

A. Lincoln-

HIS LIFE

AND TIMES

NAVAL BATTLE BETWEEN THE MONITOR  
AND THE MERRIMACK MAR. 9, 1862.

THE SIOUX WAR

1862 and 1863.

REEDS LANDING  
MIN SEP 16 - No  
year date..



THE NAVAL BATTLE THAT CHANGED THE NAVIES OF THE WORLD.

SAIN PETER  
MIN JUN 12.  
No year date.



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**GARDEN CITY, MINN.**  
 P.O. established  
 August 3, 1857 in  
 Blue Earth Co. No  
 territorial post-  
 marks known. Cover  
 postmarked GARDEN  
 CITY MINN. DEC 24  
 1862.

**MINNEAPOLIS,  
 MINNESOTA.** P.O.  
 established on  
 January 7, 1850  
 in Hennepin Co.  
 Cover postmarked  
 MINNEAPOLIS Min.  
 Dec 7 1861.



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Cover shown above pays the 15 cent rate to Germany. Cover below bears a colorless embossing on the back flap, which reads "Hon. Stephen A. Douglass of Ill./For President/Hon. H.V. Johnson of Geo./For V. Pres." It is a late use of the Minnesota Territorial postmark from POINT DOUGLASS, which was named for Stephen A. Douglass, Lincoln's opponent in 1860.



Grand Jurisdiction  
March 14, 63

Yours  
The case of the promotion of 2nd Lieut  
L. J. Smith of Co. 1st Regt. of Ill. Inf. to the position  
of 1st Lieut of said Co. is mentioned in the  
recommendation of 2nd Lieut. O'Brien of the same  
regiment to the rank of 1st Lieut of said Co.  
(1st Lieut. H. M. Smith having been discharged from  
service March 1, 1863)

I certify that the persons above re-  
commended does not use intoxicating  
liquors to such an extent as to interfere  
with his duties as an Officer or act a bad  
example to those under his command.

Very Respectfully  
Wm. H. Keegan  
Adjutant Genl

D. B. Baker  
Adjutant General  
State of Iowa  
Wm. Williams  
Capt Co. 1st Regt. Inf.  
1st Iowa Inf.

Recd 14.9.16 Army Genl 16/1863

My dear Army

Respectfully forwarded

Dabney's Mar 15/63

Nov 1862 16.00

At 103.250 Genl 16/1863

Ma. B. Col. in an

Respectfully forwarded  
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The M. M. M.  
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D. K. M. M. M.

Respectfully forwarded

17 March 1863

Headquarters 16 Army Genl

May 1863

Respectfully forwarded

Respectfully forwarded

Respectfully forwarded  
16 Army Genl  
16 Army Genl

I will help

Grand Junction  
Mar 14/63

W. H. Col. in an

2 Regt. Chas. Howard  
for 2 Regt.

Issued Apr 15/63

Mar 7 1863

W. H. M. M. M.  
1863

(Case No. 169.)

Respectfully forwarded  
The M. M. M.  
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To His Excellency Abraham Lincoln  
President of the United States

The undersigned  
Union Men & Citizens of Madison County Ky  
respectfully represent that Harvey Ellison  
James B. Ellison and George Ellison

Let these men take  
the oath of Dec. 8, 1863,  
& be discharged.

A. Lincoln

Jan. 6, 1865,

LETTER TO PRESIDENT LINCOLN  
PLEADING FOR THE RELEASE OF  
THREE BROTHERS; SOLDIERS OF THE  
CONFEDERATE ARMY CONFINED AS "PRISON-  
ERS OF WAR" AT CAMP DOUGLAS, CHICAGO, ILL.  
MR. LINCOLN ENDORSES A NOTE APPENDED TO THE  
LETTER ORDERING THEIR DISCHARGE UPON TAKING  
THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES.

NOTE:- THE PROCLAMATION OF AMNESTY WAS MADE BY PRES.  
LINCOLN ON DECEMBER 8, 1863. ~

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*Yours.  
John E. Wool*

MAJOR GENERAL JOHN E. WOOL'S AUTOGRAPH.



COVER DATED SEPT. 14, 1864, FROM PHILADELPHIA TO MILFORD CONN., PICTURING  
GENERAL WOOL, COMMANDER OF FORTRESS MONROE, WHO TOOK OVER NORFOLK VA.  
WHEN THE CONFEDERATES EVACUATED IT IN MARCH, 1862.



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THE SANITARY FAIRS



8<sup>th</sup> Corps Hospital  
City Point, Va.  
Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 64  
Friend Ruth,  
This evening  
finds me in the Hospital  
at City Point. I have  
not had a letter.



Washington  
DEC 19  
3c  
Tip Ruth  
Capt Bradley  
North Franklin  
Del Co  
Va.

FORWARDED BY THE  
U.S. SANITARY  
COMMISSION

1864

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LINCOLN GIVES JEFF DAVIS THE "BOOT" - SEP 2 1861.



