

PATRIOTIC COVERS, LETTERSHEETS ETC USED WITHIN AND FROM THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA DURING THE CIVIL WAR (1861-65)



C.S.A National Flag
'The Stars & Bars'

10-Star Flag
Manuscript Pd 10

In the titanic conflict that was The American Civil War tremendous passions were aroused both North (Union) and South (Confederacy) resulting in the production of illustrated envelopes etc reflecting the zeal and ideals of the combatant parties.

In the North many thousands of different designs were produced. But in the South due to restricted resources the number was less than 200 and all are scarce to very rare. The exhibit illustrates the use of such envelopes, lettersheets etc within and in one instance from the Confederacy. The exhibit is in two parts.

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2. Captured Union Patriotic Covers

Use of covers which have been captured in Confederate raids into Union territory or have been seized on the battlefield and used within the Southern Confederacy often as 'adversity' usages (regular envelopes un-available)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)
re-backed cover front.

TRANS-ATLANTIC USE
7 star "Stars & Bars" flag
'All-over Design'



The above cover is one of only two known Confederate patriotic covers to have been postally used trans-Atlantic to a foreign country. This is the earlier of the two known having been sent from Confederate Georgia to England. The cover is pre-blockade but falls into the U.S.A Used in the C.S.A period for Georgia. The cover was mailed unpaid from Augusta, Georgia with the small Augusta, Ga double circle postmark dated 20th March 1861. The cover arrived in New York City and received the "New York Br Packet 5" mark dated 27th March (1861). This cover sailed on the Curzard British Packet "Arabia" which departed that date from New York. The Liverpool, England receiving mark is at the lower left 8th April 1861. The British manuscript '1-' squiggle is quite apparent for the 1 Shilling due on delivery for the trans-Atlantic crossing (ix Warren)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars flag
'All-over Design'



"Big Shanty Ga June 17th Paid 5" (1861) Manuscript postmark on overall red and blue 7-Star Confederate Flag Patriotic cover to Cassville, Ga. There is a swirling pattern in the red and blue solids that gives it the appearance of cloth. This is a rare early Patriotic use from a small post office. (Ex Brandon)

(Ex Bosh)



Later the postmaster of Big Shanty, Ga produced a very distinctive straight line cancellation. At left is C.S.A #1 Stone 1 with this postmark dated March 29th (1862) Few examples survive most of which are on the 5¢ Blue Lithography (C.S.A #4) This is one of only 3 known on 5¢ Green.

Big Shanty was also the town where the Locomotive 'The General' was seized in the famous Andrews Raid of 12th April 1862 when Union raiders struck and which led to 'The Great Locomotive Chase'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars" flag.



Seven Star "Stars and Bars" flag patriotic. This was the official national flag of the Confederacy beginning with its adoption on 4th March 1861.

The stars represented the states of South Carolina, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas. This flag continued in use until the admission of the state of Virginia to the Confederacy.

The above cover addressed to the town of Twenty Six S.C. is franked with a 3 cents 1857 U.S. stamp indicating postage within the Confederate States of America prior to May 31st 1861 after which date U.S. stamps and postal rates became invalid.

Stamp cancelled with the blue Columbia, S.C. postmark (Ex MacBride).

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars" flag.



Early use of 7 Star "Stars and Bars" flag patriotic depicting waving flag with curled end with stars in a circle and liberty cap on the flagstaff.

The cover is addressed to Cap't James Simmons Parham's Store, Sussex Co, Va.

The cover bears the manuscript postmark of Sardis, Miss and is dated 22nd October (1861) with manuscript Paid 10 which was the rate current for single letters weighing not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce travelling a distance of more than 500 miles.

The postmaster at Sardis like many other smaller post offices in the South did not have any cancelling devices - hence the manuscript markings.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars" flag.



7 Star 'Stars and Bars' Flag' patriotic cover in full colour and with handstamped Paid 5 marking in blue. The cover is postmarked with the small double circle postmark of the University of Virginia dated 22nd August 1861 also in blue. This makes the cover also to be identified as a College cover.

Note "charge T.S.G" manuscript notation in top right. This notation was necessary as the Confederacy had no coins to pay the SC postage. Therefore the postage has been charged to the senders own account (indicated by use of his initials).

When total charges equated \$1.00 or multiples thereof the sender would clear his account with C.S.A currency. The addressee Lancelot Minor Blackford was an 1859 graduate of the University who enlisted in the Rockbridge Artillery on 2nd September 1861.

Original letter remains with cover from Theodore S. Garnett Jr (hence T.S.G). In letter Garnett mentions a Robert McKim who requests that Blackford bring him a pair of pants (trousers) when he comes to join them. Private McKim was shot through the head and killed at Winchester on 25th May 1862.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



Early use of 7 Star "Stars and Bars" flag patriotic depicting Flag strongly sloping to the right with liberty cap on the flagstaff.

The cover is franked with a U.S. #26 tied by a grid cancel and also tied by the Savannah, Ga. c.d.s of 10th April 1861 (U.S. Used in the C.S.A).

The cover is addressed to a Mrs Pridgeon, Athens, Ga.

It is interesting to note that the postmark date of the 10th April 1861 is just two days before the firing began on Fort Sumter in South Carolina (12th April 1861)

The action which led to the conflict which in history has become known as the American Civil War.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag
The patriotic cover being
used as a semi-official envelope



Richmond, Va straightline PAID (2) on small 7 star flag
patriotic used as a semi-official manuscript from the
"Subsistence Department/official Business" as a local
drop letter cover.

Circular datestamp was not required when used locally
within Richmond.

The cover is addressed to a Member of Congress.

'Hon Thos. W. Venable M(ember) C(ongress)
Exchange Hotel, Richmond, Va.'

This is the illustrative listing copy for 'Paid Markings'
on Page 70 of Peter W.W. Powell's 1987 definitive work
'Confederate States of America Markings and Postal
History of Richmond, Virginia' (Ex Handy & Powell)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



7 Star Confederate flag patriotic cover in colour. Addressed to Mc Dough, Ga.

Franked with 10¢ lithographed stamp depicting portrait of Thomas Jefferson.

The stamp is from the printing firm of J. T. Paterson & Co

The original printing of this stamp was made by the Richmond, Va. firm of Hoyer & Ludwig in 1861. Charleston, S.C. c.d.s of Sept 9th (1862). The cover is also an 'adversity' usage having been 'torned' and handcarried outside the postal service.

Lower cover depicts small 7 star flag on cover addressed to Perry's Mills, Ga. The cover is franked with the 10¢ Rose identical in design to the stamp above but introduced when the colours



were changed following the introduction of 2d green stamp in March 1862. Cover with Montgomery, Al cds of January 20th (1863).

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag
with Liberty Cap.



U.S. used in the C.S.A. U.S 3¢ (1857) issue tied by the Atlanta, Ga c.d.s of the 27th April 1861.

The design in colour depicts the Confederate 7 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag waving around its staff. A Liberty Cap is on the top of the staff. The design is almost identical to a known 8 Star flag design but with a central star in the circle of stars missing. Thus this 7 star flag is a previously unrecorded patriotic cover design.

The cover is addressed to M^r C. S. Johnson, Beaufort S.C. and is believed to have been mailed by R(ichard) Cecile Johnson to a relative residing in Beaufort, S.C. R(ichard) C. Johnson initially enlisted in the 8th Ga. Inf. in May 1861 but soon transferred to Co 'C' S.C. Hampton's Cavalry Battalion. Pvt Johnson was killed in action at Upperville, Va on 2nd June 1863.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

8 Star Flag patriotics are scarce
since Arkansas admitted as 9th
State only 11 days after Virginia.



Eight Star Flag patriotic depicting flag waving around the staff and with large Liberty cap, similar to previous example but with additional star representing the admission of Virginia to the Confederacy on the 7th May 1861. Cover postmarked Athens, Ga with Paid 10 handstamp addressed to Lieut John B Cobb, Cobbs Georgia Legion Richmond, Va.

The handstamped Paid marking may possibly be a Provisional usage since a similar cover again postmarked Athens, Ga in the same handwriting and the same addressee bears the following note on the inside flap 'Andrew had these envelopes stamped and I am obliged to use them or loose the postage'

This cover along with this note is recognised in the 2012 Confederate States Catalogue and Handbook as a Provisional (x Ballard)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

8 star "Stars & Bars" flag



Harpers Ferry
Virginia
postmark
10th June 1861.

Eight star flag patriotics in colour
The 8th Star marks the admission of Virginia to the
Confederacy on 7th May 1861.
Harpers Ferry, Va handstamped Paid 5. - Cover addressed
to Lexington, Va.



Savannah, Ga
postmark
19th June 1861.

Handstamped '5' marking. Postmark has integral Paid
marking - Cover addressed to Charleston, S.C.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

STENCILED HAND COLOURED
'8 star 'Stars & Bars' flag



Handstamped PAID 10 postmarked Salem, N.C. March 5th
on stenciled hand coloured 8 star flag patriotic
addressed to Panther Creek N.C.

The cover is a 'turned' cover with the second use a
pen cancelled 5c green lithographed stamp with
no other town marking.

