Steamboat St. Nichols – Red River Mail Packet

Operated Natchitoches & Grtand Ecore Weekly Packet Route January 1867 to
December 1868

1867 Blue Shield, 50 x 28 mm

Carroll, Hoy & Co.
New-Orleans.
La.

NEW OE
NATCHIT...
Packet
ST. N...HOLAS.
J.C.DOW... , MASTER.
LEAVES N...V ORLEANS
Every S...day at 5 P M

Constructed: Jefforsonville, Ind.1864, Dimensions 224' x 42.5" and 6.8' draft,
869 Tons - Owner David Gibson,; Capt. John C. Dowty

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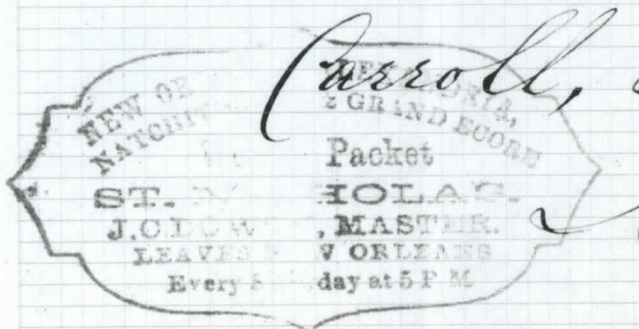Every 5... day at 5 P M

Illustration 3: Closeup of Agent's Mark

REGULAR WEEKLY PACKET.
Leaves every SATURDAY, at 5 P. M.
FOR GRAND ECORE, ST. MAU
rice, Montgomery, (will take freight
for all landings on the Bondieu) Ootila
Alexandria, Norman's, Barbin's and all intermedi
ate landings (will take freight for Shreveport and
intermediate landings, reshipping at Alexandria)—
The new and magnificent side-wheel passenger
steamer

ST. NICHOLAS,

J. C. Dowty, master J. F. Muse and T. J. Dowty
clerks, will leave as above. For freight or passage
apply on board, or to
WINBURN & LORD, Agents,
69 Gravier street.
The St. Nicholas will take freight with passen
gers for all coast landings as high as the mouth of
Red River.
A clerk will be on the landing to receive freight
every Thursday morning.   ap21—1m

Illustration 4:
Newspaper Advertisment, Friday
May 1, 1868
Times-Picayune (New Orleans)

Sank at Natchitoches, LA, Dec. 23, 1868

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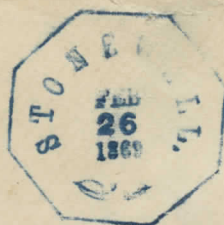KNIFE *12D*

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Steamboat Stonewall Jackson
Mississippi River Mail Packet
Louis to New Orleans - 1869 - 28mm Octogon Blue and Black Hand Stamps

Constructed: Jefforsonville, Ind. By Howard 1866,   Dimensions 224' x 42.5" and 6.8' draft, 879
Tons, Owned by ; Capt. John C. Dowty, New OrleansCaught fire near Cairo, Ill. On October 27, 1869
with the loss of 209 lives

Steamboat News Boy
New Orleans River Mail Packet

Operated as Sun-Flower Packet Packet (the Sunflower River is a
tributary of the Yazoo River) - New Orleans Route Oct. 4, 1868

29mm Blue Round Double Ring Circle 29mm Agent's Mark

Constructed: Brownsville, PA, 1859, Dimensions 133' x 27.3" and 3.4' draft,
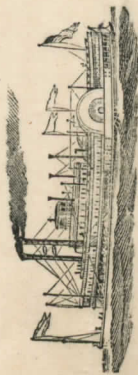115 Tons - Owner and Master; Capt. Alen Fowler- St, Parish, La.

*Prior to the Civil War routes were contracted from Vicksburg on the Yazoo River and its
tributary, the Sunflower, to McNutt. The route was not reinstated after the   Civil War
lthough boats continued to carry letters on the route as this example shows.*

R. M. DICKENSON & CO., Druggists and Dealers in Patent Medicines, Paints, Oils and Dye Stuffs, Wines, Liquors and Notions, HAMBURG, Ark.

