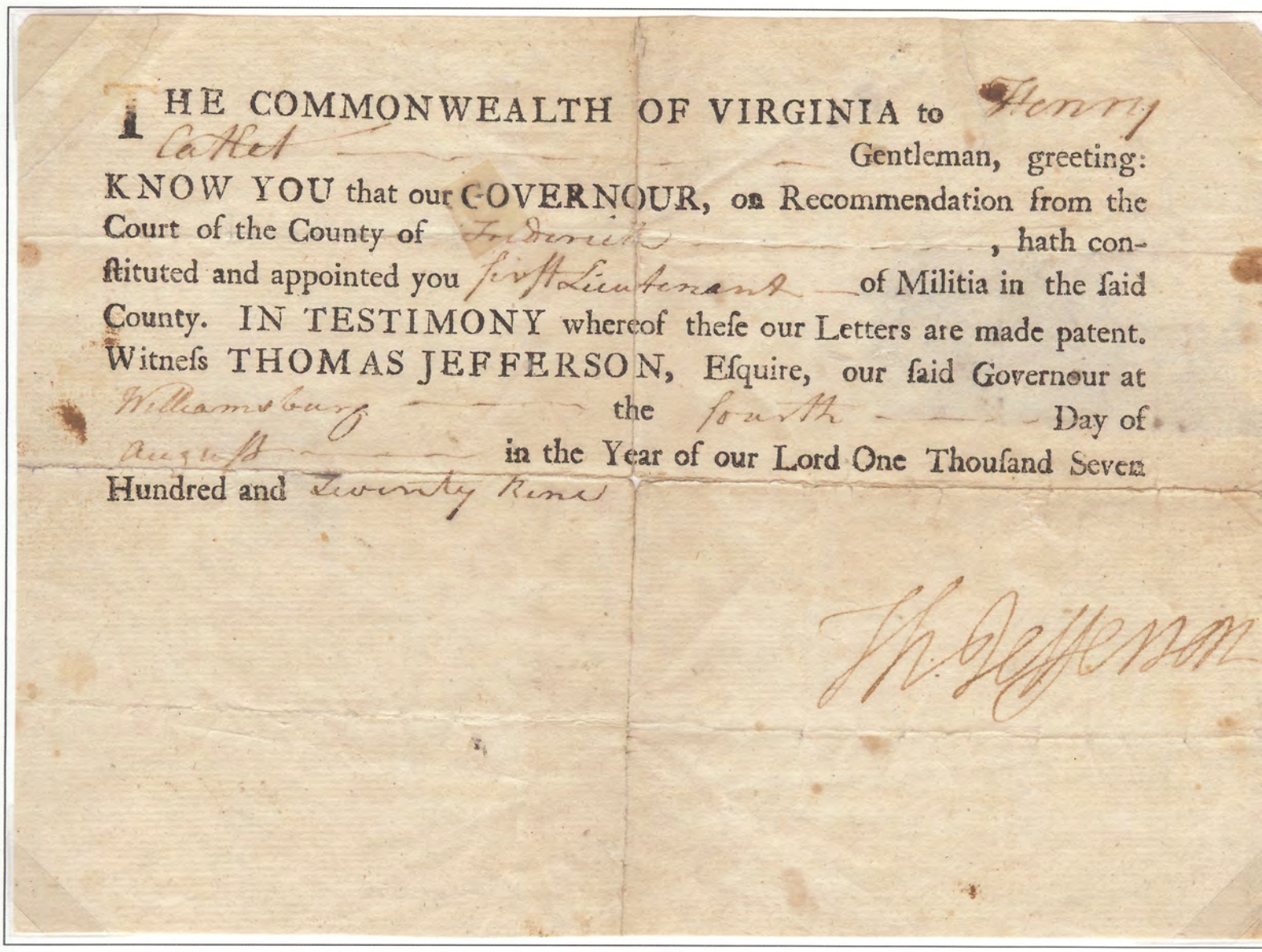
THOMAS JEFFERSON
AS GOVERNOR of VIRGINIA

In Office
June 1, 1779 - June 3, 1781



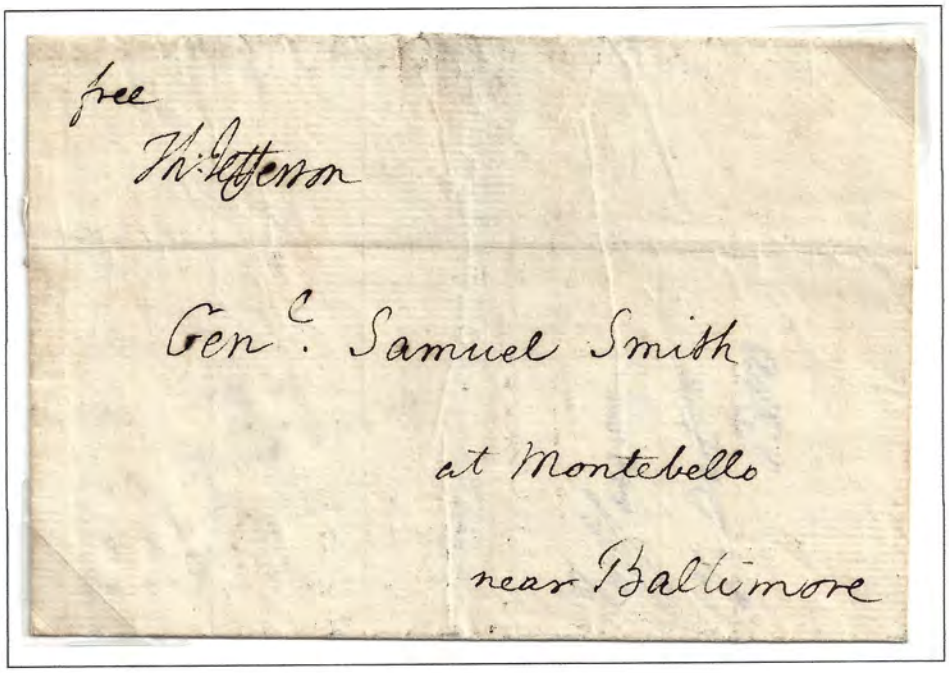
THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA to Henry Catlett ——— Gentleman, greeting: KNOW YOU that our GOVERNOUR, on Recommendation from the Court of the County of Fluvanna ———, hath conſtituted and appointed you Firſt Lieutenant of Militia in the ſaid County. IN TESTIMONY whereof theſe our Letters are made patent. Witneſs THOMAS JEFFERSON, Eſquire, our ſaid Governour at Williamsburg ——— the fourth ——— Day of Auguſt ——— in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Seventy Nine

Th. Jefferson

signed August 4, 1779 military appointment as Governor

THOMAS JEFFERSON
AS VICE PRESIDENT - FREE FRANK

Thomas Jefferson Vice President
In Office
March 4, 1797 - March 4, 1801



"Free Th. Jefferson" free frank on 1800 folded cover to Montebello, Maryland
received "T. Jefferson 17 Oct. 1800" docketing on inside flap

Jefferson was the second Vice President. He was preceded by John Adams and succeeded by Aaron Burr.

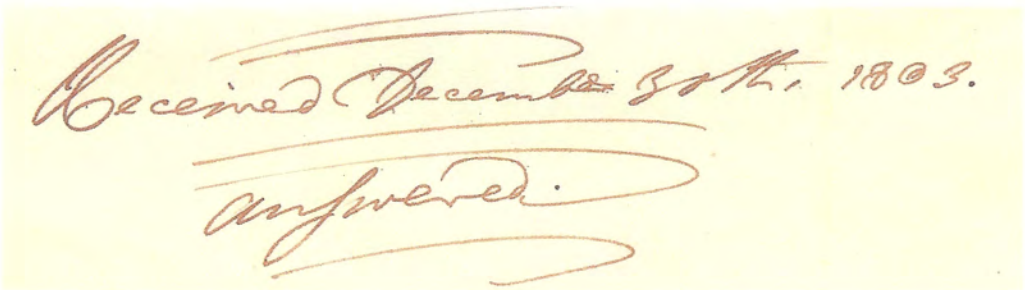
THOMAS JEFFERSON
AS PRESIDENT - FREE FRANK

FIRST TERM

March 4, 1801 - March 4, 1805



wine red Washington City December 27 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp



"Received December 30th 1803, Answered" docketing on reverse

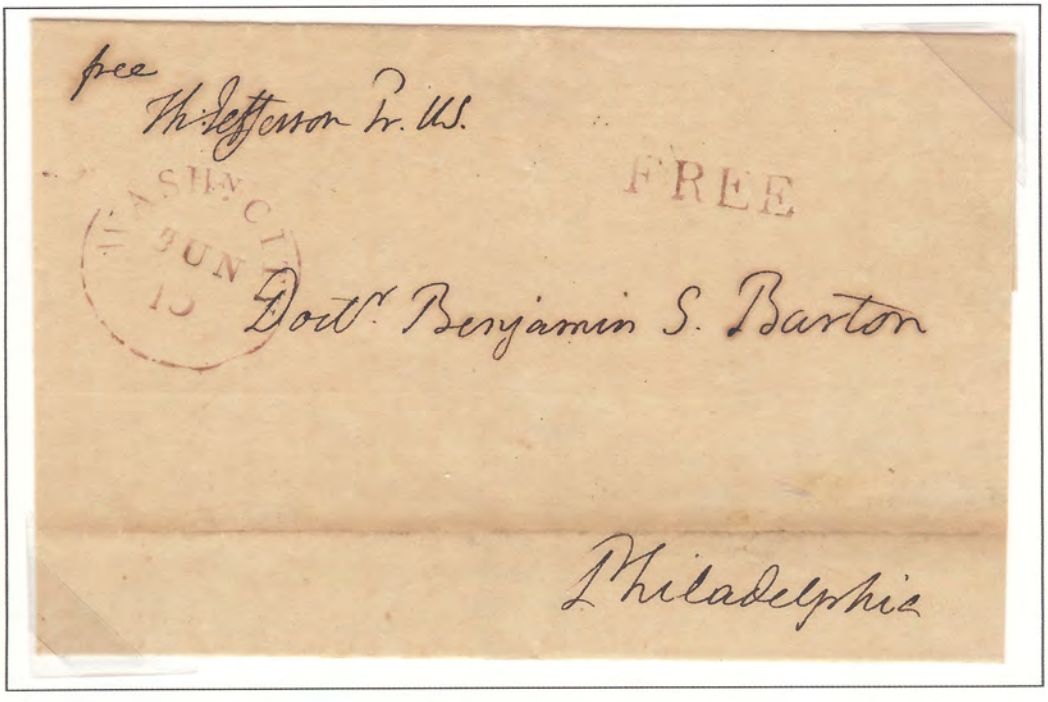
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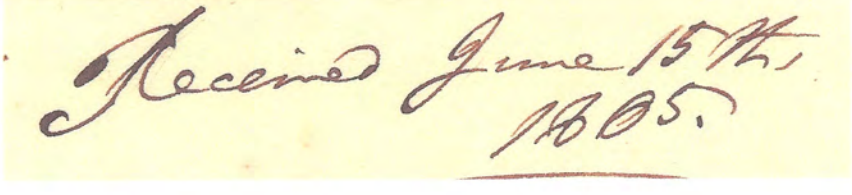
THOMAS JEFFERSON
AS PRESIDENT - FREE FRANK

SECOND TERM

March 4, 1805 - March 4, 1809



wine red Washington City June 13 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp



"Received June 15th 1805" docketing on reverse

Born April 13 [O.S. April 2] 1743 Shadwell, Virginia. Died July 4, 1826 Charlottesville, Virginia

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THOMAS JEFFERSON'S CABINET
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL

Caesar A. Rodney
In Office
January 20, 1807 - December 5, 1811



Caesar A. Rodney Free Frank as United States Attorney General
2 March 1807 folded cover to New Castle, Delaware endorced "Att. Gen. U.S.."
wine red Washington City March 2 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp

Born January 4, 1772 Wilmington, Delaware. Died June 10, 1824 Buenos Aires, Argentina.

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S CABINET
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

ROBERT SMITH
In Office
July 27, 1801 - March 4, 1809



Robert Smith Free Frank as Secretary of Navy
24 November 1802 folded cover to Philadelphia, endorced "Navy Dept."
wine red Washington City November 24 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp

Born November 3, 1757 Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Died November 26, 1842 Baltimore, Maryland

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S CABINET
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

Albert Gallatin
In Office
May 14, 1801 - February 8, 1814

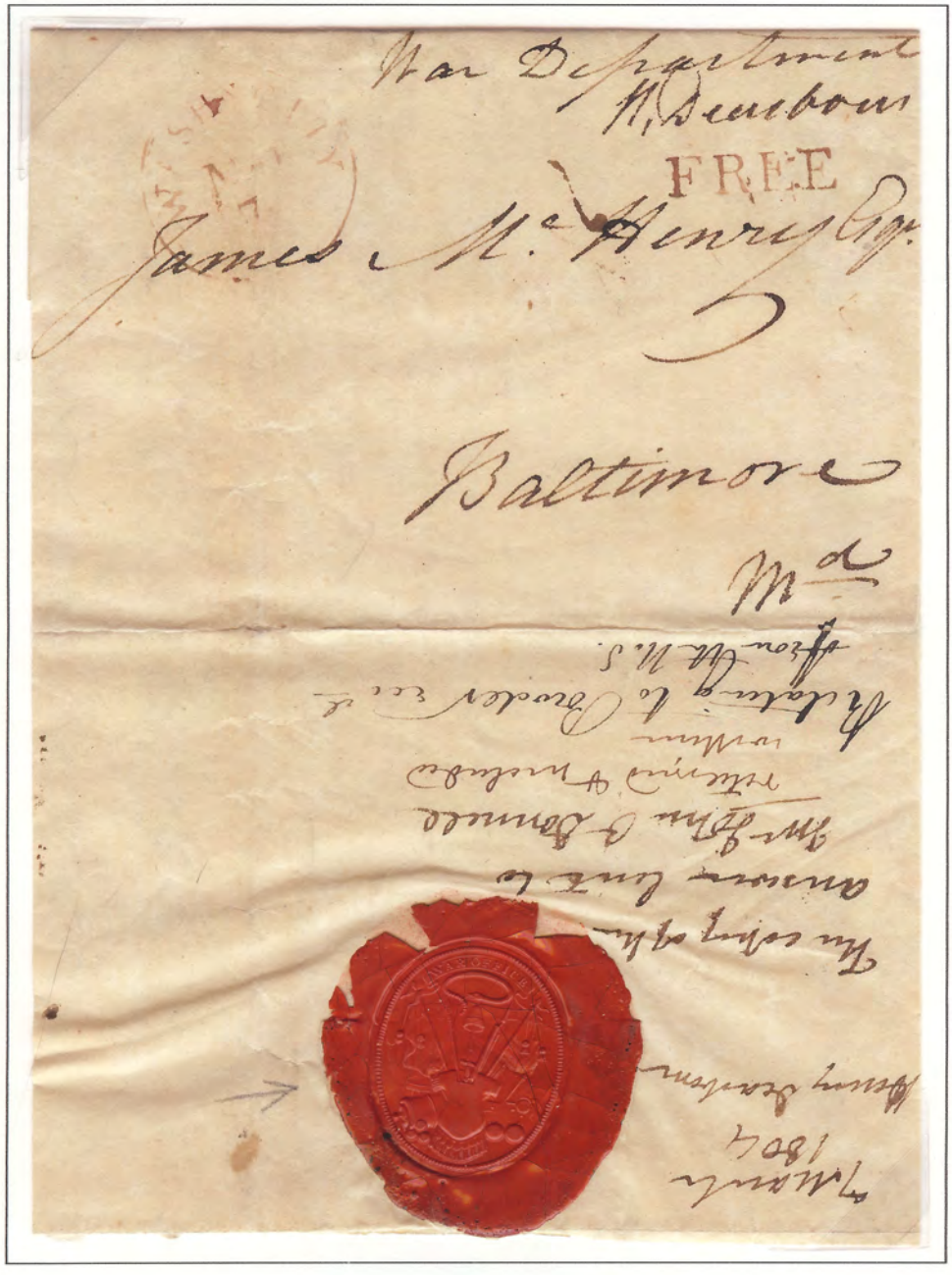


Albert Gallatin Free Frank as Secretary of the Treasury
3 July 1801 folded letter to Boston, endorced "Treasury Department"
wine red Washington City July 3 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp

Born January 29, 1761 Geneva, Switzerland. Died August 12, 1849 Astoria, New York.

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S CABINET
SECRETARY OF WAR

HENRY DEARBORN
In Office
March 5, 1801 - March 4, 1809

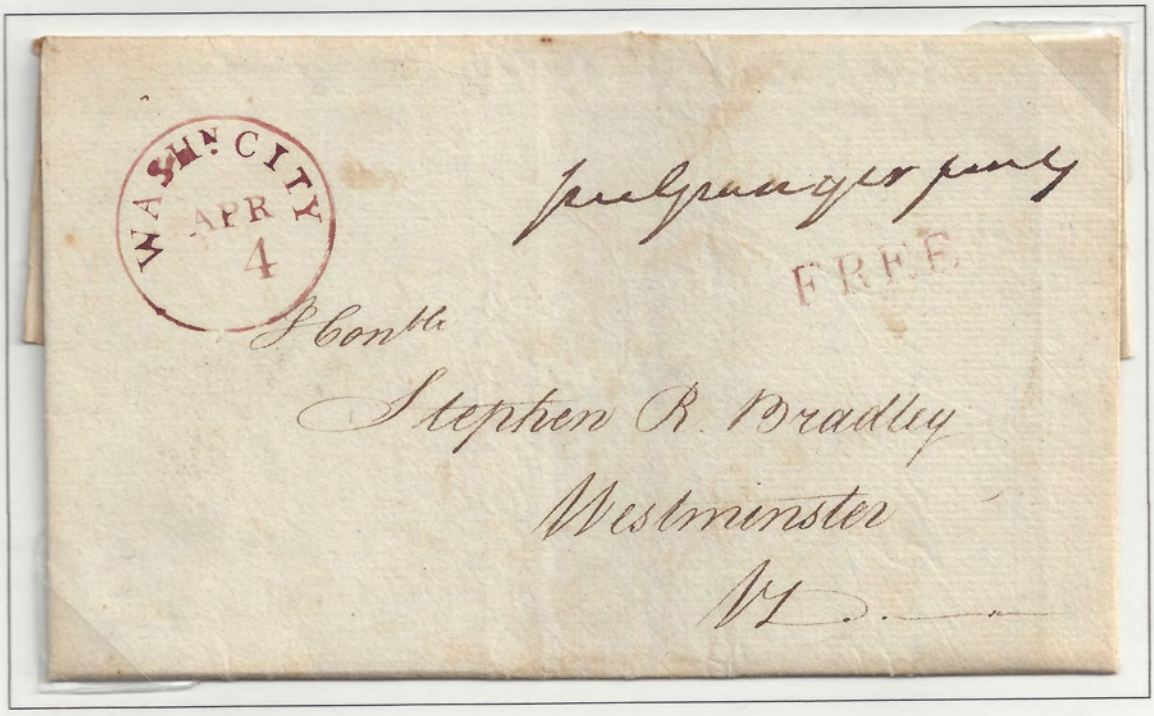


Henry Dearborn Free Frank as Secretary of War
7 March 1804 folded cover to Baltimore, endorced "War Dept." wine red Washington City March 7 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp
intact red "War Office" wax seal

Born February 23, 1751 North Hampton, New Hampshire. Died June 6, 1829 Roxbury, Massachusetts.

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S CABINET
POSTMASTER GENERAL

GIDEON GRANGER
In Office
November 28, 1801 - March17, 1814



Gideon Granger Free Frank as Postmaster General
1 April 1803 folded letter to Westminster, New York
wine red Washington City April 4 circular datestamp and matching "FREE" handstamp

Born July 19, 1767 Suffield, Connecticut. Died December 31, 1822 Canandaiuga, New York.

