

-THREE CENT 1861-

-MASSACHUSETTS State Seal-



#65-Red Boston, Massachusetts dated August 6 (1860's) used with a black geometric cancel, BPM #1001. The Boston marking is BPM # 993.

The envelope shows the State Seal of Massachusetts from the Quarter master General's Department.

- BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS -



#65-Red Boston dated February 6 used with a black geometric cancel. The cover was from the Franklin Sewing Machine Company.

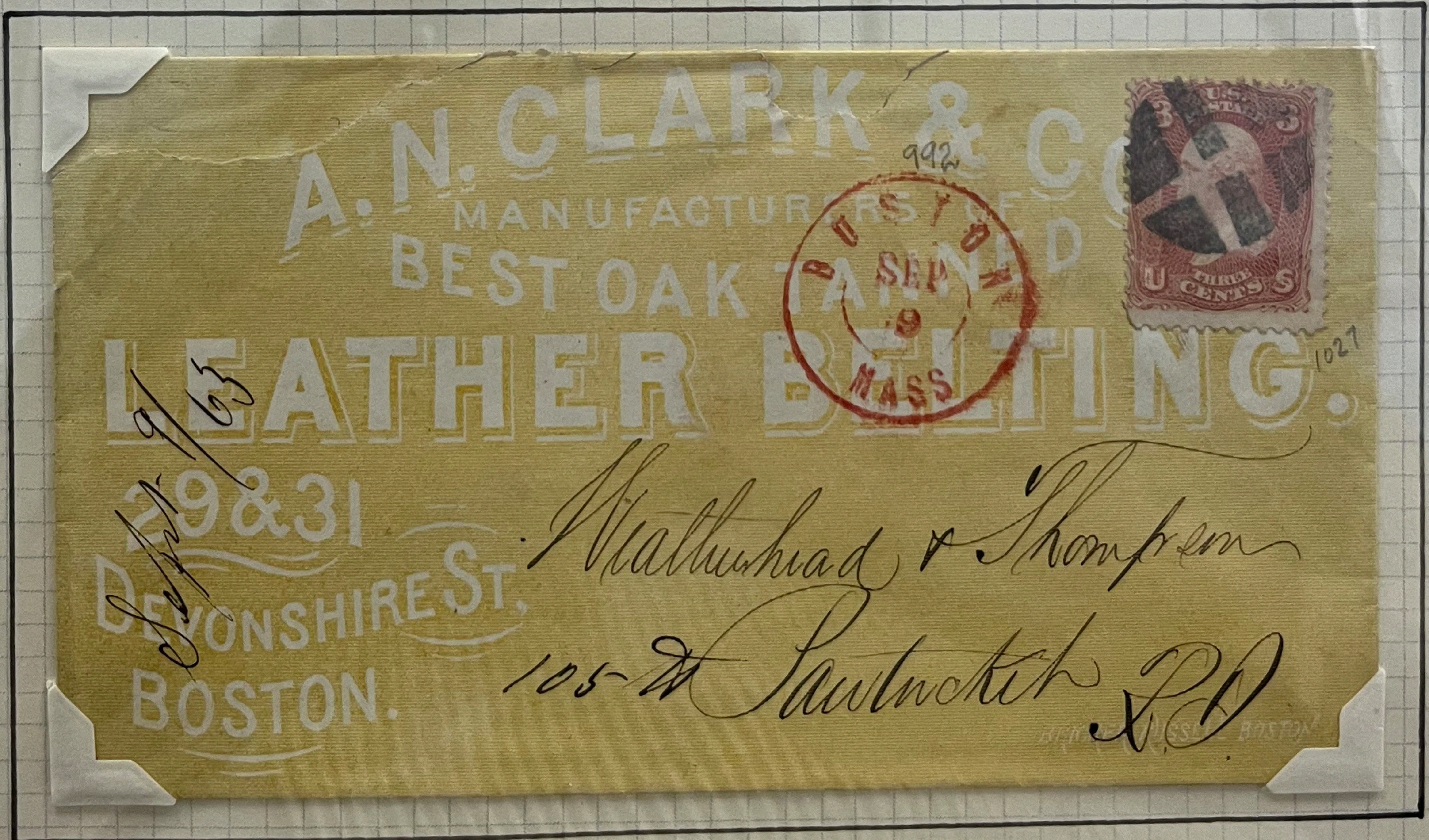


#65-Boston dated August 22 used with a negative star cancel, BPM #1055. The cover was from the Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing Company; makers of sewing machines.

-BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS-



#65-Red August 12, 1863 BPM #993 used with black BPM #1025 killer on #65. This pink advertising cover was from the American Tract Society.

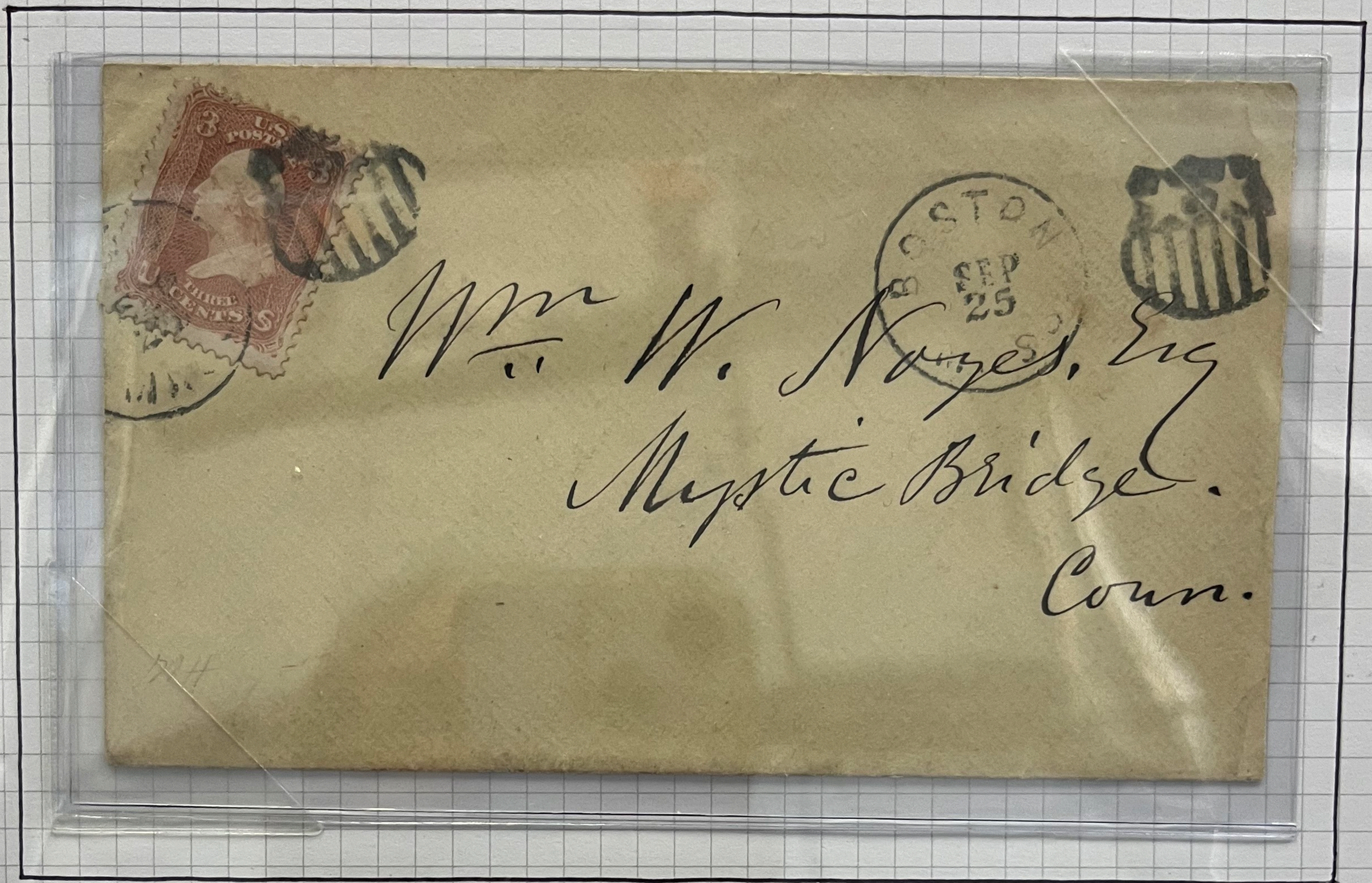


#65-Red September 9, 1863 BPM #992 used with black BPM #1027 killer on #65. This yellow advertising cover was from A.N. Clark & Company, makers of "Leather Belting".



#65- Red Boston, Mass. dated May 6 (1860's) used with the famous boxed PAID cancel. This cover was sent to Chicago and was forwarded to New York City. A blue Chicago, Ill. postmark dated May 8, 186- was applied, plus a very interesting oval shaped FORWARDED 3 marking.

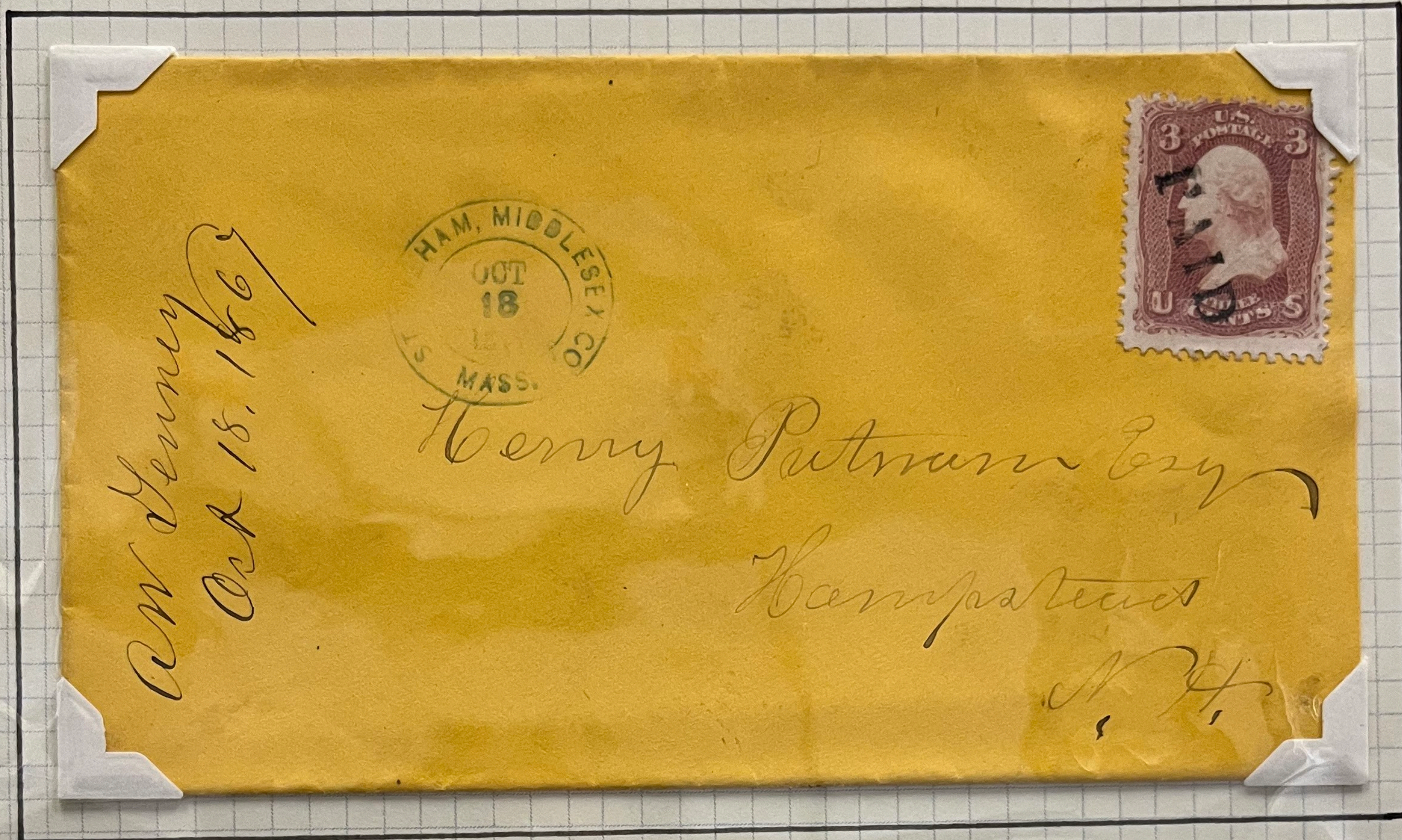
-Boston, Mass.-



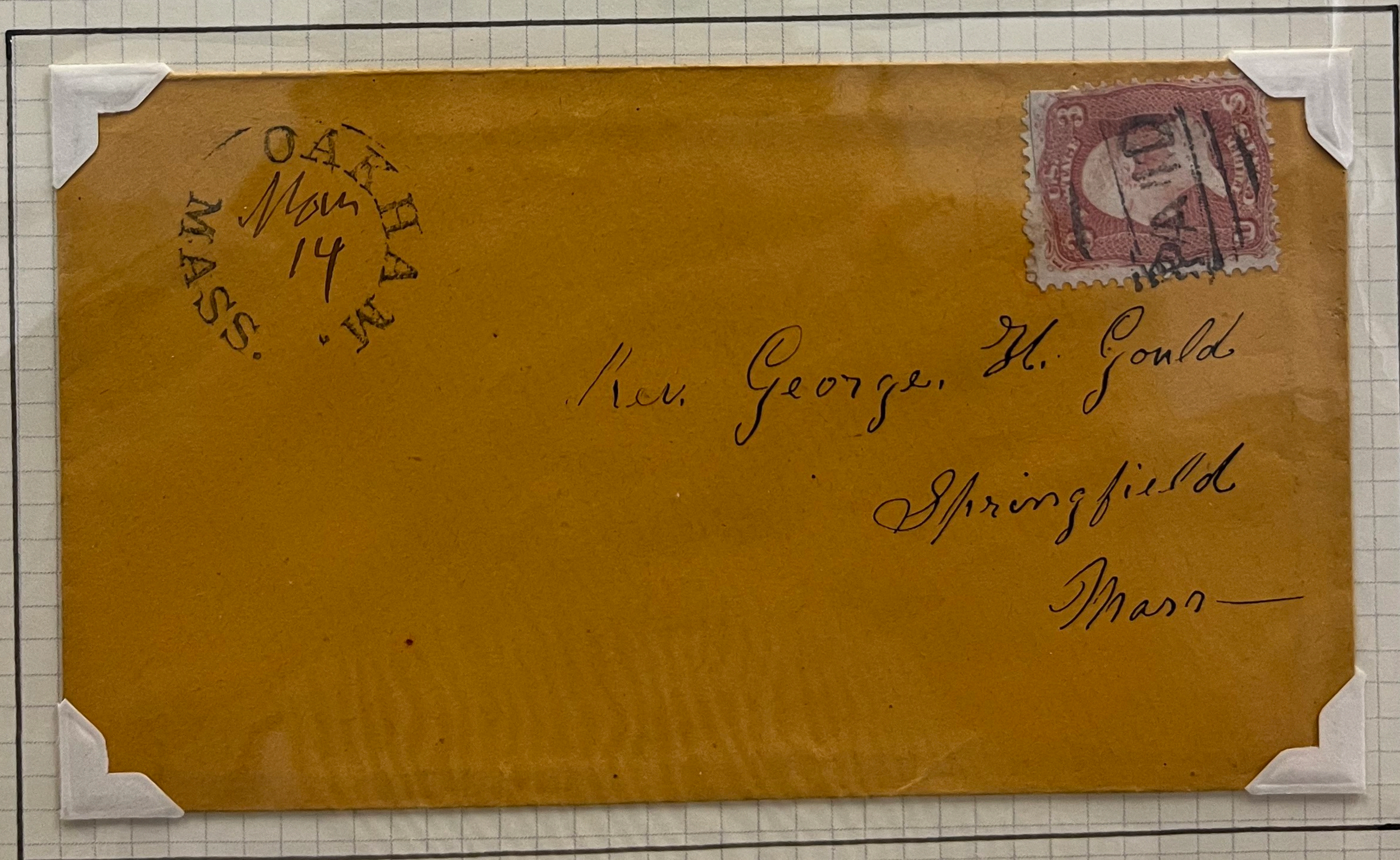
#65-2 covers dated Sept. 25 (1860's) with BPM # 1067 Shield with 2 Stars and six strips.



