

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Homer"



Teche River

Halloran Special

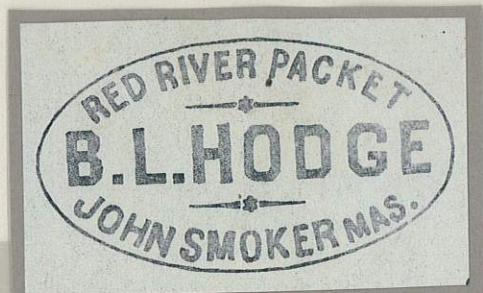


Bill of lading datelined French Port, Jan. 17th 1848,
shipment to be delivered to Stacy's Landing.

A 247 ton side-wheeler built in 1846 at
Louisville, Ky., abandoned in 1851.

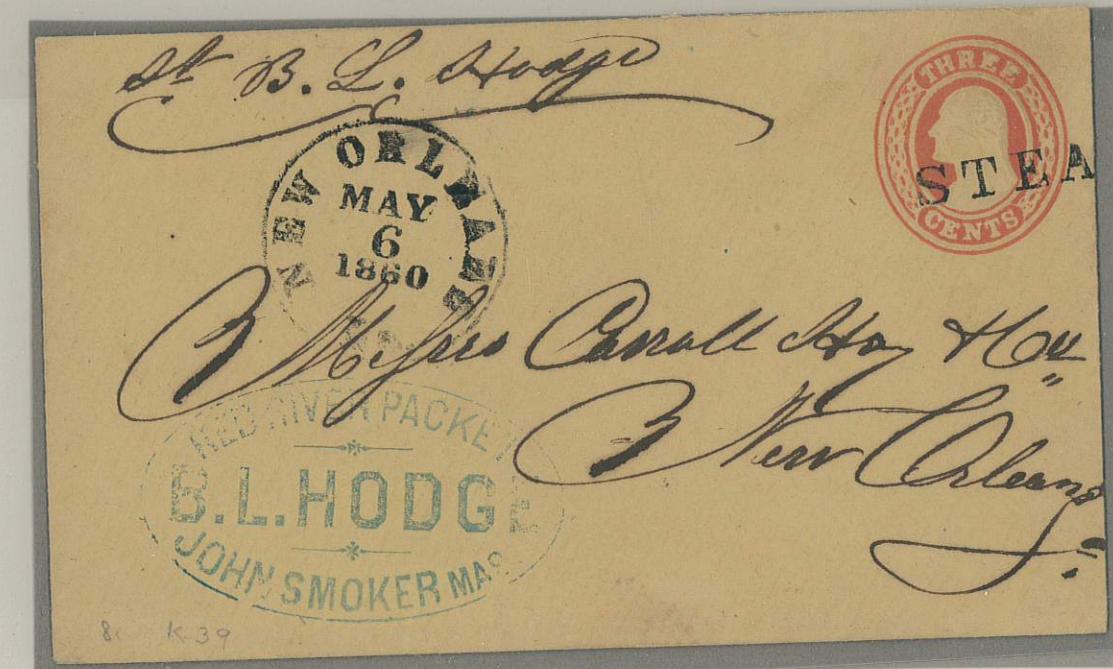
WATERWAYS MAIL

"B. L. Hodge"



Red River

Halloran Special



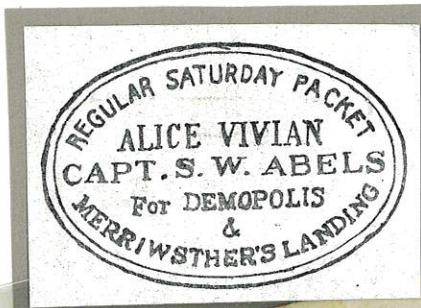
Letter carried ashore by the Captain or Clerk of the B.L. Hodge at New Orleans and posted May 6, 1860. The "Steam" cancellation indicates a non-contract boat, and that the 2 cent fee was paid.

A 289 ton side-wheeler built in 1857 at New Albany, Ind. home port New Orleans. The boat was lost June 22, 1868.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Alice Vivian"

Alabama & Tombigbee Rivers



Letter carried by a non-contract boat, and delivered out of the mails in accordance with PL & R, using an embossed postal envelope. Addressed to Demopolis, Ala. 185?

A 376 ton side-wheeler built at New Albany, Ind. in 1856, home port Mobile, Ala. Captured as a Confederate steamer by the United States and renamed the "South"

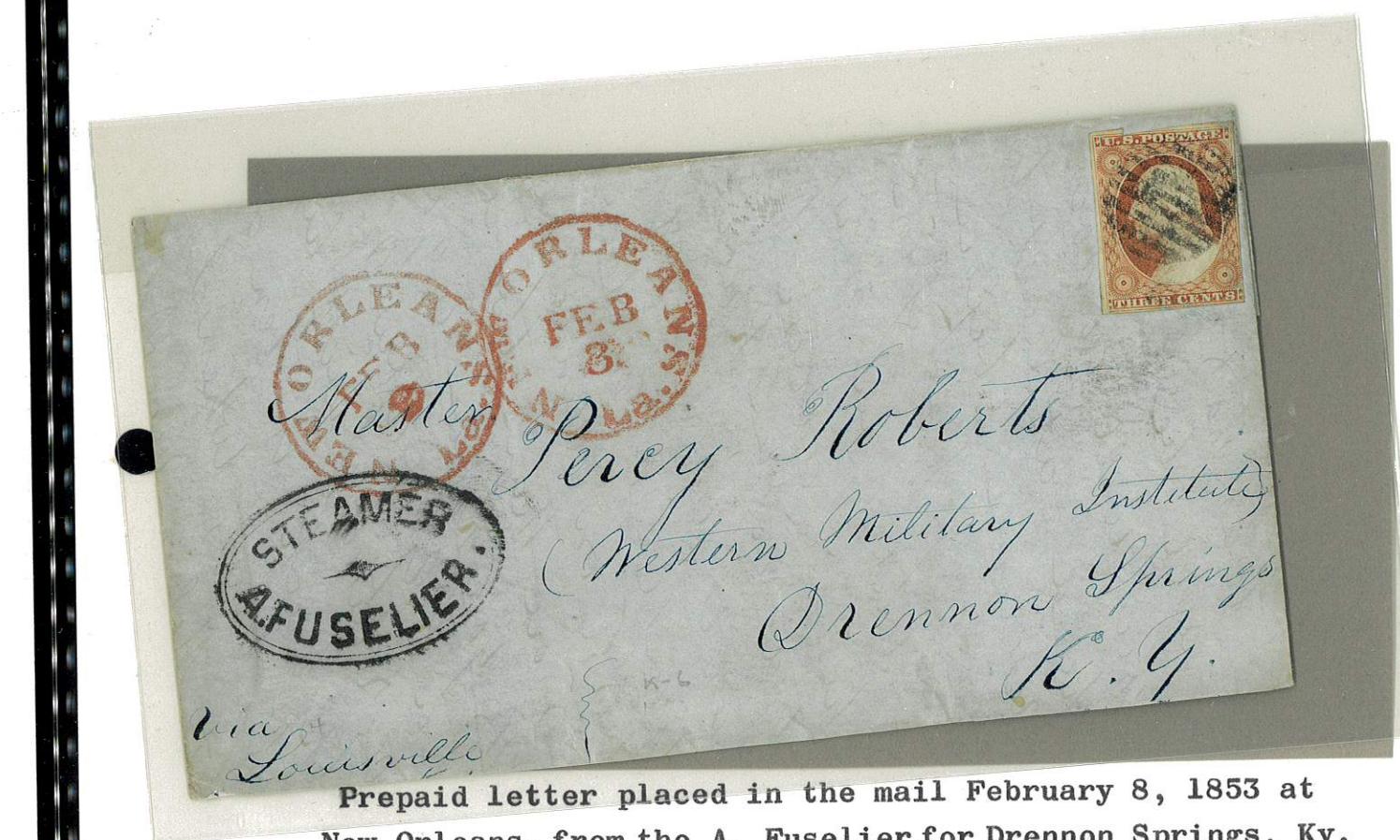
February 3, 1866, abandoned in 1867.

Heilbourn Special

WATERWAYS MAIL

Mississippi River

"A. Fuselier"



Prepaid letter placed in the mail February 8, 1853 at New Orleans, from the A. Fuselier for Drennon Springs, Ky.

A 357 ton side-wheeler built in 1851 at Franklin, La. its home port. Abandoned in 1858.

Heilbourn Special

WATERWAYS MAIL



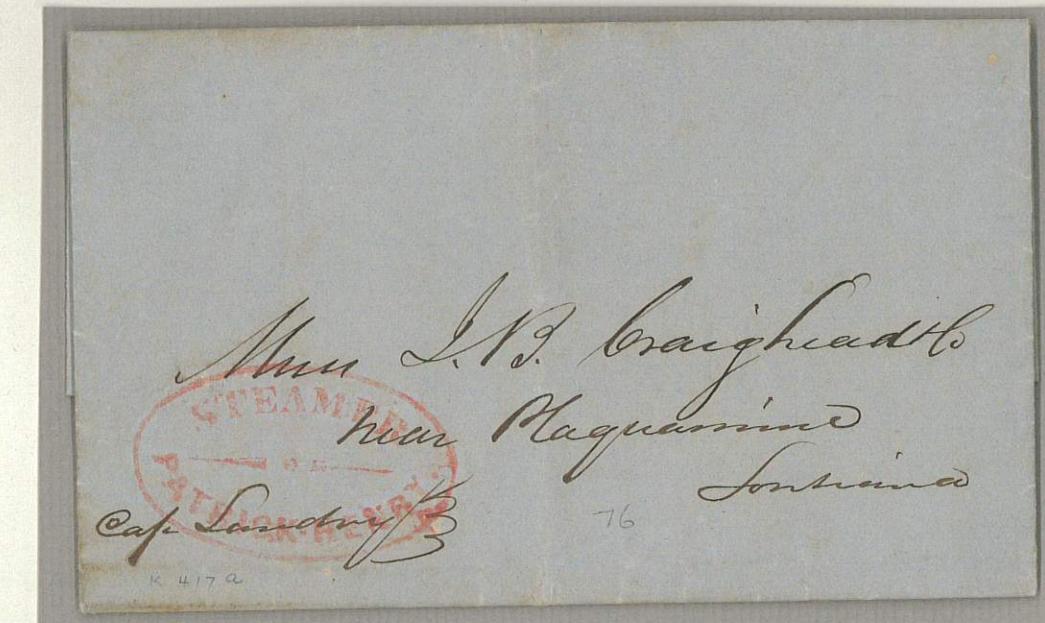
May 11 1856 Elephantport Ky to Louisville
Ohio river Rainbow



W 150, 1857 Burlington Ohio Cincinnati A 62
K 464

"Patrick Henry"

Mississippi River



Letter dated New Orleans, January 31, 1851, relating to picking up cargo on the levee at Plaquemine, La.