REGULAR OUACHITA PACKET
W. B. DANCE
R.S. LIVINGSTON CAPT.
W.B.C. CLARKE CLK.

Joseph Hoy
New Orleans
La

UNITED STATES 3 THREE CENTS 3
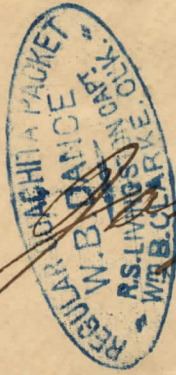
ead

Constructed 1866
200'x34' with 5.7 ft
draft. Owned by Baylan
& Gettys, St.Louis

REGULAR NEW ORLEANS, OUACHITA RIVER PACKET, AND

To Steamer WALTER B. DANCE,

R. S. LIVINGSTON, Captain.   Wm. B. CLARKE, Clerk.

T. Fitzwilliam & Co., Stationers and Printers, 76 Camp St.

Trip No. 3

MARKS

3 Cotton

2 30

Steamboat Wade Hampton – Ouchita River Mail Packet

New Orleans, LA – Camden, Ark. April 29, 1870,

Blue Oval Handstamp 32x27mm Handstamp, G. P. Work, Master

Jefforsonville, 866,   Dimensions 217.6 x 38 and 7.8' draft Owned by ; Capt. John W.
Tobin, G.P. Work, New Orleans Sank November 1871 Donaldsonville, La.
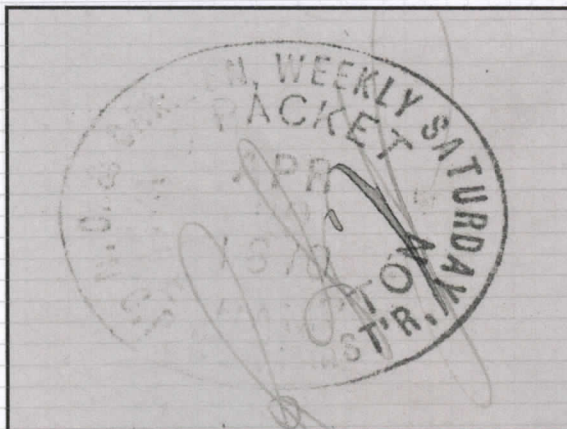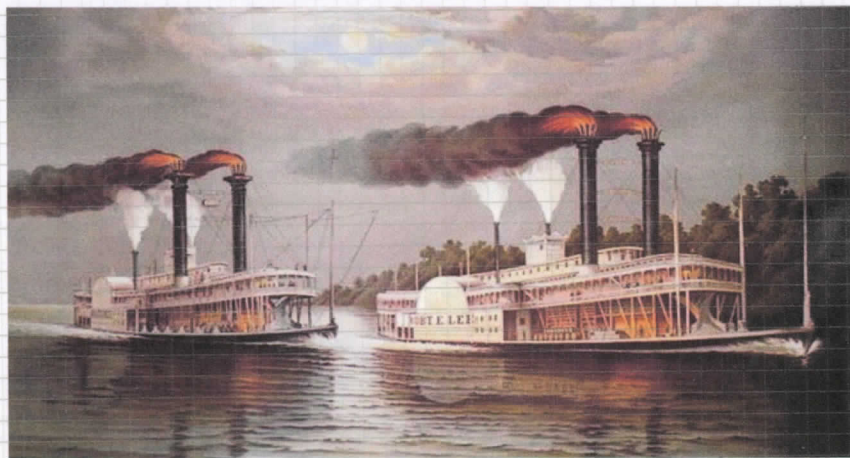

