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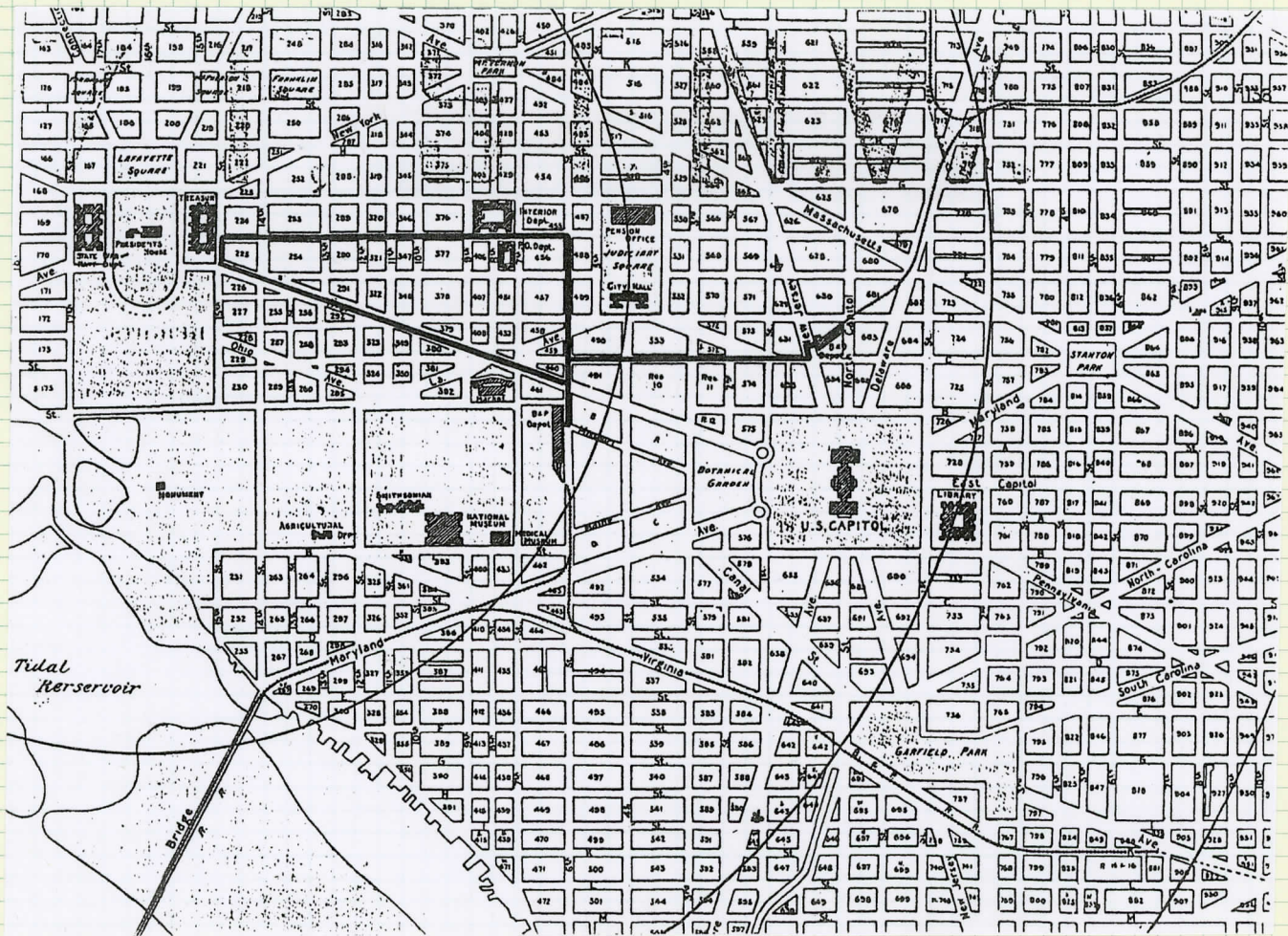
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COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON



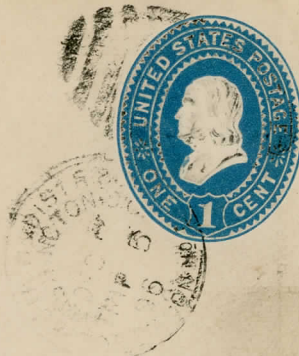
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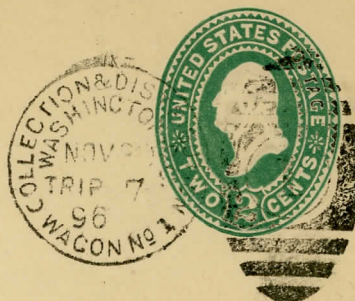
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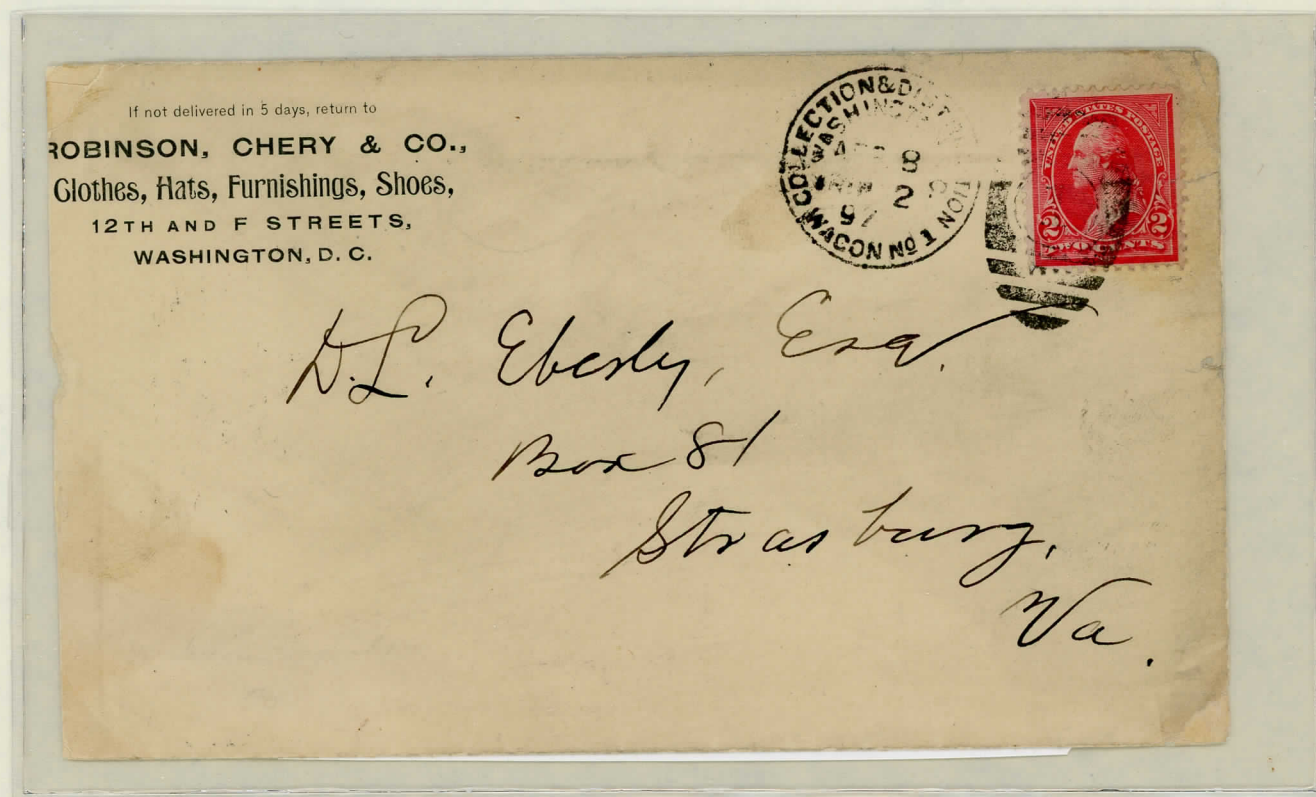
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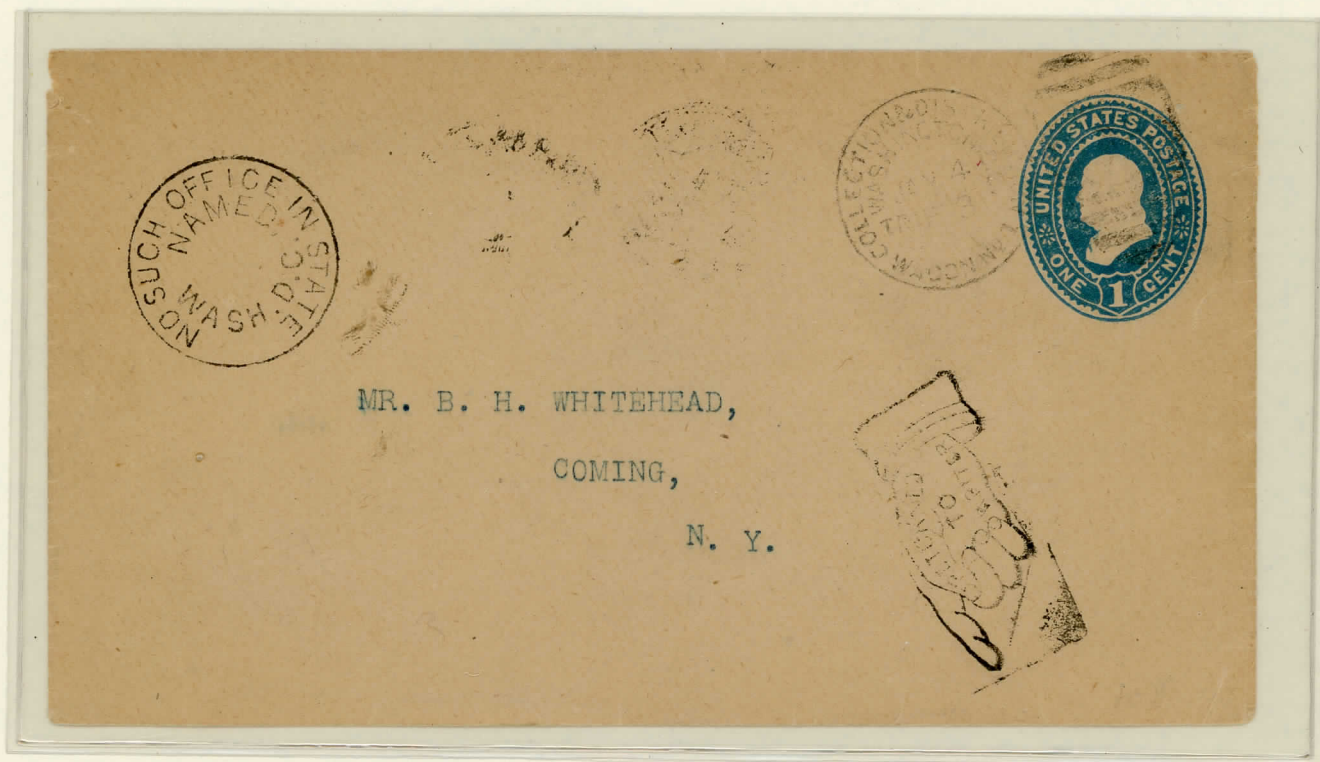
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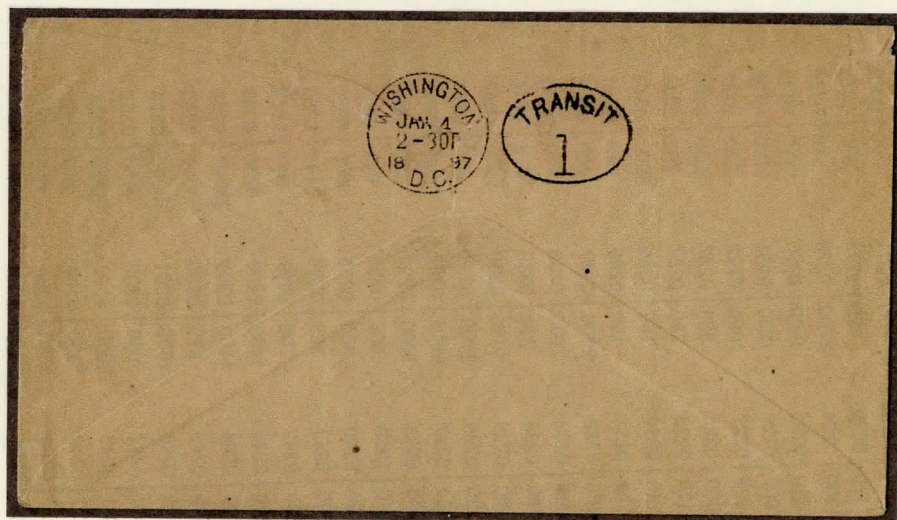