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Essays

National Bank Note Company



composite vignette essay from redacted die
center vignette in top row as used on 5c 1861 issue

Two Reported Examples

American Bank Note Company





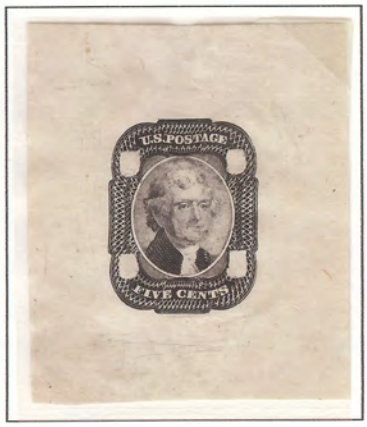
both essays made from separetly mounted vignettes, denominations and tablets on card

Each are the Only Reported Examples

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Original 1861 Die Essays

Submitted by Toppan, Carpenter & Company



framed design with spaces for numerals, on proof paper

The Only Recorded Example



vignette only on proof paper



numerals added & pencil design drawn in on each corner, on proof paper

The Only Recorded Example



corner ornaments added,
on proof paper die sunk on original card

The Only Recorded Example

1861 Issue - Five Cents
Original 1861 Die Proofs

Submitted by Toppan, Carpenter & Company



black



brown

on toned paper cut to shape as always



corner ornaments added,
on proof paper



on old ivory paper



additional frameline and
small circle drawn in on
each corner, on proof paper
The Only Recorded Example

The Only Recorded Example

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Premiere Gravures



on stamp paper, perforated 12
the so called "August Issue"
Only Thirty Five Certified Examples



corner block on india paper



bottom margin block on india paper



plate number 3 and imprint block of eight on india paper

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Premiere Gravures



plate number 3 and imprint block of twenty on india paper. the bottom two rows from the left pane

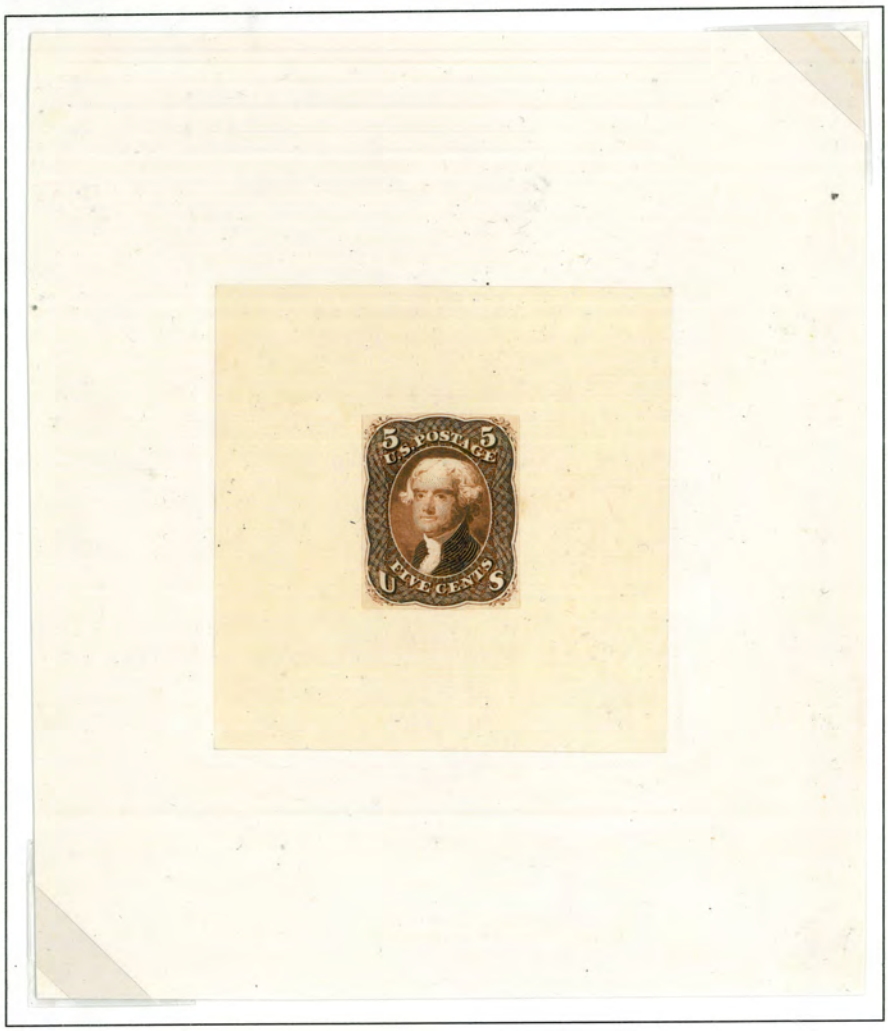
One of Two Recorded Plate Number Pieces of The Five Cents Premiere Gravure The Other being The Plate Block of Eight.

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Premiere Gravure Large Die Proofs

Produced by National Bank Note Company

hybrid large die proof
(the only way that it exists)





Die number "442"
National Bank Note Company imprint
black trail color large die proof

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Large Die Proof In Buff



signed by William E. Marshall the engraver of the vignette

The Only Reported Example

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Trial Color Large Die Proofs



rose brown



dark orange



black



green



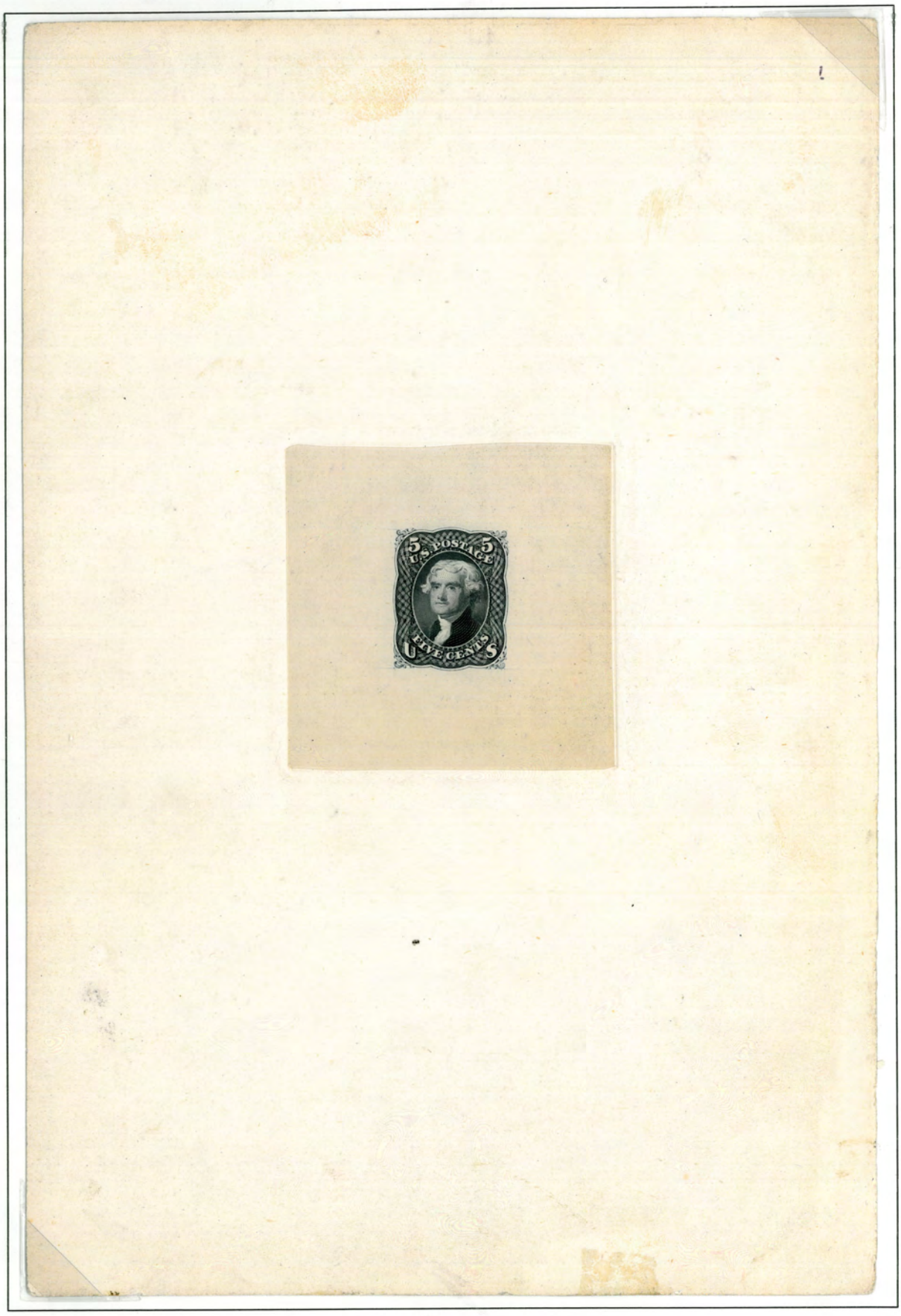
gray



ultramarine

1861 Issue - Five Cents

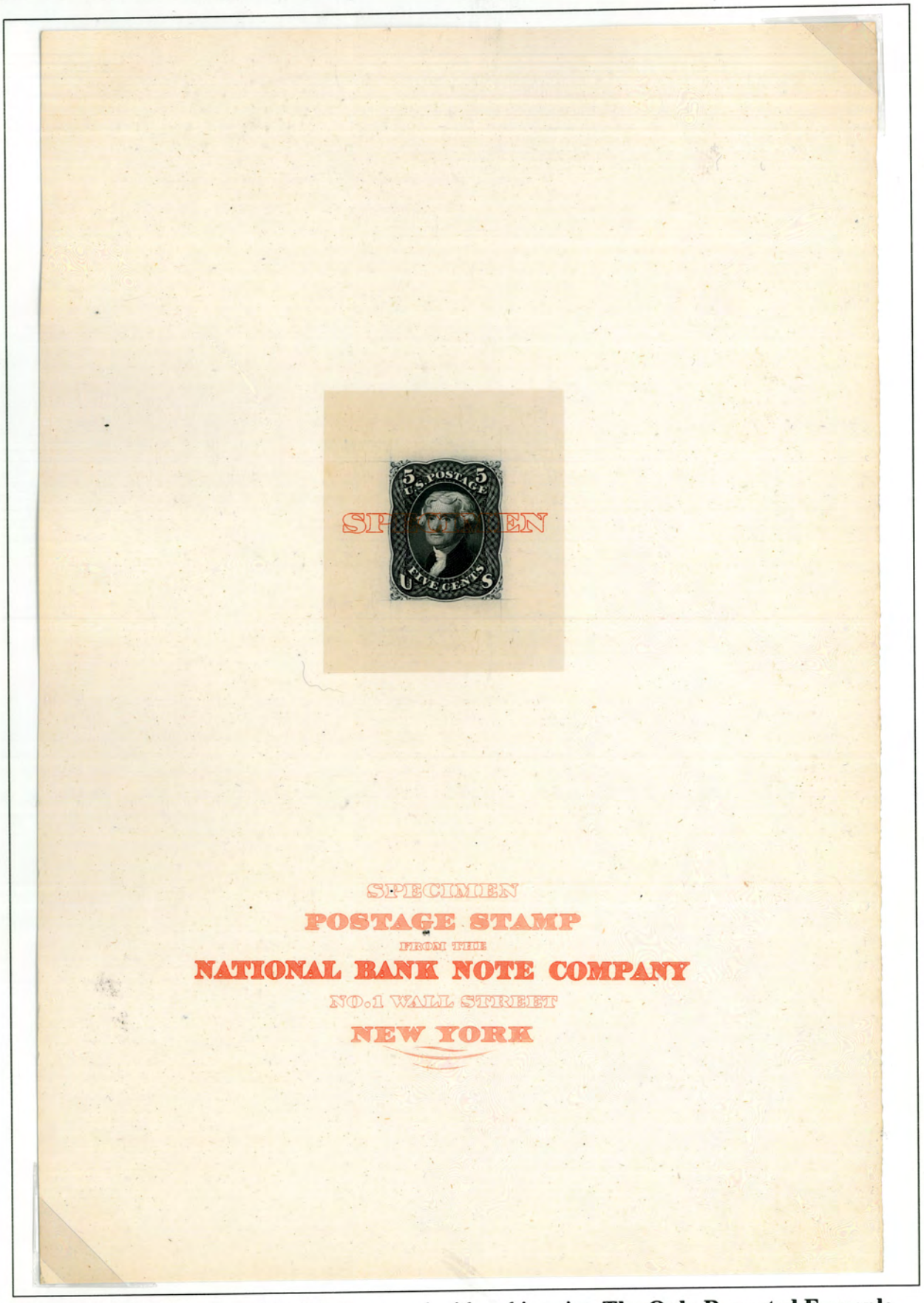
Trial Color Large Die Proof



gray on full size card

1861 Issue - Five Cents

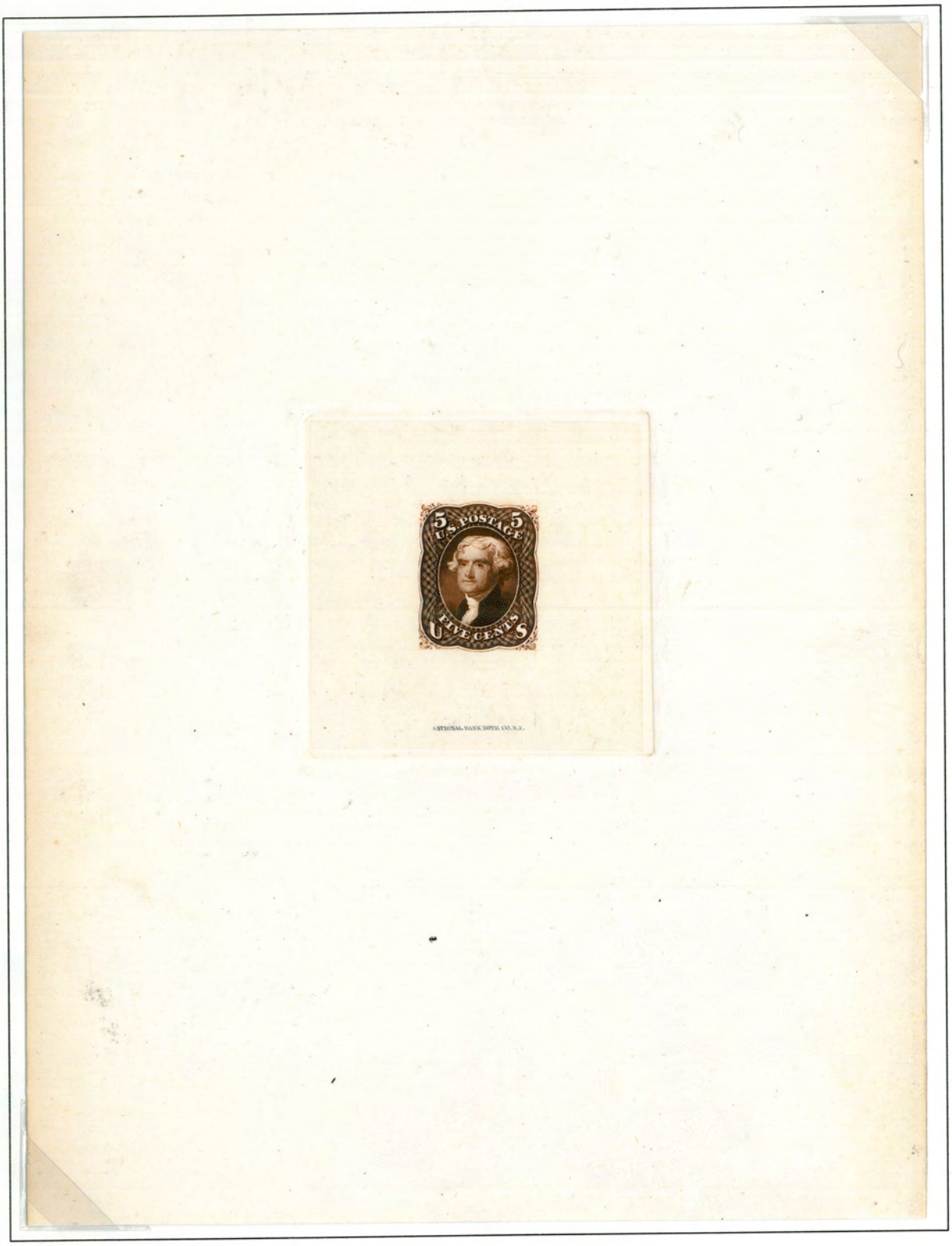
Black Trial Color Large Die Proof With Specimen Overprint



red "SPECIMEN" in hollow block letters, card with red imprint, **The Only Reported Example**

1861 Issue - Five Cents

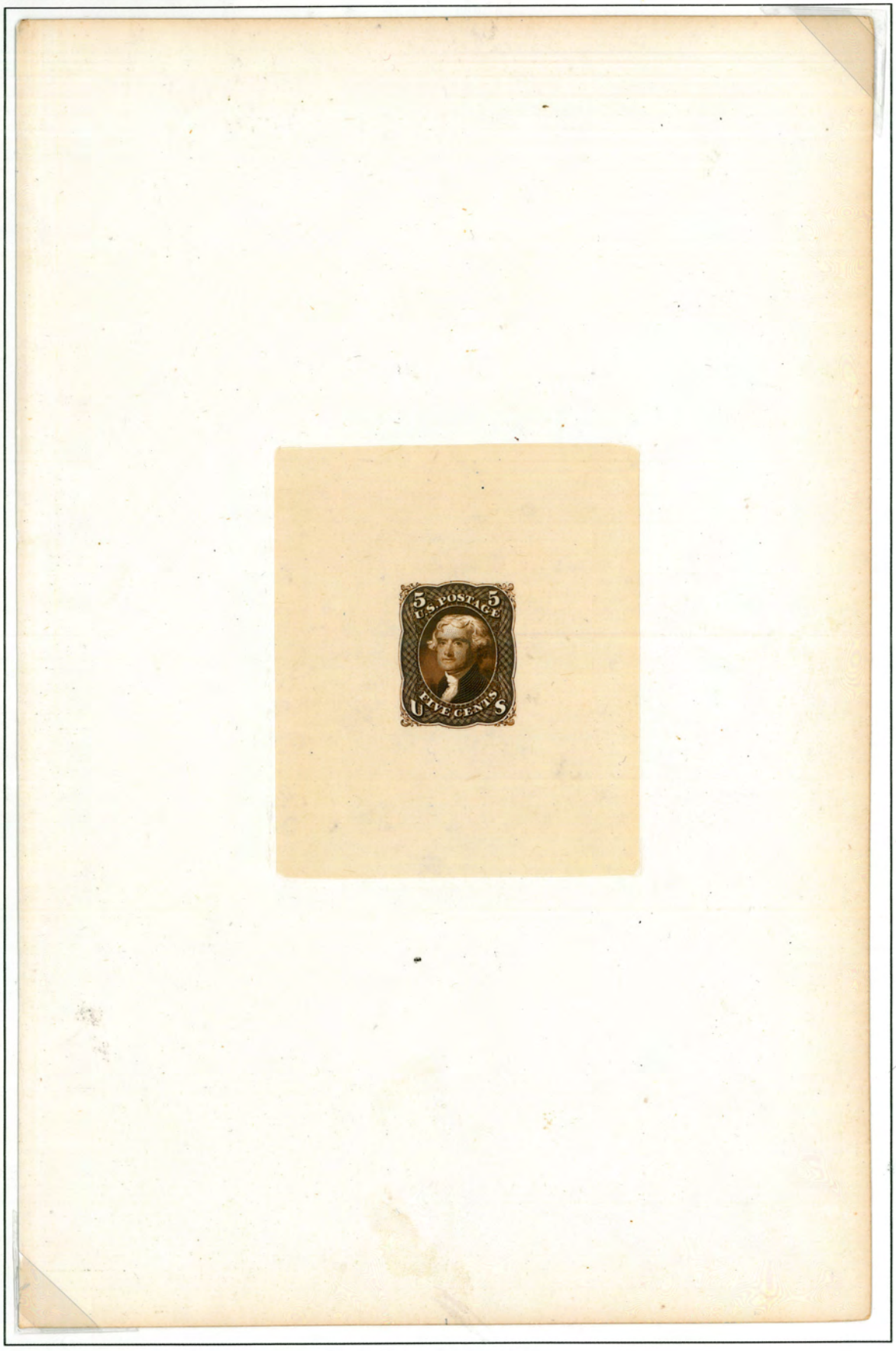
Large Die Proof In Brown



National Bank Note Company imprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Large Die Proof In Brown



Hybrid Large Die Proof

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Brown Large Die Proof With Manuscript Specimen

