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1870 Reay Issue

UPSS number							Scott
No.	Wmk	Size	Knife	Mint	Used	Notes	No.
✓ One Cent Blue on White, Die 35							U74
✓ 142	2	6	15		200.00	.... Patent Lines	
143	2	6	16	NR	1,000.00	Ultramarine (2)	
✓ 144	2	6	17		80.00	45.00 (2)	
✓ 144 a	2	6	17		140.00	60.00 Ultramarine	U74a
✓ 144 A	2	6	17R		250.00	.... Ruled lines	
✓ One Cent Blue on Amber, Die 35							U76
146	2	6	16	NR	1,200.00	Ultramarine	U75a
✓ 147	2	6	17		60.00	45.00 (2)	
✓ 147 a	2	6	17		70.00	60.00 Ultramarine	U75a
✓ 147 A	2	6	17R		250.00	.... Ruled lines	
✓ 148	2	7	25		125.00	....
✓ One Cent Blue on Orange, Die 35							U76
✓ 149	2	7	25u		35.00	22.00 Also type 2 (2)	
✓ 150	2	7	26u		75.00	50.00	
✓ 151	2	7	27u		40.00	22.00 Also type 2 (2)	
✓ 152	2	10	50u		45.00	22.00 Also type 2 (2)	
✓ One Cent Blue on Manila Wrapper, Die 35							W77
✓ 153	2		W2		85.00	75.00 Also type 2, Ufid \$150.00	
✓ 153 a	2		W2	✓ NR	150.00	Ultramarine	
Two Cents Brown on White, Die 36							U78
154	2	6	15		400.00	450.00 Patent lines	
✓ 155	2	6	16		125.00	150.00	
✓ 156	2	6	17		60.00	25.00	
✓ Two Cents Brown on Amber, Die 36							U79
✓ 157	2	6	15		200.00	270 Patent lines	
✓ 158	2	6	16		45.00	30.00	
✓ 159	2	6	17		40.00	17.00 (3) (1 = white 2a)	
✓ 160	2	7	25		45.00	25.00	
✓ Two Cents Brown on Orange, Die 36							U80
✓ 161	2	7	25u		17.00	12.00 Also with privately gummed flap (2)	
✓ 162	2	10	48u		400.00		
✓ 163	2	10	50u		17.00	12.00	
✓ Two Cents Brown on Manila Wrapper, Die 36							W81
✓ 164	2		W2		65.00	60.00 Ufid \$135.00 (2)	



143, used 3 entires reported (HAVE 2)

146, mint 1 faulty and used less than 6 entires reported (HAVE 1)

Die 35 Type 2 is a working die, formerly listed as Die 34 with notches above and below the chocker on the front of the neck (see page 174).

153a, used 1 entire reported (HAVE)



162, used 3 entires reported (HAVE)

The two cent envelopes were issued for drop rate usage in cities with carrier service. At right is an unusual example of a UPSS 156 used for third class mail to Germany. The 'PAID ALL' handstamp, applied in New York, indicates full prepayment of postage.



UPSS number							Scott
No.	Wmk	Size	Knife	Mint	Used	Notes	No.

Three Cents Green on White, Die 37

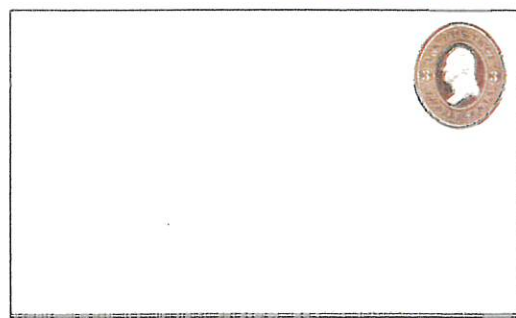
✓ 165	2	3	6	NR	400.00	Unused \$800.00, all known addressed "W. & L.E. Gurley"	U82
✓ 166	2	3	6	15.00	5.00		
✓ 166 A	2	3	6R	250.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 167	2	6	15	100.00	....	Patent lines	
✓ 168	2	6	16	....	100.00		
✓ 168 A	2	6	16R	200.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 169	2	6	17	20.00	5.00		
✓ 169	0	6	17	....	200.00		
✓ 169 A	2	6	17R	200.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 170	2	7	23	50.00	15.00	Patent lines (WALLS FANNO - 6)	
170 A	2	7	23	....	150.00	Patent lines missing	
✓ 171	2	7	25	20.00	5.00		
✓ 171 a	0	7	25	NR	✓ 500.00		
171 A	2	7	25	NR	500.00	NR Brown color error	U82a
✓ 171 B	2	7	25R	200.00	180.00	Ruled lines	
✓ 172	2	7	26	20.00	5.00		
✓ 172 A	2	7	26R	200.00	170.00	Ruled lines	
173	2	7	27	40.00	150.00		
✓ 174	2	10	48	120.00	40.00		
175	2	10	49	300.00	120.00		
✓ 176	2	10	50	20.00	5.00		
✓ 176 A	2	10	50R	225.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 177	2	10	51	80.00	....	PATENT LINES	
✓ 178	2	21	98	27.50	15.00		
✓ 179	2	21	99	100.00	....	



(HAVE)
169-0, used 2 reported

(HAVE)
171a, used 1 entire reported

171A, mint 6 may exist (HAVE)



UPSS 171A (above) is the only known error of color of the Reay Issues.

Three Cents Green on Amber, Die 37

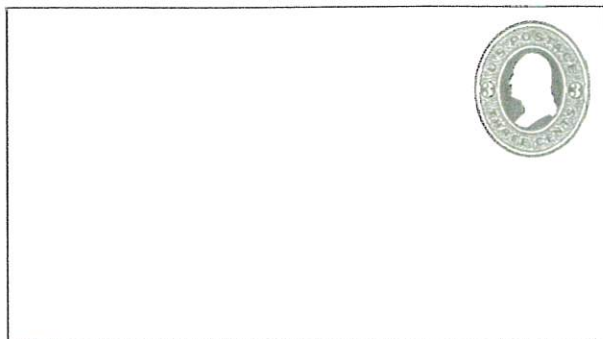
✓ 180	2	3	6	20.00	6.00		
✓ 181	2	6	15	100.00	....	Patent lines	
✓ 182	2	6	16	....	✓ 80.00		
✓ 182 a	2	6	16	30.00	9.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality (2)	
182 A	2	6	16R	200.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 183	2	6	17	20.00	6.00		
✓ 183 A	2	6	17R	250.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 184	2	7	23	20.00	8.00	Patent lines	
184	0	7	23	NR	800.00	Quadrille ruled	
✓ 185	2	7	25	20.00	7.00		
✓ 185 a	2	7	25	35.00	10.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓ 185 A	2	7	25R	250.00	175.00	Ruled lines	
✓ 186	2	7	26	20.00	6.00 (2)		
✓ 186 a	2	7	26	25.00	7.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
186 A	2	7	26R	250.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 187	2	7	27	20.00	10.00		
187 a	2	7	27	30.00	20.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
188	2	10	48	250.00	120.00		
189	2	10	49	....	120.00		
✓ 190	2	10	50	25.00	10.00		
✓ 190 a	2	10	50	30.00	10.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓ 190 A	2	10	50R	200.00	....	Ruled lines	
✓ 191	2	10	51	150.00	....	Patent lines	

Envelopes with amber paper were generally considered first quality paper and priced the same as white envelopes. The third quality amber paper was thinner and harder, though priced somewhat more than first quality amber envelopes according to the schedule of 1870.