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FREE FRANKS  
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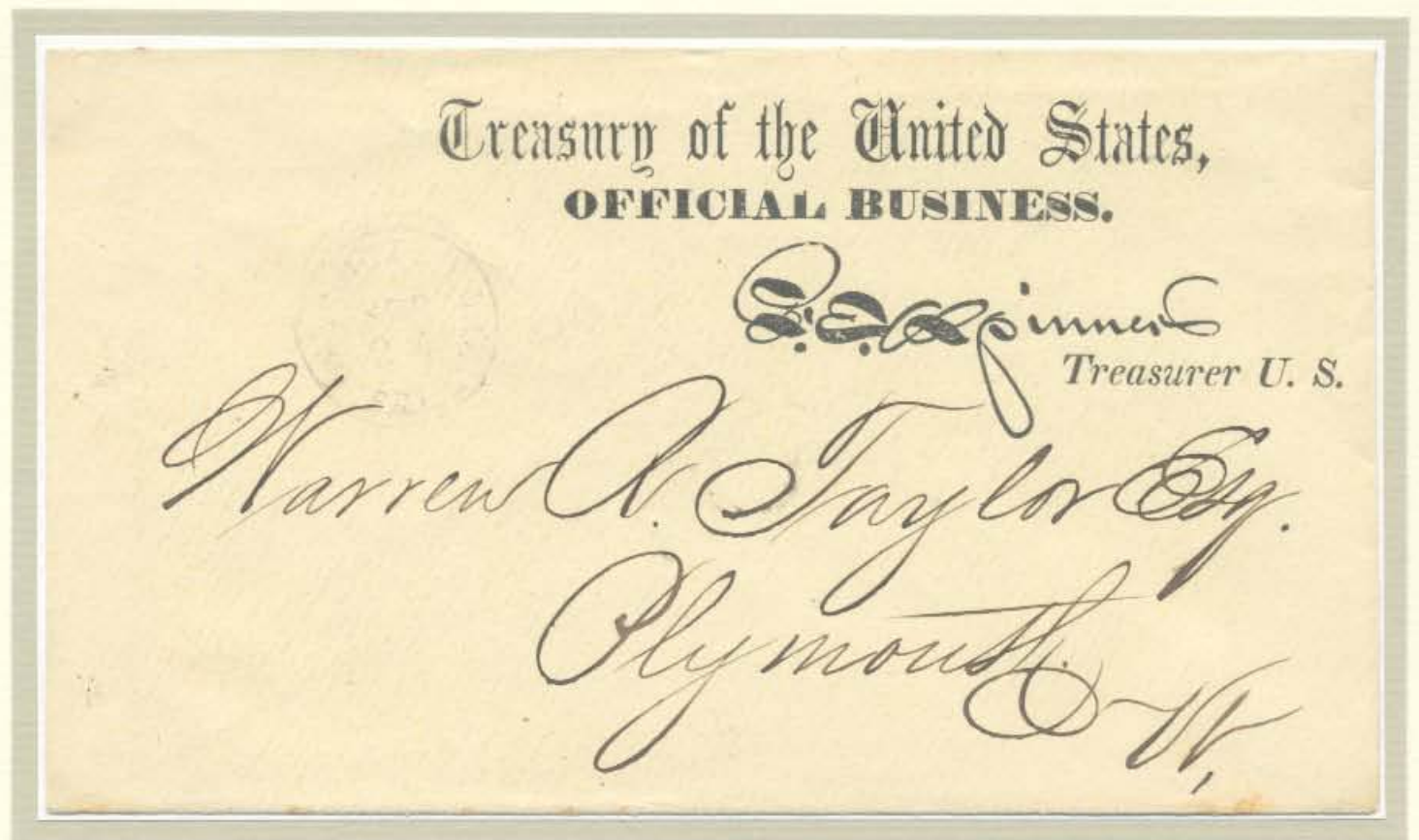


LINCOLN ON 50 CENTS FOURTH ISSUE OF FRACTIONAL CURRENCY.



AUTOGRAPH OF F. E. SPINNER, TREASURER U. S.

FAC-SIMILIE SIGNATURE  
OF TREASURER SPINNER  
USED AS FREE FRANK  
ON COVER, WASHINGTON  
D. C. TO PLYMOUTH VT.



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WALLPAPER &  
HOMEMADE COVERS



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THE EXPRESSES

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**THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPRESS MAIL** With the fall of New Orleans and Vicksburg the control of the Mississippi River passed into the hands of the Union forces and split the Confederacy in two. In order to maintain the mail service between the east and the west a special express mail route was established to run the Union blockade of the river.

The rate for this special service was 40¢ per ½ oz. Covers can be identified by this rate and the fact that they are either westbound or eastbound across the Mississippi River. Eastbound are endorsed "via Shreveport or Alexandria" and the westbound "via Brandon or Meridian." Some also include the directive "via Express." Cover shown is eastbound from Sherman, Texas, Jan. 18 (1864 or 1865).

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On June 1, 1861, the Federal government suspended all communications with the south and left it up to the express companies to carry the mails between the lines until late in August when all service was banned.