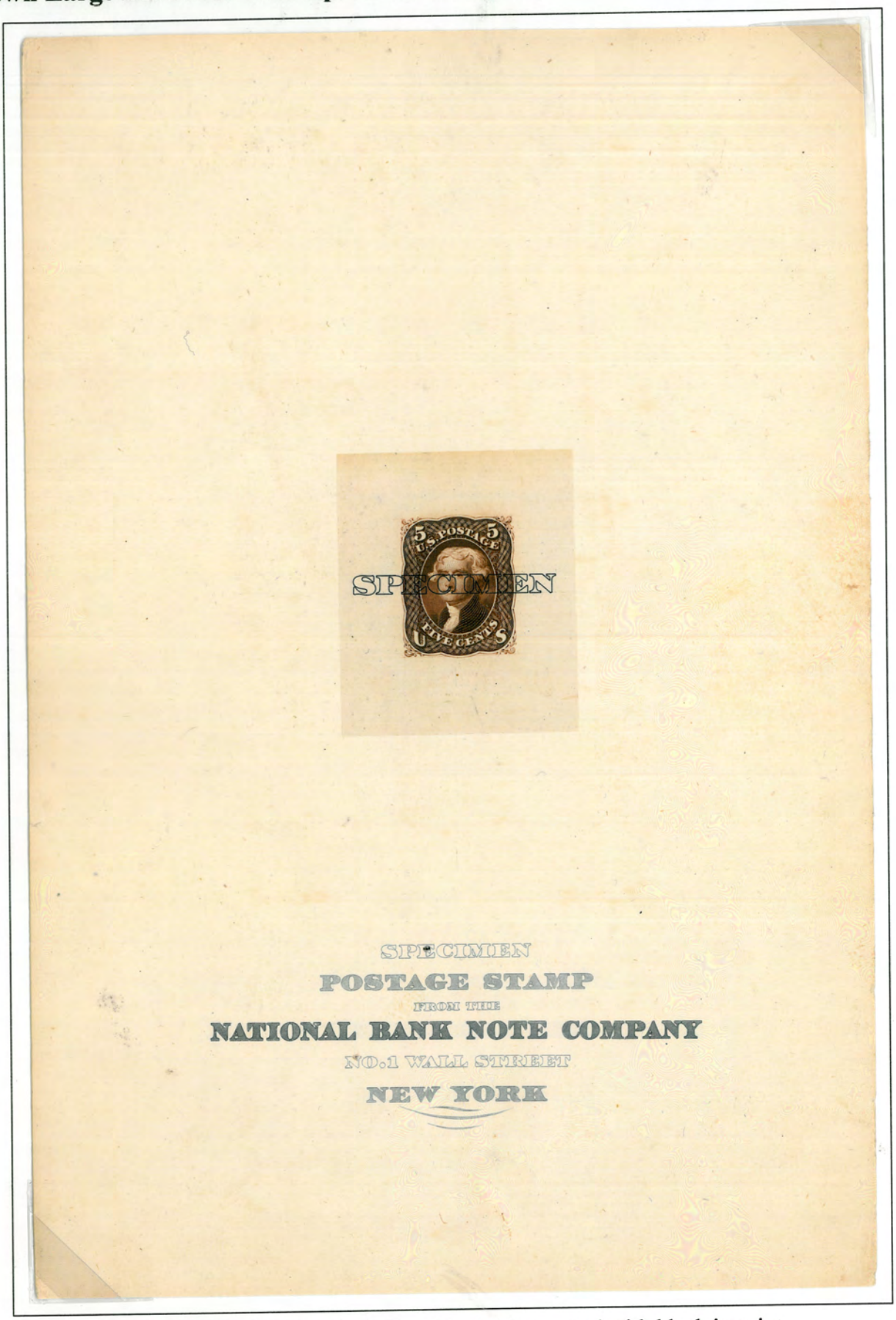


black manuscript "SPECIMEN" with embossed albino "National Bank Note Co. N.Y." insignia

The Only Reported Example

1861 Issue - Five Cents

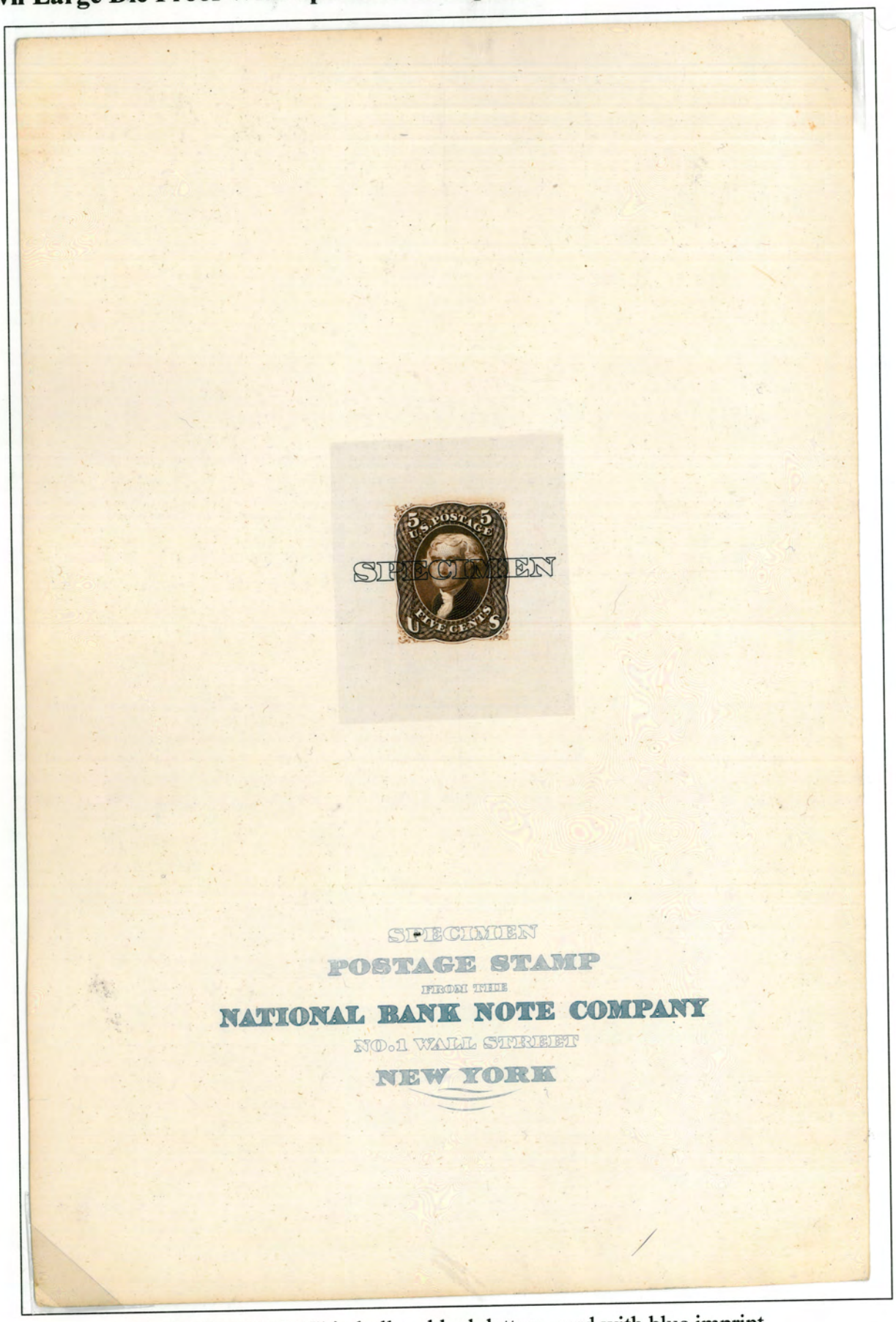
Brown Large Die Proof With Specimen Overprint



black "SPECIMEN" in hollow block letters, card with black imprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

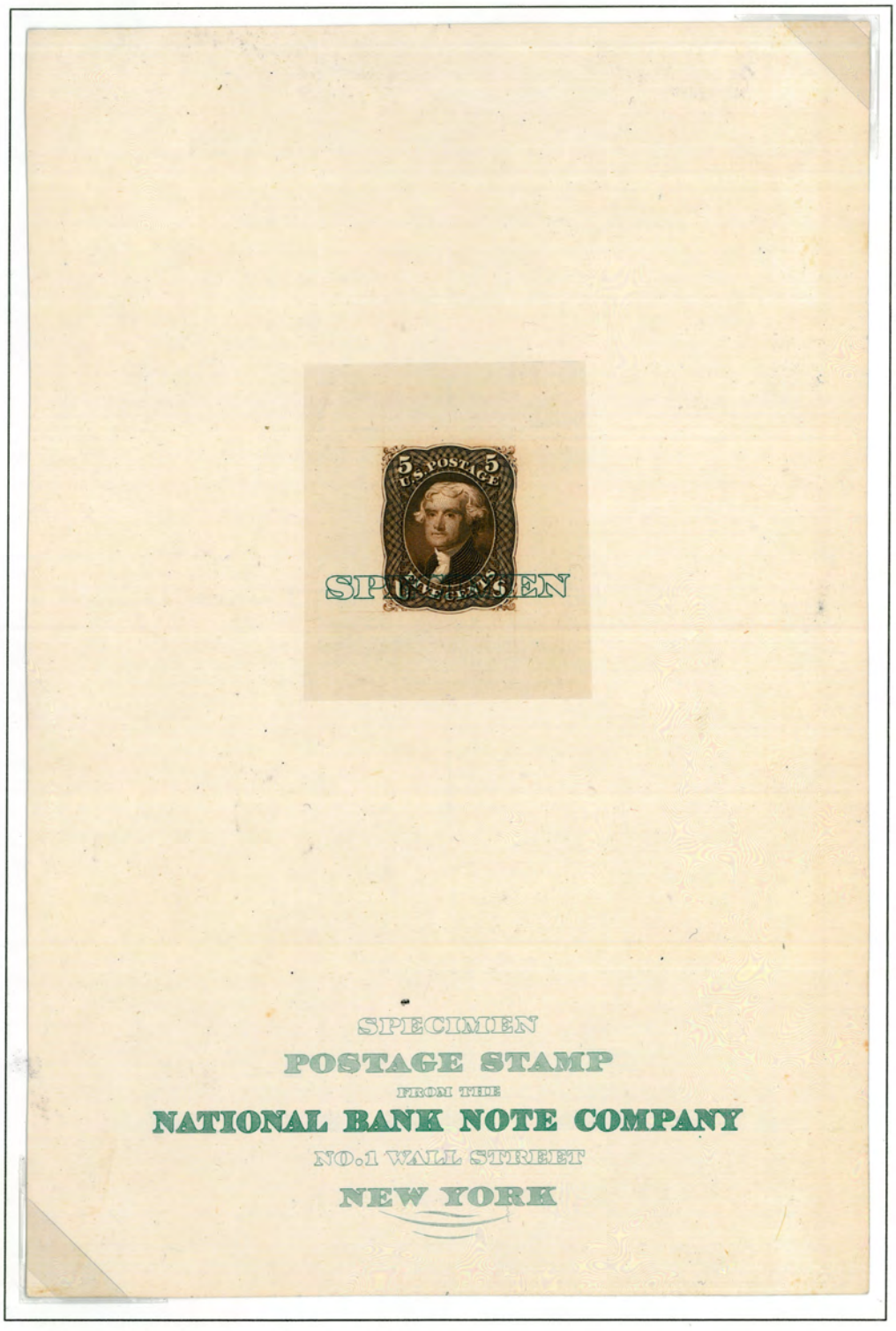
Brown Large Die Proof With Specimen Overprint



black "SPECIMEN" in hollow block letters, card with blue imprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

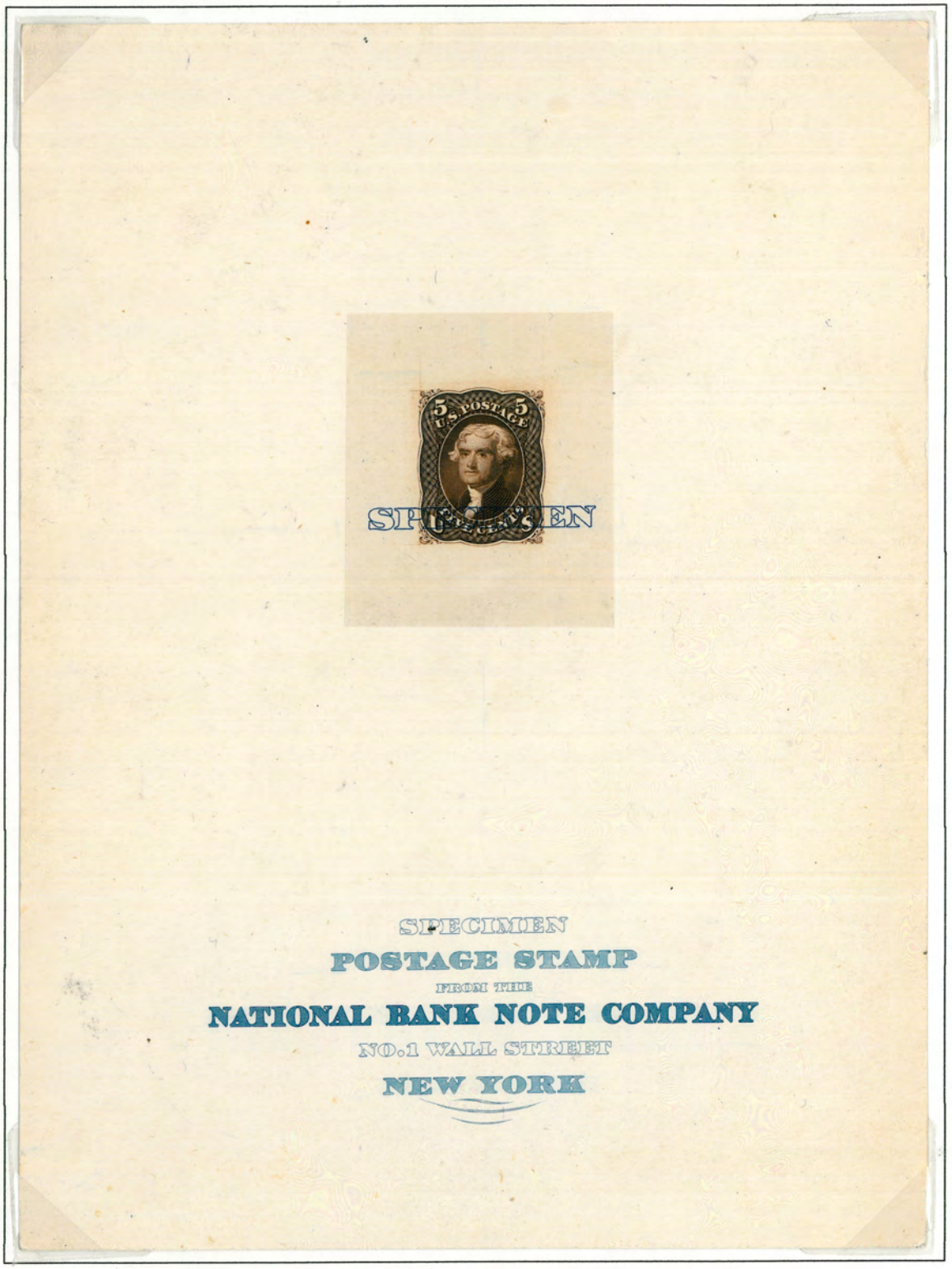
Brown Large Die Proof With Specimen Overprint



green "SPECIMEN" in hollow block letters, card with green imprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Brown Large Die Proof With Specimen Overprint



blue "SPECIMEN" in hollow block letters, card with blue imprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Roosevelt Small Die Proofs



Premiere Gravure



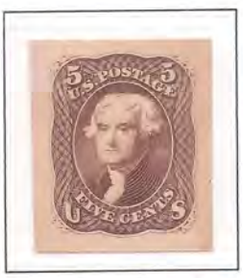
issued design
brown

A special printing of small die proofs was produced in 1904 by the Roosevelt Administration. Eighty five presentation albums were created using these proofs.

Pan-Pacific Small Die Proofs



issued design
buff



Premiere Gravure



issued design
brown

Three to Five Reported Examples Of Each

A special printing of small die proofs was produced in 1915 for the Panama-Pacific Exposition. These proofs are on yellowish wove paper that differs from the wove paper of the earlier small die proofs.

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Proofs on India Paper

All 1861 issue five cents plate proofs were printed
From plate number 58 which was prepared in 1875



bottom inprint and plate number 58 block of twelve

1861 Issue - Five Cents

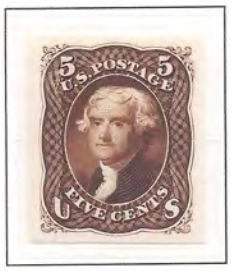
Proofs On India Paper



matched corner margin blocks

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Plate Proofs On India Paper





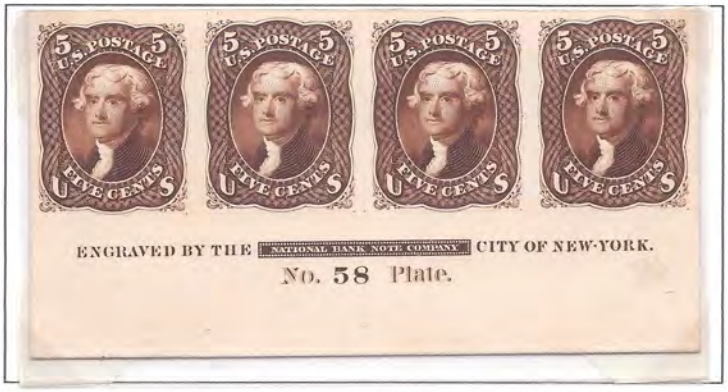


side margin imprint blocks

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Proofs on Card

All 1861 issue five cents plate proofs were printed
From plate number 58 which was prepared in 1875



imprint and plate number 58 strip of four



corner margin block



top imprint block of eight

SPECIMEN



card proof with red :
"SPECIMEN" overprint

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Presentation And Control Number Examples



imperf presentation copy, manuscript "X"
The Only Reported Example



control "6789" overprint

Specimen Overprints



Type "A" (12mm long)
without manuscript cancel



Type "A" rejoined pair
manuscript cancel



Type "B"imprint and plate no 17 block of eight
The Only Reported Example



Type "B" (15mm long) three blocks forming reconstructed block of twelve

1861 Issue - Five Cents

"Atlanta" Trial Color Plate Proofs



black



scarlet



brown



green



blue









Three Sets Of Blocks Reported



The American Banknote Company reprinted plate proofs in five different colors in 1881 at the request of the Post Office Department. Proofs were printed from the special plate that had been produced in 1875. These proofs were displayed at the International Cotton Exposition held in Atlanta, Georgia in 1881. Only one sheet of one hundred was printed in each of the five different colors.