Patents lines are printed on the side or bottom flap, folded inside the envelope and with "Pat. Nov 20 1855" printed on flap; ruled lines were printed lightly on the front of the envelope.

189, used 1 entire reported
(HAVE)

UPSS number							Scott
No.	Wmk	Size	Knife	Mint	Used	Notes	No.
Three Cents Green on Cream, Die 37							U 84
✓ 192	2	6	15	250.00	...	Patent lines	
✓ 193	2	6	16	25.00	10.00		
✓ 193 A	2	6	16R	200.00	150.00	Ruled lines	
✓ 194	2	6	17	30.00	12.00		
✓ 195	2	7	23	250.00	180.00	Patent lines	
✓ 196	2	7	25	25.00	12.00		
✓ 196 A	2	7	25R	200.00	220.00	Ruled lines	
✓ 197	2	7	26	25.00	10.00		
✓ 197 A	2	7	26R	300.00	250.00	Ruled lines	
✓ 198	2	7	27	40.00	20.00		
✓ 199	2	10	50	35.00	15.00		
✓ 199 A	2	10	50R	250.00	...	Ruled lines	
✓ 200	2	10	51	100.00	...	Patent lines	
✓ 201	2	21	98	20.00	12.00		
201 a	2	21	98	500.00		NR Thin paper (0.08mm vs 0.10 to 0.11 mm)	
202	2	21	99	500.00			
✓ Six Cents Red on White, Die 38							U 85
✓ 203	2	7	25	50.00	25.00		
✓ 204	2	7	26	47.50	30.00		
✓ 204 a	2	7	26	47.50	30.00	Vermillion	U 85a
✓ 205	2	7	27	150.00	100.00	Vermillion	U 85a
✓ 206	2	10	50	50.00	35.00		
✓ 207	2	21	98	60.00	35.00	(WELLS FARGO)	
✓ 208	2	21	99	130.00	...		
✓ 209	2	25	122	67.50	...		
✓ Six Cents Red on Amber, Die 38							U 86
✓ 210	2	7	25	55.00	40.00		
✓ 210 a	2	7	25	55.00	40.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓ 211	2	7	26	55.00	40.00		
✓ 211 a	2	7	26	80.00	50.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓ 212	2	7	27	120.00	75.00		
212 a	2	7	27	120.00	75.00	Vermillion	U 86a
✓ 213	2	10	50	65.00	40.00		
✓ 213 a	2	10	50	65.00	50.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓ 214	2	21	98	67.50	50.00		
✓ Six Cents Red on Cream, Die 38							U 87
✓ 215	2	7	25	65.00	40.00		
✓ 216	2	7	26	75.00	50.00		
✓ 217	2	10	50	110.00	50.00		
✓ 218	2	21	98	80.00	55.00		
✓ 219	2	21	99	175.00	...		
✓ 220	2	25	122	75.00	50.00		



Reay used the patent line device begun in the Nesbitt series (lines printed on side flaps) to aid in addressing envelope and later introduced envelopes with ruled lines in light blue on the face of the envelopes (as on UPSS 166A at right). However usage of "self-ruling envelopes" had been declining and Reay envelopes with ruled lines are scarce.

UPSS number							Scott
No.	Wmk	Size	Knife	Mint	Used	Notes	No.
Seven Cents Vermilion on Amber, Die 45							U85
✓221	2	7	25	80.00	900.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓221 a	2	7	25	80.00	900.00	3rd quality, very pale amber	
✓222	2	7	26	80.00	900.00	Thin paper, 3rd quality	
✓222 a	2	7	26	200.00	200.00	3rd quality, very pale amber almost white (2)	
Ten Cents Brown on White, Die 39							U81
✓223	2	7	25	175.00	170.00		
✓223 a	2	7	25	1,000.00	1,200.00	Olive-black	U89
223 b	2	7	25	1,000.00	1,200.00	Olive-gray	
223 c	0	7	25	500.00		Wove, creamy white paper	
✓224	2	7	26	140.00	150.00		
Ten Cents Brown on Amber, Die 39							U82
✓226	2	7	25	140.00	250.00		
226 a	2	7	25	1,000.00	1,800.00	Olive-gray	U90
✓227	2	7	26	160.00	200.00		
✓228	2	7	27	250.00	300.00		
Twelve Cents Plum on White, Die 40							U93
✓229	2	21	98	250.00	500.00	(2)	
✓230	2	25	122	275.00	500.00	(2)	
Twelve Cents Plum on Amber, Die 40							U94
✓231	2	21	98	250.00	750.00	(2)	
Twelve Cents Plum on Cream, Die 40							U95
✓232	2	21	98	375.00		(2)	
232 a	2	25	122	400.00		(2)	
Fifteen Cents Red-Orange on White, Die 41							U96
✓234	2	21	98	175.00			
✓234 a	2	21	98	200.00		Orange	U96a
235	2	25	122	190.00			
✓235 a	2	25	122	200.00		Orange	U96a
Fifteen Cents Red-Orange on Amber, Die 41							U97
236	2	21	98	400.00		(2)	
236 a	2	21	98	400.00		Orange (2)	U97a
Fifteen Cents Red-Orange on Cream, Die 41							U98
237	2	21	98	400.00			
237 a	2	21	98	400.00		Orange (2)	U98a
✓238	2	25	122	450.00			
✓238 a	2	25	122	450.00		Orange	U98a



The seven cents Stanton envelope (and stamp) were issued for a special seven cents rate per half ounce for prepaid direct mail to Bremen and Hamburg sent to the North German Union (NGU), Austria and Luxemburg between July 1, 1870 and August 30, 1871. Both were also used for a seven cent rate to Germany for prepaid letters via closed mail through England, effective October 1, 1871 through June 30, 1875. At right is one of two known envelopes used during this period with a seven cent stamp added for double weight.



UPSS number								Scott
No.	Wmk	Size	Knife	Mint	Used	Notes	No.	
Twenty Four Cents Purple on White, Die 42								U 99
✓239	2	21	98	200.00	960.00	(2)		
239 a	2	21	98	235.00	....	Light purple	
✓240	2	25	122	275.00	....	(2)	
Twenty Four Cents Purple on Amber, Die 42								U 100
✓241	2	21	98	375.00	....	(2)	
✓241 a	2	21	98	375.00	....	Light purple	
Twenty Four Cents Purple on Cream, Die 42								U 101
✓242	2	21	98	475.00	....	(3)	
✓242 a	2	21	98	475.00	....	Light purple	
243	2	25	122	500.00	....	(2)	
Thirty Cents Black on White, Die 43								U 102
✓244	2	21	98	300.00	850.00	(2)		
✓245	2	25	122	325.00	....	(2)	
Thirty Cents Black on Amber, Die 43								U 103
246	2	21	98	300.00	....	(2)	
Thirty Cents Black on Cream, Die 43								U 104
✓247	2	21	98	400.00	....	(2)	
✓248	2	25	122	425.00	....	Also HL	
Ninety Cents Carmine on White, Die 44								U 105
✓249	2	21	98	200.00	....	(2)	
✓250	2	25	122	300.00	....	(2)	
Ninety Cents Carmine on Amber, Die 44								U 106
251	2	21	98	300.00	3,500.00	(2)		
Ninety Cents Carmine on Cream, Die 44								U 107
✓252	2	21	98	450.00	5,500.00	(3)		
253	2	25	122	500.00	....	(2)	



High value envelopes (as the UPSS 244 at right) were intended for use in foreign mails before rates were reduced by UPU convention.





