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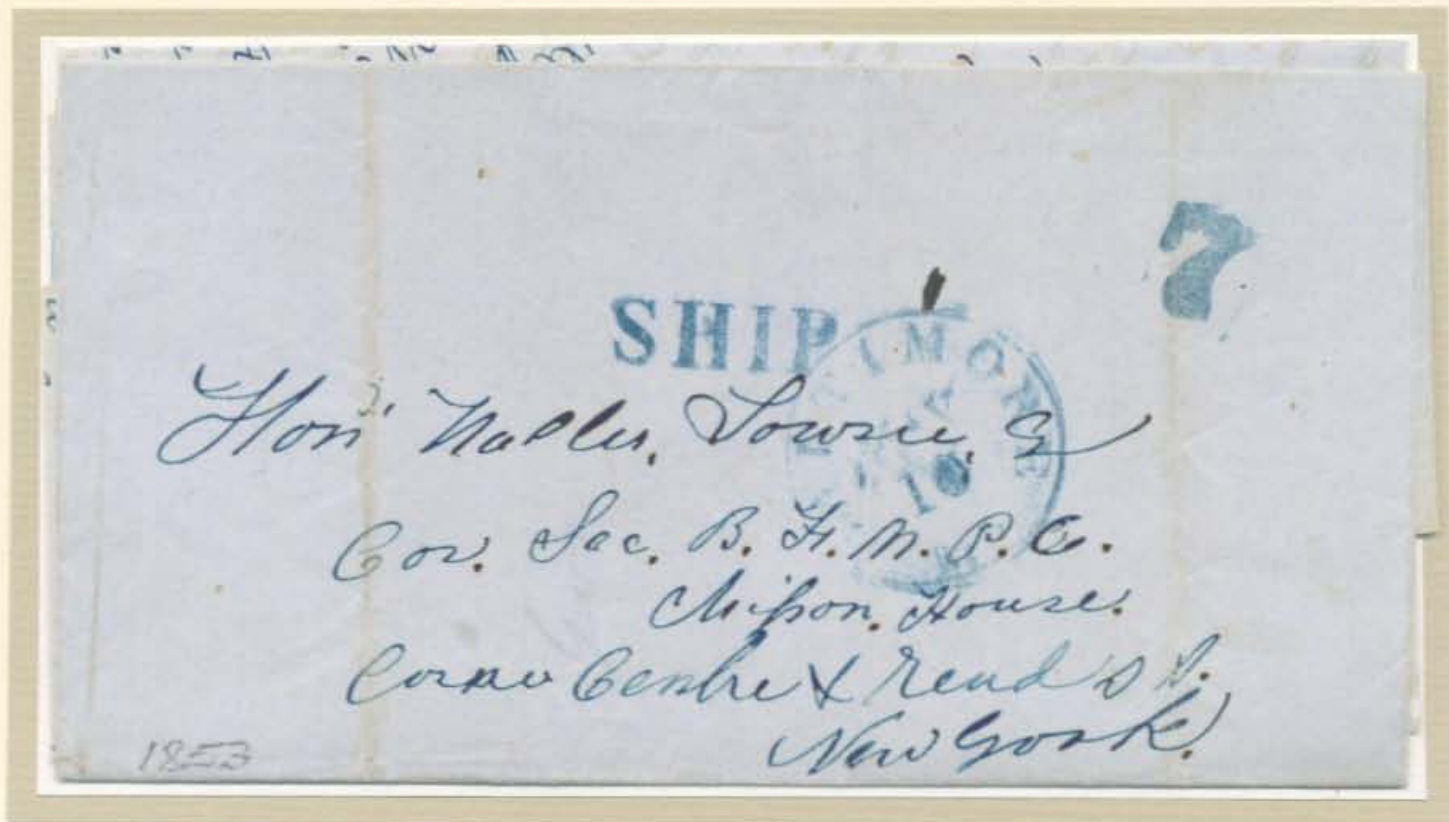


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LIBERIA, WEST AFRICA

MONROVIA March 25th 1847. Folded letter to the Mission House in New York. Apparently the writer, G.R. Ellis, a commission merchant, was acting as an agent for the mission. He writes to Rev Daniel Wells: "Yours pr Mary Wilkes of No. Orleans bearing date Dec. 2nd came safe to hand on the 14th of present month". Apparently the Schooner Mary Wilkes laid over for eleven days or more because it carried this letter back to New Orleans where it arrived "JUN 8" Note routing "Per Schooner Mary Wilkes Capt W.H. Folger". **GREENVILLE, SINOE CO.** February 21, 1853. J. Priest writes to the home office for help in establishing schools and sending teachers. Cover below arrived at **BALTIMORE, Md** on **MAY 10** and was rated **SHIP 7**.