328 ton side-wheeler built at Cincinnati in 1846. Home port, New Orleans. Converted to a wharf-boat in 1854.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Fanny Sparhawk"

Mississippi River



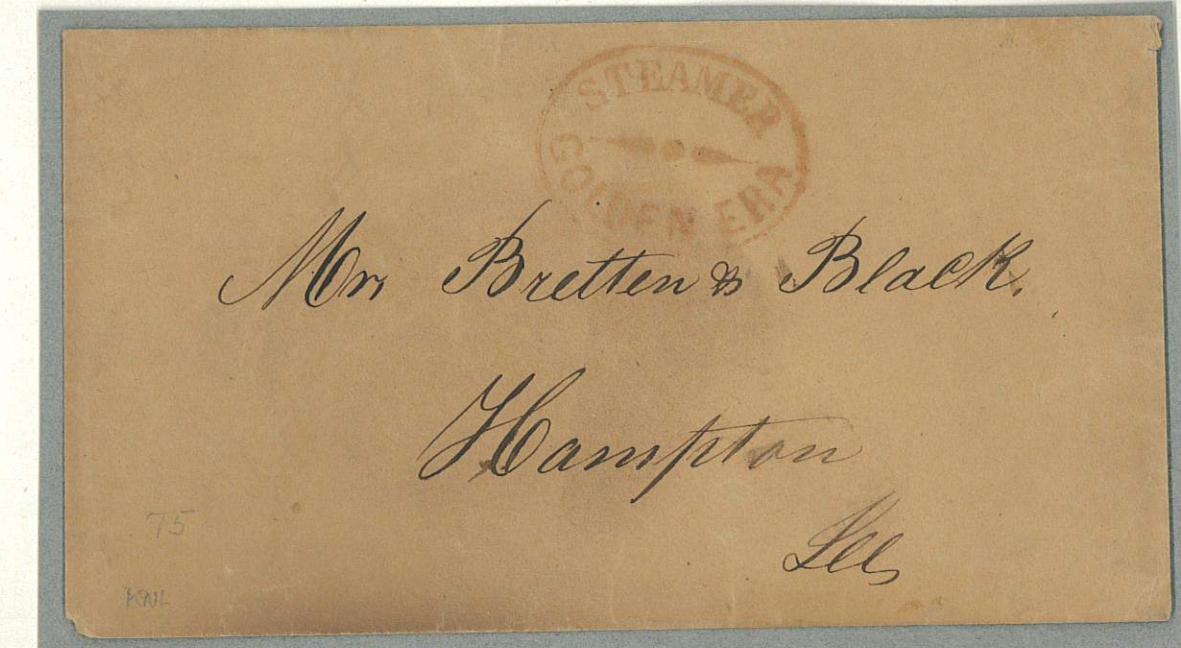
Letter carried by favor, datelined February 19, 1854
to New Orleans, receiving notation dated February 21st.

A 249 ton side-wheeler built at its home port
Cincinnati in 1852. Abandoned in 1855.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Upper Mississippi River

"Golden Era"



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K.N.L.
Letter carried and delivered out of the
mail to Hampton, Ill.

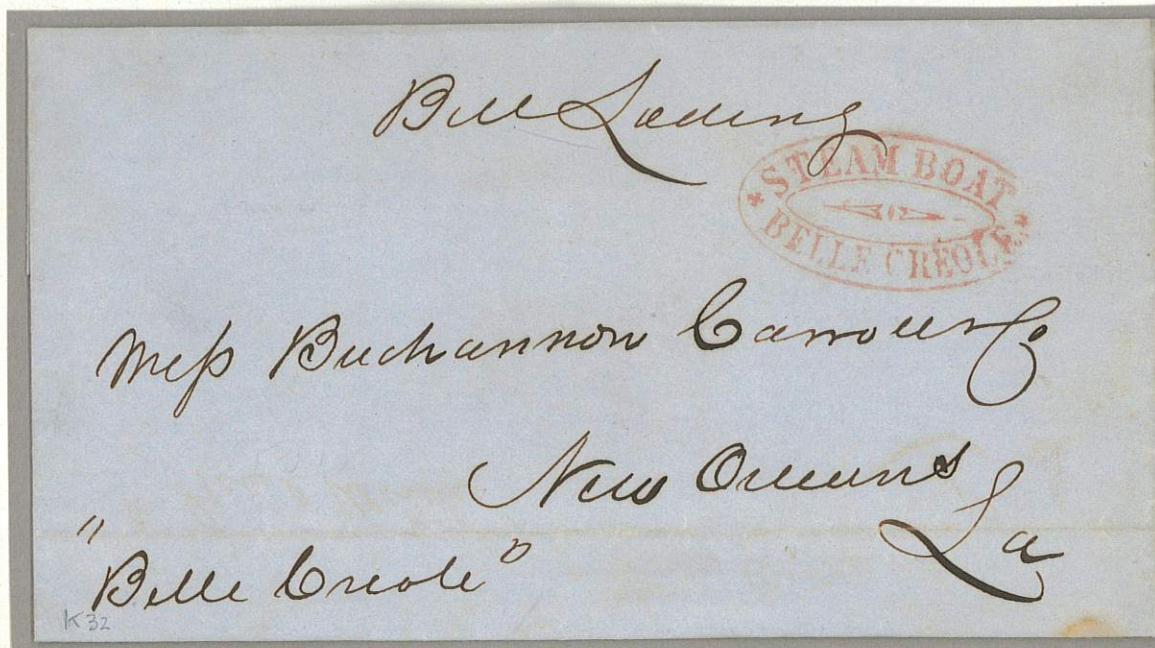
A side-wheeler built at its home port Wheeling, Va.
in 1852, 275 tons. Abandoned in 1868.

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WATERWAYS MAIL

"Belle Creole"

Mississippi River

Heirloom Special



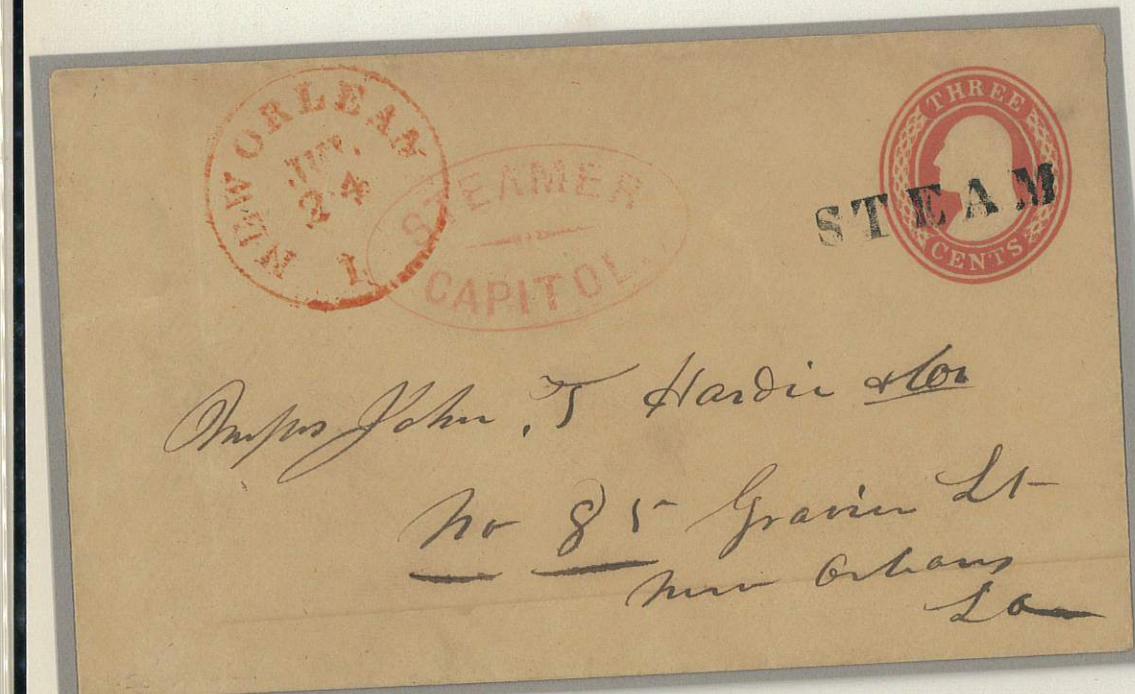
A Bill of Lading dated Vicksburg, November 25, 1850.

This was a 447 ton side-wheeler built in 1845 at Cincinnati, Ohio. Home port New Orleans. Abandoned in 1852.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Capitol"

Mississippi River



Letter placed in the mail at New Orleans by the Captain or Clerk of the Capitol a non-contract boat. The "Steam" cancel indicates the post office paid the 2 cent fee.

448 ton side-wheeler built at Jeffersonville, Ind. in 1855 home port New Orleans. June 28, 1862 burnt at Liverpool, Miss.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Iowa"

Mississippi River



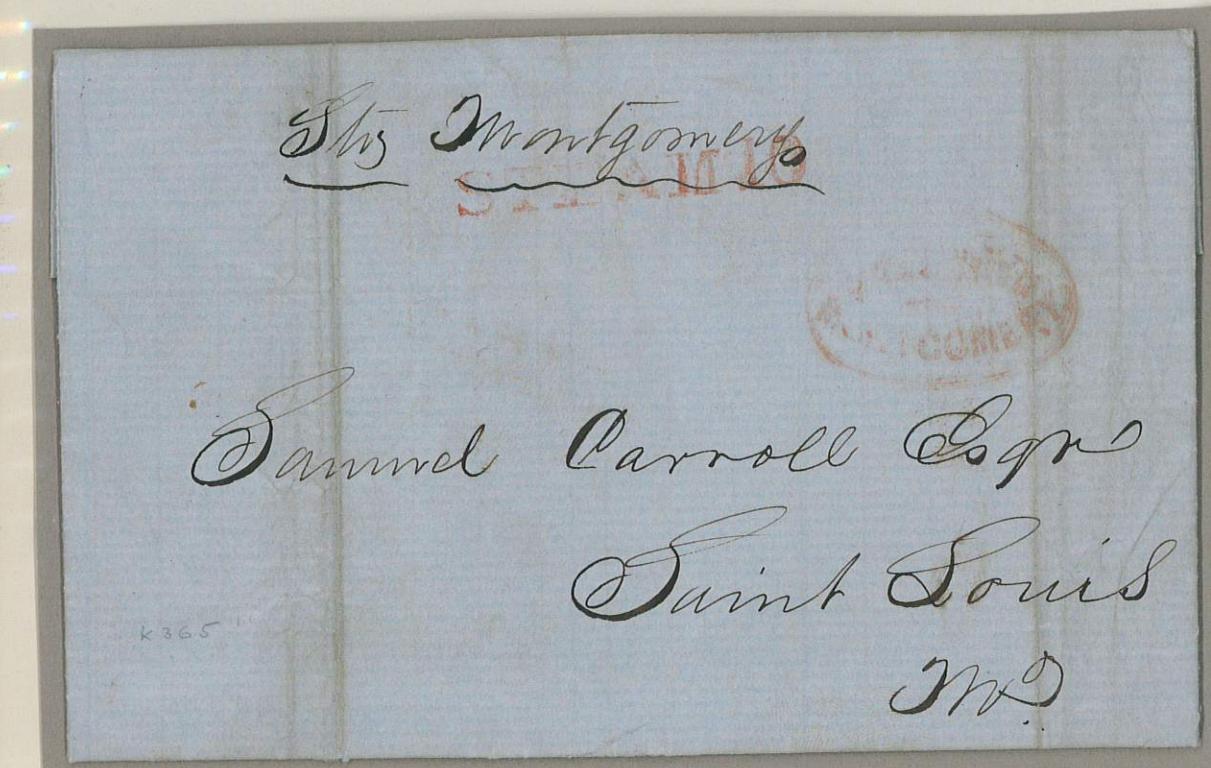
Prepaid letter dated St. Louis, Mo. November 5, 1852 carried by boat to New Orleans and placed in the mail on November 14th. Rated "WAY 1" indicating the way fee of 1 cent was to be collected from the recipient.