-Paid Cancels-



#65- Blue Stoneham, Middlesex County, Massachusetts dated October 18, 1867 used with a black Linn's Roman Type II straight line PAID cancel.



#65- Ringless Oakham, Massachusetts dated in pen, March 14, used with a fancy PAID and bars cancel.

-PAID CANCELS-



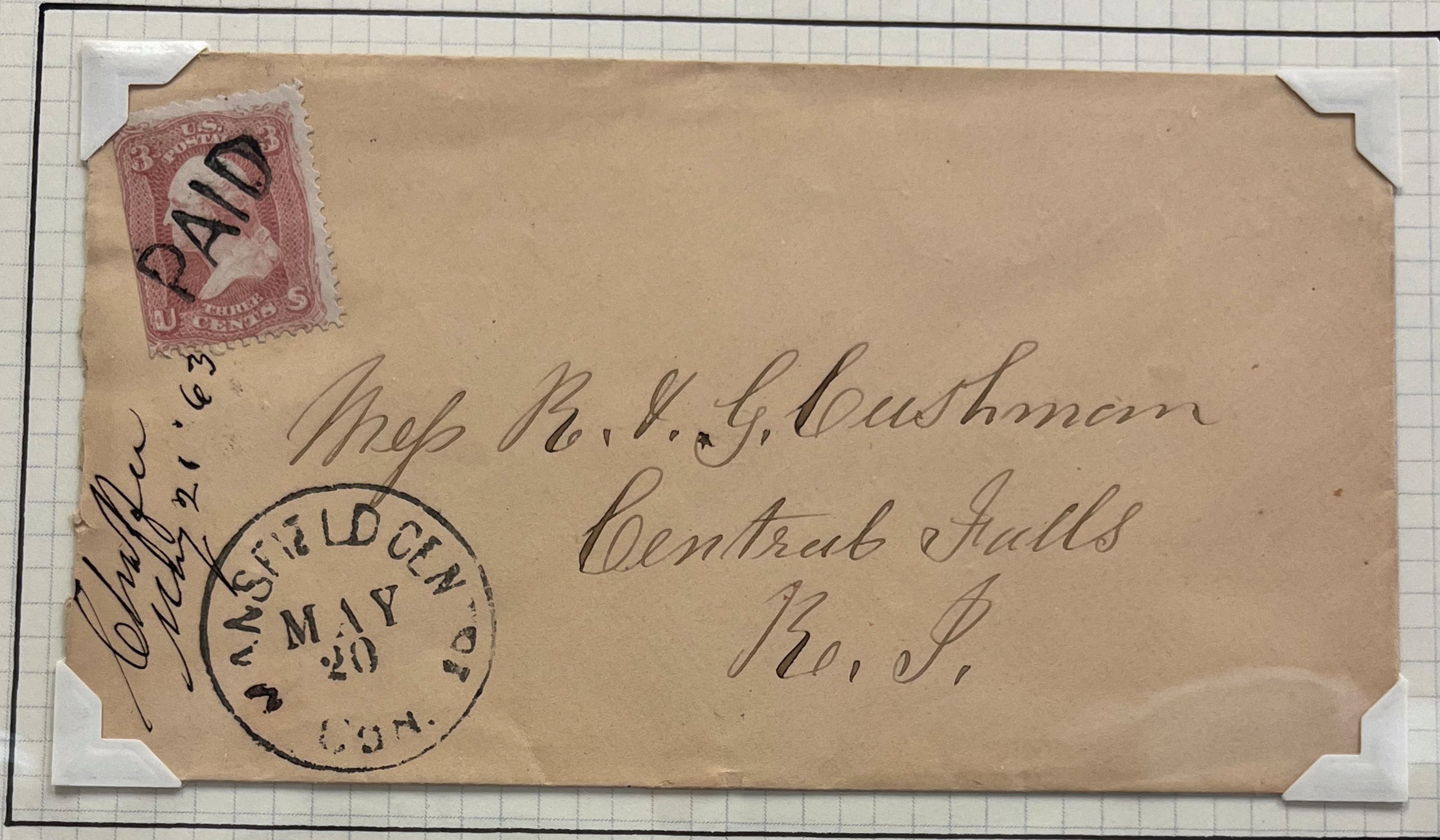
#65-Bristol, Maine dated August 25 (during the 1860's) used with a manuscript PAID cancel on the #65. This type of pen PAID cancels are scarce.



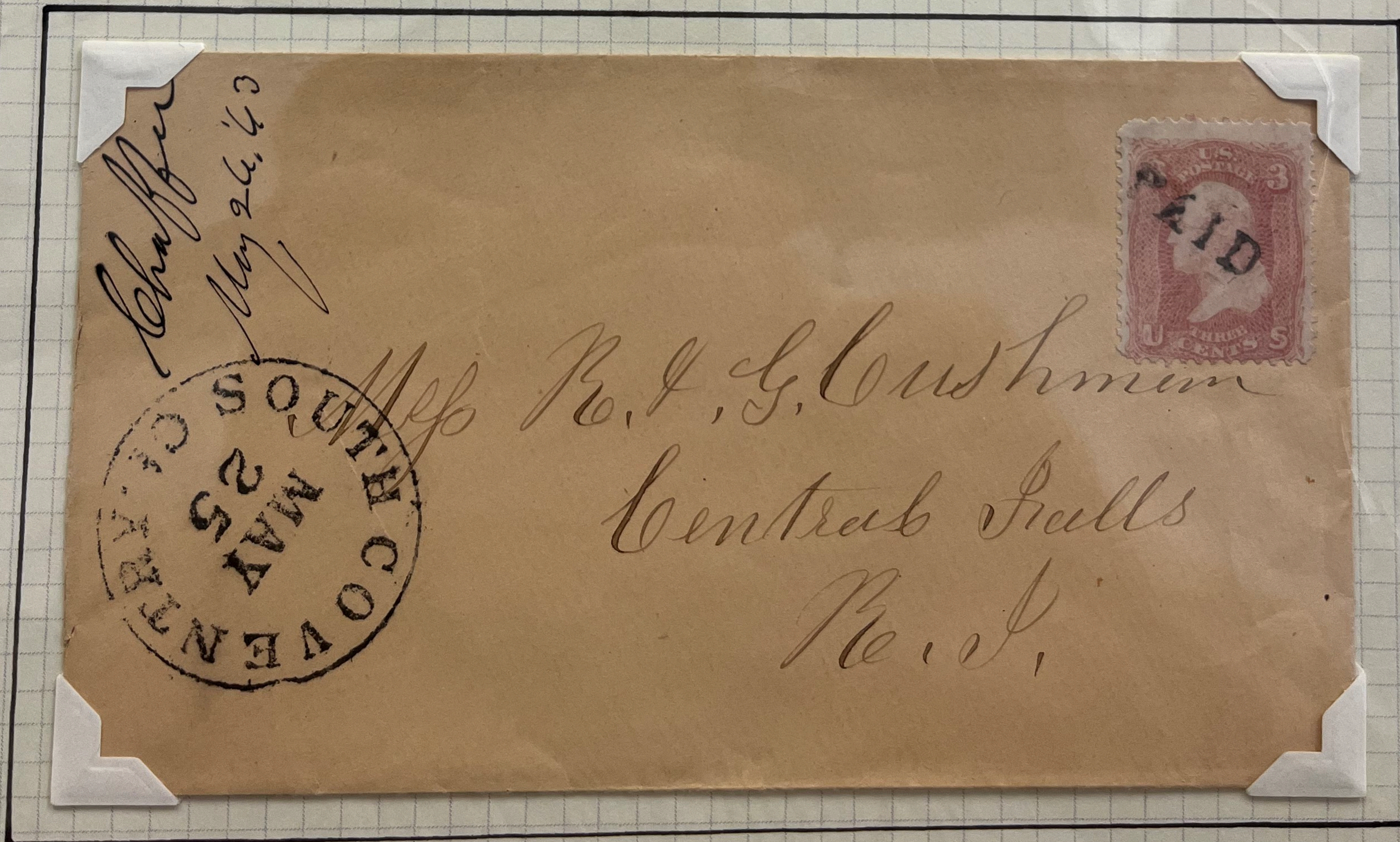
#65-North Weare, New Hampshire dated January 17th. used with Linn's Roman Type I PAID cancel. Post Office existed from 1853 to 1939.

-PAID CANCELS-

R. & G. Cushman Co. made wooden spools.



#65-Mansfield Center, Connecticut town marking dated May 20 (1863) used with a Gothic type PAID cancel.



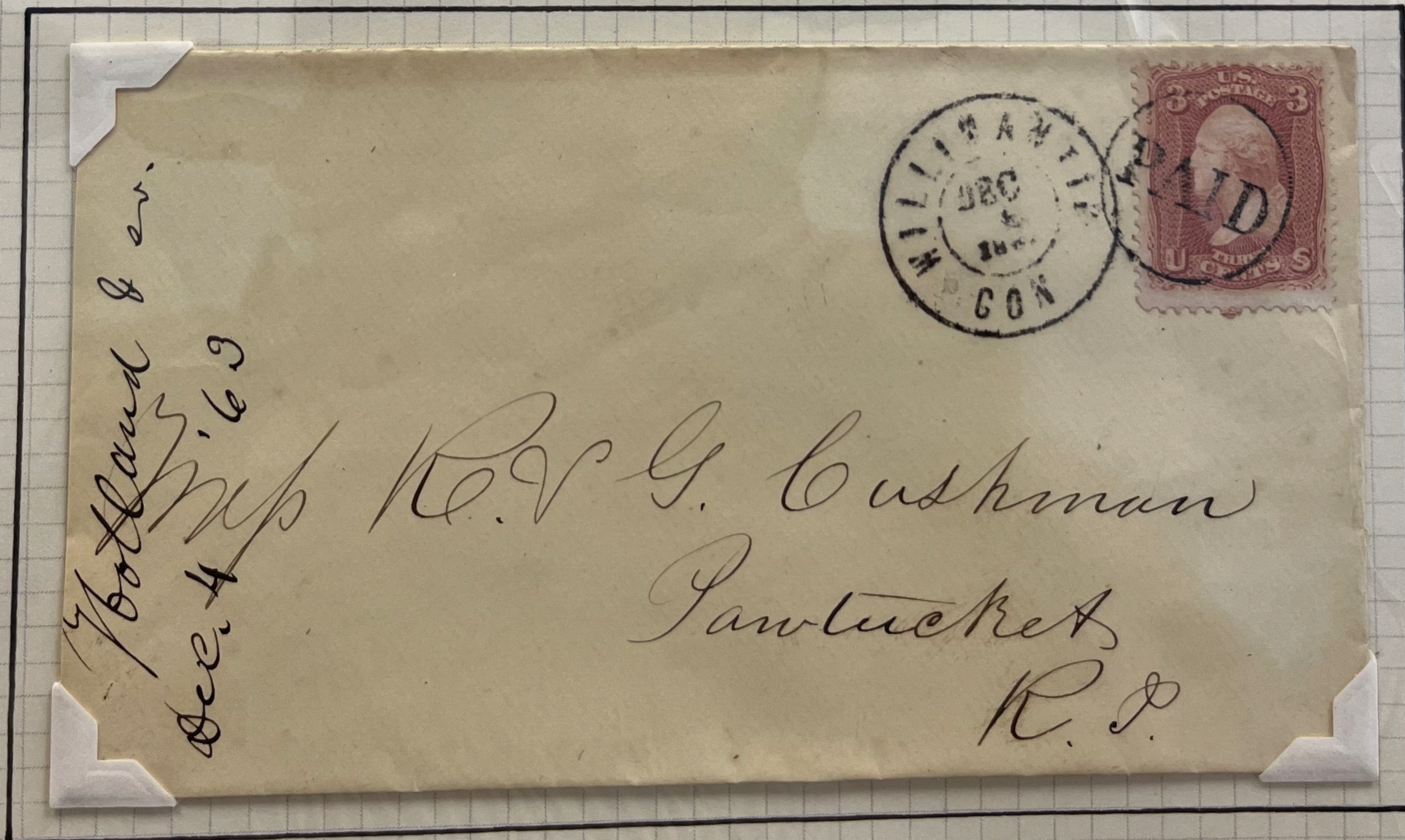
#65-South Coventry, Connecticut town marking dated May 25 (1863) used with a Roman type PAID cancel.

-PAID CANCELS-

R.&G. Cushman Co. made wooden spools.



#65-Fall River, Massachusetts dated April 11, 1862 used with Linn's Type I, PAID in a circle cancel.



#65-Willimantic, Connecticut dated December 4, 1863 used with a PAID in a circle cancel, again Linn's Type I.

-PAID CANCELS-

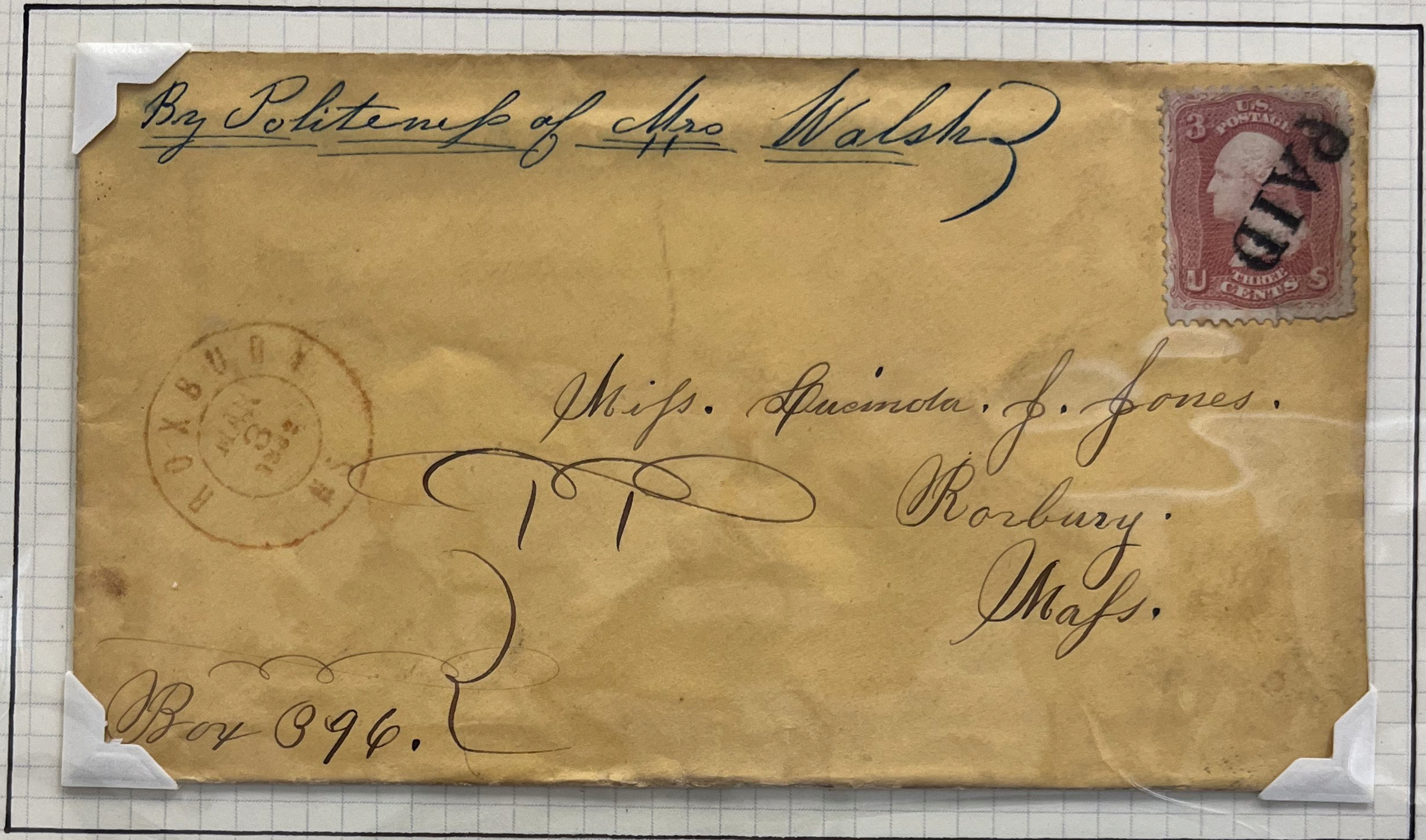


#65-A blue East Canaan, New Hampshire dated April 5 used with a blue PAID cancel, Linn's Gothic Type VII.