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Government House
Monrovia Jan 16th 1857

My dear Sir

I have the honor of your note of date, and beg to welcome you again to Monrovia. You have had an exceedingly quick run from St. Helena, and I am glad to learn that yourself and your officers are in good health. I thank you for your kind congratulations. Mr. Minor, the Collector, sends you all the letters in his office for the "Perry" and for Mr. Porter. I have sent to inquire if Genl. Lewis has any for you.

I cannot just now remember any American news worth communicating. Capt. Marston, has been honorably acquitted - Commander Barron, has Command of the "John Adams" and has probably arrived out. Commodore Savallier is appointed to the Command of the African Squadron, and I understand may be expected here almost hourly.

We have no news, local, of importance. I regret to find that there is not a letter for yourself, or Mr. Porter - and only four that I can send for your ship.

I hope to see you on shore tomorrow, as also your officers. I regret to say Mrs Roberts has been quite unwell for some days - with a cold, but is now better. She asks to be remembered to you.

Yours, in haste -

But most respectfully
A. S. Roberts

Captain A. H. Foote
U.S. Ship. Perry

Received by

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Stentchay in Liberia

March 29th. 1849

Dear Sir

Yours by the America date of December
 1848 was received on the 21st of March 1849 with
 the supplies sent out by you, all in good order. Mr
 Jones reported that he was caught in a heavy gale
 and his vessel disabled, consequently he was compelled
 to put into the Barbours and repair damages when he
 was detained 21 weeks, that the long voyage
 was so long as to be dangerous, and
 to be so long as to be dangerous, and
 to be so long as to be dangerous, and

at present the
 I think so
 almost
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MAIL



Wells
 corner of Centre & Nassau
 N.Y.C.

a man can
 for request your
 one his desire assistance
 to discharge the responsibility
 about missionary in the kind of my

never writing to about the Liberia Pocket corner
 bringing out other supplies for kindling a school there
 and a dwelling house back to the support of your

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LIBERIA

GREENVILLE. The cover above bears the #1 and #3 of the first issue of 1860. The cover was apparently charged "31" cents as per the manuscript "Paid" in matching ink, probably because of the lack of a 1 cent stamp. The "21 cents" in red is the British share leaving the 11 cents balance to the Liberian post office. Carried by British packet to Liverpool where it was forwarded to Round Pond, Maine. Only date on cover 4/19/65.

MONROVIA. Cover below bears #7 and #8 of the second issue to Paris, **FRANCE** via London. No date of departure but dated at London on "4/19/68" and at Paris March 7, 1868. The second issue has a frame line otherwise the design is the same.



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H.A. WILLIAMS.

Edina, Grand-Bassa,
Liberia (West Coast of Africa)

Nov 3, 1876

C. F. Adams Esq
Cincinnati Ohio



LIBERIA. 1876 stampless cover postmarked MONROVIA LIBERIA in circle with violet "7d Paid" in manuscript, and red "LIVERPOOL BR. PACKET PAID 28 DE 76", on cover to Ohio, U.S.A. The writer states: "I enclose herein a few of each denomination of Liberia stamps. They are not allowed to be used consequent upon a recent robbery upon the Treasury Dept., letters thru post simply stamped Paid and postage marked." SEE following page for a similar occurrence in 1891!

Robert D. Triney

May 3. 1858

20 Colored Families agree
to support the Education



Elkhorn Cheston Esq
Colonization Rowing
Philadelphia

20 Colored
Families agree to
support the
Education



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St Louis 31. May 1850

My dear Sir
I write to say that the Rev Henry
Cole (a Quaker) whom I employed to
travel through the West & towards find 20
families of respectable free colored people
who were willing to emigrate to Liberia of
their own Motion & at their ^{own} expense on
condition of their being provided with
a farm of 15 acres of land with a house &
improvement on it to the value of \$75
and with an assurance that their passage
from W. C. to Liberia should not cost them
more than \$20 per head) called on me
yesterday to report progress.

In the course of 6 weeks he
has found, he says, 15 families of superior
character who are desirous to emigrate, at
their own cost, on the above principles
many of them are anxious to start as soon as a
passage can be procured. They will all
probably be ready by October next.