Such hand coloured items are completely unique.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

9 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



The scarcest of all Confederate flag patriotic covers is the 9 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag. Very few examples are known with three different basic types.

The above design shows extended flag, plain flagstaff, stars in a circle of eight with the ninth star in the centre in red and blue.

The cover is addressed to Clarksville, Ga and bears a Savannah, Ga circular date stamp. The cover bears the C.S.A 1861 5¢ # 1 Green lithographed stamp which appears unused and is likely a replacement.

The 9 Star 'Stars & Bars' was the official National flag following the admission of Arkansas to the Confederacy on May 18th 1861 and ended when North Carolina was also admitted.

There was only a 9 day period between the admission of Arkansas & North Carolina on May 27th 1861 - hence the scarcity

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

9 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



U.S. 3¢ Dull Red Ty III (U.S.# 26). U.S. used in the C.S.A. tied by partly clear strike of the circular datestamp of Montgomery, Ala 29th May 1861 only two days prior to commencement of the Confederate postal system on 1st June 1861 on red and blue 9-Star Confederate Flag patriotic to Perryville, Ala.

The ninth star represents Arkansas. Very few 9-star designs were produced before North Carolina was admitted to the Confederacy as the tenth state.

The 9-Star Flag design is the scarcest of all the Confederate Flag patriotics with only a very few covers surviving (Ex Brandon)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

10 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



10 Star Flag patriotic. The tenth star representing the admission of North Carolina to the Confederacy on 27th May 1861.

The cover is postmarked Augusta, Ark 15th July (1861) Patriotic covers used from Arkansas are very scarce with only a very small number recorded.

Postage paid is indicated by the Augusta handstamped Paid with manuscript '5'

The first line of the verse reads
'To Arms! to arms! ye Southern bravest!'

The cover is addressed to Hillsboro, Union Co, Ark
Manuscript routing instruction 'Via Little Rock'.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

10 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



2 Additional Stars added upper and bottom left.

10 Star Confederate flag (Stars & Bars) in full colour patriotic cover with Richmond, Va postmark which is believed to be dated June 10th 1861.

The cover is addressed to Mrs D. R. Stokes, Whittle's Mill, Va.

The design consists of a small extended flag with two ropes and a ball on the flagstaff and is identical to an 8 Star flag design to which extra stars have been added at upper and bottom left as indicated above

The postage paid is indicated by the handstamped PAID 5 marking.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

10 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



Extended flag, ball on flagstaff, six pointed stars arranged in a circle in red and blue on 10 Star patriotic cover.

The cover is franked with C.S.A #2 10¢ blue (Paterson printing) and shows the 'white pearls' transient variety surrounding the vignette of Thomas Jefferson (listed as 2-P-v2) in the new C.S.A 'Catalog and Handbook of Stamps and Postal History'.

The cover bears the c.d.s of Bristol Station Va of September 17th and is addressed to Miss M.E. Patton, Knoxville, AL.

The stamp has 4 Margins manuscript cancelled by pen stroke.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

10 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



10 Star, extended flag, ball on flagstaff, six pointed stars in a circle in full colour printed on back flap of envelope and with matching Paid 5¢ at top right.

Cover bears blind embossed design at top left and is addressed to Puters Creek, Patrick Co, Va.

10 Stars marked the introduction of North Carolina to the Confederacy on May 27th 1861.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

STENCILLED HAND COLOURED
10 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag.



Handstamped PAID 10 (with Paid in a circle) postmarked in blue with the double circle c.d.s of Norfolk, VA dated 4th July 1861 (Independence Day U.S.A) on stencilled hand coloured 10 star flag patriotic cover.

The envelope is of pale blue laid paper and is addressed to Miss Mary Cherry, Greenstown, Alabama.

This is the record copy of the C.S.A Catalogue.

(Ex Gallagher & Bishop)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag.



11 Star 'Stars & Bars' waving flag patriotic in full colour with the imprint 'T. Fitzwilliam, Stationer, 76 Camp St. N. O.

In the middle of the backflap is a very small period label in red which reads 'A letter softens the pain of absence'

The cover is franked with C.S.A. # 1 Stone 1 with large white transient printing flaw variety (listed as 1-1-v7) in the new C.S.A. Catalog and Handbook of Stamps and Postal History, tied by a full strike of the double rim.

Corinth, Miss c.d.s which is believed to be 17th March (1862).

At this time, Corinth, Miss used two different postmarks.

A large balloon cancellation and a much scarcer double rim cancel as above.

The stamp has 4 Margins with a lower sheet margin.

This cover was used as an illustration on Page 348 of the 'Collectors Guide to Confederate Philately' - 2nd Edition (Ex Bush)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



Eleven star waving Confederate flag in black

The eleventh star representing the admission of Tennessee to the Confederacy on July 3rd 1861.

The cover is franked with the 5cents green lithographed stamp of 1861 and tied by the Tudor Hall, Virginia postmark December 31st 1861.

The verse reads

On, on to the rescue, the Vandals are coming
Go, meet them with bayonet, sabre and spear
Drive them back to the desolate land they are leaving
Go, trusting in God, you'll have nothing to fear.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag

Possibly the most common of all Confederate patriotic covers is the 11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag in Black. Even so less than 100 examples are known to exist. The example at right is franked with the Sc green C.S.A. #1

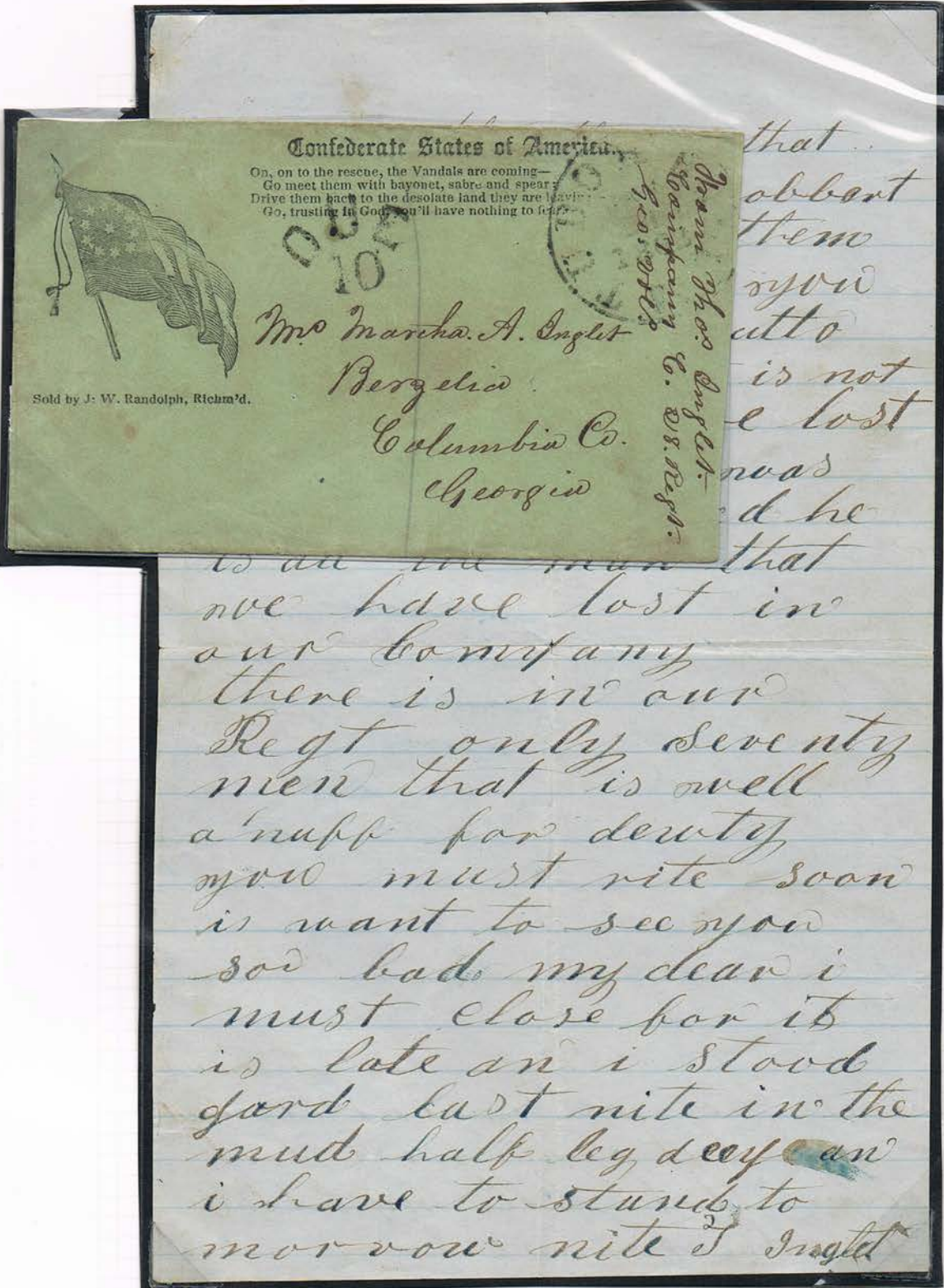


Stone 2 tied by a full strike of the Richmond c.d.s of 28th March 1862. The first line of the patriotic verse reads "Bright banner of freedom with pride I unfold thee". The cover is addressed to M^{rs} Jane Talley in Mecklenburg, Va. The cover was sent by Private Henry Talley of Co I 38th Va Inf to his mother. Henry Talley was promoted 1st Sgt and transferred to Co G 14th Va Inf on 27th June 1862. The 14th Va Inf was part of Armisteads Brigade of Pickett's Division. Sgt Talley was wounded and captured at Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg on 3rd July 1863. Subsequently paroled and exchanged he rejoined his unit. He was promoted 2nd Lt on 16th April 1864. Captured a second time at Dixwiddie Court House on 1st April 1865. Imprisoned at Johnson's Island until his release on 20th June 1865.



PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag patriotic cover in black on pretty green paper envelope with verse, the first line of which reads "On, on to the rescue the Vandals are coming" and with imprint "Sold by J. W. Randolph, Richm'd"

Endorsed at left "From Thos Inglet, Company 'C' 28 Reg't Geo Vols" Cover has Soldiers DUE 10 with Tudor Hall, Va c. d. s of 21st January 1862. The cover is addressed to the soldier's wife Mrs Martha A. Inglet, Bergelia, Columbia Co Georgia. The original letter remains with the cover. Interesting context which reads

'there is in our Reg't only seventy men that is well a 'nuff' for dewty... I stood gard last nite in the mud half leg deep an i have to stand tomorrow nite" Inglet enlisted as private on 10th Sept 1861. Promoted to Corp'l 1st Aug 1863. Wounded both at Cold Harbor, Va & Darbytown Road, Va furloughed after latter to Jackson Hospital in Richmond. No further record.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



C.S.A #4 Stone 2 Position 48 with short transfer at lower left tied by the Fredericksburg, Va c.d.s. of 1st April (1862). 11 Star 'Stars & Bars' patriotic cover in full colour (Type F11-16) with Verse the first line, of which reads 'On, on to the rescue, the Vandals are coming—' and with imprint 'Sold by J. W. Randolph, Richm'd'. This design is well known in black only and as such is recorded in the new Confederate States Catalogue & Handbook published in 2012. This is now the confirmatory cover for this design in colour and at present is the only one known. It is signed on the back Dietz, the doyen of Confederate Philately who published the early catalogues. The cover is addressed to Ruben Robertson, Martins Lime Kiln, Stokes Co, N.C. The addressee had two sons who enlisted in Co 'H' 2nd N.C. Inf in June 1861 — James Robertson and William Robertson. Pvt James Robertson (most likely the sender of this cover) is listed as wounded at Gettysburg on 2nd July 1863 and captured as a P.O.W at Jericho Mills, Va on 23rd May 1864 and confined at Point Lookout Prison until exchanged on 18th March 1865. His brother William died of disease at Fredericksburg on 25th September 1861 and therefore could not have sent the cover.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



11 Star Waving flag in black, tassels cross the staff, small spearhead on flagstaff, stars in a circle of ten with one in the centre.

Cover franked with C.S.A #1 5¢ green of 1861. Cancelled by manuscript cross-hatch, matching 'West Union Po May 2' postmark and addressed to Millboro Spring, Va

Stimulating patriotic verse

'Bright banner of freedom with pride I unfold thee;
Fair flag of my country, with love I behold thee
Gleaming above us in freshness and youth;
Emblem of liberty, symbol of truth;
For the flag of my country in triumph shall wave
O'er the Southerner's home and the Southerner's grave'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



Wartime photograph of Lt
B. W. Roberts in uniform.

Handcarried Confederate Patriotic with deeply waving 11 star 'Stars & Bars' flag design in red, white and blue addressed to Lieut (Benson) W. Roberts En ville together with original small pink ladies enclosure dated August 30th 1864 from Miss Rebecca Hopkins saying that she would be pleased to see him this evening. (30th Aug 1864)

Lt B. W. Roberts served in Co A 22nd Battalion Georgia Heavy Artillery (Bartow Artillery) as well as Co F 14th Battalion Georgia Light Artillery (Montgomery's Battalion Georgia Light Artillery) and was a 1st Lieutenant in Company A - 60th Georgia Infantry.
In later life Benson Roberts became a Judge.

This handcarried Confederate Patriotic cover and enclosure was discovered in the Estate Sale of Miss Lucille Flemister of Griffin, Ga.
Scarce patriotic design.
(Ex W. Newton Crouch Jr)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag patriotic in full colour with Staunton, Va c.d.s of the 11th October (1861) addressed to Cartersville, Ga.

The cover is clearly a "Soldiers Due" as it has been clearly endorsed 'From Captain T.F. Jones, 14th Reg't Ga Vols, Col Brumby'

The cover has a handstamped 10 with manuscript Due and a further manuscript due to indicating the postage to be paid by the recipient. The 10 cent rate was applicable as the distance was over 500 miles.

Brumby was the original Colonel of the Regiment in 1861.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



11 Star "Stars and Bars" flag in full colour with postage paid by the Handstamped 'PAID 5' marking of Tangipahoa, La. addressed to Mrs Nancy C. Thompson, Opelousas, St Landry La. The cover has the Tangipahoa c.d.s of 20th October (1861). According to the 1860 census, the addressee's husband was Thomas. H. Thompson, a 37 year old school teacher. It is not known if Thomas. H. Thompson ever served in the Confederate Army. However, just north of Tangipahoa was located Camp Moore, the largest training camp for Confederate soldiers in Louisiana. The addressee had a brother Silas Griffith who enlisted in the 16th La Inf in September 1861. It is likely therefore that he sent this letter to his sister from Camp Moore (Ex Walcott).

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



Eleven Star "Stars and Bars" flag patriotic in full colour postmarked New Orleans 15th January (1862). This is a very scarce design with only about six known. Use from New Orleans, La is also very scarce on a patriotic cover as the city fell to Union forces on 28th April 1862. No rate is indicated thus presumed to have been sent as a "due" cover as it bears the soldier's endorsement at the lower left 'James Goins, Anacoco Rangers'. James Goins enlisted in New Orleans on 15th December 1861 in Co 'K' 19th La Inf and used this cover to write to his uncle Isaac Perkins. Co 'K' was known as the Anacoco Rangers (misspelt in endorsement). The Goins (sometimes spelled "Goines") and Perkins families were related by marriage. Private James Goins enlisted with his cousin Private Oliver P. Perkins on the same day. He was the son of the addressee. James Goins is listed as having died of wounds received from 'cannon shot in the trenches on 28th August 1864 at Fords Hospital, Forsyth, Ga.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star "Stars & Bars" flag



11 Star flag in colours with liberty cap and tassles.

This is a scarce design and the envelope is franked with the 5c blue lithographed stamp produced by the Richmond, Va firm of Hoyer & Ludwig and tied by the Corinth, Miss c.d.s of 20th March 1862

It is addressed in peacock blue ink to Mrs Mary. A. Pittman, China Grove, Pine Co, Miss and endorsed from Richard Pittman a Private Co 'F' 7th Reg Miss Vols.

On 20th September 1863 Richard. B. Pittman was shot on the field of battle at Chickamauga and was allegedly buried in the National Cemetery close to the site of the battle

His war letters are housed in the University of Southern Mississippi including the one from this cover dated 19th March.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

USED FROM KENTUCKY
Sent by Soldier serving
in the Mississippi Volunteers



From early in September 1861, until the latter part of February 1862, Confederate forces occupied part of Kentucky south and west of the Green River.

Early in 1861, Kentucky voted to remain neutral but formally declared allegiance to the Union of the United States in September 1861 after invasion of the state by Confederate troops.

On December 9th 1861 the Confederate Congress voted to accept Kentucky into the Confederacy. Throughout the conflict Kentucky was largely represented in the Congress from soldiers from that State.

The above cover is an 11 star Flag patriotic cover addressed to Center Post, Miss with the blue 'Bowling Green', Ky postmark dated Oct 24th (1861) with Due 5 handstamp over manuscript Due marking.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

USED FROM KENTUCKY
Sent by soldier serving
in Kennedy's Battalion.

Battalion sent
to Columbus to
protect the
'Columbus line'
along the
Mississippi River.



Small 11 Star Flag patriotic cover with the letter 'T' in the centre standing for the state of Tennessee. Tennessee was the eleventh state to be admitted into the Confederacy. This was the national flag until the admission of Missouri.

The cover is postmarked with the Columbus, Ky c.d.s of 10th December (1862) with matching straight line 'due 10' and manuscript 'Due 10' indicating that the cover was sent postage collect by a soldier.

The first line of the verse reads
"Flag of the South! Aye fling its folds"

The cover is addressed to New Orleans, La and is endorsed 'From Kennedy's Battalion, Columbus, Ky Also with boxed Adv 1 (Advertised 1 cent) advertising for recipient to come and collect the item from post office. In August 1861 the 5th Louisiana Infantry also known as 'Kennedy's Battalion of Orleans was sworn into Confederate service commanded by Lt Col John B. G. Kennedy.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

11 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag with staff.