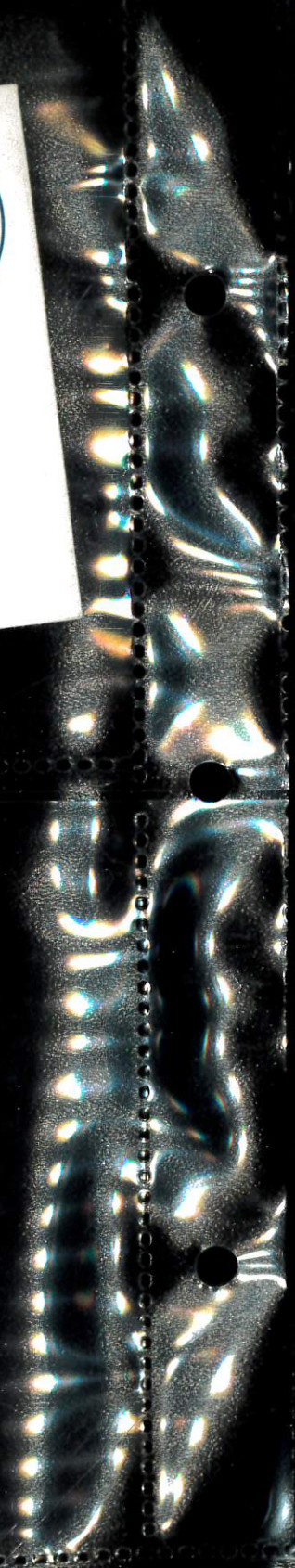
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Size 2
Knife 25

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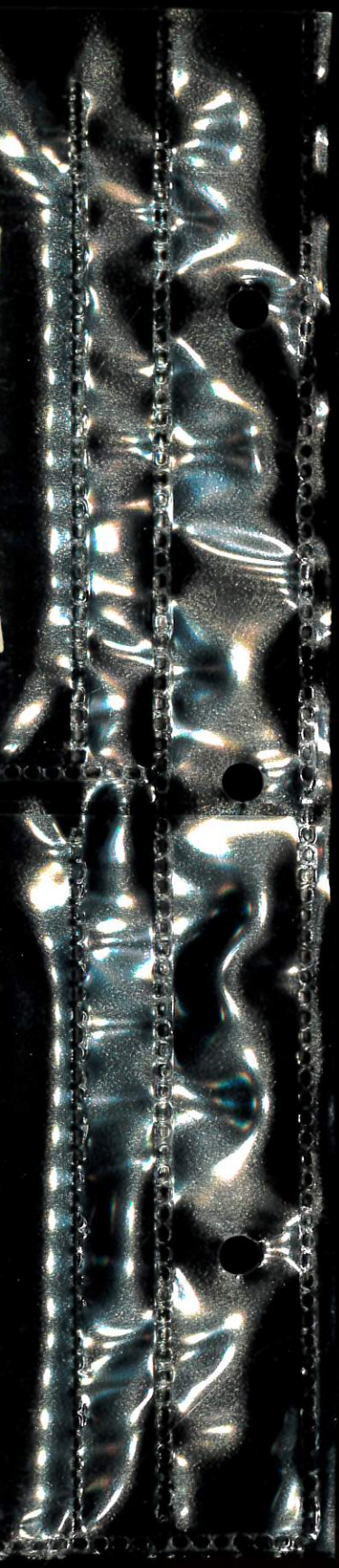
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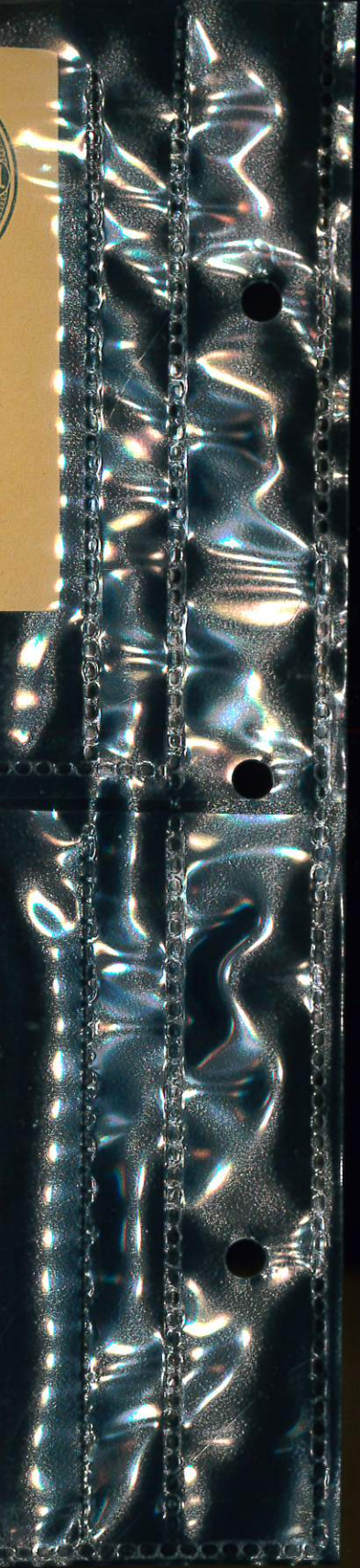


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Size 2
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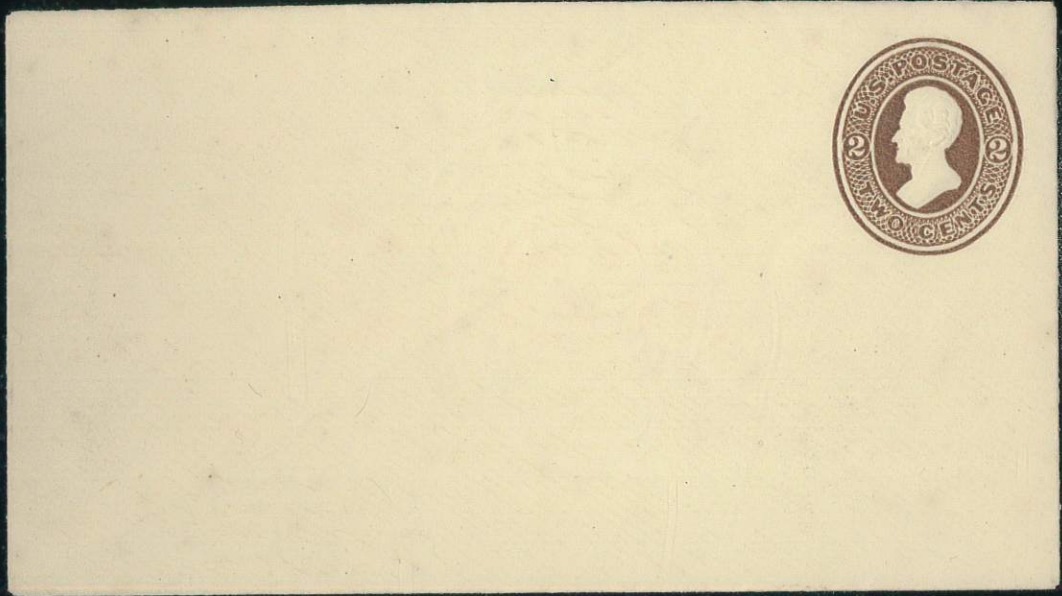