This 454 ton side-wheeler was built at its home port of St. Louis in 1848. Crushed in the ice March 17, 1856 at Marietta, Ohio.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Montgomery"

Mississippi River



Letter dated New Orleans, May 14, 1850 carried by boat to St. Louis, Mo. and there placed in the mail. The "Steam 10" applied by the St. Louis post office.

407 ton side-wheeler built in 1843 at New Albany, Ind. home port Mobile, Ala. The boat burnt November 7, 1851 at New Carthage, Miss. with the loss of two lives.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Mississippi River

"Eliska"

October 27, 1849

, Louisiana.

This 231 ton side-wheeler was built at its home port
Louisville, Ky. in 1846. Abandoned in 1848.

New World

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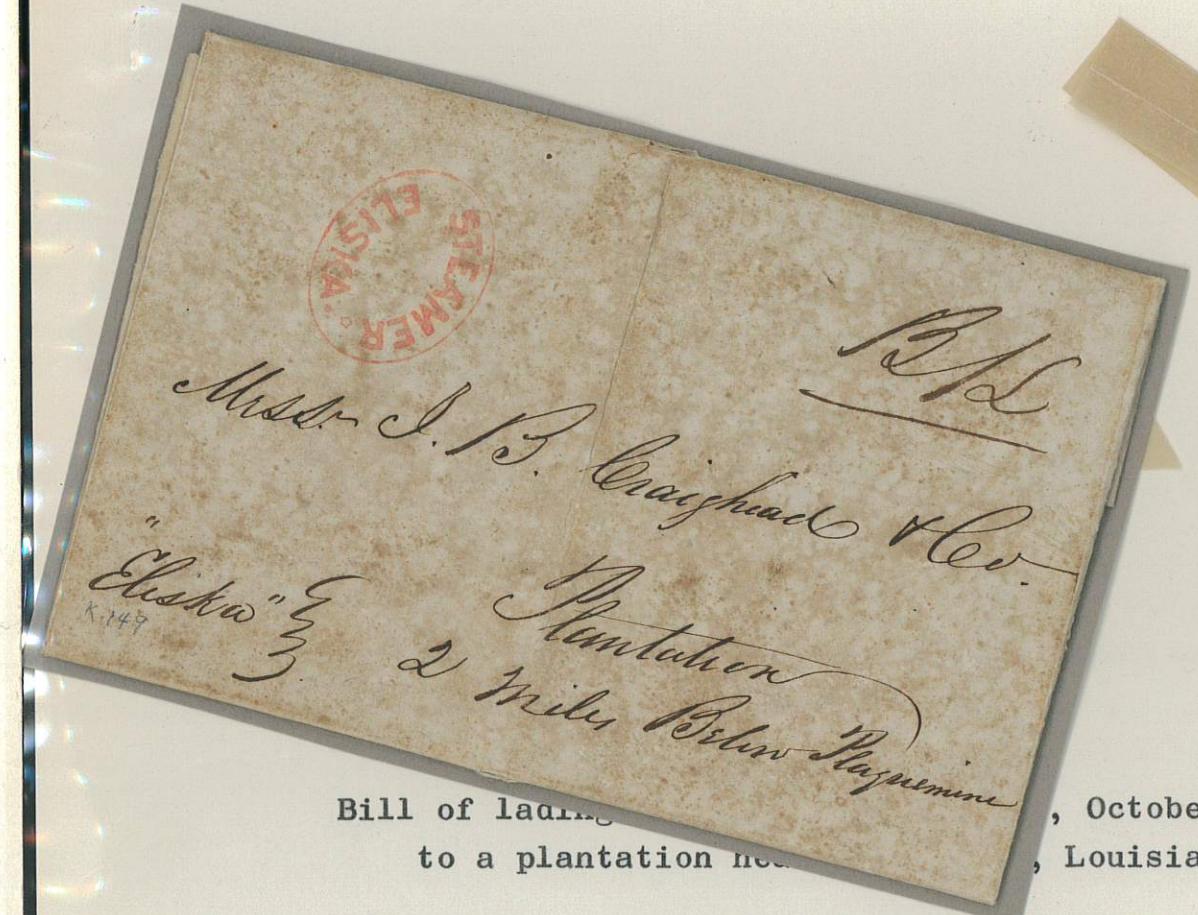
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N.L.



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October 27, 1849

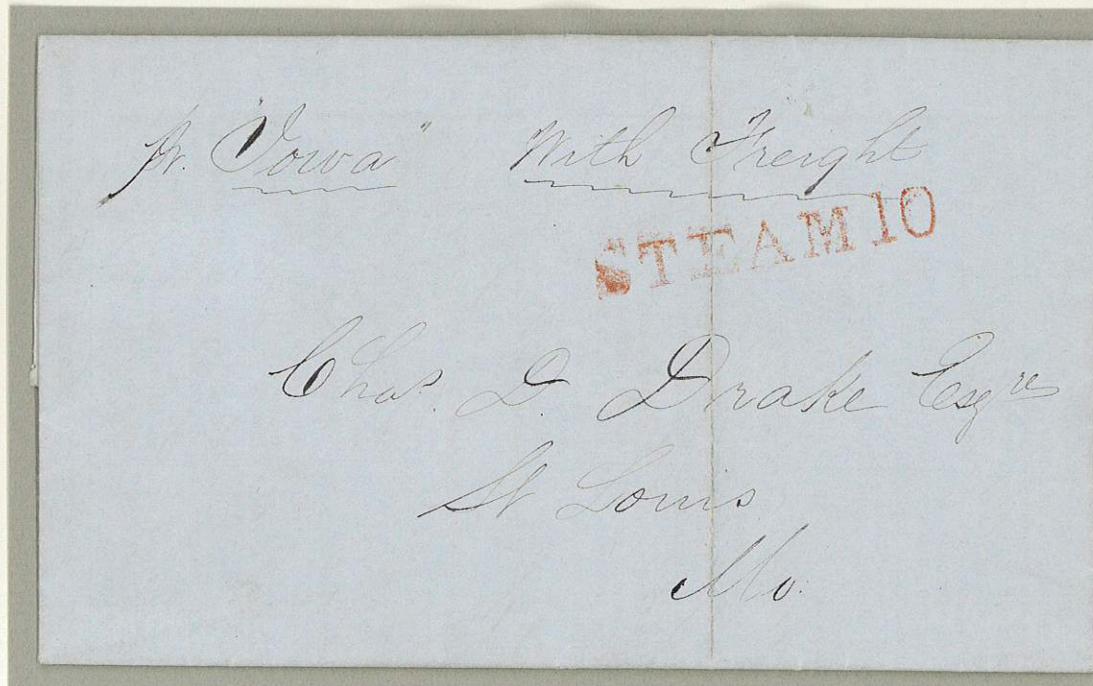
, Louisiana.

This 231 ton side-wheeler was built at its home port
Louisville, Ky. in 1846. Abandoned in 1848.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Mississippi River

STEAM 10



Dateline - New Orleans, 6 May 1851, "per Iowa" placed in the mail at St. Louis, Mo. 10 cents due. Recieving notation dated May 19, 1851.

Printed Special

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Texas Ranger R554

MH 67

P159 1851 New Albany New Albany ^{A 61} Red river
R554



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P248 1848 Cincinnati Penn Ouachita river 57
K533 Columbia 3a n.o.

Impost, doubleweight letter w/ collect, 10¢ postage, 1-way
Feb 1851

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WATERWAYS MAIL

"Southern Belle"

Mississippi River



Letter carried by a contract boat of Route 7309 - New Orleans via St. Francisville to Vicksburg, 397 miles, three times a week. This Steamboat Mail Contract Route operated from 1854 to 1858. This cover postmarked from Vicksburg, June 9, (1856) to Jackson, Miss.

A 525 ton side-wheeler built in 1851 at Jeffersonville, Ind. home port Mobile, Ala. where the boat burnt October 16, 1857.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Mississippi River

STEAM 5

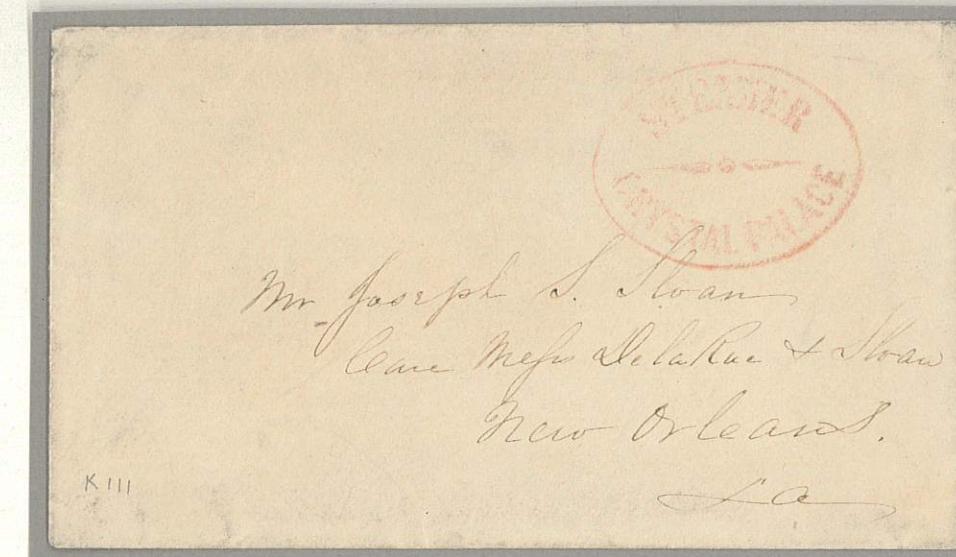


Dateline - Rock Island, September 29, 1852
placed in the mail at St. Louis. 5 cents due

WATERWAYS MAIL

Mississippi River

"Crystal Palace"



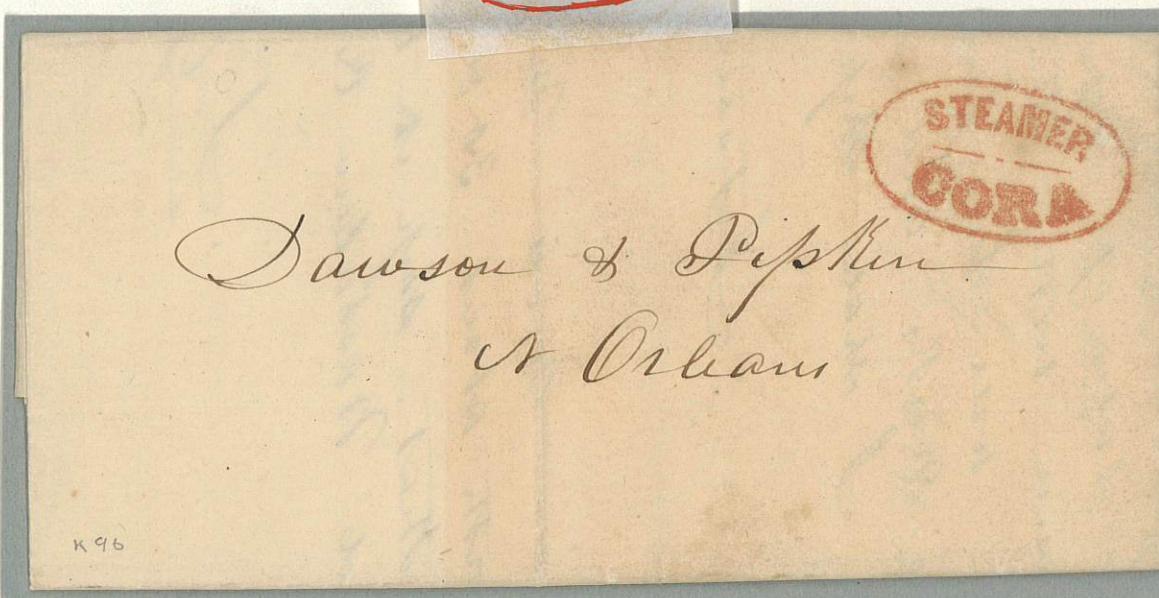
Letter carried and delivered out of the mail
to New Orleans. Probably "bootleg" service.