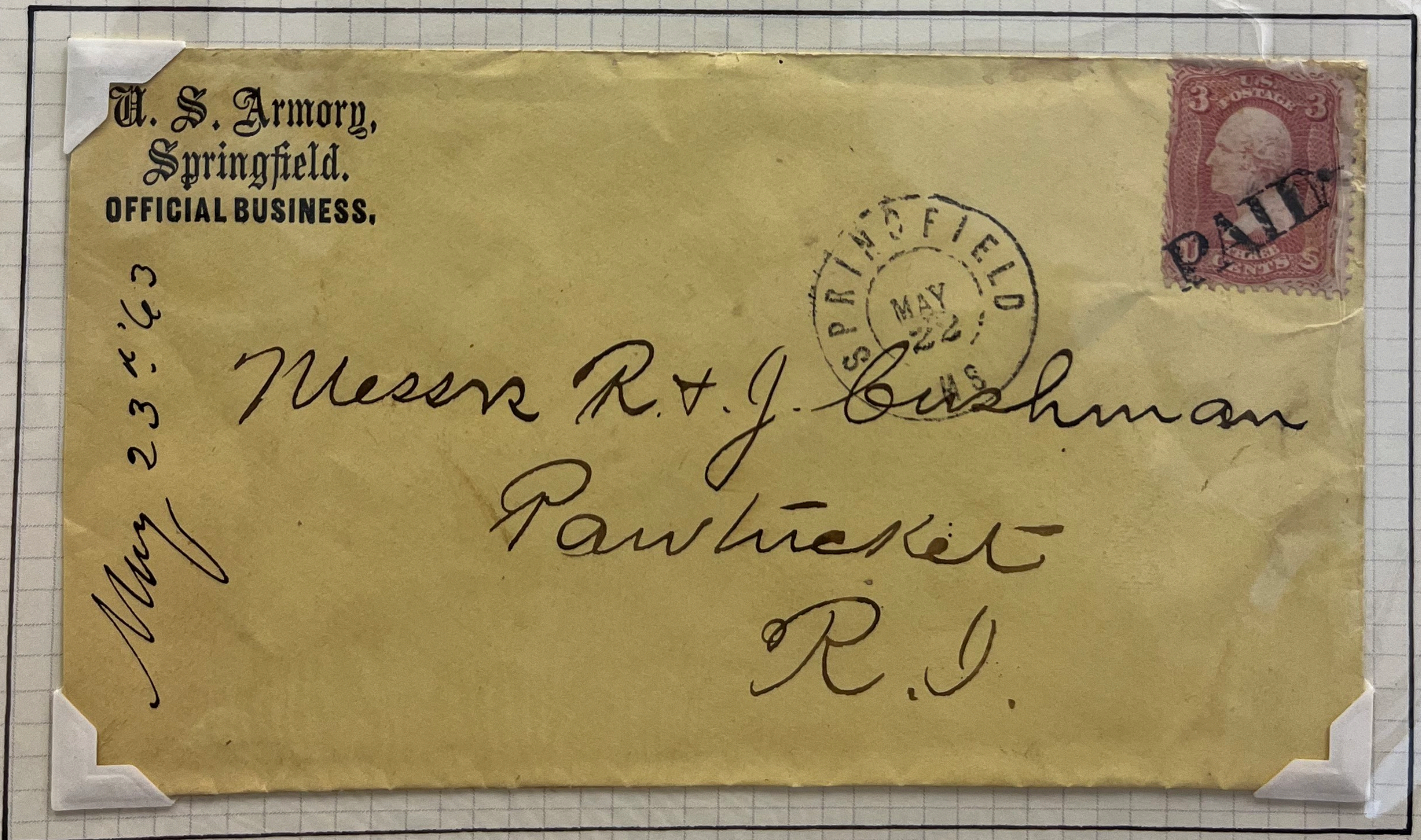


#65-A straight line PAID cancel from Strong, Maine dated February 7th., Linn's Gothic Type VIII.

-PAID CANCELS-



#65-Red Roxbury, Massachusetts dated March 3, 1862 used with a black, Linn's Roman Type V, PAID cancel.



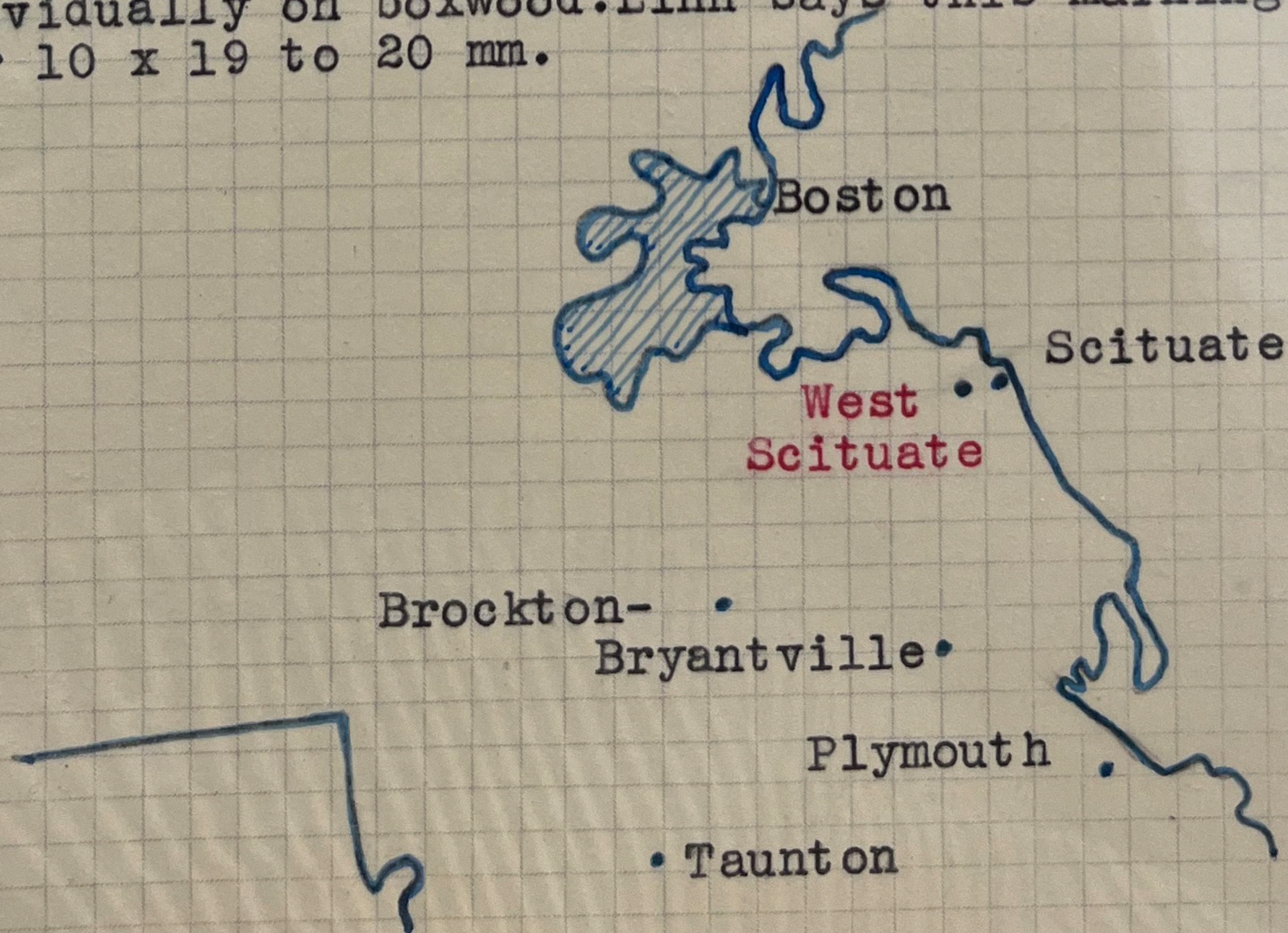
#65-Springfield, Massachusetts dated May 22 (1863) used with Linn's Roman Type V PAID cancel though not listed by Linn in his book. The corner card was from the U.S. Armory.

-WEST SCITUATE, MASSACHUSETTS-



#65-Three Cent Issue of 1861 from West Scituate, Massachusetts dated November 9, year unknown. The stamp has a $7\frac{1}{2}$ by $19\frac{1}{2}$ mm. straight line PAID cancel.

George Linn calls this PAID his Gothic Type VIII. This handstamp was widely used in the United States, so slight variations were possible because each were made individually on boxwood. Linn says this marking measures 9 or 10 x 19 to 20 mm.



-ATTLEBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS-

Green Attleboro town and Shield marking



-Bristol County-

#65-33mm. Attleborough, Massachusetts dated June 8. The stamp has a "Shield" cancel. During the 1860's, Attleborough was spelled in two different ways- Attleborough and Attleboro.

-CANTON, MASSACHUSETTS-

Canton Aug. 3rd 1867

Messrs R & G Cushman
Dear Sirs

Please find
enclosed, our check on the
National Bank of North
America, Boston, for 62 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀
Dollars, in payment of

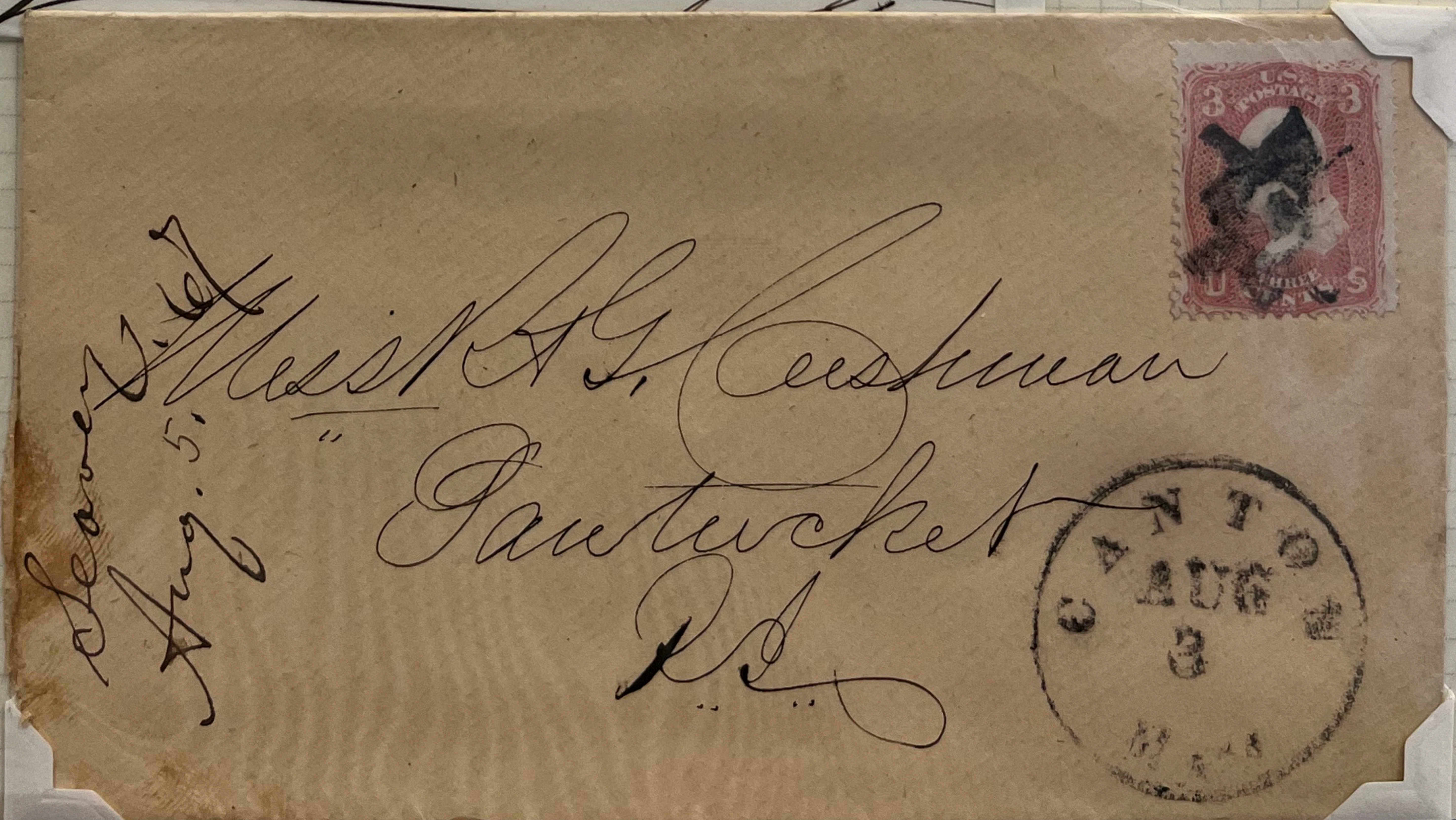
of
We also enclose the bill
which please receipt & return

Yours truly

J. W. C. Seavey & Co.

#65-A 32mm. Canton,
Massachusetts dated
August 3 (1867) with
a scarce negative "C"
in a diamond and four
legs cancel. The letter
was sent from J.W.C.
Seavey & Co. of Can-
ton-see back for com-
pany marking. A letter
was also enclosed.

S & E # LS-CL4



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#65-Three cent 1861 Two different shades of #65 used on one cover. This cover started at Peru, New York Feb. 7, 1865 date from letter inside. The stamp that goes with Peru, N.Y. is the light shade stamp at the far right hand side. Now this cover was sent to West Stockbridge, Massachusetts. When the cover arrived there, the person had moved, so this cover was forwarded to Great Barrington, Massachusetts. The cover, when sent a second time, must have postage again either paid or collect-collect indicated by Due 3 and paid indicated by a second stamp on the cover as was the case this time. The second postal marking has a double ringed West Stockbridge, Mass. dated Feb. 11 (1865) and the stamp has a four ring target. Both stamps have cancels used as killers.

-MISSENT COVERS-



#65-Springfield, Massachusetts dated January 2, 1864 with negative Cross Roads cancel. This cover received a red Providence, R.I. and black MISSENT cancel then went to Pawtucket, R.I.



#65-Barring, Maine dated April 3 with pen cancel on #65. This cover was sent to Pawtucket, R.I. but was MISSENT and went to Ellsworth, Maine where a town marking dated April 5, 1862 and straight line MISSENT was applied before being sent to its proper destination.