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JPS 162

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No. 236

Die 733 100

Size 6

Knf. 31:

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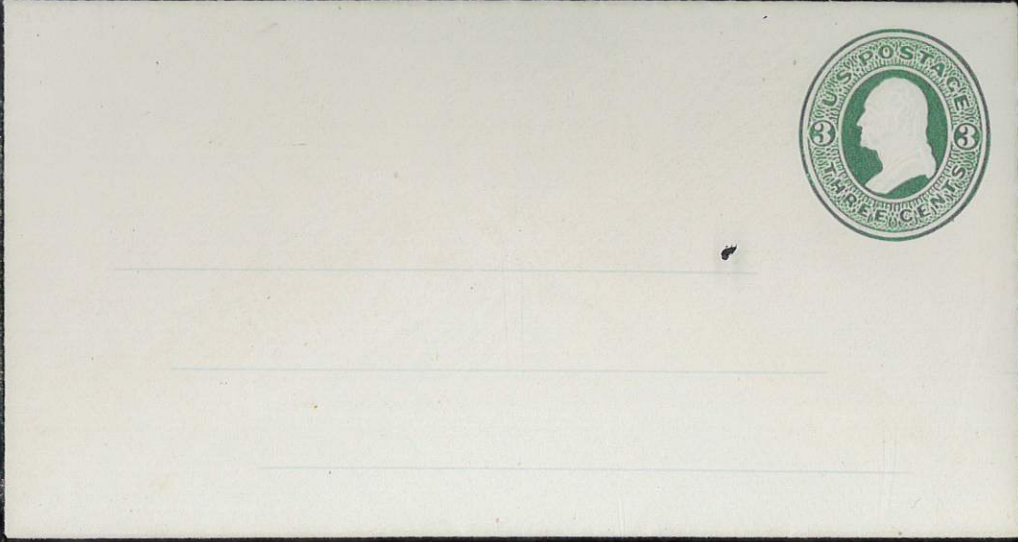
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3 copies known
2 copies known
(1923)

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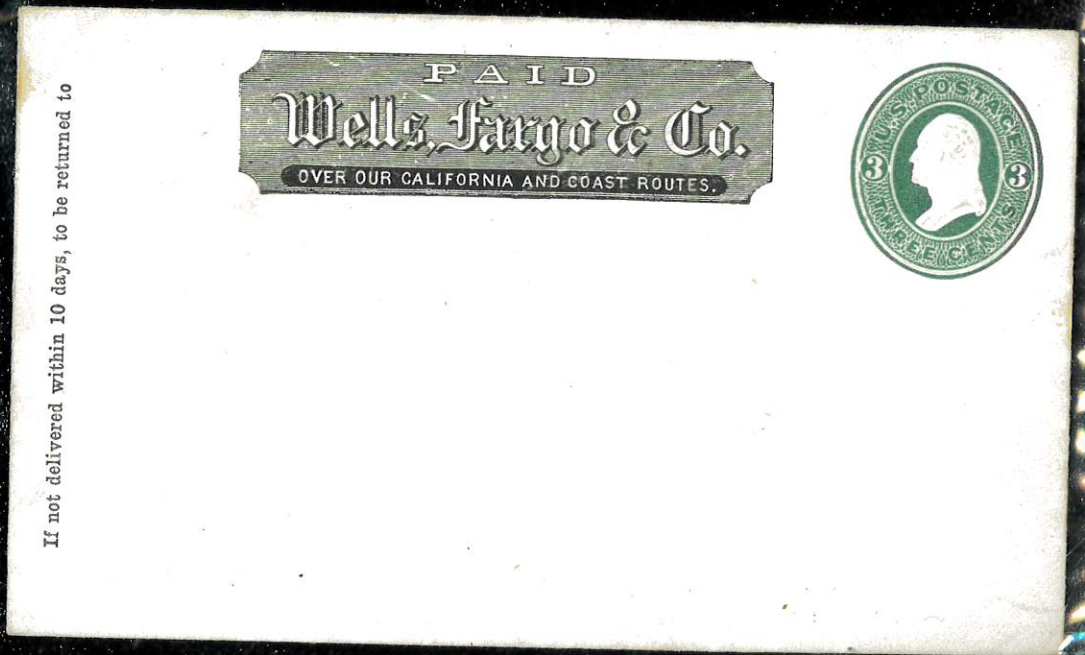
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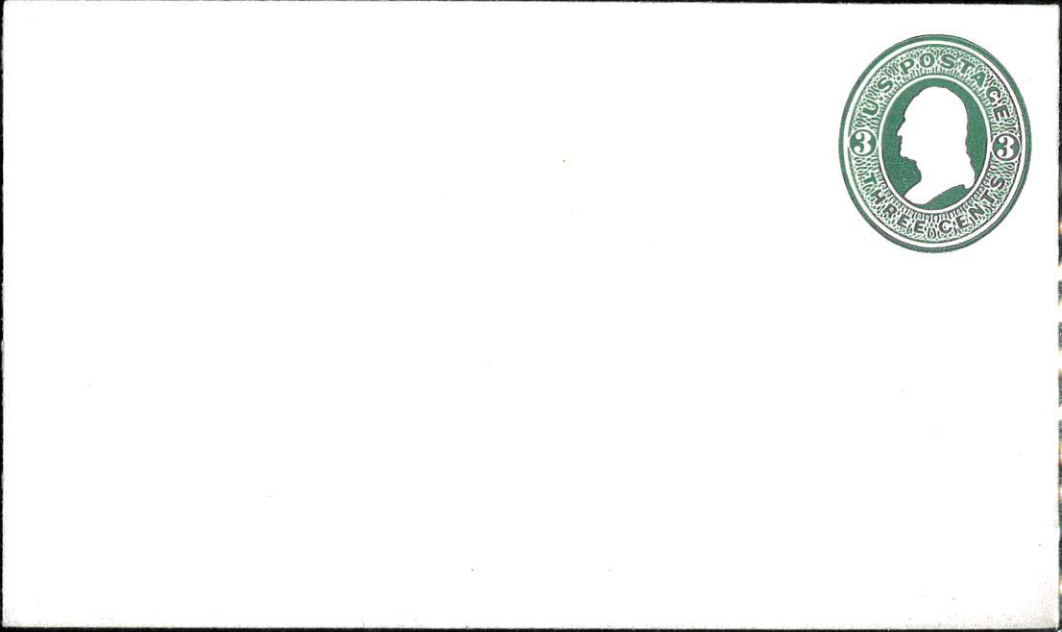


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Petersburg Ind.
Pike Co.