541 ton side-wheeler built at Freedom, Pa. in
1853 home port Pittsburgh. Abandoned in 1858.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Cora"

Mississippi & Ouachita Rivers



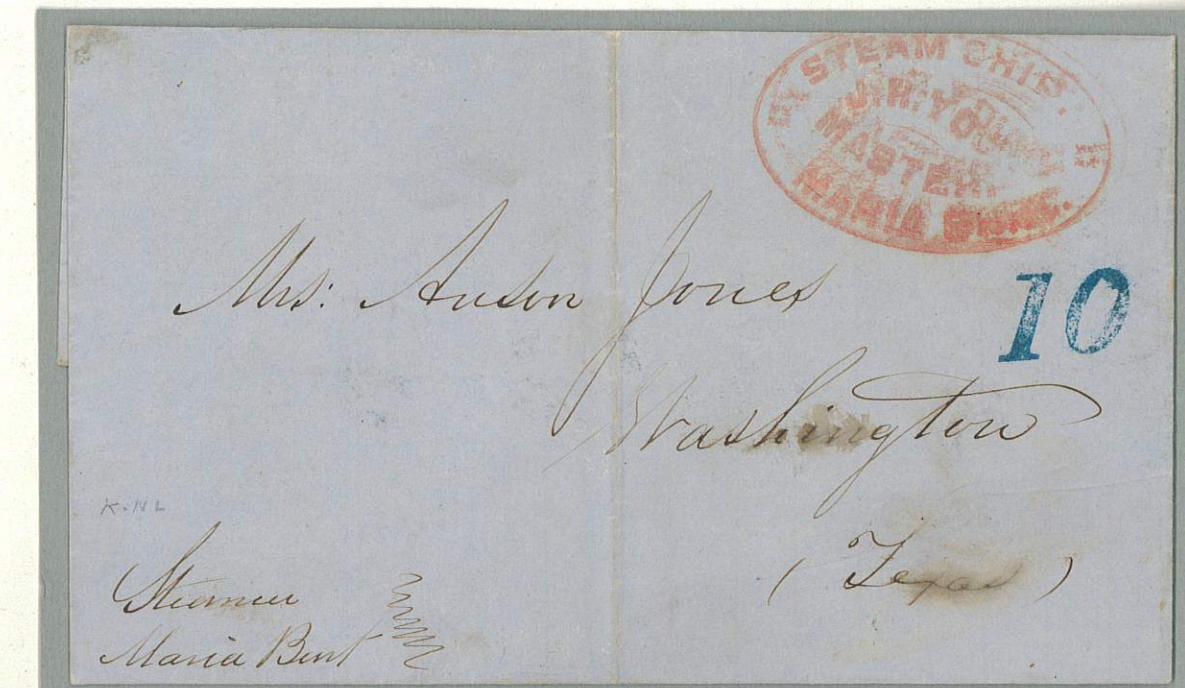
Dated April 18, 1849 from Ouachita City (now
Camden) Arkansas.

A 144 ton side-wheeler built at Rock Island, Ill.
in 1846 - Home port, St. Louis, Mo. - Hit a snag
and sank at Council Bluffs, Iowa on April 28, 1850
with a loss of fifteen lives.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Maria Bent"

Mississippi River

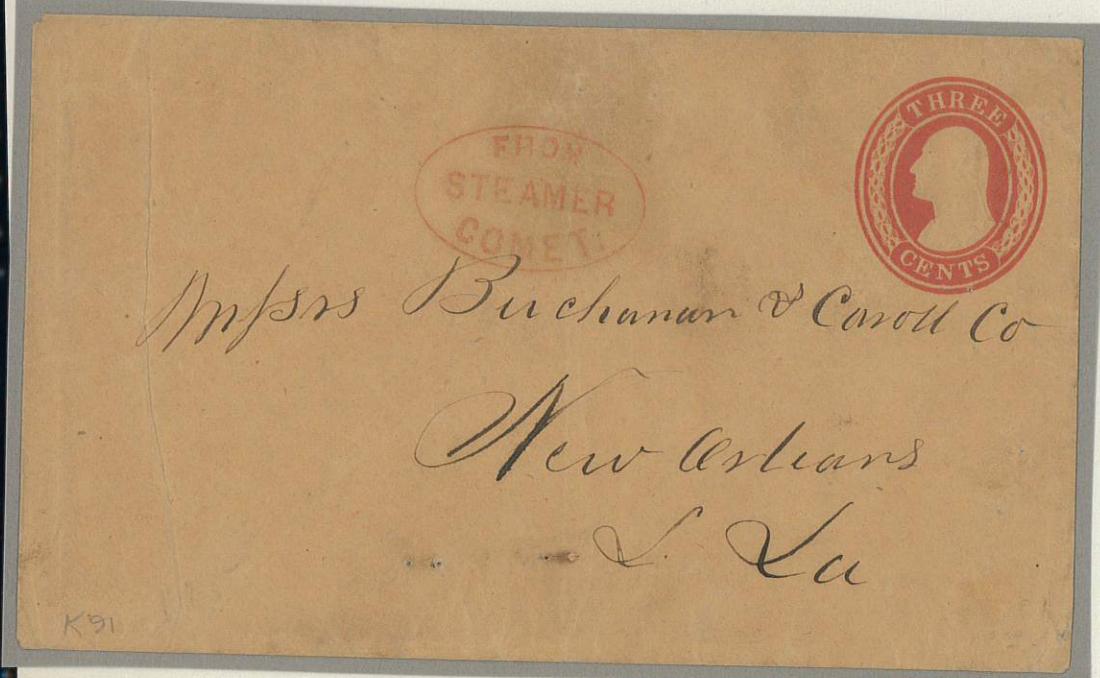


This letter was put into the mails at New Orleans for
Washington, Texas - 10 cents due - received July 17, 1858.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Comet"

Mississippi River



Letter delivered out of the mail at New Orleans.

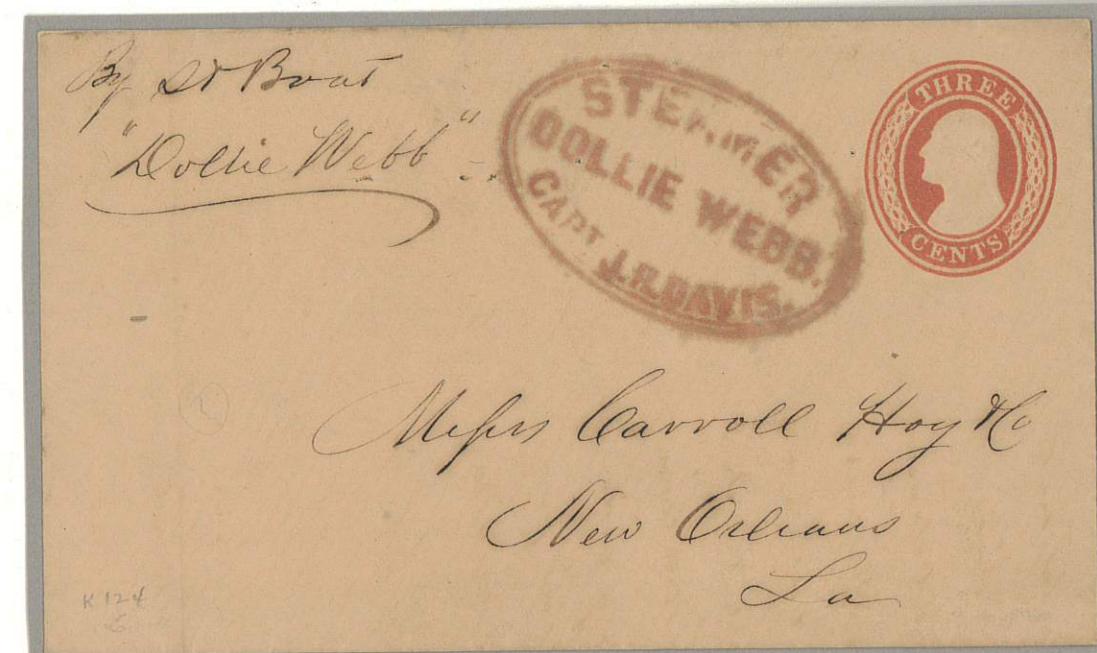
183 ton side-wheeler built at Louisville, Ky. in 1857, home port New Orleans. Passed to Confederate control in 1861, disposition unknown.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Dollie Webb"

Mississippi River

Harbour Special



Letter carried and delivered out of the mails in accordance with postal regulations.

A 139 ton stern-wheeler built at its home port, Wheeling, Va. in 1859. Burnt at Algiers, La. on May 5, 1861.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Monroe"

Mississippi River

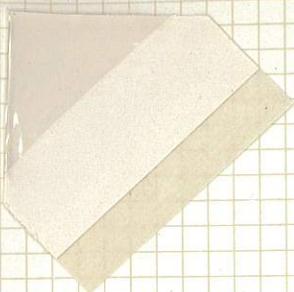


Letter carried out of the mail from Troy, Mississippi dated March 25, 1851 for delivery at New Orleans.

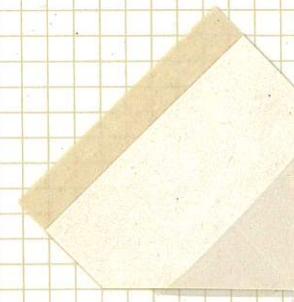
The 183 ton side-wheeler was built at New Albany, Ind. home port, Louisville, Ky. On March 20, 1854 it capsized above Natchez, Miss. with a loss of thirty lives.

1853-5





Frank Beyond
M.H 26
K 179



P 446 1851 Jeffersonville Ind
K179 Warsaw Ga to Mobile 3/6/52
Mobile Ala 1757
Miss River



P K1934

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P 132 (1858)? Louisville NO 1851
K369 Red River Miss River

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1855

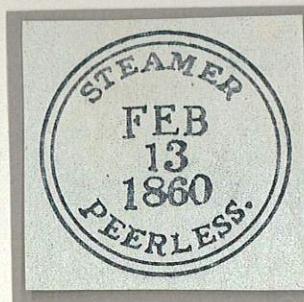
Miss River

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WATERWAYS MAIL

"Peerless"

Mississippi River



Prepaid letter to New Orleans, cancelled with the packet marking January 31, 1860. The use of a packet marking to cancel stamps is most unusual and was discouraged by the postal authorities.