1861 Issue - Five Cents

Lowenberg Patent Essays



part imprint and plate number 17 block



margin block of six with additional impression of 10c design at left

In 1864 Henry Lowenberg was granted a patent to prevent removal of cancels. The process involved the printing on the reverse side of paper and applying the glue over the ink. When the stamp is washed, the ink comes off with the glue. The paper used was a very fragile onion skin paper.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff
Unused Stamps - Shades



Buff



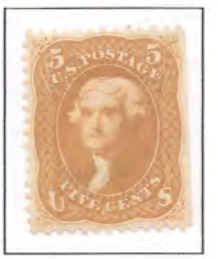
Buff



Buff



Brown Yellow



Buff



Brown Yellow

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Used Shades



Buff



Brown Yellow



Olive Yellow



Buff, Position 10L
Straddle Margin & Guide Line



Olive Yellow
Three Singles on October 5, 1861 cover from Nerw York to Paris, France

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Used Multiples



Red Grid Cancel

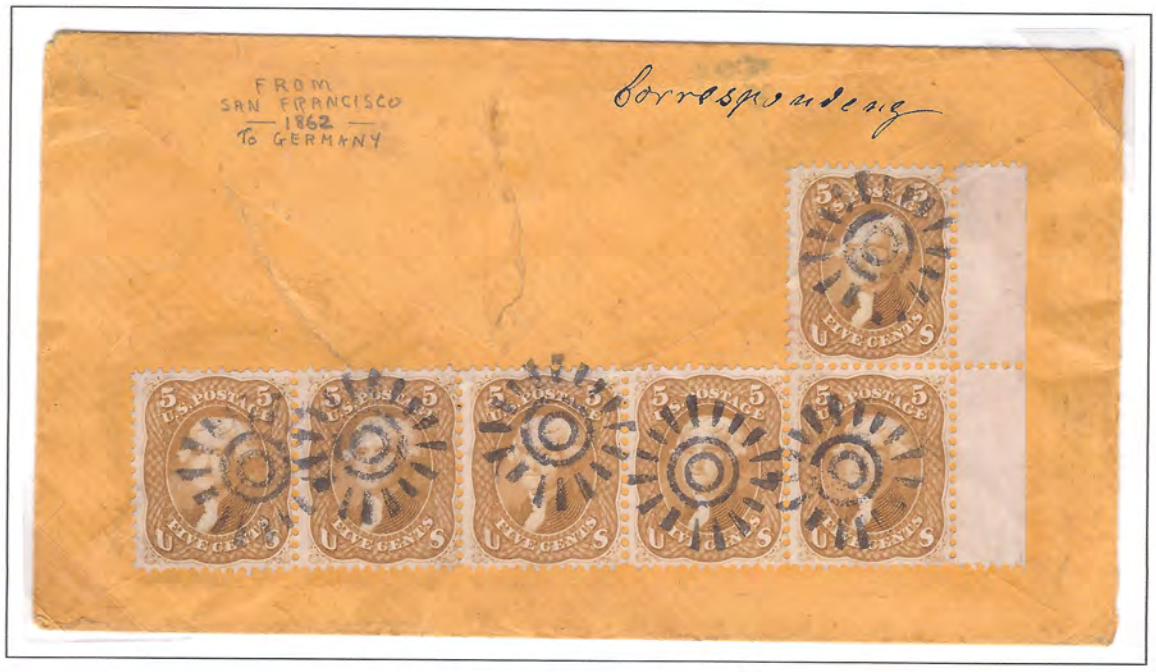




Blue Grid Cancel







Irregular right side sheet margin block of six

Tied on reverse of July 11, 1862 cover from San Francisco, California to Bremen, Germany

The Largest Recorded Multiple of the Five Cents 1861 Issue in any Form

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Cancellations



Railroad



Washington D.C. Town cancel



"STEAM SHIP"



Lexington, Kentucky



Old Point Comfort, Virginia





"X" in Circle



"Supplementary Mail", Type A



Stovepipe



Black Grid



Framed "PAID"



"FREE"



"PAID"



Open Grid



Red Grid



Manuscript



Rimless Blue Town



Blue Town



Magenta Grid

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff
Cancellations



Pinwheel



Spokes



Blue Numeral "24"



Geometric



Segmented Target



Cogwheel



Red "30"



August 19 (no year)
E.K.U. Month & Day



"15" in Circle



Blue Pinwheel



"5" in Circle



Star in Circle



"PAID" in Grid



Blue Star



Solid Star



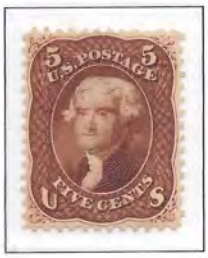
Pair canceled by five point hollow star of Georgetown, California



Green
Columbus, Ohio
Prison Bars

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Unused Stamps





With Partial Imprint

Only Reported Example





Original Gum Block of Four

The Only Reported Example

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown
Cancellations



"1 ct" in Box



"5" in Circle



Flag with "Union"



Numeral "6"



Large Cogwheel



Manuscript
Revenue cancel



Black Grid



Blue Town



Supplementary
Mail Type A



PAID



"Registered"



Red PAID
in Script

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown
Used Multiple and Printing Varieties

Used Multiples



Strip of Six
Largest Reported Used Multiple



Vertical
Pair

Used Plate and Printing Varieties



Part imprint and
"Plate."



Left Side
Margin



Pre-printing
Paper Fold



Straddle Margin
at Right

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Unused Stamps



Dark Brown



Pair



Black Brown



Dark Brown Top Imprint Block

Only Reported Example



Imprint and Plate Number 17 Strip of Four.

Only Plate Number used for Five Cent Issue and

The Only Reported Strip



Horizontal Block of Eight,

The Largest Reported Unused Multiple



Right Side Sheet Margin Block

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Used Stamps - Shades



Pale Brown

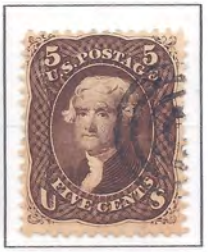






---------- Browns ----------





----------Dark Browns----------



Black Brown



Dark Brown used with 10c 1867 E grill on 7 May 1868 cover from New York City to Paris France

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Used Multiples



Vertical Pair



Horizontal Pair



Block of Eight. **Largest Known, The Only Known Example**



Block of Four



Vertical Strip of Three



Horizontal Strip of Three, Positions 98-100L.
Left stamp with Straddle Margin

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Used, Plate and Printing Varieties



Straddle Margin
Left Pane



Corner Margin Block with
Straddle Margin and Guide
Line. Positions 9-10, 19-20L



Straddle Margin
Position 90R



Double Transfer
Bottom Frame Line



Straddle Margin with
Double Perfs at Bottom



Partial captured Imprint
at Right



Double Transfer Top and
Bottom Frame Lines



Plate Scratch
at Bottom



Double Perfs
at Top











----------Pre-printing Paper Folds----------

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Color Cancellations

Blue Geometric





Red "Fulton National Bank" Revenue cancel



Blue Pinwheel



Red Cork



Red "Free"



Blue Cork



Blue Target



Blue Town



Green Grid



Green duplex cancels of Washington, Indiana on October 1864 domestic cover to Kentucky

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Cancellations





"Union Soldier"
type I, N.Y, City





"Union Soldier" type II, New York, New York





"Horse Head'
N.Y., City



"PAID" in
Shield



Hollow Star



Circle in Star



Star in Circle



"U S"
in Circle



Bold "US"



Cogwheel



Large Cogwheel



Cogwheel



Numeral "5"



Geometric



Negative "L"



Grid



"PAID"



Cross-roads

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown Cancellations



Shield



Shield with Stars



Blue, Wells Fargo & Co.Express
Victoria, V.I.



Virginia City, Nevada "W"



Litchfield, Ct.
"L"



Wedges



Wedges



Pinwheel



Pinwheel



Circle of
Clothespins



Wells Fargo,
New York



Numeral "84"



Columbus, WI,
Mans Face



Hingham, Massachusetts "Bat" on 1866 cover to France

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Cancellations



New York Foreign Mail, Cogwheels on 1866 cover to Paris, France used in combination with 10c 1861 issue

A. E. Sabalie & Co. double circle Merchant handstamp, on 1866 "Certificate of the Consignee, Landing Certificate"





New York Foreign Mail, Segmented Triangle on 1865 cover to Shanghai, China used in combination with pair of 24c 1862 issue

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Cancellations



E. MARTIN May 1, 1868 personalized Postmaster datestamp
cancelling 5c dark brown and 10c green on cover from Watsonville, California to Bordeaux, France

The Only Recorded Example of This Postmaster Datestamp

1875 Issue- Five cents Re-Issue



Unused



Numeral "4"
duplex cancel



Arrow points to "notch" present in **all** 5c Re-issues

A new 100 subject plate was made for the 1875 5c Re-issue. Besides wider horizontal and vertical spacing between subjects the 5c was given a small "notch" of white in the lathework at the lower left. This "notch" is present in all of the Re-issue stamps as well as the issued plate proofs. This stamp is not known on cover.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Earliest Known Usage - Brown Yellow Shade



21 August 1861 Boston, Massachusetts, to Halifax, Nova Scotia
5c rate by British Packet prepaid by 5c single
22 August 1861 Halifax arrival backstamp

The Earliest Recorded Usage of the Five Cents Brown Yellow
and
The Only Known Example

This cover was carried by the Cunard steamship Europa which departed August 21, 1861 from Boston and arrived at Halifax on August 22, 1861.

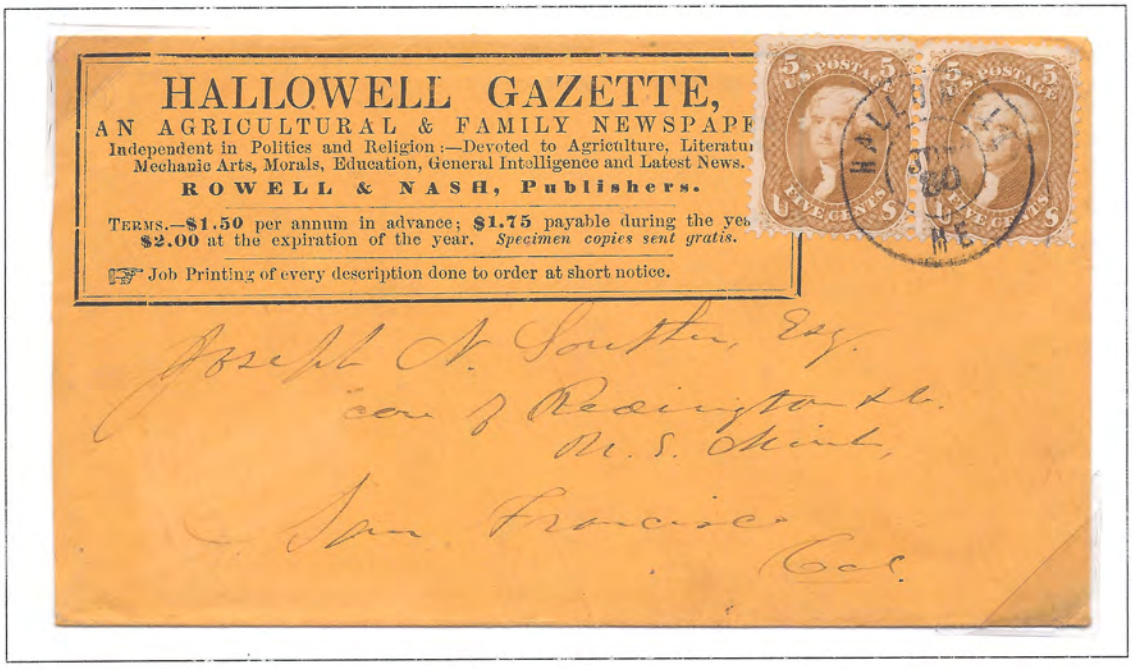
A notice announcing the availability of the new 1861 style stamps was placed by the Boston postmaster in the local newspaper on August 21, 1861.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Domestic Usages



3 March 1862 Hartford, Connecticut to Naugatuck, Connecticut
sextuple 3c rate prepaid with 5c olive yellow shade plus 10c and 3c 1861 issue



30 June Hallowell, Maine to San Francisco, California
10c domestic rate for over 3,000 miles prepaid with pair brown yellow shade

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Domestic Usages



21 March 1862 Hingham, Massachusetts to Sacramento, California
10c domestic rate for over 3,000 miles prepaid by vertical pair
East to West usage



30 July 1862 Folsom City, California to Oswego, New York
10c domestic rate for over 3,000 miles prepaid by horizontal pair
West to East usage

The 10c domestic rate for letters sent over 3,000 miles was in effect until June 30, 1863.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages From Abroad: From British Columbia / Vancouver Island to Canada



New Westminster, British Columbia (oval Paid), via United States, to Canada West
Paid handstamp indicating Colonial postage paid, 15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
5 March 1862 San Francisco transit and Chicago exchange handstamp, arrival backstamp



Victoria, Vancouver Island, via United States, to Canada West
Crown Post Office Victoria V.I. oval indicating Colonial postage paid
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
23 June 1862 San Francisco transit, Detroit exchange handstamp

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages From Abroad: From Vancouver Island to Scotland



1862 Victoria, Vancouver Island via United States to Coupar Angus, Scotland
Crown Post Office Victoria V.I. oval indicating Colonial postage paid
29c rate for over 3,000 miles in the United States prepaid in combination with 12c pair 1861 issue
25 July 1862 San Francisco transit handstamp, 31 August 1862 Coupar-Angus arrival backstamp

The 29c rate reflected a 5c premium for distances in the United States greater than 3,000 miles. This premium was abolished on July 1, 1863 when the domestic postage rate in the United States was reduced.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Australia



30 January 1862 South Bend, Indiana **patriotic cover** to Jamisson Flats, Victoria

5c **Private Ship Mail** rate prepaid

2 June 1862 Ship Letter Sydney backstamp

11 June 1862 Melbourne transit backstamp

The Only Known Example of the Five Cent 1861 Issue Paying This Rate.

The private ship mail rate from New York, was in effect until August 1866 but was rarely used.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Canada



18 September 1861 Detroit, Michigan to Brantford, Canada
10c rate prepaid with pair, Detroit exchange handstamp, transit and arrival backstamps



January, 1862 Los Angeles, California **patriotic cover** to Northfield, Canada
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue, Chicago exchange handstamp
25 January 1862 Windsor, Canada transit backstamp

The rate to Canada was ten cents for distances under 3,000 miles from origin to exchange office and fifteen cents for distances over 3,000 miles. This was reduced to a flat ten cents in April, 1864.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Cape of Good Hope



18 September 1861 Boston to Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope
double 33c rate, via Plymouth, prepaid with 5c brown yellow, 1c single and 30c pair 1861 issue
London transit and Port Elizabeth arrival backstamp

One of Only Two Recorded Examples of the 5c 1861 used to the Cape of Good Hope

The 33c British Mail rate via Plymouth, England was in effect from January 1, 1857 until April 30, 1862.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Chile



20 December 1861 Sacramento, California to Santiago, Chile
double 34c rate via Panama prepaid by 5c single and 30c pair of 1861 issue on 3c entire
January 7, 1862 Panama transit datestamp, red "45" handstamp for internal Chilean postage

The Only Recorded Example of the Five Cent 1861 used to Chile

The 34c rate by American Packet and then by British Packet via Panama was in effect from December 1, 1856 until March 31, 1870.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To China



12 November 1861 New York City to Shanghai, China
45c British mail rate, prepaid via Southampton
5c Olive Yellow used in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
28 November 1861 London transit and December Hong Kong arrival backstamp

The 45c British mail rate, via Southampton, to China was in effect from September, 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To China



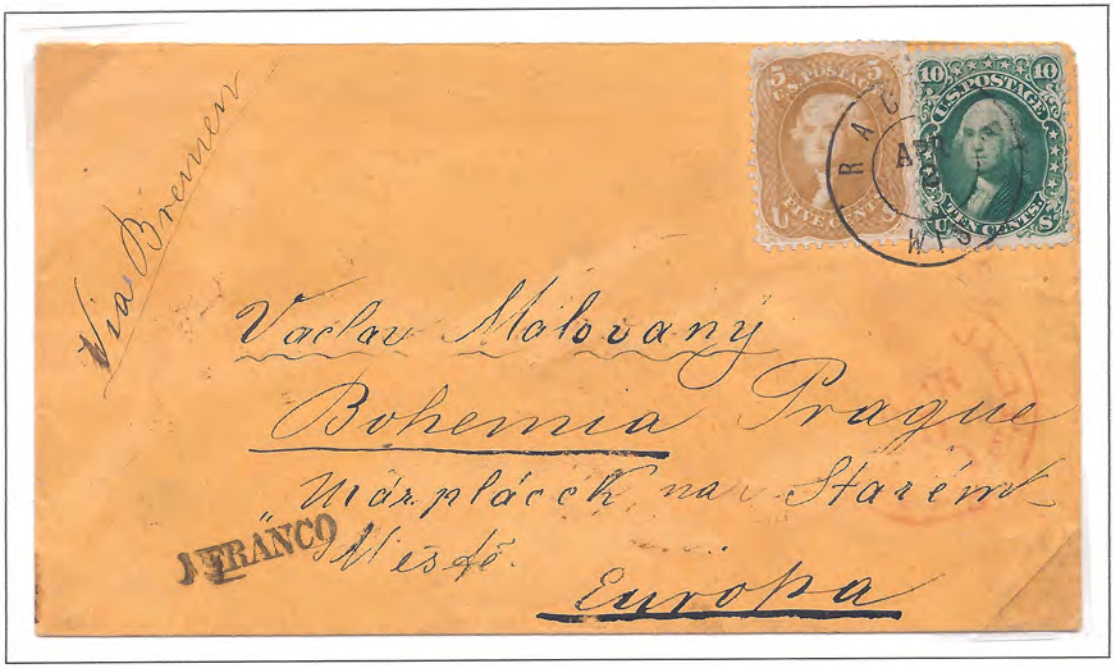
12 October 1861 New York City to Hong Kong, China
red boxed **Supplementary Mail** handstamp, 45c supplementary fee paid in cash
45c rate by American packet prepaid in combination with 10c **(Type I, August)** and 30c 1861 issue
London transit and Hong Kong arrival backstamp

The Only Recorded on Cover Supplementary Mail Usage of the Five Cent 1861

Supplementary Mail was a special post office service established by the postmaster general in 1853. This service allowed the dispatching of outbound foreign mail after the regular mail closing and before sailing time. The fee for this special service was double the regular postal rate.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Czechoslovakia



2 April 1862 Racine, Wisconsin to Prague, Czechoslovakia (while part of Austria)
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York exchange and Hamburg transits, Prague arrival backstamp

The Only Reported Example With This Stamp

The 15c German Mail rate to Austrian Empire was in effect from July, 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To France



15 October 1861 New York to Havre, France
15c rate prepaid with pair and single 5c, red **NYFM** cancels
New York exchange and French entry datestamps



23 November 1861, New York **double rate** to Lyon, France
30c rate prepaid with four copies 5c and single 10c 1861 issue, red **NYFM** cancels
New York exchange and French entry datestamps

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To France



24 May 1862 San Francisco to Bordeaux, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York exchange and French entry datestamps



3 June 1862 Albany, New York to Paris, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York exchange and French entry datestamps

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To France



30 November 1861 New York to Harve, France
15c rate prepaid with bottom margin vertical strip of three
New York exchange and French entry datestamps

The fifteen cent French treaty rate was in effect from April 1857 until December 1870

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To France



From West Coast January 1862 to Paris France
Carried by **Wells Fargo**, (blue "PAID" in oval handstamp)
Entered the U.S. Mails at New York, 18 February 1862
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue, 6 March 1862 Paris arrival backstamp

Only Reported 5c 1861 Wells Fargo Useage to France

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Germany With Carrier Fee



22 February 1862 New York City to Dusseldorf, Germany

1c to the mails carrier fee paid with 1c 1861 issue, 15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue red **New York Foreign Mails cancels**, New York exchange and Hamburg transits

Two Reported Examples Of Carrier Usage To Germany With This Stamp

The 15c German Mail rate to Austrian Empire was in effect from July, 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Germany



7 November 1861 Peoria, Illinois patriotic cover to Saxony, Germany
15c rate prepaid with 5c in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Hamburg Packet exchange, Hamburg transit backstamp



8 May 1862 Allentown, Pennsylvania to Hannover, Germany
15c rate prepaid with 5c in combination with 10c (**August**) 1861 issue
New York Bremen Packet exchange, America Uber Bremen handstamp and Neustadt transit backstamp

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Germany



20 September 1861 Philadelphia to Hannover, Germany

15c rate prepaid with 5c brown yellow in combination with newly **demonitized** 10c 1859 issue



22 November 1861 Philadelphia to Hannover, Germany

15c rate prepaid with 5c buff in combination with 10c 1861 issue

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Guatemala



21 June (1862) Boston, Massachusetts to Guatemala City, Guatemala
double 34c rate prepaid in combination with two 30c and single 3c 1861 issue

The Only Reported Usage with the Five Cent Buff

Postal rates to the country of Guatemala were not listed in the United States Mail and Post Office Assistant *until May 1863. However rates to the neighboring Central American countries of Honduras and Nicaragua were listed at 34 cents. It is probable that the Boston post office not finding any listed rate to Guatemala franked this cover at the neighboring countries published rate. In May 1863 the "P.O.A." published a 10 cent rate to Guatemala.*

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Holland



26 November 1861 New York City to Gouda, Holland
5c British Open Mail rate prepaid, New York British packet exchange datestamp
London transit backstamp, 10 December arrival backstamp
manuscript 80c due

The British Open Mail rate to Holland was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until July1, 1866.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To India



24 January 1862 Boston to Calcutta, India

21c rate prepaid with two copies 5c brown yellow in combination with 1c and 10c (**August**) 1861 issue

Calcutta Steam Letter arrival backstamp

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until December 31, 1867.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To India



16 June 1862 Boston to Calcutta, India

5c British Open Mail rate plus 1c to the mails **Carrier fee** prepaid in combination with 1c 1861 issue

Boston exchange, London and Bombay transits, Calcutta arrival datestamps



9 September 1862 Boston to Calcutta, India

5c British Open Mail rate prepaid

Boston exchange, London and Bombay transits, Calcutta Steam Letter arrival datestamps

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Japan



30 May, 1862 Hartford, Connecticut, via Hong Kong, to Kanagawa, Japan
45c rate prepaid with 5c brown yellow in combination with 30c and 10c 1861 issue
New York Paid exchange backstamp, London Paid transit
7 August 1862 Hong Kong transit backstamp

Fewer Than Five Reported Examples To Japan With Five Cents 1861 Issue

The forty five cent rate to Japan, by British mail via Southampton, was on effect from September, 1861 until January 1, 1868.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Newfoundland



16 October 1861 Boston, Massachusetts to St. Johns, Newfoundland
5c treaty rate prepaid, Boston British Packet backstamp
21 October 1861 arrival backstamp and 4 (d) due endorsement