11-Star flag flying to the left with hand holding flag staff. Imprint reads "I go to illustrate Georgia" - BARTOW

The cover is franked by a pair of the 5c green lithographed stamps postmarked Griffin, Ga. 23rd January (1862)

The cover is addressed to

Lt. Wm H Sutherland, Company 'C' 24th Regiment Virginia Volunteers at Manassas Junction

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

12 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



12-Star flag in colours with the Lynchburg, Va c.d.s dated 4th July (1862) (Independence Day) cancellation and showing the use of the Lynchburg Paid 10 handstamped marking

Note the additional stars at the four corners

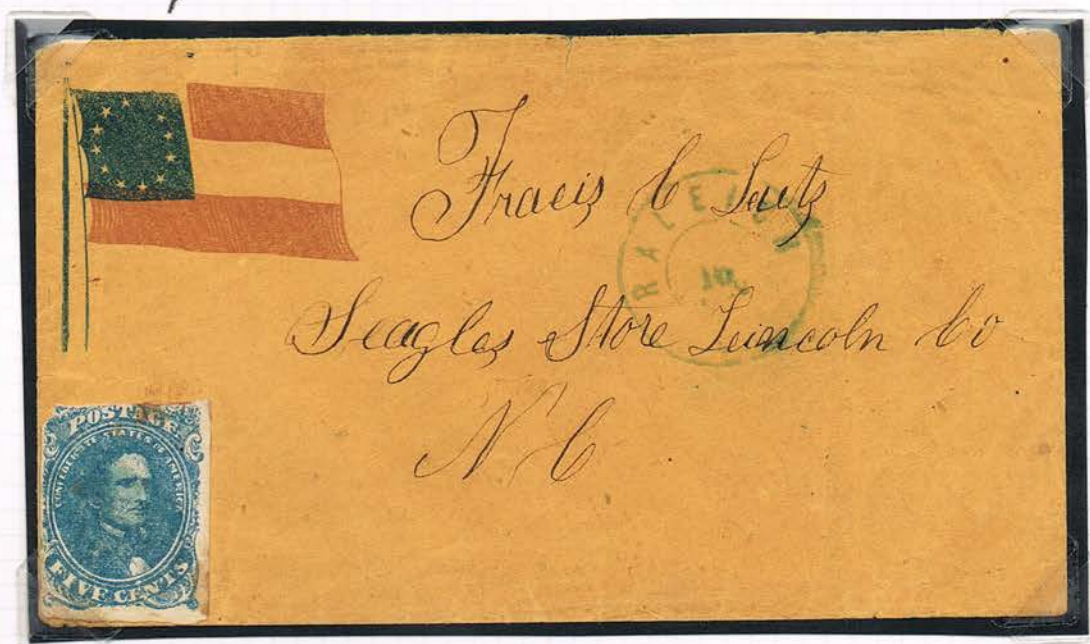
The 12th star represents the admission of Missouri to the Confederacy on 28th November 1861.

The cover is addressed to Eutaw, Alabama.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

12 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag
(Only 11 Stars showing)

Missing Star Variety



C.S.A #4 tied by small stains used with the blue Raleigh North Carolina double circle postmark on 12 star 'Stars and Bars' flag patriotic but with the scarce one star missing in top right - thus only 11 stars showing.

The cover is addressed to Francis Lutz (also seen as Lutes), Seagles Store, Lincoln Co, N.C.

(Ex Richard Hall)

The 12 star 'Stars & Bars' was the official National flag following the admission of Missouri to the Confederacy on November 28th 1861 and ended when Kentucky was also admitted.

Wishnietsky in his book on Confederate Patriotic Covers records that 12 star flag patriotics are scarce with only a half-dozen types known.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

13 Star Confederate
'Battle flag'



Rare 13 star Confederate battle flag design.
The thirteenth star represents the admission of
Kentucky to the Confederacy on December 9th 1861.

The cover is franked with the 5 cent blue lithographed
stamp of 1862 and is cancelled with the Pensacola,
Florida datestamp.

The imprint to the side reads:
Sold by C. H. Nobles & Co / Pensacola.

Stars in crossed blue stripes on a red field rectangular
Battle flag.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

13 Star 'Stars & Bars' in blue



13 star Flag patriotic cover in blue addressed to Laurens C.H. S.C. franked by two singles of the locally printed 5cents stamps.

The stamps are the typographed issues produced by Archer & Daly on the thicker coarser paper of native manufacture from the electrotype plates supplied by Thomas De La Rue & Co, London.

The stamps are tied by the circular date stamp of Richmond, Va, February 27th 1863.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Second National Flag,
'White Jackson Flag'



The thirteen star "Stars & Bars" was the official flag beginning with the admission of Kentucky to the Confederacy and ending with the adoption of the Second National Flag on 1st May 1863. The second National Flag known as the 'Stainless Banner' or the 'Jackson Flag' was the official flag until the adoption of the 3rd National Flag on 4th March 1865.

Very few examples of the second national flag are known on patriotic covers and none of the 3rd as it was adopted only weeks before the conflict ended.

Above 13-star Confederate 'White Jackson Flag' patriotic cover with Winchester, Va. c.d.s. of 28th June (1863) to Burton, Ala with handstamped Doe and 10 and soldiers endorsement - D. B. Edwards, Lt. C.S.A.

The stars on the flag are arranged in the form of a cross.
Cover illustrated on page 436 - 2012 C.S.A. Catalogue (Ex Brandon)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

MISSISSIPPI
CONFEDERATE STATE SEAL



Elaborate design depicting riverboat, industry and cotton bale. This is an extremely scarce design with only a very small number known to exist on a yellow cover addressed to Macon, Georgia.

It bears the imprint Hammond. N.O. and the design incorporates the date January 9th 1861. The date on which Mississippi seceded from the Union of the United States of America.

Mississippi was one of the seven founding members of The Confederate States of America being admitted to the Confederacy on February 4th 1861.

The cover is marked 'Paid 5' in manuscript indicating clear postal use but has no postmark.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

SOUTH CAROLINA
PALMETTO STATE FLAG



Confederate patriotic covers with state flags or state seals as designs have been recorded from five of the seceded states

Above cover is the very rare patriotic of a Sailor raising the Palmetto flag to a mast.

The cover is franked by the 10c light blue lithographed printed stamp produced by J.T. Patterson & Co.

The stamp is tied by the blue Petersburg, Va. c.d.s.

Note: The first line of the verse Vardals has been printed as Valdals.

A streamer flies at the top of the mast reading
'SOUTHERN INDEPENDENCE'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

SOUTH CAROLINA
PALMETTO STATE FLAG



U.S 3 cent dull red #26 tied by grid with matching Charleston, S.C postmark of the 1st March 1861 on Palmetto State Flag patriotic. (U.S used in the C.S.A) This is a very scarce design.

Seven stars have been drawn onto the flag representing the seven founding seceded states of the Confederacy.

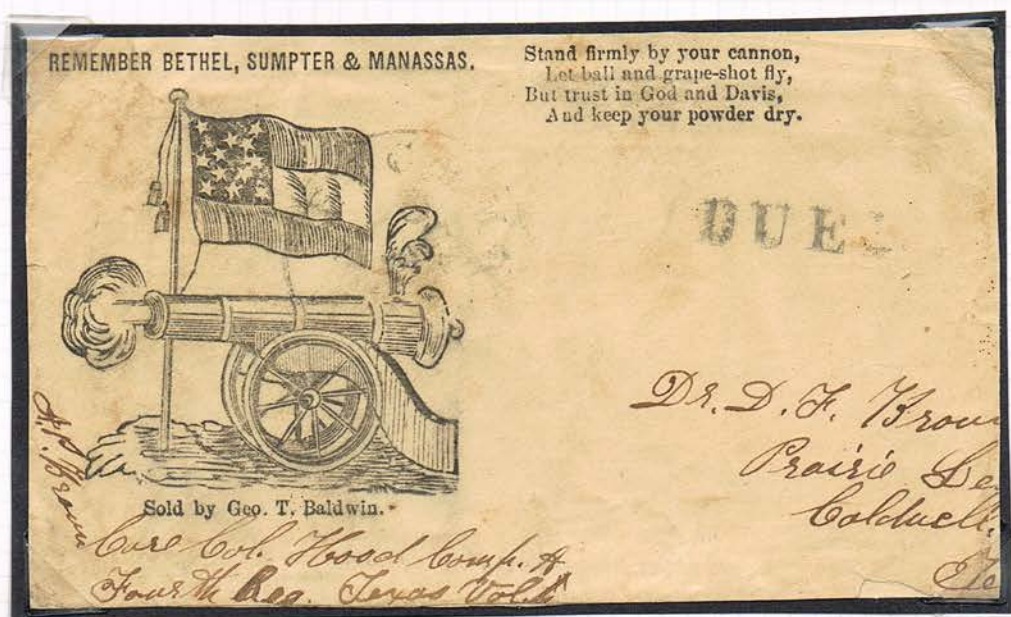
The flag and staff have also been extended perhaps alluding to the hoped for increase in the number of states which would secede from the Union.

P. Dee has been inked onto the trunk of the palmetto tree. Pee Dee is a river in South Carolina.

The cover is addressed to H. L. Garlington, Laurens C. H., S.C. Garlington enlisted as a 1st Lieutenant in 'Co A' of the 3rd S.C. Infantry.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Cannon firing left and
'Stars and Bars' flag



Cannon and Flag patriotic cover all in black with indistinct Richmond, Va circular date stamp and handstamped DUES marking.