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Copper
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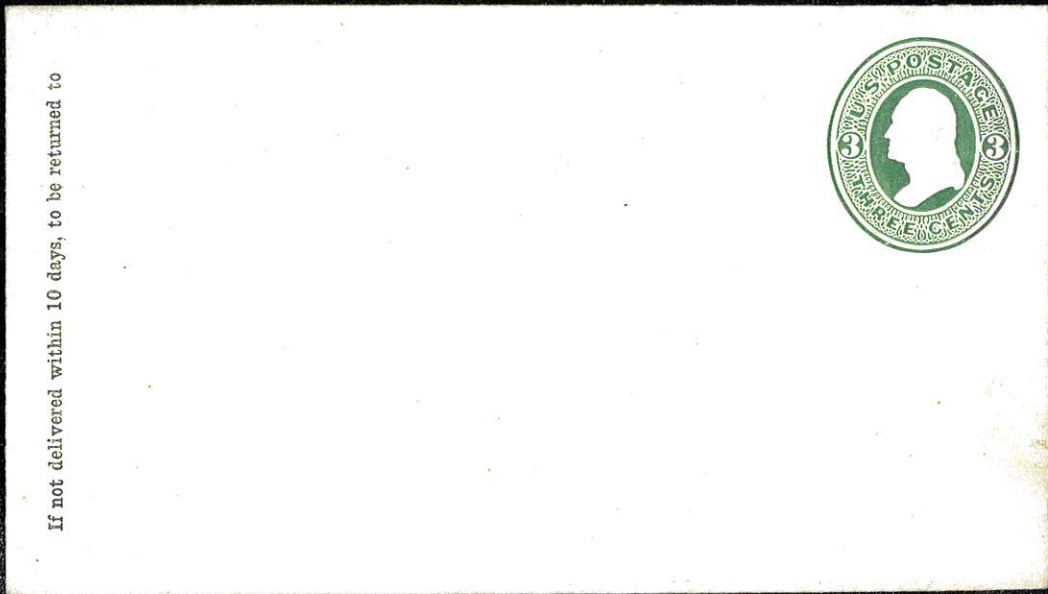


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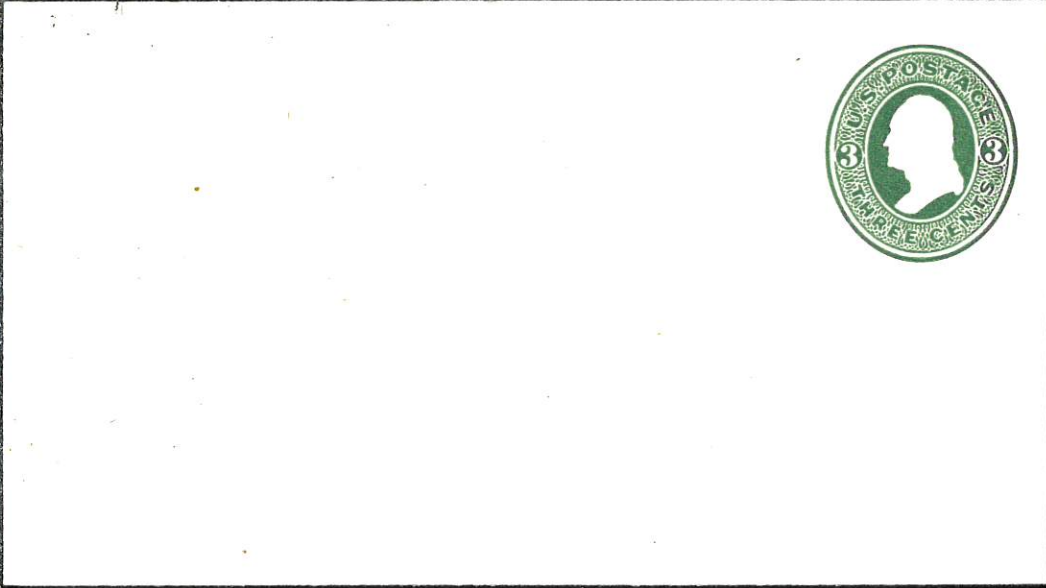
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BETHLEHEM, PENN'A.