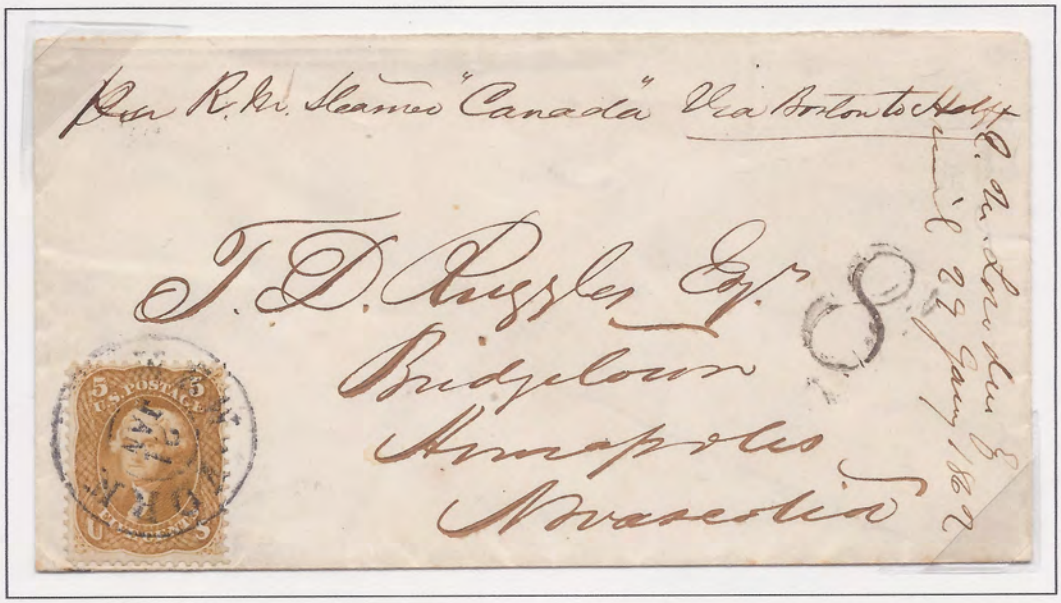
The five cents treaty rate from Boston to St. Johns covered only the transit postage by British packet.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Nova Scotia



25 December 1861 Boston, Massachusetts to Halifax, Nova Scotia
5c U.S. rate by British Packet prepaid by 5c brown yellow shade. 5d local due handstamp
27 December 1861 arrival backstamp



21 January 1862 New York City to Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
5c U.S. Rate by British Packet prepaid by 5c single
8d due handstamp, comprised of 5d local plus additional 3d for beyond Halifax
25 January 1862 arrival backstamp

The 5c rate from Boston to Halifax covered only the transit postage by British Packet.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff
Usages Abroad: To Nova Scotia



21 June 1862 Boston, Massachusetts to Halifax, Nova Scotia
10c rate prepaid by pair of brown yellow shade, Boston exchange handstamp
25 June 1862 arrival backstamp

The ten cent treaty rate to Nova Scotia included inland Colonial postage.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Usages Abroad: To Spain



25 October 1861 **from Havana, Cuba**, via New York, to St. Sebastian, Spain
carried privately to New York, prepaid 5c British Open Mail rate for carriage **by British packet**
6 November 1861 New York, London transit and arrival backstamps, 8 Rs due handstamp



6 June 1862 Boston to Malaga, Spain
21c British Open Mail rate, **by American packet,** prepaid in combination with 3c pair and 10c 1861 issue
Calais, France entry datestamp, 4 Rs due handstamp

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until December 31, 1867.

1861 Issue - Five Cents Buff

Revenue usage



Act, August 5, 1861. Treasury Instructions, Jan. 22, 1862, Form H.

DRAWBACK CERTIFICATE. DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

No. of Bond, 1192 No. 547.

CUSTOM HOUSE, COLLECTORS' OFFICE,

$44.38

New-York, January 13, 1864

I hereby Certify, that the sum of Forty-four Dollars, and thirty-eight Cents, will be due from the United States of America, Payable at this Office, to Tucker & Lightbourne or Order, on the twelfth day of February 1864 for the Drawback of duties on Manila Cordage imported from a foreign country, manufactured in the United States, into Cordage and now Exported by Tucker & Lightbourne on this 13th day of January 1864, in the Brig Maicid Master, bound for Cienfuegos.

N. B. Olmstead Collector.

COUNTERSIGNED,

Naval Officer.

Wm. A. Wheeler, Stationer, 45 John Street.

13 January 1864 Drawback Certificate

5c buff used as a revenue to pay 5c Internal Revenue fee

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Domestic Usages



31 October 1862 New York City to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
double 3c rate for **under 3000 miles** prepaid in combination with 1c 1861 issue



10 December 1862 San Francisco, California to Daversport, Massachusetts
single 10c rate **for over 3000** miles prepaid by vertical pair

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Domestic Usages



March 1863 to the U.S. mails by 1c **Boyd's City Express Post** adhesive.
Tied by Boyd's "PAID" in oval cancel
11 March 1863 entered the U.S. Mails at New York City to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Fancy New York **star** duplex cancel, overpaid 3c domestic rate

The Only Recorded Example of a Local Post Used In Combination with the Five Cents

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Territitorial Usage: Nevada Territory



FORWARDED

Due 3

5 June 1863 Washington, D.C. To Carson City, Nevada Territory
5 July 1863 Carson City, Nevada Territory **forwarded** to Unionville, Nevada Territory
10c rate paid by pair of 5c
blue "FORWARDED" and "DUE 3" handstamps



27 February 1863 Carson City, Nevada Territory **registered** to Nassau, Germany
28c Prussian Closed Mail rate plus 5c registry fee overpaid 2c by 5c single and strip of three 10c 1861 issue
28 March 1863 New York registered transit with fleuron, boxed "Recomandirt" handstamp
German arrival backstamps

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Austria



March 1862 New York patriotic cover to Vienna, Austria
15c rate prepaid with horizontal strip of three
22 March 1862 Hamburg transit backstamp, FRANCO handstamp
24 March 1862 Wein arrival backstamp

From the Angell Correspondence

The 15c rate by Bremen-Hamburg Mails was in effect from July 1857 until January 1868.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Brazil



September 14, 1863 Oberlin, Ohio to Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
45c rate prepaid by 5c in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
New York transit backstamp
September 30, 1863 London transit

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Canada



12 March 1862 **Patriotic** cover from Minooka, Illinois to Glanford, Canada

10c Treaty rate prepaid by vertical pair

red Buffalo, New York exchange handstamp and Hamilton, Canada arrival bachstamp

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Cape Of Good Hope



16 October 1863 Boston to Port Elizabeth, Cape Of Good Hope
45c British Mail rate, via Plymouth, prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
London transit, Port Elizabeth arrival backstamp

The 45c British Mail rate, via Plymouth rather than Southampton, became effective on May 1, 1863 and remained in effect until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



November 1862 Philadelphia, Pa. to Hong Kong, China
45c rate via Southampton, by American packet prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
26 November 1862 London transit
23 January 1863 Hong Kong arrival handstamp

The 45cBritish mail rate, via Southampton, to China was in effect from September, 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



18 November 1862 New York City to Hong Kong, China
$1.08 British Mail rate, via Marseilles, for prepaid letter over ½ ounce and under ¾ ounce,
single 5c used in combination with 90c, 10c and 3c 1861 issue,
Hong Kong arrival backstamp

One of Two Recorded Usages of the Five Cent Red Brown in Combination with the Ninety Cent

The British Mail, via Marseilles, rate to Hong Kong was 51c for the first quarter ounce, 57c for first one-half ounce and $1.08 for first three-quarter ounce (one-half ounce rate plus quarter ounce rate). This awkward progression of rates was in effect from December, 1861 until May 31, 1863.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Denmark



15 November 1862 New Orleans, Louisiana to Copenhagen, Denmark
usage during period of Federal occupation of New Orleans
35c Prussian Closed Mail rate prepaid in combination with 30c 1861 issue
boxed Aachen Franco transit and Hamburg transit and backstamp

Fewer Than Five Reported Examples To Denmark With Five Cents Red Brown

The 35c Prussian Closed Mail rate to Denmark was in effect until April 30, 1863.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



29 January 1863 New York City to Paris, France
15c Treaty rate prepaid with vertical strip of three



22 May 1869 New Orleans, Louisiana to Bordeaux, France
15c Treaty rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1869 issue
New York "6" exchange, Calais entry postmark and arrival backstamp

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



26 December 1862 New York City to Bordeaux, France
thirteen times 15c rate via American Packet,
single 5c used in combination with two 90c, and single 10c 1861 issue,
Paris and Bordeaux arrival backstamps

One of Two Recorded usages of the Five Cent Red Brown in Combination with the Ninety Cent
and
The Only Example of the Five Cent 1861-1863 Issues used with Multiple Ninety Cent Adhesives

The contents of the letter mention that it originally contained 25 duplicates of a document which accounts for the $1.95 in postage.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



17 January (1863) **Patriotic** cover from New York City to Germany,
15c Bremen Hamburg Mails rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
blue "America uber Bremen Franco" transit handstamp

The 15c rate by Bremen Hamburg mails was in effect until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



7 June 1863 New York City to Berlin, Germany
15c Bremen Mail treaty rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
America uber Bremen Franco handstamp, red New York exchange handstamp with 12 credit



6 May 1863 Philadelphia, PA. to Frankfurt, Germany
15c Hamburg Mail treaty rate prepaid by three 5c singles
red New York exchange handstamp with 10 credit

The top cover was carried by Bremen packet the bottom by Hamburg packet.
The 15c rate by Bremen Hamburg mails was in effect until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Great Britain



21 November 1862 San Francisco, California to London, England
29c rate for over 3,000 miles in United States prepaid in combination with 24c brown violet 1861 issue
New York exchange datestamp and London arrival

The 29c rate to Great Britain reflected a 5c premium for distances in the United States greater than 3,000 miles. This premium was abolished on July 1, 1863 when the domestic postage rate in the United States was reduced.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Guatemala



June 24, 1863 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Guatemala
Philadelphia Patent Cancel



December 6, Washington, D.C., **Congress** duplex cancel to Guatemala

Both covers sent prepaid at the 10c American Packet Rate.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Holland



10 June 1862 New York City to Amsterdam, Holland
5c Open Mail rate by British Packet
London transit and Amsterdam arrival backstamps



30 July 1862 New York City to Amsterdam, Holland
double 5c Open Mail rate by British Packet paid by two singles
London transit and Amsterdam arrival backstamps

The 5c Open Mail rate by British Packet was in effect from July 1, 1849 until July 30, 1866.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Holland



20 June 1863 Baltimore, Maryland to Amsterdam, Holland
21c Open Mail rate by American Packet prepaid by four 5c singles plus 1c 1861 issue
London transit and Amsterdam arrival backstamps

The 21c Open Mail rate by American Packet was in effect from July1, 1849 until July 30, 1866.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To India



16 February 1863 Boston to Calcutta, India
5c Open Mail rate by British Packet prepaid



30 October 1862 Boston to Calcutta, India
21c Open Mail rate by American Packet prepaid with four singles in combination with 1c 1861 issue

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until July1, 1866.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Nova Scotia



1 February 1864 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Halifax, Nova Scotia
double 5c rate by British Packet from Boston prepaid with horizontal pair
Boston exchange backstamp, "Cts 10" handstamp and Halifax arrival backstamp

The rate to Nova Scotia from Boston by British Packet was 5c until December 31, 1864.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Philippine Islands



4 March 1863 Boston to Manila, Philippines
45c British Packet rate via Southampton, prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
16 March 1863 London transit
Hong Kong transit and Manila arrival handstamps

The Only Recorded Usage of the Five Cent Red Brown to the Philippines

The 45c British mail rate via Southampton was in effect from September 1, 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Russia



6 May 1862 Salem, Massachusetts to St. Petersburg, Russia
37c Prussian Closed Mail rate prepaid by 5c single plus 30c and 1c pair of 1861 issue
7 May New York transit backstamp

The Only Reported Example Of The Five Cent Red Brown Paying This Rate

The 37c Prussian Closed Mail rate was in effect until April 30, 1863.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Singapore



21 December 1862 to Singapore, East Indies
45c rate via Southampton by American Packet prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
9 January 1863 London transit handstamp

One of Two Recorded Usages to Singapore

The 45c British Mail rate via Southampton to China was in effect from September 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Spain



7 January 1863 Beverly, Massachusetts to an American sailor to the care of Consul at Cadiz, Spain
5c Open Mail rate by British Packet prepaid
London transit backstamp and Cadiz arrival, red 8 Rs due handstamp

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until July1, 1866.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Switzerland



19 April 1864 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Meilen, Switzerland
2c overpayment of 33c PCM rate in combination with 30c 1861 issue
New York exchange backstamp, Swiss transit and arrival backstamps

The Prussian Closed Mail rate to Switzerland was 33c prepaid from May, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1862 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Usages Abroad: To Turkey



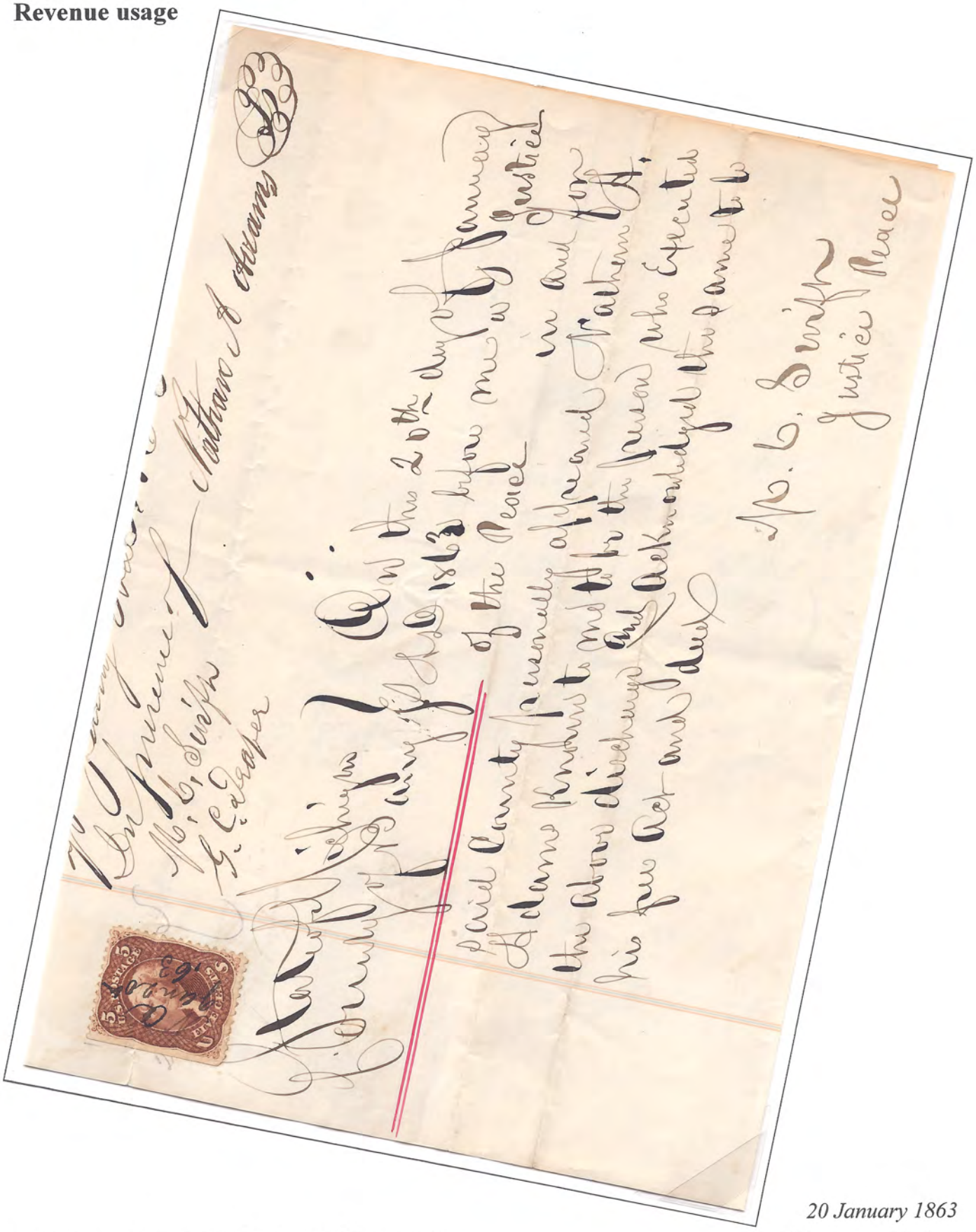
5 August 1863 Boston to Smyrna, Turkey
38c Prussian Closed Mail rate prepaid in combination with 30c and 3c 1861 issue
boxed Aachen Franco transit, Austrian Post Office in Smyrna arrival backstamp

Fewer Than Five Reported Examples To Turkey With Five Cents Red Brown

The 38c Prussian Closed Mail rate to Smyrna, Turkey was in effect from May 1, 1863 until February 28, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Red Brown

Revenue usage



Used as a revenue to pay 5c Internal Revenue fee

20 January 1863
Mortgage Discharge

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Earliest Known Usage



3 February 1863 Dayton, Ohio to Hannover, Germany
15c rate by Bremen-Hamburg mails prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue

The Earliest Recorded Usage Of The Five Cents Brown
and
The Only Known Example

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Three Cent Rate / Registry Fee



22 June Pottsville, Pennsylvania **registered** to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
20c registry fee plus 3c rate prepaid in combination with 3c and 10c 1861 issue



September 1874 McMinnville, Tennessee **registered** to Dunlap, Tennessee.
8c registry fee plus 3c rate prepaid in combination with 3c 1873 issue and 3c 1871 issue entire

The 8c registry fee was in effect from January 1, 1874 until July 1, 1875
The 20c registry fee was in effect from July 1, 1863 until May 31, 1867

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Three Cent Rate



4 June 1865 Richmond, Virginia to Chelsea, Massachusetts
overpaid 3c rate - endorsed "Penny Post Deliver" at left

An Attempt To Prepay Carrier Delivery Fee

The domestic postage rate was 3c per ounce for any distance after July 1, 1863. The carrier fee, for cities that had carrier service, were included in the postal rate. It seems that the correspondent in Richmond may not have been aware of the postal regulations. The Federal Post Office in Richmond had only been re-established in April, 1865.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Three Cent Rate To 3,000 Miles



2 June 1863 New York City to Orwigsburgh, Pennsylvania
double 3c rate prepaid in combination with 1c 1861 issue
forwarded to Pottsville, Pa. June 4, with additional 6c postage due

The domestic postage rate was 3c per ounce for distances to 3,000 miles before July 1863.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Colorado Territory



12 June 1863 Mountain City, **Colorado Territory** to Keene, New Hampshire
double 3c rate prepaid in combination with 1c 1861 issue

Colorado became a United States territory on February 28, 1861 and a state on August 1, 1876

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Territorial Usage - Dakota Territory to Germany



March 14, Fort Laramie, Dakota Territory to Prussia, Germany
15c prepaid rate paid by three 5c singles
March 28, New York Bremen Packet transit handstamp
Prussia arrival backstamp

The Only Recorded usage from Dakota Territory

Dakota Territory existed from March 2, 1861 until November 2, 1889

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Idaho Territory



7 June 1867 Boise City, **Idaho Territory** to New York City
overpayment of 3c domestic rate



13 June 1867 Ruby City, **Idaho Territory** to New York City
overpayment of 3c domestic rate, same correspondence as top cover

Idaho became a United States territory on March 3, 1863 and a state on July 3, 1890

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Utah Territory



26 May 1868 Beaver, **Utah Territory** to Rockford, Illinois

3c postage plus **20c registry fee** paid by 5c single in combination with 15c 1866 issue on 3c entire

The Only Recorded Five Cent Used From Utah Territory

Utah became a United States territory on September 9, 1850 and a state on January 4, 1896

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: From Cherokee Indian Nation



10 August 18(65) Fort Gibson, Arkansas (**Cherokee Indian Nation**) to Washington, D.C.
two 5c singles used on address panel to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs

The Only Reported Example of the Five Cent Used From any Indian Nation

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: The Caribbean



1865 **usage from the Caribbean**, via New York City, to Hamburg, Germany
1 November 1865 entered the mails at New York City as a **Steamship** letter
10c steamship rate plus 15c rate to Germany by Hamburg packet paid in combination with two 10c 1861 issue
November 1865 Hamburg arrival backstamp

The Only Recorded Example of This Usage with the 5c Brown

The Steamship rate via American Packet from the Caribbean to the United States was 10c per half ounce.
The stamps were canceled upon arrival in New York by the "N YORK STEAMSHIP" circular handstamp.