Addressed to Prairie Lea, Texas this is almost certainly a Trans-Mississippi use prior to the Union naval forces gaining control of the Mississippi River.

The cover was sent by a soldier and is endorsed Care of Col. Hood, Co 'A', Fourth Reg't Texas Volunteers

The cover has the imprint 'Sold by Geo. T. Baldwin' and the slogan 'Remember Bethel, Sumpter & Manassas'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Cannon firing left and
'Stars & Bars' flag



11-Star 'Stars and Bars' Flag over Cannon design in full colour franked with the 5c Green lithographed stamp (C.S.A #1 Stone 1) and tied by the Warrington, Fla postmark of the 18th January (1862).

The cover is addressed to Mrs. B. Reid, Enon Perry County Miss. Endorsed at left '24th Miss Vol Co G'

There were three soldiers named Reid in Co G 24th Miss Inf (Jesse, John & Michael) and they were brothers.

This cover was sent by Michael Reid to his father. Michael Reid enlisted in 1861 and was promoted. Lieut in May 1862. The other two brothers enlisted later after this cover had been posted.

Lieut. Michael Reid is listed as killed in action at Resaca, Ga in May 1864.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)



Cannon firing left and
12 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag

12-Star Confederate
flag and Cannon
patriotic cover franked
with C.S.A #1 1861
5¢ green tied by the
Winchester, Va
c.d.s December 22nd
(1861)
With patriotic Verse
The first line of which

reads - 'Bright banner of Freedom with pride I unfold thee'
Cover addressed to Salem, Va.

Similar cover on
poor quality wartime
paper and with
Slogan
"God and our rights"
rather than Verse..



This is a soldiers
'Doe' letter and has
the DEC Light
strike of the red
circular datestamp
of Churchland, Va.

with matching 'S' in a circle handstamp and manuscript Doe.
This is an unlisted configuration in the new C.S.A Catalog and
Handbook of Stamps and Postal History. Cover addressed to A.W. Thompson
Esq, Catarrh S.C. endorsed by 'Sergt - J.P. Thompson C.S.A S.C Vol
Serg't James Parker Thompson was in The Chesterfield Light Artillery S.C Vols
(James.C. Coit's Company - later records show 1st Lt, Army of Northern Virginia.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

New Albany, Miss.
November 11th (1861)
Cannon firing left and Stars & Bars flag



Blue cannon and twelve star flag patriotic cover with Paid 5c
in manuscript, with red New Albany, Miss c. d. s
addressed to Mrs A. M. F. Harding, Oxford, Miss

Verse reads

"All ye Sons of the South, who are ready to fight
For those rights which unstained from your
sires have descended,
Rise up in your might, stand firm for that boon
Which your fathers before you so nobly defended"

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Tent & Flag Design.



Patriotic cover with large tent with 11-Star Stars & Bars' flag flying to the left. Stars in a circle and a tassel on the staff. The tent is in blue and the flag in red white and blue.

Indistinct circular date stamp with 2nd July (1863) date and handstamped PAID 10.

The cover bears the imprint of T.S. Reynolds, Atlanta, Ga and is addressed to Cartersville, Ga.

The 11 Star flag was introduced upon the admission of the State of Tennessee to the Confederacy on the 2nd July 1861.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Tent & Flag Design.



Red and Blue eleven star Confederate Flag with Tent patriotic cover again bearing the imprint of T.S. Reynolds, Atlanta, Ga but with the additional endorsement of "Baldwin Blues, 4th Reg, Ga Vol"

The cover is addressed to Culpepper C.H., Va and is cancelled with the neat red circular datestamp of Churchland, Va with matching red handstamped "Paid" and "5" in a circle.

The c.d.s is dated 28th October (1861)

A manuscript "Unpaid" at the top has been crossed out. (Ex Gorter)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Single Large Mounted Dragoon.



Cover with illustration of Mounted Dragoon with four line patriotic verse about General Beauregard.

The cover was sent postage collect hence the DUE 5 marking. It is date stamped Tudor Hall, Va March 4th 1862.

The sender was Private J.H. Phaup, Company 'C' 18th Regiment, Virginia Volunteers. This unit was detailed to destroy supplies when Manassas evacuated and were among the last to leave the area.

Private Joseph Phaup was a 23 year old farmer when he enlisted on 23rd April 1861. He was wounded at Seven Pines, Va on 1st June 1862. He was again wounded and captured at Gettysburg, Pa on 3rd July 1863. He was paroled on 24th August 1863 at David's Island.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Single Large Mounted Dragon.



Pair of 5c
typographed locally
printed stamps
C.S.A #7 with left
sheet margin and
affixed on the back
to seal envelope
(Not damaged on
opening)

Large Mounted Dragon in black patriotic cover with verse—The first line of which reads 'Gather around your country's flag' Addressed to Hon W. W. Clark, Richmond with manuscript notation at lower left "Member of Congress from the 4th Congressional Dist, Ga". William White Clark was a Georgia representative to the Confederate Congress 1862-64. The cover fits the definition of an 'Overpaid Drop Letter' having a Richmond postmark and address. Most likely the cover was handcarried to Richmond from somewhere else with the pair of stamps already affixed and then dropped into the post.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Two Small Mounted Dragoons.



The design is of two mounted dragoons. The cover is postmarked Petersburg 6th September. The cover is from a soldier and was sent postage collect hence the handstamped 10 indicating the postage due and the pencil endorsement of the soldier serving in the 24th Regiment of N. C. Troops. It has the imprint of W & J. Boritz of Goldsboro. N. C.

Note the verse

'May those Northern fanatics who abuse
their Southern neighbors
Approach near enough to feel the point of our sabres
May they come near enough to hear the click of a trigger
And learn that a white man is better than a nigger'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Two soldiers standing side by side.



Patriotic cover depicting two soldiers standing side by side at attention each with shouldered musket, all in black

The cover has a December circular date stamp of Quincy's, Va with a soldiers endorsement at the top and Due 10 marking in pencil.

The Due 10 marking in pencil is noted in the 2012 C.S.A Catalogue.

On the left edge is the imprint — 'Manufactured (Mfg'd) by W & J Bonitz, Goldsboro, N. C'

The verse line of the verse reads
'Men of the South arise, arise.....'

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Oval framed scene with soldiers
holding a sabre & flag



Oval framed scene with a soldier holding a sabre in one hand and an 11-star 'Stars and Bars' flag in the other hand with caption which reads "For Land and Life / children and wife"

The cover is franked with a pair of the locally printed 5c typographed stamps also on locally produced paper tied by the Savannah, Ga postmark of the 23rd April.

The cover is addressed to Mrs B.B. Lewis, Care of. Col L.C. Garland, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

The University played a crucial role in training troops for the South — Garland was its President and leader of its integral Alabama Cadet Corps.
This is a very scarce design.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Soldiers —
Oval framed scene with soldier
holding a sabre & flag.



Oval framed scene with soldier holding sabre in one hand and Confederate flag in the other as previous sheet but this time printed in the much scarcer green colour.

The cover is franked with C.S.A #11a (Archer & Daly) Milky Blue tied by a large framed Grid cancel and also tied by the Canton, Miss, c.d.s of the 23rd May (1863). At that time Canton, Miss was well known for using several large Grid type cancels.

The cover is addressed to Miss Eliza Cunningham, Dallas, Texas. At this time Dallas, Texas was a very small place and mail to and from Dallas in the Confederate period is very scarce in its own right.

At the present time this is believed to be the only recorded example of a Canton Grid cancel on a patriotic cover of any design. Wishnietsky describes this cover type as rare (11 - 25 copies known) (Ex Bush)

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Jefferson Davis Medallion



Jefferson Davis Medallion patriotic cover.

The circular medallion style portrait of Jefferson Davis the first and only President of the Confederacy is one of the most popular of the Confederate patriotic designs.

The above cover has the medallion portrait of Davis flanked either side with the Seven Star flag and ten stars in sunburst above. An elaborate allegorical scene is used in the background below the medallion.

The inscription reads

"March to the battle field.

The foe is on before us

Each heart is Freedom's shield "

And Heaven's smile is o'er us.

Postmarked Wilmington, NC 21st Sept (1861). This also serves as a handstamped Paid 5 marking. An altered pre-war stamp has been used to indicate Confederate postage.

PATRIOTIC COVERS.
(CONFEDERATE)

Jefferson Davis Medallion



Memphis, Tenn, c.d.s of 8th August 1861 with handstamped DUE 5 addressed to Mrs M. Vanhook Macon, Miss. Forwarded to Columbus, Miss with the addition of the Macon Miss small double circle c.d.s of the 14th August (1861) and manuscript Paid 10

The cover was originally sent unpaid and the

Memphis DUE 5 handstamp is lined through indicating entire postage fee was paid at Macon. Scarce design in red - 1st line of verse reads "When the tempest of war overshadows our land" (Ex Bashwit & Brandon)



5¢ Red, Memphis, Tenn Postmasters Provisional tied by Memphis c.d.s

Cover addressed to New Orleans, La.

The design is printed in blue.

