Hotel and Ladies Seminary Advertising covers



A 3 cent claret shade paid the single letter rate from Fort Wayne to St. Paul, Minnesota on a ROCKHILL HOUSE by Philo Rumsey advertising cover. Year is unknown but probably 1856 or 1857 based on color.



A 3 cent brownish carmine paid the single letter rate on a Freehold Young Ladies Seminary advertising envelope from Freehold, N.J. to Fryeburg, Maine. Year unknown but probably 1856 based on color.

Typical single rate letters

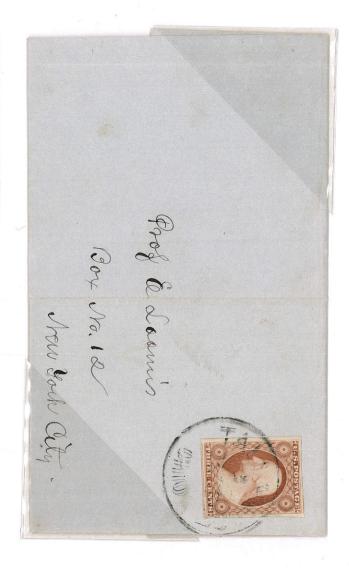


A 3 Cent brownish carmine shade paid the single letter rate from New York to Columbus, N.Y on Dec. 13 (1852) based on the shade.



A 3 Cent brownish carmine shade of 1857 paid the rate from Paradise, Pa. to an unusual destination of the U.S. Coast Guard station on Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

Typical single rate letters





This is an interesting pair of covers to the same addressee. The top cover was mailed May 2, 1853 from Tallmadge, Ohio with a deep dull red stamp. The bottom cover was mailed Aug 1, 1853 from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio with a yellowish dull red stamp. The top cover was directed to New York City while the bottom cover was directed to Cleveland.

Typical single rate letters



A 3 Cent rose brown shade of 1857 paid the single letter rate from Monroe, Michigan to Bennington, Vt.



A 3 Cent pale rose tied by an indistinct ultramarine cancel.

Valentine and Mourning covers

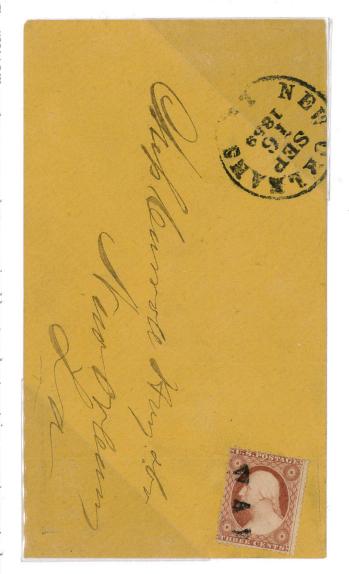


A 3 Cent Type III paid the single letter rate from Belmont, N.Y. to Geneseo, N.Y. on Feb. 14, Valentine's Day The year is not known. Another indication that this is indeed a Valentine's letter is the upside down stamp which often indicated a secret message underneath to the recipient.

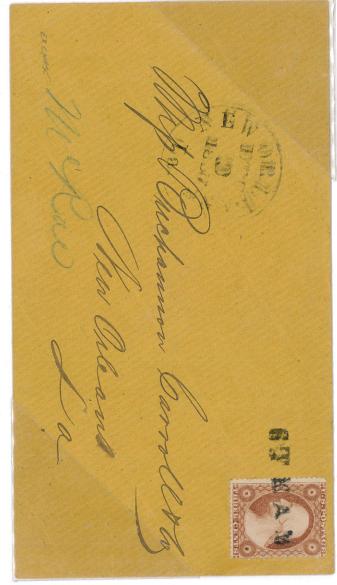


A 3 Cent Type III paid the single letter rate on a mourning cover from Pottsville, Pa. to Bloomsburg, Pa. on Dec 17. The year is not known.

3 Cent Issue of 1857—1861 WAY & STEAM covers

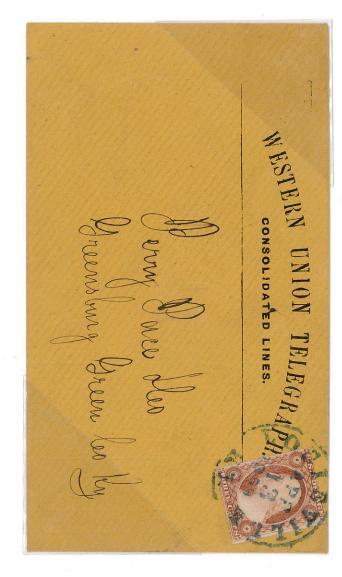


The "WAY" mark was put on letters received by steamboat captains or route agents along waterway post roads where there was a *contract* to carry mails in locked bags. The captain received a 1 cent fee if he requested it.



The "STEAM" or "STEAMBOAT" marking was applied where the boat captain on inland waterways *did not have a contract* to carry U.S. mails. A 2 cent fee per letter was intermittently paid the steamboat captains.

