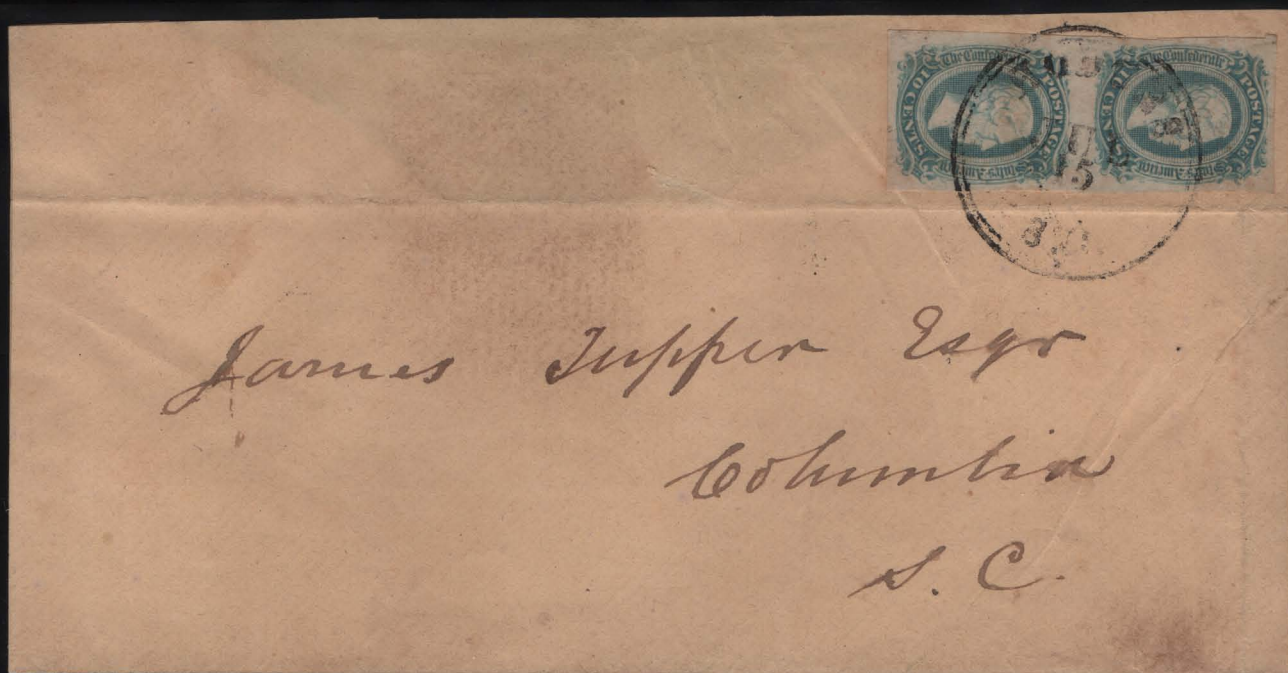


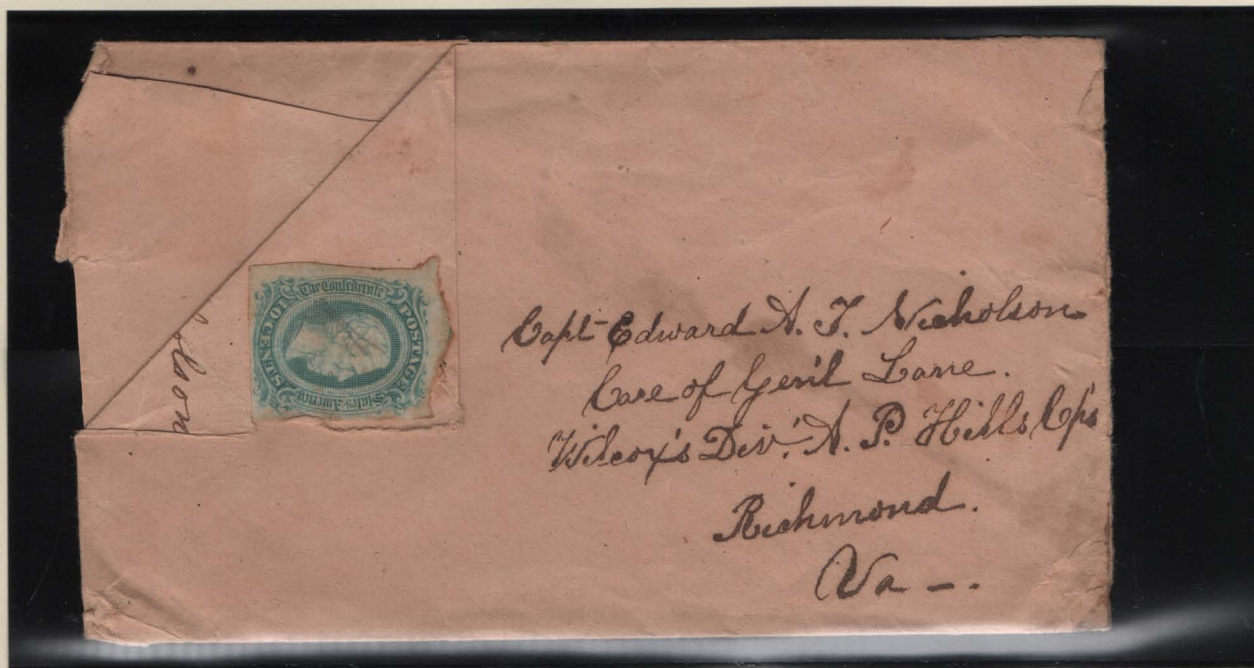
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