine, scarce, under the 1825 treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek, an academy was established for the education of young Indians in Scott County Ky., a post office was opened in 1827 and continued until 1840.............................(Photo Ex) E. 300-400

4010  CHRISTIANSBURGH KY. Brown boxed handstamp with manuscript “Sept. 12th” date in manuscript, matching “50” rate on 1832 folded cover to Louisa Court House Va., minor splitting along vertical file fold well away from markings, Very Fine strike, this cancel is reportedly unique, Christiansburg was an important stop on the Wilderness Road, Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett lived there at one time as well as George Rogers Clark of Lewis & Clark fame and Abraham Lincoln’s father, ASCC $1,000.00.......................................... E. 1,000-1,500

4011  Cloverport Ky. Seven covers, most mounted on exhibit pages, incl. three examples of the negative postmark (two different styles), two with boxed “Cloverport” in arc used in 1838 and 1848, two circular datestamps with different styles of negative “Paid”, overall fresh and Very Fine, these markings are quite scarce.........................(Photo Ex) E. 1,500-2,000
3c Dull Red (26). Tied by pen cancel on light buff cover with large “Cloverport Ky. 20 Aug.” oval datestamp with date in manuscript, 1858 docketing at left, Very Fine, scarce, this is the cover from which the tracing in Simpson/Alexander was made .... E. 150-200

3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Vertical pair, tied by pen cancels and also by “Cloverport Ky. Dec. 1” woodcut rimless circular datestamp with date in manuscript on 1857 folded deposition to Hardensburgh Ky., some minor soiling around stamps from gum, Very Fine, scarce tied by the circular datestamp ............................................... E. 200-300

1c Blue, Ty. V (24). Tied by bold “Crittenden Ky. Jan. 19” rimless datestamp on cover to Write’s Station Ky., penciled “C.Ky. R.R.” just above “care of Mr. Robert Hitch”, stamp with tiny nick, cover with light soiling, still a Very Fine strike of this scarce cancel, this is the cover from which the tracing in Simpson/Alexander was made ................... E. 200-300

Crittenden Ky. Jan. 31. Rimless circular datestamp with day in manuscript on 3c Red Nesbitt entire (U10) to Danville Ky., manuscript “via K.C.R.R.” at bottom left, 1859 docketing on back, Extremely Fine, an attractive cover, ex Jarrett and Gallagher E. 300-400

Danville Ky. Apr. 2. Bold strike of circular datestamp with manuscript “25” rate on 1828 folded letter to St. Charles Mo., with additional manuscript “Inst. 2 3⁄4” rate added up at the bottom, minor wear, Very Fine, an unusual usage......................... E. 300-400

Drennon Ky. Two covers with corner card of Western Military Institute, first with 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A) tied by “Drennon Ky. Oct. 25” circular datestamp, to Rahway N.J., second with “Drennon Ky. Nov. 19” circular datestamp and matching “5” in circle due handstamp, to West Point N.Y., minor edgewear, both Very Fine...(Photo Ex) E. 150-200

Flemingsburg Ky. Three stampless covers on exhibit pages, used in 1820, 1824 and 1825, each with straightline handstamp and incl. two different types, rates incl. 12½ and 25c (2), destinations incl. Jefferson O., New Haven Conn. and Natchez Miss. (last is earliest recorded use of that marking), two with slight soiling, Very Fine strikes, a scarce trio of covers.................................................................(Photo Ex) E. 1,000-1,500
4019  Frankfort Ky. Three covers on exhibit pages, incl. April 1 oval datestamp on 1810 folded printed resolution of Kentucky Legislature sent to Philadelphia and forwarded to Lancaster Penn., other two with double-oval datestamps also used in 1810 with one rated 10c and the other 25c. Very Fine, a fantastic trio of covers, the latter two are reported to be two-thirds of the world’s supply of the double-oval marking. (Photo Ex) E. 600-800

4020  Georgetown Ky. Three covers on exhibit pages, first used in 1814 with “Georgetown (K) Feb. 28” oval datestamp and manuscript “25” to Philadelphia, other two are 1819 and 1822 usages of “Geo. Town Ky.” double-circle datestamps struck in magenta and black, former rated 25c to Lebanon N.H., latter rated 10c to Louisville, few small edge flaws, Very Fine strikes and attractive covers, the first is one of two reported examples of this marking and the only one with printed date. (Photo Ex) E. 400-500

4021  Germantown, Ky. 5 June. Arc-style datestamp with date in manuscript, matching manuscript “Public Service 12½c” on 1823 folded letter to Frankfort Ky., contents are from Brig. General John H. Rudd to his Adjutant General with copy of his affidavit showing he had been sworn into office on May 12, 1823, fresh and Very Fine, this is the only reported example of this marking, this was not entitled to free mail handling but was a reimbursable expense, ASCC $400.00. E. 400-500

4022  Great Crossing Kentucky Oct. 17. Brown oval datestamp with date in manuscript and matching “Free” in circle on 1832 folded cover to Philadelphia, originally addressed to Washington but crossed out, also with free frank of Richard M. Johnson as a U.S. Senator, light file folds, Very Fine, Johnson served as Vice President under Van Buren 1837-41, during the War of 1812 he raised a regiment of 1,000 volunteers from Kentucky, only two examples of this postmark are recorded, ASCC $250.00. E. 200-300

4023  Greensburg Ky. Brown straightline handstamp with “Jan. 8” (1841) manuscript date, matching “10” rate on turned folded cover to Elizabethtown Ky., inside is part-printed form dated 1840 for summons to appear before a judge in Elizabethtown, other usage (on back) with “Eliz. Tn. Oct. 31” circular datestamp with day in manuscript and matching “Paid” handstamp to Greensburg Ky., Very Fine, rare usage, this is the only reported example of this Greensburg cancel, ASCC $400.00. E. 400-500

4024  Hardins/Burg/KY. Bold strike of three-line handstamp with manuscript “Augt. 24th” date on 1830 folded letter to Philadelphia, red manuscript “Paid 25” rate, sealed tear at top center well away from markings, Very Fine strike of this rare marking, only two are reported to exist, ex Ashbrook, ASCC $500.00. E. 500-750
4025  
Harrodsburg Ky. Nov. 16. Clear strike of circular datestamp with matching “Paid” handstamp and manuscript “25” rate on 1842 folded letter to Wurttemberg, Germany, sent via France and with Havre transits and blue Paris backstamp, red crayon “44” for kreuzers due from recipient, light vertical file fold, Very Fine..........................  E. 300-400

4026  
Henderson Ky. Two covers on exhibit pages, first is large rimless “Henderson, Kentucky Augt. 20” datestamp with date in manuscript and matching “25” rate on 1826 folded letter to Charleston S.C., second is “Henderson KY” in rimless arc with manuscript “July 6” date and “6” rate on 1829 folded letter to Owensborough Ky., first with internal scotch tape repairs not noticeable from looking at the cover, Very Fine strikes, ASCC $300.00.................................(Photo Ex)  E. 300-400

4027  
Lexington Ky. Three covers on exhibit pages, first bears “Lexington, K. June 25” straightline handstamp with manuscript “25” rate on 1800 folded letter to Reading Penn., contents from a traveller discussing area and its people, some slight waterstaining, second is 1804 folded letter with “Lex. K APR 6” straightline handstamp with manuscript “25” to Salem Mass., last is similar to second and used in 1805 but with month in both upper and lower case, rated “12½” and sent to Cincinnati O., Very Fine strikes, ASCC $800.00..........................  E. 750-1,000

4028  
LEX. K. OCT. 27. Well-struck straightline handstamp with “James Morrison Supr.” free frank as Supervisor of Internal Revenue on 1806 folded letter to Marietta O., contents are to executors of an estate dunning them for $679.87, fresh and Extremely Fine, a beautiful cover......  E. 200-300

4029  
Lexington Ky. 1807-20, twelve covers, most mounted on exhibit pages, eleven with “Lexington Kentucky” ovals in a range of type styles, one in red, rates are mostly 25c but also some with 50c, 20½c, 37½c and 18½c, last is “Lex. K. Mar. 23” straightline on 1806 folded letter to Virginia, overall fresh and Very Fine, a beautiful group of covers...................(Photo Ex)  E. 1,000-1,500

4030  
Richard M. Johnson. Free frank as Vice President on very unusual 1837 folded letter containing an integral letterpress copy of a 2pp letter headed Batavia, Java, signed I. J. Roberts, on the third page is a printed notice and a second letter from Roberts (in manuscript) regarding the addressee’s interest in missionary work among the Western Indians and suggesting instead “these eastern heathen”, cover addressed to College Hill, D.C. “Lexington Ky. Jul. 6” circular datestamp, small paper loss at corners, not affecting text or appearance, still Fine, rare and very unusual usage; during the War of 1812 Johnson raised a battalion of Kentuckians to fight the British and Indians; at the battle of Thames he killed the great Indian chief Tecumseh, ex Robertson.....................  E. 300-400
Lodge * Fulton Co. Ky. Apr. 18. Balloon-style circular datestamp with matching large "Paid" handstamp and manuscript "3" rate on 1857 cover to Chepachet R.I., back of cover with “The Universal Masonic Library” design, with original enclosure of “Catalogue of the Universal Masonic Library”, some edgewear, Very Fine, scarce marking with only three reported, it is also very unusual with the county name incorporated, ASCC $300.00 ......................... E. 300-400

“Louisville Augt. 6th 1796”. Manuscript postmark with matching “50” rate on small folded cover to Wheeling Va., endorsed “p pacquet” at lower left, some slight wear, still Very Fine, scarce double-rate usage for a letter sent over 450 miles, Kentucky became a state only four years earlier .................................................................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

Louisville Ky. 1806-30, ten covers, many on exhibit pages, first is only reported example of the “Louisville, K.” circular datestamp, five are “Louisville Kentucky” oval datestamps with several different type styles, one with “Ky.” at center, also red 1830 usage with manuscript postmark, two other styles of circular datestamp incl. one with name spelled out and one abbreviated, several different rates and destinations, overall Very Fine, the markings are generally Extremely Fine, a desirable group............................................................................ (Photo Ex) E. 1,000-1,500