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

First Sub-Period, August 30, 1863 - July 25, 1864



Haiku, Hawaii Postmaster G. E. Beckwith manuscript Origin and Charge Box notation
December 12, 1863 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
January 4, 1864 San Francisco handstamp, used to Davenport, Iowa

The 1863 postage rates of 5c Hawaiian, and 3c U.S. Plus 2c captain's fee were in effect during this sub-period. Carried on the Yankee *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Second Sub-Period, August 13, 1864 - September 7, 1864



September 6, 1864 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp, September 23, 1864 San Francisco handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash, half of the U.S. 10c postage paid by single 5c issue of 1863
FOREIGN and **5** (due) handstamps applied at San Francisco, California, used to Providence, Rhode Island



September 6, 1864 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp, September 23, 1864 San Francisco handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1861, half of the U.S. 10c postage paid by single 5c issue of 1863
FOREIGN and **5** (due) handstamps applied at San Francisco, California, used to Perry Lake, Ohio

A Total of Eight Covers Recorded During This Sub-Period

On July 1, 1864 the U.S. Steamship rate of 10 cents per half ounce went into effect. However the Honolulu Post Office did not receive notification of the new rate change until September 13, 1864. Thus covers mailed from Hawaii during this sub period were sent at the 1863 rates (5c Hawaii, 3c U.S. & 2c captain's fee). Upon arrival at San Francisco these covers were handstamped "5" to indicate 5 cents additional postage due on delivery and "FOREIGN" to indicate the reason for the additional postage due. Both carried on the Yankee *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870
Third Sub-Period, September 13, 1864 - November 10, 1864



Haiku, Hawaii manuscript postmark and charge box notation beneath stamps
October 12, 1864 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash, U.S. 10c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c pair and single 2c issue of 1863
November 7, 1864 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Davenport, Iowa

Only Three Covers and One Cover Front Recorded During This Sub-Period

The Only Example with the Five Cent 1863 Issue

Finally on September 13, 1864 Hawaii's Postmaster General David Kalakaua received notice of the 10 cent Steamship rate per half ounce which was enacted by law on July 1, 1864. However, Kalakaua mistakenly thought that the 2 cent captain's fee was to be added. The result being the erroneous 12 cent rate. Carried on the Onward *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



Hilo manuscript postmark, January 30, Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid & February 22, 1865 San Francisco handstamps
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1861, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
Addressed to the U.S. Steamer *Sebago,* Mobile Bay, Alabama



March 28, 1865 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid & April 17, 1865 San Francisco handstamps
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1861, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
Addressed to the U.S. Steamer *Sebago,* New Orleans, Louisiana

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864.*
The addressee Titus Munson Coan, MD was a naval surgeon on the gunship Sebago *which was part of the West Gulf Blockade Squadron until the end of the Civil War. Dr.Coan's parents were both missionaries in Hilo, Hawaii.*
Top cover carried on the A. A. Eldridge, *bottom cover carried on the* Smyrniote *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



January 10, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
January 31, 1866 San Francisco handstamp, used to Long Island, New York



January 18, 1865 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1861, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
February 13, 1865 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to New London, Connecticut

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Top cover carried on the* Wm. S. Rice, *bottom cover carried on the* Smyrniote *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



February 3, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c **"Hawaiian Postage"** Numeral issue of 1865

U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863

February 19, 1866 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Sherman, New York



May 22,1865 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Double Rate Hawaiian 10c postage paid by two singles of 5c **"Hawaiian Postage"** Numeral issue of 1865

U.S. double rate postage of 6c plus 2c captain's fee is overpaid 2c by pair of 5c issue of 1863

June 12, 1865 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Reading, Michigan

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Top cover carried on the* USS Lancaster, *bottom cover carried on the* Wistler *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



October 19, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863

November 19, 1866 San Francisco handstamp, used to Sherman, New York



April 3, 1867 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Double Rate Hawaiian 10c postage paid by two singles of 5c **"Hawaiian Postage"** Numeral issue of 1865

U.S. double rate postage of 6c plus 2c captain's fee paid by 3c 1861 and 5c 1863 issues

April 23, 1867 San Fancisco, California handstamp, used to Oshkosh, Wisconsin

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Top cover carried on the* Bernice, *bottom cover carried on the* A.A. Eldridge *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870
Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



January 2, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Triple Rate Hawaiian 15c postage paid by three singles of 5c **"Hawaiian Postage"** Numeral issue of 1865
U.S. triple rate postage of 9c plus 2c captain's fee paid by two 3c 1861 issue and single 5c issue of 1863
January 29, 1866 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Boston, Massachusetts

The Only Recorded Triple Rate Five Cent "Hawaiian Postage" Numeral Cover

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864.*
Carried on the D. C. Murray *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



April 11, 1867 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c **"Interisland"** Numeral of 1865
U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
May 6, 1867 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Waynesburg, Pennsylvania

Only Eleven Five Cent "Interisland" Numeral Covers Recorded

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Carried on the* D. C. Bernice *to San Francisco.*



September 18, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Triple Rate Hawaiian 15c postage paid by three singles of **"Interisland"** Numeral issue of 1865
U.S. triple rate postage of 9c plus 2c captain's fee paid by two 3c 1861 issue and single 5c issue of 1863
October 17, 1866 **Portland, Oregon** handstamp, used to Derry, New Hampshire

Only Eleven Five Cent "Interisland" Numeral Covers Recorded
and
The Only Triple Rate Use of the Five Cent "Interisland"

Instead of being sent directly to San Francisco as was the norm this cover was routed through Portland, Oregon on the bark A.A. Eldridge. *Even with the additional distance from Portland to San Francisco the* A.A. Eldridge *was expected to reach San Francisco ahead of the direct packet from Honolulu. The steamship* Oriflamme *left Portland on October 17 and arrived in San Francisco on October 20 thus arriving one week earlier than the direct packet. However once in San Francisco the early arrival was negated since the cover did not leave San Francisco until October 30.*

Only two covers are recorded from this sailing this cover and a single rate cover now in the Smithsonian.

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



Originating in **Kealakekua**, Hawaii, March 5, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 2c 1862 issue a 2c 1864 issue and 1c in cash

U.S. postage of 1c drop rate in San Francisco plus 2c captain's fee is overpaid 2c by 5c issue of 1863

May 20, 1866 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to San Francisco, California

A Unique Combination of Adhesives

This cover originated in the town of Kealakekua on the Big Island. The Hawaiian adhesives were applied and manuscript canceled "R B N" by the town's Postmaster and Sheriff Richard B. Neville. Upon arrival at Honolulu they were additionally canceled by the square grid handstamp. Carried on the Onward *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



March 11, 1867 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866, U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
April 3, 1867 San Francisco handstamp, used to San Jose, California



January 26, 1869 Honolulu Hawaiian Islands handstamp
Double Rate Hawaiian 10c postage paid by two singles of 5c issue of 1866
U.S. double rate postage of 6c plus 2c captain's fee is overpaid 2c by two 5c issue of 1863
February 11, 1869 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Boston, Massachusetts

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864.*
Top cover carried on the Ethan Allen, *bottom cover carried on the* Comet *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



Hilo, Hawaii December 17, 1866 datestamp on reverse, December 24, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage and attempted payment of U.S. postage paid by pair of 5c issue of 1866
U.S. 3c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 5c issue of 1863
January 14, 1866 San Francisco, California datestamp, used to Spencerport, New York

This cover is an example of a Hawaiian postmaster attempting to prepay the U.S. portion of the postage with a Hawaiian adhesive. There were times when some small town postmasters ran out of U.S. adhesives so they would affix Hawaiian postage to show that all postage had been prepaid. This practice was accepted by the San Francisco post office. Upon arrival in San Francisco the proper U.S. postage was affixed and Hawaii was credited for the overage.

Carried on the Cambridge *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870

"Sheriff of Kauai Hawaiian Islands"
Colorless embossed seal



Kauai, Hawaii colorless embossed seal
February 3, 1866 Honolulu Postage Paid datestamp
February 16, 1866 San Francisco handstamp
double rate 3c U.S. postage plus 2c ship fee paid by
3c 1861 and 5c 1863 issues

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Carried on the* USS Lancaster.

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870
Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870



August 27, 1867 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Double Rate Hawaiian 10c postage paid in cash
double rate U.S. 6c postage plus 2c captain's fee paid by 3c 1861 and 5c issue of 1863
September 16, 1867 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to LaSalle, Illinois

The 1863 rates were restored with the arrival of the clipper ship Seaman's Bride *on December 3, 1864. Carried on the* Woodland *to San Francisco*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870
Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870

Used to Great Britain



October 7, 1865 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash
U.S. postage of 24c plus 2c captain's fee paid by 1c plus pair of 10c 1861 and 5c issue of 1863
October 28, 1865 San Francisco, California handstamp
November 21, 1865 New York exchange handstamp
December 3, 1865 Swange and Wareham, Great Britain arrival backstamps

The Only Recorded Use From Hawaii to Great Britain with the Five Cent 1863 Issue

Prior to August 1866 letters originating in Hawaii thru the U.S. to a foreign country were rated at 5c Hawaiian plus the applicable international rate plus 2c captain's fee. Carried on the D.C. Murray *to San Francisco, overland to New York then Boston where it was placed on the Cunard Line steamer* Cuba *to Great Britain.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870

Used to New Brunswick



December 15, 1866 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866
U.S. postage of 10c is overpaid 5c by pair and single of 5c issue of 1863
January 3, 1867 San Francisco, California handstamp
February 6, 1867 St. John, New Brunswick arrival backstamp

Only Two Recorded Covers Used From Hawaii to New Brunswick with the Five Cent 1863 Issue

Starting August 3, 1866 letters originating in Hawaii thru the United States to a foreign country (except Canada) were no longer assessed the 2c captain's fee. The correct rate for this cover was 5c Hawaiian and the 10c international rate to New Brunswick. Both recorded covers were mailed the same day to the same address and franked with the same postage. Carried on the Comet *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Fifth Sub-Period, December 3, 1864 - June 30, 1870

Used to Nova Scotia



December 27, 1864 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid in cash
U.S. postage of 15c plus 2c captain's fee paid by 12c 1861 and 5c issue of 1863
January 23, 1865 San Francisco, California handstamp
Rare **General Post Office Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands** football style auxiliary handstamp

The Only Recorded Use From Hawaii to Nova Scotia with the Five Cent 1863 Issue
and
One of Three Recorded Examples of the Football Style Auxiliary Handstamp and
The Only One Recorded with Adhesives

Prior to August 1866 letters originating in Hawaii thru the U.S. to a foreign country were rated at 5c Hawaiian plus the applicable international rate plus 2c captain's fee. Carried on the Comet *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Sixth Sub-Period, September 25, 1867 - June 30, 1870



January 20, 1868 Honolulu Hawaiian Islands handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866
Half of the 10c **Contract Mail** U.S. postage paid by single 5c issue of 1863
February 3, 1868 San Francisco handstamp
5 (due) handstamp applied at San Francisco, California, used to Sherman, New York
Red **"Hawaiian Steam Service"** handstamp applied on arrival at San Francisco

The Only Recorded Example Showing Partial Payment and Due Handstamp

During this sub-period The California, Oregon & Mexico Steamship Company was contracted to handle mail between Honolulu and San Francisco. The red "Hawaiian Steam Service" oval handstamp was used to identify this steamship service. Carried on the Idaho *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Sixth Sub-Period, September 25, 1867 - June 30, 1870



May 9, 1868 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866, **Contract mail** U.S. postage of 10c paid by pair of 5c issue of 1863

May 23, 1868 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Galena, Illinois

Red **"Hawaiian Steam Service"** handstamp applied on arrival at San Francisco



Hilo, Hawaii April 28, 1868 datestamp on reverse, May 9, 1868 Honolulu U.S. Postage Paid handstamp

Double Rate Hawaiian 10c postage paid by pair of 5c issue of 1866

Contract mail U.S. double rate postage of 20c paid by two pairs of 5c issue of 1863

May 23, 1868 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Lowell, Massachusetts

Red **"Hawaiian Steam Service"** handstamp applied on arrival at San Francisco

Both covers carried on the Idaho *to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Sixth Sub-Period, September 25, 1867 - June 30, 1870



Originating manuscript dateline **Ponape, Micronesia** October 7, 1868 at left
December 26, 1868 Honolulu Hawaiian Islands handstamp
Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866
Contract mail U.S. postage of 10c paid by two singles of 5c issue of 1863
January 8, 1869 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Woodburn, Illinois
Red **"Hawaiian Steam Service"** handstamp applied at San Francisco

The Only Recorded Example of This Use with the Five Cent 1863 Issue

This cover originated on the Pacific island of Ponape, Micronesia on October 7, 1868, From Ponape it was carried on the missionary ship Morning Star *to Honolulu arriving there December 16, 1868. The* Idaho *a steamship operated by The California, Oregon and Mexico Steamship Company carried it to San Francisco.*

Fourth Treaty Period, August 30, 1863 - June 30, 1870

Sixth Sub-Period, September 25, 1867 - June 30, 1870



November 14, 1868 Honolulu Hawaiian Islands handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866, **Contract mail** U.S. postage of 10c paid by pair of 5c issue of 1863

November 26, 1868 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to Boston then forwarded to Dorchester, Massachusetts

Red **"Hawaiian Steam Service"** handstamp applied on arrival at San Francisco



June 23, 1870 Honolulu Hawaiian Islands handstamp

Hawaiian 5c postage paid by 5c issue of 1866

Contract mail U.S. postage of 10c paid by 3c entire plus 2c and 5c issues of 1863

July 5, 1870 San Francisco, California handstamp, used to San Francisco, California

Top cover carried on the Idaho, bottom cover carried on the Ajax

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From British Columbia To Canada



New Westminster, British Columbia via United States to Woodstock, Canada West
Colonial postage paid by 2 1/2d British Columbia/Vancouver Island 1860 issue
15c rate to Canada prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
11 May 1863 San Francisco transit and Chicago "Paid 15" exchange handstamps
"General Post Office British Columbia" and Woodstock arrival backstamps

The 2 ½d British Columbia/Vancouver Island adhesive paid the Colonial postage to the United States. The 5c and 10c adhesives paid the United States 15c rate to Canada West.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From British Columbia To Canada



Williams Creek, British Columbia to Stamford, Canada West
red manuscript Williams Creek Office Paid 15c
30 June 1864 San Francisco California transit
22 July 1864 Clifton, Upper Canada transit backstamp

The Earliest Reported Usage From Williams Creek Office

United States adhesives were available for sale at the Victoria, Vancouver Island Post Office. This cover was fully prepaid in cash at Williams Creek including a 7-1/2d. charge for carriage to Victoria plus 15c to cover the required United States stamps to be applied at Victoria. At Victoria the United States stamps were applied to prepay the over 3,000 mile rate to Canada. Although the rate had been reduced to 10c in March, 1864 the news had evidently not yet arrived at Williams Creek. Williams Creek Office did not receive a supply of stamps or a canceling device until after July, 1864.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: Registered From British Columbia to Canada



August 1867 **Registered** from Williams Creek, British Columbia to Canada
internal 25c Colonial postage paid by 5c single and 10c pair of Vancouver Island 1865 issue
United States 10c rate to Canada overpaid 5c
September San Francisco, California transit and October 1867 arrival handstamps

One of Two Recorded Registered Usages from British Columbia with the Five Cent Brown

The 1865 Vancouver Island issue was valid for postage in both Vancouver Island and British Columbia. The numeral "10" cancellation indicates the origin of this cover as Williams Creek, British Columbia. The straight line "REGISTERED" handstamp was applied at New Westminster, British Columbia.

The treaty rate to Canada prior to 1864 was 10c over 300 miles and 15c over 3000 miles. In April 1864 the rate was changed to 10c without regard to distance. It is doubtful that notices of postal rate changes were received in the mining camps of Upper Canada. Therefore it is not uncommon to see letters paid at the old rate.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: By Express From British Columbia



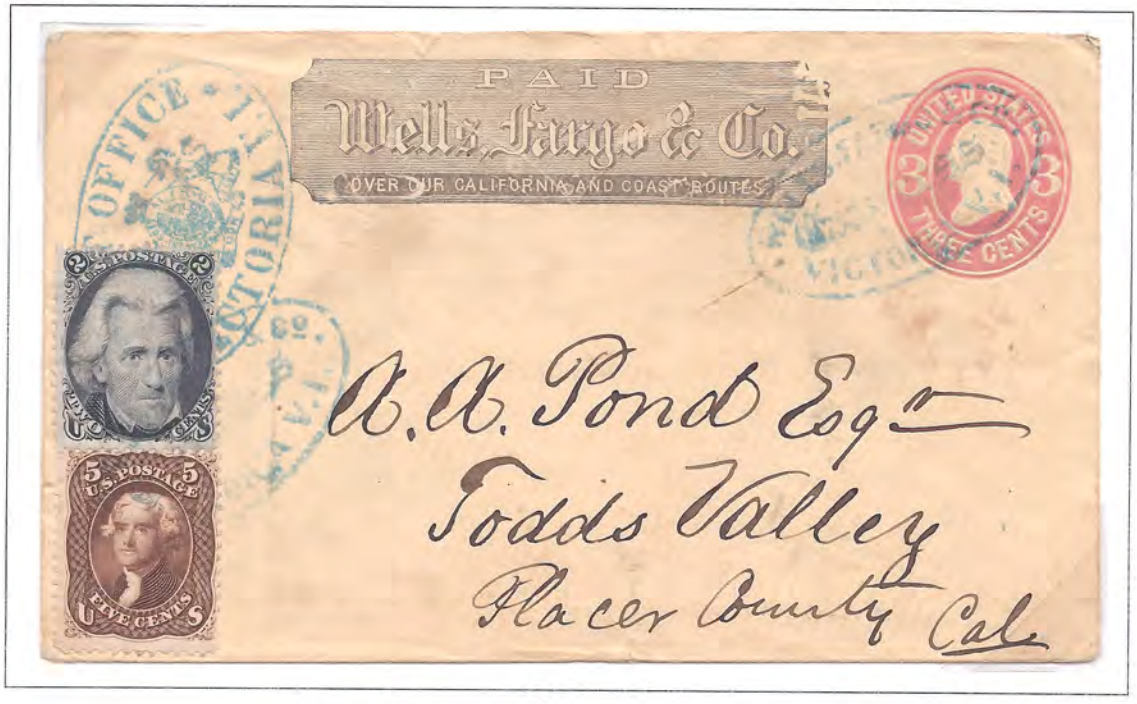
October 1866 paste-back from Richfield, British Columbia to Pioneer City, Idaho Territory
Colonial postage prepaid with 2 1/2d pair of 1860 issue, conjunctive express company fees prepaid.
from Richfield to Fort Yale, British Columbia by **Barnard's Cariboo Express**
from Fort Yale to Victoria, Vancouver Island by **Dietz & Nelson Express Company**
24 October from Victoria to Pioneer City by **Wells Fargo & Company**

Triple Conjunctive Express Usage - The Only Recorded Example

A preprinted Wells Fargo frank was pasted to the back of another envelope that carried the letter

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: By Express From Victoria, Vancouver Island



1864 Victoria to Todds Valley, California
blue Post Office Paid Victoria Vancouver Island oval handstamp indicating Colonial postage paid
Wells Fargo & Co. franked entire with additional postage for 10c rate to United States
Wells Fargo & Co. Express Victoria, V.I. oval handstamps
carried entirely out of the mails to destination by Wells, Fargo

Wells Fargo & Co. began carrying mail from Victoria to San Francisco in 1858. In order to carry mail privately, all letters had to be prepaid with an equivalent amount of postage to mail carried by the government. On the cover above this included the 2 ½d. Colonial postage prepaid with oval handstamp as well as the 10c rate of postage prepaid with 3c entire and 7c of additional postage. The express fees were prepaid at an additional amount as indicated by the Wells Fargo frank.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From Victoria, Vancouver Island to Canada



1866 Victoria, Vancouver Island to Hamilton, Canada
Colonial postage paid by Vancouver, Island 5c 1865 issue
Wells Fargo & Co. franked entire with additional U.S. adhesives for payment of postage to Canada
United States 3c entire cancelled by New York duplex handstamp,
adhesives cancelled by May 2 manuscript cancels
3 May 1866 Hamilton arrival handstamp

This cover was carried by Wells Fargo & Company from Victoria, Vancouver, Island to California where it was placed on a ship via Panama to New York. At New York it was placed in the United States mails and delivered to its destination in Canada.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From Vancouver Island To Great Britain