A 3 cent Type II paid the single letter rate from Ireland, Mass. to Fort Plain, Iowa. This "Intemperance is the Bane of Society" propaganda cover was missent to Fort Plain, New York on July 12, 1858 and forwarded without charge to Fort Plain, Iowa. Letter enclosure talks about health issues in the family. Missent is scripted vertically at the left side of the cover, almost under the Feb 14 Fort Plain, N. Y. circular date stamp at upper left.

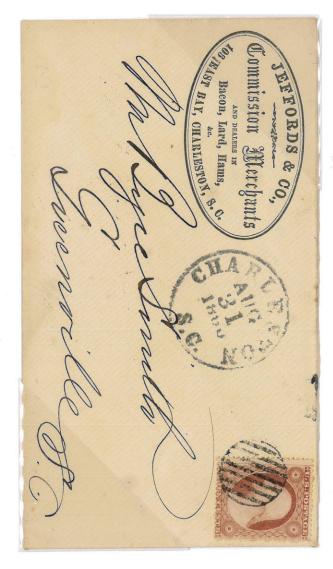


A 3 cent Type I, Scott #25, paid the single letter rate from Louisville, Ky. to Greensburg, Ky. on April 13, 1859 on an attractive Western Union Telegraph cover.

Advertising covers

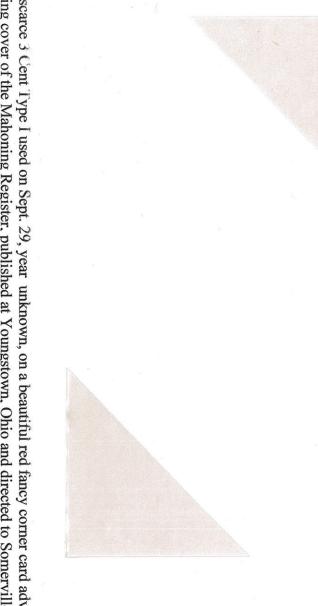


A 3 Cent 1857 Type IV paid the single letter rate on an attractive George Washington House advertising cover. The 3 cent stamp is struck with both a Lynchburg, Va. and a Baltimore, Md. date stamp cancel. This very unusual.



A 3 cent Type III paid the single letter rate on Aug. 31, 1860 from Charleston, S.C.to Greenville, S.C. on a commission merchants' advertising cover. A very small portion of the printer's imprint can seen at the extreme left.

Advertising covers



Mass. A scarce 3 Cent Type I used on Sept. 29, year unknown, on a beautiful red fancy corner card advertising cover of the Mahoning Register, published at Youngstown, Ohio and directed to Somerville,



A scarce 3 Cent Type I used July 2, year unknown but probably 1857 or 1858, from Enon Valley, Pa. to Philadelphia on an advertising corner card of the Farmers and Mechanics Mercantile Co. Three cents paid the single letter rate.

Advertising covers



A 3 cent Type III paid the single letter rate from Port Byron, N.Y. to Penn Yan, N.Y. on an American Hotel, Auburn, N.Y. advertising cover.



Another 3 cent Type III paid the single letter rate from New York to Millville, N.Y. on June 4, (1861) on an attractive Triggs & Griffen Fish Merchants advertising cover.

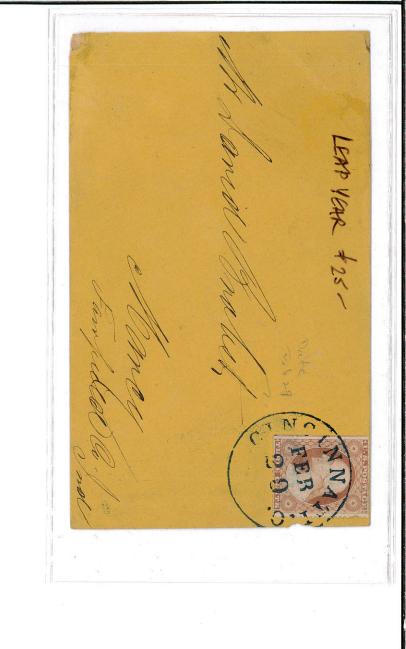


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1 Cent Issue of 1861-69

Circular Rate



A single 1 Cent paid the circular rate on a Vermont Mutual Life Insurance Company annual meeting notice mailed from Vergennes, Vt. on Sept. 29 (& 30th) 1862.



1 Cent Issue of 1861-69

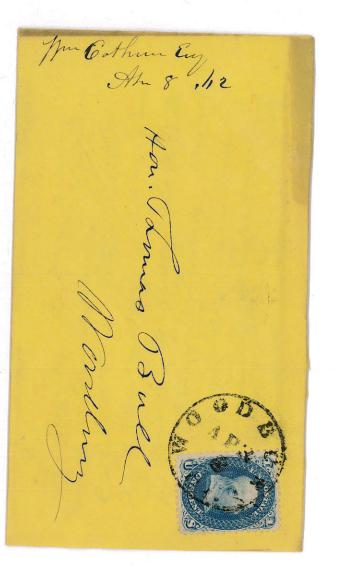
Drop letter uses



1 Cent used to pay the drop letter rate on Feb. 3, 1864 on a machinery manufacture's advertising cover.



A pair of 1 Cent stamps paid the 2 cent drop letter rate in effect from July 1, 1863 to April 1865.