They will go to Bassa if your Society will
furnish the Homesteads. I presume enough

He is our Secular Ep: and always
 has his boat at the Steamer's;
 & means of storing goods &c
 He is always to be on the spot
 & my duties may call me away.
 I will consult him & let you
 know before I close if he consents.
 Let there be no charges to be paid
 on them, simply from the fact that
 gold & silver are articles most
 difficult to get hold of amidst
 the piles of paper bills which flood the land!

I thank you for the news of recent
 news & your inquiries in regard to
 Mrs & my daughter. I am glad
 to say my family are well, and
 that I have lately had an addition
 of an other little girl, now 5 weeks
 old, and - but to bore & weary
 me as well as can be expected. -
 The Bishop & the family are well.
 I am dear to your very truly
 C. C. Hoffman



St. Mark's Hospital, Cape Palmas, West Africa,
FOR SEAMEN, COLONISTS AND NATIVES.

Cape Palmas
July 22. 64

My dear Sir

I received by last
mail (16th) your note from
Lunenburg of 30th June.

R. W. Hunter Esq.

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HARPER, LIBERIA TO THE U.S. Cover above postmarked on "Nov. 17, 1881" and was routed by British packet to LIVERPOOL where it arrived on "DE 9 81". It was then forwarded to the United States with arrival date at "NEW YORK DEC 22" and receiving date at "BALTIMORE MD DEC 22 9 PM". Cover bears #17 and 18 of the 1880 issue of the first design. Note that the two HARPER postmarks are not struck from the same device.



View of the Water side from the River,
Harper, Cape Palmas, 1st June 1913.

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BASSA, LIBERIA, MAY 7, 1889. Cover above bears the one cent and the two cent of the fourth issue of the first design, to Munich, Germany, where it arrived on the 27th of June. MONROVIA TO ENGLAND AUG 31, 1891. Cover below carried to Liverpool via the S.S. Angola where it arrived on Sept 19th.



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MONROVIA, LIBERIA. Cover above bears the first embossed envelope stamp, bearing the portrait of President Hilary Richard Wright Johnson. In 1891 Johnson absconded with the treasury and was impeached. The Postmaster General ordered the portrait deleted from all stationary remaining in the post office. This was done by hand-scraping. SEE COVER BELOW. Any postal use of the altered stamp has to be canceled over the deletion to have value as such. Cover below bears the 2 cent stamp of the 4th issue of the first design - used Jan. 19, 1892. Cover above used to the REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO - 27 MAR 1896. Apparently this envelope did not get defaced in 1891!



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MONROVIA TO ORANGE FREE STATE. Cover postmarked at MONROVIA on Dec. 27, 1898. It bears the transit marks of LAGOS, S.AFRICA JA 17, 1899 and PAID LIVERPOOL BR. PACKET 14 FEB 99. Thus it was taken the long way around, via ENGLAND to SOUTH AFRICA, where it arrive at WINBURG in the ORANGE FREE STATE on MR 9 99, as per postmark on picture side of the postcard.



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WOERMANN-LINIE
HAMBURG

An Lord Job Jernoff

"Professur Werners"

an Monrovia (Liberia)

7.6.13

Viele Grüße von Frau Wendel!