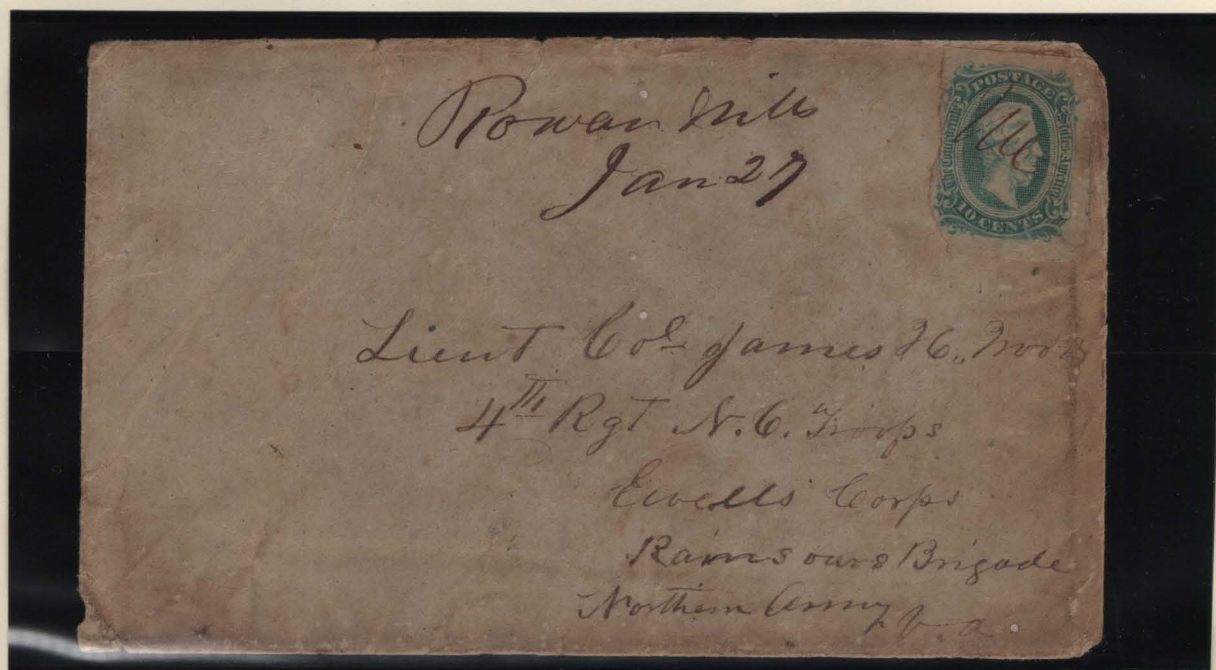
A RICHMOND VA CDS TIES TWO BLUE #11'S TO A COVER ADDRESSED TO A CAPTAIN IN THE SMALL TOWN OF FORKS OF PIGEON, NORTH CAROLINA.