1st line of verse reads "All ye Sons of the South who are ready to fight" (Ex Solomon)

Below the portrait on both covers is inscribed 'Jeff Davis - Our first President' and below an allegorical scene with riverboat, train and cannon.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Jefferson Davis Medallion



Jefferson Davis Medallion design, purple with blue medallion, 11 Stars at top and 11 Star Flags either side on re-backed/re-attached cover. The cover is franked with the scarce C.S.A #10 'Frameline' issue of 1863 showing full frame lines at bottom and left side. The cover is addressed to Louisville, Miss.

The stamp is tied by Mobile June 23rd double circle date stamp

The late Benjamin Wishnietsky in his book 'Confederate Patriotic Covers and Their Usages' on Page 120 records that the purple with blue medallion was an extremely rare colour combination (less than 5 covers recorded)

Peru Feb 1st 1861

Dear Col

I received your letter of the 20th Jan by last mail & note contents? Enclosed you will find the names of the negroes at Bolingbrook also, Mr Boatright's & The Millan's notes. I wish them safe to hand. I am much pleased to learn that your health is improving. I hope ere this you may be restored to good health. Mr Boatright informs me that he had the mortgage recorded before I arrived here & forwarded it to you by mail so I suppose

SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY
FREE TRADE
WITH ALL THE WORLD.



Col W^m L. Mitchell
Athens
Georgia

PATRIOTIC COVERS (CONFEDERATE)

PATRIOTIC SLOGANS

U.S. 3¢ dull red tied by indistinct c.d.s (likely Athens, Ga on cover to Wm. L. Mitchell, Athens, Ga. with "Southern Confederacy Free Trade With all the World" propaganda design.

The original letter is datelined "Peru Feb 1st 1861" from Richard D. B Taylor, a prominent Georgia slave owner and mailed within Georgia's period of Independent Statehood from his plantation in McIntosh County, Ga.

The letter mentions accounting for slaves at another Taylor plantation.

Throughout the war the Confederate government hoped to use international commerce to raise money and thus influence other nations to support the Southern cause.

Reference to Free Trade is particularly ironic since the letter is in reference to slaves (Ex Brandon).

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Oval Portrait of
Gen P.G.T. Beauregard.



Oval medallion
with eleven stars
above

Portrait of
Gen.
P.G.T. Beauregard.

The cover bears
the Tudor Hall, Va
date stamp and
is handstamped
Due 10



The cover is from
a soldier serving
in Company K
of the 11th Regiment
of Georgia Vol's.

The cover bears the
soldier's endorsement
and was sent
postage collect.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Oval Portrait of
Gen P.G.T. Beauregard.



C.S.A #4
5 Cents Blue tied by
the Gordonsville, Va
c.d.s of 2nd Aug
1862.
Beauregard portrait
in red.

There are multiple printing flaws on the stamp including an almost 'white out' of the face of Jefferson Davis.
A second strike of the Gordonsville c.d.s was applied directly over the portrait of Gen Beauregard for some unknown reason.
Handstamp "Due 5" applied for underpayment of the loc rate.

Cover illustrated on
Page 127 of Wishnietsky
Patriotic Cover Book.



Vertical pair c.s.A #7 (local) 5 cents Blue tied by the Richmond, Va
c.d.s of 8th Oct 1862 used on back flap to seal envelope.
Embossed envelope with Beauregard portrait in bronze
Addressed to Allen P.O., Va.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Allegorical River Scene
With Boat and Mountains.



River scene with boat and mountains in Greenish blue.

The first line of the verse reads

"Death to each marauding band"

The cover is postmarked Wilmington, N.C. 19th Aug (1861) using the prewar integral '3' rating to create a Paid 5 handstamped marking.

This patriotic design is very rare with only some thirteen known

The cover is addressed to Laurel Branch, N.C.

PATRIOTIC COVERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Caricatures -
'Hanging Lincoln'

Illustrated
on Page 218
in 1959 Edition
of Dietz
Catalogue.



The Hanging Lincoln design is widely recognised as the most distinctive of all Civil War patriotics. Only twelve examples are known.

The cartoon design in black on light buff bears the 'Cartersville, Miss April 15th (1862) Manuscript postmark and 'Due 5' rate'. Addressed to Mrs A. A. Carter at Crawfordville, Miss with soldiers endorsement from Adam's Reg't Co 'C'.

The cartoon design depicts President Lincoln hanging upside down from a tree limb with his symbolic axe and fence rail tied around his neck. Caption reads 'Abe Lincoln, the destroyer. He once split Rails. Now he has split the Union'. Standing beside Lincoln is Winfield Scott labeled 'Old Fuss & Feathers' dropping his sword and exclaiming 'My glory is gone for ever'. The Union flag is on the ground - 'The stars & stripes lie in the dust. Never to rise'. An 11 star Confederate flag towers above 'The stars & bars shall ever wave triumphant'. Other captions will be noted. (Ex Frank Hart, Judd & Brandon)

PATRIOTIC STICKERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Less than 10 known tied on cover

Cover used as illustration in
Wishnietzky's book
'Confederate Patriotic Covers
and their Usages'.



The cover has a handstamped PAID but no rate is indicated.

The date stamp is of Waynesborough, Ga and is a January date.

The postmark ties a 'Stars and Bars' patriotic sticker (7 stars) to the cover. The S.C. stands for Southern Congress and not as some have suggested Southern Confederacy.

The cover is addressed to Mrs John. M. Kell, Care of N. C. Munroe Esq, Macon, Ga.

The addressee was the wife of Lt. John McIntosh Kell C.S.N. (1823-1900) who was the Executive Officer of the C.S.S. Alabama. However, the cover is not from Lt Kell.

Ideally, as in this case patriotic stickers should be tied by the postmark to indicate contemporary use (Ex Ballard)

PATRIOTIC STICKERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Ex Calhoun?



3¢ Red on Buff Star Die entire (Scott U27 - U.S. Postage) with Charleston S.C. Mar 22nd 1861 Double-circle date stamp and grid cancel. Cover addressed to Clinton S.C. with red, white and blue 'Stars & Bars' Shield design patriotic sticker at upper left.

Shield having 7 stars at top over vertical bars and die cut to shape. The sticker is not tied to the cover.

Early use of Confederate sticker in period when U.S. stamps and stamped envelopes were still valid for use within the Confederacy.

Wishnietsky in his book on Confederate Patriotic Covers records that this sticker is very rare (6 to 10 covers recorded)

PATRIOTIC STICKERS
(CONFEDERATE)
Less than 10 known tied on cover.

Ex Danner, Grotenz.
& MacBride



Patriotic sticker depicting Sailor nailing Flag to Mast. The label is in full colour with the 11-Star 'Stars & Bars' within a blue ornamental frame tied to the cover by sharp bold stripe of Mobile, Ala 21st October 1861 postmark with manuscript "DUE" and matching "5" within a circle as the rating handstamp.

The cover has been sent as a 'Soldiers Due' letter and is addressed to Mrs R. C. Pettigrew, Thompkinsville, Ala. and is properly endorsed in blue manuscript 'Private Wm M Pettigrew, Capt Watkins Company, Col. Garrott's 20th Regt Ala, Vols'

Again sticker has been tied by the c.d.s to clearly indicate contemporary use.

PATRIOTIC STICKERS
(CONFEDERATE)

Ex Warren & Groten.



Patriotic sticker depicting Confederate 13 Star
'Battle flag' in full colour.

This is the only recorded example of this patriotic
label used on cover.

C.S.A #12a 10c. milky blue (some old time students
refer to this shade as opaline) steel engraved stamp
tied by the Greenville C.H, S.C. c.d.s dated September 28th
and addressed to Mrs Dr. Borland, Anderson C.H, S.C.

The vast majority of patriotic stickers known used
on cover are not tied by a postmark or other
cancelling device, since as they were not postage
stamps there was no postal requirement for them
to be cancelled.


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Corp^t Edw^d J. Dean
 "Spartan Rifles"
 5th "Reg^t" S. Car Volunteers
 Coll M. Jenkins Commander
 Tudor Hall, Va.
 Near Manassas Junction
 Virginia.

Care
 Capt^t Walker.



Hand coloured
 photograph of
 Corp^t Edward Dean
 together with his
 black attendant.



Limestone Springs, S.C.
 Saturday Aug 2nd 1861.