-FORWARDED COVERS-



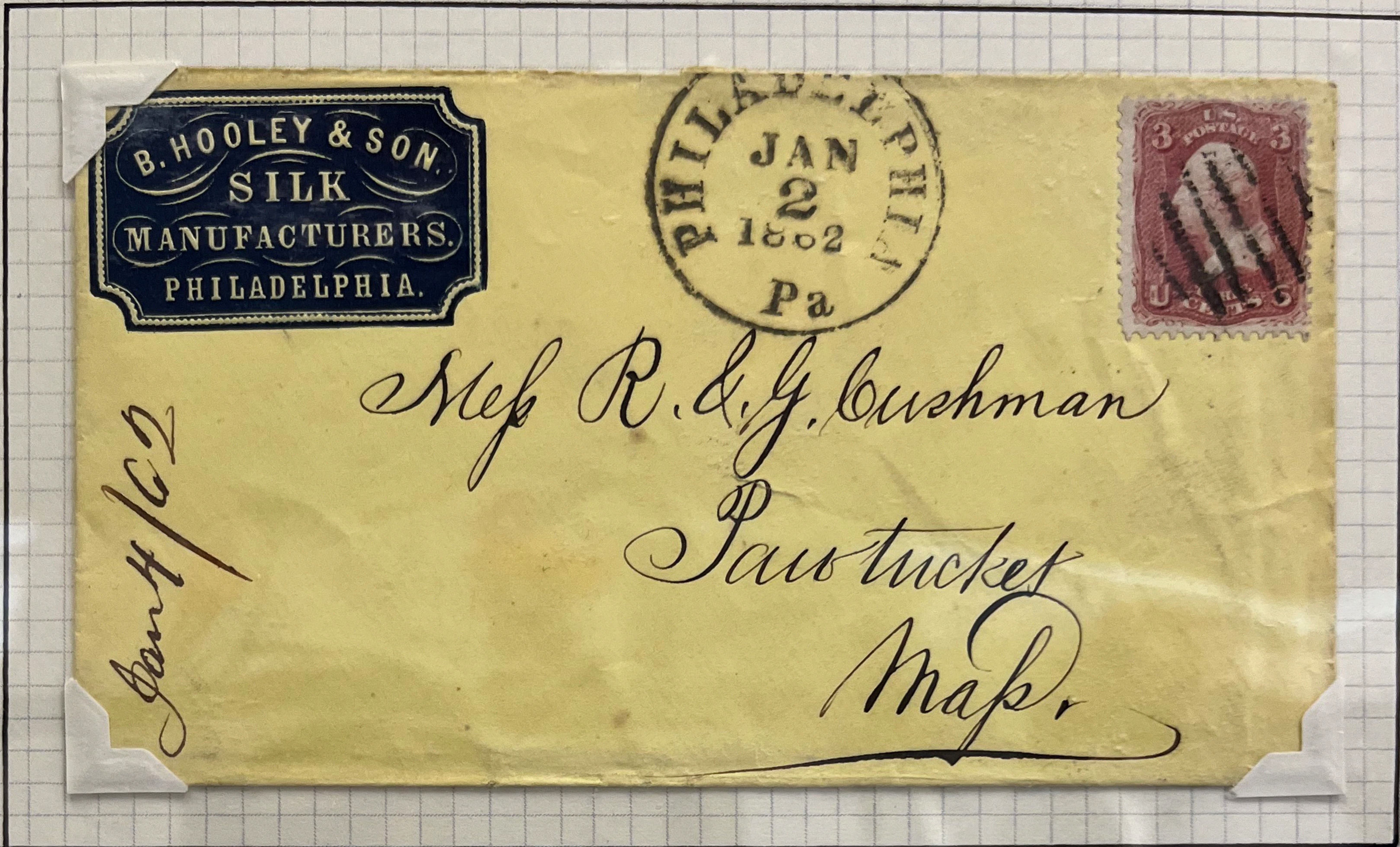
#65-Red Charlestown, Massachusetts dated November 7, 1864 sent to Kents Hill, Maine, dated January 10, where this cover was forwarded with a DUE 3 to Strong, Maine. The black GRID cancel on #65 belongs with the Charlestown marking.



#65-Cambridgeport, Massachusetts dated July 21 (1866) sent to McGregor, Iowa where this cover was forwarded with another #65 to Waukon, Iowa on July 27th.

The population of McGregor in 1950 was 1138.

-THREE CENT ISSUE OF 1861-



#65-Three cent 1861 used at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on January 2, 1862. A blue corner card of B. Hooley-SILK makers.



#65-Two ringed Northampton, Massachusetts dated May 4, 1864 with fancy diamond cancels. At the left top corner is a fancy corner card of William Skinner of Haydenville, Massachusetts. SILK manufacturer.

-RAILROAD-

FROM
Cheney Brothers Silk M'fg Co.
SOUTH MANCHESTER, CONN.



*Cheney Bros.
Jan. 20. '62*



*Messrs. R. & G. Cushman
Central Falls
R. I.*

#65-A 26mm. P. (Providence, R. I.), H. (Hartford, Connecticut) & Fishkill RR (Railroad) marking dated January 18, (1862). The corner card reads-Cheney Brothers-Silk Manufacturing Company of South Manchester, Connecticut. Towle and Meyer's # 54-C-1.

-THREE CENT ISSUE OF 1861-

#65-Cleveland, Ohio with a 52 x 5mm. straight line
"STEAM BOAT" cancel. The stamp has a grid cancel.

STEAM BOAT

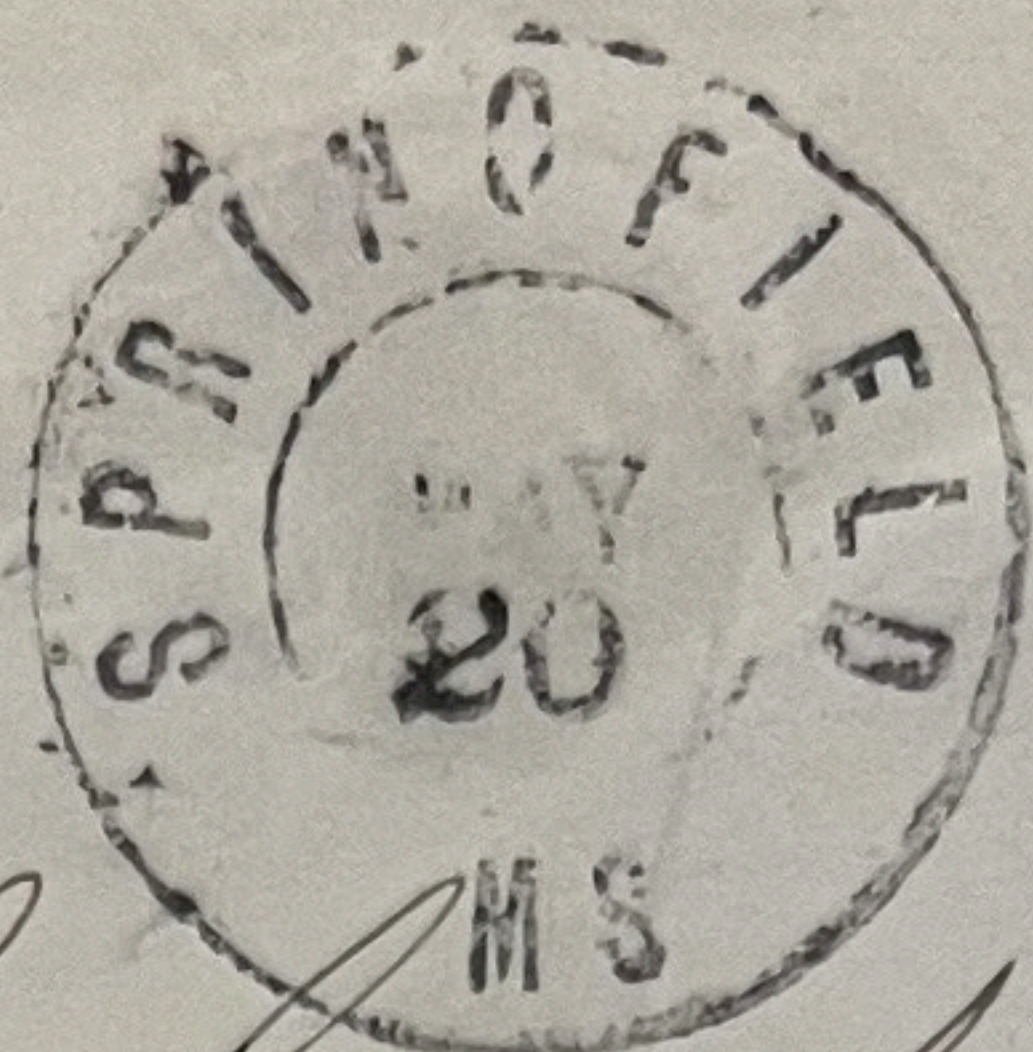
Mrs Philo E Wright
Middlebury
Summit Co
Ohio



The marking **STEAMBOAT** means that the letter bearing it was picked up somewhere along an inland river, lake, bay, or sound by the captain or clerk of a steamboat having no mail-carrying status with the postoffice department. It was carried as a favor to the writer; the captain or clerk was required by law to carry it to a post office where the letter was marked **STEAMBOAT**. Letters bearing the marking are scarce because they represent only such infrequent letters as could not be mailed at a post office, put aboard a railroad train, or delivered to a steamboat having a mail-carrying contract. The marking **STEAMBOAT** was often abbreviated to **STEAM**.

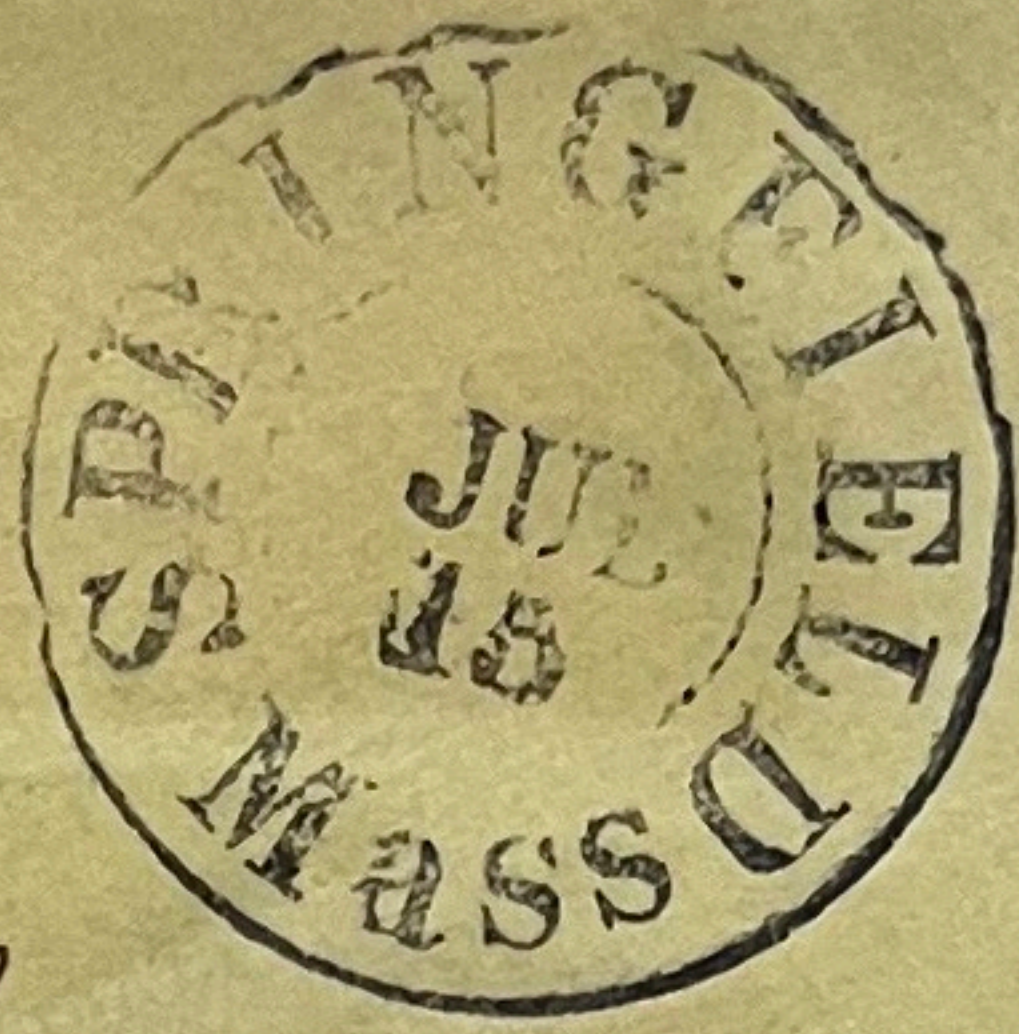
-Three Cent 1861 Issue-

Norris
1863



A study of four different Springfield, Mass. town markings used from May 1863 to June 1864.

U. S. Armory,
Springfield.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.



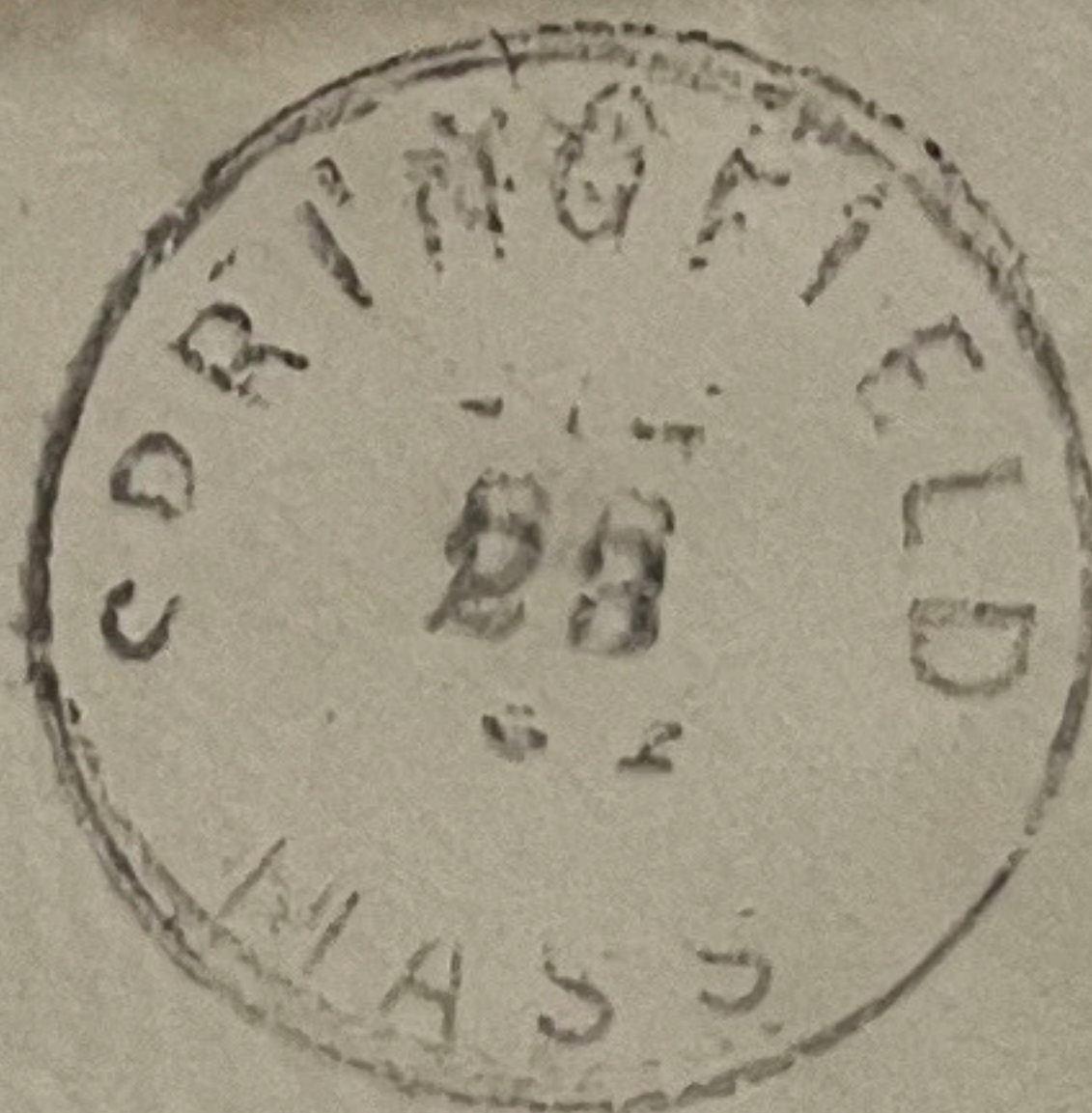
#65- 25 + 13 mm.
Springfield, Ms.
dated May 20
(1863).
Straight line PAID

Major Dyer
Mr 14 Co
Messrs R. & G. Cushman
Pawtucket



#65- 25 1/2 + 13 mm.
Springfield, Mass.
July 15 (1863)

SAMUEL NORRIS,
Springfield, Mass.



#65- 29 + 15 1/2 mm.
Springfield
Mass. Nov. 13,
1863.