Gustavine die meine Mutter



Frau Dr. med Wendel

Deutschland
Germany

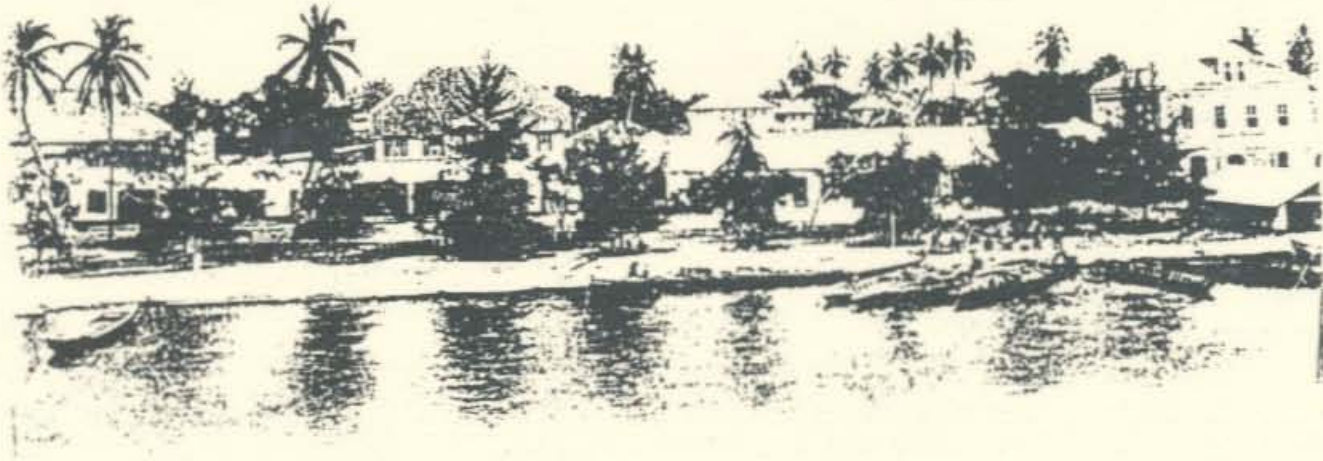
Manheim

P. 7. 22



GERMAN SEEPOST. Letter written onboard a steamship of the Woermann Line. It was taken to the post office on shore where it was postmarked MONROVIA LIBERIA JUN 7 1913. Apparently it was returned to the same ship and forwarded on June 10th as per German Seepost marking shown to the left. A nice combination of Liberian and German stamps.

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Lagos. Marina. Front View.

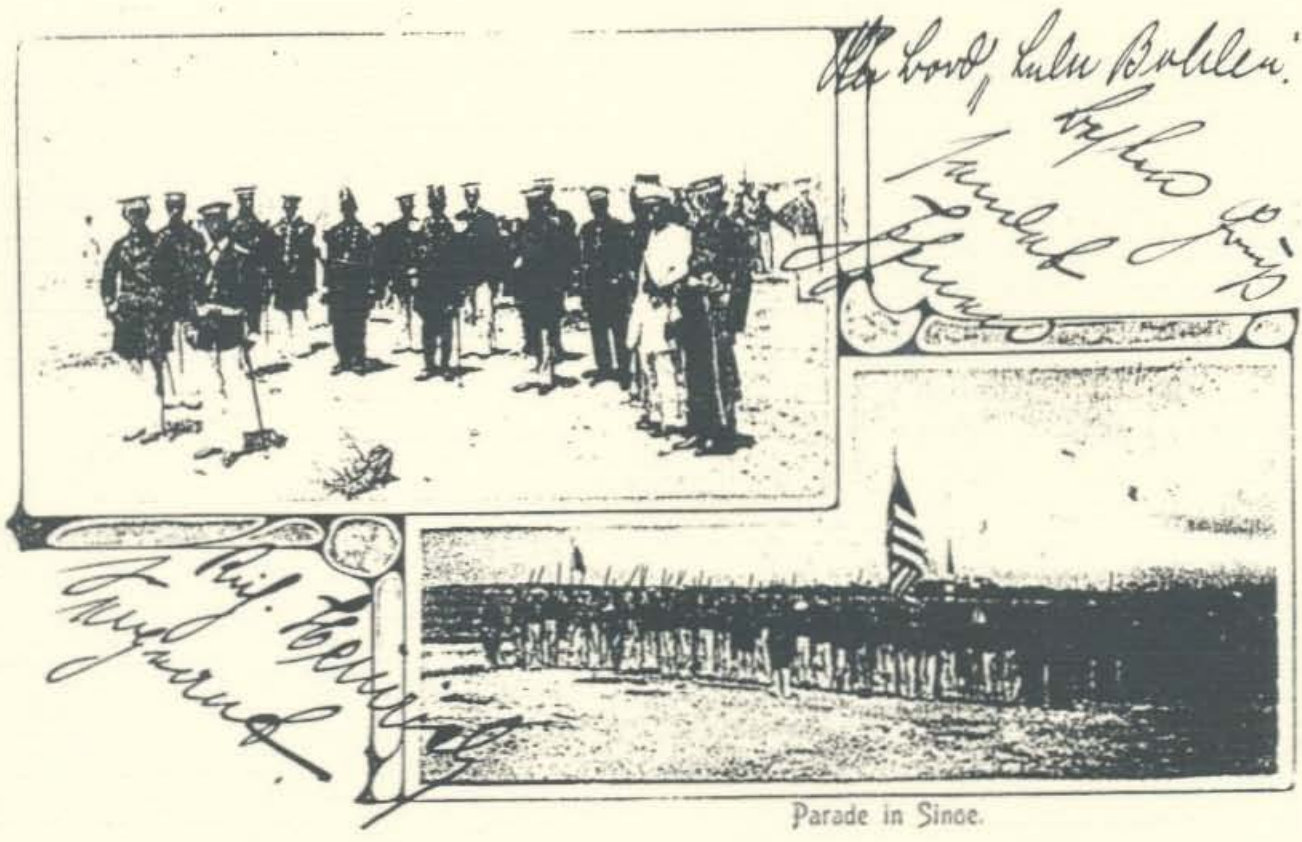
*With kindest regards from abroad
E. Butti.*

A ROUND TRIP - LIBERIA TO GERMANY & RETURN.