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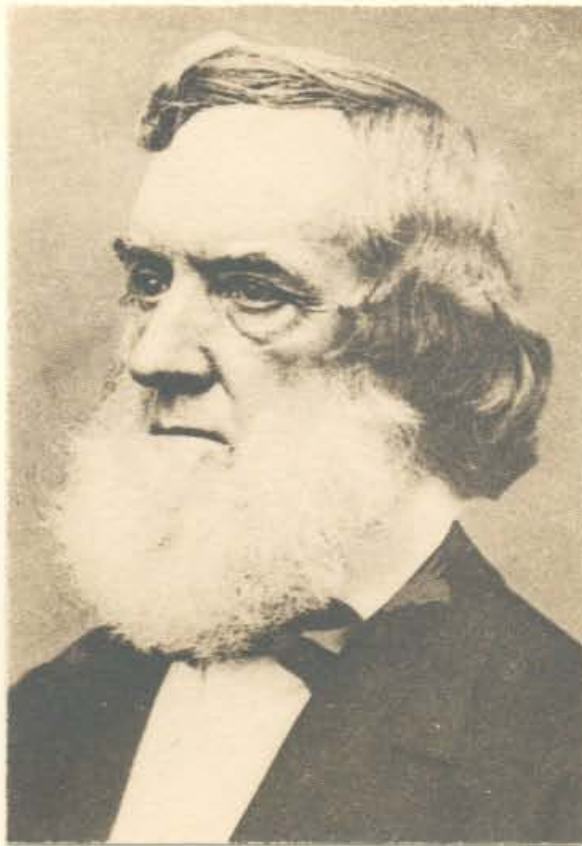


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FREE FRANK OF GIDEON WELLES, SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, FROM WASHINGTON D. C., TO

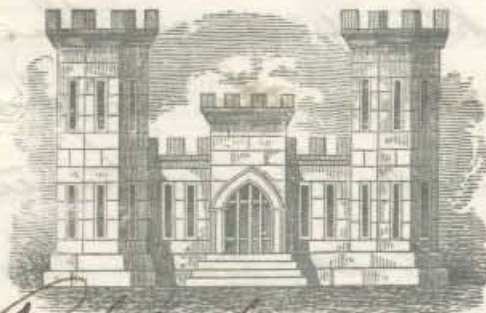
REAR ADMIRAL DAHLGREN AT PORT ROYAL S. C.

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Head Quarters  
50th N. Y. Engineers,  
Camp near  
Rappahannock Station Va  
Orange & Alexandria R.R. Va  
Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 1863

My Darling

Your very kind and  
Excellent letter of Thursday Sept 24  
is just rec<sup>d</sup> to you see we are  
so far to the front that our mail

matters a  
bit being the  
since last  
week - I  
a little  
much of  
It was 4  
days being  
too warm  
splendid  
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50th N. Y. ENGINEERS.



Mrs A. Clark Baum  
Peterson  
Mad. Co N.Y.

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GENERAL J. C. FREMONT ON COVER DATED FEB. 27, 1862, FROM WASHINGTON D.C. TO RUTLAND VT. AND PATRIOTIC ENCLOSURE FROM CAMP GRIFFIN, VA.

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Flag of the seas! On ocean wave  
 Thy stars shall glitter 'er the brave.

My Dear



And over their bright and glancing arms  
 On field, and lake, and sea,  
 With an eye that fires, and a spell that charms,  
 I guide them to victory.

before a great  
 while we don't  
 know where  
 me will go  
 But  
 where the weather is  
 warmer and much are  
 thicker  
 The troops that  
 are ordered  
 to  
 keep are

Nov 14 '61

UNION

Miss Cecilia Robinson  
 Crystal Lake  
 The Henry Co  
 Ill.



WESTERN COLLEGE, IOWA 1864. Post Office was established February 16, 1858 and discontinued July 31, 1906. The two covers shown were used in 1864. Cover above bears the patriotic corner card of Western College, Linn Co. Iowa. Cover below contains letter in which the writer states that her brother has "enlisted" and that all but 14 gentlemen remain at the college - "The boys are encamped at Davenport".



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*Ad In Dept Va & N. C.  
St Morris Dec 5 1863  
Respectfully forwarded  
B. F. Butler  
Maj Gen Comdg*

AUTOGRAPH OF MAJOR GENERAL B. F. BUTLER.



GENERAL BUTLER ON COVER FROM FITCHBURG MASS. BUTLER, WHOSE CHIEF MILITARY TALENT WAS IN ADMINISTRATION, WAS AN IMPORTANT POLITICAL FIGURE OF THE TIMES.



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COVER WITH FREE FRANK OF WILLIAM H. SEWARD, SECRETARY OF STATE FROM ST.

DENIS MD. TO DANVERS PLAINS, MASS.

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**UNION WAR SONGS.**



**ARMY HYMN.**  
 BY OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.  
 (Tune.— OLD HUNDRED.)



O Lord of Hosts! Almighty King!  
 Behold the sacrifice we bring!  
 To every arm thy strength impart,  
 Thy spirit shed through every heart!

Wake in our breasts the living fires,  
 The holy faith that warmed our sires;  
 Thy hand hath made our Nation free;  
 To die for her is serving Thee.

Be Thou a pillared flame to show  
 The midnight snare, the silent foe;  
 And when the battle thunders loud,  
 Still guide us in its moving cloud

God of all Nations! Sovereign Lord!  
 In thy dread name we draw the sword,  
 We lift the starry flag on high  
 That fills with light our stormy sky.

From treason's rent, from murder's stain  
 Guard thou its folds till Peace shall reign,  
 Till fort and field, till shore and sea  
 Join our loud anthem, PRAISE TO THEE!