Maysville Ky. 1817-27, four covers on exhibit pages, incl. 1817 “Maysville Kentucky” small oval with date in manuscript and “25” rate to Philadelphia, 1824 usage with “Maysville Ky. July 24” rope oval design with day in manuscript and “12½” rate to Greenfield O., third is similar but struck in red and with full date in manuscript, used in 1827 to Hillborough O., last is “Maysville Jany. 20” manuscript postmark with matching “Free” used in 1826 to New Orleans and with note at bottom of contents reading “Frank you must excuse the stamp (postmark) as the ink is frozen solid so completely that he can not get it to thaw”, last with some splitting along folds reinforced with document tape, Very Fine, desirable group, the marking struck in red is reportedly unique .................. (Photo Ex) E. 600-800

Midway Ky. Jan. 14. Well-struck circular datestamp with matching “Paid” handstamp and manuscript “20” rate on cover to Aspinwall, New Grenada, trivial edgewear, Extremely Fine, Aspinwall is the current location of Colon, Panama ....... E. 150-200

Military Institute Ky. Nov. 3. Bold strike of circular datestamp with manuscript “5” rate on 1851 folded letter to Urbana O., light vertical file folds, Very Fine, scarce, the Kentucky Military Institute was established in 1845, only a half-dozen examples of this marking are known, ex Knapp, ASCC $200.00 .................................................................................................................. E. 200-250
Mount Eden Ky. Jun. 25 5. Clear strike of intricate double-circle datestamp with fleurons, matching “Paid” handstamp, on brown cover to Centreville Ky., some slight wear, Very Fine strike, reportedly unique, ASCC $350.00 .................................. E. 300-400

Nicholasville. KY. Bold strike of straightline handstamp with manuscript “May 11” and “25” rate on 1832 folded letter to Philadelphia, Extremely Fine strike of this scarce marking, only five are reported, ASCC $300.00 ........................................ E. 300-400

Owensboro KY./Nov. 22, 1839. Well-struck two-line handstamp with manuscript “Paid 25” on 1839 folded letter to Philadelphia, Very Fine and choice, this is the only reported example of this marking, ASCC $400.00 ..................................... E. 400-500

Paris Ky. Oval handstamp with 2.5mm letters and manuscript “4 June” date on 1818 folded letter to Providence R.I., manuscript “25” rate and sender’s instructions “via Marietta and City of Washington”, light vertical file folds, Very Fine, scarce, less than five examples of this marking are reported .................................................... E. 200-300

Paris Ky. 1818-45, twelve covers, most mounted on exhibit pages, incl. nine used from 1818-21 period with several variations of letters, three with fully printed dates, one with month only printed and others with date in manuscript, also three with fleuron-style marking with one struck in red, nice range of rates and destinations, Very Fine, an attractive group ..........................................................(Photo Ex) E. 500-750

Russellville Ky. 1812-29, five covers mounted on exhibit pages, incl. “Russellville Ky. June 17” (1829) two-line handstamp to Hopkinsville (reportedly unique), 1812 with arc-style postmark to Berkley Springs Va. (one of three reported), 1817 with oval datestamp and contents discussing a duel, 1826 with large circular datestamp and double rate, last 1826 with large circular datestamp (only three reported), some edgewear but markings are all notable for their clarity, Very Fine, scarce group ......(Photo Ex) E. 1,000-1,500
4044 "Thomas Smith P.M., Severn Creek, Kentucky". Manuscript postmark with "Free" on 1831 folded letter to Wills, England, manuscript "1/" due rate, some slight wear, Very Fine, rare, this town is unlisted in ASCC, according to the Kentucky Post Offices book by Rennick, during this period the post office was operated by Thomas and John Smith, its location is where the creek was crossed by the road between Owentown and the Cedar Creek post office, four miles north of the latter .................................................. E. 200-300

4045 Shelbyville Kentucky, Jun. 11 1821. Beautiful strike of this fancy negative cancel with manuscript "18 1⁄2" rate on folded letter to New Market O., some non-contemporary docketing at top, some overall toning, still a Very Fine strike of this scarce marking, this is the only negative-style postmark used in Kentucky prior to the 1850's ..................... E. 400-500

4046 Shelbyville Kentucky, Feb. 26 1818. Bold strike of negative letters in black band on cover front only to General James Taylor in Newport Ky., Very Fine strike, rare ..... E. 150-200

4047 South Union, K. JUN. 25, 1836. Well-struck boxed datestamp with manuscript "25" rate on folded cover to Montgomery Ala., light vertical file fold well away from marking, Very Fine strike, South Union was a community established by Shakers, only six examples of this marking are reported.............................................................. E. 300-400


4049 SOUTH UNION/DEC. 31/KENTUCKY. Boldly struck boxed three-line datestamp on 3c Red Neshbitt entire (U10) to West Pittsfield Mass., trivial edge wear, a Very Fine strike of the Kentucky cancel, ex Grunin and Gallagher .................................................. E. 200-300

4050 "Trimble Iron Works Ky., Aug. 4th". Red manuscript postmark with matching "Paid 18 3⁄4" rate on 1838 folded letter to Troy O., Very Fine, this is the only reported example of this marking which is unlisted in ASCC, Trimble Iron Works was located in Greenup County in the eastern coal regions .................................................. E. 300-400

4051 Versailles Ky. Two 1834 covers on exhibit pages, both with red double-circle datestamps with slight variations in letters, one with bold matching "10" handstamp to Winchester Ky., other with bold matching "25" handstamp and used to Nassau Street in New York, Very Fine strikes and an attractive pair of covers ...................... (Photo Ex) E. 100-150
**4052**: Washington Ky. Two 1806 covers on exhibit pages, first with "Wash*K*October 15" straightline handstamp and manuscript "Paid 20" rate on folded letter to Chillicothe O., second with "Wash*K*October,15" straightline handstamp and manuscript "Paid 10" on folded letter to Chillicothe, light file folds, Very Fine, excellent examples of this scarce marking on single and double-rate covers. 

**4053**: Washington Kentucky, Jan. 5. Two clear strikes of oval datestamp at left of oversize 1812 folded cover to Newport Ky., manuscript "1 3⁄4oz." and "87 1⁄2" rate, also endorsed "public service" and signed, some minor edgewear, Very Fine strikes, this is the earliest of the four reported examples of this marking. 

**4054**: Washington Kentucky, Nov. 10. Oval handstamp with state in italics and manuscript date on 1814 folded letter to Missouri Territory, ink stain (modern) on back, just shows at bottom edge, Fine and very scarce. 

**4055**: Washington Kentucky, June 5. Red oval datestamp with date in manuscript, matching "25" rate on 1817 folded letter to Stafford Va., few small age spots, still Very Fine strike of this rare marking, this is the only reported example struck in red. 

**4056**: Winchester Ky. Three covers on exhibit pages, incl. two used in 1816 with "Winchester Kentucky" oval datestamps used on May 31 and Dec. 11 to Wethersfield Conn. and Dunkirk Va., last with "WINCHESTER, K AUG 30" straightline and manuscript "18 3⁄4" rate on 1831 folded letter to Harrisburg Ky., Very Fine strikes, the last is reportedly unique. 

**4057**: Kentucky Straightline Handstamps. Four covers, incl. earliest of nine recorded examples of "ALGUSTA. KY", only recorded example of "MILLVILLE KY" on 1832 folded letter, 1837 usage with two strikes of "NICHOLASVILLE, KY." straightline to Philadelphia, last is 1844 with small "OWENSBORO, KY." straightline to Meade Ky., generally Very Fine strikes, each is scarce or rare, ASCC $1,300.00. 

**4058**: Kentucky Manuscript Postmarks. 58 each in separate pouchette, wide range of towns incl. Casey’s Creek to Canada West, Bardstown, Big Hill, Bridgeport, Blue Lick Springs on Valentine, Hawesville, Grayson, Smithland, many others with little (if any) duplication, overall Very Fine, a difficult group to assemble. 

**4059**: Kentucky Pre-Stamp Covers — Circular Datestamps. 23, wide range of towns and styles incl. rimless circular datestamps such as Henderson, Mt. Washington (one of three reported) and Morganfield (only reported), several other better markings incl. 1827 Cynthiana, brown Greensburgh, red Bloomfield, red Paris with fleurons, some edgewear and slight toning to be expected, these were selected for the superior quality of the strikes of the markings which are uniformly Very Fine.
1847 ISSUE USED FROM KENTUCKY

4060

5c Red Brown (1). Large margins to full, tied by neat strike of blue grid, matching “Louisville Ky. 5 Jul. 12” integral-rate circular datestamp on blue 1850 folded letter to Indianapolis Ind., light vertical file fold well away from stamp, Very Fine, an attractive usage........................................... E. 400-500

4061

5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal pair, bright shade, large margins to full, tied by blue grids, matching “Hopkinsville Ky. Apr. 24” circular datestamp on blue 1850 folded letter to New Orleans, vertical file fold at left well away from stamps, Very Fine, scarce usage............. ............................................................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500
10c Black (2). Large margins to clear, tied by blue-green grid, matching “Frankfort Ky. Jul. 24” circular datestamp on 1850 folded letter to New York, light vertical file folds well clear of stamp

VERY FINE. A RARE USAGE OF THE 10-CENT 1847 ISSUE FROM FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY, TO NEW YORK.

Ex Craveri. With 1981 P.F. certificate ................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500
1847 ISSUE USED FROM KENTUCKY

10c Black (2). Large even margins, wonderful proof-like impression and intense shade, tied by black grid with “Louisville Ky. Aug. 15/10” integral-rate circular datestamp also struck in black on folded cover to Philadelphia, 1850 docketing on flap, lightly toned along file folds. EXTREMELY FINE. A FRESH AND ATTRACTIVE USE OF THE 10-CENT 1847 ISSUE ON A COVER WITH BOTH A BLACK GRID AND BLACK CIRCULAR DATESTAMP CANCEL. Ex Sevenoaks ................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

10c Black (2). Huge margins to large, tied by large blue targets, matching “Louisville Ky. Oct. 2” circular datestamp on 1847 folded cover to New York, light file folds well away from stamp. EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE EXAMPLE OF THE 10-CENT 1847 ISSUE, TIED BY A LARGE BLUE TARGET CANCELLATION.