This registered picture post card originated at Monrovia sometime in 1901 and was then returned as per postmark on Jan. 21, 1902. IT IS PREPAID WITH THE STAMPS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.



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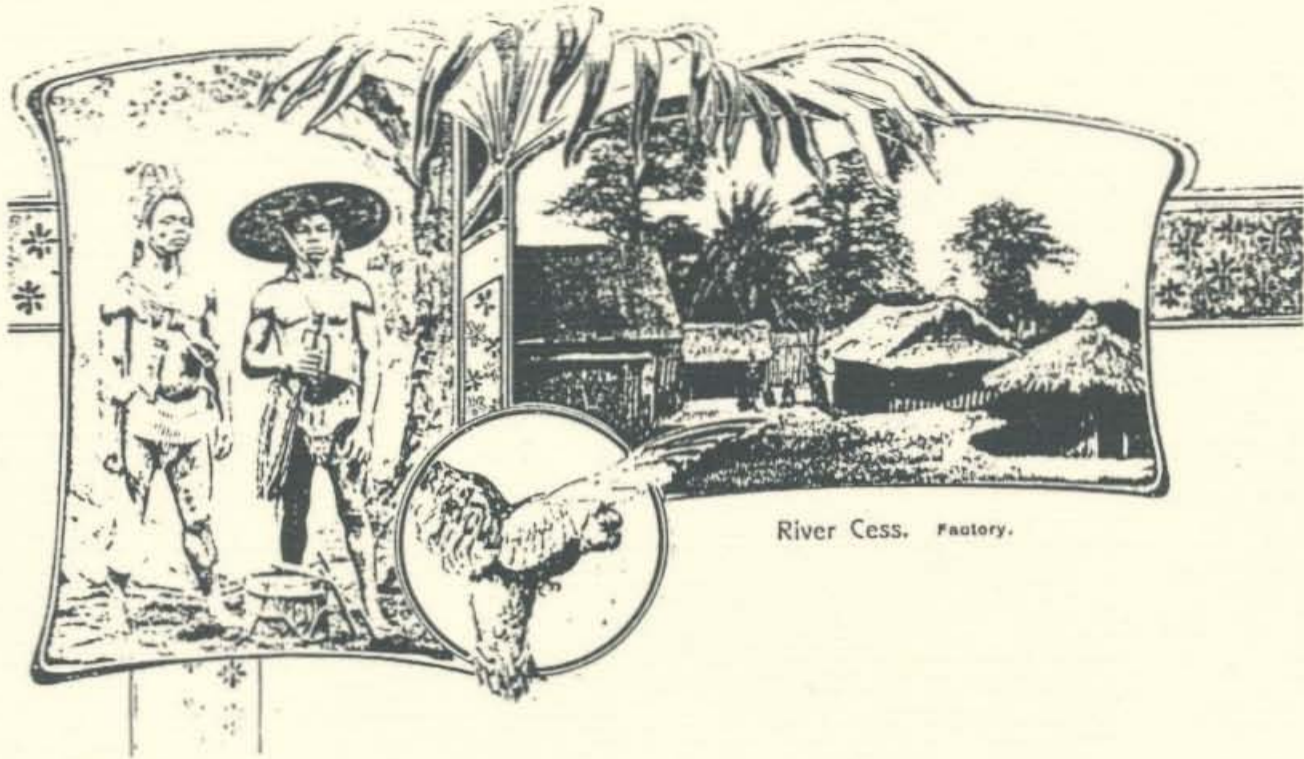


MONROVIA
LIBERIA

MONROVIA, LIBERIA, OCT 12, 1894. Cover above carried to Freetown, SIERRA LEONE via the S.S. Lagos where it arrived Oct. 18th. Cover below postmarked on "MAR 28 1896" to MONTENEGRO where it was forwarded to NYMPHENBURG, GERMANY as per postmark on reverse - May 4, 96.