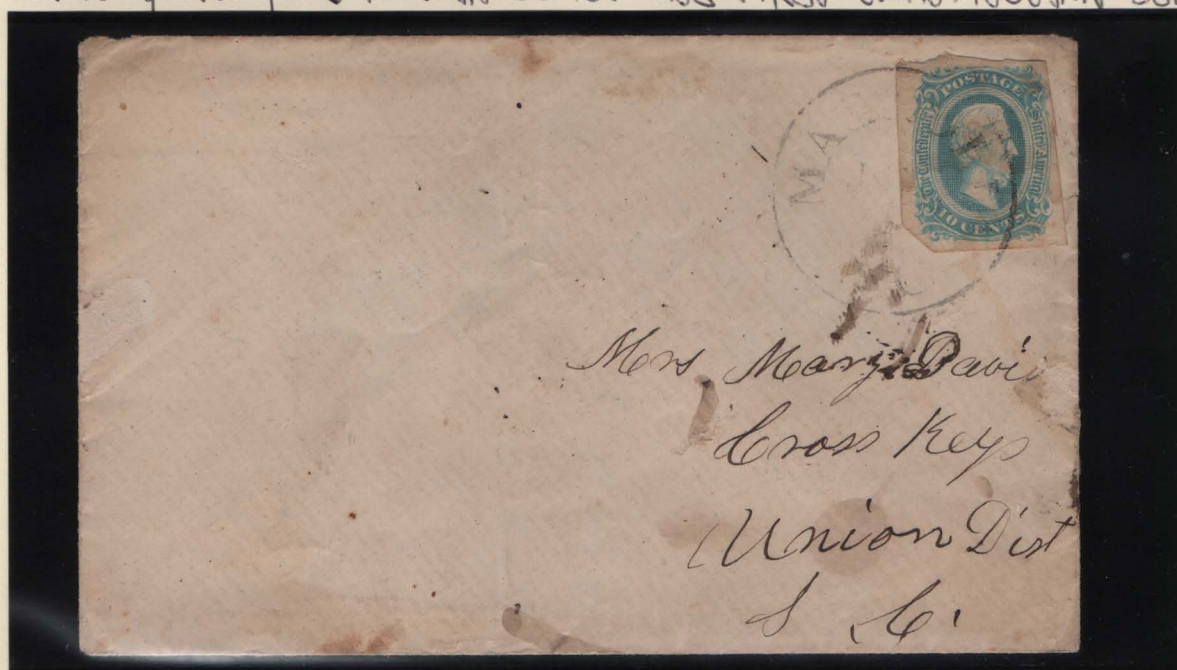
A HODGES SOUTH CAROLINA CIRCULAR DATE STAMP (REALLY A S.O.N. DONGER) TIES AN EXTRA FINE BLUE #11 PAIR TO A NICE COVER TO COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA.



A GREENISH BLUE #11 ON A TURNED COVER. THE INSIDE (FIRST) USE SHOW THE STAMP RECEIVE A PEN COVER AND THE INSIDE CONTAINS A MATCHING MANUSCRIPT "BROWNSVILLE N.C. MAR 11th" POSTMARK. THE OUTSIDE (SECOND) USE WAS A HAND CARRIED LETTER WITH A SPECTACULAR MILITARY ADDRESS. THE ADDRESS NAMES THREE CONFEDERATE GENERALS - INCLUDING A.P. HILL, A CORP. COMMANDER IN ROBERT E LEE'S ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA. BY WAR'S END, A.P. HILL (WHO DIED IN THE WAR'S FINAL DAYS) HAD ASSUMED STONEMAN JACKSON'S ROLE AS BOBBY LEE'S MOST BELoved AND TRUSTED SUBORDINATE.



A GREENISH BLUE #11 WITH A PEN CANCEL AND A MANUSCRIPT ROWAN MILLS (N.C.) JAN. 27 POSTMARK ON A COVER WITH A FULL MILITARY ADDRESS. GENERAL JAMES "BALDY" EWELL BECAME A CORP COMMANDER IN THE A.N.V. UPON THE DEATH OF STONEWALL JACKSON. HIS FAILURE TO TAKE CULP'S HILL ON THE FIRST DAY AT GETTYSBURGH PROBABLY DEALT A SEVERE BLOW TO ROBERT E LEE'S CHANCES FOR A VICTORY. (PURCHASED AT THE FIRST C.S.A. AUCTION-SEPT 1996)