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No. 274

Die 37

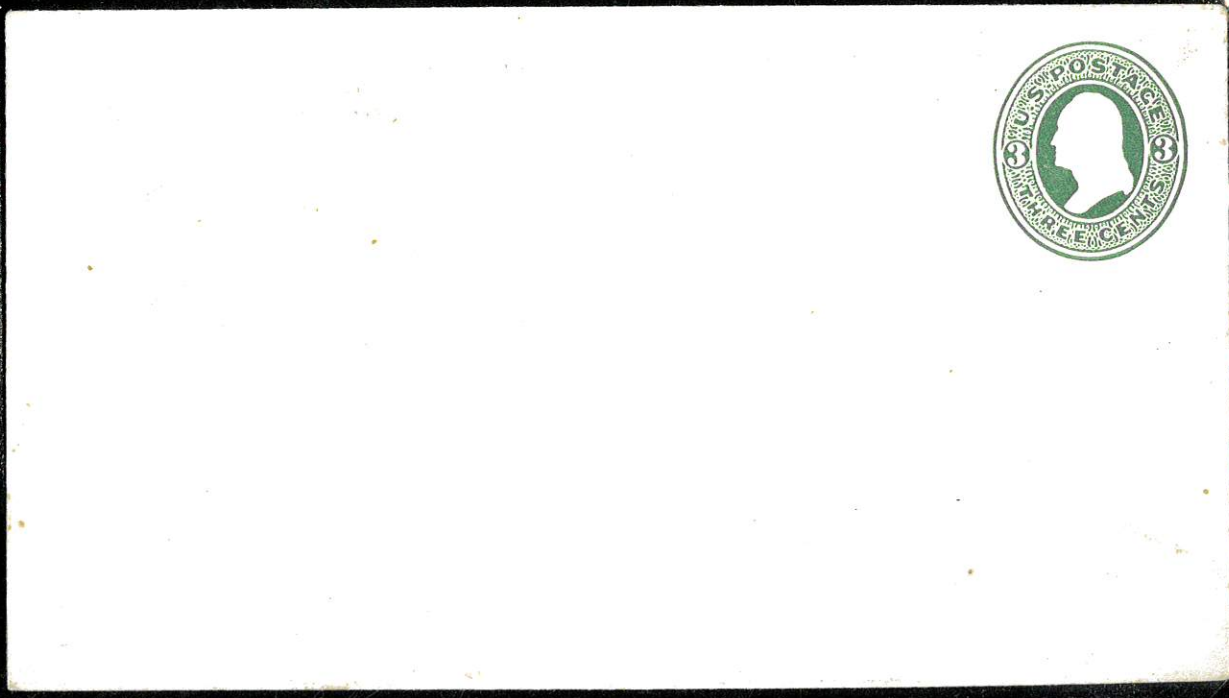
Type _____

Size 5

Knife 31a

WMK 2

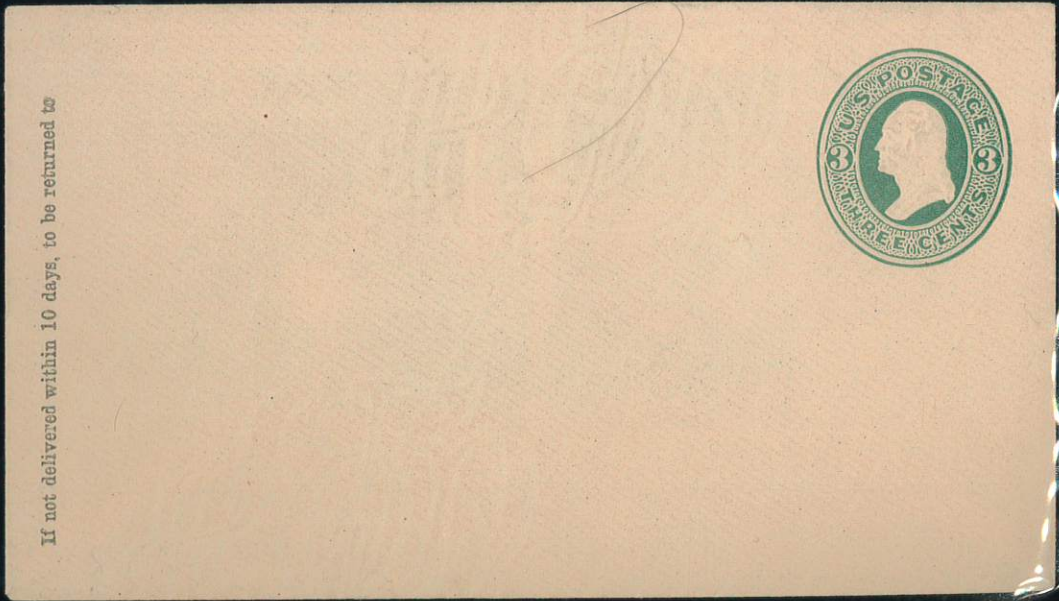
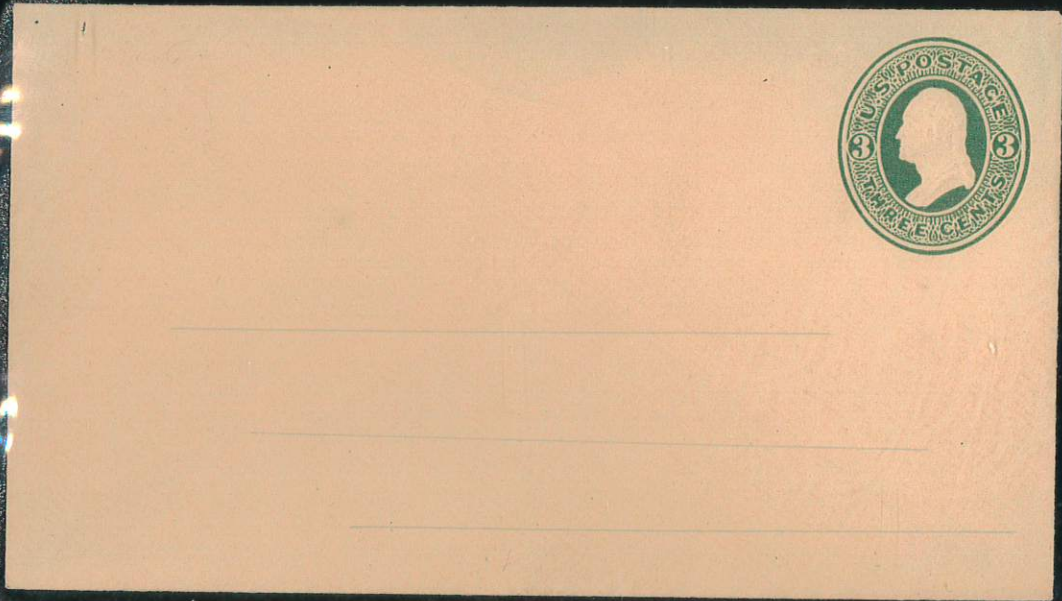
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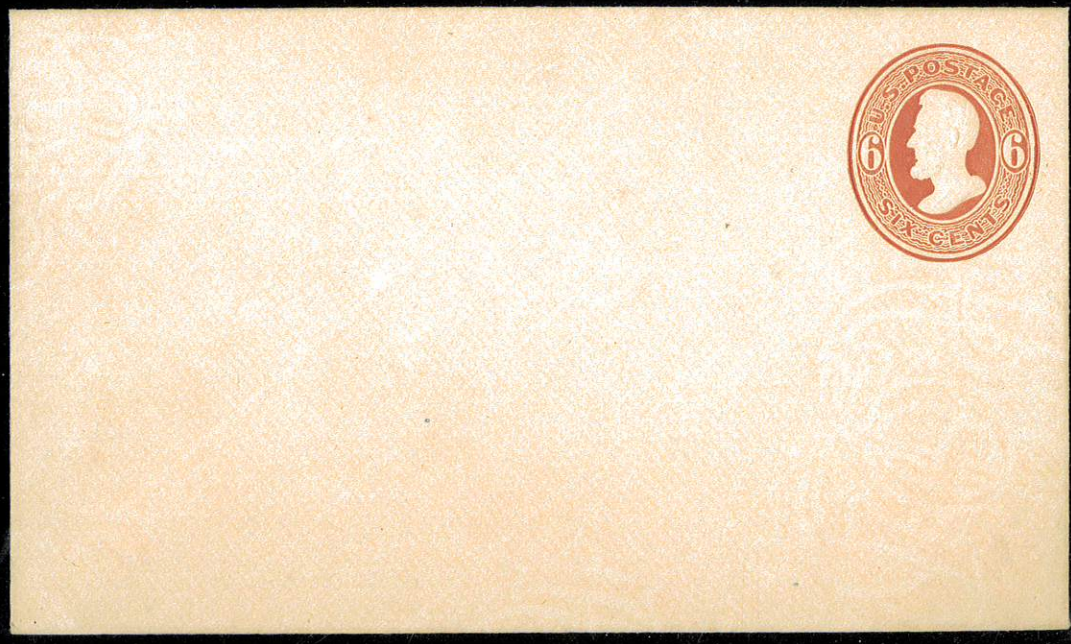