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River Cess. Factory.

LIBERIA TO GERMANY. Picture postcard postmarked
MONROVIA, LIBERIA OCT. 27, 1902. Registered as usual
with 24 cents in stamps.



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MONROVIA. Cover bearing stamps from the issue of 1892-96, used to England. Postmarked MONROVIA 4 APR 94 received at LIVERPOOL 30 AP 94 and at MANCHESTER the same day. The last marking on reverse is in RED. Cover below bears a pair of the 12 cent stamps of the same issue postmarked at BASSA LIBERIA FEB 2 1893, to the United States, via LIVERPOOL 25 FE 93, with arrival date in the U.S. March 6th.



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UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE
 CARTE POSTALE - WELTPOSTKARTE
 LIBERIA

The address only to be written on this side.



Deutschland

*von Hauptmann Wahlstab
 Hauptmann
 5
 Schöneberg
 E. R. Nr. 1*

Bassa Woman with child on the back

Carriers with native baskets on the back

Liberia, den *18. 6. 02*
 (West-Afrika)

*Loyabauer Hauptstadt.
 Harper, Berg.*

Carl Schultze, Monrovia Copyright

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UNION POSTALE
CARTE POSTALE
LIBERIA

UNIVERS
WELTPOST
LIBERIA



The address only to be written on this side

Monsieur Constant Pincus
Receveur de l'Administration

Ordinaire

Belgique

ORDINARY

MONROVIA TO BELGIUM. Pictorial postcard from MONROVIA via Liverpool packet to BELGIUM. The stamps were canceled by the PAQUEBOT handstamp on Dec. 26, 1901 and on arrival in Belgium the next day - Dec. 27th. NOTE the 1 cent stamp which bears the official O S overprint in red, as well as the black straight line ORDINARY. During a shortage of regular stamps some of the official issues were handstamped with a frequently illegible overprint - ORDINARY. This must be one of the good ones.



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MONROVIA, LIBERIA Picture postcard from the German Konsulat in Monrovia. Registered under date of Nov. 5, 1907 to Vienna, Austria.



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Germany

Union postale universelle.

Carte postale.

LIBERIA.



Guyon
Dr med. Knopf.



in Schlesien.
Holland.

The address only to be written on this side.

100 = 2



Carl Schultze, Monrovia.

A Funeral at Monrovia.

Copyright.

Liberia (West-Africa)

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Griff. Schain

12. April 98

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MONROVIA TO AUSTRIA. Registered covers postmarked the same day - "OCT 31 1913:."



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MONROVIA TO S.W.AFRICA. Picture postcard of a public execution by hanging, postmarked Sept. 27, 1901. It was carried PAID LIVERPOOL BR PACKET 17 OCT 01 to England and forwarded back to S.W. Africa where it arrived as per postmark WINDHOEK 23/12/01. Another that went the long route.



WEST AFRICA



Porto Novo (Dahomey) S. M. le roi Abolalo d'Abomey avec ses femmes favorites

*With kindest regards from abroad
Kerst.*

LIBERIA TO GERMANY. Picture post card postmarked MONROVIA, LIBERIA FEB 25, 1902, and registered with 26 cents in stamps. It arrived in Germany on Mar. 30th after 34 days in transit.



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LIBERIA TO HAITI, WEST INDIES. Cover postmarked MONROVIA, LIBERIA OCT. 29, 1920. It arrived at PORT AU PRINCE on DEC. 17th as per postmark on reverse.