Illustration 1: Closeup of Agent's Mark

Steamboat R.E. Lee – Mississippi River Mail Packet,

Vicksburg, Natchez to New Orleans - Oct. 15, 1868

Blue 32mm Diameter Scalloped Circle Handstamp

Constructed: New Albany, Indiana 1866 by DeWitt Hill -   Dimensions 285.5' x

46" and 9' draft, 1456 Tons- Owned by ; Capt. John W. Cannon, New Orleans

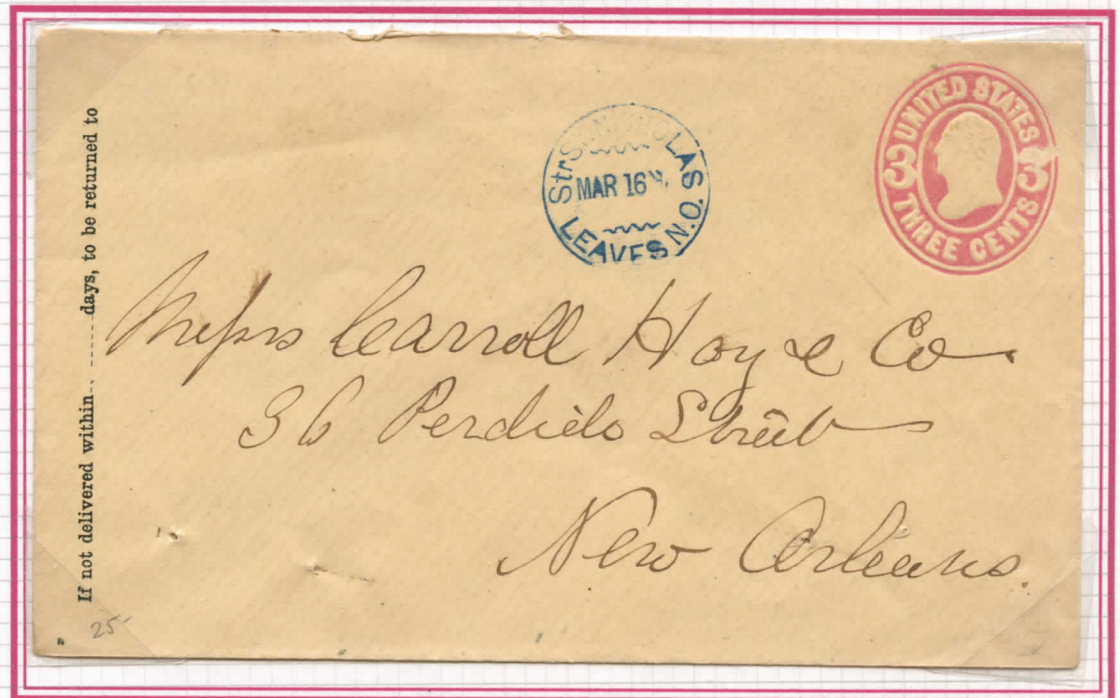Famous Race Between Natchez and Robert E. Lee, October 27, 1870

Dismantled; 1876

Steamboat St. Nichols, Ohio River- Mail Packet

Cincinnatti – New Orleans Route 1866

1866 22mm Blue Circular Cancel

Constructed: Jefforsonville, Ind.1864,   Dimensions 224' x 42.5" and 6.8' draft 869 Tons

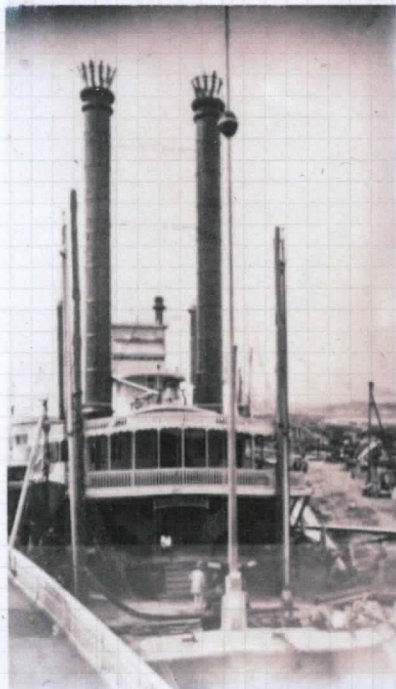Owner- Cincinnati-New Orleans Packet Company , Capt. Enos Moore

Illustration 2: Closeup of Agent's Mark

Steamboat Magenta
New Orleans – Natchez - Vicksburg

Under paid by 3c? Rate should be 3c to carry to New Orleans and then another 3c for
postage to address in West Virginia