A review using Power Search found many 1847 covers originating in Louisville, but all are cancelled by the usual small grid. This large target struck in blue is extremely rare. Ex Craveri. With 1992 P.F. certificate................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000
THE 1847 COVER TO EGYPT

5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal pair, large margins at sides, clear to slightly in at top and bottom, right stamp has faint pre-use vertical crease, tied by pen cancels, red “Bardstown Ky. Dec. 4” (1850) circular datestamp on small envelope to Alexandria and Cairo, Egypt, red etiquette seal on flap, addressed to “Joseph Holt Esq., London, England, Care of Baring & Bro. London”, red “19” credit handstamp—applied at New York foreign-mail office, although there is no indication of 24c prepaid treaty rate—red “X/Paid/29DE29 1850” framed receiving datestamp, mailed from London to Rathbone & Co. in Alexandria, Egypt, then forwarded from there to Cairo, red “London Paid (7?) Jan. 1851” circular datestamp and manuscript “2/1” rate marking, two strikes of red “VIA MARSEILLES” straightline handstamp probably applied by Baring Brothers forwarding clerk to indicate route to Alexandria, the back has a partly readable strike of “Alexandria JA 18 1851” receiving datestamp and manuscript docketing “Received at Cairo No. 2, Answered at Cairo”

VERY FINE. THIS IS THE ONLY RECORDED 1847 ISSUE COVER TO EGYPT. A REMARKABLE POSTAL HISTORY ARTIFACT AND FASCINATING FOREIGN-MAIL USE.

Joseph Holt (1807-1894) was a leading member of the Buchanan administration and served as Judge Advocate General in the United States Army, most notably during the Lincoln assassination trials. Under President Buchanan he was appointed Postmaster General (March 9, 1859, to December 31, 1860) and Secretary of War (December 31, 1860, to March 2, 1861). Earlier in life, Holt became wealthy through his legal profession. In 1848 he made a trip to Europe and to the East, and was away from home for seventeen months (Harper’s Weekly, February 16, 1861). This cover was mailed to Holt during his travels. It was sent in care of the banking and mail-forwarding firms of Baring Brothers and Rathbone & Co., each of which would have been given instructions by Holt for sending mail to him as he travelled. Baring Brothers mailed the letter to Alexandria, Egypt, where Rathbone & Co. redirected it to Cairo.

The letter was carried on the Cunarder Asia, departing New York on December 18 and reaching Liverpool on December 28, 1850. The pair of 5c 1847 stamp pays the rate from Bardstown, Kentucky, to New York City. Despite the absence of any markings to indicate prepayment of the 24c U.S.-British treaty rate, the foreign-mail clerk in New York applied the “19” cents credit handstamp, which was sufficient for the receiving clerk in England to consider it prepaid. When Baring Brothers mailed the letter at the London post office, it was marked prepaid “2/1” (2sh1p) and datestamped with the red “London Paid” circle. The “VIA MARSEILLES” straightline handstamps do not resemble official post office markings, so we assume they are private markings applied by Baring Brothers.

According to all of the literature and census work on the 1847 Issue, this is the only known 1847 cover to Egypt. The fact that it was actually carried in the postal system to Alexandria, Egypt, rather than handled outside the mails, adds to its importance as a postal history artifact. Further, the Kentucky origin and addressee’s prominence at a later stage of life are elements that add considerable character to the cover.

Ex Kapiloff and Craveri. With 1993 and 2003 P.F. certificates .......... E. 50,000-75,000
4066  **SHIP.** Red straightline handstamp applied on arrival at Louisville on folded letter date-lined “Economy April 12th 1827”, manuscript chg. 18½¢ rate, light vertical file fold, Very Fine Ohio River steamboat usage ...................................................... E. 300-400

4067  **Louise(ville), Ky. May 4.** Well-struck circular datestamp with manuscript “Steam 25” rate on 1830 folded letter to Russellville Ky., few age spots, Very Fine, scarce usage, rated 25¢ for distance greater than 400 miles .................................................. E. 200-300

4068  **3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A).** Rich color, large margins to barely in, tied by well-struck “Maysville Ky. May 30” circular datestamp on buff cover to Midway Ky., bold “STEAM” handstamp, Very Fine, carried on the Ohio River, the “Steam” marking was used by the postmaster to account for mail carried on non-contract steamboats .......... E. 300-400

4069  **LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI/MAIL LINE/June 5.** Blue two-line framed datestamp with day in manuscript, matching “10” rate handstamp on brown cover to Philadelphia, light vertical file folds, Very Fine, a rare marking ................................................. E. 500-750
4070  1c Blue, Ty. V (9). Recut twice at top and once at bottom, large margins to just touched, tied by blue “L.Ville & Cinn. Mail Line Sep. 16” route agent’s circular datestamp, second strike alongside, on blue 1853 folded cover to Indianapolis Ind., light vertical file fold well away from stamp. Very Fine, scarce circular rate usage, less than five examples of this marking are reported used with the 1c 1851 Issue, signed Ashbrook. E. 500-750

4071  1c Blue, Ty. IV (9). Positions 42/52/62L1L, vertical strip of three, large margins to just in, bright color, tied by two clear strikes of “Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line, May 13” route agent’s circular datestamps on blue 1853 folded cover to Indianapolis Ind., light vertical file fold well away from stamps, bottom stamp small tear at left, Very Fine appearance, attractive usage, ex Chase and Emerson............................. E. 750-1,000
4072  3c Brownish Carmine, Ty. II (11A). Large margins to barely in along bottom outer frameline, tied by vivid red grid, matching red “Lou. & Cin. S. B. Mail Line March 19” circular datestamp and “U.S. (Mail) Steamer Telegraph No. 2 * McLelland, Master *” route agent’s handstamp on 1852 folded from Cincinnati to Nashville Tenn., neatly docketed EXTREMELY FINE. A REMARKABLY BEAUTIFUL CONTRACT STEAMBOAT COVER WITH THE 3-CENT 1851 ISSUE.

Ex Grunin ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

4073  3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Huge margins to just in incl. top right corner sheet margins with guideline at right, cancelled by unusual red segmented cork, matching “Lou. & Cin. S.B. Mail Line 21 Nov.” route agent’s circular datestamp on blue 1852 folded cover to Indianapolis Ind., light vertical file folds do not affect stamp VERY FINE. A RARE AND COLORFUL 3-CENT 1851 COVER WITH A CORNER SHEET-MARGIN STAMP AND THE LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI STEAMBOAT MAIL LINE MARKINGS IN RED.

Signed Ashbrook................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000
3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Left straddle-pane margin, full margins all around, tied by perfect strike of “Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line Nov. 7” circular datestamp in intense jet-black ink on brown cover to New Albany Ind.

EXTREMELY FINE. AN ABSOLUTELY SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE 3-CENT 1851 ON COVER WITH THE SCARCE LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI MAIL LINE ROUTE AGENT’S DATESTAMP.

Ex Moody, Haas and Sevenoaks .......................................................... E. 2,000-3,000

3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Large margins to in, tied by red “Lou. & Cin. S.B. Mail Line Jun. 25” route agent’s circular datestamp on folded letter datelined “Steamer Telegraph, 10 miles above Louisville” and addressed to Petosi Mo., part of contents mentions “We got to Louisville last night at 6 o’clock, it rained dreadfully all day yesterday so we staid all night aboard the Fashion.”, Very Fine strike .......................................................... E. 500-750
4076  3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Large margins to clear, tied by unusual red segmented cork, matching “Lou. & Cin. S.B. Mail Line Sep. 17” circular datestamp on blue 1852 folded cover to Raleigh N.C., vertical file fold affects stamp which also has some waterstaining, still Very Fine................................................................. E. 200-300

4077  Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line. Route agent’s large balloon-style circular handstamp cancels 3c Red Nesbitt (U10) entire to Keokuk Iowa, some slight wear incl. small tear at top, Very Fine strike .......................................................... E. 300-400

4078  Cincinnati & Louisville Mail Route Sep. 7. Clear strike of circular datestamp struck partly off top of cover with blue “Cincinnati & Louisville Steamer, U.S. Mail Line, Telegraph No. 3” cameo corner card to Bowling Green Ky., red “Cincinnati O. 3 Paid Sep. 8” circular datestamp with matching “Paid” handstamp, expertly restored, still Very Fine, the U.S. Mail Line was the successor to the Cincinnati & Louisville Mail Line, which is the first recorded steam packet company, ex Eggen ............................... E. 750-1,000
3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Rich color, choice centering, cancelled by penstrokes on orange cover to Dover Ky., with "C.M. & P. Mail Line, Kentucky, S.B. Briggs, Clk., Dec. 29, 1857" circular datestamp at left, Very Fine, a rare marking, the company was originally formed as the Cincinnati and Maysville Packet Co. with the steamboats Boone and Kenton, and in 1855 or 1856 the line was expanded and renamed the Cincinnati, Maysville and Portsmouth Packet Co., they competed with several other companies running the same routes, including the Railroad Line and the Lightning Line, this line was dissolved in 1859, this marking is unlisted in Simpson, ex Eggen.... E. 1,000-1,500

3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Bright color, cancelled by penstrokes, matching "Louisville & Cairo M. Bt. Route August 3" route agent's manuscript postmark on cover to Towanda Penn., endorsed "Via Erie Pa." at bottom left, barely reduced at right, Very Fine, scarce usage, this thrice-weekly mail service between Cairo Ill. and Louisville Ky. was contracted in 1858, discontinued in 1860 and reinstated in 1861, ex Eggen .............. E. 500-750

3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Large margins to full, bright color, cancelled by penstrokes, matching "Louisville & St. Louis M R 11 Oct." route agent's manuscript postmark on buff cover to Pittsburgh Penn., Very Fine, scarce and desirable usage with the manuscript route agent's marking, ex Eggen ......................................................... E. 500-750

1c Columbian (230). Tied by "Louisville" oval on cover with green "Louisville & Jeffersonville Ferry Company, Louisville Ky." illustrated design depicting the Sunshine, to the Masonic Temple in Louisville, fresh and Very Fine, attractive usage.. E. 200-300