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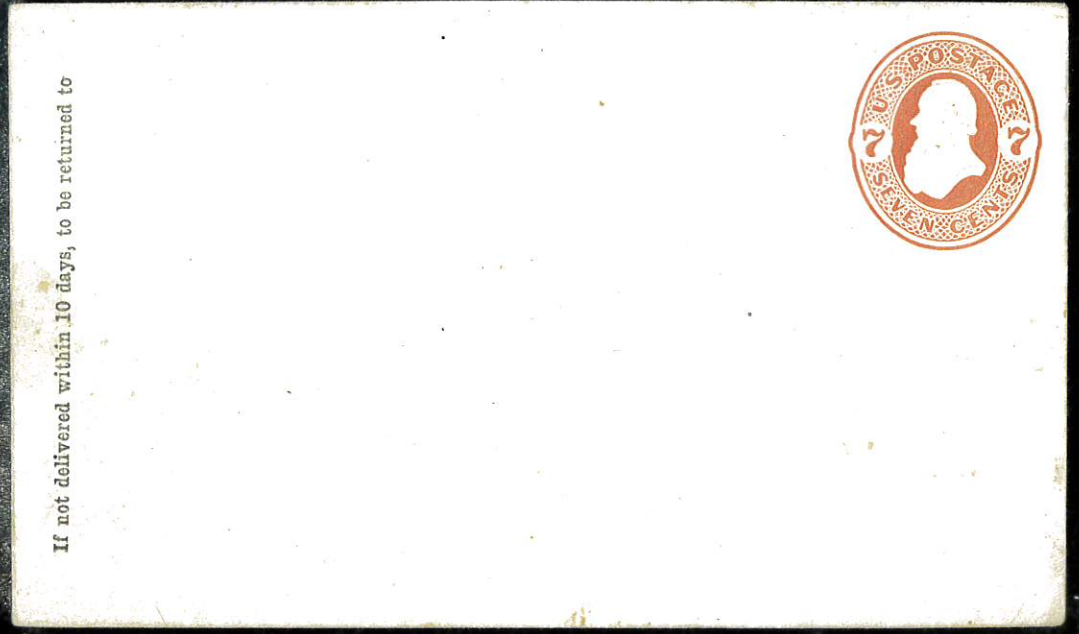
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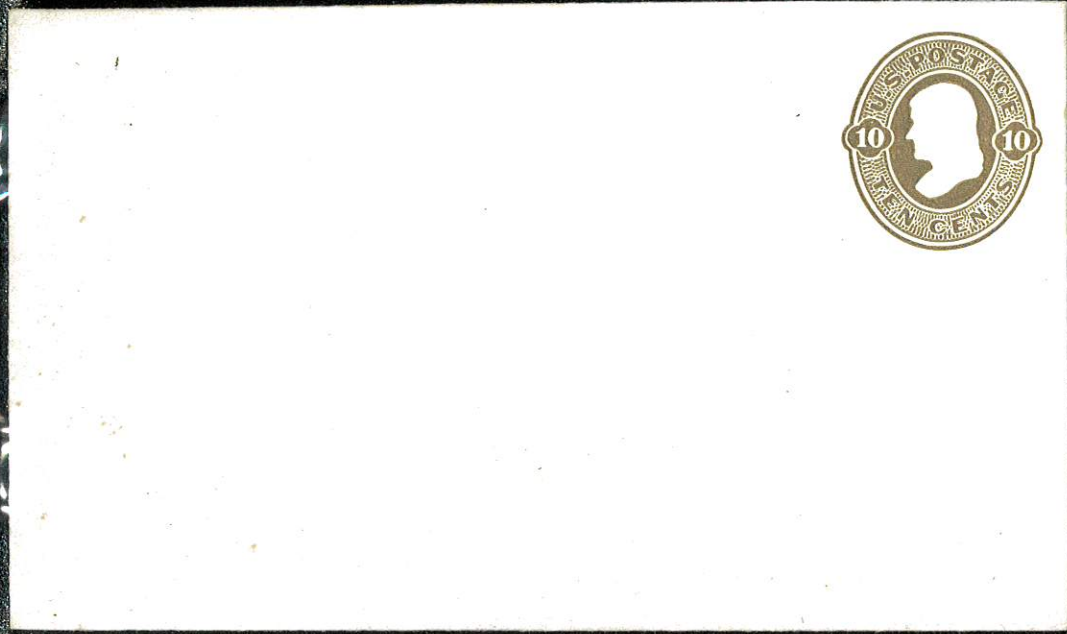
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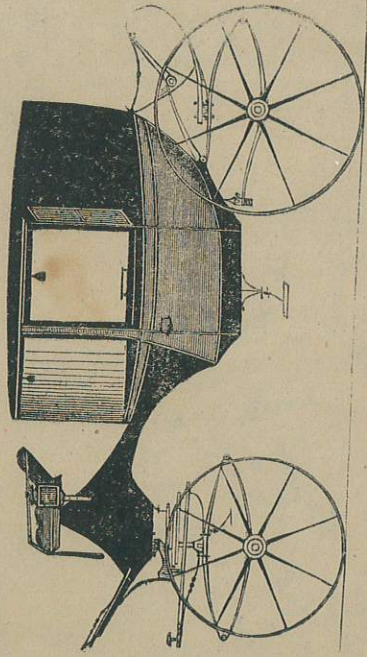


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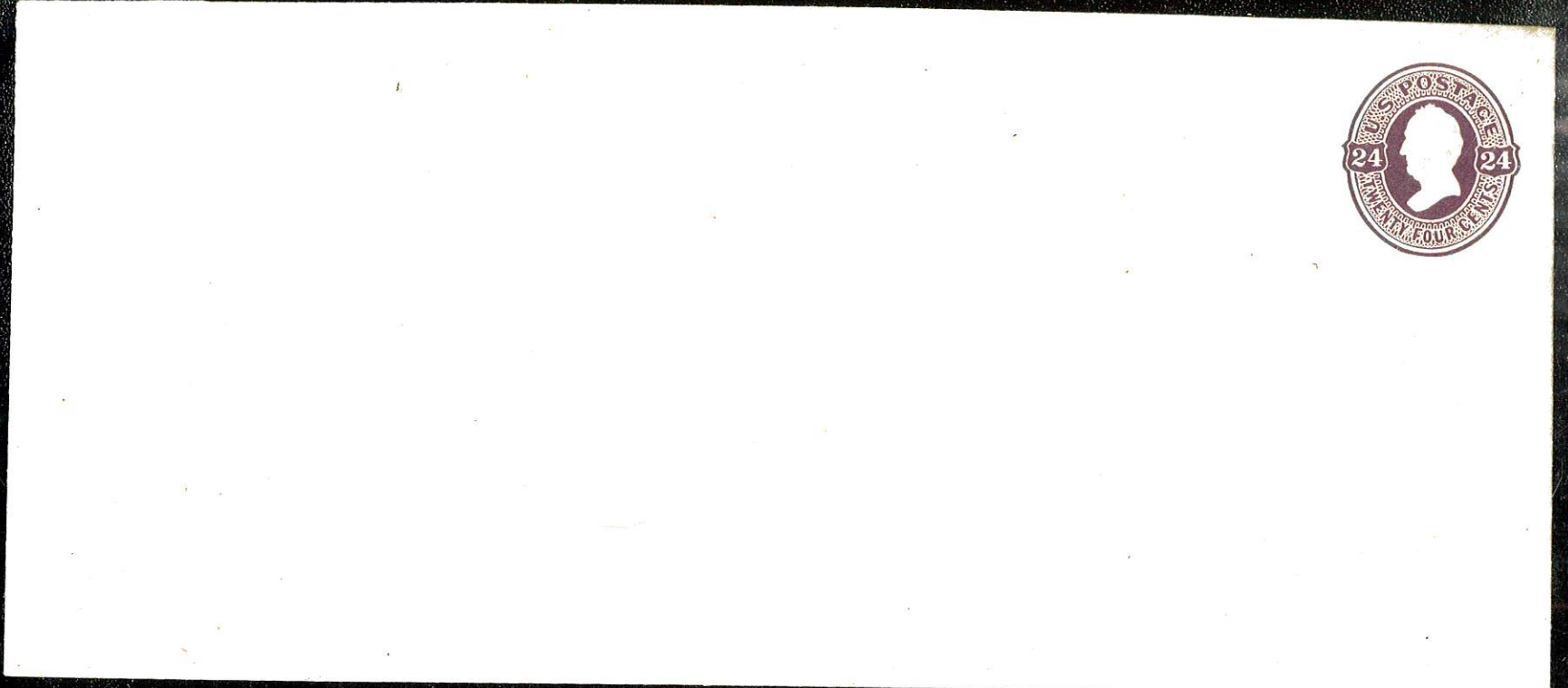