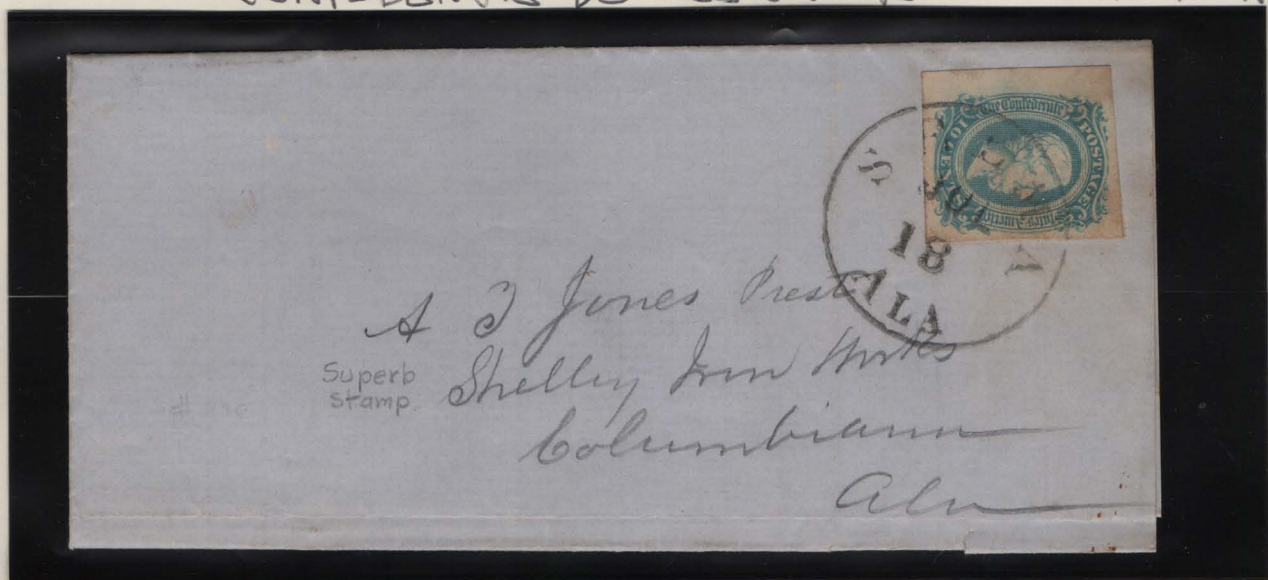
A VERY FINE MILKY BLUE ADHESIVE WITH IRREGULAR MARGINS (PROBABLY TORN FROM THE SHEET AT TOP) GLUED TO A FUP+ COVER BY A MAGNOLIA NORTH CAROLINA CIRCULAR DATE STAMP.

SUPERB STAMPS ON EXCEEDING INTERESTING RARE COVERS

- OVERPAID DROP RATE USAGE.



THIS LOVELY GREENISH BLUE (ALMOST TRUE GREEN) EXAMPLE IS TIED TO A VF COVER BY A GRIFFIN GEORGIA CDS. NOTICE THAT THE ADDRESS IS ALSO GRIFFIN GEORGIA. THE ADDRESS AND POSTMARK MAKE THIS A "DROP RATE COVER" - YET THE #11 OVERPAYS THE DROP RATE BY EIGHT CENTS. - CONFEDERATE LOSSES ON THE WESTERN FRONT -



THIS MARVELOUS LEFT SHEET MARGIN MILKY BLUE IS TIED BY A SELMA ALABAMA CDS TO A SCRAMBLED FOLDED LETTER. THE LETTER (PHOTOCOPY AT LEFT) IS SIGNIFICANTLY MORE RELEVANT - THE WRITER SPEAKS OF FEAR THAT GEN JOHNSON WILL GIVE UP JACKSON AND "FALL BACK TO THE BIG RIVER" (ACTUALLY JACKSON MISS FALL TO THE UNION ON MAY 14 1863). THE LETTER ALSO SPEAKS OF SCARCITY AND INFLATION IN A NATION AT WAR. NOTE THE REFERENCE TO THE SHORTAGE OF SHOES AND THE PRICE PER PAIR.



A PRETTY PAIR OF MILKY BLUE #11'S TIED TO A HOME-MADE COVER BY AN EXCEEDINGLY COMPLEMENTARY BLUE CHARLOTTE C.H. (VIRGINIA) CANCEL. THE DOCKETING ON THIS COVER IS RARE AND INTERESTING IN THAT IT IS ADDRESSED TO A CHAPLIN IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY.

ALSO NOTE THE SHIRT IN POSITION IN THE SCUMPS. THIS 1 mm. + SHIRT OCCURS BETWEEN VERTICAL ROWS 7 & 8 ON THE AED PLATING OF # 11. IT IS UNUSUAL TO SEE A PAIR ON COVER THAT SO NICELY ILLUSTRATES THIS UNCATALOGUED PLATING VARIETY.