Ohio River Steamboat Usages. Thirteen covers and one Pass issued by Memphis & Ohio River Packet Co. attractive mounted on exhibit pages, five covers are stampless, incl. several different Louisville markings applied on arrival, also two with Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line circular datestamp with integral due "5" marking, several varieties of Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line markings, stamps are mostly 3c 1851 but also No. 65, and two with 3c Bank Notes, overall fresh and Very Fine..... Not illustrated E. 750-1,000
4084 ❒ **Louisville & New-Orleans Packet, Bunker Hill No. 3.** Perfectly-struck red illustrated handstamp on December 1849 folded letter to Louisville, manuscript initials and "Bunker Hill" name-of-boat endorsement at top right, Extremely Fine and early strike of this scarce marking, the Bunker Hill No. 3 was built in New Albany Ind. in 1849 and its first captain, Job. Whipple, died aboard ship between Natchez and Memphis on March 25, 1849 (several other crew members also died of cholera) .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

4085 ❒ **Louisville & New Orleans Packet Bunker Hill No. 3.** Well-struck red illustrated handstamp on illustrated bill of lading with yeardate cut off, to New Orleans, manuscript initials at left, some slight wear incl. splitting along folds, still Very Fine strike of this scarce marking, the Bunker Hill No. 3 was built in New Albany Ind. in 1849 and its first captain, Job. Whipple, died aboard ship between Natchez and Memphis on March 25, 1849 (several other crew members also died of cholera), this item was carried outside of the mails from Uniontown Ky. to New Orleans ........................................................................................... E. 500-750

4086 ❒ **3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26).** Bright color, tied by indistinct strike of "Cairo Ill. Dec. 21, 1858" circular datestamp on cover with blue boxed "Louisville & New Orleans Regular Passenger Packet Pacific, will leave Louisville for New Orleans on Monday Dec. 27, at 5 o'clock, P.M." handstamp, addressed to Louisville, also with blind-embossed commission merchant's corner card, light strike of forwarder's backstamp, 1858 docketing on back, some opening tears at top left have been repaired, still Very Fine, scarce, carried by steam packet from New Orleans to Cairo Ill. then put into the mails at Cairo by the forwarder .......................... E. 300-400
WESTERN EXPRESS COVERS FROM KENTUCKY

4087 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (11A). Vertical pair, large margins to full, cancelled by penstrokes and tied by blue “W. E. Singer & Co., Feather River Express” oval handstamp, red “Georgetown Ky. Oct. 27” circular datestamp on cover to Marysville Cal., bottom stamp light horizontal crease not mentioned on accompanying certificate, Very Fine, scarce and desirable usage with the western express marking, with 2005 P.F. certificate ...................... E. 750-1,000

4088 3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Tied by blue “W. E. Singer & Co.s Feather River Express” oval handstamp on orange cover to Marysville Cal. and forwarded to “opposite mouth of Nelson Creek, Plumas Co., California”, red “Lexington Ky. Jun. 28” circular datestamp with matching “Paid” and “6” handstamps, Very Fine, unusual usage, the 3c stamp was applied for forwarding postage and tied by the express marking ............... E. 750-1,000
A postcard from ST JOSEPH TO PLACERVILLE, PER PONY EXPRESS, to St. Joseph, Mo., for James L. Christian, Staples Ranch, California.
Wells, Fargo & Co. Pony Express, ($1.00) Red Type II East-to-West Frank, 10c Green on Thin Hard White Entire (unlisted in Scott). 10c embossed stamp cancelled at origin by blue “Caseyville Ky. Sep. 5” (1861) circular datestamp, printed address to the “Agent of Pony Express, St. Joseph, Mo.” and handwritten address to James L. (Laird) Christian at Staples Ranch Cal., clear strike of “Pony Express/The Central Overland California & Pikes Peak Express Company St. Joseph Mo. Sep. 18” oval in circle datestamp, manuscript “Missent to Cacheville” and blue “Wells, Fargo & Co. Express Cacheville” oval handstamp, “Stockton Cal. Oct. 5” circular datestamp over embossed stamp, manuscript “Ford 3” for U.S. postage to Staples Ranch, expertly restored along right edge (affects embossed stamp and circular datestamps at upper right), cleaned to removed stains (mostly on back)

ONE OF 21 RECORDED TYPE II EAST-TO-WEST PONY EXPRESS FRANKED ENTIRES AND THE ONLY PONY EXPRESS COVER TO ORIGINATE IN KENTUCKY. IT IS ALSO THE ONLY PONY EXPRESS COVER WITH AN ADDITIONAL WELLS FARGO & COMPANY HANDSTAMP UNRELATED TO THE PONY EXPRESS SERVICE.

In Rate Period 3, Wells Fargo & Co. introduced a special franked envelope for westbound mail, but its use was extremely limited. On July 1, 1861, the new contract rate went into effect. On August 12, 1861, Wells Fargo & Co. announced in the New York papers that “Pony Express Envelopes” were “Now ready and for sale at our office.” Although this announcement refers only to “envelopes,” in fact both the franked entire and $1.00 adhesive stamps were put on sale in August 1861.

The 1861 10c “Pumpkin” entire with the Type II printed frank was ordered from George F. Nesbitt & Co. (New York) by the Overland Mail Company after they obtained approval for the design and imprint from the Postmaster General’s office. The earliest recorded Type II envelope is dated August 14, 1861, according to the FKW census.

The FKW census lists 20 examples of the Type II $1.00 East-to-West frank, including a few that have stamps added or have been extensively repaired. Adding one cover that was not included in the FKW census (Siegel 2009 Rarities of the World sale, lot 298), there are 21 Type II franks.

This Pony Express cover entered the post office at Caseyville, Kentucky, and was treated as regular mail until it reached the Wells Fargo & Co. agent at St. Joseph. From there (or Atchison, Kansas) it made the September 19, 1861, westbound Pony trip to California. From the terminus at Placerville, the Pony mail was brought to Sacramento. This letter was carried by a Wells Fargo & Co. stage in the wrong direction, north to Cacheville. The agent at Cacheville caught the mistake and redirected the letter south to Stockton, where it entered the post office and was carried by regular mail to nearby Staples Ranch.

The addressee, James Laird Christian, was born in 1827 in Hopkins County, Kentucky. The family moved to California by wagon train after 1850 and settled in San Joaquin County on the north side of the Mokelumne River. In the will of his great-uncle, Samuel Laird, in 1856 James was called the only living descendant of Jane Laird. He was living in Elkhorn township, San Joaquin County, in the 1860 federal census, where he was a farmer.

The cover’s original mailing point—Caseyville, Kentucky—is located in Union County, two miles above the mouth of Tradewater River and 12½ miles southeast of Morganfield, Kentucky. It was founded in 1826 or 1827 by Nicholas Casey, the son of a pioneer and Revolutionary War veteran, Peter Casey. The town Caseyville was first called Casey’s Landing. The post office was established on August 6, 1838. John Casey was the postmaster. The post office at Staples Ranch was established in 1851. In 1863 its name was changed to Locust Shade.

Census No. W58. Trip WT-141. Illustrated in Frajola-Kramer-Walske The Pony Express: A Postal History (p. 58). ................................................................. E. 20,000-30,000

Bidders interested in the Pony Express are directed to the Siegel firm’s sale of the Pony Express collection formed by Thurston Twigg-Smith, to be held on Saturday, December 5. The sale catalogue is available at siegelauctions.com
LOUISVILLE CARRIER DEPARTMENT

4090

Brown & McGill’s U.S.P.O. Despatch, Louisville Ky., (2c) Blue (5LB2). Three large margins, mostly clear at top except at upper left corner, tied by pencil, used with 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26), tied by blue “Louisville Ky. May 25, 1859” circular datestamp (also tied corner of carrier stamp) on newspaper publisher’s advertising cover with overall illustrated design lithographed in green on yellow, to the “Patriot” newspaper office at Baltimore Md.

VERY FINE AND OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE BROWN & McGILL’S CARRIER STAMP TIED ON COVER. ONLY SIX OR SEVEN TIED EXAMPLES ARE BELIEVED TO EXIST.

Ex Boker, Meyersburg and Golden. With 1985 P.F. certificate. .............. E. 5,000-7,500
4091  Brown & McGill's U.S.P.O. Despatch, Louisville Ky., (2c) Blue (5LB2). Large margins to just touched at corner of frameline, tied by blue “DUE 3” straightline with 3c Dull Red (26) tied by blue “Louisville Ky. May 24, 1860” circular datestamp on brown cover to court clerk at Somerset Ky., flap repaired, reduced and repaired tear at top.

VERY FINE. AN EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLE OF THE BROWN & McGILL'S CARRIER STAMP TIED BY THE “DUE 3” OF LOUISVILLE. ONLY SIX OR SEVEN ARE KNOWN TIED ON COVER, THIS BEING THE ONLY ONE TIED BY A DUE MARKING.

The Middendorf sale catalogue reported five tied examples of the Brown & McGill carrier stamp. Our records contain seven genuine tied usages, one of which is a front only. This is the only cover on which the carrier stamp is tied by a due marking.

Ex Mason and Hall......................................................................................................................... E. 2,000-3,000

4092  Brown & McGill's U.S.P.O. Despatch, (2c) Black (5LB3). Huge margins surrounding all four framelines, used with 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26), both stamps tied by blue “Louisville Ky. Mar. 18” circular datestamp on small buff piece.

EXTREMELY FINE. THE FINEST OF THE TWO RECORDED GENUINELY-CANCELLED EXAMPLES OF THE BROWN & McGILL BLACK CARRIER STAMP.

Our census contains 13 examples of 5LB3, including 10 uncancelled stamps, some (or all) of which were removed from pieces of covers, all dated in 1858. Two of the uncancelled stamps remain on their original covers with a 3c 1857 tied by the Louisville datestamp (Apr. 13 and Aug. 14, 1858 — each with P.F. certificate). A cancelled stamp with two defective corners was sold in the 1921 “German Sale” and subsequently repaired; it was certified by the P.F. as having a counterfeit cancel and is not counted for the record. A cancelled stamp tied on a Valentine cover (with 3c 1857 stamp removed) was offered in the Robert Laurence Nov. 15, 1940 sale of the L. B. Mason collection and recently reappeared in a Rumsey sale. The piece offered here, according to a letter from Alfred H. Caspary, was originally in the C. T. Harbeck collection, then passed to C. E. Chapman, and from Chapman to Caspary, circa 1913.