June 23, '64

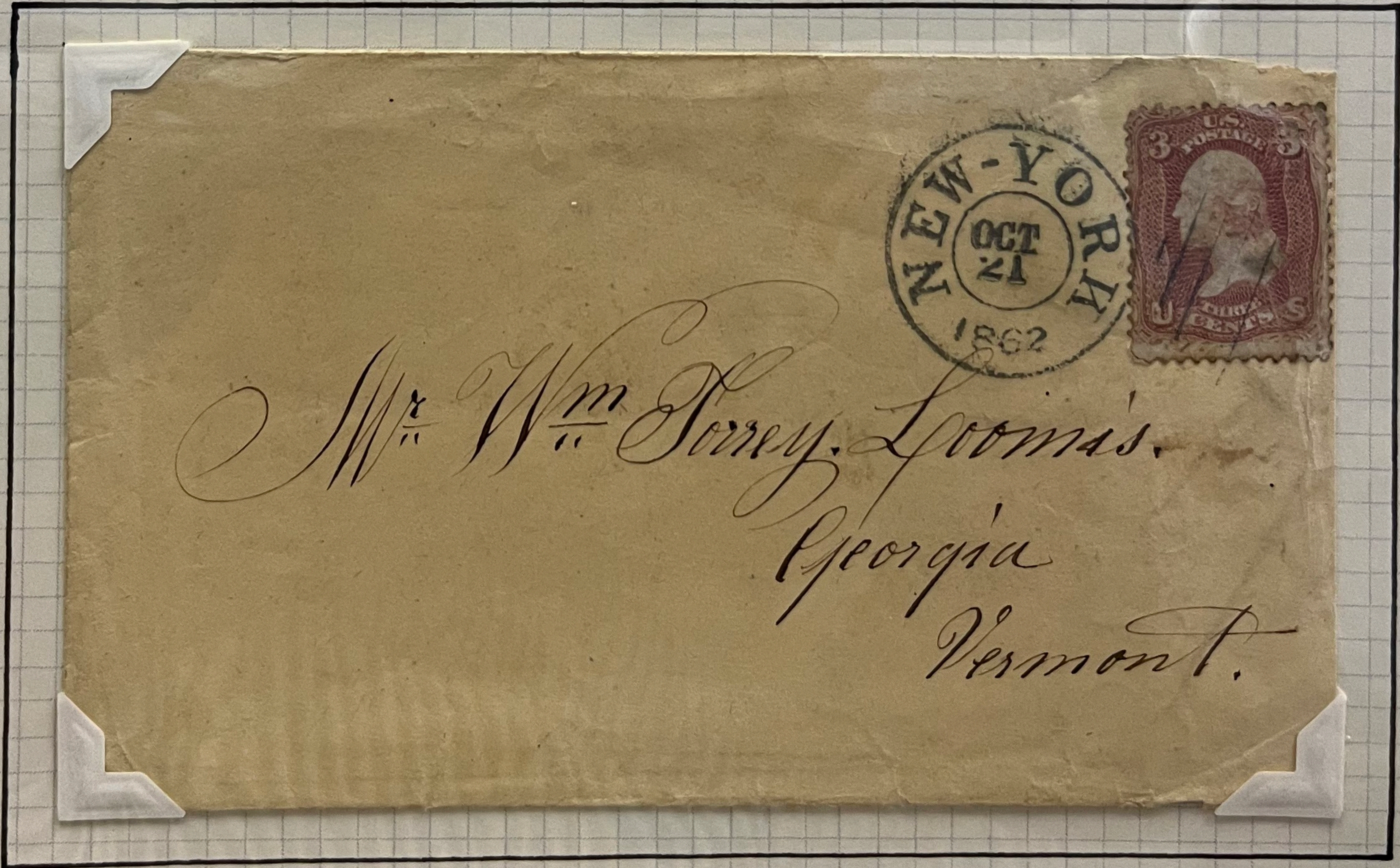
Messrs R. & G. Cushman
Pawtucket
R. J.

#65- 29 mm. Spring-
field, Mass. dated
June 23 (18)64.

-NEW YORK PATENT CANCEL-



#63,65-New York City dated October 20, 1862 with a Patent Cancel. This patent cancel had a series of blades which cut into the paper of the stamp as the ink was applied. The purpose of the cancel was to drive the ink into the paper so reusage was impossible. The one cent #63 paid for the Carrier Fee.



#65-New York City dated October 21, 1862 again with a Patent cancel as above. This time the three cent 1861 issue received the Patent cancel of a series of blades cutting the stamp while driving the ink into the paper so as to stop reusage. In those days, the ink was washed off and the stamp was re-used.

-EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASS. -

Masonic Cancel



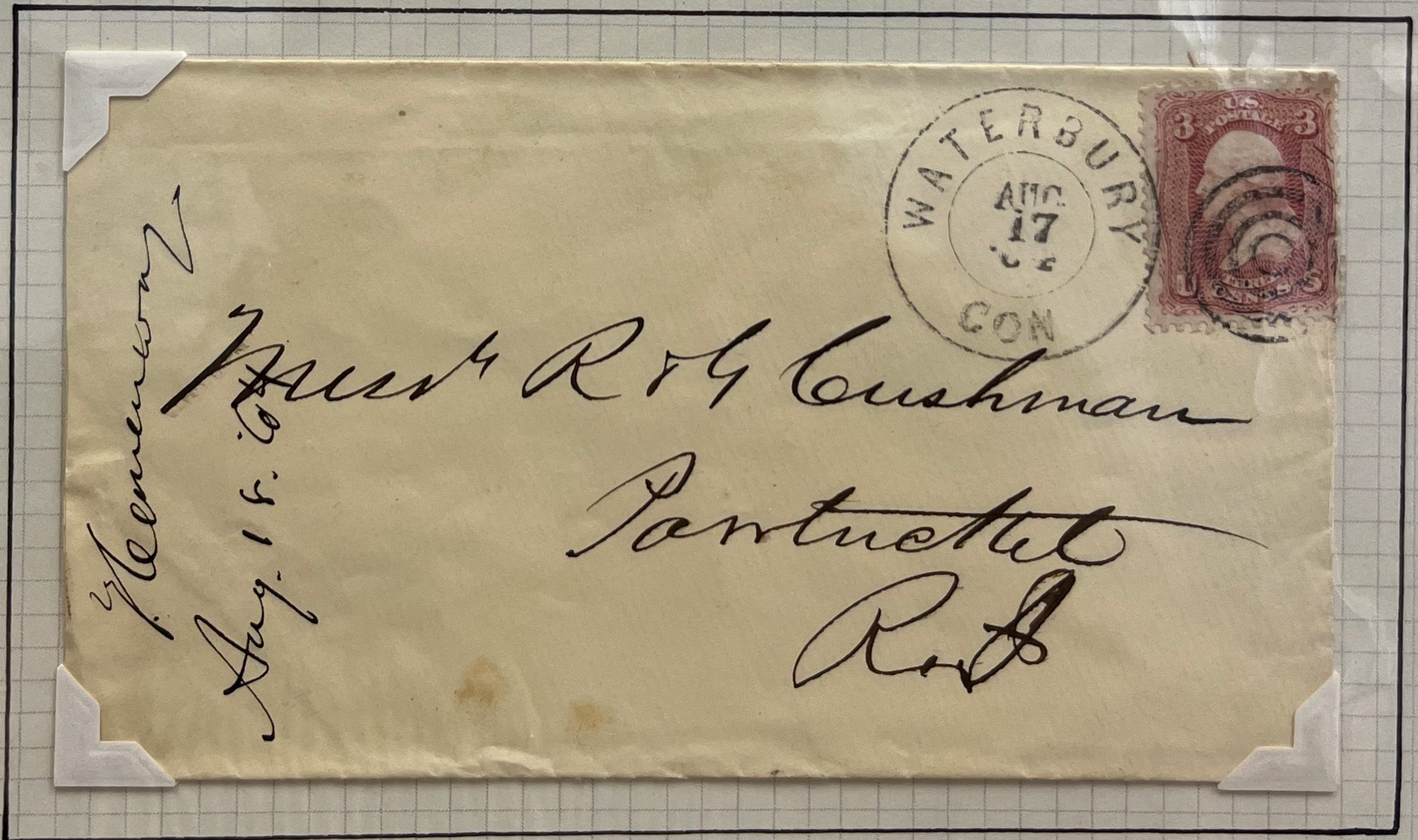
#65-East Bridgewater, Massachusetts dated July 15th. used with a negative Square and Compass "Masonic" cancel. This stamp was used during the 1860's.



-WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT-



#65-Waterbury, Connecticut dated September 9, 1865 used with a fancy five pointed rosette cancel, in the shape of a star.



#65-Waterbury, Connecticut dated August 17, 1864 used with a four ring target cancel. On the flap, is an embossed corner card from M. Heminway & Sons, Silk Manufacturers. Up to around 1870, 100 different types of fancy cancels were used at Waterbury, so even a target cancel is uncommon.

-Three Cent 1861 Issue-

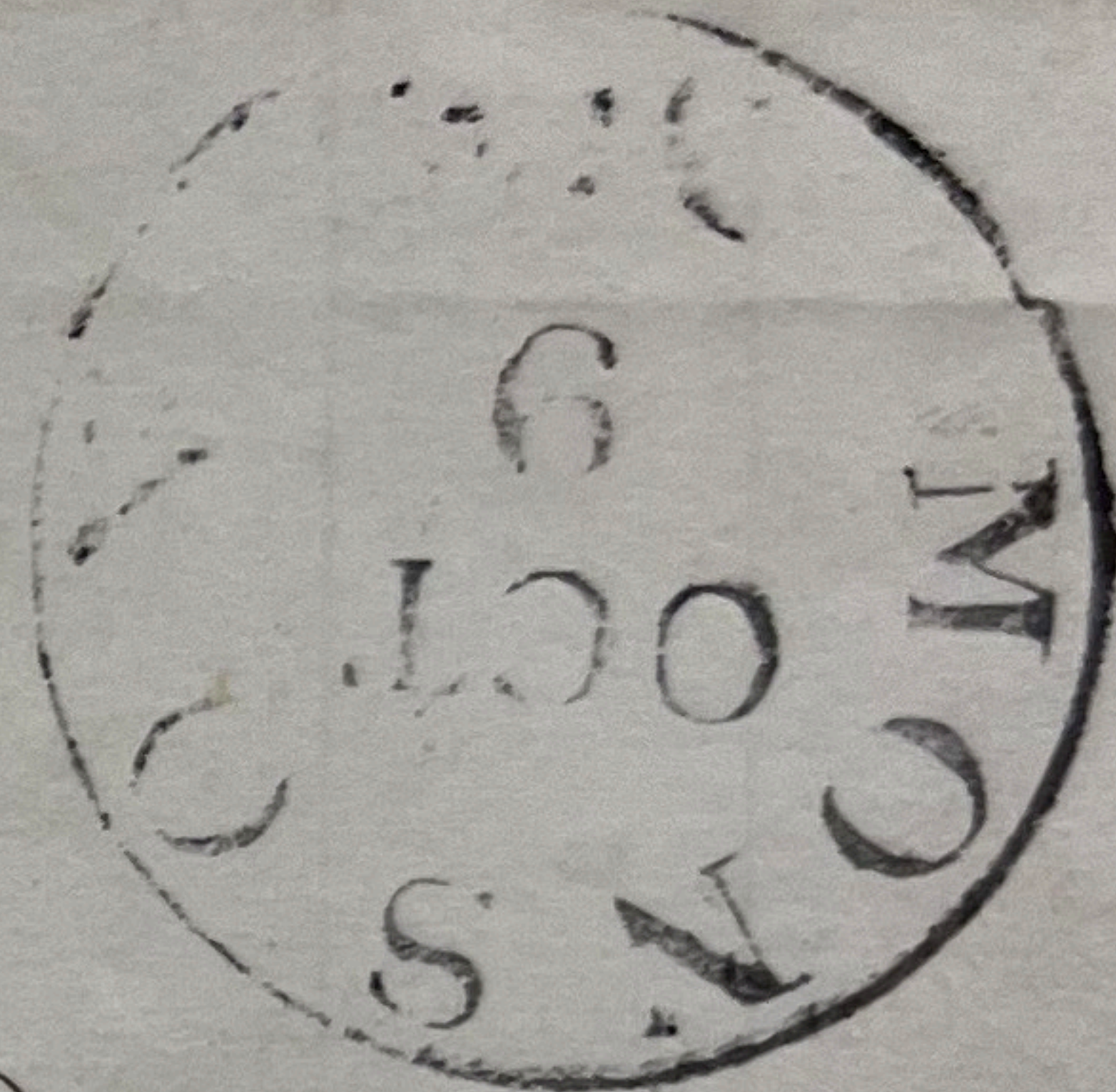


#65- Union Springs, New York dated February 17 (1860's) used with a fancy Hollow Star surrounded by dots all in a circle cancel.



#65- New York City dated September 2 (1860's) used with a large geometric cancel.

-Three Cent 1861 Issue-



Wesley Rice & Davis

Boston

Mass

#65- Monson, Mass. dated October 9 (1862). The three cent 1861 issue has a Patriotic "Shield" cancel made up of lines and dots.

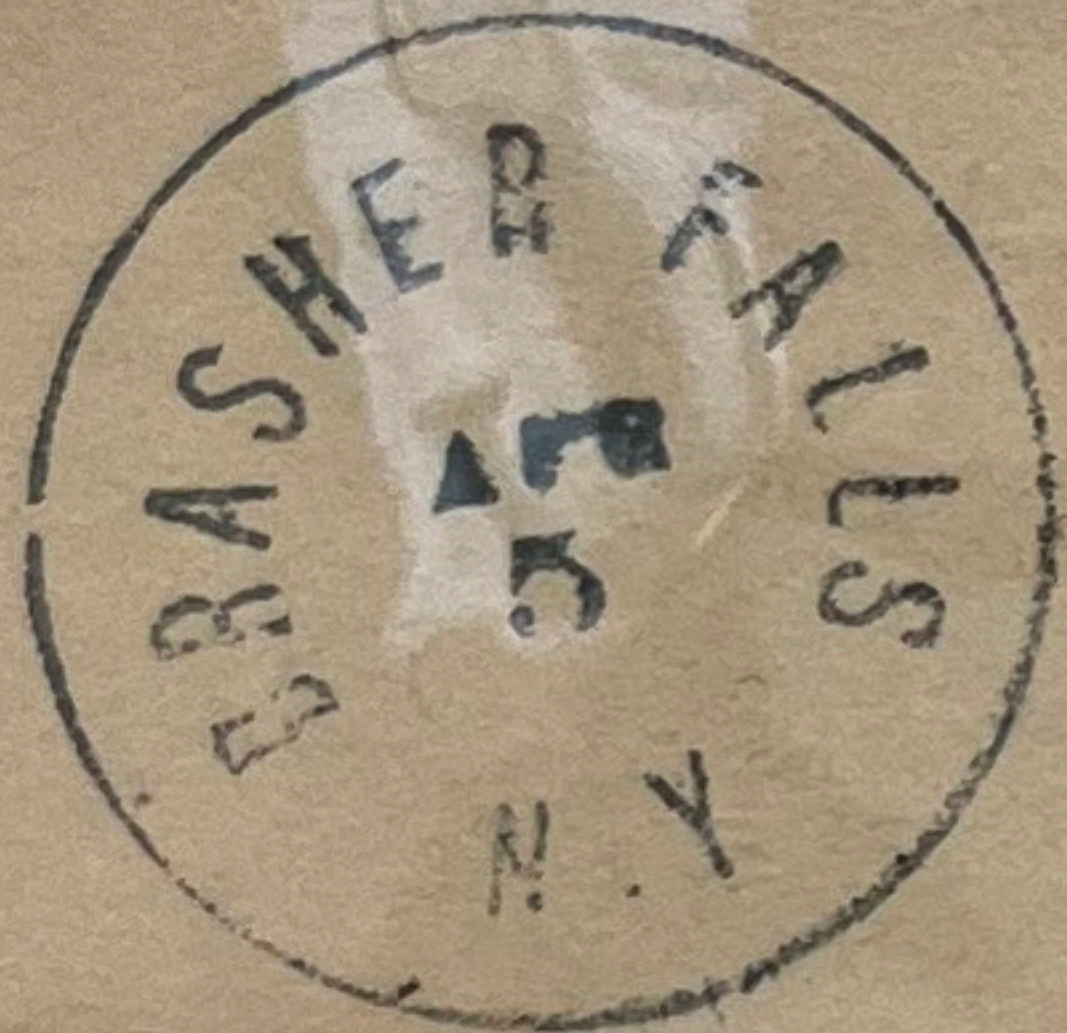
-Three Cent 1861 Issue-

Apr 3 '67
Mr Deering & Co
Apr 3



Messrs. R. V. S. Cushman
Pawtucket, R. I.