BY BRIAN GREEN AND SIGNED ON THE BACK



A FAIRLY NICE STRIKE OF THE RARE VIOLET LYNCHBURG VA C.D.C. TIES A MILKY BLUE #11 TO THIS SMALL YELLOW-LINED COVER.

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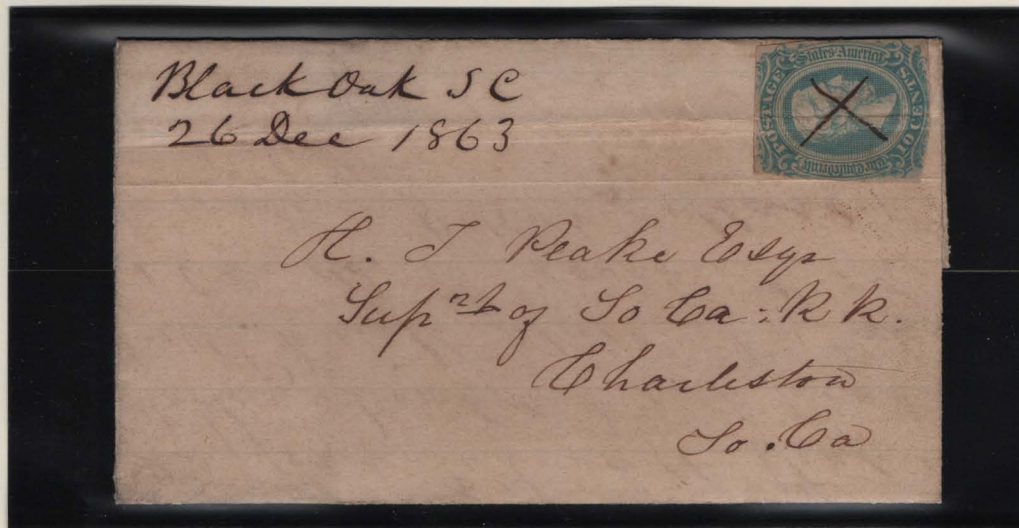


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A RARE VIOLET AUGUSTA GEORGIA CONCEL TIES THIS KEATINGE AND BALL #11 TO A COVER ADDRESSED TO GEN. E. P. ALEXANDER WHO SERVED FOR A TIME AS ROBT. E. LEE'S ARTILLERY COMMANDER IN THE A.N.V. (MORE ON GENERAL ALEXANDER IS TO BE FOUND ON A LATER PAGE) NOTE THE ROUTING INSCRIPTION AT UPPER LEFT WHICH ADDS VALUE AND INCREASES THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS COVER. THIS PIECE WAS POSTED RATHER LATE IN THE WAR (THE EARLIEST KNOWN USE OF A K&B #11 IS OCTOBER 4, 1864) AND AT THE TIME LARGE PARTS OF GEORGIA WERE OCCUPIED BY SHERMAN'S YANKES.

LIFE, LUGGAGE AND LAWSUITS IN A NATION AT WAR



A CLOSELY CUT #11 IN THE MILKY BLUE SHADE (DEEP MILKY BLUE) AND A BLACK OAK, SOUTH CAROLINA, M.S. POSTMARK ARE THE LEAST INTERESTING FEATURES OF THIS COVER. THE COVER IS A STAMPED GILDED LETTER WITH A MARVELOUS RAILROAD ADDRESS—AND THE LETTER (ACTUALLY ALMOST TWO LETTERS) IS BOTH AN EXAMPLE OF EVERY DAY LIFE AND PROBLEMS IN A NATION AT WAR, AND THE DISLOCATIONS CAUSED BY THE ECONOMIC PRIVATIONS OF WAR.

← THE LETTER DETAILS THE MAKER'S LOSS OF HIS TRUCKS, HIS FRUSTRATION AT THE RAILROAD'S INACTION, AND ENDS WITH HIS THREAT TO "PLACE THE CASE IN A LAWYER'S HANDS". THE VALUATION THE WRITER PLACES ON HIS 'LOST MERCHANDISE' (\$1,800 DOLLARS - A HUGE SUM CONSIDERING THAT A PRIVATE MADE \$10 A WEEK) SHOWS THE EXTENT TO WHICH INFLATION RAVAGED THE CONFEDERACY.