Ex Harbeck, Chapman, Caspary, Boker and Golden. With 1999 P.F. certificate . E. 7,500-10,000
LOUISVILLE CARRIER DEPARTMENT

Brown & McGill’s U.S.P.O. Despatch, Louisville Ky., (2c) Black (5LB3). Large margins with three full framelines and almost complete frameline at right, uncanceled, used with 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26) tied by blue “Louisville Ky. Apr. 13” circular datestamp on buff cover addressed in blue to Mr. W. Gail, Baltimore Md., the cover has two vertical folds, one thru 3c stamp, the other creating a faintly toned area where the surface of the Brown & McGill’s stamp was in contact with envelope, effectively tying it to the cover.

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. ONE OF TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE BROWN & MCGILL BLACK CARRIER STAMP USED WITH REGULAR STAMPS ON COVER (BOTH UNCANCELLED).

Our census contains 13 examples of 5LB3, including 10 uncanceled stamps, some (or all) of which were removed from pieces of covers, all dated in 1858. Two of the uncanceled stamps remain on their original covers with a 3c 1857 tied by the Louisville datestamp: the Apr. 13 cover offered here and a cover postmarked Aug. 14, 1858, each with P.F. certificate. This cover comes from the well-known Gail correspondence, from which a number of the genuine Brown & McGill carrier covers originate. A third cover with 5LB3 is missing the 3c 1857 stamp (it recently reappeared in a Rumsey sale after 70 years in hiding).

Ex Chapman. With 1981 and 2002 P.F. certificates.............................. E. 10,000-15,000
4094  Wharton’s U.S.P.O. Despatch, Louisville Ky., (2c) Bluish Green (5LB1). Complete sheet of 50 (two panes), original gum, slight creases and small thin spots, trivial selvage tears

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN OUTSTANDING EXHIBITION PIECE AND ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING COMPLETE SHEETS OF FIFTY OF THE WHARTON’S CARRIER STAMP.

Our records of Wharton indicate the existence of a half-dozen panes of 25 and at least four complete sheets of 50, two of which are known to remain intact.

Ex Worthington and Hall

7,000.00
1857 AND LATER ISSUES USED FROM KENTUCKY

4095  1c Blue, Ty. IIIa (22). Positions 33-35R4, horizontal strip of three, each stamp with wide break at top, deep rich color, tied by two neat strikes of “Paris Ky. Jan. 16, 1858” circular datestamp on cover to Frankfort Ky., some perfs unpunched, left pair few faint toned spots (neither mentioned on accompanying certificate), Very Fine, an attractive cover, with 1981 P.F. certificate... E. 750-1,000

4096  3c Dull Red, Ty. IV (26A). Some clipped perfs, tied by “Danville Ky. Aug. 31” (1860) circular datestamp on yellow cover to Bardstown Ky. with illustrated corner card of Caldwell Female Institute, which later became Kentucky College for Women and eventually absorbed into Centre College, Very Fine............................................................................................. E. 200-300

4097  3c Rose (65). Tied by “Leavenworth City Kas.” double-circle datestamp on cover to Louisville, bold blue “Louisville Advertised Jun. 7” circular datestamp with ornaments, back with “Louisville Ky. Aug. 9” circular datestamp in darker blue with matching “NOT CALLED FOR” in small circle, Fine and very scarce.......................................................................................... E. 150-200

4098  5c Red Brown (75). Used with 10c Yellow Green (68), tied by grids, matching “Portland Ky. Jul. 14” double-circle datestamp on buff 1864 cover to Paris, France, New York 6c credit datestamp, French transits and receiving backstamp, embossed Apothecary return address on backflap, barely reduced at bottom and left, some wear, still Fine and attractive, a rare Kentucky usage, ex Gallagher ............................................................. E. 300-400

4099  30c Orange (71). Horizontal pair, used with 24c Lilac (78) and tied by blue negative Star fancy cancels and also matching “Louisville Ky. Jul. 15” circular datestamp on cover to Milan, Italy, red New York transit circular datestamp, red boxed “PD” handstamp and red crayon “48” credit, quadruple 21c rate via French Mails, with blue Italian Consular seal backstamp, slightly reduced at left, some edgewear incl. small repair at top right corner

VERY FINE. A COLORFUL AND RARE USE OF 1861 HIGH-VALUES WITH STAR FANCY CANCELLATIONS ON A COVER TO ITALY.

Ex DuPuy.................................................................................................... E. 1,500-2,000
4100 2c Black (73). Horizontal pair, tied by targets and by “Nicholasville Ky. Nov. 16, 1863” double-circle datestamp on cover to Hamilton O., endorsed “In Haste” at bottom, fresh and Very Fine, a beautiful cover paying the 3c rate plus 1c carrier fee.......... E. 200-300

4101 2c Brown (113). Tied by blue grid, matching “Cynthiana Ky. May 29” circular datestamp on yellow cover with illustrated design for importer of Italian Queen Bees to Leavistown Me., Very Fine, attractive cover with an unusual theme......................... E. 200-300

4102 3c Ultramarine (114). Bright color, tied by well-struck blue Cross in Circle with matching “Frankfort Ky. Jul. 7” circular datestamp on buff “State of Kentucky, Office Supt. Public Instruction” corner card cover to Lexington Ky., fresh and Extremely Fine, ex Gibson................................................................. E. 150-200


4104 12c Green (117). Deep shade, tied by quartered cork cancel, “Frankfort Ky. Feb. 22” circular datestamp on 3c Pink entire to Montreux, Switzerland, red New York transit, Very Fine, extremely fresh and choice, scarce combination of 12c 1869 and postal stationery, ex Kuphal and Dr. Martin......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

4105 3c Blue Green (207). Tied by purple “Paris Ky. Aug. 16” circular datestamp and target on Handmade Sour Mash and Pure Bourbon Whisky two-part illustrated advertising cover to Circleville O., matching “Due 3 cts.” and 3c Brown, Postage Due (3) at bottom right tied by quartered cork handstamp, 1879 docketing at left, missing part of top flap, Very Fine................................................................. E. 200-300

4106 5c Indigo (216). Tied by “Louisville Ky. Apr. 8, 1889” duplex cancel on cover to Goree, Senegambia, West Coast of Africa, with leaf and tobacco company corner card, also with “T 25 Centimes” deficiency handstamp, various backstamps incl. New York, London and Paris, manuscript “Received Apr. 29/89”, slightly reduced at right and small cover tear at right, still Very Fine......................................................... E. 300-400

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 37 – DECEMBER 10, 2009
1857 and Later Issues Used from Kentucky

4107  1c Columbian (230). Tied by brown "Frankfort Ky. Apr. 15 4 P.M. 1897" Eagle machine cancel on 1c Columbian entire (U348) to Philadelphia, fresh and Very Fine, a rare and desirable fancy machine cancel and especially desirable used with the Columbian Issue

E. 750-1,000

4108  Frankfort Ky. Jun. 22 6P.M. 1897. Brown machine cancel with Eagle design repeated across top of 2c Green entire to Cincinnati O., red "Insurance Department of Kentucky" illustrated corner card, receiving backstamp, missing small part of top flap, small tear at top right from opening, Very Fine, scarce and desirable marking

E. 200-300

4109  $1.00 Trans-Mississippi (292). Tied by "Evansville Ind. Dec. 1, 1898" flag machine cancel on Post Office Department Official Money Order Business imprint cover from Madisonville Ky. to Evansville Ind., neat strike of "Madisonville Ky. Nov. 26, 1898" duplex does not tie stamp, which was affixed over duplex and cancelled on arrival, stamp has small corner crease, Very Fine, a remarkable usage

E. 2,000-3,000

4110  Balance of Schwartz Kentucky Cover Collection. 66 items with stamps, incl. 5c Columbian on illustrated advertising cover from Paducah, 8c Columbian on 2c entire from Wiley Ky. to Louisville, many with 3c 1861 Issue from a range of towns incl. some manuscript, one with 2c, 3c and 5c Bank Notes from Pine Hill to Berne, Switzerland, also cover with 16 copies of 1c Blue (63) from Albany Ky. to Monticello Ky., few other better, somewhat mixed condition but nevertheless an interesting group

E. 750-1,000

Not illustrated
JOHN J. MACKLIN & CO. MATCH STAMP

4111

John J. Macklin & Co., 1c Black, Old Paper, Rouletted (RO129a). Better condition than most for this issue which is printed on fragile white paper, few imperfections incl. thin spots and sealed tear

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN ATTRACTIVE EXAMPLE OF THE EXTREMELY RARE ONE-CENT ROULETTED JOHN J. MACKLIN & CO. MATCH STAMP.

The history of this stamp is recorded in the book Private Die Match Stamps by Christopher West, the nom-de-plume of Elliott Perry. In the book, he notes that the stamps were printed by American Phototype Co. When other match manufacturers saw the inferior workmanship of the stamp, they called it to the attention of Butler, Carpenter & Co., who reported it to the authorities as a stamp easy to counterfeit. Butler & Carpenter refused to print from the same plate. Macklin refused to have a new plate made due to the cost (he had lost his business several times due to fire) and used 1c Proprietary stamps for a period of time.

Eleven examples are recorded in the Aldrich census. Of these, eight are faulty. With 2001 P.S.E. certificate. ............................................................................................................. 10,000.00
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4112

3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Tied by blue grid and matching “Louisville Ky. Apr. 14, 1861” double-circle datestamp on red and blue 7-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic cover to Pittsburgh Penn., addressed “In Care of Mr. James Collins for Steam Boat Renton from Memphis to Pittsburgh, Memphis to Pitts., addressed “In Care of Mr. James Collins for Steam Boat Renton from Memphis to Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Pa.,” with original contents dated April 12, stamp with some slight soiling VERY FINE. THIS IS THE ONLY REPORTED USE OF A CONFEDERATE PATRIOTIC FROM KENTUCKY TO THE NORTH.