*Atlantic Monthly*

**HISTORY OF OUR FLAG**



The Flag, during the Confederation, was endorsed by the body, by a resolution adopted on the 14th of June, 1777, as follows:

*Resolved, That the Flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stars and white; that the Union be thirteen Stars, white in a blue field; constellation.*

This Flag continued in use until July 4th, 1813, when the Congress in the Union amounted to twenty, and on the 4th of April, 1818, passed the following law:

*Sec. 1. Be it enacted, etc., That from and after the 4th day of July next the Flag of the United States be thirteen horizontal stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be*

*twenty stars, white on a blue field."*

*Sec. 2. That on the admission of every new State into the Union, one star be added to the Union of the Flag, and that each addition shall take effect on the 4th day of July, next succeeding such admission."*

*So stands the Law at this day, and is unalterable but by law*

*Capt John Ryke*  
*Camp Chase*  
*Columbus*  
*Ohio*

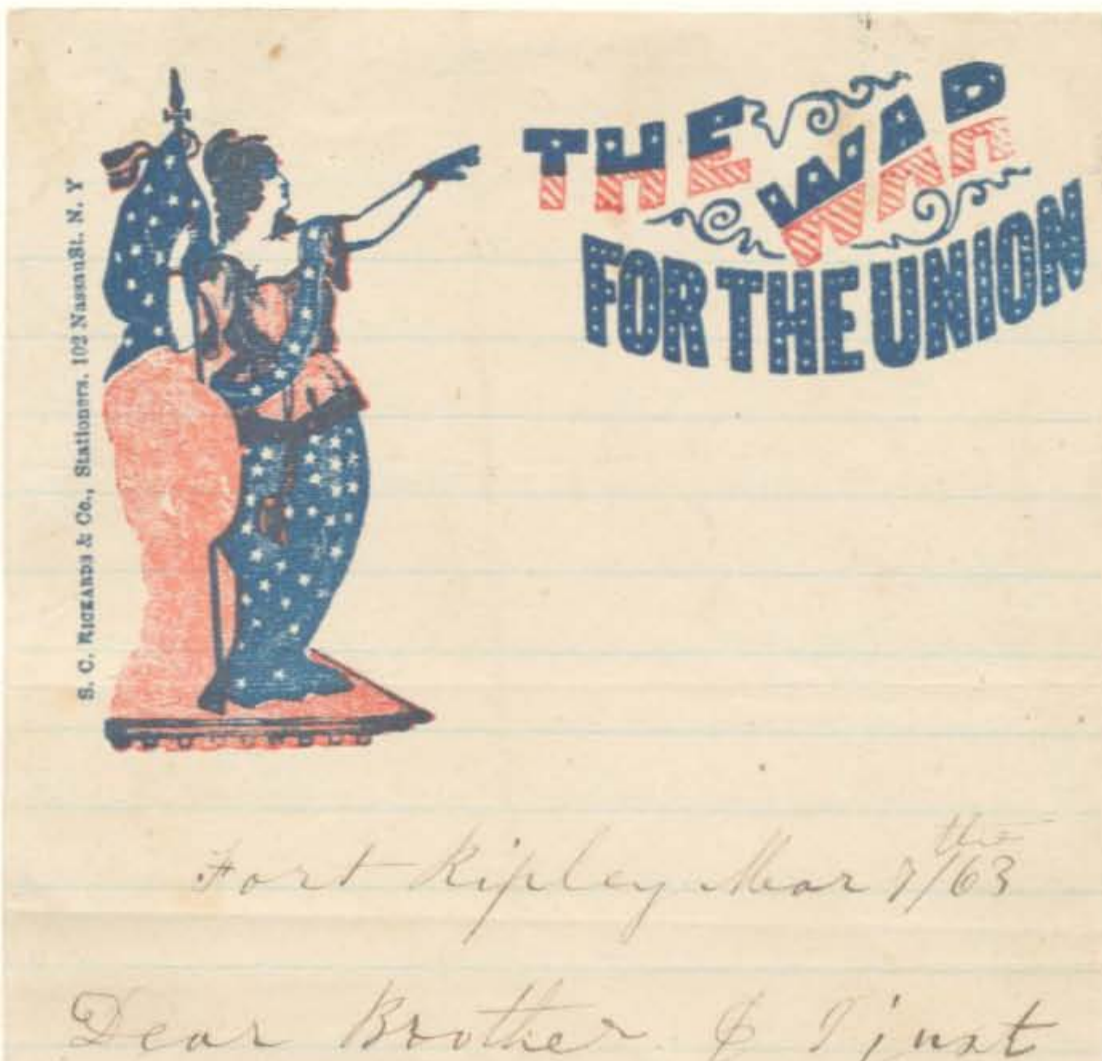
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The Opposer of Temperance.

You uphold the rum-traders madly,  
While you cannot hold up yourself;  
You swallow their poison, and gladly  
You aid them in robbing your people.