THE RECIPIENT OF THE LETTER WROTE HIS RESPONSE DIRECTLY ON THE LETTER. THE VERTICAL WRITING AT LEFT. ONE CAN ONLY WONDER IF THE WRITER EVER RECOVERED HIS TRUNK, FILED SUIT OR JUST SUSTAINED HIS LOSS.

A VERY LATE USAGE OF CSA # 11

- RARE TEXAS CONCL -



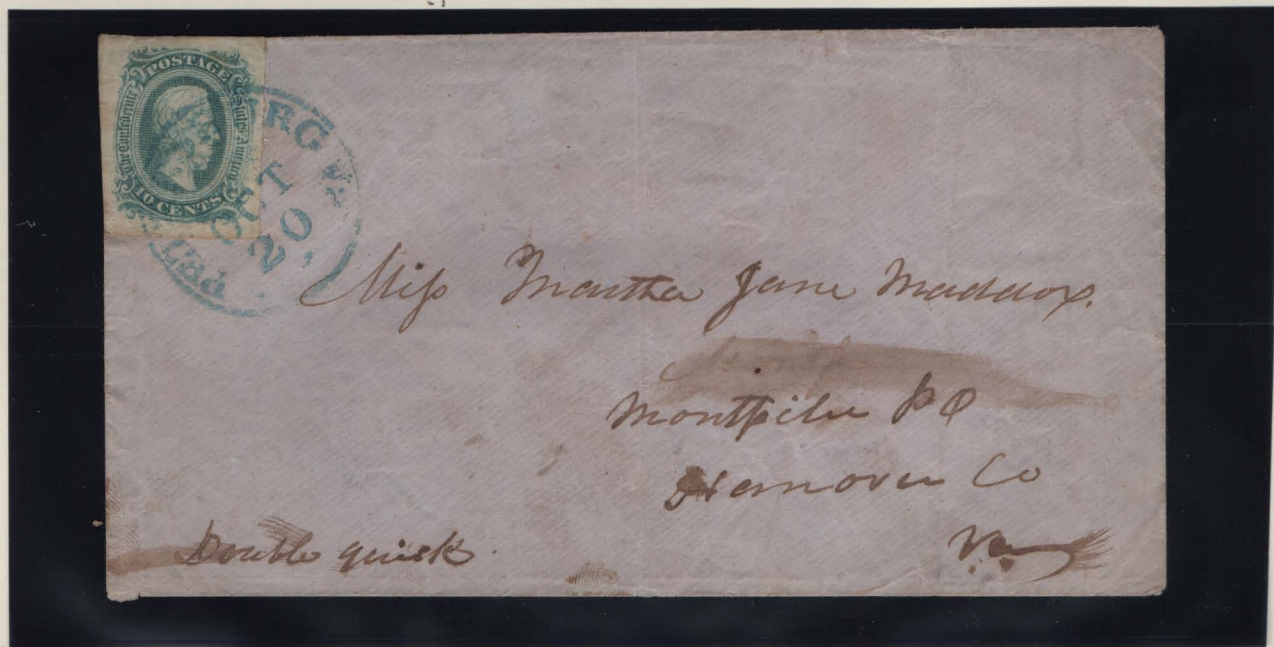
A "SPRING" (DOWN UNLISTED IN NEW DIST2) OR
PERHAPS "SPRING HILL" TEXAS CIRCULAR DATE STAMP OVER
A SPECTULAR BLUE-GREEN (CLOSE TO TRUE GREEN) ADHESIVE
TO THIS COVER. THE DOCKETING AT LEFT BY THE
RECIPIENT INDICATES THIS COVER WAS RECEIVED ON "FRIDAY
EVENING MAY 12TH 1865". MAY 12TH 1865 POSTDATES BY OVER
A MONTH THE SURRENDER OF ROBT. E. LEE AND IS TWO DAYS
AFTER THE CAPTURE OF PRESIDENT DAVIS. THIS COVER COULD (?)
BE THE LATEST USAGE OF CSA # 11 OR THE LAST COVER
BORROWING A CSA # 11 TO BE DELIVERED. IF SO, IT WOULD PROVIDE
A COMPANION PIECE TO THE EARLIEST KNOWN USAGE OF # 11 -
CONTAINED IN THIS COLLECTION ON A FOLLOWING PAGE.