This 347 ton side-wheeler was built at Louisville, Ky. in 1858, home port St. Louis, Mo. Burnt at New Orleans on May 27, 1860.

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WATERWAYS MAIL

"B. E. Clark"

Mississippi & Red Rivers



Letter placed in the mail at New Orleans, March 14, (18??) postage cancelled "Steam" to indicate this was a non-contract boat, its Captain or Clerk entitled to the 2ct fee.

This 199 ton side-wheeler was built in 1853 at Fulton, Ohio.

It burnt at New Orleans, La. May 30, 1860.



WATERWAYS MAIL

"Rockaway"



Mississippi River

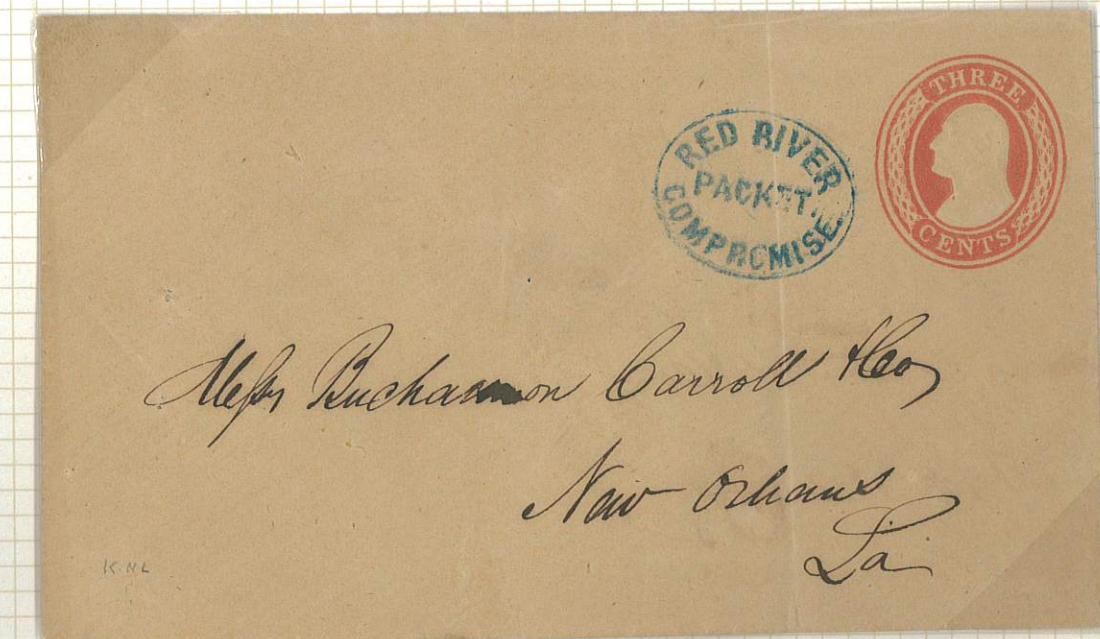
Hainsom Special



Letter dated Caldwell Parish, La. February 5, 1853. Carried out of the mail to New Orleans, there given to the U.S. Postal Agent, E.A. Dentzel to see that all proper fees were paid. This letter was then apparently delivered to the addressee by the Captain or Clerk.

This 324 ton side-wheeler, registered the "Rockaway No. 2" was built in 1850 at Elizabeth, Pa. home port New Orleans.

Burnt April 29, 1854 at Bayou Sara, La.



K441

1853 Mississ. River
This use after 1860
Not from MN

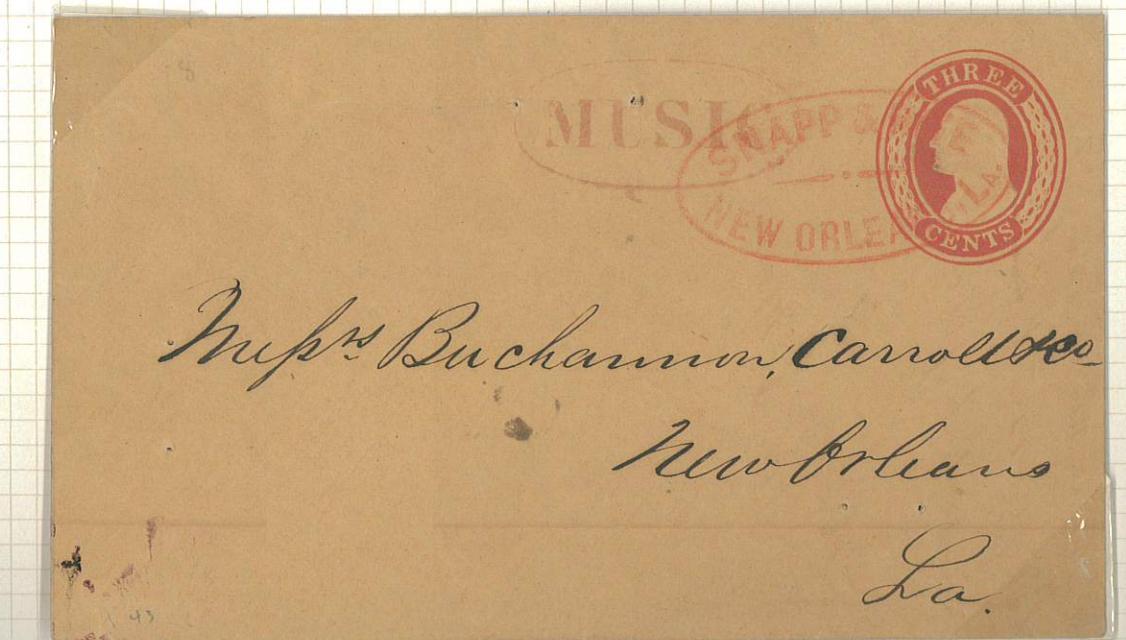


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P 683 54 Cincinnati 58 Paris 44
Sold to War Dept in 1864
K383a

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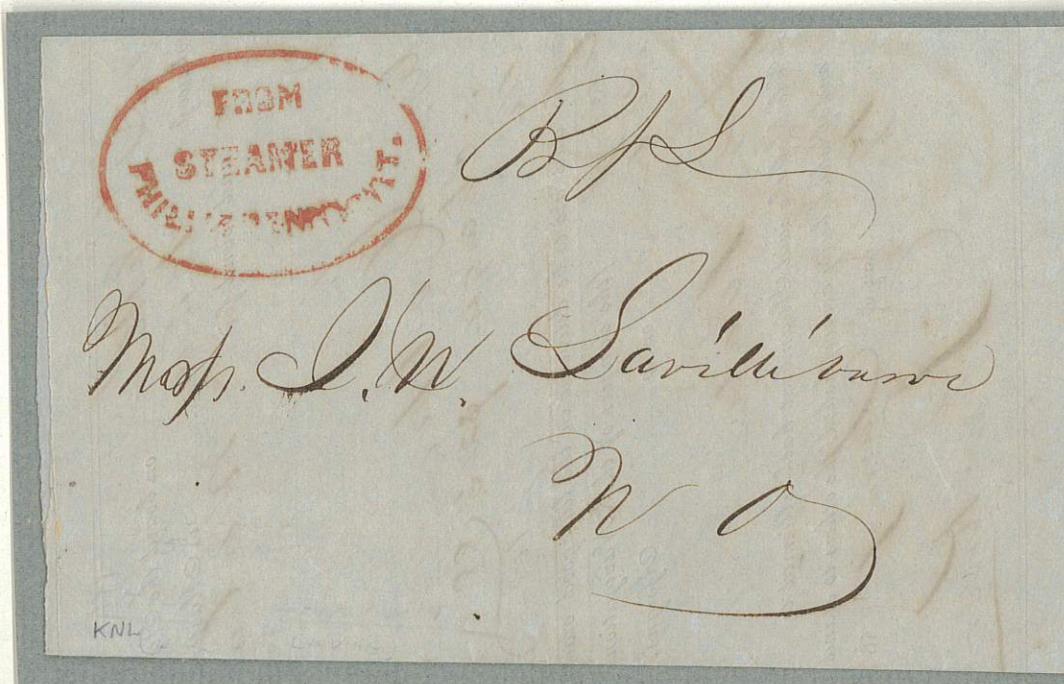


P 273 1850 Jeffersonville 70 River 45
K373

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Phillip Pennywit"

Mississippi River



A Bill of Lading for 10 bales of cotton from Atkins Landing to New Orleans, dated January 19, 1850.

A side-wheeler of 264 tons built at Cincinnati in 1849 home port New Orleans. Snagged at Van Buren, Ark. on May 13, 1851.

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Miss & Ohio river

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Miss river

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Mr. & Mrs. Buchanan Carroll & Co
New Orleans
La

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P 157 1851 Cincinnati 70 miles + Mo rivers 158
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K445



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Mr. & Mrs. Buchanan Carroll & Co
New Orleans
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unpaid 54 May 1st
Vicksburg Miss. No. June 25 1852
K484

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NEW ORLEANS & VICKSBURG RIVER M. (21L)

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Officer Prentiss
New Orleans La
one of Picayune Office
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WATERWAYS MAIL

"Sydonia"

Red River



Letter picked up en-route to New Orleans, there placed in the mail. The "way" indicates the post office paid the 1 cent fee.

A 235 ton side-wheeler built at Cincinnati, Ohio in 1851, home port New Orleans. Burnt May 29, 1857 at Columbia, La. with the loss of two lives.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"St. Charles"

Red River



If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to
J. SAYEB, LUNA, Ohio Co., Ark.

MISS. + ST. LOUIS PACKET "ST. BELLE MEMPHIS" BUILT 1866 FOR ST. LOUIS TRADE. 60⁰⁰
A letter picked up enroute by the St. Charles, a contract boat with no route agent aboard. The Captain (or Ship's Clerk) put it into the mail at New Orleans where the Post Office cancelled it "Way" and paid the one cent fee due a contract vessel.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Duck River"

Red River



Dateline - New Orleans, September 27, 1850
placed in the mail at New Orleans, 10 cents
due - for delivery at Alexandria, Louisiana.

This 132 ton side-wheeler was built in 1847
at Cincinnati, Ohio. Abandoned in 1853.

Herb Special



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P 238	1855	Louisville - Memphis	L 61
P 230	1856	Cincinnati	L 61
K305b		Franklin La.	"



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W 256	1864	Louisville	L 68
W 190	1865	Pensacola	L 68
N.L.		Mobile	"

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Red River"



Red River

Heirloom Special



A "bootleg" letter datelined New Orleans, January 26, 1854 concerning the payment of tax bills.

This was a 276 ton side-wheeler built in Marietta, Ohio in 1850. The boat's home port was New Orleans. Abandoned 1857.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Bayou Belle"

Red River



Prepaid letter of the late 1850's with the stamp cancelled by the packet marking. A practice discouraged by the postal authorities.