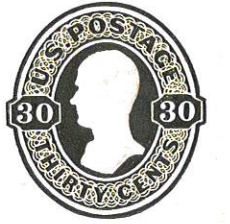




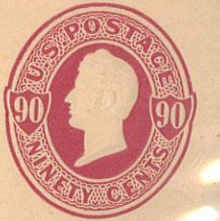


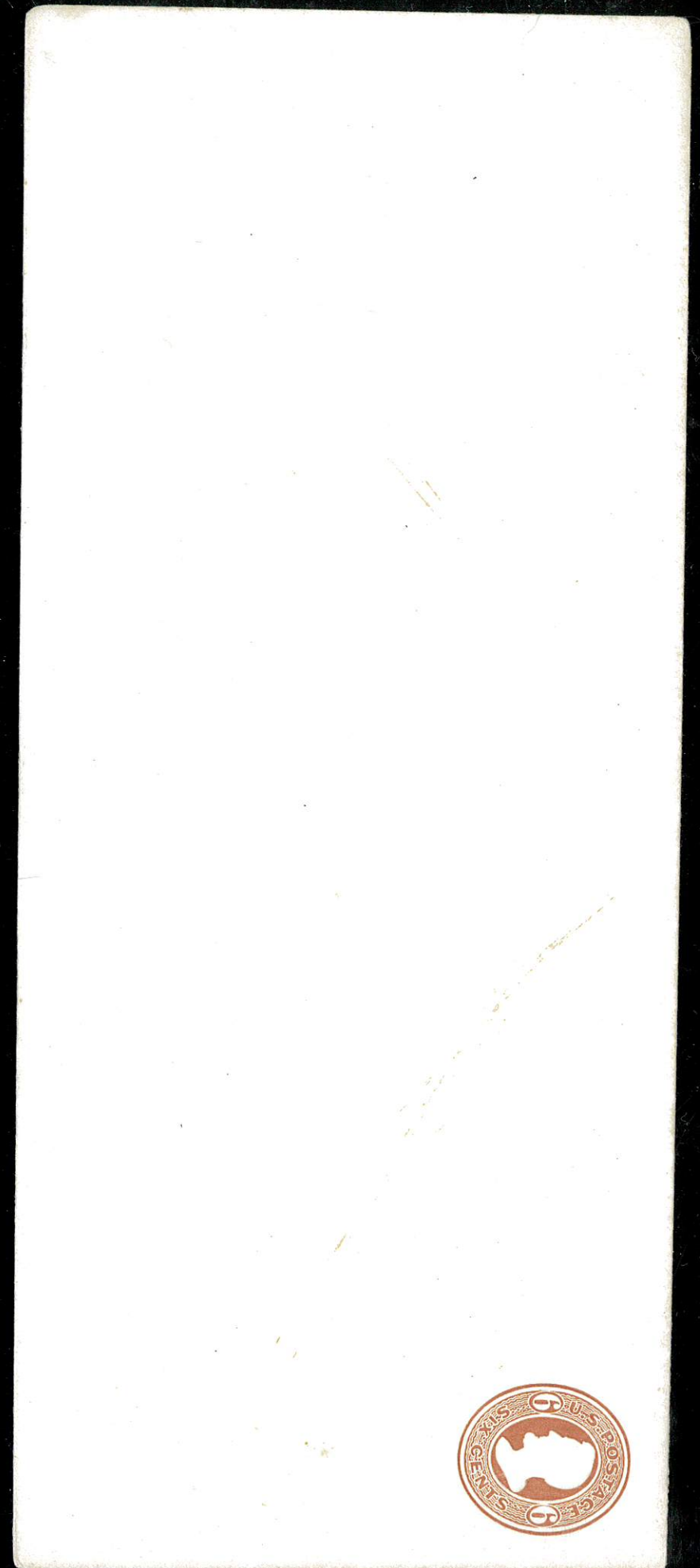
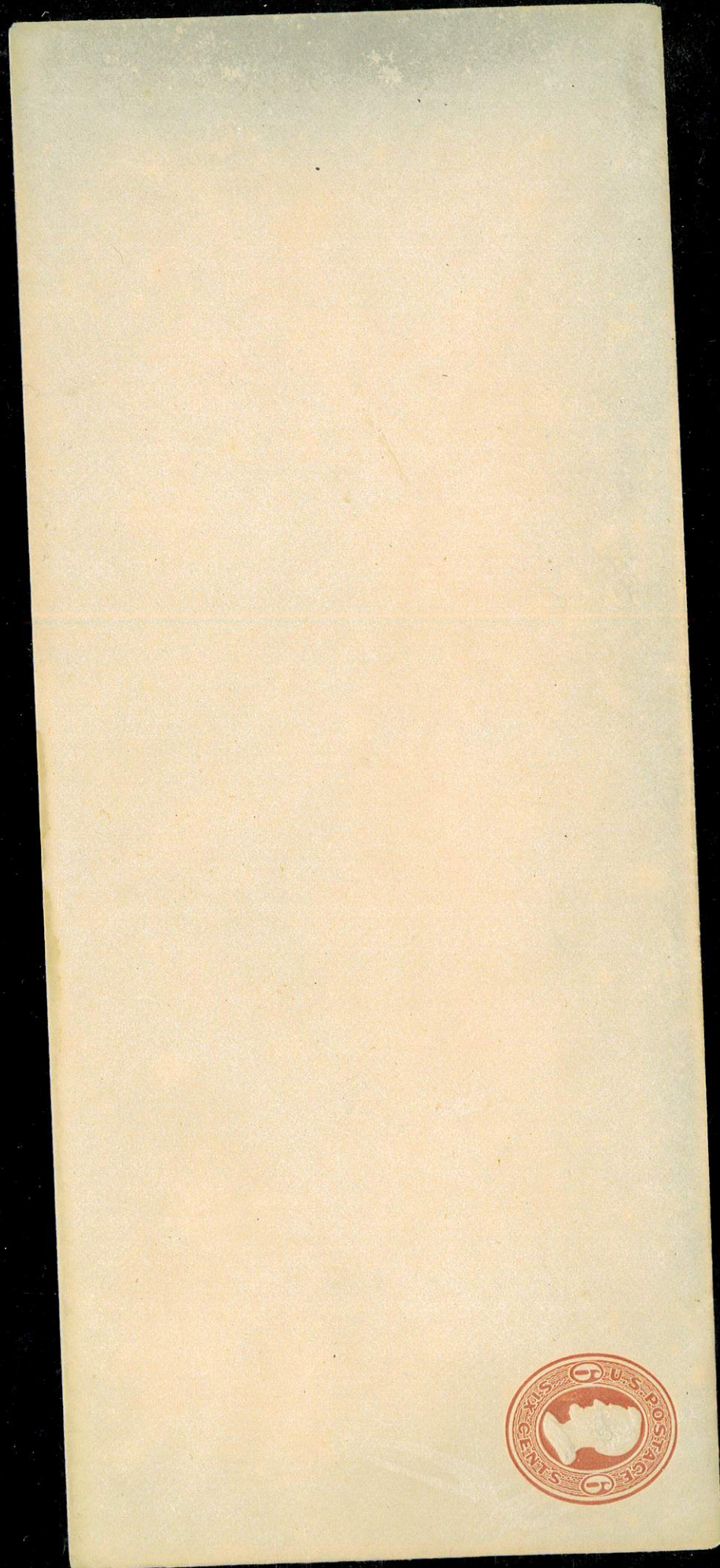














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