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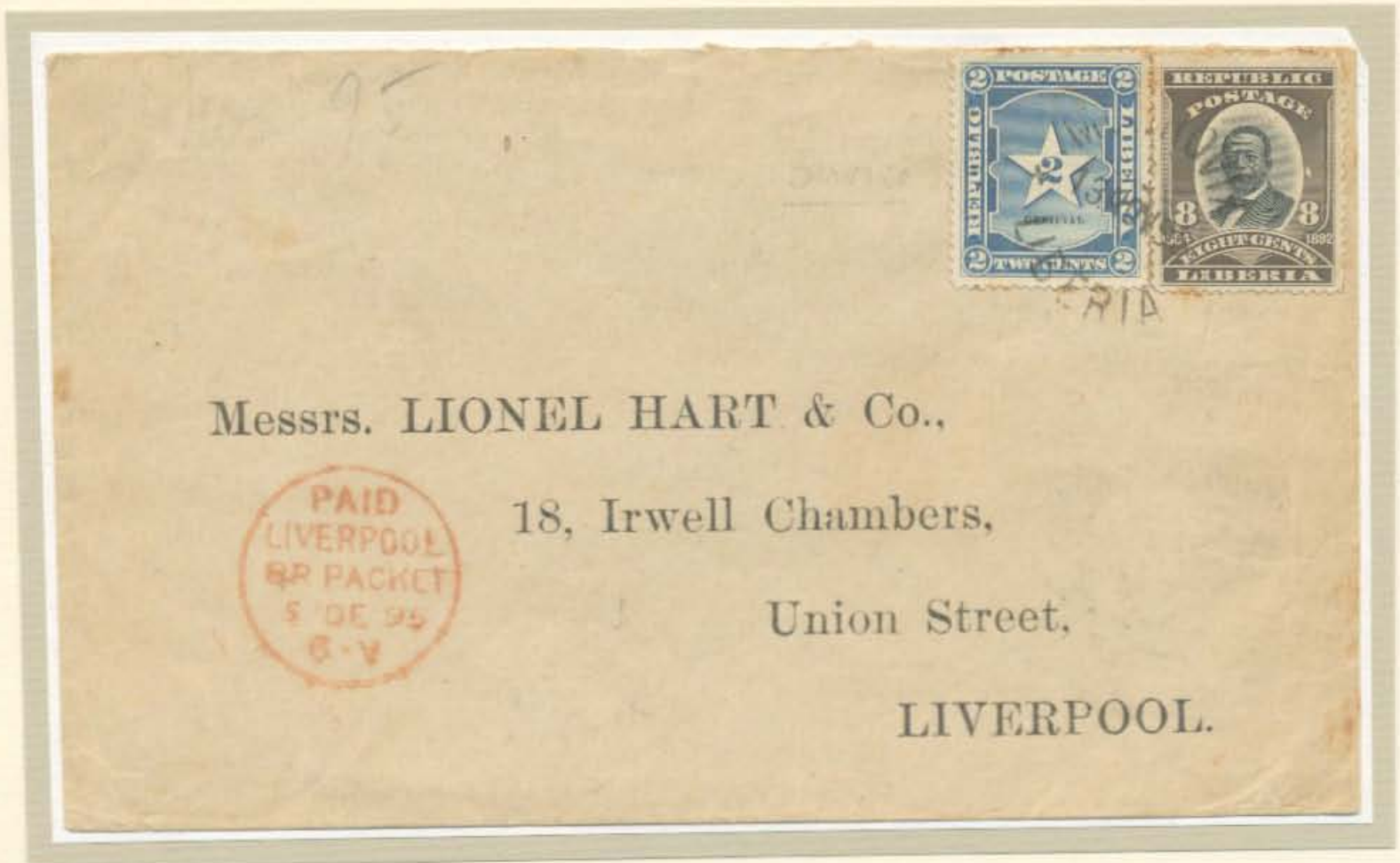
LIBERIAN POST CARDS. Top card is the first issue postmarked at HARPER LIBERIA JAN 1889. Middle card has the portrait of President Johnson deleted. SEE envelope of same design in this exhibit. Cover below bears the portrait of Postmaster General James T. Wiles It bears the rectangle transite marking AUS WEST AFRICA - (FROM WEST AFRICA). All three used to GERMANY.

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Chas. A. Taft
Dover

185 Washington St
New Hampshire
United States of America
1903



Messrs. LIONEL HART & Co.,

18, Irwell Chambers,

Union Street,

LIVERPOOL.



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Mr. Percy K. Barrett,
 North Clarendon,
 Vermont,
 U.S.A.

MONROVIA DEC 21, 1920. cover above bears stamps of the 1909-12 issue, revalued and overprinted for official use. The L F F surcharge are the initials of the LIBERIAN FRONTIER FORCE, for the military guarding the frontier. The pair of 2¢ stamps has an inverted F on the right. The triangle stamp has a double overprint and the pair of 1¢ stamps bear the overprint inverted. A purely philatelic cover!



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HARPER, LIBERIA MAY 26, 1916. Registered cover to the Liberian Consul at NEW YORK, where it arrived June 30th. Cover below from MONROVIA to NEW YORK, where it arrived JAN 1918. Both covers bear a stamp with the official overprint.



Mr.
H. Körbitz

Germany

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Dresden - A³
Trompeterstr. 3



REGISTERED LETTER.