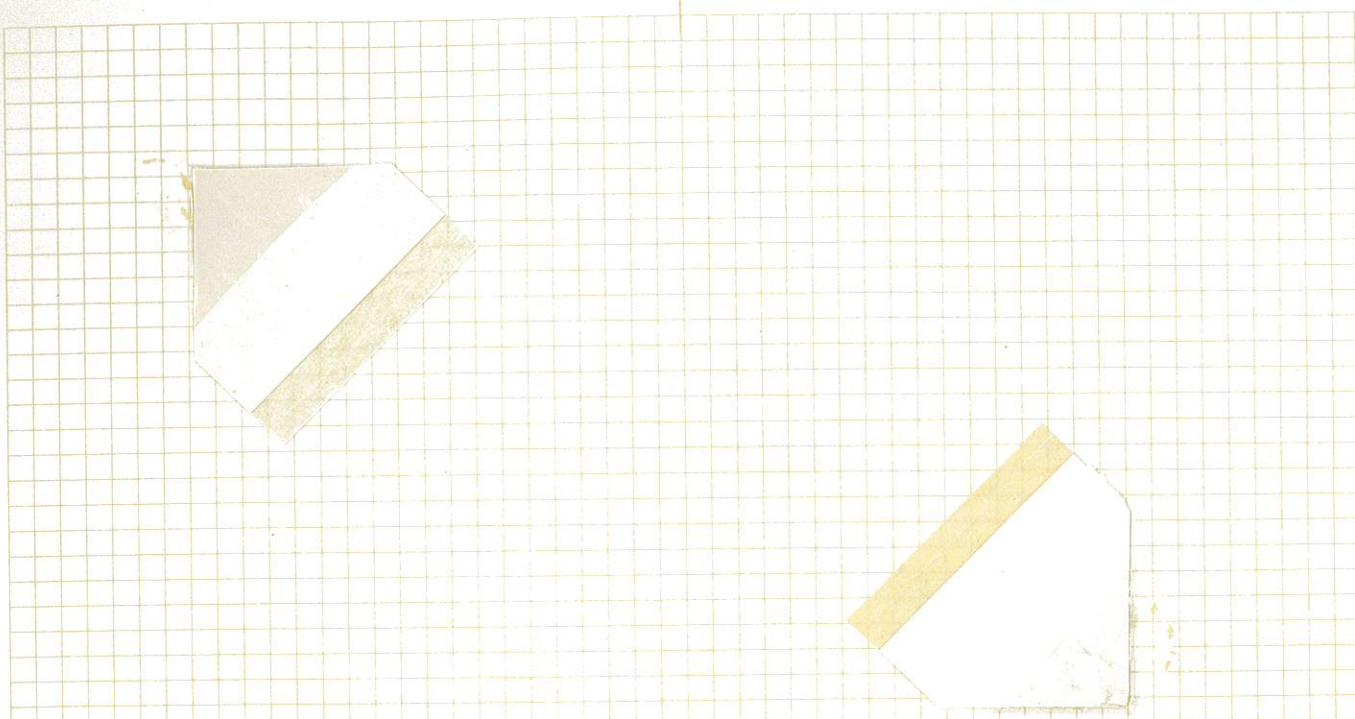
This packet marking is similar to the other Bayou Belle marking except for the deletion of Captain J.D. Walker's name.



K96 Lamden's no March 22 1849 Ouachita & Miss Rivers



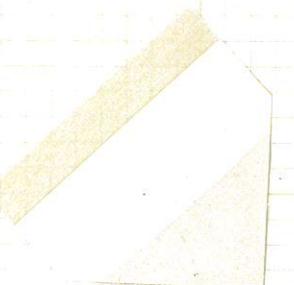
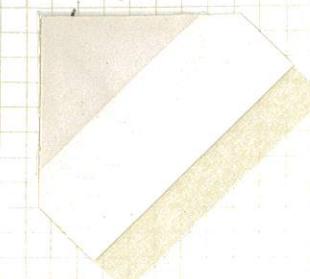
P 349 1855 New Albany No 61
K498 Use 1857 Red & Miss rivers.



P148 1849 New Orleans and 760.
760 Nov 23 1852 to Cincinnati pt 3rd Red Dalmatian
K550



P144 1851 Monongahela Pa no 1757
Smithland La Mar 22 1852 no
K563



P Dalmatian (black)
MH 48
K425

K425 Red & white striped
use May 31 1852

E. Dentzel Mail apt no



K425b Red & white striped
use May 4, 1852

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WATERWAYS MAIL

"Caddo No. 2"

Red River

Harloom Special



Letter picked up by the boat en-route to New Orleans, there placed in the mail and cancelled "way" indicating the Captain or Clerk received the 1 cent fee.

273 ton side-wheeler built in Louisville, Ky. in 1851
home port Nashville, Tenn. Abandoned in 1856.

"Fashion"

Red River



Unpaid letter datelined Bossier Point, La. May 1, 1851. Carried to New Orleans and posted May 7th. Rated "Steam 10" indicating the fee was paid this non-contract boat.

The Fashion was named for a famous race horse that participated in a twenty thousand dollar match race in 1845.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Red River

Harrison Special

"Rapides"



WATERWAYS MAIL

Red River

Harrison Special

Miss Carroll & Co
New Orleans
Long

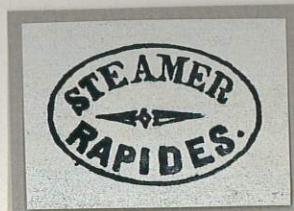
K459a

Ex H. V. A. P.

Letter delivered out of the mails in accordance
with the postal regulations.

414 ton side-wheeler built in 1855 at New Albany, Ind.
home port New Orleans. Passed to Confederate control in
1861, final disposition unknown.

"Rapides"



Red River



Carried and delivered out of the U.S. Mail
in accordance with the PL & R.

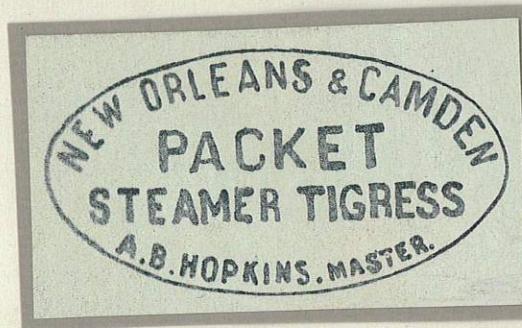
The packet marking "Steamer Rapides" in black.

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WATERWAYS MAIL

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"Tigress"

Ouachita River



Letter picked up en-route to New Orleans, placed in the mail March 7, 1860 - cancelled "Steam" indicating the Captain or Clerk received their fee.

A 321 ton side-wheeler built in 1858 at its home port Cincinnati. Sunk by gunfire at Vicksburg, April 23, 1863.

"Cora No. 2"

Ouachita River



Letter picked up en-route to New Orleans, there placed in the mail by the Captain or Clerk who received the 1 cent "way" fee as indicated by the cancellation.

This 375 ton side-wheeler was built at New Albany, Ind. in 1849, home port New Orleans. Abandoned in 1855.

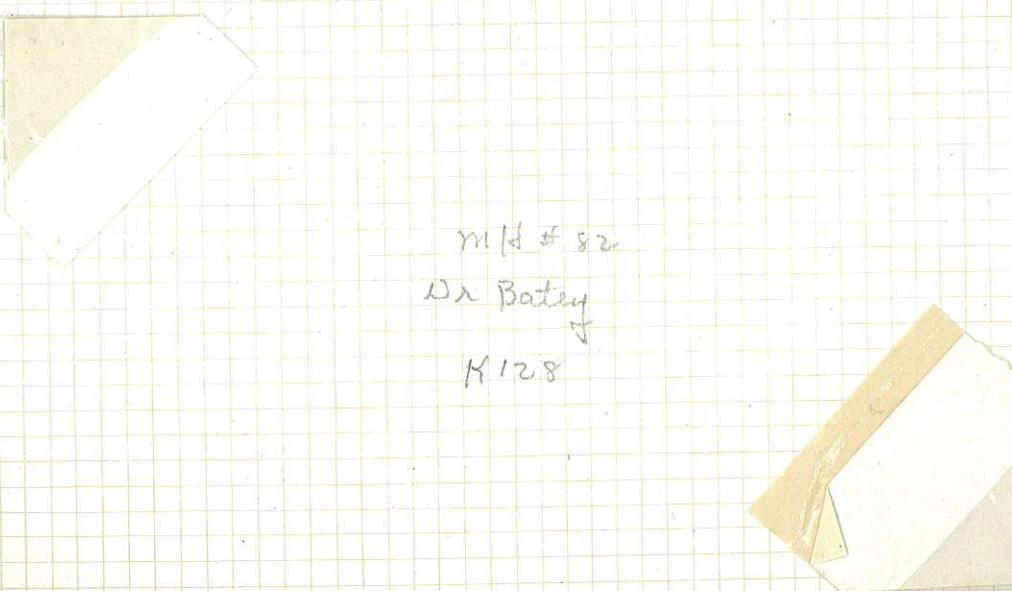
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P 280 1851 Shousetown Pa Pittsburgh Pa
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Date June 1853 Munder Ga

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Miss & Ouachita Rivers
Date June 21 1854

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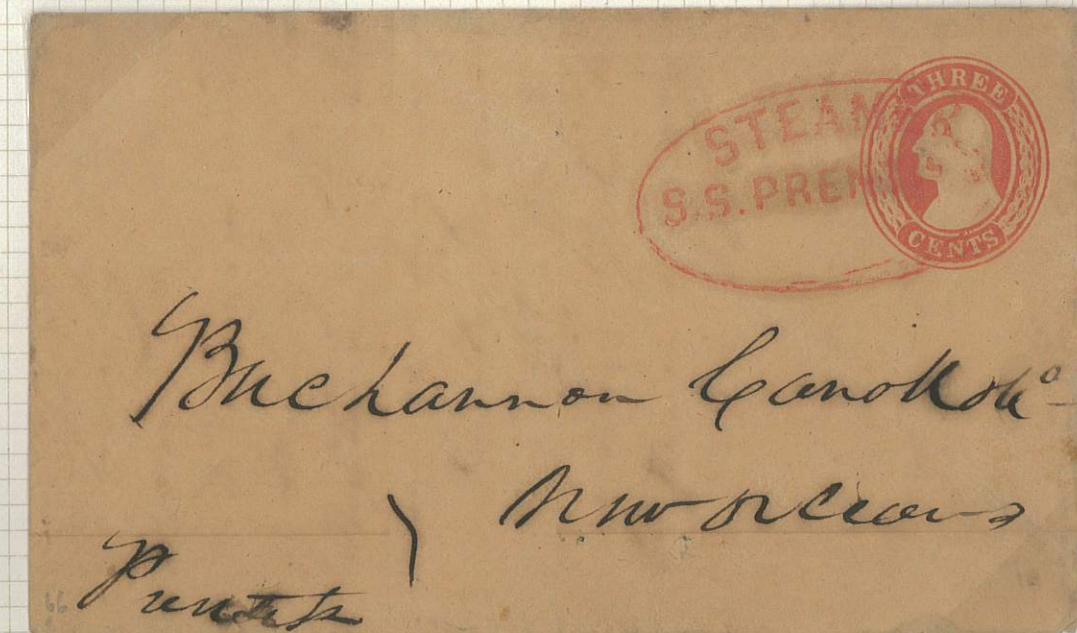
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P 336 1855 Shousetown Pa Pittsburgh C 61
K517 This issue 1857
Ouachita river