RARE COLORS AND RARE COLORED COVERS



RARE
GREENISH-
GRAY
DOWN
COVER

A NINETY SIX SOUTH CAROLINA (YES, THAT IS THE NAME OF THE DOWN) APRIL 11th 1864 DATESHAMP THIS GREEN #11 (11d SORT) TO AN EXTRA FINE COVER THAT ONCE WAS PART OF THE DAVID KOHN COLLECTION AND WAS PROBABLY INCLUDED IN HIS MANY AWARD WINNING EXHIBITS. (DAVID KOHN HANDSHAMP ON REVERSE)
NOTE THE ADDRESS TO A REVEREND AND THE DOCKETING "PRIVATE" AS LEFT. ONE CAN ONLY WONDER WHAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS COVER REVEALED!!



A SPECTACULAR FULL STRIKE OF THE BLUE PETERSBURG VIRGINIA CIRCULAR DATESHAMP THIS A SUPERB GREENISH BLUE ADHESIVE TO A VERY CUSHION COVER NOTE THE MAKER'S PENCIL ERASURE OF THE ADDRESS AND THE DOCKETING "DOUBLE QUICK" AT BOTTOM LEFT.

PREMIUM SHADES AND COLORED COVERS



A NICE STRIKE OF THE RED CHESSEB COURT HOUSE SOUTH CAROLINA CDC HAS A MAGNIFICANT GREEN #11 (ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS STAMP) TO THE FRONT PART OF A STAMPED FOLDED LETTER.



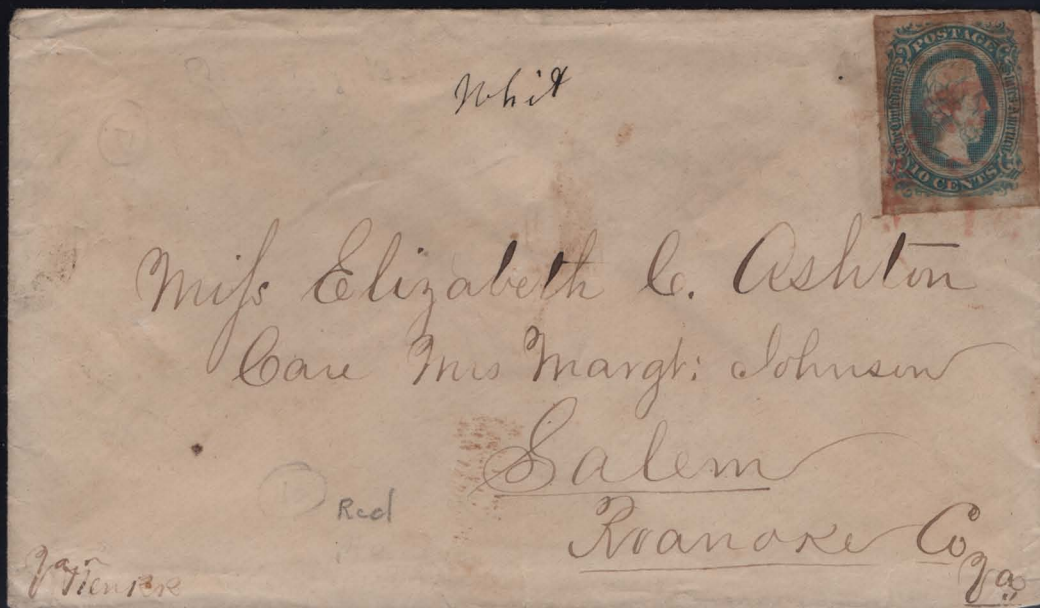
ANOTHER RED CHESSEB COURT HOUSE S.C. CDC HAS THIS #11 TO COVER

A COVER WHICH COMMENTS ON THE CONFEDERATE SURRENDER OF VICKSBURG.