1 Cent Issue of 1861-69

Carrier fee and single letter rate uses



A 1 Cent paid the carrier fee to the Philadelphia Post Office on Feb. 17, 1863. The 3 Cent 1861 stamp paid the domestic rate.



A strip of 3 one cent stamps paid the domestic letter rate from New York to Durham, Ct. on an embossed cameo corner cover.





AVERY™

1 Cent on a debtor's notice circular, March 6, 1863.



Dry paper print on a manufacture's prices current, May 27, 1863.

S REVENUE STAMPS, OF ALL KINDS, FOR SALE BY

NETTLETON, GILBERT & CAMP,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

No. 111 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY.

TERMS AS FOLLOWS:

15 Dollars in amount, 1 per cent. Discount. 2 2

100 and over,

Discount in all cases payable in Stamps.
Funds bankable in New York City must accompany the order.



count. Another 1 Cent paid the circular rate from New York to the Cashier of Platte Valley Bank, Nebraska City, Nebraska. The enclosure by a law firm offered U.S. Revenue Stamps at a dis-



l¢ PALE BLUE making up the Unsealed Circular rate, posted at Boston on Monday October 7, 1861. The l¢ Blue has the "dot"in the "U" normally associated with the first issue of this value.



Two - 1¢ BLUES (with dot in "U") making up 2¢ Drop rate at Boston on Tuesday November 6, 1861.

Stamps went on sale at Boston on August 21st.



Vertical strip of three 1¢ BLUES making up the regular ½ Oz. domestic rate, and used at South Natick, Massachusetts on Monday December 2, 1861. Enclosure is dated December 1, 1861, and describes the inactivities during the winter season, etc.

The stamps show a very light Dot in the "U", but are quite well centered for this particular issue.

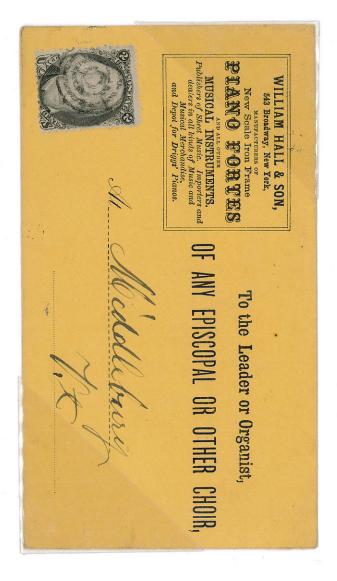
MAY 16, 186?



1¢ BLUE demonstrating "WRAPPER" usage at Fitchburgh, Massachusetts on May 16, 186?.

2 Cent Issue of 1863-1869

Circular rate and single letter rate combination



The 2 cent "Blackjack" paid the unsealed circular rate.



A 2 Cent "Blackjack" and a 1 Cent 1861 used in combination to pay the 3 cent domestic single letter rate from Augusta to Fryeburg, Me., Feb. 22, 1864 on a Senate Chamber State of Maine advertising cover.

2 Cent Issue of 1863-1869

Stamps and a drop letter

The 2 Cent "Blackjack" stamp is unique in U.S. philately. It is the only full face stamps issued during the Classic period. It is notoriously difficult to find nicely centered. It comes in black, intense black and gray black shades. An Act of Congress approved March 3, 1863 abolished carrier fees and established a prepaid rate of 2 cents for drop letters making necessary the 2 cent stamp. The earliest known use is July 6, 1863.



Drop letter rate used in Baltimore

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United States 1858. Ireland Mass Illustrated Envelope "Intemperance Bane of Society" Bearing 3¢ Scott 26 Sent to Warren Iowa with Accompanying Letter; EXHIBIT Quality (16 7816) \$590.00



















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AUGUST 29, 1861



3¢ DULL ROSE, posted at Baltimore, Maryland on Thursday August 29, 1861 with appropriate docketing features. Baltimore marking measures approximately 31½ mm in diameter, and cover is part of the famous Troth correspondence.

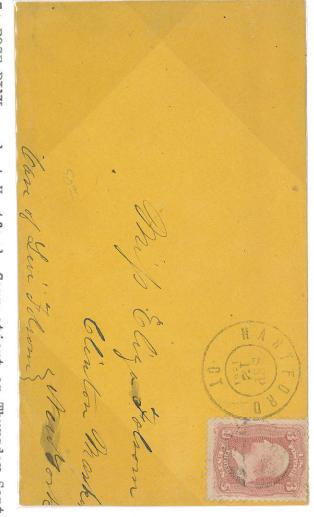
Stamps went onsale at Baltimore on August 17th.



3¢ DULL ROSE used at Baltimore on Tuesday September 10, 1861. Baltimore marking measures approximately 30 mm in diameter, and cover is part of the famous Troth correspondence.

Stamps went on sale at Baltimore on August 17th.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1861



3¢ ROSE PINK used at Hartford, Connecticut on Thursday September 12, 1861. Stamps went on sale at Hartford on August 19th.