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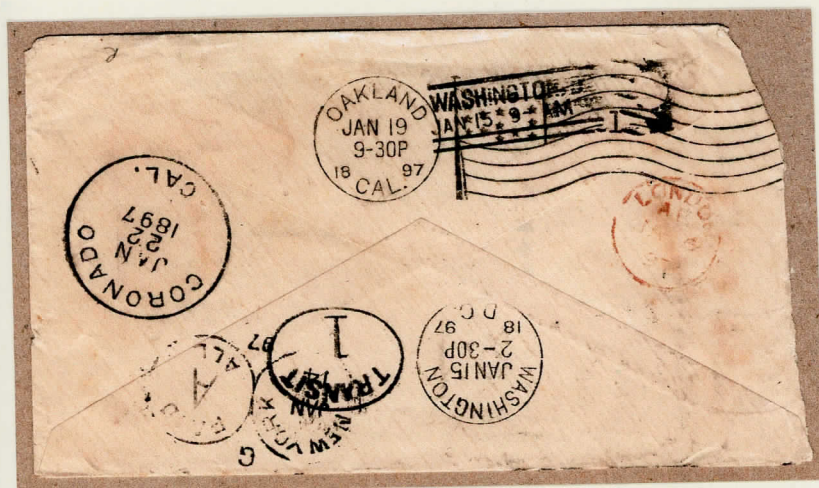
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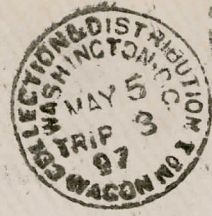
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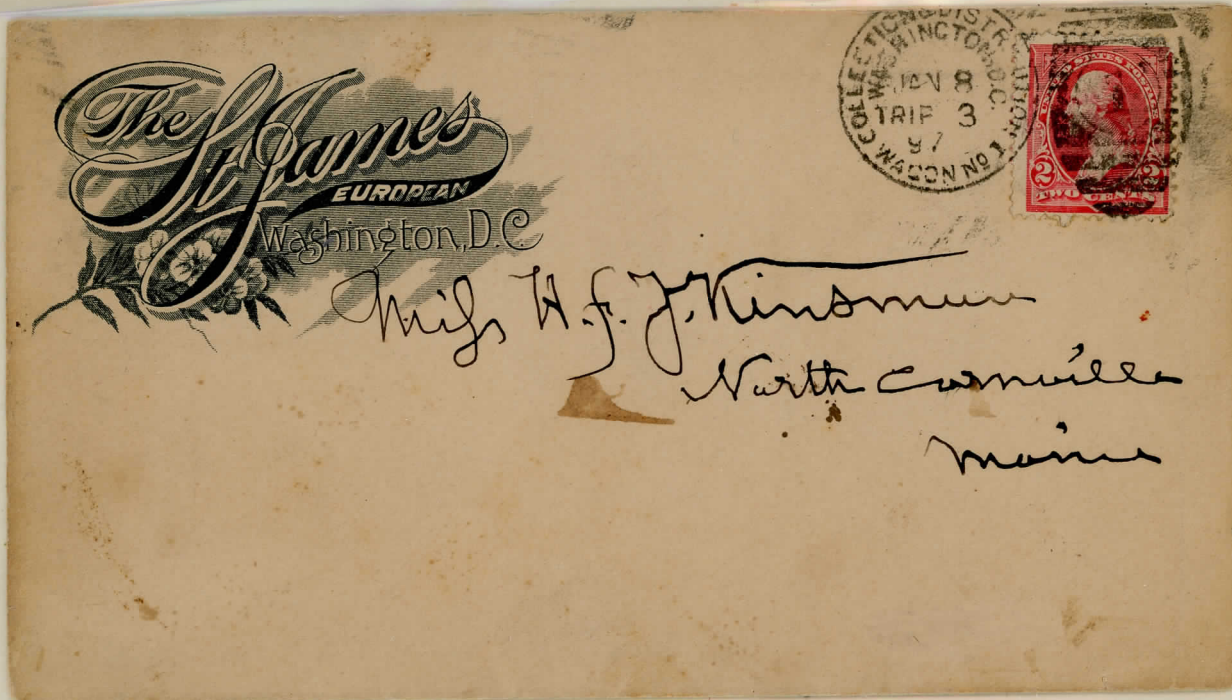
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COLLAMER & CO.,
ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS.
And Counselors in Patent Causes.
1006 F ST., WASHINGTON, D. C.