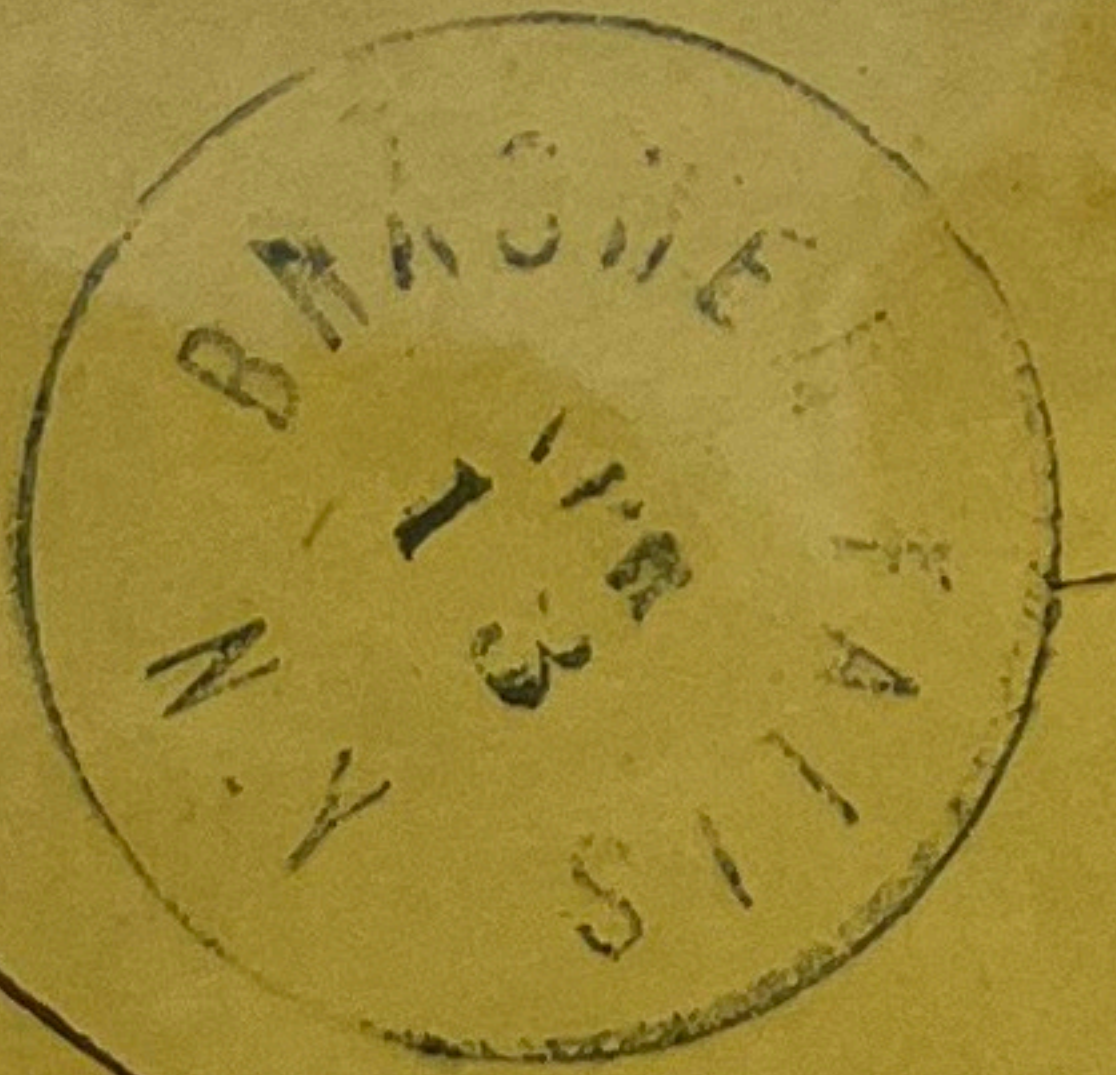
#65- Three covers showing usage of the Brasher Falls, New York "Star" cancel on Apr. 2, 5, 13 1867.



Bozanton
Apr. 8. 67



R. V. S. Cushman
Pawtucket R. I.



York Mills
Apr. 16 '67



Mess R. V. S. Cushman
Pawtucket
R. I.

-Three Cent 1861 Issue-



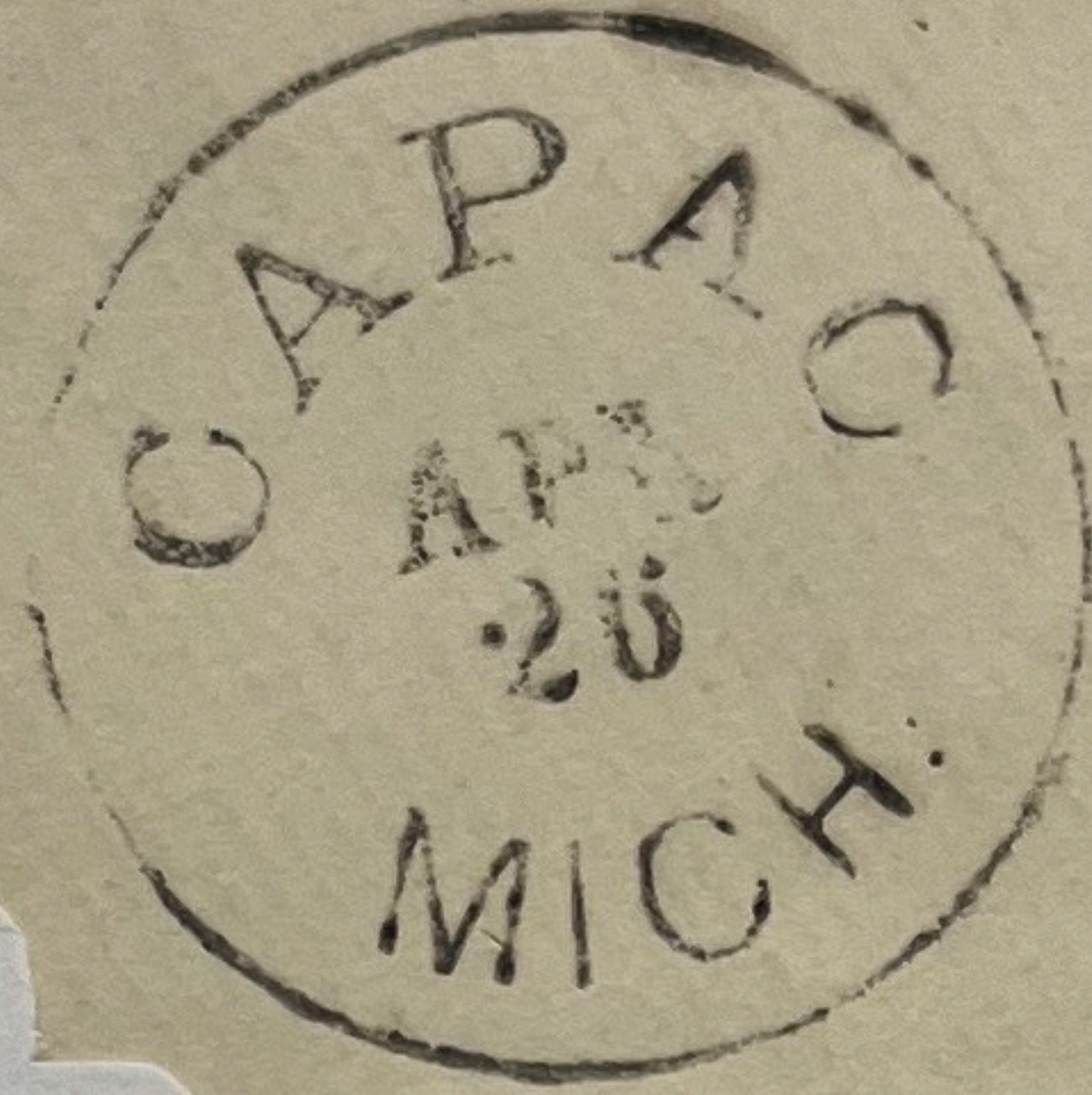
#65- A beautiful four pointed star cancel used with a double-lined town marking. The date was written in pencil of July 31 (1860's), Probably North Richmond, NH. 1856-1915 rarity #5.



#65- East Brookfield, Mass. dated March (1860's) used with a five pointed star cancel with a hole in the center.

-Three Cent 1861 Issue-

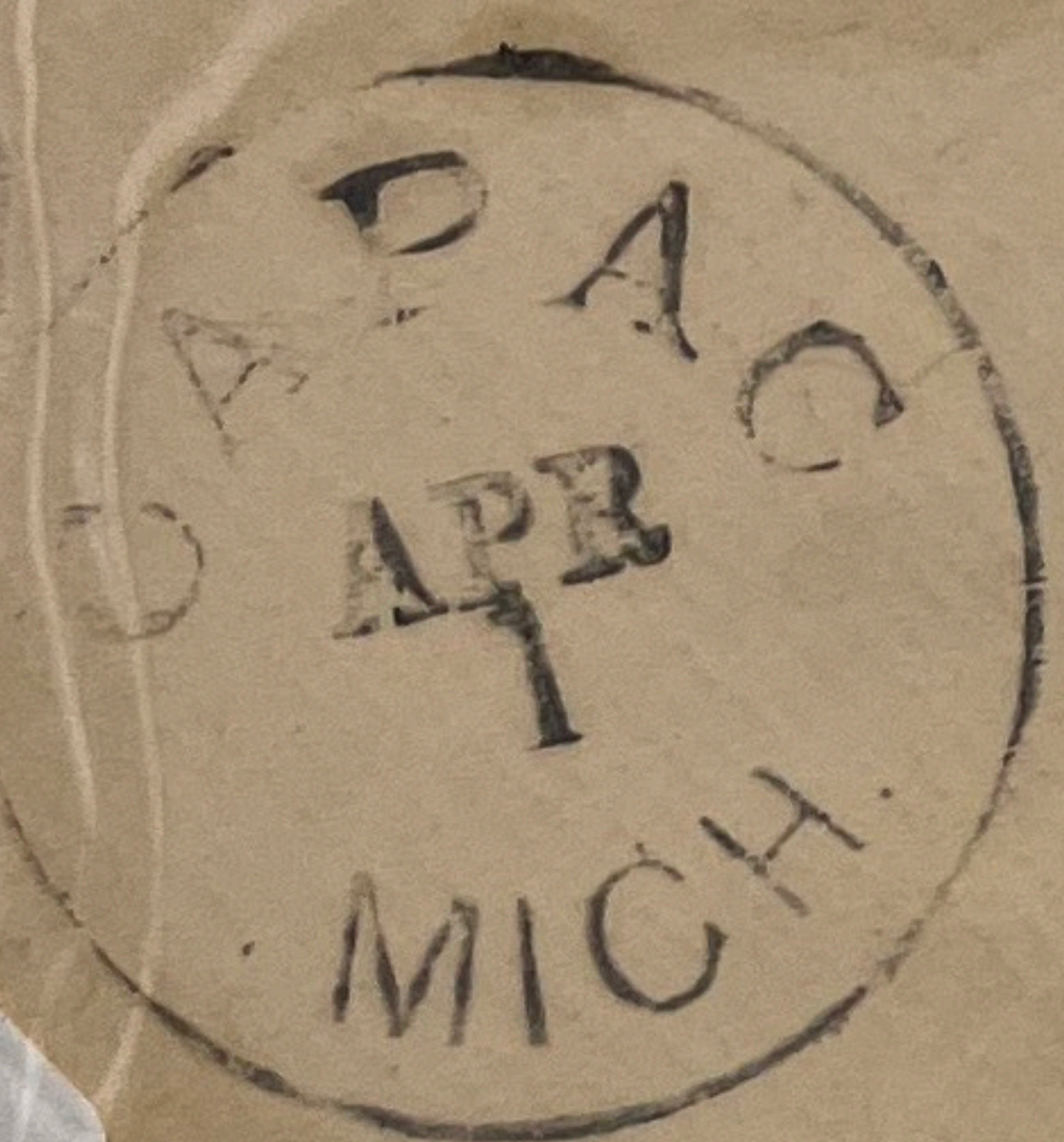
#65- Capac, Mich.
dated Apr. 26 (1860's)
used with a square
Checkerboard cancel.



Dorleskey Andrus
Dorleska Granville Summitt
Bradford Co.
Bradford Co



#65- Capac, Mich.
dated Apr. 1 (1860's)
used with a square
Checkerboard cancel.



Mrs Dorleskie Andrus
Granville Summitt
Pa

#65- Capac, Mich.
dated Feb. 5 (1860's)
used with a square
Checkerboard cancel.

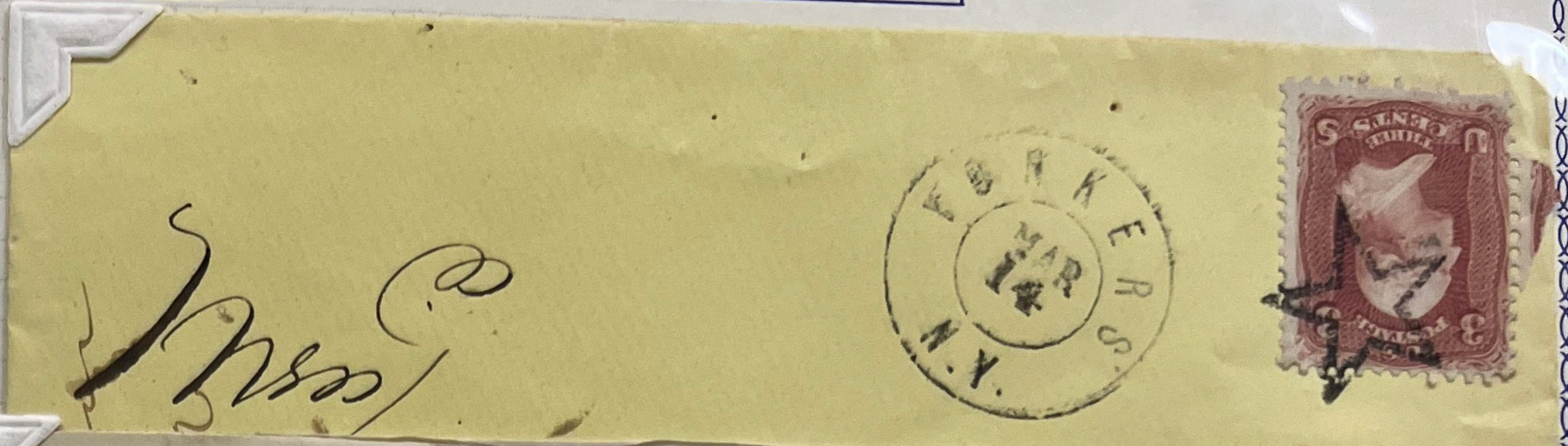


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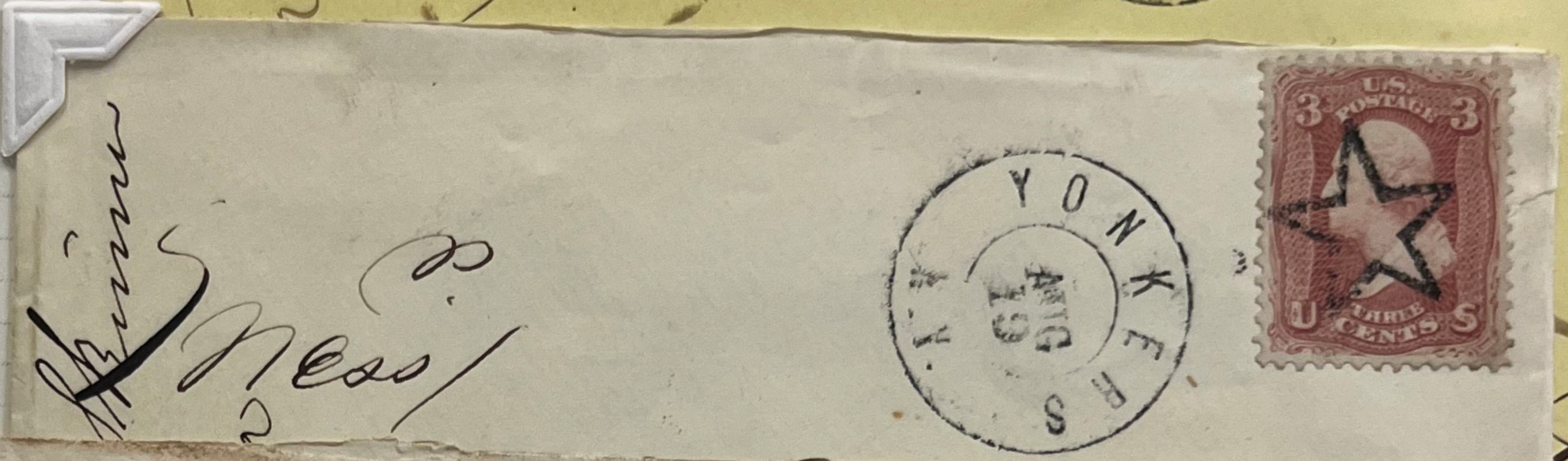