The letter is dated on the day the first shots of the war were fired at Fort Sumter. Pro-Confederate sympathizers in the border states of Kentucky, Missouri and Tennessee used Confederate flag patriotic stationery early in the war. ................................. E. 2,000-3,000

4113

3c Rose (65). Straddle-pane margin at right, tied by blue grid, matching “Louisville Ky. Dec. 17, 1861” double-circle datestamp on cover to Oaks Wis., with red 13-Star “Excelsior” Flag Pro-Southern Patriotic design. Very Fine, this extremely rare cover is illustrated in Wishnietzky book on Confederate patriotics, because the 13 stars in this flag is believed to represent Kentucky as the 13th Confederate State. ................................. E. 1,000-1,500
DISCONTINUATION OF MAIL SERVICE BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH

Keene Ky. Jun. 8 (1861). Circular datestamp clearly struck on 3c Red Nesbitt entire to Rev. J. N. Goss in Lumpkin Ga., postmarked on the day the postal route to Nashville was closed by the U.S. government and mail was diverted to the Dead Letter Office, boldly struck “Dead Letter Office P.O. Dept. No. ____ July 31, 1861” oval datestamp and “DUE 3 cts” straightline handstamp, docketing indicates letter was sent by Rev. N. M. Gordon

EXTREMELY FINE. AN IMMACULATE AND VERY RARE EXAMPLE OF THE UNITED STATES “DEAD LETTER OFFICE” DATESTAMP APPLIED TO SOUTHBOUND MAIL AFTER JUNE 7, 1861.

Tennessee voted to secede on June 8, 1861, the date this cover was postmarked at Keene, Kentucky. Pursuant to the June 7 U.S. discontinuance order, southbound letters that had previously been routed through Nashville were now diverted to the U.S. Dead Letter Office (see Walske-Trepel, pp. 5-11). This cover is noteworthy for the June 8 date and Kentucky origin.

Ex Gallagher...................................................................................................................................... E. 2,000-3,000
KENTUCKY IN THE CIVIL WAR

SOUTHERN LETTER UNPAID

4115

3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Tied by “SOUTHERN, LETTER UNPAID” bold blue two-line handstamp on buff cover to Chester Conn., blue “Louisville Ky. Jun. 27” (1861) double-circle datestamp and “DUE 3” straightline, stamp with small tear at right, slightly reduced at right

VERY FINE COVER AND PERFECT STRIKE OF THE RARE “SOUTHERN LETTER UNPAID” MARKING.

Postmaster General Blair’s May 27 suspension order prohibited post offices from forwarding southbound mails to disloyal Southern states. However, northbound mail continued to be sent via Louisville. With the resignation of W. D. McNish as Nashville’s Federal postmaster on June 12, “Louisville held the mails still being sent north by the discontinued post office at Nashville. This held mail later became the well-known ‘Southern Letter Unpaid’ mail” (Walske). On June 24, Dr. J. J. Speed, the postmaster at Louisville, was advised to forward letters from the South to the loyal states after removing postage. With approximately 5,000 such letters accumulating at Louisville by this date, Postmaster Speed employed a more practical means of invalidating postage by creating the “Southern Letter Unpaid” handstamp.

Immediately after receiving instructions from Washington to forward the held mail, the Louisville post office began marking letters. Some of these have circular datestamps (June 27, 28 and 29 being the most common dates), while others have no Louisville datestamp.

Ex Antrim. Illustrated in Brookman on p. 216. With 1998 P.F. certificate......... E. 10,000-15,000
DEMONETIZED USAGE

4116

1c Blue, Ty. V, 1c Blue (24, 63). Two No. 63’s, tied by blue targets, matching “Midway Ky. Oct. 31” circular datestamp on buff cover to Paris Ky., with letter enclosure, No. 24 and one No. 63 with small toned spots, cover repaired at right not affecting stamps, otherwise Fine, use of demonetized stamps seems to have been tolerated more in Kentucky; with 1998 P.F. certificate ........................................................ E. 500-750

4117

3c Dull Red, Ty. III (26). Old stamp not recognized as postage, tied by black grid at Louisville Ky. post office on buff cover to Ottawa Ill., backstamped “DETAINED FOR POSTAGE” two-line handstamp, manuscript “560 Dec. 24”, 3c Rose (65) applied days later and tied by “Louisville Ky. Dec. 31, 1862” circular datestamp, cover restored at right edge, scarce use ............................................................................ E. 500-750
Am. Letter Exp. Co. Louisville Ky. 367 Green. Bold blue circular handstamp on U.S. 3¢ Red Star Die entire to Louisville, originated in seceded state, U.S. 1¢ Blue, Ty. V (24), horizontal pair and single, affixed to reverse and tied by blue grids, single tied by second strike of American Letter Express circular handstamp, expertly repaired at top, appears Extremely Fine, an extremely rare usage, only twelve northbound American Letter Express Co. covers are recorded in Walske-Trepel census (No. N-AX-3) E. 1,000-1,500

VERY FINE AND EXTREMELY RARE THRU-THE-LINES EXPRESS USAGE FROM LYNCHBURG.

One other cover from Lynchburg sent north by Adams Express is known to us (see Sale 801, lot 72). The “Paid 10” handstamp indicates prepayment of Confederate postage from Lynchburg to Nashville. From there Adams carried the letter to Louisville, where it was franked with valid postage and sent in the Federal mails to New York City. The 3c stamp affixed at Lynchburg was not accepted for postage.

Ex Grunin, Gallagher and Sevenoaks .................................................. E. 3,000-4,000
4120  Adams Ex. Co. * Louisville, Ky. * Jul. 27, 1861. Date inverted, mostly clear circular datestamp on 3c Red Star Die entire to Wilmington Vt., blue “Paid” and “10” handstamps of Nashville Tenn. without town marking, 3c Dull Red (26) affixed over C.S.A. markings, tied by grid and “Louisville Ky. Jul. 27, 1861” double-circle datestamp, slight bend thru stamp, fresh and Very Fine, an unusual South-to-North express usage, ex Nunnelley................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000


VERY FINE. A CHOICE AND RARE DOUBLE-RATE THRU-THE-LINES EXPRESS COVER FROM NEW ORLEANS TO NEW YORK CITY.

With 1986 C.S.A. certificate................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000
4122


ONE OF TWO RECORDED QUADRUPLE-RATE EXPRESS USAGES WITH THE 12-CENT 1859 ISSUE. A RARE AND UNUSUAL COVER.

Ex Walcott, Grunin, Gallagher and Sevenoaks.......................... E. 3,000-4,000
Adams Express Covers to France
5c Brown, Ty. II (30A). Horizontal strip of three, well-centered, rich color and proof-like impression, trivial toned specks, tied over several perfs at lower left by blue “Louisville Ky. Aug. 13, 1861” duplex datemark and grid (datemark struck again at lower right), used with 3c Dull Red, Ty. II, and 12c Black, Plate 3 (26, 36B), 12c s.c., tied at upper right by “Adams Express Co. Louisville, Ky. Aug. 12, 1861” circular datemark on folded letter in French to Paris, France, datelined “New Orleans, August 7, 1861” and addressed to “Monsieur G. d’Arnaud de Vitrolles”, red “New York Paid Aug. 17” credit datemark, ultramarine Havre transit (Aug. 29), red “PD” in frame, Paris receiving backstamp, pencil “40” express rate (with code letters)

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING OF ALL KNOWN CIVIL WAR EXPRESS USAGES, WITH A UNIQUE COMBINATION OF STAMPS GRAPHICALLY DEMONSTRATING THE REFUSAL OF FEDERAL POSTAL AUTHORITIES TO RECOGNIZE POSTAGE AFFIXED IN CONFEDERATE STATES.

This cover was posted from Confederate New Orleans on August 7, 1861, with 15c postage for the treaty rate to France (prepaid by the 3c and 12c stamps). It was datemarked on August 12 by Adams Express Company in Louisville, ten days prior to the demonetization of old stamps. The exchange period in Louisville began August 22nd for three days; beginning on August 25th, stamps other than the new 1861 Issue would no longer be accepted by the Louisville post office. However, as shown by this cover and certain other Adams thru-the-lines usages, U.S. stamps affixed to mail originating in the Confederate States were considered contraband and not accepted at the Louisville post office, requiring Adams to affix stamps from its own supply. The 3c credit confirms that this was a single-rate letter, so the additional 15c postage (paid by the strip of 5c) was not applied to make up a short payment. The “40” pencil marking (followed by a letter code used by express offices) includes the 25c fee charged by Adams and 15c for the postage to France. The other Adams Express Co. cover from this correspondence, bearing a 30c 1861, is offered in this sale (lot 4124). The 30c cover was also dated in New Orleans on August 7, 1861, but it may have been deliberately routed to Louisville on a later trip or held at the Adams office for additional postage from the sender (it was a double-rate letter). It had no stamps affixed in New Orleans and was stamped in Louisville on August 22 with the new 30c 1861 Issue.

The cover offered here was carried to France on the Havre Line’s Fulton, departing from New York on August 17, 1861, arriving in Havre on August 29. Later in 1861 both of the Havre Line’s ships, the Fulton and Arago, were commissioned as transport ships during the Civil War and not returned to mail service until late in 1865. A history of the Arnaud de Vitrolles family may be found at http://gillesdubois.blogspot.com/2007/05/arnaud-de-vitrolles.html

From a Jamet sale in France (Dec. 28, 1955) and ex Dr. Martin. Signed Ashbrook and written up in his Special Service. Illustrated in Brookman (p. 248) and the National Postal Museum’s 1957 Perforation Centennial book. With 1991 P.F. certificate and analysis. E. 50,000-75,000

EXTREMELY FINE. THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE 30-CENT 1861 ISSUE USED ON A THRU-THE-LINES EXPRESS COVER — ONLY POSSIBLE DURING A WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY THAT EXISTED FOR APPROXIMATELY SEVEN DAYS IN AUGUST 1861. ONE OF THE RAREST AND MOST SPECTACULAR 1861 COVERS IN EXISTENCE.

This cover was handled by Adams Express Company within days of the August 26th termination date for all express intercourse between the North and South and also at the point when Northern post offices commenced demonetization of old stamps. The exchange period in Louisville began August 22nd for three days; beginning on August 25th, stamps other than the new 1861 Issue would no longer be accepted by the Louisville post office. The earliest recorded use of the 30c from any post office is August 20; therefore, for a period certainly no greater than seven days, beginning August 20th, it was possible for a 30c 1861 stamp to be used on a thru-the-lines express cover via Louisville. In this case, the sender in New Orleans prepaid the express fee and postage to France, either in cash or by affixing stamps to an outer transmittal envelope, and the Adams office in Louisville applied the 30c stamp from the newly-issued 1861 series. We know of one other thru-the-lines cover with the 1861 Issue, a 3c Pink with Adams August 26 and Louisville August 27 datestamps.