MINNESOTA



Fort Ripley Mar 7/63

Dear Brother. I just  
heard you dand was



FORT RIPLEY, ME.  
MAR 9 1863

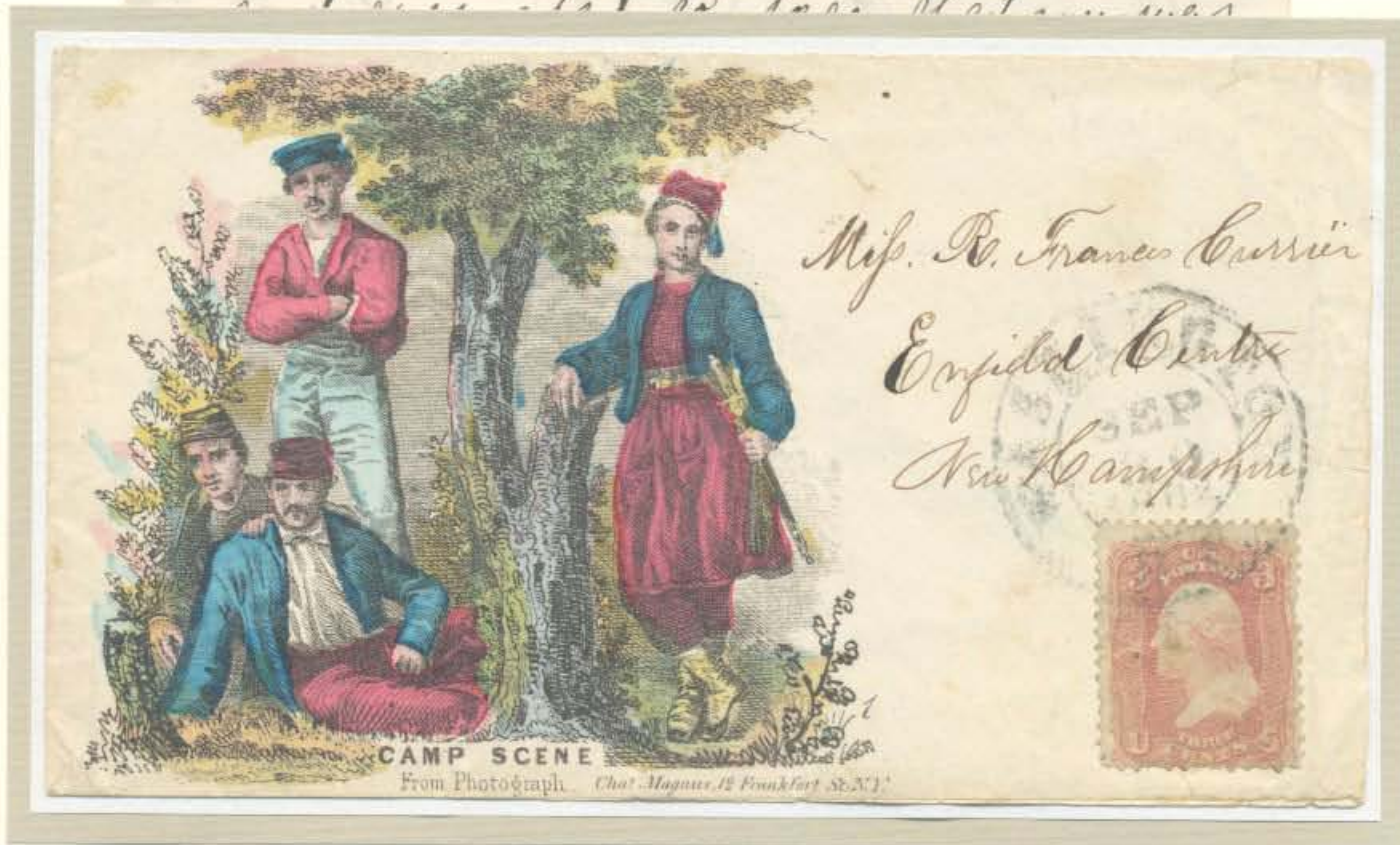
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Veeps Crossing  
 Camp Lewis Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 62  
 Dear Sister Beath.

Your letter dated  
 Oct 25<sup>th</sup> I received this fore noon  
 I was glad to hear that you was



Mrs. P. Francis Carrier  
 Enfield Centre  
 New Hampshire



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 RELIGIOUS TRACT COVERS



HOW SHOULD  
 ONE CHASE  
 A THOUSAND  
 AND TWO  
 PUT TEN THOUSAND  
 TO FLIGHT.



THINK ON ME  
 WHEN  
 IT SHALL  
 BE WELL  
 WITH THEE.