Victoria, Vancouver Island to London, blue Post Office Paid handstamp indicating Colonial postage paid
30 May 1863 San Francisco transit, 29c rate prepaid in combination with 24c
red Paid **19 credit** for carriage by a **British packet**, London arrival handstamp



Victoria, Vancouver Island to Market Deeping, England
blue Post Office Paid handstamp indicating Colonial postage paid
20 July 1863 San Francisco transit, 29c rate prepaid in combination with 24c
red **3 credit** for carriage by an **American packet**, London arrival handstamp

The rate to Great Britain was 24c plus a 5c surcharge when mailed from the West Coast. United States stamps were available for sale at the Victoria, Vancouver Island Post Office.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From Vancouver Island to Great Britain



Victoria, Vancouver Island to Gloucestershire, England forwarded to Cheltenham, England
June 19, 1863 San Francisco, California and New York July 11 transit handstamps
blue Post Office Paid Victoria Vancouver Island oval handstamp indicating Colonial Postage Paid in cash
29c rate prepaid by 5c single and two 12c issue of 1861

The rate to Great Britain was 24c plus a 5c surcharge when mailed from the west coast.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages From Abroad: From China





Blue Shanghai
Cork cancel

17 October 1867 Shanghai, China to San Francisco, California
10c Trans-Pacific rate prepaid by 5c pair, Blue Shanghai grid cancels
per P.M.S.S. *Great Republic* to San Francisco arriving 19 November 1867
red **China And Japan Steam Service** handstamp

The Earliest Recorded Usage Of The China And Japan Steam Service Handstamp
And
The Only Recorded Usage of The Five Cent From China

This cover departed Shanghai,China October 17, 1867 on the branch line steamer Costa Rica *which took it to Yokohama, Japan. On October 25 it left Yokohama on the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. steamship* Great Republic *and arrived in San Francisco, California on November 19. This was the return maiden voyage of the* Great Republic *and the first trip that used the red oval* ***China and Japan Steam Service*** *marking.*

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Argentina



23 July 1864 Brewer, Maine to Rosario, Argentina
45c rate prepaid in combination with strip and single 10c 1861 issue
25 July New York transit and "40" credit handstamp

The 45c rate by British Mails to Argentina was in effect from January, 1861 until December 31,

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Australia



4 April 1865 Boston, Massachusetts to Melbourne, Victoria
39c British Mail rate via Marseilles prepaid in combination with 24c 1863 issue and 10c 1861 issue
25 June 1865 arrival backstamp

The prepaid 39c British Mails rate, via Marseilles, was in effect until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Austria With Carrier Fee



16 May 1863 New York City **mourning cover** to Graz, Austria

1c to the mails carrier fee paid with 1c 1861 issue, 15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue

New York Foreign Mails cancels, New York exchange and Hamburg transits

Graz, Austria arrival and forwarded to Gurkfeld

The 15c German Mail rate to Austrian Empire was in effect from July, 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To The Azores



14 August 1865 New Bedford, Massachusetts to Fayal, Azores
prepaid for carriage by a **private ship** (the *Hortense*)
3 September 1865 Horta arrival backstamp
160 (reis) due ship rate handstamp

The Only Reported Example To The Azores

The published rate, via British mails, to the Azores was 29c in August, 1865. The private ship letter rate for outbound mail was restricted to covers originating at port of departure to be carried by American owned vessels. Very little mail was carried under this provision which was not widely published.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Bahamas



24 March Andover, Massachusetts to Nassau, Bahamas
5c rate by British Packet from New York prepaid, 4d credit to Britain



26 February 1865 Boston, Massachusetts to Nassau, Bahamas
5c rate prepaid, New York Steamship marking applied in error, 4d credit to Britain

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Barbados



27 February 1865 Washington, D.C. to Bridgetown, Barbados
10c rate prepaid in combination with 3c entire and 2c 1863 issue



27 February 1865 Washington, D.C. to Bridgetown, Barbados
double 10c rate prepaid in combination with 3c entire, 10c 1861 issue and 2c 1863 issue
13 May 1865 St. Thomas transit backstamp

Although both covers sent the same date, only the bottom cover bears a St. Thomas transit backstamp.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Belgium



7 July 1865 Santa Clara, California to Courtrai, Belgium
21c British Open Mail rate, **by American packet,**
prepaid by three 5c singles in combination with 3c 1861 issue on 3c entire
two line **Paid - Only to England** handstamp, London transit, and Belgium arrival backstamp

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: Printed Matter To Belgium



3 December 1867 New York to Antwerp, Belgium
5c printed matter rate by **Belgium Closed Mail** prepaid by 5c single

The Only Recorded Example of this Five Cent Printed Matter Rate



1 July 1868 New York to Anvers, Belgium
8c printed matter rate prepaid with 5c **black brown** shade in combination with 3c 1868 issue "E" grill
both with straightline **PAID ALL** handstamp

The 5c Printed Matter Rate up to three ounces was in effect until December 31, 1867.
The 8c Printed Matter Rate rate per four ounces went into effect on January 1, 1868.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Bolivia



30 May 1867 San Francisco, California to Mejillones, Bolivia
34c rate prepaid by two 5c Brown singles and 24c 1862 issue
13 June 1867 Panama transit datestamp, 8 July 1867 Bolivia arrival datestamp



13 December 1868 Oakland California to Mejillones, Bolivia
double 34c rate prepaid by pair of 5c Dark Brown, 10c 1861 issue and two 24c 1862 issue
29 December 1868 Panama transit datestamp, 7 January 1869 Bolivia arrival datestamp

The Only Two Recorded Usages to Bolivia

The 34c rate by American Packet, then British Packet via Panama was in effect until February 28, 1870

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Brazil



15 December 1866 Oberlin, Ohio to Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
10c rate by American Packet prepaid with pair of 5c. 19 January 1867 arrival backstamp.



19 September 1864 Plymouth, Massachusetts to Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
45c rate prepaid in combination with 30c and 10c 1861 issue
Boston exchange and London transit datestamps

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To British Guiana



23 September 1867 New York, New York to Demerara, British Guiana
10c rate prepaid by two 5c singles
St Thomas 30 September 1867 transit backstamp

The Only Reported Usage to British Guiana

This cover was carried by American Packet from New York to St. Thomas then British Packet to Demerara, British Guiana

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Canada



16 March 1866 Burlington, Vermont to Montreal, Canada
10c rate prepaid with pair



30 September St. Louis, Missouri to Nicolet, Canada
10c rate prepaid with pair

The five cent treaty rate to Canada was in effect until April, 1868 when it was reduced.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Canada



18 June 1867 Springfield, Massachusetts to Britteria, Canada
10c rate prepaid with pair



12 March 1866 New Haven, Connecticut to Toronto, Canada
10c rate prepaid in combination with 2c 1861 issue and 3c entire
negative six point star duplex postmark

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Cape of Good Hope



17 May 1864 Boston to Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope
45c British Mail Rate via Plymouth, prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
London transit and Port Elizabeth arrival handstamp

The 45c British Mail rate via Plymouth, England was in effect from May 1, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Chile



30 October 1866 San Francisco, California to Santiago, Chile
34c rate prepaid with pair in combination with 24c 1862 issue
Panama transit datestamp



20 September 1866 New London, Connecticut to Valparaiso, Chile
double 34c rate prepaid with strip of four in combination with pair 24c 1862 issue
Panama transit datestamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



1864 **from Valparaiso, Chile**, via San Francisco, to Canton, China
Edward Vischer San Francisco **forwarders handstamp**
27 April 1864 San Francisco handstamp, 28 June 1864 Hong Kong transit backstamp

This cover was carried out of the mails from Valparaiso,Chile to San Francisco. In San Francisco Edward Vischer a forwarding agent applied the 5c stamp and placed it in the U.S. mail bound for China.

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



10 November 1863 New York City, to Canton, China
45c rate via Southampton by **British packet** prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
23 November 1863 London transit, and 23 January 1864 Hong Kong backstamp



January 1864 New York City to Canton, China
45c rate via Southampton by **American packet** prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
28 January London transit, and 25 March 1864 Hong Kong backstamp

The 45c British mail rate via Southampton was in effect from September 1, 1861 until December 31, 1867.
Both covers are from the same correspondence

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



6 July 1864 Exeter, New Hampshire to Swatow, China
45c rate via Southampton by **American packet**, prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
New York exchange datestamp, London and Hong Kong transits



13 December 1865 New York City to Amoy, China
45c rate via Southampton by **British packet**, prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
New York exchange datestamp, London and Hong Kong transits

The 45cBritish mail rate, via Southampton was in effect from September 1, 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



December 1865 New York City to Hong Kong, China
53c rate prepaid in combination with pair 24c 1865 issue, **NYFM** cancels



10 May 1864 New York City **double rate** to Hong Kong, China
double 53c British Mail rate prepaid, **NYFM** cancels
four color franking in combination with three copies 30c 1861 issue and 10c and 1c 1861 issue
6 July 1864 Hong Kong arrival backstamp

The fully prepaid rate to China by British Mails, via Marseilles, was 53c until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



5 June 1864 New York to Hong Kong, China
Prepaid at the 53c rate via Marseilles but was actually sent via Southampton
Two line **"INSUFFySTAMPED VIA MARSEILLES"** handstamp
Used in combination with two 24c 1863 issue, 18 August 1864 Hong Kong arrival backstamp

United States mail rates were per ½ oz of weight. However French overland rates were per ¼ oz of weight. This cover weighed over ¼ oz but less than ½ oz. Therefore the United States 53c per ½ oz rate to China via Marseilles was insufficient to allow overland travel thru France. Instead the two line "INSUFFySTAMPED VIA MARSEILLES" handstamp was applied directing the cover overland via Southampton, England. The manuscript "40" credit via British packet also verifies this routing. The United States rate via Southampton was 45c.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



21 March 1863 New York City to Shanghai, China
57c prepaid British Mail rate via Marseilles
four color franking in combination with two each 1c and 10c plus single 30c of 1861 issue
London transit, Hong Kong and Shanghai arrival backstamps

The Only Recorded Example of this Prepaid Rate Using the Five Cents 1861-1863 Issues

The British Mail rate via Marseilles from December 1861 thru May 1863 was 51c for the first quarter ounce and 57c for the first one half ounce. This cover weighed between one quarter and one half ounce.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To China



26 August 1863 New York City to Hong Kong, China
red boxed **Supplementary Mail** handstamp, 45c supplementary fee paid in cash
45c rate by British packet prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
London transit and Hong Kong arrival backstamp

Supplementary Mail was a special post office service established by the postmaster general in 1853. This service allowed the dispatching of outbound foreign mail after the regular mail closing and before sailing time. The fee for this special service was double the regular postal rate.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Portuguese Colony Macao, China



11 April 1865 Syracuse, New York to **Macao,** China

53c rate via Marseilles by American Packet, 2c overpaid by 5c single two 10c and single 30c 1861 issue

29 April 1856 London transit datestamp

19 June 1865 Hong Kong transit backstamp

Fewer Than Five Reported Examples Used to Macao

The rate to China by British Mails, via Marseilles was 53c until December 31, 1867

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Cuba



Belfast, Maine to Havana, Cuba
10c rate prepaid with pair, oval "NA1" Cuban mail handstamp



21 November 1863 New York to Havana, Cuba
10c rate prepaid in combination with 3c 1861 issue and 2c 1863 issue
oval "NA1" Cuban mail handstamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Denmark



28 April 1868 New York City to Nexoe, Island of Bornholm, Denmark
13c rate by North German Union Direct Mails prepaid with pair and 3c 1867 issue E grill, **NYFM** cancels
13 May 1868 Hamburg Franco handstamp and Copenhagen transit backstamp

Fewer Than Five Reported Examples To Denmark With Five Cent Brown

The 13c North German Union Direct Mail rate to Denmark was in effect from January 1, 1868 until June 30, 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Ecuador



17 July 1867 Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Saint Helena, Ecuador
34c rate prepaid by 5c in combination with 24c 1862 and 2c 1863 issues on 3c entire
29 July 1867 Panama transit handstamp

The Only Recorded Usage to Ecuador

The 34c rate by American Packet, then British Packet via Panama was in effect until February 28, 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



18 April 1863 New York to Bordeaux, France

double 15c rate prepaid in combination with 24c and 1c 1861 issue.

red NYFM cancels

New York exchange and French entry datestamps

The 15c French Mail rate was in effect from April 1857 until January 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



1 November 1865 New York to Corre, France

15c **Supplementary Mail** fee Paid in Cash, 15c rate prepaid by Stamps, Red Boxed Supplementary Mail Cancels, Paris and Corre entry datestamps.

Supplementary Mail was a special post office service established by the postmaster general in 1853. This service allowed the dispatching of outbound foreign mail after the regular mail closing and before sailing time. The fee for this special srevice was double the regular postal rate.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



3 May 1864 Boston to Paris, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
J.M. Whittemore design Patriotic Envelope

From the Angell Correspondence

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



29 September 1868 New York to Fontainebleau, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue, **NYFM** cancels
New York exchange and French entry datestamps



25 June New York to Paris, France
triple 15c rate prepaid in combination with four copies 10c 1861 issue, **NYFM** cancels
New York exchange and French entry datestamps

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France



14 January 1865 New York City to Paris, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue, **NYFM** cancels
New York Paid 6 credit and French entry datestamps



18 October 1866 New Orleans to Libourne, France
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Paid 12 credit and French entry datestamps

The top cover was carried by American packet and the lower cover by British packet.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown
Usages Abroad: To France



single **5c Brown** used in combination with two **5c Red Brown** singles of 1863 issue
13 August 1864 New Orleans, Louisiana to Nantes, France
15c rate prepaid by three 5c singles
New York transit and France arrival backstamps

The Only Reported Example of this Color Combination

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To France Then Forwarded To Italy



30 Janurry 1866 Hartford, Ct. to Paris, France then **forwarded** to Florence, Italy
United States 15c rate to France prepaid by 5c single in combination with 10c 1861 issue
French rate to Italy properly paid by single 40c from the Napoleon Issue
Boston transit and French arrival handstamps



November 1864 New York City, New York to Paris, France then **forwarded** to Milan, Italy
United States 15c rate to France prepaid by 5c single in combination with 10c 1861 issue
French rate to Italy properly paid by two 20c singles from the Napoleon Issue
French and Italian arrival handstamps

*The top cover was forwarded from France to Italy by the firm of **John Monroe & Company**, a French forwarding agent who affixed the 40c French adhesive and sent it to its destination in Italy.*

The bottom cover was forwarded by the recipient in Paris who added the two 20c French adhesives and remailed it.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



22 March 1870 Wilmington, Delaware **registered** to Cologne, Germany
10c rate by German Mails plus 8c registry fee prepaid in combination 2c and 3c 1869 issues
New York Registered exchange datestamp, Recomandirt handstamp
arrival backstamp

The 10c German Closed Mail rate to Germany was in effect from July 1, 1870 until September 31, 1871.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



29 April 1865 New York City to Cassel, Germany

Supplementary Mail red boxed handstamp and red NYFM cancels

15c supplementary fee paid in cash, 15c rate by Hamburg packet prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue

May 1865 Hamburg arrival backstamp

Supplementary Mail was a special post office service established by the postmaster general in 1853. This service allowed the dispatching of outbound foreign mail after the regular mail closing and before sailing time. The fee for this special service was double the regular postal rate.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



18 May 1868 San Francisco, California to Dresden, Germany
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c postal entire
Verviers Franco transit datestamp



11 February 1867 Ithaca, New York to Berlin, Prussia
15c rate prepaid with vertical strip of three
Verviers Franco transit datestamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



24 February 1865 New York City to Hildesheim, Hannover
15c rate prepaid with pair and single, **NYFM** cancels
New York Bremen packet exchange and America uber Bremen Franco backstamp



September 1865 Newburgh, Ohio to Stuttgart, Wurtemberg
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Bremen packet exchange and America uber Bremen Franco backstamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



24 May 1865 Philadelphia to Frankfurt, Germany
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Bremen packet exchange and America uber Bremen Franco handstamp



30 September 1865 New York to Stuttgart, Wurtemberg
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue, **NYFM** cancels
New York Hamburg packet exchange and Hamburg transit datestamps

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



7 June 1865 St. Louis to Nurnberg, Bavaria
15c rate prepaid with strip of three
New York Hamburg packet exchange and Hamburg transit datestamps



15 May 1867 Cincinnati to Damme, Oldenburg
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Hamburg packet exchange and Hamburg transit datestamps

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



4 March (1864) St. Louis, Missouri to Dusseldorf, Germany
28c rate by Prussian Closed Mail prepaid in combination with pair 10c 1861 issue and 3c postal stationery
New York exchange datestamp, Aachen Franco transit

The 28c Prussian Closed Mail rate to Germany was in effect from September 1, 1861 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



Plumas County, California mining camp to Osterholz, Bremen
carried privately by **Whiting & Co's Feather River Express** to Gibsonville, endorsed "Paid 31c"
13 April 1864 entered the mails at Gibsonville, California
overpayment of 28c Prussian Closed Mail rate in combination with 3c, pair 10c 1861 issue and 3c entire
New York exchange datestamp and Aachen Franco transit, arrival backstamp

Whiting & Co's Feather River Express connected the small mining camps of Plumas County with Gibsonville. The manuscript endorsement "Paid 31c" was put on by the express to indicate the amount of postage in excess of the express fees prepaid by the sender.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Gremany



14 January 1866 St. Louis, Mo. to Hannover, Germany
15c rate prepaid in combination with 10c 1861 issue
New York Hamburg packet exchange and Hamburg transit backstamp
6 February 1866 **forwarded** to Wetzlar with **Hannover 3g adhesive**

The Only Reported Example

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



2 October 1868 New York to Bremen
8c printed matter rate prepaid in combination with 3c 1867 issue "F" grill

The 8c rate for printed matter to four ounces was introduced on January 1, 1868.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Germany



16 February 1870 New Orleans, Louisiana to Bremen

double 10c Bremen Mails rate prepaid in combination with 15c 1866 issue

3 March 1870 **forwarded to France** as postage due

14 March 1870 French arrival postmark

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: With Revenue Stamp To Germany



24 March 1866 New York City to Leipzig, Germany
attempted prepayment of the 15c German mail rate by 5c single and 10c perforated **first issue revenue**
black New York **"SHORT PAID"** and debit handstamps
German receiving backstamp

One of Two Recorded Examples of the Five Cents 1863 Used With a Revenue to a Foreign Destination

This cover was sent via Bremen-Hamburg mail at the 15c rate which was in effect from 1 July 1857 until 31 December1867. New York did not recognize the 10c revenue stamp and properly treated the letter as totally unpaid. Bremen struck its blue 6-1/2 handstamp to indicate the due postage of 6-1/2 silbergroschen which is equivalent to 15c. But since the cover is going to Saxony the cover was also rated in the Saxony currency in blue crayon as 6-5/10 neugroschen also equal to 15c.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Great Britain



24 June 1867 Rockland, Maine to Liverpool, England
24c rate prepaid by two 5c singles in combination with 2c 1863 issue and 12c 1861 issue.
7 July 1867 arrival backstamp



1 August 1865 New York City, to London, England
double 24c rate prepaid by 5c single in combination with 3c and four 10c 1861 issues.
14 August 1865 arrival handstamp

The 24c treaty rate to Great Britain was in effect from February 1, 1849 until December 31, 1867

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Great Britain



13 March 1863 San Francisco, California to London, England
29c treaty rate from the west coast of the United States prepaid by 5c single and 24c 1861 issue
New York exchange and London arrival handstamps

From July 1, 1851 until July 1, 1863 all British treaty rates were subject to a 5c surcharge per single rate if mailed from the west coast of the United States.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown
Usages Abroad: To Great Britain



5 November 1867 New York City to Liverpool, England
four times 24c rate prepaid in combination with 90c and 1c 1861 issue
New York Foreign Mails grid cancels
New York exchange postmark and crayon 76 credit (19x4)

One of Two Recorded Usages of the Five Cent Brown in Combination with the Ninety Cent

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Greece



13 December 1864 Hingham, Massachusetts to Athens, Greece
35c German Mail rate prepaid in combination with 30c 1861 issue, fancy "bat" cancels
New York exchange postmark and manuscript 32 credit
America uber Bremen Franco handstamp, Frankfurt and Trieste transit backstamps
Athens arrival backstamp

Fewer Than Three Reported Examples Of Five Cent Used To Greece

The 35c German Mail rate to Greece was in effect from July, 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Holland



16 October 1866 Baltimore, Maryland to Rotterdam, Holland

Baltimore **pinwheel** duplex cancel, New York British Packet credit handstamp



31 August 1866 Baltimore, Maryland to Rotterdam, Holland

Baltimore **circle in star** duplex cancel, New York "**SHORT PAID**" & American Packet debit handstamp

The top cover was sent by British Packet at the 5c British Open Mail rate. The bottom cover was franked to go by British Packet but was endorced "per City of Paris" an American Packet of the Inman Line which required prepayment of 21c. The postal clerk chose to honor the senders endorsement and sent the cover by American packet and marked it "SHORT PAID".