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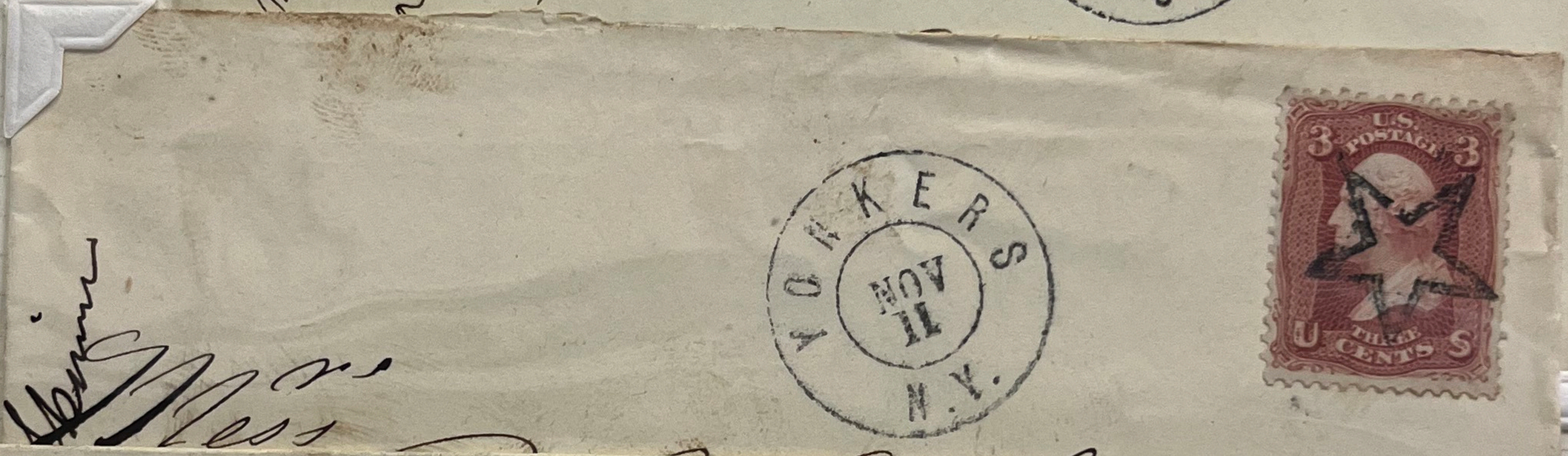
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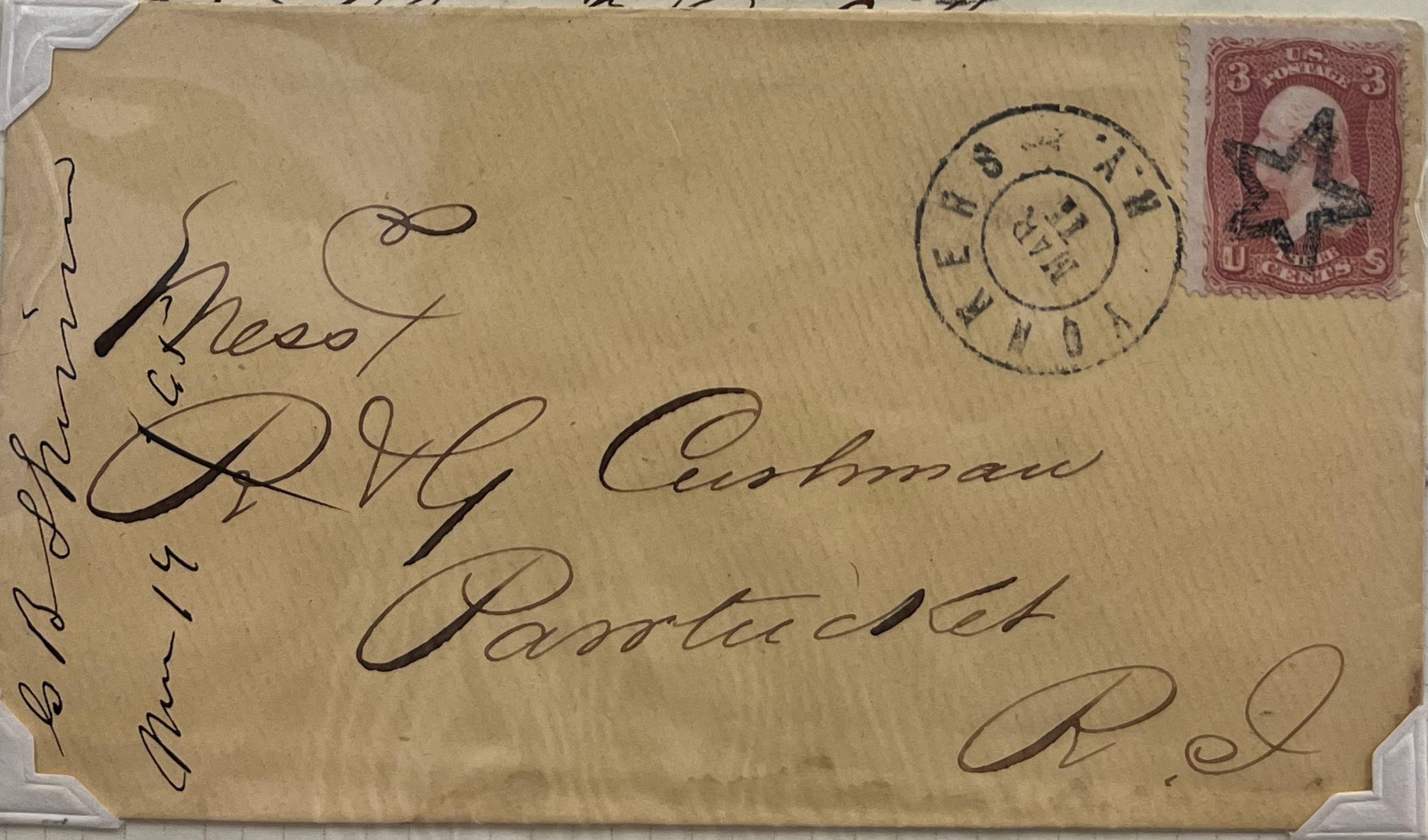
August 19 (1862)



Nov. 11 (1862)..



Apr. 29 (1864)



..March 11 (1865)

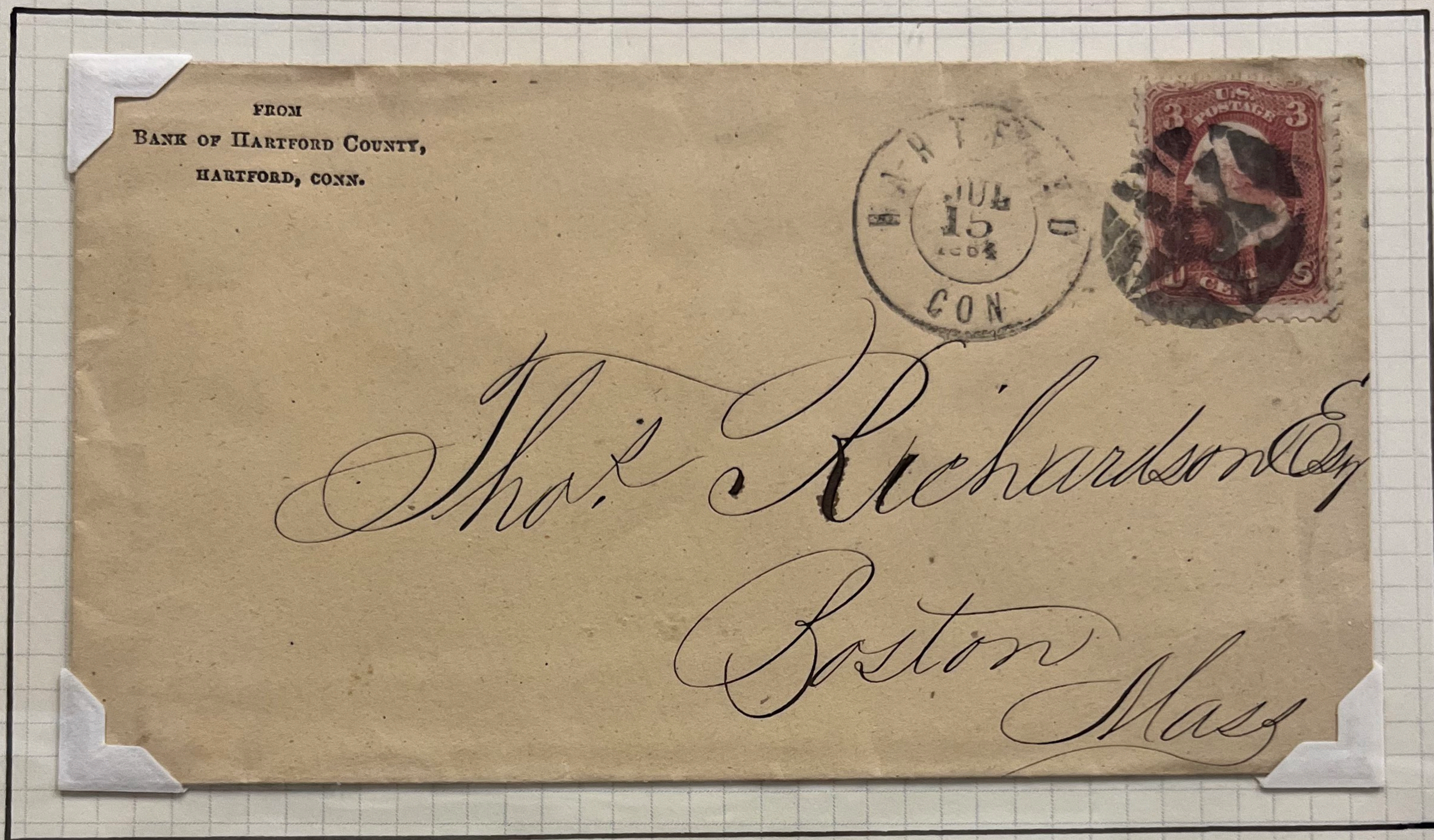
#65- Five covers showing usage between 1862 to 1865 of the 23 mm. Yonkers, N.Y. with inner circle around the date used with the famous hollow Star cancel.

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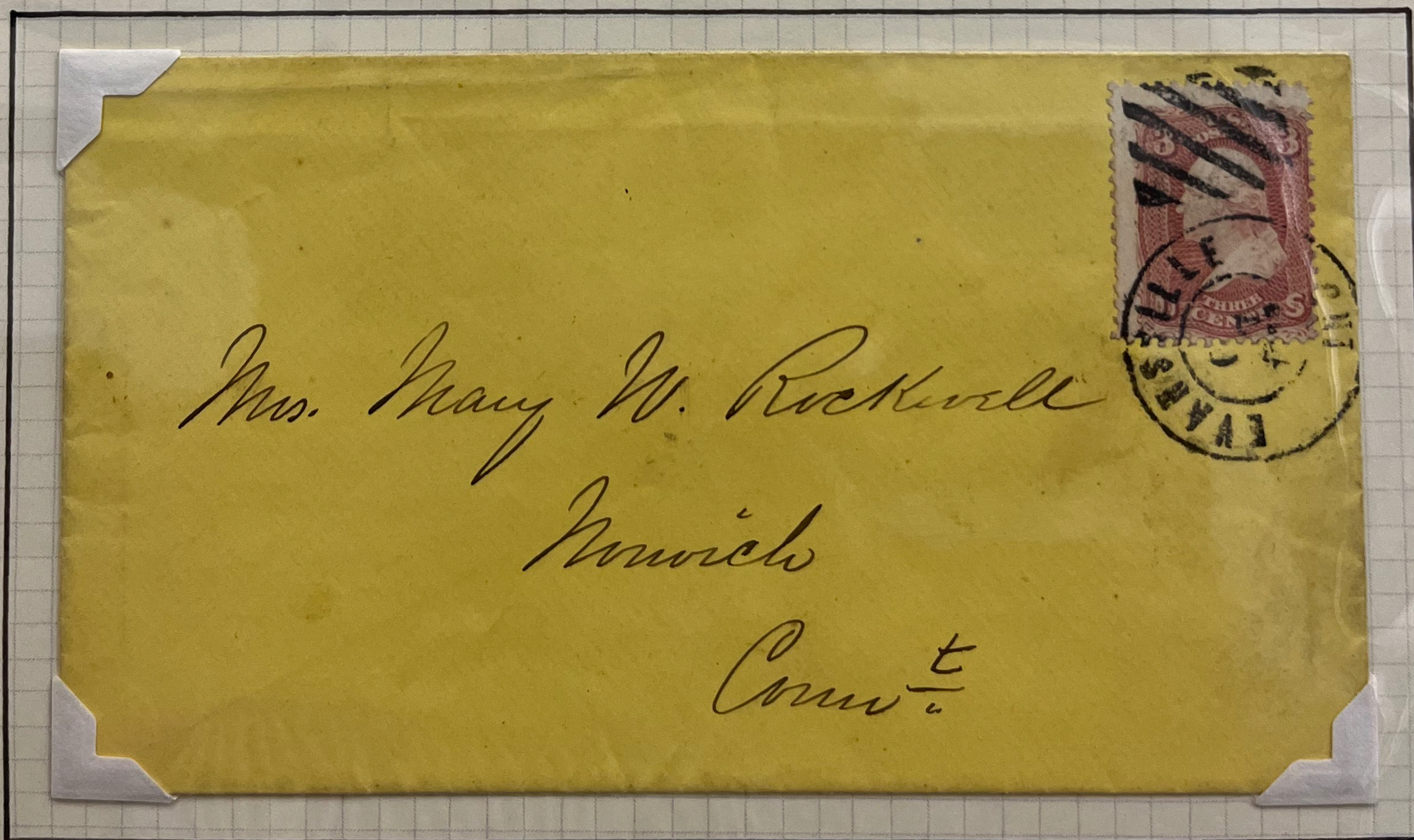


#65-Albany, New York -dated September 27, Fancy "US" and stars cancel with corner card from Clark, Sumner & Co., Commission Lumber Merchants. The Fancy Cancel is Herst-Sampson #1251.

-FANCY CANCELS-



#65-Hartford, Connecticut dated July 15, 1864 with fancy negative "Star" cancel and corner card from the Bank of Hartford County.



#65-Evansville, Indiana with "square grid" cancel.

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#65- Winterport, Maine dated September 17 (1860's) used with a fancy negative "G" cancel. This may be Masonic.



#65- New Haven, Connecticut dated February 28 (1866) used with a negative Star of David cancel. This must have been a Drop letter with an overpayment of one cent because this cover was also addressed to New Haven.

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#65- Marlborough, Mass. dated March 6 (1860's) used with a solid Star cancel.



#65- Wilton, N.H. dated April 9 (1860's) used with an unusual geometric cancel.

-PATERSON, NEW JERSEY-



#65-Paterson, New Jersey dated September 14 (1867) with fancy "Rosette" cancel.