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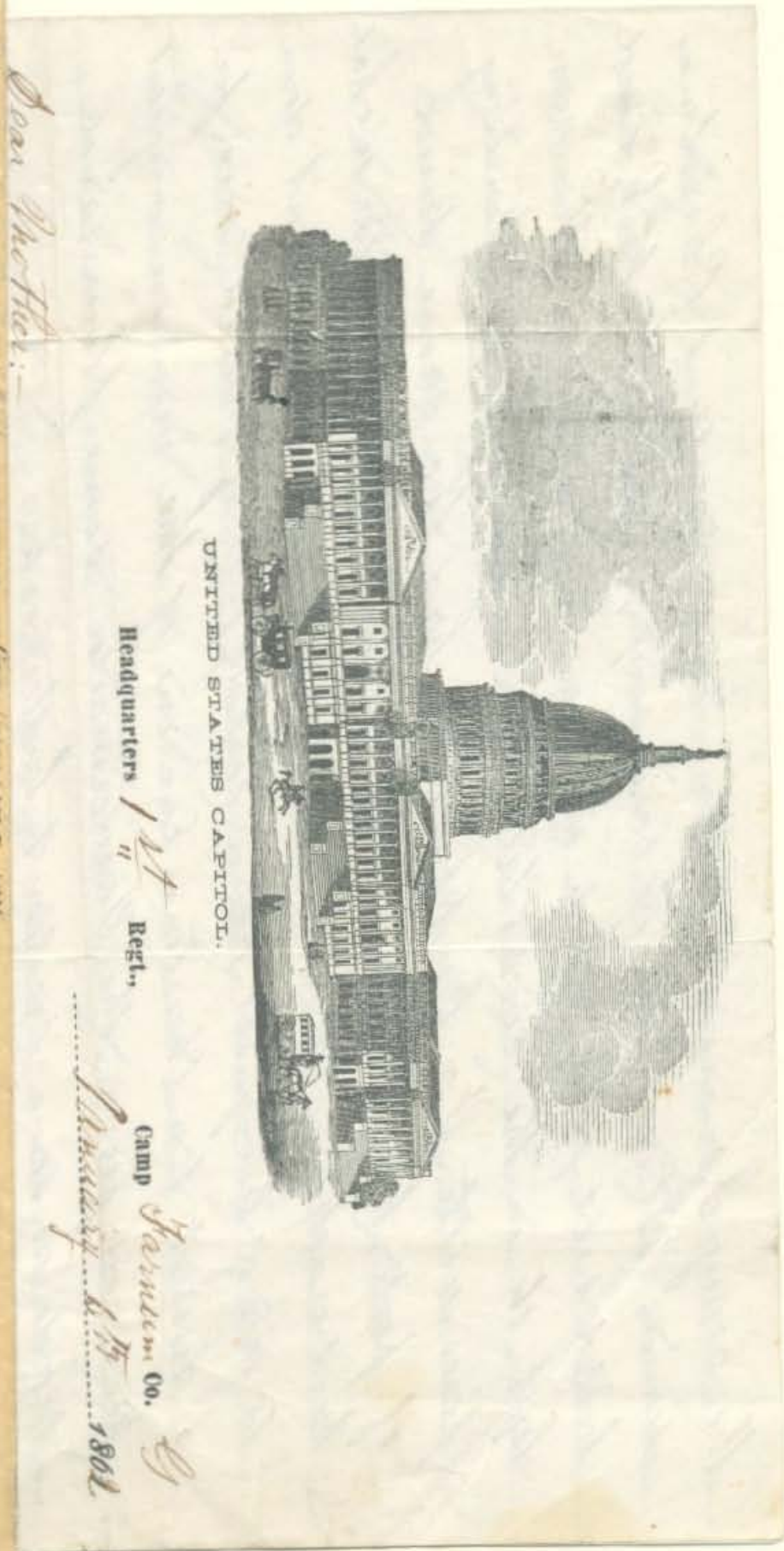
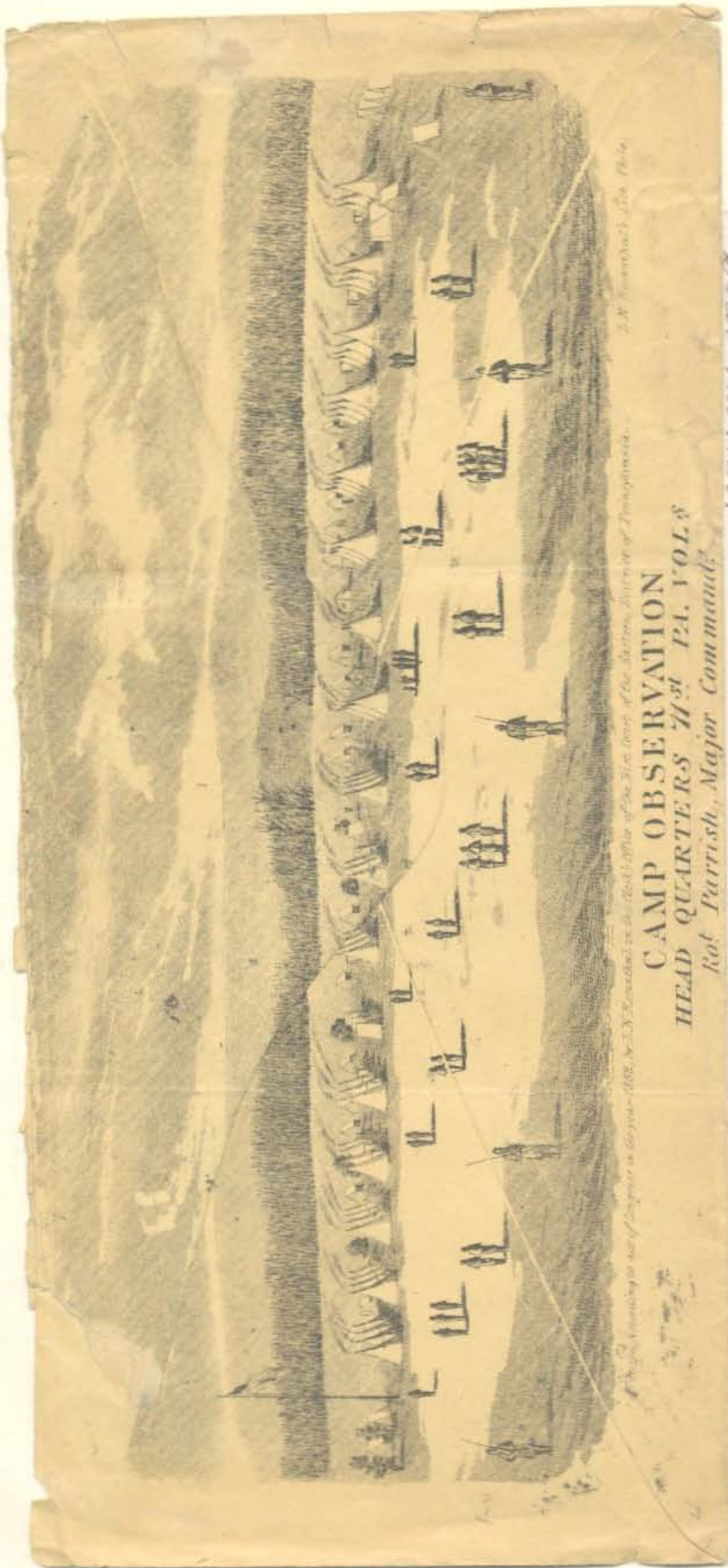