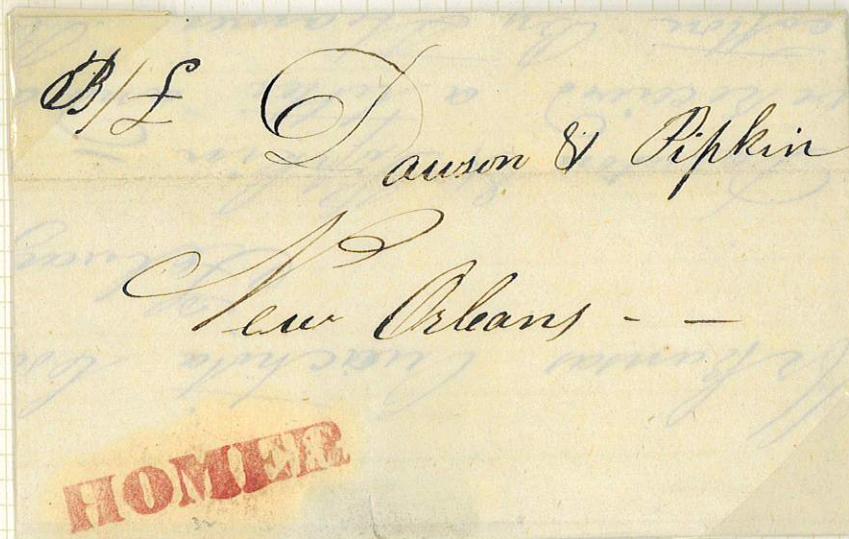
P 252 1853 Jeffersonville Ind Pittsburgh L 58

K518

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Magnolia"

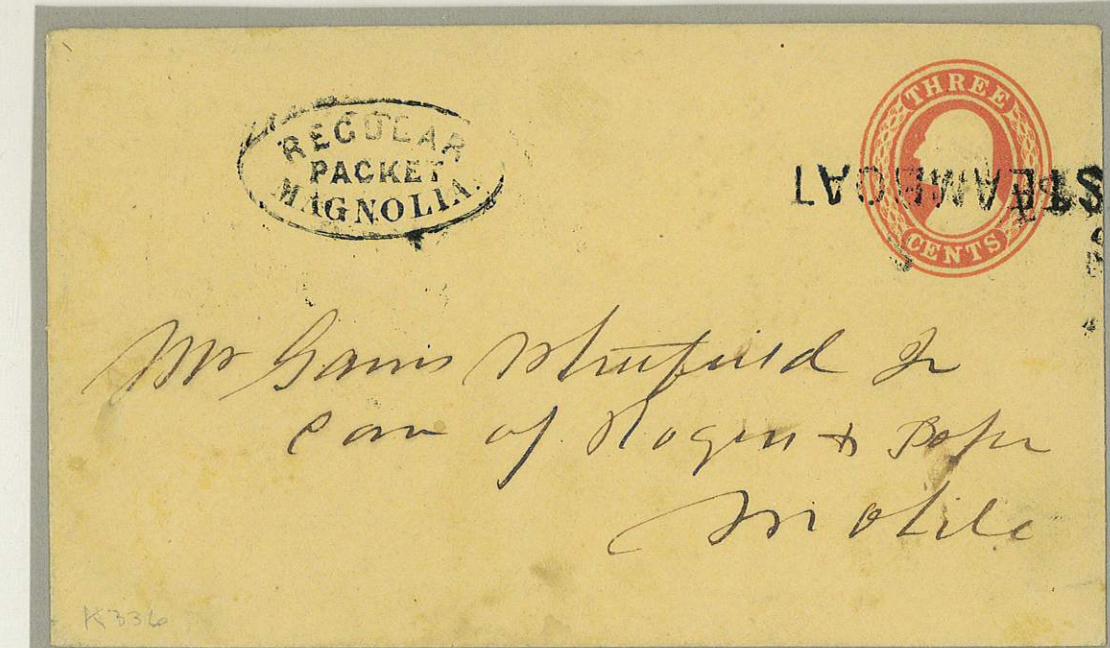
Alabama River



P 247 1846 Louisville - Louisville Ky 7.50
July 3 1848 Ouachita County Ark. Teche River
K245



P 237 1851 Wheeling Va Cincinnati 19.67
Cairo - Memphis - Miss River
NL



Letter picked up and carried to Mobile, Ala. placed in the mail and cancelled "Steamboat" indicating the 2 cent fee was paid to a non-contract boat.

A 325 ton side-wheeler built at Jeffersonville, Ind. in 1852, home port Mobile. Abandoned in 1867.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Mary Clifton"

Alabama River



Letter dated Union Town, Ala. September 5, 1851, carried by the Mary Clifton to Mobile, and there placed in the U.S. Mail - 5 cents postage unpaid.

206 ton side-wheeler built at New Albany, Ind. in 1849, home port Mobile, Ala. February 26, 1855 snagged at Tait Shoals, Alabama.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Sally Robinson"

Bayou Sara & Gulf Coast



Letter carried by boat to New Orleans, there placed in the mail June 3, 1858 and cancelled "Steam" to indicate the 2 cent fee had been paid the Captain or Clerk.

A 267 ton side-wheeler built at its home port in 1856, Cincinnati. Taken over by the Confederacy in 1861. Its disposition is not known.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"Warrior"

Black River

Harmon Special

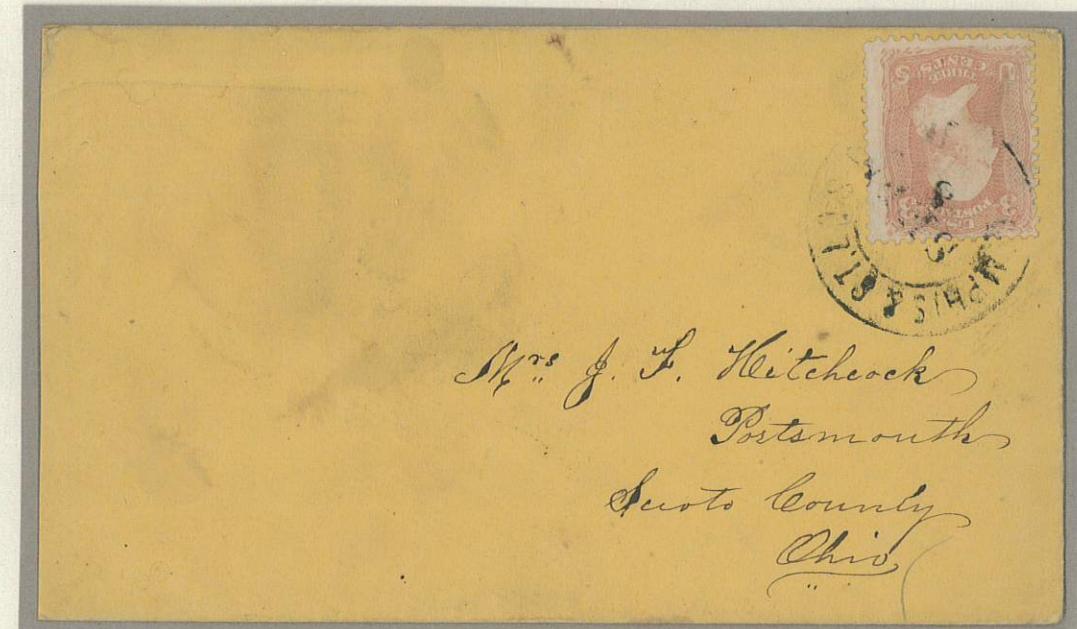


Bootleg letter ordering drugs datelined Camden, Ark.
March 16, 1849. Carried and delivered out of the mail
to New Orleans.

204 ton side-wheeler built in 1844 at Cincinnati, Ohio
home port Mobile, Ala. Exploded February 20, 1852 at
the Meramec River, Mo. with a loss of two lives.

WATERWAYS MAIL

MEMPHIS & ST. LO S.B. LINE

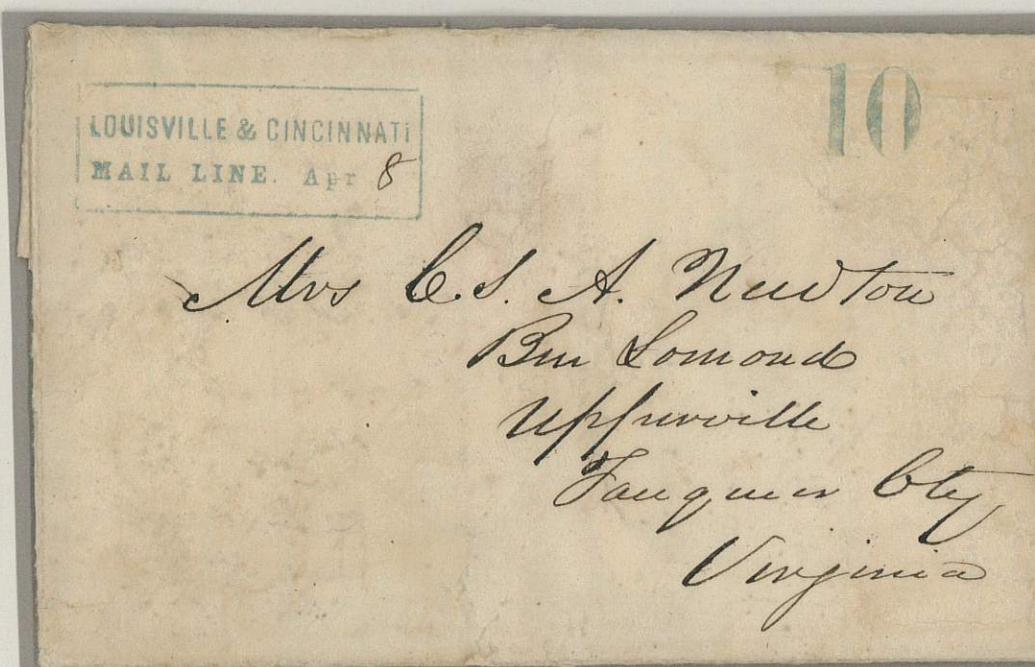
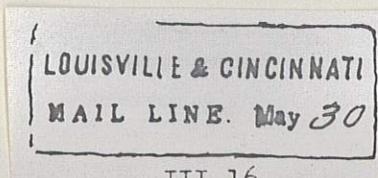


Letter cancelled by a U.S. Route Agent aboard a
steamboat of the Memphis and St. Louis Steamboat
Line, dated September 8, (186?) to Portsmouth, Ohio.

WATERWAYS MAIL

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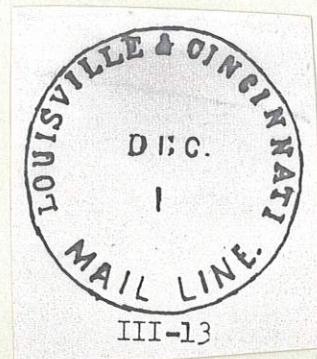
LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI MAIL LINE



Unpaid letter datelined Louisville, April 7. Posted aboard a steamboat for New Orleans. U.S. Route Agent marking Louisville and Cincinnati Mail Line April 8.

Interesting comment in the letter - "as usual the Baltimore Road charged me \$3.50 for Extra Baggage and gave me a counterfeit note in change."

LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI MAIL LINE



Prepaid letter datelined Cincinnati, September 11, 1851. Given to the U.S. Route Agent and cancelled on the 12th. for delivery at New Orleans.