5 MAY

J. M. Latchum Esq
Edinburgh
N. Y.

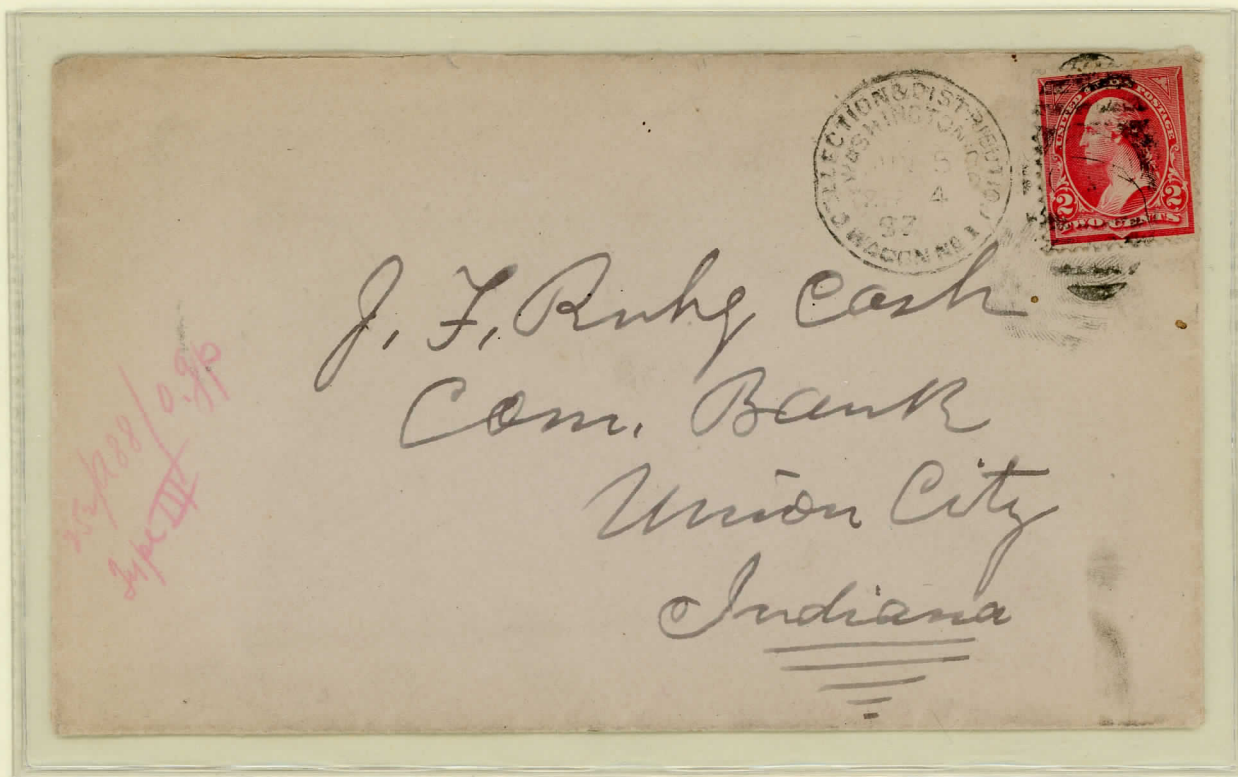


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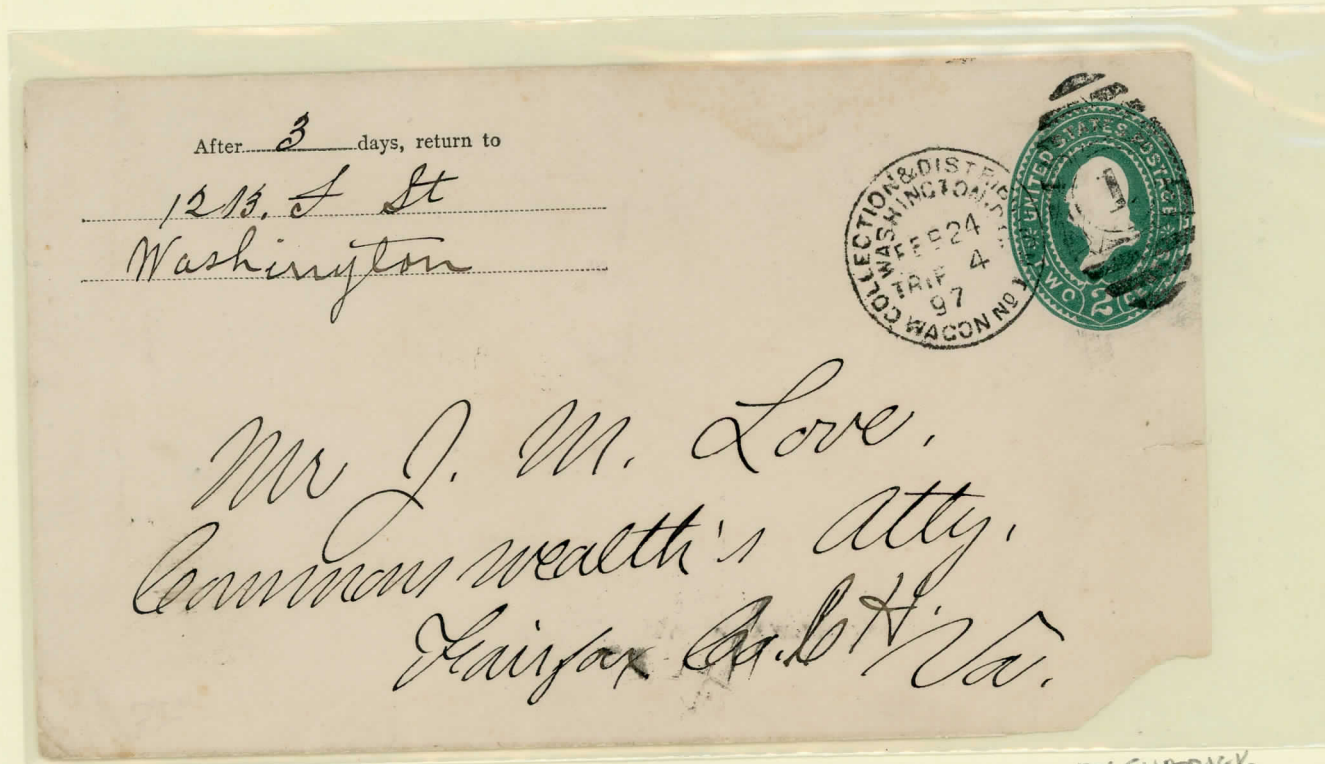


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22 FEBRUARY 1897

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WAGON NO. 1, TRIP 4, 5 JUNE 1897



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Mrs Susan Taylor Preston,
Winifred Woods
Virginia.

24 JULY

EX SANDRICK

After 5 days, return to
WASHINGTON NATIONAL BUILDING
AND LOAN ASSOCIATION,
12th & G. Sts., N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.



Mr. W. A. McBurney
Canonsburg
Pa.

29 MARCH

The American Anthropologist,
1804 COLUMBIA ROAD,
WASHINGTON, D. C.



Maj Wm S. Beebe.