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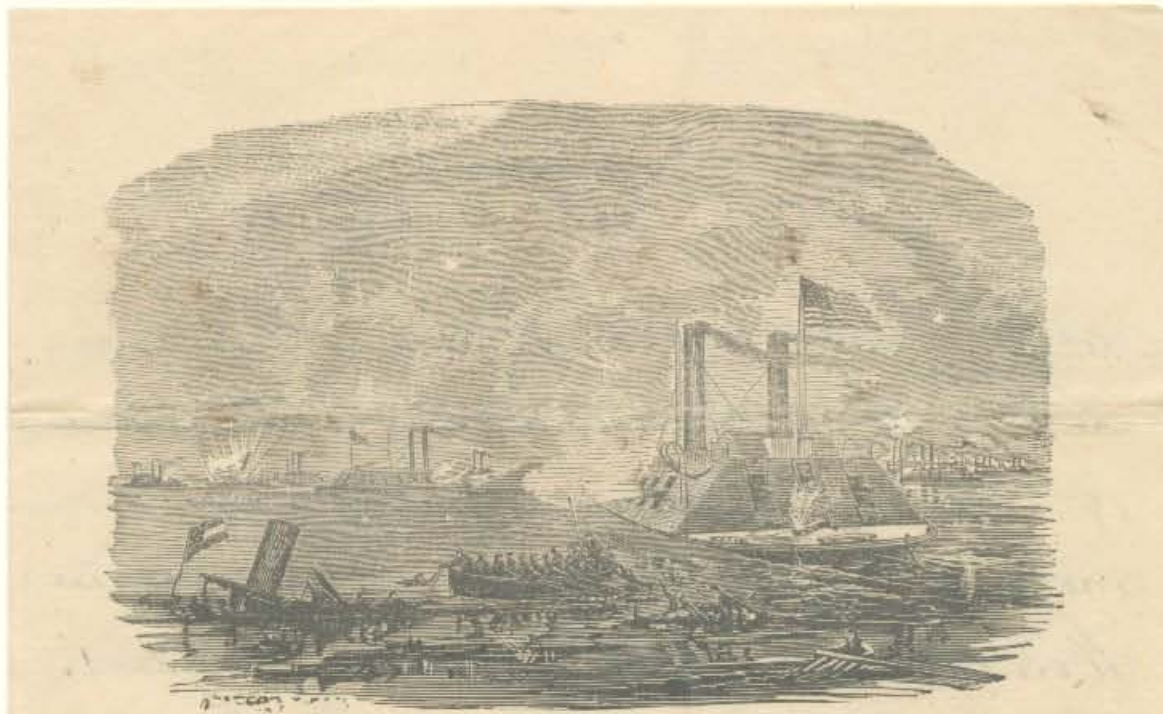
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WINFIELD SCOTT, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY, 1841-61.



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Great Naval Engagement off Fort Wright.

September the 29<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Susan

This pleasant Sabbath morning  
 I take the pleasure of writing you  
 a few lines to let you now



"The star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave,  
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."



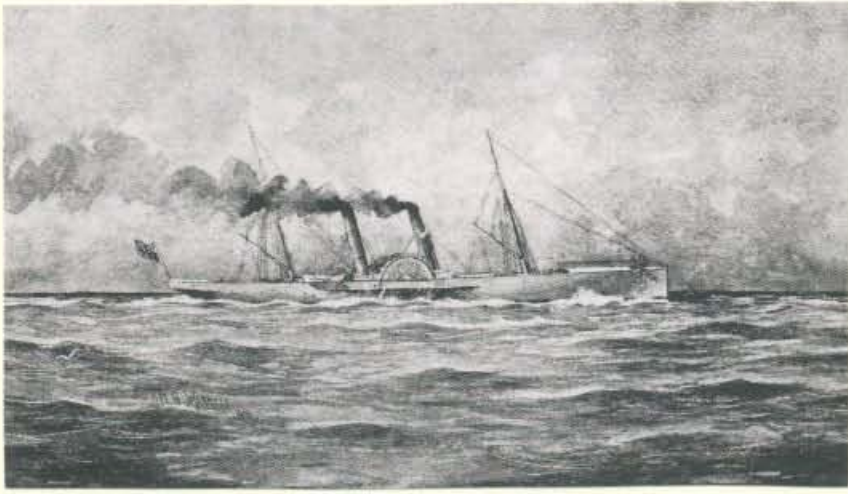
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"Of any other man." "That's who's the matter."



