#### Registered Letter 1868

Aurora, Illinois to Kaskaskia, Illinois (Kaskasia Post Office Open 1800-1902)

Franked with pair of ten cent stamps (Scott #68)To pay the twenty cent registered letter rate.



Used to send \$10 donation from Jerusealum Temple to donate to Bro. "Geo. W. Staley of your Lodge" - Temple No. 90 per the enclosed letter

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#### **Advertised Hand Stamp**

New Iberia, LA to New York City, NY October 5, 1866

New York City Advertised and Cannot Be Found Hand Stamps



This cover was mailed from New Iberia, LA to New York City. It had no address so it was advertised per the oval advertised hand stamp. After not being claimed for it received the "Cannot Be Found" hand stamp and was sent to the dead letter office. This is evidenced by the blue New York, N.Y., Nov 22 hand stamp shown below.



Notation on front indicates the letter was eventually picked up by recipient on December 16, 1866 from the "Return Letter Office US"

# **Advertised Hand Stamp**

Norfolk VA To Providence RI.
Postmarked Nov. 8, 1864 and Advertised Nov. 19

RED PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND "ADVERTISED"



Letter to Union soldier (Garrisoned at Ft. Sedgwick as Part of Consolidated 7<sup>th</sup>).

Providence Rhode Island Dated Nov. 8, 1864

Scarce Red Providence Advertised in Double Circle

### **Advertised Hand Stamp**

Batavia, NY. To Chicago, Ill.
Postmarked Dec. 1864 and Advertised Jan. 9

Bl -- Chicago Advarticed Hand Stamp within Badge



In the United States the advertising of uncalled-for letters began in the 18th century. The practice of advertising was regulated by the Post Office Department as early as the 1798 postal laws

Undeliverable letters were advertised in the newspaper so that the recipient would know that their mail was to be picked up at the Post Office. A hand stamp usually stating "Advertised" was used.

This is an scarcer example of a blue strike of a badge style "Advertised" hand stamp applied at the post office to designate that the letter has been advertised on January 9 (1865).

Had it not been picked up, it would have received a separate backstamp and then sent on to the dead letter office.

# Forwarded Hamd Stamp

Jacksonville, FLA. To Elizabeth N.J. Forwarded to Great Bend Pa

Circa 1868

Blue Fancy Cancel Flower, Real Estate Agent Return Address