Thompson,

Connecticut

WAGON No. 1
TRIP 5
5 APRIL 1897



DIVISION OF SOILS.



Agriculture.

U.S. POSTAGE

The Revd Geo. Herbert Shomer
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BUTTERWORTH & DOWELL,
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS AT LAW,
Patent Causes a Specialty.
Washington Loan & Trust Building,
Washington, D. C.



30 MARCH

Herbert H. Ward, Esq.,

Wilmington, Del.

Atty. at Law.

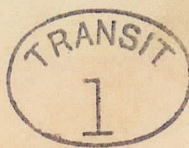
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WAGON NO. 1, TRIP 6

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THE TOLEDO CAFE,
636 Penna. Ave. N. W.
JOHN SMALL, Jr.,
Manager.



*Editor The Sentinel
Rockville
Maryland.*



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1897



28 JUNE

Elvin Swarthout Esq.
Epworth League Assembly
Grand Rapids
Mich.



11 AUGUST

Mess Wm Duggan & Co.,
14 Upper
London,
Eng.

1897

The Silver Knight Watchman,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

financial paper



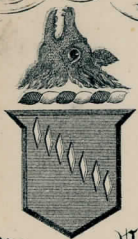
July 3, 1897

Hon. B. R. Tillman,
U. S. Senate,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

TRIP 6

3 JULY 1897

The Raleigh



European Plan.

ABSOLUTELY FIRE PROOF

T. J. TALTY, MANAGER

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss Ella F. Toller
Lovettsville
Loudoun Co
Virginia



TRIP 7

3 OCTOBER 1897

COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON
WAGON 1, TRIP 1

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Co. C. 9, Tenn. Vol. Cars.

Co. B

Department of the Interior.

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Penalty for private use, \$300.



Mr William B. McSpadden

New Market;

Tennessee

25 JANUARY 1898

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 5.

HENRY R. GIBSON, Tennessee, Chairman.

CURTIS H. CASTLE, California.

GEO. W. RAY, New York.

Committee on Invalid Pensions,

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C., JAN 22 1898

Dear Sir:

I called up your pension claim and now send you herewith the answer of the Commissioner of Pensions to my call.

The enclosed answer will show you the present condition of your claim, and will, I hope, be of some service to you.

While the old rule, that the condition of a claim will "not be furnished oftener than once in every ninety days," is no longer in force, yet it is still practically observed; and in no case does it do any good to call up a case a second time unless the proof called for by the Commissioner, if he calls for any, has all been sent in. I state this not so much for your information as for the information of claimants in general.

If, in the future, I can be of any further service to you, or to any other pension claimant, don't hesitate to call on me, for nothing gives me more pleasure than to aid a soldier, or the widow, child or parent of a soldier, to obtain their rights under the pension laws, and I give their business the preference over everybody else's.

I am always glad of a chance to serve you.

Very truly, your friend,

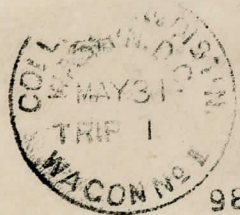
Jo.
H. B. McSpadden.

Henry R. Gibson.

P. S.—If you write me in behalf of any soldier or soldier's widow, send me the soldier's full name, his company and regiment, and the number of his claim, and I will take pleasure in calling his case up at once.

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31 MAY

Mrs. Geo. Herbert Hosmer

& Mrs. E. H. Howard

366 Delaware Ave
Buffalo
N.Y.



29 DECEMBER

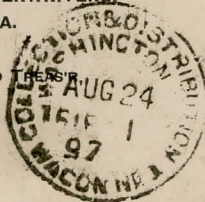
Mr. Charles H. Baker
908 G. Street, N.W.
Washington
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THE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

OFFICE OF WM. P. YOUNG, SEC'Y AND TREAS.
1333 F STREET NORTHWEST.



24 AUGUST

Mrs J. W. Burall
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Va

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TRIP 2

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United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURES.

OFFICIAL OR DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS.

FREE.

Wm E. Mason



23 FEBRUARY

*Dr. S. C. Stanton
Hdqtrs. Department of the Lakes
Chicago, Ill.*

WILLIAM ERNEST MASON, SENATOR FOR ILLINOIS FROM 4 MARCH
1897 TO 3 MARCH 1903.



*Mrs. Sue S. Vortz,
Dalton,
Wayne Co. in Ohio*

SEPTEMBER

1898

TRIP 3

J. V. PAINTER,
CLEVELAND, O.



Mr. J. V. Painter,
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Portsmouth.
New Hampshire.

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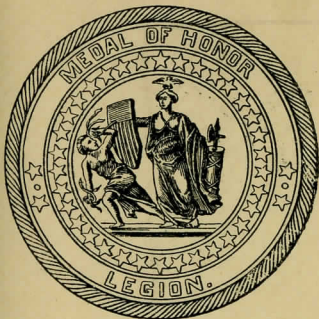
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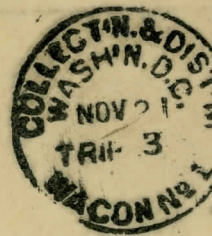
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New York.

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ES MILLER, Chaplain. Philadelphia, Pa.
EMMET URELL, Adjutant. Washington, D. C.
ES R. DURHAM, Q'mr. Washington, D. C.

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vester H. Martin,
n D. Terry, New York, N. Y.
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Jas. R. Durham,
To en Office
Washington, D. C.



Mr. Trustin Cornell,
318 W. 30th St.,



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QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE.

No.

FIRST CLASS.



Recognition Pin.

Price, \$2.50.

Washington, D. C., 189

Companion *J. Cornell*

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TO MEDAL OF HONOR LEGION, Dr.