Both this cover and the cover in lot 4123 are addressed to a member of the French noble family of Arnaud de Vitrolles. A history of the Arnaud de Vitrolles family may be found at http://gillesdubois.blogspot.com/2007/05/arnaud-de-vitrolles.html


4126  Bowling Green Ky. Mar. 7, 1862. Blue double-circle datestamp and manuscript “Due 3” on yellow soldier’s endorsed cover to Marion O., red and blue Shield-Shaped Flag Patriotic sticker tied by “Morrow O. Mar. 21” circular datestamp, manuscript “Missent”, slightly reduced at left, Very Fine, very early use from Bowling Green after Federal occupation (February 15, 1862) ............ E. 500-750

4127  “Catawba Ky. April 12”. Manuscript postmark on red and blue McClellan “Star of Liberty” Patriotic cover to 3rd Asst. PMG in Washington D.C., Very Fine......................... E. 150-200

4128  3c Rose (65). Tied by bold “Cynthia Ky. Oct. 4” circular datestamp on dark blue Gen. Rosecrans Patriotic cover to Oregon O., striking portrait design, slightly reduced at right affecting stamp, some overall toning, Fine, ex Gallagher ................................................................. E. 150-200

4129  Elizabethtown Ky. Dec. 28. Circular datestamp and “Paid 3” in circle on yellow Flag Patriotic cover to Milwaukie Wis., with “Soldier’s Letter, 10th regiment, Wisconsin Volunteers” box, Very Fine............................................................................................................. E. 150-200

4130  3c Rose (65). Two small pieces missing from margins, not immediately noticeable, tied by blue grid, matching “Frankfort Ky. Mar. 12, 1862” double-circle datestamp on overall light violet Kentucky “Loyal State” Patriotic cover to Philadelphia, addressed to “L. A. Goody” (L.A. Godey of Godey’s Lady’s Book), a bit toned and worn around edges, otherwise Fine, scarce E. 150-200

4131  3c Rose (65). Tied by bold “Henderson Ky. Feb. 12, 1862” double-circle datestamp on small cover to Lisbon Ind., with blue “The Union and The Constitution” Eagle and Ribbon Patriotic design, Very Fine, ex Gallagher ............................................................................................................. E. 200-300

4132  3c Rose (65). Tied by “Lexington Ky. Aug. 29” double-circle datestamp on overall red and blue Kentucky “Loyal State” Patriotic cover to New Haven N.Y., Extremely Fine........... E. 400-500
4133

**Louisville Ky. Jul. 28, 1862.** Greenish-blue double-circle datestamp and grid on cover addressed to Abraham Lincoln, “Hon. Abraham Lincoln, President United States, Washington DC”. Extremely Fine, this cover contained a letter from James Speed to Abraham Lincoln, the original is in the Abraham Lincoln Papers at the Library of Congress (transcription accompanies this lot) ........................................................................... E. 750-1,000

4134

**3c Rose (65).** Tied by bold greenish-blue grid cancel, matching “Louisville Ky. Mar. 20, 1863” circular datestamp on Magnus bronze “Camp Scene” Patriotic cover to Galesburg Ill., Extremely Fine, with 1983 P.F. certificate .................................................................................. E. 750-1,000
3c Rose (65). Tied by blue grid with matching "Louisville Ky. May 21, 1863" double-circle dates-tamp on overall gray Kentucky "The War for the Union" Patriotic cover to Crittenden N.Y., with original letter datelined "Hospital No. 2 May 20, Louisville, Kentucky", from a soldier named Albert Robinson, good content mentions Battle of Pittsburgh Landing where 275 men from his regiment were "kild and wounded", trivial perf toning, otherwise Extremely Fine, scarce design and good letter from a wounded soldier.......................................................... E. 500-750

3c Rose (65). Tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Apr. 2, 1862" circular datestamp with matching grid on red and blue Mounted Dragoon "Fourth Regt. Ohio Vol. Cavalry" Patriotic cover to Westphalia, Germany, rare Gates & Co. design with names of officers, manuscript "30" due, "N.York Hamb. Pkt. 5 Apr. 5" debit datestamp, blue "6½" handstamp and manuscript "6½", Hamburg back-stamps, slightly age toned, Very Fine, scarce use.......................................................... E. 500-750

3c Rose (65). Gum stains and perf faults, tied by blue "Louisville Ky. Jun. 21 '62" double-circle dates-tamp and target on cover to Ohio with "Forty Rounds U.S." in red diamond emblem of 15th Army Corps, matching design on soldier's letter enclosure, minor wear and toning, still Very Fine, rare design, each division had its own color.......................................................... E. 400-500

3c Rose (65). Gum stains and perf faults, tied by blue target and "Louisville Ky. Jun. 23 '62" double-circle datestamp on cover to LaPorte Ind. with "Forty Rounds U.S." in blue diamond emblem of 15th Army Corps, faint toning, Very Fine, rare design, each division had its own color, ex Walcott.......................................................... E. 400-500

3c Rose (65). Small creases at bottom right, tied by blue grid and matching "Louisville Ky. Jan. 7, 1862" double-circle datestamp on brown McClellan Portrait Patriotic cover to Lockport N.Y., ornately framed with symbols of Union military, horizontal fold and slightly reduced at right, otherwise Fine .......................................................... E. 200-300
4140  $ 3c Rose (65). Tied by blue “Louisville Ky. Nov. 22, 1861” double-circle datestamp and grid on W. G. Brownlow Portrait Patriotic cover to Mercersburg Pa., stamp has a few blunted perfs from scissors separation, some edgewear, otherwise Very Fine ............................................. E. 300-400

4141  $ Clay General Hospital No. 2, Louisville Ky. Soldier’s letter endorsement “Genl. Hosp No. 2 Louisville Ky” on buff cover to Ohio, attractive red Liberty, Eagle & Shield patriotic design, bold blue “Due 3” and “Louisville Ky. Mar. 3, 1862” double-circle datestamp, side flap partly missing, few edge nicks at bottom, still Very Fine and very scarce usage from this Federal hospital in Kentucky, ex Kantor (Fig. 224 in their book) ........................................................ E. 300-400

4142  $ 3c Rose (65). Tied by bright blue “Louisville Ky. Jun. 1 '64” double-circle datestamp and target on immaculate cover with “U.S. Sanitary Commission” beautiful calligraphic style imprint, addressed to Sanitary Comm. office in New York City, Extremely Fine, desirable Kentucky usage in pristine condition, ex Kantor (Fig. 39 in their book) ......................................................... E. 200-300

4143  $ 3c Rose (65). Tied by blue target, matching “Louisville Ky. May 14 '65” double-circle datestamp on overall lithographed “U.S. Sanitary Commission, Kentucky Branch” cover to Boston, Extremely Fine........................................................ E. 300-400

4144  $ 3c Rose (65). Tied by blue “Louisville Ky. Oct. 17 '64” double-circle datestamp on yellow cover to Illinois with “U.S. Sanitary Commission, Hospital Directory, Louisville Ky.” three-line imprint, blue “Peoria Ill. 20 Oct.” double-circle datestamp and “Missent” in oval handstamp, small opening tear at top, Very Fine, scarce southern office corner card and unusual markings, ex Kantor (Fig. 49 in their book) ........................................................................................................ E. 150-200

4145  $ May's Lick Ky., Jun. 23. Bold strike of dark blue circular datestamp with matching “Free” handstamp on cover to Rock Island Ill., endorsed “E.H. Herndon P.M.” at top right, with red “United We Stand, Divided We Fall” cameo design on top flap, opening tear is barely noticeable but affects design, Very Fine, a beautiful cover .......................................................... E. 150-200


4147  $ Union Patriotics Used in Kentucky. Three different designs with 3c 1861’s, McClellan portrait and “Ohio true to the Constitution” Clasped Hands designs from Catlettsburg Ky., “Liberty and Union” Flag and Clasped Hands design from Nicholasville Ky., minor faults, all Very Fine appearance, exhibit-worthy group, includes a fourth scarce Fortress Monroe design with 5c stamp added ...........................................(Photo Ex) E. 300-400
Adams Express Co., Burnside Expedition. Neat “Pulaski Ky. Oct. 13, 1863” manuscript cancel ties 3c Rose (65) on illustrated cover with four horses pulling a large wagon, to Bradford N.H., portions of address re-inked, otherwise Very Fine, with 2003 P.F. certificate ..................................................................................................... E. 500-750

Forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from Lexington Ky. Black on yellow glazed label (oxidized) on buff Western Union Telegraph Consolidated Lines imprint cover to Danville Ky., pencil “Ex 25” charge, docketed on back “Natchez, May 13th, 1861” indicating war-time usage, flap removed, otherwise Very Fine, rare example of express telegram delivery within Kentucky ..................................................................................................... E. 400-500

Adams Express Co., Paducah, Ky. Black on yellow label affixed with brownish mucilage on small cover to West Stephentown N.Y., red and blue border, 3c Rose (65) tied by “Washington D.C. Sep. 23” (1861?) circular datestamp, manuscript “Ans” (Answered) notation effectively ties label, flap sealed with same brown glue, slightly reduced at left, small tear at top left, stamp slightly oxidized, Fine and extremely rare express usage from western Kentucky ..................................................................................................... E. 750-1,000

Forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from Sheppardsville Ky. Black on yellow glazed label affixed to 3c Pink entire to Memphis Tenn., Adams Memphis Jun. 10, 1869 unclaimed valuable label on back — so-called Three Gatherings, in which undelivered express letters were assembled and advertised after the war — with original letter dated Feb. 1, 1867, crude spelling from a sister (?) complaining a lot (“I am not well and I cant stand the work I have to do”), slightly reduced at right, Very Fine, rare Kentucky post-war express usage ..................................................................................................... E. 500-750
4152

“Bowling Green Ky Oct 17” and “paid 10” Manuscript Postmark. On fresh white envelope to Alderbrook Ark., 1861 usage, Extremely Fine, one of two recorded manuscript postmarks from the Confederate post office at Bowling Green (occupied Sept. 18 — this Oct. 17 cover is the earliest recorded), sent by addressee’s fiancé, L. A. Dixon, who served as a surgeon with the 8th Regt. Ark. Vol., ex Gallagher............................. E. 500-750

4153

Bowling Green Ky. Jan. 1. (New Year’s Day 1862) partly clear blue circular datestamp and manuscript “Due 10” on red and blue 11-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic cover to Oakley La., soldier’s letter endorsement from member of 1st Regt. La. Cavalry, minor wrinkles

FRESH AND VERY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING QUALITY CONFEDERATE FLAG PATRIOTIC COVER FROM CONFEDERATE-OCUPIED BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY.