My dear dear Brother,
 Your very welcome
 letter of Sunday the 28th reached me
 last evening, I was rather alarmed
 when I saw the Post-mark to be "Columbia
 S.C." fearing you had been wounded in
 a recent engagement and coming home had
 stopped in Columbia; all these fancies ran
 through my mind as I tore open the

CONFEDERATE LETTER SHEET
 WITH ORIGINAL COVER.
 7 Star 'Stars & Bars' lettersheet
 dated 2nd August 1861 with the
 original cover which contained it.
 The cover bears the Limestone
 Springs, S.C. Postmasters Provisional
 5¢ Black on Light Blue (Scott 121X)
 circular die-cut stamp of
 which only two copies are known
 & covers exist of the Limestone
 Springs Provisionals none of
 which are cancelled but they
 are known to have been postally
 used. The other covers have
 rectangular stamps. Three on
 green paper and a pair on
 white paper. The cover is
 addressed to Corp^t Edw^d J. Dean
 "Spartan Rifles" Tudor Hall, Va.
 The letter was written by Edward's
 sister Lizzie

letter has much interesting content viz "I congratulate you my dear Brother on the
 brilliant victory achieved by our "Southern Boys" of which you are one. It will be handed
 down to posterity as one of the most glorious and decisive the world ever knew"
 Lizzie attended Limestone Springs Female High School run by Rev William Curtis.
 Limestone Springs is now known as Gaffney S.C. (Ex Weatherly & Brandon)

PATRIOTIC LETTERSHEET
(CONFEDERATE)

7 Star 'Stars & Bars' flag



1861
Fort Moultrie July 25

Dear Cousin

I have seated myself this evening to write you a few lines to let you know how I am getting along it is but poorly my health is very bad I have not done any duty for two weeks and will not be able to do any very soon every thing is quiet down here we get the news by telegraph every day from Virginia I think there is pretty hard times up there too.

it is reported that our company is going to Virginia but I don't know how true it is Give my best respects to all my

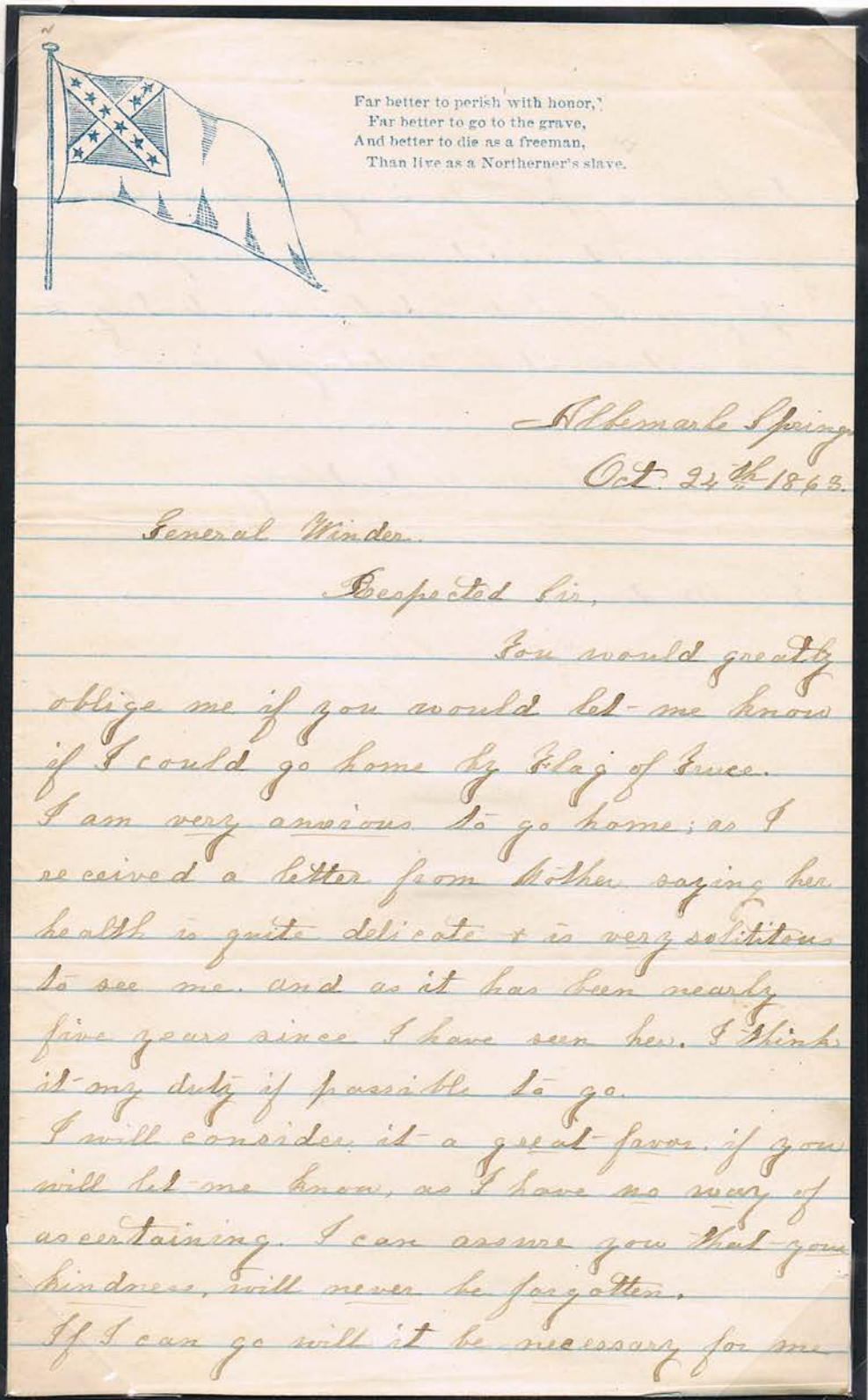
This 7 Star flag patriotic lettersheet is not known on cover. It is a short two page letter headed Fort Moultrie (S.C.) July 25th 1861 from Lucius J. Worley to his cousin. Worley was a private then a sergeant in Co 'D' 1st Regiment of South Carolina Light Artillery. He writes that he is in poor health, has not done duty for two weeks and has eaten nothing since he has been in South Carolina. Fort Moultrie is where Union Major Robert Anderson was stationed until he moved his garrison to the stronger location of Fort Sumter. The 1st Artillery Regiment participated in the bombardment of Ft. Sumter in April 1861 forcing Anderson into submission for not surrendering to

South Carolina forces and thus the Civil War began in earnest.

PATRIOTIC LETTER SHEET
(CONFEDERATE)



10 Star White 'Jackson' flag —
with mint postage stamp for reply



Far better to perish with honor,
Far better to go to the grave,
And better to die as a freeman,
Than live as a Northerner's slave.

Albemarle Springs
Oct. 24th 1863.

General Winder,

Respected Sir,

You would greatly oblige me if you would let me know if I could go home by Flag of Truce. I am very anxious to go home; as I received a letter from Mother saying her health is quite delicate & is very solicitous to see me. and as it has been nearly five years since I have seen her, I think it my duty if possible to go.

I will consider it a great favor if you will let me know, as I have no way of ascertaining. I can assure you that your kindness, will never be forgotten.

If I can go will it be necessary for me

Unusual letter of a Southern belle to Gen John Henry Winder, future commander of dreaded Andersonville Prison from Helen A. Thurber Albemarle Springs Oct 24th 1863 —

Letter reads in part 'Respected Sir, you would greatly oblige me if you would let me know if I could go home by 'Flag of Truce'. I am very anxious to go home as I have received a letter from mother saying her health is quite delicate... and as it has been nearly five years since I have seen her. I think it is my duty if possible to go... I can assure you that your kindness will never be forgotten if I can go will it be necessary for me to have a pass from you... I shall start immediately and will not want to be delayed in Richmond.

P.S. Enclose a stamp. Very scarce flag design in any form, 9 years later. The writer married a Philadelphian but Southern passion as indicated by the printed verse evidently tempered. Mint C.S.A #11 hinged in place.

PATRIOTIC LETTERSHEET
(CONFEDERATE)

White Flag with 10 Stars, crossed stripes
Poem with mirror impression of design
sent by post when ink not fully dry.



I know that you are a jealous maiden,
Doubting love's first golden dream,
Fearing that within his golden Aider,
Hearts are not just what they seem.
In your own dear heart contrary?
Belief ever to be true.
That you think that lovers might
grow weary
Of your truth and constancy.
Love is born in Summer bowers,
And too often proves a cheat,
Nestles he among the flowers,
Kissing those most fair and sweet;
But young friendship has a palace,
That the soul hath made her home,
When the heart breathes not love's
No her alters are divine.

This is one of only two
such lettersheets known
This one was cited in
'The American Philatelist'
Vol 56 1942 as being
unique but subsequently
one was discovered in
the Burkmyer blockade
correspondence. The
design consists of a white
flag with 10 gold stars
in crossed red stripes
circled by 'Confederate
States of America' and
'Aide Toi Dieu Taidera'.
This was one of Joan of
Arc's famous quotations,
engraved on Robert E. Lee's
sword "Aid yourself (and)
God will aid you." No date
but large (18)63 watermark
Entitled 'Friend Shipp'
(sic) I know that you are
a jealous maiden, Doubting
love's first golden dream,
Fearing that within his
golden Aider, Hearts
are not just what they
seem... Love is born in
summer bowers, And too
often favors a cheat,
Nestles he among the

flowers, Kissing those most fair and sweet... Little do you know how dearly, I now
prize your sunny smile, And how trusting you sincerely, I believe you free
from guile... May the stars shine bright above you, While you dream the night away

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover mailed in Richmond, Va on February 13th 1863 using a pair of the 5c locally printed typographed stamps produced by the Richmond firm of Archer & Daly. The cover was addressed to Columbia, South Carolina, whence it was then forwarded to Pendleton, S.C. with just one more locally printed 5c stamp. This represented a 5c underpayment. The reason for which is unknown.