To Dues for the year ending January 1, 1900, \$1.00

Received payment

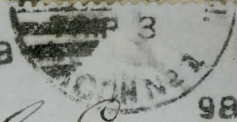
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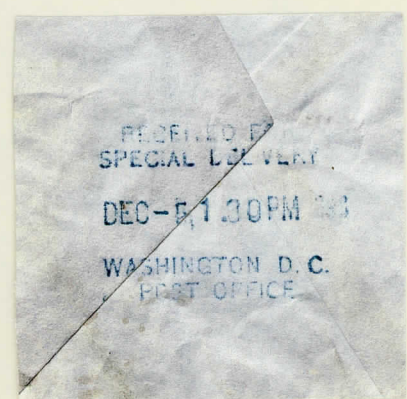


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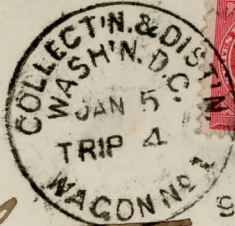
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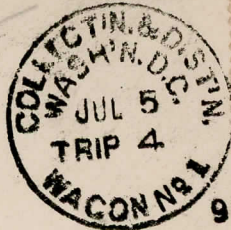


Mrs. M. C. Curtis
24 Mansfield Avenue,
Mount Vernon
Ohio

5 JANUARY

H. A. Campbell,
Architect,
1010 F. St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

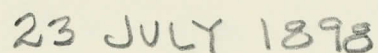
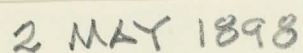
*Hugh - the
architect
brother
Trueman*



J. H. Campbell,
American Hard Fibre Co.,
Newark
Private Del.

5 JULY

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22 MARCH



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The Silver Knight-Watchman,
The Leading Bimetallic Journal of America.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. J. C. Hutton,
Waterloo,

OREGON.

23 AUGUST



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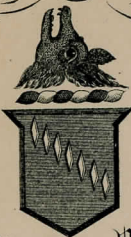
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Mass -

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W. W. Cook,
Counselor at Law,
253 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

Woodward & Lothrop,



10th, 11th and F Sts., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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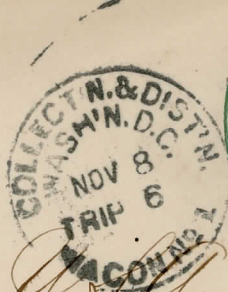


Mrs A Maccomb
Fort Bliss
El Paso Texas.

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JAMES A. BATES & CO.,
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE,
1407 F STREET, N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.
JAMES A. BATES. E. B. TOWNSEND.



8 NOVEMBER

Col. C. C. Byrne, U. S. A.,
Governor Island,
N. Y.

EX SANDRICK

Mar. 26/98.



Mr. Mann A. H. [unclear]
263 West 71 Street
New York City.

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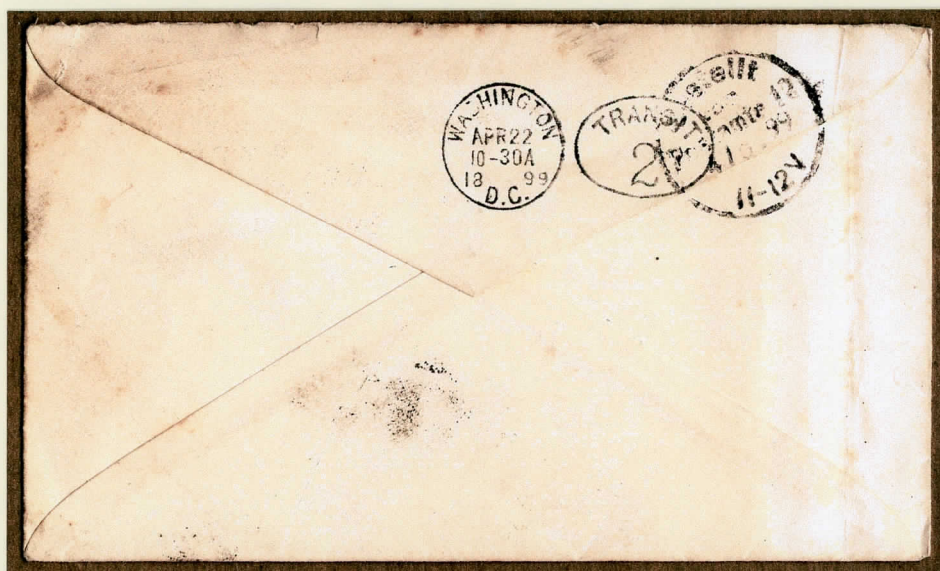
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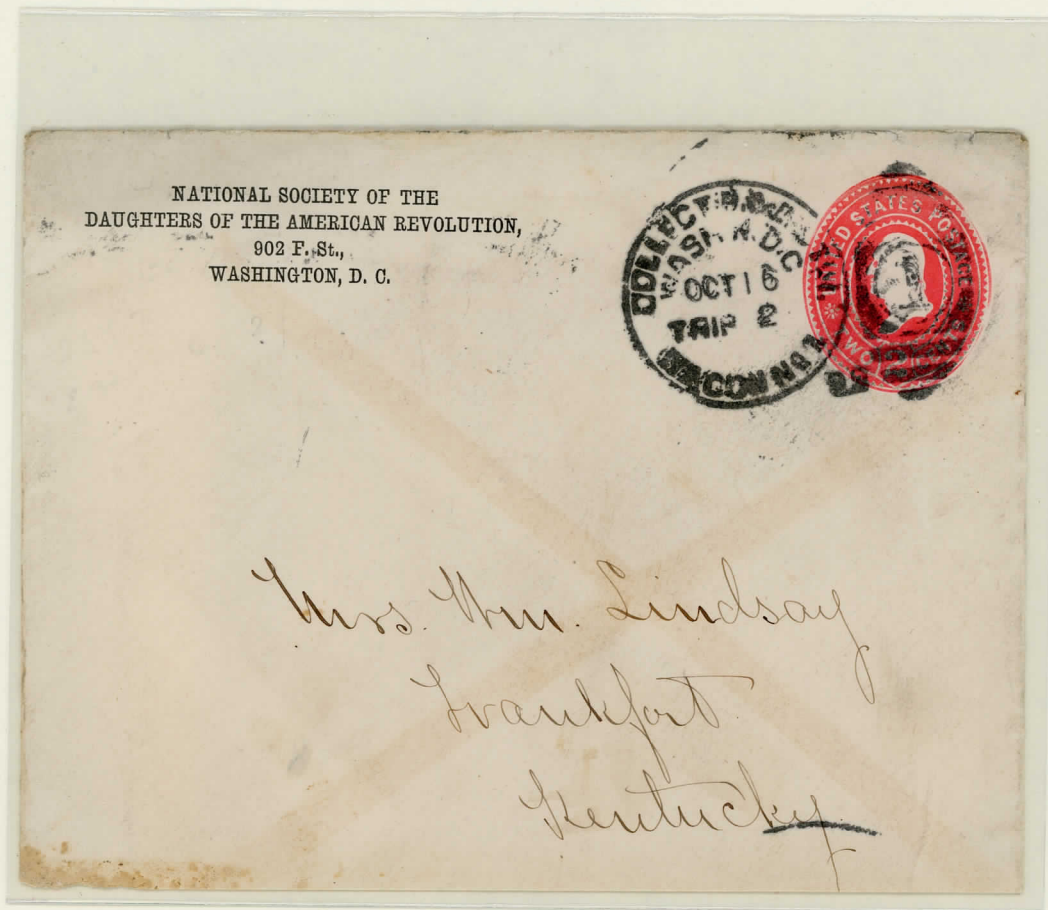