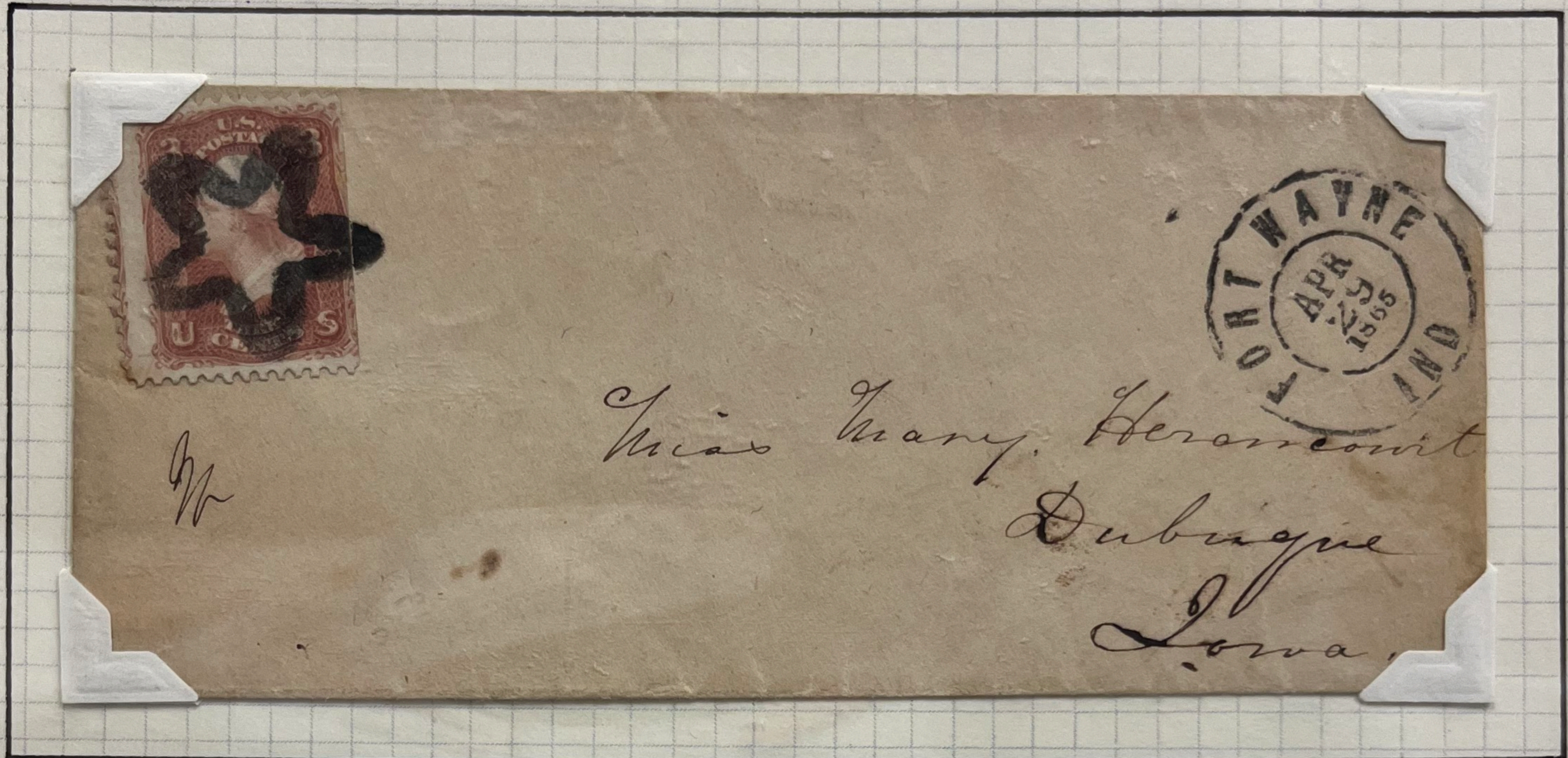


#65-Paterson, New Jersey dated August 27 (1867) with a "Shield" cancel.



#65- North Brookfield, Massachusetts dated September 4
(1860') with a fancy geometric "Cross" cancel.

-FORT WAYNE, INDIANA-

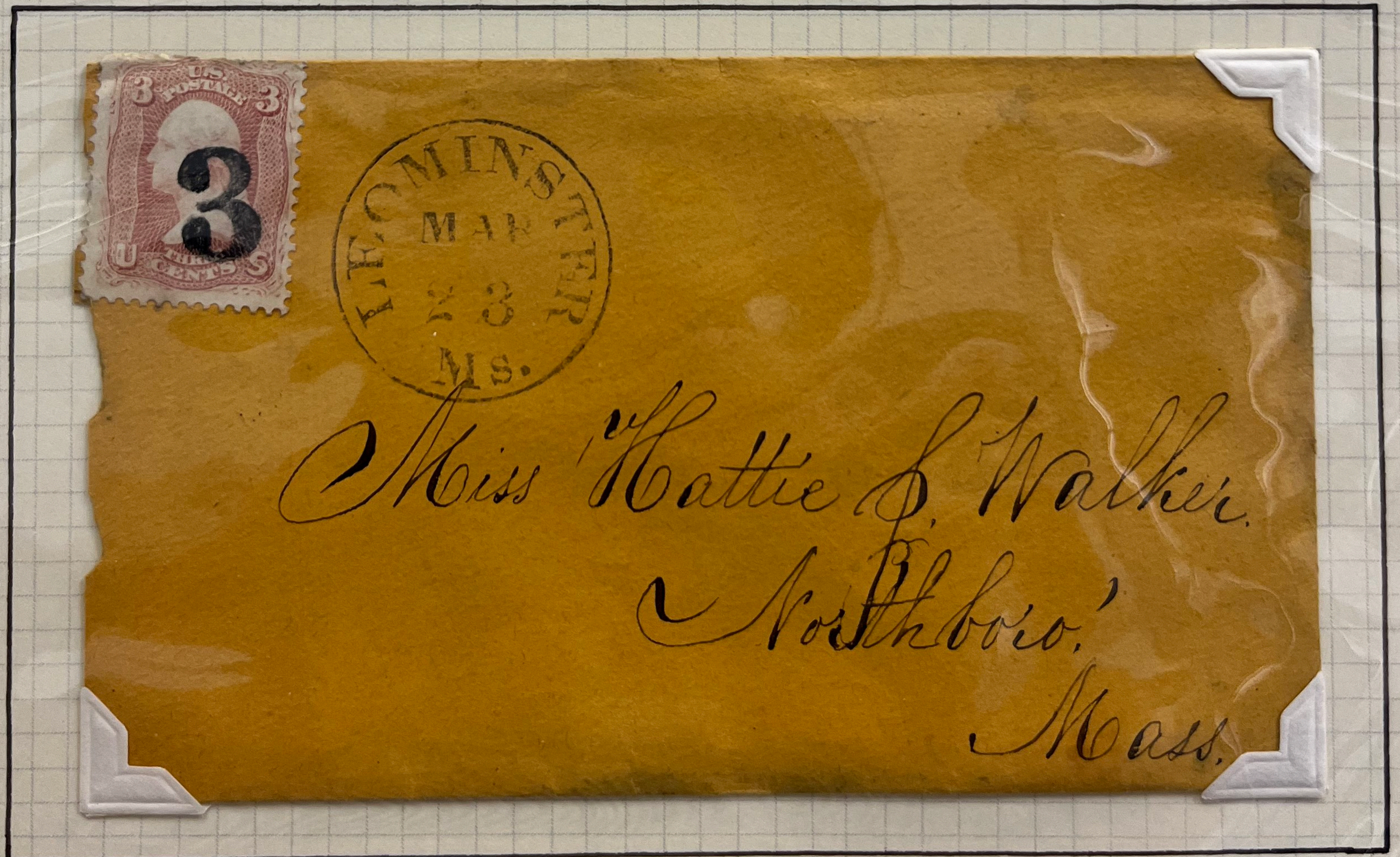


#65-A 25 mm. open star cancel from Fort Wayne, Indiana. The date was April 29, 1865. The town marking has a second circle around the date. I have seen another cover with this same open star cancel dated November 11, 1864. A very choice **STAR** cancel!



#65-A 22 mm. solid star cancel from Fort Wayne, Indiana dated February 11, 1864 with second circle around date.

-Three Cent 1861 Issue-

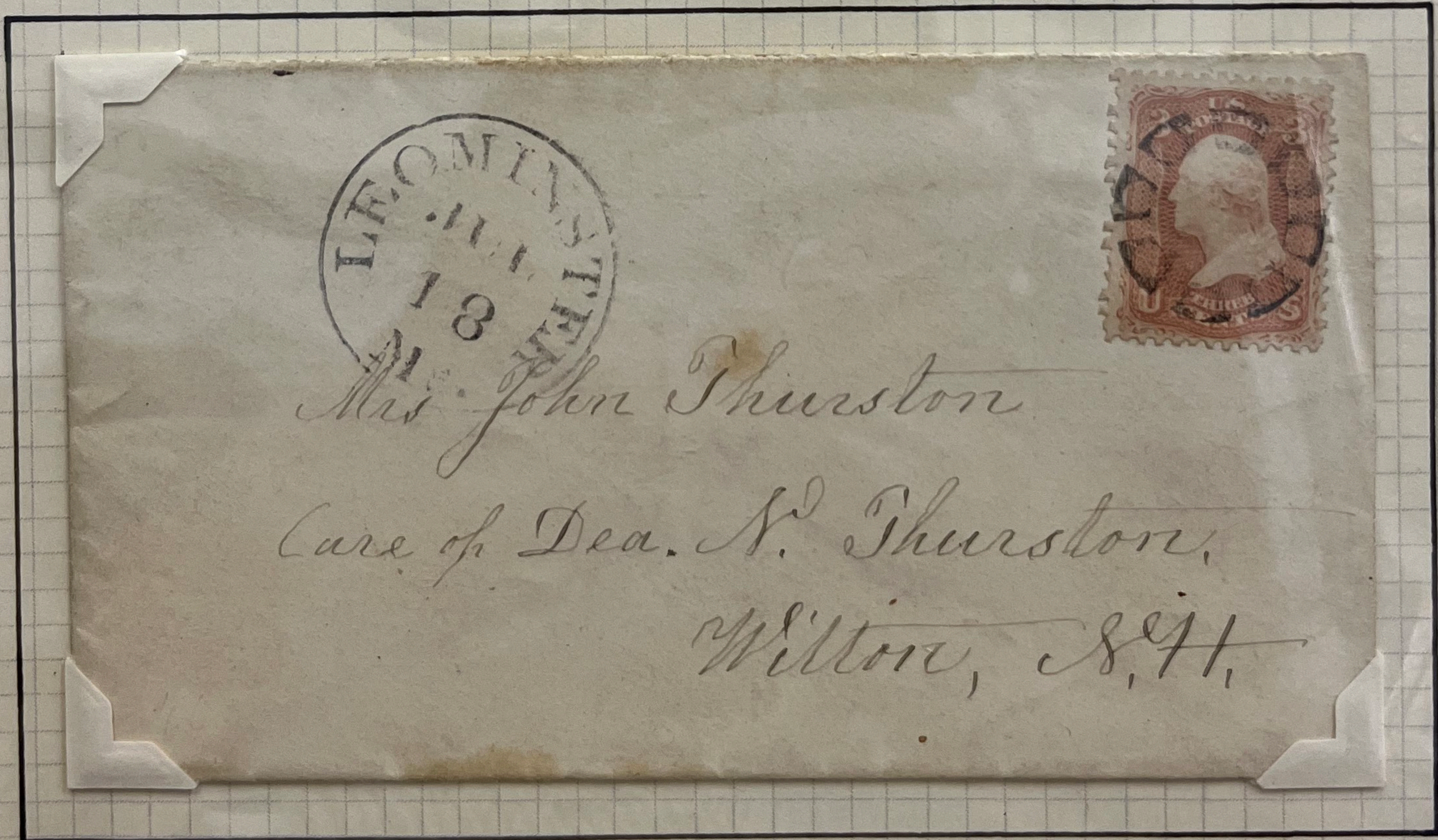


#65- Two covers from **Leominster, Mass.** each with the famous numeral "3" cancel. The top cover was dated April 4 and the bottom cover was dated March 23 (1860's).

-LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS-

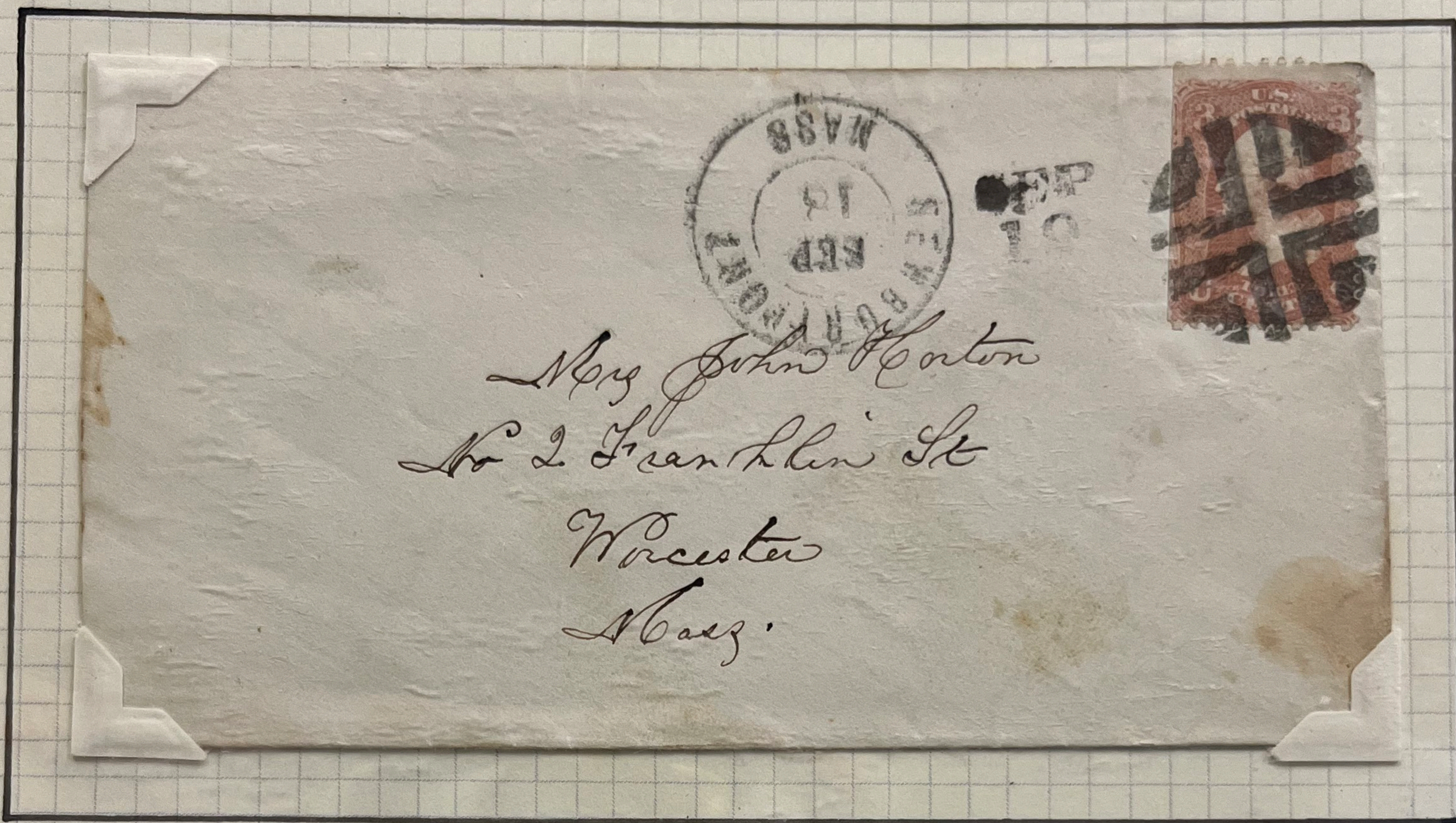


#65-Leominster, Massachusetts, Worcester County, Ma- 28. This cover has a numeral "3" cancel famous from this town.



#65-Leominster, Massachusetts July 18. This cover has a fancy marking also famous from Leominster. Both markings were used during this period in the 1860's.

-NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS-



#65-Newburyport, Massachusetts dated September 18th. This cover, sent to Worcester, has a fancy Cross Roads cancel on #65, the Three Cent Issue of 1861.



#65-Newburyport, Massachusetts dated October 4th. This cover has a fancy TREE cancel on #65.