1865 Based on Black Handstamp,Millgram #833
(without date stamp)

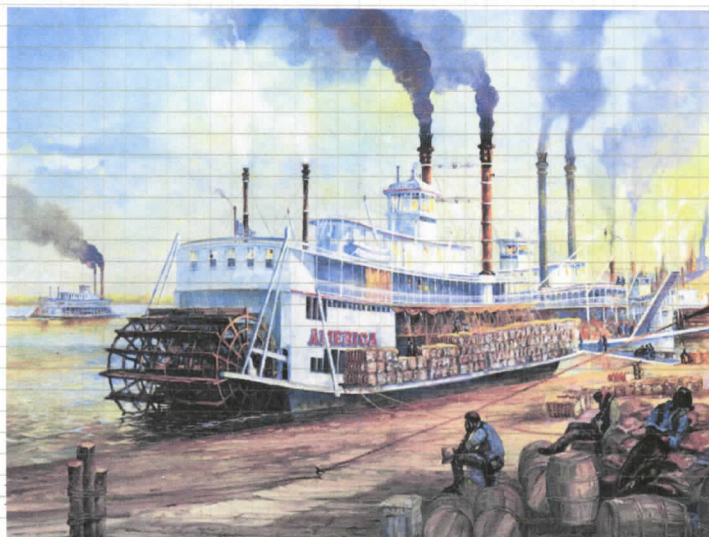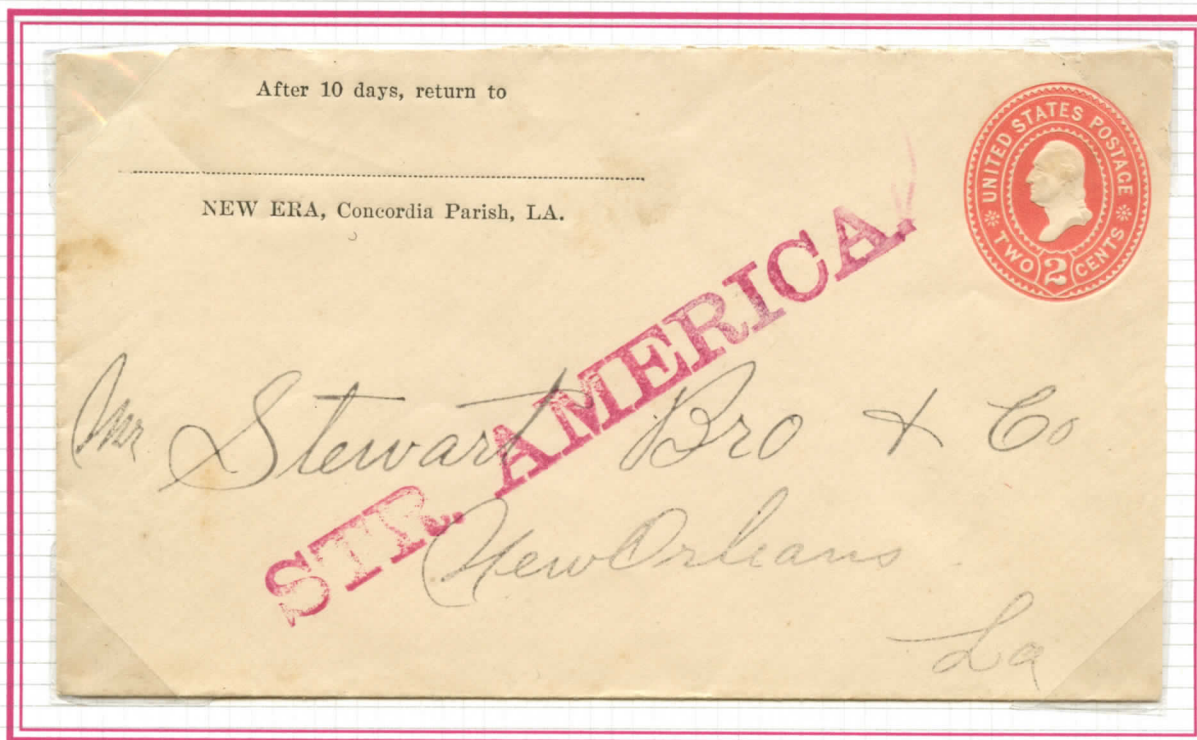Cover postmarked in New Orleans, Oct 26, Mailing
orgination unkonwn.