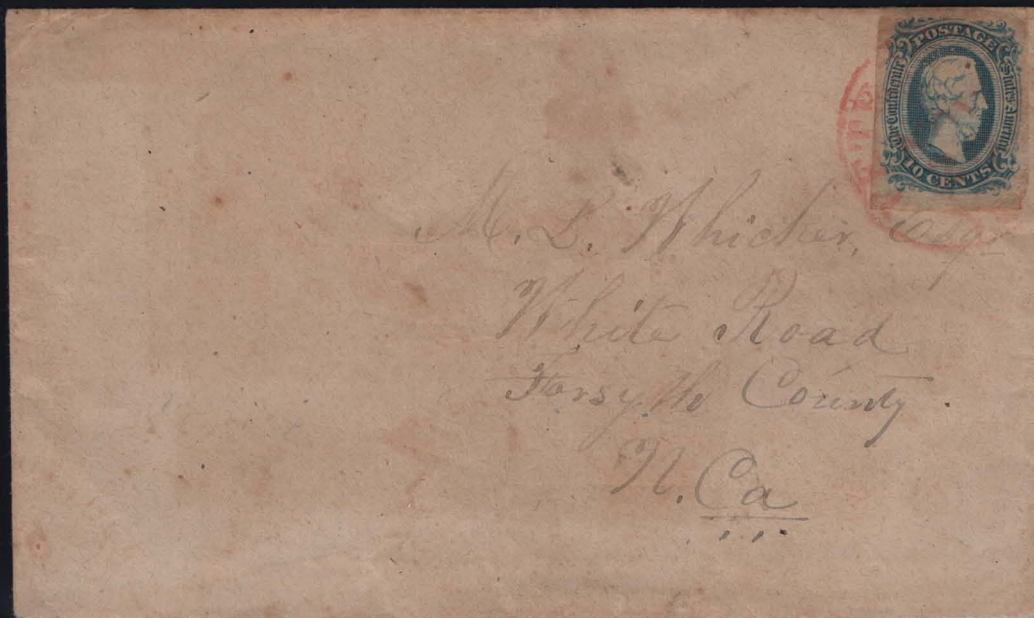


A RED RALEIGH NORTH CAROLINA CDC HAS A GREENISH BLUE #11 TO THIS COVER WITH DOCKETING AT FAR LEFT WHICH SAYS- IN PAPER "THE WORLD'S TOO HARD- WE (WE) TAKEN A GREAT SURRENDER AT VICKSBURG."

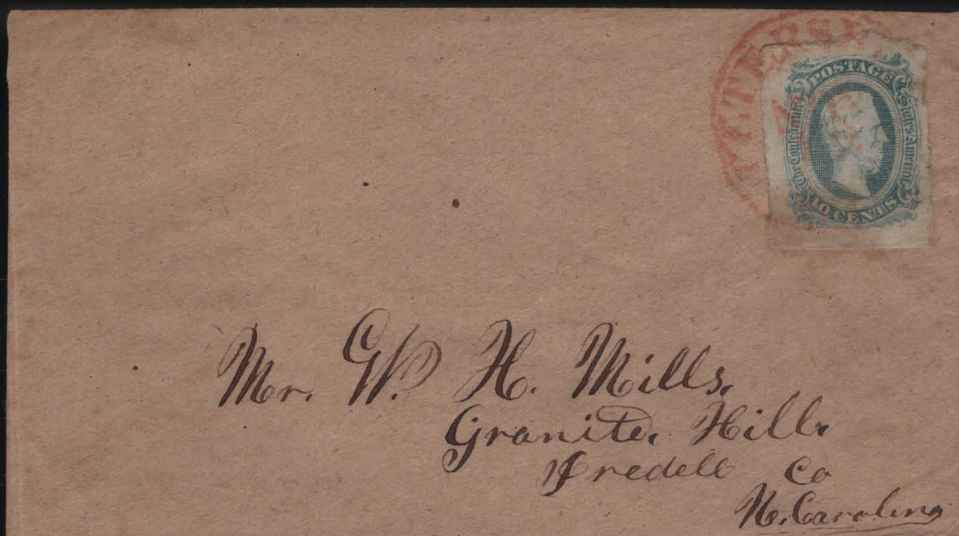
PREMIUM SHADES AND COLORED COVERS



A RED PETERSBURG
COVERS A
KEATINGE BALL
#11 (RARE ON COVER)
THIS COVER WAS
MAILED FROM
PETERSBURG DURING
THE UNION SIEGE
THAT ENDED IN
THE FALL OF
RICHMOND &
THE SURRENDER
OF ROBT. E. LEE.



A RED PETERSBURG
COVERS A
MRE AED #11
DO A VERY FINE
COVER FROM
THE COLLECTION
OF DONALD M. TOLP.
THE BACK FLAP OF
THIS COVER HAS
A QUANT NOTE:
"SATURDAY MORNING
RAINING. I AM WELL
AS CORN NOW"



ANOTHER RED
PETERSBURG THIS A LIGHT
GREENISH BLUE #11
DO THIS VERY CUSHON
COVER.