WATERWAYS MAIL

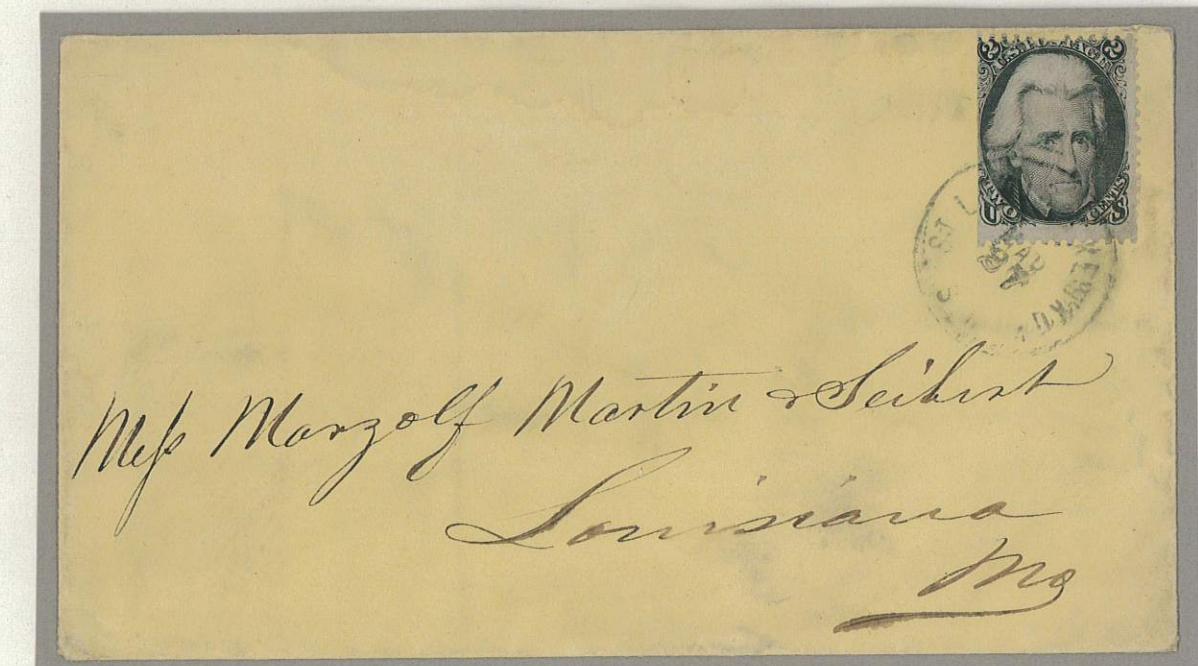
CINCINNATI & LOUISVILLE Mail Route



This cancel used by contract boats having a U.S. Postal clerk on board (a mail or route agent). This cancellation is known used from 1847 to 1863.

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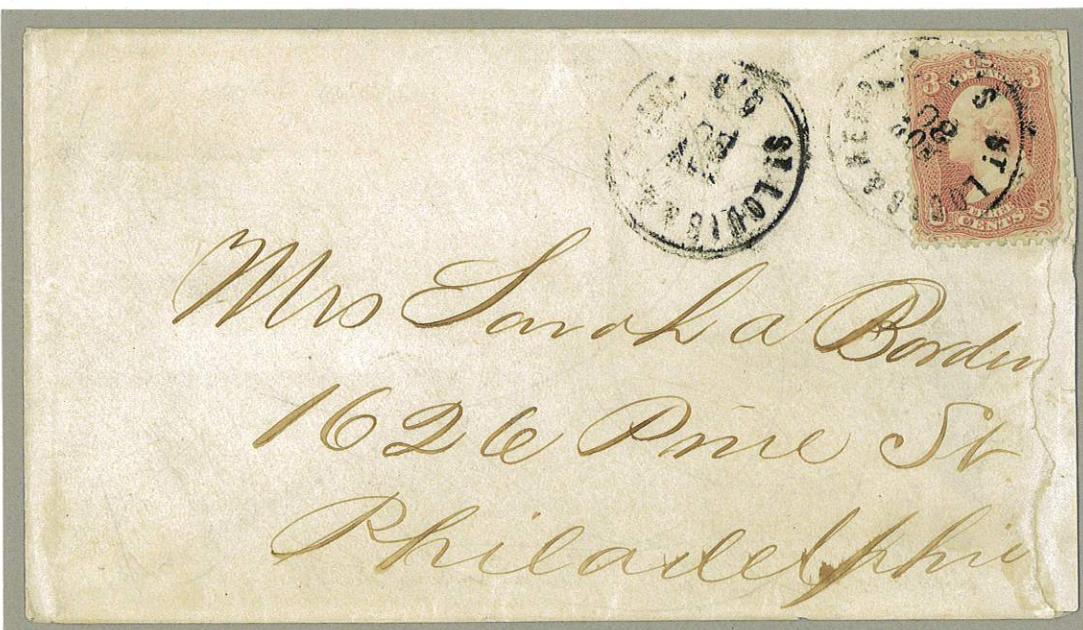
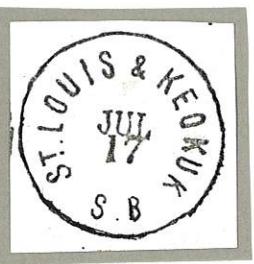
ST LOUIS & KEOKUK S.B.



Letter cancelled by the U.S. Route Agent aboard a St. Louis and Keokuk Steamboat, March 27, (1864 or later) to Louisiana, Mo.

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ST LOUIS & KEOKUK S. B.



Letter placed in the mail aboard a steamboat and cancelled by the U.S. Route Agent, St. Louis and Keokuk Steamboat, November 30 (1867)
to Philadelphia, Pa.



not a m/s



Mr. Hannah F. M. Allister
Oregon
Holt County,
Missouri

Built 1856 U.S. Transport service until Porter in 1864
sunk no 1877

K131. Red river 1860
300 Ton Built Sammerville Home port no
Passed to Longfellow 1861

WATERWAYS MAIL

"General Lafayette"

Ohio River

Heiloom Special



Letter datelined New Orleans, Dec. 28, 1848, telling of the panic resulting from the cholera epidemic. Unpaid, 10 cents to Evansville, Ind.

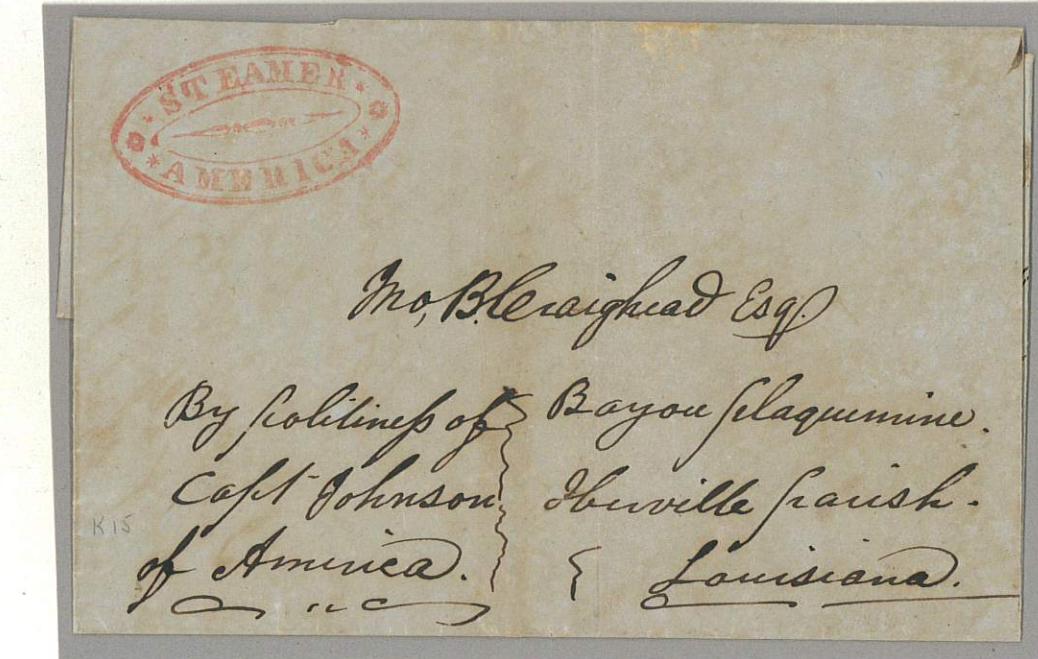
A 463 ton side-wheeler built at New Albany, Ind. in 1847 its home port Louisville, Ky. Abandoned in 1854.

WATERWAYS MAIL

"America"

Ohio River

Heiloom Special



Carried out of the mails "by politeness" of the Captain, November 1849. Addressed to Iberville Parish, Louisiana.

A 740 ton side-wheeler built at New Albany, Ind. in 1849 Home port Louisville, Ky. The boat struck a snag and sank January 20, 1857 on the St. Francis River in Arkansas.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Hudson River



Unpaid letter dated May 6, 1848 carried by a non-contract boat to Troy. The 7 cent fee, 5 cents postage + 2 cent ship fee. The markings applied at Troy, N.Y.

Troy and New York Steamboat

Mail carried to Troy by non-contract mail steamboats were placed in the regular at Troy and were hand stamped at that office.

WATERWAYS MAIL

Lake Champlain



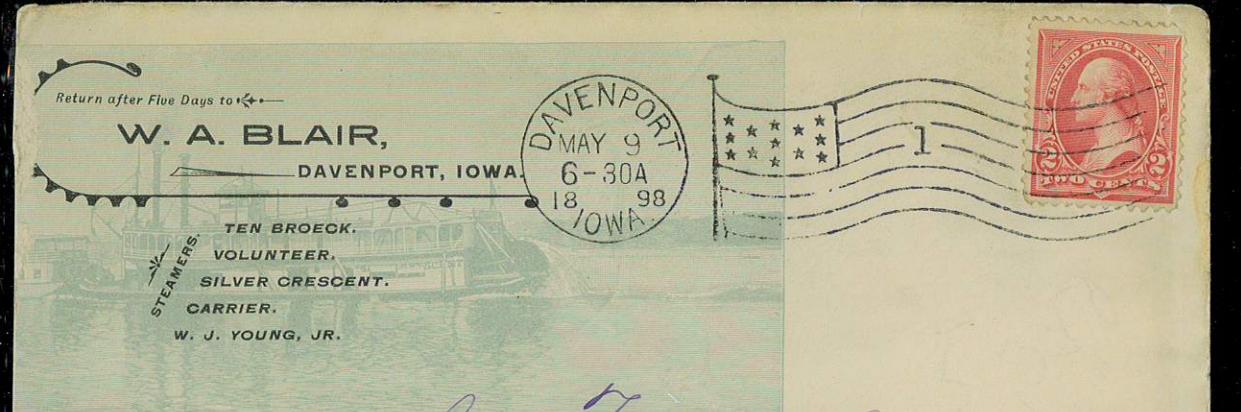
"Franklin"



Letter dated May 19, 1832 to South Berwick, Maine. Carried by the Franklin and placed in the mails at Burlington, Vt. August 3rd. rated 18½ cents and unpaid.

This was a 258 ton side-wheeler built at St. Albans, Vt. in 1827, home port Burlington, Vt., abandoned in 1838.





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