Carried on the Magenta to New Orleans from either
Natchez or Vicksburg then entered the US mail
system in New Orleans postmarked and carried
overland to West Virginia.

Photo of Magenta c1865

Ouachita River Mail Packet
Steamer AMERICA
Circa 1899 New Era, La. To New Orleans

Constructed 1898 and designed for the Ouachita River trade. 200'x38' with 6.5 ft draft, built specifically for Captain L.V. Cooley

After 10 days, return to

NEW ERA, Concordia Parish, LA.

Mr Stewart Bro & Co
New Orleans
La

STR AMERICA

UNITED STATES POSTAGE
TWO 2 CENTS

Robert Rucker Painting of Captain Cooley's AMERICA

Competition between railroads and steamboats grew in the early 1900's. In 1905 Captain L.V. Cooley steamed his boat, the "America" to Camden, Artaknsas to pick up 500 bales of cotton for delivery to New Orleans. Upon arrival, Coooley found the railroads also bidding for the same delivery ended in a war with Cooley finally winning. Cooley deliverd the cotton to New Orleans for only one dollar.

Mr. ___

To Steamer **NYANZA**, Dr.

DAILY TIMES PRINT.

March 9 1883

Paid ___

___ for Coal 1.00
___ ___ .60
___ ___ .60
$33.65

pr "Tahlequah"

Messrs John L. Horditte

New Orleans
La

UNITED STATES THREE CENTS 3 3

Cover 1 (handwritten address):
Messrs John T Hardie & Co"
New Orleans
La

Postmark: PACKET ... REG ... NOV 9 1868

Pencil note: LCNA LEOTL

Stamp: 3 UNITED STATES THREE CENTS 3

Cover 2 (handwritten address):
Jas P Bowman
Care of Jno T Irvine Esq
Bayou Goula
La

Left side: Walter Stephens

Postmark: NEW ORLEANS AUG 31 1868 RICHARD FLOWER

Pencil note: PACKET 45

Stamp: 3 UNITED STATES THREE CENTS 3

Envelope 1

UNITED STATES · 3 · THREE CENTS

New Orleans Great Score
Weekly Packet
FROLIC.
JOHN HIENN, Master.

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

Messr Jas Coy & co

36 Perdido Street

New Orleans

La

Envelope 2

Hile 23

Private

UNITED STATES · 3 · THREE CENTS

RED RIVER PACKET
BART ABLE
LEAVES MAR 13 1869
W.C.HARRISON.COMMAND

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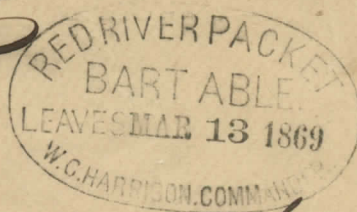
Joseph Mery Esq

New Orleans

36 Perdido Street

Pr Str Lizzie Tato

Mess Joseph Hoyss
New Orleans
La

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

Mess John F Hardie & Co
New Orleans
La

Mr P le Morton
Lexington
Oglethorpe Co
Ga.

STEAMS...

Belle Lee

Mefrs Jos. Hoy & Co
...Orleans
La

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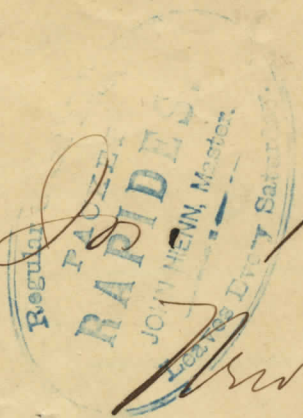
U58 incoming to New Orleans, LA
Manuscript "Belle Lee" c1867
Handstamp recorded for 1868. Mississippi River
Ex-Tickell   LX
#79