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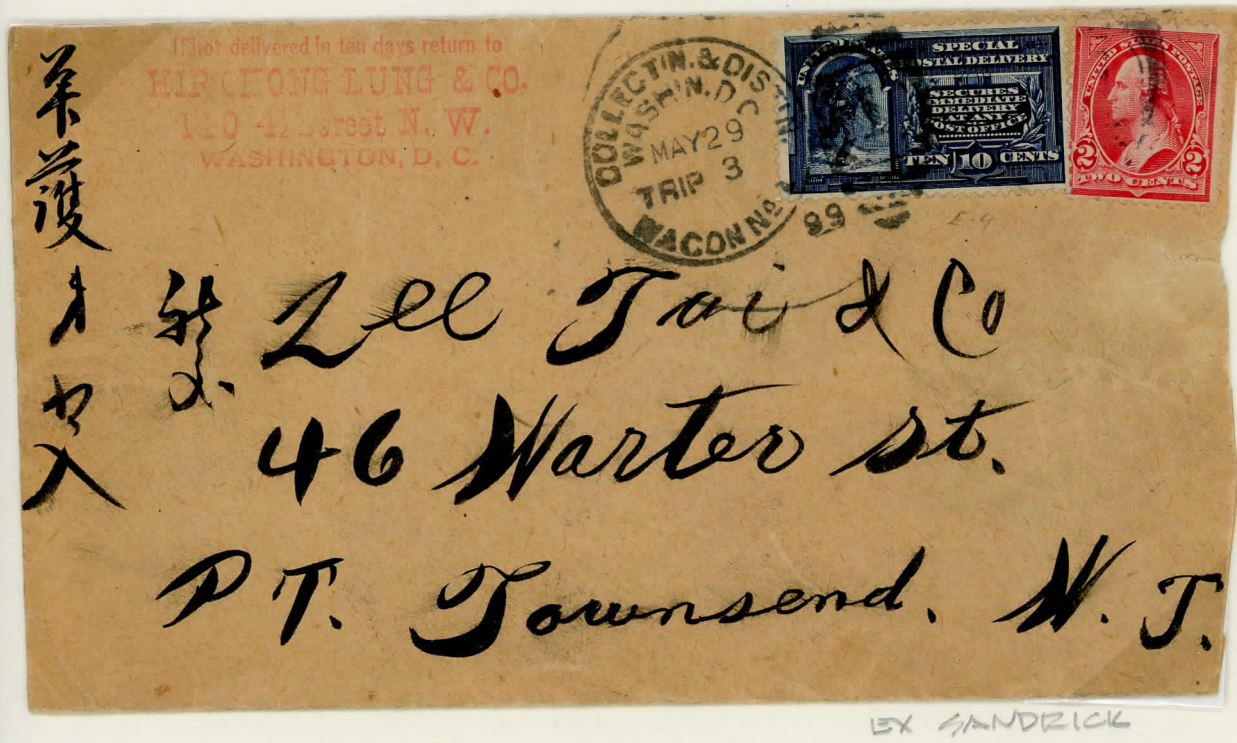
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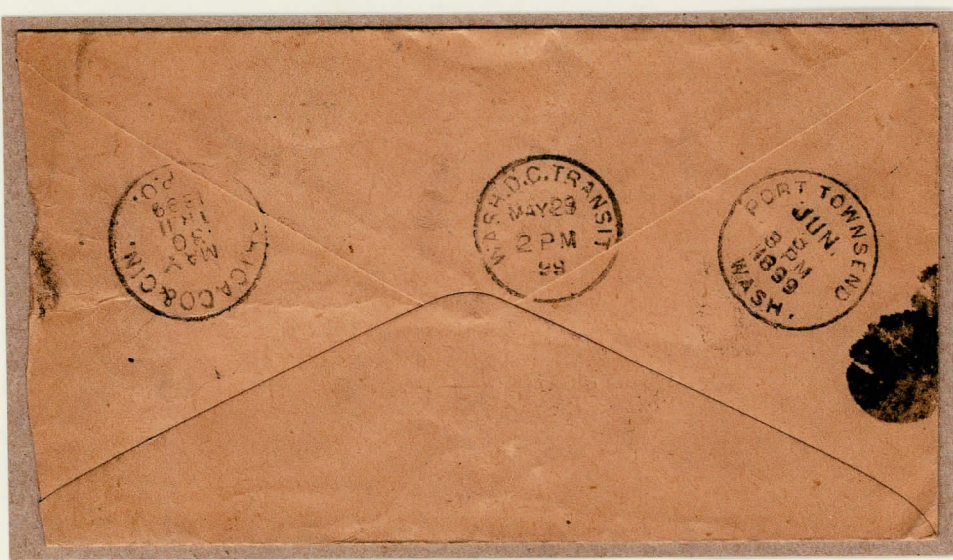


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29 MAY

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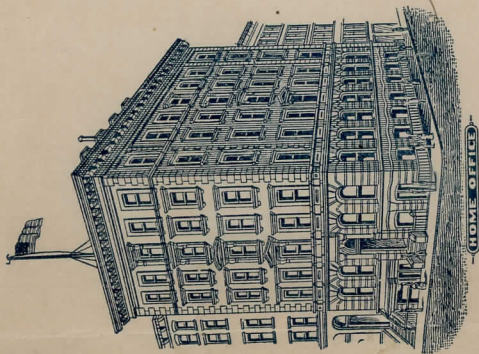
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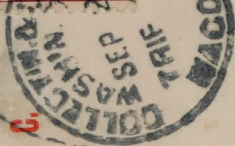
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NEW YORK.