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Holland



25 September 1865 Baltimore to Rotterdam, Holland
5c rate prepaid, Boston and London transit backstamps



23 May 1864 Baltimore to Amsterdam, Holland
double 5c rate prepaid with pair, Boston and London transit backstamps

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To India



8 October 1865 Boston, Massachusetts to Bombay, Inida
45c British Mail Via Marseilles rate prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
London transit and Bombay arrival backstamps

The British Mail, via Marseilles, rate was 39c for one quarter ounce and 45c per one half ounce.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Ireland



11 January 1868 New York City to Bray, Ireland
12c rate prepaid with pair in combination with 2c 1861 issue
NYFM cancels, New York American packet exchange handstamp
late usage of a patriotic design

The 12c rate to Great Britain went into effect on January 1, 1868.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: Patriotics To Ireland



November 30, 1867 New York City to Londonderry, Ireland
24c rate prepaid by single 5c, 3c, and 12c issue of 1861 plus pair of 2c issue of 1863
December 13, 1867 Londonderry, Ireland arrival backstamp
Embossed three line ribbon between Flag and 2c stamp reads *"Francis & Loutrel N.Y. Stationers & Printers"*



January 11, 1868 New York City to Bray, Ireland
12c rate prepaid by pair of 5c and 2c issue of 1863
January 24, 1868 Bray, Ireland arrival handstamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Italy



22 November 1864 New Orleans, Louisiana to Genoa, Sardinia
double 21c rate prepaid with pair 5c in combination with three copies 10c 1861 issue and 2c 1863 issue



25 November 1864 New Orleans, Louisiana to Genoa, Sardinia
double 21c rate prepaid with pair 5c in combination with four copies 3c and two copies 10c 1861 issue

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Italy



13 March 1868 Van Deusenville, Massachusetts, to Rome, Italy
19c North German Union rate prepaid by single 5c, 2c 1863 issue and 12c 1868 grilled
New York transit, Verona and Rome Italy backstamps



31 May 1868 Washington D.C. to Torino, Italy
15c Italian Closed Mail rate prepaid by two singles of 5c, 2c 1863 issue and 3c 1868 grilled
New York transit, and Italian arrival backstamps

The 19c North German Union rate was in effect from January 1, 1868 until June 30, 1870.
The 15c Italian Closed Mail rate was in effect from April 1, 1868 until February 28, 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Java



14 March 1866 Boston to Batavia, Java
53c British mail rate, via Marseilles, prepaid in combination with two copies 24c 1862 issue
Boston exchange and London transit backstamps
Batavia arrival backstamp and manuscript due

The 53c British mail rate, via Marseilles, to Java was in effect from June, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Malta



24 October 1865 New York City to Malta
5c Open Mail rate prepaid, manuscript 1sh 2d due
London transit and Malta arrival backstamps

Fewer Than Four Reported Examples To Malta

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Mauritius



11 February 1867 New Bedford, Massachusetts to Mauritius
33c British mail rate, via Southampton, prepaid with four copies 5c in combination with 3c and 10c 1861 issue
London Paid transit datestamps
Mauritius arrival backstamp and 4 ½ d. due

The 33c British mail rate, via Southampton, to Mauritius was in effect from 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Mexico



1865 New York City to Vera Cruz, Mexico
10c rate by American Packet prepaid with two copies 5c, **NYFM** cancels

The 10cAmerican Packet rate was in effect until March 31, 1879.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To New Grenada (Colombia)



25 June 1865 Austin, Nevada to Barbacoas, New Grenada
18c rate prepaid with three copies 5c in combination with single 3c 1861issue

The 18c rate by British Mails, via Colon (Aspinwall), was in effect until June 30, 1875. This rate only applied to the portions of New Grenada other than Chagres (Panama) and Colon.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To New South Wales



9 January 1865 Washington, D.C. to Sydney, New South Wales
45c British mail rate, via Marseilles, prepaid in combination with 30c and 10c 1861 issue
New York exchange and London transit datestamps
Ship Letter Sydney arrival backstamp

The 45c British mail rate, via Marseilles, was in effect from January, 1857 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown
Usages Abroad: To New Zealand



9 September 1865 New York, New York to Christ Church, New Zealand
double 33c British Mail rate prepaid by 5c single, 3c and 10c 1861 and pair of 24c 1862 issues
London transit and Christ Church arrival handstamps

The 33c rate to New Zealand was in effect from October 1, 1854 until December 31, 1867

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Norway



5 January 1867 Port Townsend, Washington Territory to Trondheim, Norway
38c Hamburg Mail rate prepaid in combination with 30c and 3c 1861 issue
New York exchange, Hamburg transit and Throndheim arrival datestamps

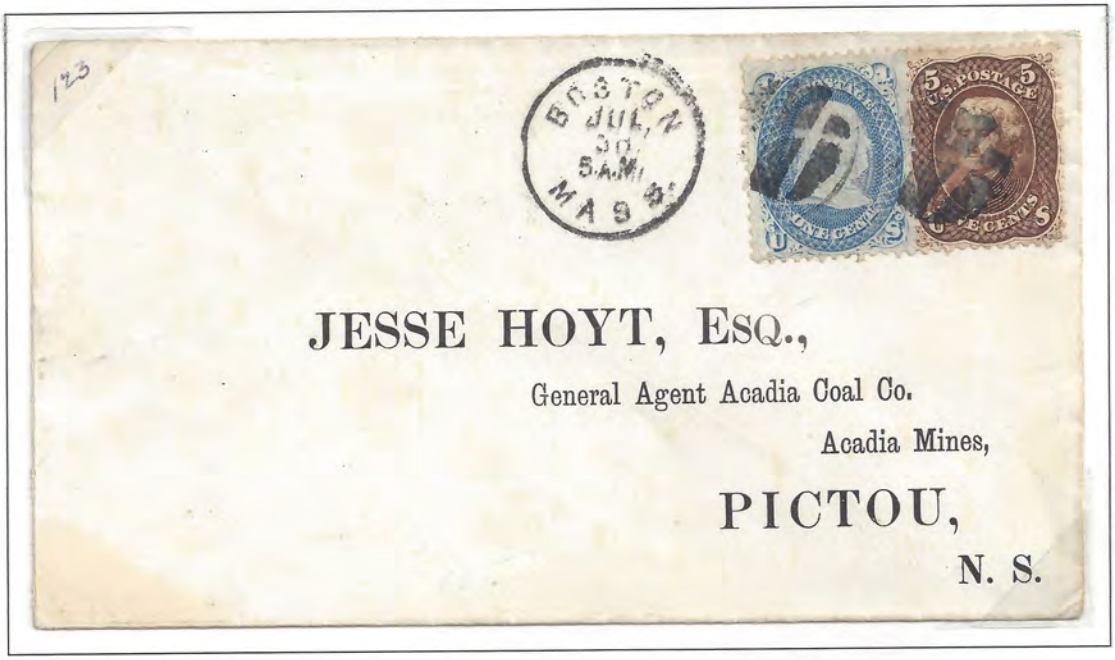


6 July 1867 Norway, Minnesota to Stavanger, Norway
25c Hamburg Mail rate prepaid by five 5c singles
New York exchange, Hamburg transit and Stavanger arrival datestamps

The 38c Hamburg Mail rate to Norway was in effect until February 1, 1867 when the rate was reduced to 25c. The 25c rate was abolished eleven months later on December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Nova Scotia



30 July 1869 Boston, Massachusetts to Pictou, Nova Scotia
6c treaty rate prepaid in combination with 1c 1861 issue
4 August 1869 arrival datestamps

The 6c United States-Canada treaty rate was in effect from April 1, 1868 until January 31, 1875

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Nova Scotia



June 1869 Wells Fargo & Co to Amherst, Nova Scotia

double 6c rate prepaid by 5c and pair of 2c 1868 issue on 3c entire

Blue straightline **"PAID THROUGH"** and **"PAID"** in oval handstamps applied by Wells Fargo

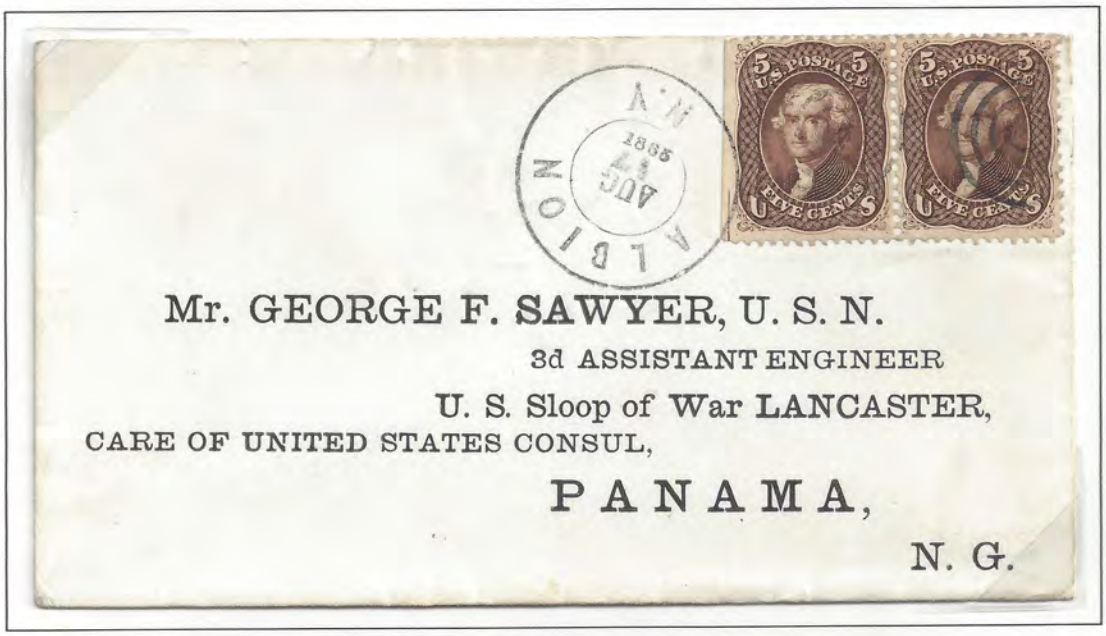
June 21, 1869 Nova Scotia transit backstamp

June 22, 1869 Amherst, Nova Scotia arrival backstamp

*The blue **"PAID THROUGH"** straightline handstamp applied by Wells Fargo indicates the cover was prepaid to a Foreign destination.*

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Panama



17 August 1865 Albion, New York to U.S. Sloop of War *Lancaster*
Care of United States Consul, Panama, New Grenada
10c American Packet rate prepaid by 5c pair



10 February (1865) New Haven, Connecticut to Panama, New Grenada
originally postmarked February 9, with only a single 3c 1861 issue
the postmaster held this letter for the needed additional 7c postage,
the following day February 10, a single 5c and 2c 1863 issue were added to make up the 10c rate

The 10c American Packet Direct rate was in effect until June 30, 1875.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Peru



23 August 1864 New York City to Lima Peru

22c rate paid by two 5c singles in combination with 12c 1861 issue

New York Foreign Mail star in circle cancels

3 September 1864 Panama transit, 18 September 1864 Lima arrival backstamp



2 September 1865 San Francisco, California to Lima Peru

double 22c rate over paid 1c by 5c single and strip of four of 10c 1861 issue

18 September 1865 Panama transit, 3 October 1865 Lima arrival backstamp

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Peru



30 January 1869 San Francisco, California to Lima, Peru
34c rate prepaid by 5c single and pair of 15c 1866 issue
13 February 1869 Panama transit datestamp
2 March 1869 Lima arrival backstamp

The 34c rate by American Packet, then British Packet via Panama was in effect until February 28, 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Philippine Islands



10 October 1864 Boston to Manila, Philippines

45c British mail rate, via Southampton, prepaid in combination with 30c and 10c 1861 issue

Boston exchange, Hong Kong transit, Manila arrival backstamps



23 February 1864 Boston to Manila, Philippines

53c British mail rate, via Marseilles, prepaid in combination with two copies 24c 1862 issue

Boston exchange, Hong Kong transit, Manila arrival backstamps

The 45c rate via Southanpton was in effect from September 1, 1861 until December 31, 1867.
The 53c rate via Marseilles was in effect from June 1, 1863 until December 31, 1867

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Russia



15 May (1865) Portland, Maine to St. Petersburg, Russia
35c rate by Prussian Closed Mail prepaid in combination with 30c 1861 issue
New York exchange datestamp, Aachen Franco transit

The 35c rate to Russia was in effect from May, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Saint Helena



24 November 1866 New Bedford, Massachusetts to Master of Whale Ship " *Laconia*", St. Helena
45c rate prepaid in combination with 10c and 30c 1861 issue
Boston British packet and London Paid transit datestamps
Blue fancy oval St. Helena arrival datestamp

Cover endorsed at left,
"Not called for Ship supposed to have passed"

The Only Recorded Example Used to The Island of Saint Helena

The 45c rate by British Packet via England was in effect from May 1, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Saint Pierre And Miquelon



20 November 1866 New York City to St. Pierre and Miquelon
5c British Mail rate, via Boston, to Halifax, Nova Scotia prepaid
Boston and Halifax transit backstamps
13½c due (10c Halifax postage plus 3½c postage beyond)
23 November 1866 North Sydney, Cape Breton transit backstamp

The Only Reported Example Of Five Cents Used To Saint Pierre And Miquelon

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Spain



28 April 1866 New Orleans, Louisiana to Barcelona, Spain
prepaid 5c British Open Mail rate for carriage by British packet
London transit and Barcelona arrival backstamps, 8 Rs due handstamp

The British Open Mail rate was 5c if sent by British packet and 21c if carried by American packet. Postage from England to destination was due upon arrival. These rates were in effect until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Sweden



18 October 1867 Galesburg, Illinois to Solvitsborg, Sweden
21c rate prepaid with block of **black brown shade** in combination with 1c 1861 issue
New York Bremen packet exchange datestamp
Bremen and Hamburg transit backstamps
Malmo arrival backstamp

The Only Reported Block Of Black Brown Shade Used On Cover

The 21c rate to Sweden was in effect only from February, 1867 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Sweden



5 December 1865 New York City to Westervik, Sweden

34c Prussian Closed Mail rate overpaid by two 5c singles in combination with 24c 1862 issue and 2c 1863 issue

Blue handstamp seal on back of **Swedish and Norwegian Consulate** in New York

Aachen Franco handstamp and transit backstamp of Sweden's Southern State Railroad

The Prussian Closed Mail rate to Sweden was 36c until November 1, 1865 when it was reduced to 34c. The cover above was mailed shortly after the rate reduction.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Switzerland



14 February 1868 Hannibal, Ohio to Meilen, Switzerland
20c North German Union Mail rate prepaid by **block of four**
New York exchange and Verviers transits
Zurich transit backstamp

Only Two Blocks of Four of the 5c Brown Known Used on Cover
A Three Month Rate

The 20c North German Union Closed Mail rate was in effect for only the three months between January 1, 1868 and March 31, 1868.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown
Usages Abroad: To Switzerland



9 October 1867 Newark, New Jersey to Zug, Switzerland
19c Bremen-Hamburg Mail rate prepaid by 5c single plus 12c 1861 and 2c 1863 issues
New York transit handstamp and Switzerland arrival backstamps



14 October 1867 New York, New York to Zurich, Switzerland
double 19c Breman-Hamburg Mail rate prepaid by 5c single plus 3c and 30c 1861 issues
New York transit handstamp and Switzerland arrival backstamps

The 19c Bremen-Hamburg Mail rate was in effect from October 1860 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown
Usages Abroad: To Switzerland



5 August 1864 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Meilen, Switzerland
2c overpayment of 33c PCM rate prepaid by 5c single and 30c 1861 issue
from Swiss Cousul in Philadelphia, Zurich and Meilen arrival backstamps

The 33c Prussian Closed Mail rate was in effect from May, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: Registered To Switzerland



16 February 1866 Highland, Illinois registered to Hachdorf, Switzerland
33c Prussian Closed Mail rate paid in combination with pair 2c and single 24c 1863 issue
5c registry fee paid in cash
21 February 1866 New York Registered transit, boxed "Recomandirt" handstamp
Basel and Luzern transit backstamps

The Prussian Closed Mail rate of 33c was in effect from May 1, 1863 until December 31, 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Turkey



4 January 1868 New York to Constantinople, Turkey

20c North German Union rate prepaid by 5c single used in combination with 15c 1866 issue

New York "PAID ALL" datestamp

31 January 1868 Constantinople receiving backstamp

The 20c North German Union rate was in effect from January 1, 1868 until June 30, 1870.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Uruguay



25 July 1868 West Brooksville, Maine to Montevideo, Uruguay
45c rate prepaid by 5c Dark Brown in combination with 30c 1861 issue and 10c 1868 issue
Boston exchange, and London transit datestamps

One of Three Reported Usages to Uruguay

The 45c rate to Uruguay by British mail via England was in effect from January 1861 until December 1867.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Victoria, Vancouver Island



22 September 1865 Westfield, New York to Victoria, Vancouver Island
10c rate paid by 5c pair
manuscript received October 30, 1865 docketing

The Only Reported Example of This Usage with the Five Cent

During this period all domestic mail to California was required to go by overland, except mail to British Columbia and Vancouver Island which was required to be sent by steamship. This cover was carried by steamship to San Francisco then to Victoria.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Usages Abroad: To Zanzibar



8 November 1867 Boston, Massachusetts to Zanzibar
53c British Mail Via Marseilles rate prepaid in combination with two copies 24c 1863 issue
London and Mauritius transits

The Only Reported Example Of This Rate To Zanzibar

In the November, 1867 Post Office Assistant there was no listing for Zanzibar. The British Mail via Marseilles rate to places in the Orient, such as Singapore, was 53c per one half ounce.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Domestic Usages: Three Cent Rate On Prisoner of War Cover



7 December (1864) Auburn, Alabama **per Flag of Truce** to Claverack, New York
South to North cover from a Union prisoner of war held in the Cahaba, Alabama prison
10c CSA postage in combination with two-thirds of a 5c stamp
19 December entered US mails at Old Point Comfort, Virginia, CSA stamp picked off in transit

The Only Reported Example Of Five Cent On A Prisoner's Cover

It is not known if the senders intent was that the vertical two-thirds of the five cent stamp was to be considered as a three cent stamp or not. It was accepted as prepayment of the 3c rate when it reached Old Point Comfort. The Confederate postage stamp may have been partially removed there.

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Revenue Usage



5 February 1865 Stock Certificate

5c brown used as a revenue to pay 5c Internal Revenue fee

embossed seal of Sterling's Ambrosia Manufacturing Company

1863 Issue - Five Cents Brown

Revenue usage

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.



STATE OF WISCONSIN, } ss.
..... County. }

I Hereby Certify That on the 1st day of December A. D. 1868, Mr. John J. Lee and Miss Lucy Lee were, with their mutual consent, legally joined together in **HOLY MATRIMONY**, by me, in the presence of Ransom J. Griffin and Eliza Lee having been first satisfied by the oath of the said John J. Lee duly administered by me, that there was no legal impediment to such marriage, and upon inquiry of the parties I ascertained the following facts as required by Law, to wit:

1. Full name of Husband John J. Lee; 2. Full name of Father of Husband James Lee; 3. Full name of Mother of Husband Elisabeth Lee; 4. Occupation Farmer; 5. Residence Brooklyn Green Co. Wis.; 6. Birthplace England; 7. Full name of Wife previous to Marriage, Lucy Lee; 8. Full name of Father of said Wife, William Lee; 9. Full name of Mother of said Wife Matilda Lee; 10. Time when Marriage was consummated Dec. 1st, 1868; 11. The Town, County and State where Marriage was consummated, Brooklyn, Green Co. Wis.; 12. Color, White 13. By what ceremony consummated, Ministerial; 14. Name of person pronouncing Marriage, Jas. W. Harris; 15. Residence of person last named, Evansville.

Given under my hand at Evansville, Wis. this 12th day of Jan. A. D. 1869.

Credentials Recorded in
..... County, Wis. }

Jas. W. Harris
Evansville, Wis.

GAZETTE PRINT, JANESVILLE.

12 January 1869 Marriage Certificate, 5c brown used to pay 5c Internal Revenue fee