UNITED STATES
3 THREE CENTS 3

Regular PACKET
RAPIDES
JOHN HENN, Master

Mesrs Jos Hoy & C
New Orleans
La

Per Stmr J. D. Hinde

UNITED STATES
3 THREE CENTS 3

Messrs Caroll, Hoy & Co
New Orleans
La

If not delivered within 10days, to be returned to

Mrs. E. B. Castillo
D. Oct. 13/67
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(Please hand on the back)

3 UNITED STATES 3
THREE CENTS

STEAM

1867

M̃ G. M. Davis
Natchez
Miss.,

Gov Allen

3 UNITED STATES 3
THREE CENTS

Mess John T Hardie & Co.
New Orleans
La. 35⁰⁰

BUILT LOVISVILLE KY 1867
OPERATED FROM SPRING 1870
TO JUNE 1873. NEW ORLEANS
TO GRAND ECORE ROUTE

699 TONS
MASTER CAPTAIN
JOHN HEINN

Jas. Hay & Co
New Orleans

La

HOSS & DURHAM,
Receiving, Forwarding
And General
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
And Dealers in Groceries.
TERMINUS RAILROAD, NEAR RIVER
SHREVEPORT, LA.

Era 4010 leaves for
Shreveport and Jefferson
Monday Dec 20
Positively

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UNITED STATES
3 THREE CENTS 3

STEAM

1867

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

Mrs. E. B. Castello
at Oct. 13/67
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(Please leave only the hand)

M⁴ G. M. Davis

Natchez

Miss.

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UNITED STATES
3 THREE CENTS 3

Gov Allen

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Mess John T Hardie & Co.

New Orleans.

VII

La. 35⁰⁰

Envelope 1:

UNITED STATES · 3 · THREE CENTS

Board of Trade
PACKET,
MAR
20
A.M.
W. ALLEN.

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

Messrs John T. Hardie & Co.
New Orleans
Louisiana

"Gov. Allen."

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Per Salado

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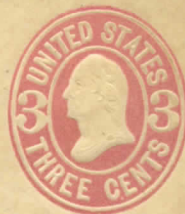
Mess John T. Hardie & Co
No Carondelett Strt
New Orleans
La

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UNITED STATES 3 THREE CENTS 3

"Per
"Parsons""

Messrs Jos Hoy & Co
New Orleans
La

U.S. SHIP

UNITED STATES 3 THREE CENTS

US POSTAGE 3

Wm J. C. P. deKrafft
608 French Street
Wilmington
Delaware.

#65 "U.S. SHIP" PHILAD, POSTMARK, FROM
A SHIP BLOCKADE OF CONFEDERATE COAST

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

UNITED STATES
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V & N.O.M.L.
JUN 17
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Mrs. Jas. Hoy &c.

New Orleans

La

Greenup 186~

"Down River
Mail" Ohio
River
Brandenburg Ky to Marion
KY
RARE   250

1864

UNITED STATES
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BRANDENBURG
KY

R. F. Haynes Esq

Marian

via
Down River
Mail

Crittendon County
Ky.

STR. GOV. ALLEN
JAN
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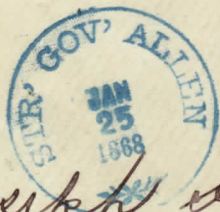
Joseph Hoy Esqr
New Orleans
La

MEMP. & VICKSBURG
M.PKT.

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Joseph Hoy Esqr
36 Perdido St
New Orleans La

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to .

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Messrs Carroll, Hoy & Co
New Orleans
La

"Elvora"

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

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P.O.

Messrs J.J.A. Cardu & Co
New Orleans
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Mess.rs Joseph Hoy & Co
36 Perdido Street,
New Orleans.

UNITED STATES 3 THREE CENTS

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Jh Hoy & Co

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CHICAGO TO DAVENPORT MAR 4 E.P.

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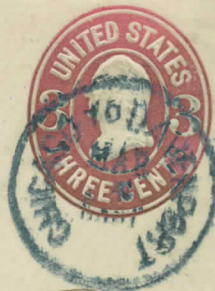
S. E. Amet Esq
Aurora
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(1864) 3¢ envelope (U62) tied by blue
Chicago to Davenport Railroad cancel
(Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific R.R.),
quite nice and scarce