THIS LETTER MUST BE GIVEN TO AN OFFICER OF THE POST OFFICE TO BE REGISTERED, AND A RECEIPT OBTAINED FOR IT.

*\$952.

Robert P. Lee Esq.

Attorney and Counselor

115 Broadway

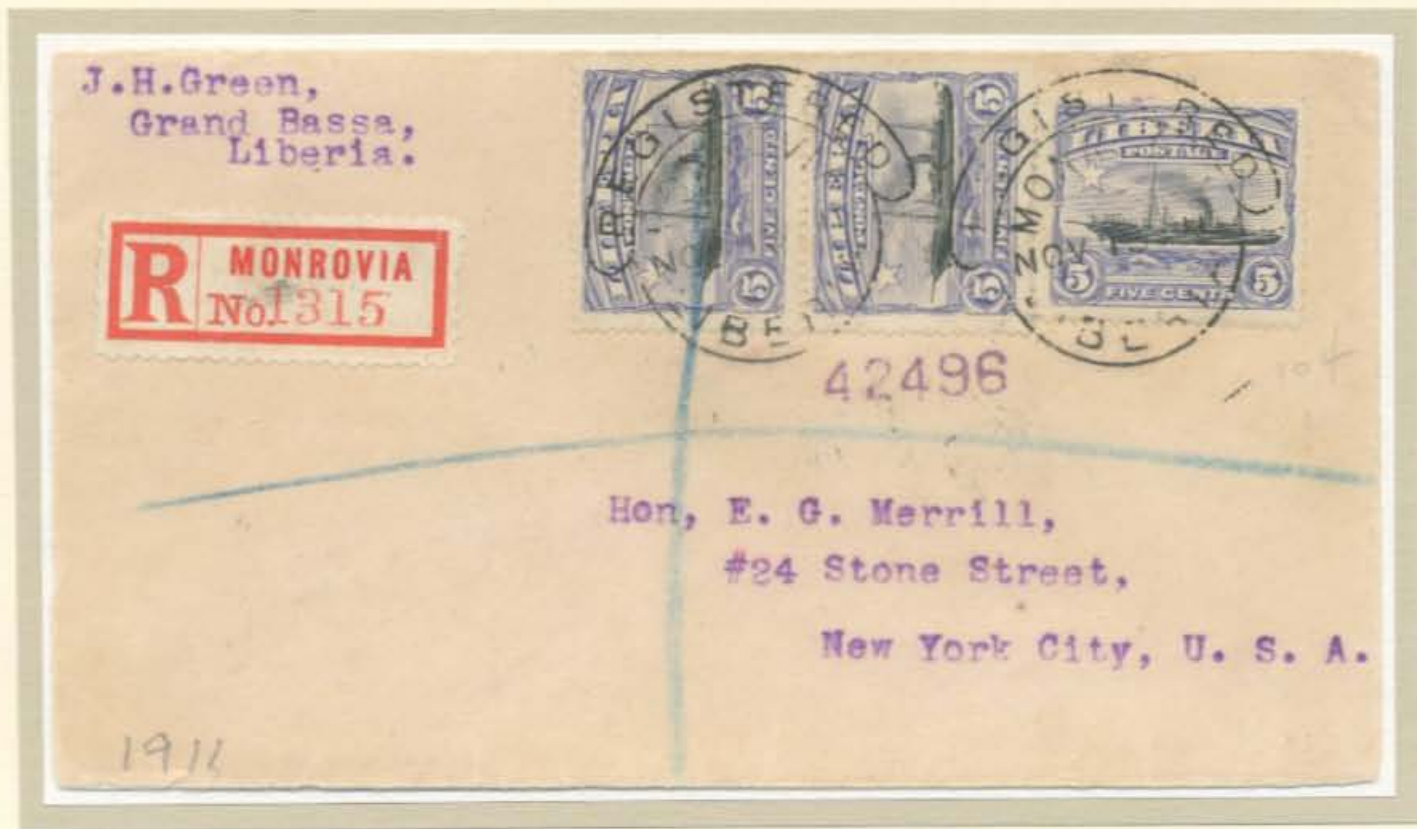
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New York City
N.Y. U.S.A.



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MONROVIA nov 15, 1911. Registered cover to the Liberian Consul, via ENGLAND to NEW YORK, where it arrived Dec. 7th. Cover below originated at BUCHANAN, LIBERIA May 7, 1914, with arrival date of June 12th, in NEW YORK. The stamps bear the overprint for official mail.