Miss. Lucina. Hull.  
 Waldo. Marion. Co.  
 Ohio.

Published by Jas. Gates, Cincinnati, O



S.S. RANGER

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BLOCKADE RUN MAIL  
From Europe  
To The C. S. A.



With the blockade of southern ports by the U.S. Navy, it became necessary for the Confederates to run the blockades. The RANGER was a blockade-runner which sailed from Bermuda on Jan. 6, 1864 to run the blockade at Wilmington, North Carolina. The passengers and mail were landed below Wilmington. In attempting to run into Wilmington she was run ashore by a Federal blockader. The RANGER was burned, to avoid capture, on Jan. 11th. The cover above was rated as a SHIP letter - 10¢ regular postage and 2¢ ship fee - for a total of 12¢ COLLECT on delivery.

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JEFF. DAVIS GOING TO WAR



JEFF DAVIS ON PROPOGANDA COVER OF 1862

SHOWING DESIGN LOOKING RIGHT SIDE UP.



CARICATURE OF JEFF DAVIS AS IT APPEARED  
ON ABOVE COVER UP SIDE DOWN.

JEFF. RETURNING FROM WAR



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 CARICATURES  
 1860 - 1865



EARLY EXAMPLES OF PATRIOTIC CARICATURES USED FOR PROPOGANDA PURPOSES.

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FREE FRANKS

War Department  
Washington City,

October 21, 1864

My dear friend,

I saw the President  
two or three days since, and  
have since tried in vain  
to go and see you.

WAR DEPARTMENT Letter and cover, bearing the FREE FRANK of of Charles A. Dana, Lincoln's Assistant Secretary of War, under date of October 21, 1864. Dana writes "I saw the President two or three days since, and have tried in vain to go and see you. Mr. Lincoln is perfectly disposed but says: 'See Seward' (William H. Seward, secretary of state). I fear I am not the best person to do the business with the Premier; but if you desire, I will try. His son has charge of all consular appointments, but, of course, makes none of moment without the Secretary's directions.

Yours faithfully C.A. Dana."  
Dana has often been called Lincoln's eyes and ears of the Civil War.

War Department,

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

C. A. Dana,

Assistant Secretary of War.

Rev. W. H. Channing,  
Rugby House.

fectly

Rev. W. H.



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PRISONERS OF WAR



**CONFEDERATE PRISON, MADISON, GEORGIA.**

**MADISON, GEORGIA JULY 1st 1862.** Letter written by Captain W.W. Warner while a prisoner of war. This is only the second recorded letter from this prison. In the letter Warner describes it: "I send this by Lieut. McCulloch one of our officers paroled to go to our lines ... we had been quartered at Atlanta one week & here nearly two weeks - our present prison is the third story of a factory which has been arranged as a military prison - it is surrounded by a close fence some twelve feet high - a very secure place closely guarded. We have the range of the yard but are not permitted to go out ..."

The letter was placed in the mails at NASHVILLE, TEN. Jul 25, 1862 and forwarded DUE 3. The three cent stamp was apparently placed on by the Clermont, Iowa postmaster as a postage due stamp would be used.

Captain William W. Warner was interned in "God's Acre" cemetery at Clermont, Iowa. His headstone reads: "Died at Memphis, Tennessee, Dec. 13, 1863."

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LINCOLN AND HAMLIN  
 CAMPAIGN COVER WITH  
 LETTER SHEET.



CAMPAIGN COVER USED  
 AS A PATRIOTIC TO  
 GEDIN'S NEIGHBORHOOD  
 N. Y., DEC. 23, 1860.

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Entered according to act of Congress in the year 1862 by L. N. Rosenthal in the Clerk's Office of the District of the East-For From L. N. Rosenthal, Engr. at No. 217

CAMP near FORT LYON, 34<sup>TH</sup> REGT MASS. VOL<sup>S</sup>

Col. George D. Wells, Comm<sup>d</sup>

Fort Lyons, Pa. Jan. 24/62  
Dear Sister

I received your kind letter yesterday and was very glad to hear from home and to hear that all were well for which I know that all are well the time flies fast.

We have had a hard winter here for the last few days but today it is quite pleasant but the snow is so deep that it is hard work to get around. I am on guard today and tomorrow we have got to go on a brigade inspection on our parade ground we are brigaded



Entered according to Act of Congress in the year 1862, by L. N. Rosenthal, in the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Rosenthal's Lith. 322 Walnut St. Philad.

**CAMP of the 40<sup>TH</sup> MASS. REG<sup>T</sup>** near Miners Hill, Va.  
Col. Burr Porter, Comm<sup>d</sup>

Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

Saw Joe.

Having a few moments  
I will write you a few lines.  
This is a picture of our camp  
where we have been all winter  
By day we leave for parts unknown  
I expect we will go to Gettysburg.  
We shall probably  
see some fighting soon, and  
then you will see the 40<sup>th</sup> drive  
the rebels. Old Abner's band  
will drive them hellward.  
Send me a box of apples and

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