The cover illustrates 'Gen'l Sherman's Headquarters, Hilton Head S.C. This General Sherman is Thomas West Sherman often referred to as "the other Gen'l Sherman" the other being the famed General William Tecumseh Sherman who marched through Georgia and set the city of Atlanta ablaze. Cover illustrates great camp scene with the American flag flying (Ex Monroe).

Shiloh

Union Army 62,500 }
Casualties 13,000 } Approx
Confederate Army 49,000 }
Casualties 10,700 }

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover depicting 'Liberty'
The cover is franked with the Sc blue lithographed stamp
franked by the Jackson, Miss c.d.s. of 18th April (1862).
Up the left hand side of the cover is docketing which reads
'Taken from the Yanks at Shiloh, Tenn' and the U.S. imprint
and slogan lined through.
The cover is addressed to Mrs E.T. Hoopes, Port Gibson,
Claiborne Co, Miss. It was almost certainly sent by E.B. Hoopes
who was a private in the 9th, 10th & 12th Mississippi Infantry.
He would have been in the 10th Miss at Shiloh (There is only
one Hoopes listed in military records)
The Battle of Shiloh was fought on the 6th & 7th April 1862
in South West Tennessee and at the time was the bloodiest
battle fought in America. The Confederate Gen Albert Sidney
Johnston was killed in action. (Ex Wm Weiss and illustrated in his book
of adversity covers)

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover depicting Gen McClellan on horseback in front of his troops.

The cover is franked by two overlapping 5c green lithographed stamps tied by the Staunton, Va c.d.s. Addressed to Mrs M.J. Mason, Pamplins Depot, Appomattox Co, Va, Care of Rev J.B Marsh

Docteting at left which reads —
"Taken from the Yankees at Winchester."

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover depicting statue of George Washington the first President of the United States of America. The cover is franked with C.S.A #11a 10c milky blue steel engraved issue manuscript cancelled with blue Lenoir N.C c.d.s of June 1st. By a strange irony the cover is addressed to Lt G.W.F. Harper (George Washington Finley Harper) 58th N.C. Reg't Col Palmer, Knoxville Tenn. George Washington Finley Harper - a rebel soldier with the name of the 1st President. He was a 27 year old merchant who enlisted as a private and rose to the rank of Major in Co 'H' of 58th N.C. Partisan Rangers. He also served in Co 'E' 95th N.C. Militia and was wounded at Resaca, Georgia in the left leg. G.W.F Harper was also the son of James Harper, the postmaster of Lenoir N.C. and it was he who hand engraved on pear wood the very rare postmasters provisional stamp of Lenoir. After the war became railroad builder, banker and entrepreneur.

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY.



Captured Union patriotic cover boldly displaying the word 'UNION'

The cover is a Soldiers Letter as it is endorsed S. S. Bryan, Texas Rangers, C. S. A. Army.

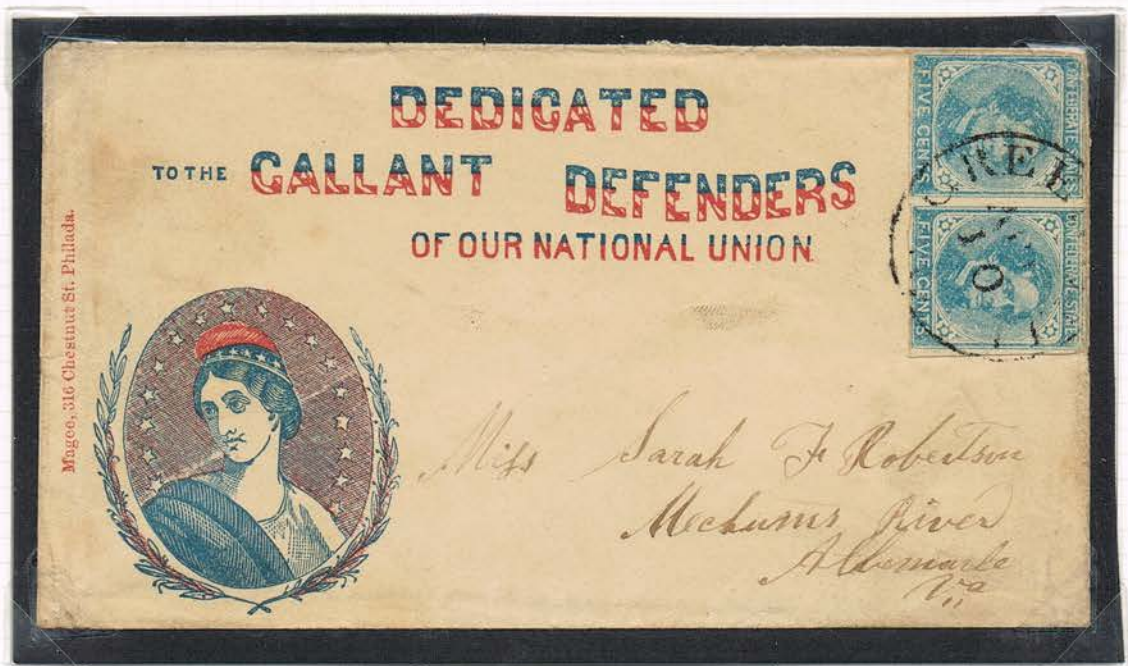
The cover has clearly been sent postage collect even though the envelope bears no 'due' marking.

The cover is postmarked Nacogdoches, Tex 9th February and is addressed to Brazoria, Tex.

Of interest is the fact that a standard envelope sent by the same soldier and to the same addressee is known postmarked Natchitoches, La carried west across the Mississippi by courtesy of a furloughed soldier that cover is illustrated in the new Confederate States of America Catalogue and Handbook

This cover was most likely mailed by the soldier himself whilst on furlough from service in the Eastern armies.

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover depicting Lady Liberty medallion in red and blue.

The cover is franked with a pair of the locally printed typographed 5c stamps tied by the incomplete Greenville c.d.s and is addressed to Mechums River, Virginia.

(Ex James. E. Hughes)

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC COVER
USED WITHIN THE CONFEDERACY



Captured Union patriotic cover depicting waving Union flag facing right. The cover is franked with two 5c De La Rue typographed stamps.

The cover is addressed to Lynchburg, Va. and the stamps are tied by the Richmond, Va. c.d.s of the 7th July 1862.

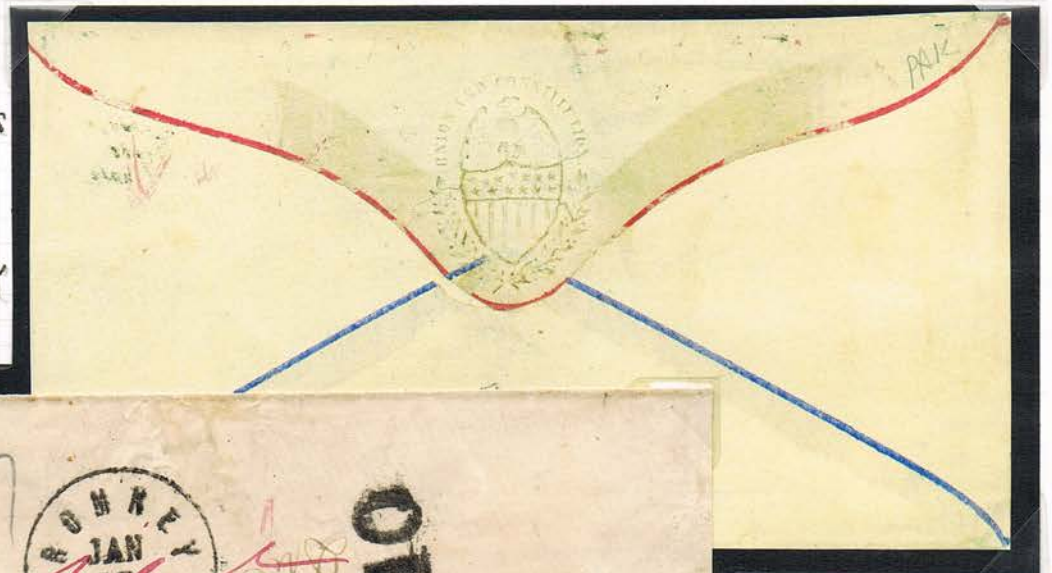
The stamps used on the envelope are in slightly different shades which suggests that the sender applied one stamp first, followed by the second later (at the post office) after learning of the rate increase to 10cents effective 1st July 1862.

(Ex Kaplan)

CAPTURED UNION PATRIOTIC
COVER USED WITHIN THE
CONFEDERACY

SOLDIERS LETTER
WEST VIRGINIA USAGE

Photo-copy
of back of
envelope indicates
Captured U.S.
patriotic with
seal and
'Union & Constitution'



Manuscript Joe
Handstamped
10 indicating
postage due
Endorsed
J.E Rogers
Co 'F' 1st Georgia
Volunteers

The counties of West Virginia maintained their Union loyalties and as they were separated from the rest of Virginia by both geography and economics the people in this area strongly opposed secession and were determined to remain in the Union.

On June 20th 1863 the western part of Virginia under Union control and with the consent of the people was severed from Confederate Virginia and entered the Union as the 35th state of West Virginia.

Above cover postmarked Romney in Hampshire County, West Virginia.