Geo. F. Johnson &
1316 Vermont Ave NW
City



COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON
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1899





WAGON NO. 1, TRIP 6, 29 SEPTEMBER 1899

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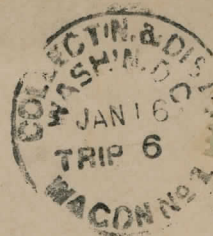
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House of Representatives U. S.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—FREE.

Act of January 12, 1895.



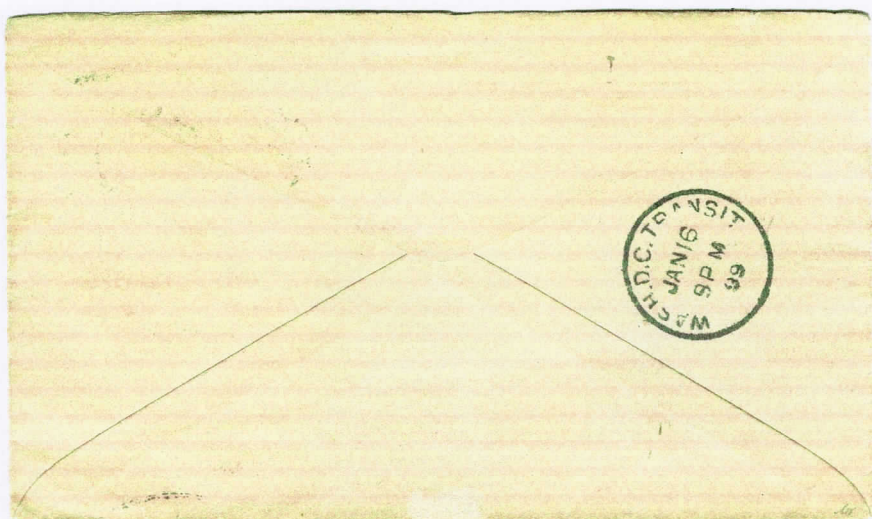
Capt. H. B. Snyder,

c-o Quartermaster's Dept.,

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Cuba.

16 JANUARY 1899



WASHINGTON D.C.
TRANSIT
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TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION ISSUE OF 1898
MILITARY POST OFFICES, SOLDIERS MAIL, AND THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR
MAIL TO MILITARY PERSONNEL ABROAD SENT AT DOMESTIC RATE
COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION WAGON NO. 1

FOUR CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES USED **HORSE-DRAWN COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION MAIL WAGONS** AS A MOBILE POST OFFICE. THESE HORSE-DRAWN WAGONS WERE USED TO COLLECT, SORT, POSTMARK, AND DISTRIBUTE MAIL IN THE SAME WAY AS DID THEIR TROLLEY-CAR COUNTERPARTS BUT WERE NOT LIMITED TO WHERE RAIL TRACKS WERE AVAILABLE.. THE WASHINGTON, D.C. WAGON MADE AS MANY AS NINE TRIPS DAILY FROM **OCTOBER 8, 1896 TO MAY 23, 1900**. TWO MARKINGS HAVE BEEN RECORDED, ONE WHICH SPELLS OUT THE FULL "**COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION**" AND THE ONE SHOWN HERE ABBREVIATED TO "**COLLECT'N & DIST'N**". ONLY ONE WAGON OPERATED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. TRANSPORTING THIS COVER ON "TRIP 6" WITHIN THE CITY.

WASHINGTON, D.C. TO SANTIAGO, CUBA. OVERPAID TO MILITARY ADDRESSEE SINCE DOMESTIC RATES APPLIED

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N.Y. & WASH.
R.P.O.
TR 66
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COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON
TRIP 2 WAGON No. 1

1900



Miss Beulah Hardy,
J. Heaton, P. O.,
Montgomery Co.,
Ind.

18 MAY 1900

ELLIPSE KILLER WITH
IN BARREL

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30mm DIAMETER
WASHINGTON DC
TRANSIT
18 MAY 1900

COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON
TRIP 5, WAGON NO. 1

1900



EVEN THOUGH BY THIS DATE CUBA'S POSTAL SERVICE WAS UNDER CONTROL OF THE U.S. POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT CUBA WAS STILL TREATED AS A FOREIGN COUNTRY, HENCE, THIS LETTER WAS UNDERPAID BY 3 CENTS.



TRANSIT	29 MARCH 1900
AND	WASHINGTON DC
ARRIVAL	7 APRIL 1900
MARKINGS	GUANTANAMO, CUBA

PHOTOCOPY OF MARKINGS AT 125%

COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON
TRIP 6 WAGON NO. 1

1900



PICTURE SIDE OF POSTCARD

TABLE I THE COLLECTION & DISTRIBUTION WAGON MARKINGS

CITY	MPOS CATALOG NO.	SIZE CIRCLE, MM	NUMBER OF TRIPS, DAILY No. (Covers recorded)*	TRIP NOS.		EARLIEST DATE REPORTED	LATEST DATE REPORTED
				No cover	Recorded		
NEW YORK	NY-2-a	26	14 (9)	3,4,8,9,10		8 Dec., 1896	23 Sept., 1897
NEW YORK	NY-2-b	26	14 (7)	1,3,5,7,8,9,12		2 Dec., 1896	13 May, 1897
BUFFALO	BU-1-a	29	9 (8)	Trip 8		11 Nov., 1897	29 May, 1899
WASHINGTON	WA-4-a	28½	9 (9)	-----		8 Oct., 1896	4 Oct., 1897
WASHINGTON	WA-4-b	29½	9 (7)	Nos. 8, 9		10 Nov., 1897	23 May, 1900

* Number of trips from which covers have been recorded as evidenced by trip numbers.