Illustrated in Dietz (p. 60). Ex MacBride and Gallagher. With 1998 C.S.A. certificate ...... ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000
HANGING LINCOLN

Bowling Green Ky. Nov. 2 (1861). Remarkably bold well-defined strike of blue circular datestamp with manuscript “Due 5” on Hanging Lincoln Cartoon cover to Sandy Ridge Ala., soldier’s endorsement “Private W. T. Ellis of Capt. Fagg’s Co., Col. Wirt Adams Regt.”, excellent impression of printed design, negligible opening nick at top left corner just touches design (simply mended)

EXTREMELY FINE. ONLY TWELVE EXAMPLES OF THE CELEBRATED HANGING LINCOLN ENVELOPE ARE RECORDED. THIS IS THE ONLY EXAMPLE POSTMARKED IN KENTUCKY. AN OUTSTANDING AND HISTORIC CONFEDERATE PATRIOTIC.

The Hanging Lincoln design is widely recognized as the most distinctive of all Confederate patriotics. In this extraordinary cartoon, President Lincoln is hanging upside down from a tree limb, with his symbolic axe and fence rail tied around his neck. The caption reads “Abe Lincoln the destroyer. He once split Rails. Now he has split the Union.” To the left and right is the caption “The penalty of disregarding the constitution. Impeached, deposed, Tried and convicted” (there is a spelling correction from “diposed” to “deposed”). Standing beside Lincoln is a mustachioed Winfield Scott, labeled “Old Fuss n Feathers”, dropping his sword and exclaiming “My glory is gone for ever.” On the ground is the Union flag, captioned “The stars and stripes lie in the dust, Never to rise.” A star at left has the caption “The southern star is rising” and the Confederate 11-star flag towers above with the caption “The stars and bars shall for ever wave triumphant.” Along the bottom is the imprint “Copyright claimed. HM & WC Box 417 Nashville Tenn.”

According to a census by the late John R. Hill Jr. (updated with two new discoveries), there are twelve genuine Hanging Lincoln patriotics (listed in date order): 1) Jul. 25, 1861, Marshall Tex. Paid 10; 2) Aug. 21, 1861, Nashville Tenn., two 5c provisionals, ex Kimmel, Myers, Rudy (Siegel Sale 874, lot 115, realized $57,500); 3) Aug. 30, 1861, Athens La. “Paid X”, ex Hall (Siegel Sale 840, lot 27, realized $13,000); 4) Nov. 2, 1861, Bowling Green Ky., ex Dr. Howard Green (Siegel Sale 822, lot 225, realized $28,000), the cover offered here; 5) Jan. 1, 1862, Nashville Tenn., 5c Olive Green (Siegel Sale 933, lot 978, realized $11,500); 6) Jan. 4, 1862, Nashville Tenn., 5c Olive Green; 7) Feb. 20, 1862, Cumberland Gap Tenn., manuscript Paid 5 (Siegel Sale 940, lot 462, realized $11,000); 8) Apr. 15, 1862, Cartersville Miss., manuscript Due 5; 9) Apr. 15, 1862, Camden Miss., 10c Rose; 10) Jun. 24, 1862, Camden Miss., 10c Pale Rose; 11) date unknown to JRH, West Union S.C., manuscript Due 5; and 12) privately carried and not postally used. In addition, there is a genuine envelope with fake markings and a stamp added.

Ex Howard Green ................................................................. E. 20,000-30,000
4155 Bowling Green Ky., Jan. 7 (1862). Extraordinarily bold strike of blue circular datestamp and matching “5” in circle due handstamp on tiny cover to Randolph Tenn., soldier’s endorsement, lightly toned, still Extremely Fine and one of the finest strikes known of the Bowling Green town datestamp (often faint or blurry), ex Emerson.... E. 750-1,000

4156 Bowling Green Ky., Dec. 20 (1861). Blue partly readable circular datestamp on soldier’s blue folded letter to Saltillo Miss., with soldier’s endorsement, manuscript “Due 5”, “Due 5” handstamp applied at Memphis, interesting letter re camp life, faint age bleach spots, Fine and scarce..................................................................................... E. 500-750

4157 5c Green, Stone 1-2 (1). Vertical pair, ample to large margins, small internal crease and scuffs visible under close examination, tied by lightly struck brownish “Bowling Green Ky.” circular datestamp on cover to Church Hill Miss., reduced at left, fresh and Very Fine appearance ................................................................. E. 400-500

4158 5c Yellowish Green, Stone 1-2 (1). Horizontal pair, cut in on three sides, pre-use crease, tied by “Bowling Green Ky., Jan. 17” (1862) circular datestamp, bolder than usual strike, on cover to Wytheville Va., few toned spots, minor flap fault, still Fine, very scarce................. E. 400-500

4159 10c Dark Blue, Hoyer & Ludwig (2b). Ample margins, tied by “Bowling Green Ky., Feb. 8” (1862) circular datestamp on narrow cover to Relfs Bluff Ark., a few letters of typically light cancel strengthened in pencil, stamp has small scuff, cover has mended hole and part of sideflap removed, Very Fine appearance, scarce Kentucky usage — Bowling Green evacuated days later — ex Pratt, Everett........................................ E. 500-750
Bowling Green Ky. Feb. 12 (1862). Lightly struck brownish-black circular datestamp and manuscript “10” due on tiny cover to Bastrop Tex., soldier’s endorsement from member of Terry’s Regt., Texas Rangers, small mend at upper left corner, flap removed, otherwise Fine and scarce — Confederate forces began evacuating Bowling Green on February 11th ................................ E. 300-400

“Bowling Green Ky. Feb. 19th” (1862) — Earliest Reported Federal Use After Occupation. Manuscript postmark on 3c Red Star Die entire to Williamstown Mass., endorsed “Soldiers letter & no new stamps — H.H.S. Ast Surgeon”, obsolete embossed stamp cancelled by Louisville “DUE 3” straightline handstamp applied in transit, backflap removed, Very Fine, this is the earliest reported cover posted at Bowling Green after U.S. occupation, the Confederates evacuated completely by February 14, 1862, this was mailed just five days later ........................................................................................................ E. 1,000-1,500
4162  
Columbus Ky. Oct. 23 (1861). Circular datestamp with “Paid” in oval handstamp and manuscript “5” rate on 10-Star Confederate Flag, Cannon and Verse Patriotic cover to Pleasant Hill Ky., expertly repaired edge tear, otherwise Very Fine, rare used during Kentucky occupation (joined C.S.A. in December), ex Gallagher.............  E. 1,500-2,000

4163  
Columbus Ky. Bold circular datestamp with unreadable date on buff cover to Mifflin Tenn., manuscript “Due 5” and in the same hand “I Paid 5 Cents postage M.S.E.”, soldier’s endorsement from member of 15th Regt. Tenn. Vol., bottom right and left corners clipped and repaired, reduced at right, rare and unusual ..........  E. 500-750

4164  
Columbus Ky. Feb. . Partly readable circular datestamp on small 1862 cover to Egg’s Point Miss. with soldier’s endorsement from member of Bolivar Troops, 1st Battalion, Miss. Cavalry, “Due/5” two-line handstamp, with original letter which mentions Zollicoffer and action on the Tennessee River, flap removed, otherwise Very Fine......  E. 500-750
4165 Hickman Ky. Sep. 5, 1861. Double-circle datestamp with manuscript “Pd 5” C.S.A. rate on small cover to Laconia Ark., pencil soldier’s endorsement “John B. Abercombie, Fourth Reg. Tenn. Vol.”; rate overstruck “DUE 5” at Memphis, backflap partially removed and small mended nicks at top
THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER FROM CONFEDERATE KENTUCKY, POSTMARKED JUST TWO DAYS AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 3, 1861, INVASION OF KENTUCKY BY THE CONFEDERATE ARMY.
Kentucky proclaimed its policy of neutrality on May 20, 1861, but the pro-Confederate and pro-Union citizens within the state were wary of an invasion force throughout the summer months, with each side accusing the other of breaching neutrality. Finally, to preempt a Federal occupation of Columbus, General Leonidas Polk ordered General Gideon Pillow to move on Hickman and Columbus; Pillow’s troops entered Hickman on the morning of September 3. In response, General Ulysses S. Grant seized Paducah on September 6, and the Unionist movement in Kentucky gained momentum, ending neutrality.
This cover, postmarked at Hickman on September 5, is an extremely early Confederate occupation date. There is no record of an earlier postmark from any Confederate post office in Kentucky.
Ex Gallagher and Agre. ................................................................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

4166 Hopkinsville Ky. Dec. 12, 1861. Partly clear double-circle datestamp with manuscript “Due 5” on blue on buff Jefferson Davis Medallion and Verse Patriotic cover to Elm Grove Miss., soldier’s endorsement from member of 7th Regt. Miss. Vol., “DUE/5” two-line handstamp applied in transit at Memphis, with original letter, slight wear at left and faint waterstain at bottom right
VERY FINE. A RARE AND CHOICE CONFEDERATE PATRIOTIC COVER FROM THE CONFEDERATE-occupied TOWN OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.
Ex Nunnelley ....................................................................................................................................... E. 2,000-3,000

END OF SALE — THANK YOU
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**Thursday, December 10, 2009**

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### REVISED CHARGES FOR SHIPPING EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009

We have reduced the FedEx Envelope charge to $20, reflecting the elimination of the fuel surcharge. All other charges remain the same.

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