

OHIO



“Official Business”
State Departmental Offices
Illustrated Covers
1860 - 1960

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INTRODUCTION

Although the use of an envelope to securely enclose a letter sent through the mails has been around for many centuries, it was not until the 1840s when several events occurred that brought them into widespread use in the United States. The first was the invention of manufacturing equipment which could mass produce the envelopes inexpensively, and the second was the change in how the United States Post Office Department calculated the way it charged for the postage to carry a letter through the mails. The early rates were based on the number of pieces of paper that made up the letter, and since the envelope was considered a separate sheet, the rate would automatically be doubled for a letter sent in an envelope. This occurred as the result of the Postal Act of March 3, 1845, when rates were changed to consider the weight of the letter rather than the number of sheets comprising the mail piece. This law became effective on July 1, 1845.

By the early 1860s, several state governments had begun to produce decorative envelopes with an all-over background design for use in their “Official Business” correspondence. The typical design included some representation of the official state seal in the upper left corner, together with the name of the individual department or agency, either as part of the design with the seal or in the background of the entire envelope. As these envelopes were often printed in bright colors, they no doubt readily caught the attention of their recipients.

The compiler of this monograph has been a collector of these illustrated all-over “Official Business” envelopes prepared for the state of Texas for several years. These styles of covers were used both by departments and agencies of the state government, located in Austin, Texas, as well as at the seats of many county governments across the state. Those used by the state offices began in the early 1870s, and their use by these offices had declined by the beginning of the 20th century. Similar covers used at the county level began by the late 1870s, and some counties continued to use these into the 1920s and 1930s.

While recently compiling the two monographs based on the collection of the Texas covers, there appeared on eBay a large group (about 250) of these illustrated “Official Business” envelopes which had been used by departments and agencies from several dozen states. Fascinated to see such a large selection of these envelopes at one time, the concept to create a series of monographs to illustrate these types of envelopes for the other states was formed. The group of envelopes from eBay was “harvested”, and eBay and other sources were examined to locate additional envelopes, which were also preserved.

About the same time, a thread was posted on the Stamp Community Family stamp collecting forum in April 2021, in which the original poster asked whether there was any form of reference for these types of envelopes. This thread can be found at:

https://www.stampcommunity.org/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=76574&whichpage=1&

Since I had now had access to images for several hundred of these types of envelopes, and I had already been working on the construction of a monograph for my Texas materials, I decided to expand that effort and create some similar (but very preliminary) monographs for each of the various states for which I had at least a single example.

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ORGANIZATION

The original monographs were intended to focus only on those “Official Business” envelopes with the full all-over designs in the background, but as I began to examine and organize the covers present in my Texas collections, I discovered that there were a number of equally “interesting” envelopes, which had also been used by these departmental offices, either concurrently with, or subsequent to the appearance of the envelopes with the all-over illustrated designs.

These alternate designs can be roughly grouped in the following categories:

- (a) Envelopes with an illustration of the state capitol building or county courthouse,
- (b) Envelopes with an illustration of the state or county seal,
- (c) Envelopes with an ornate printed corner card, and
- (d) Those envelopes with a conventional corner card with the department or agency name.

The original scope was now expanded to include most envelopes encountered of the first three categories which were used before 1920. The goal was to try and be complete in their inclusion. Because of the larger quantity of official business envelopes with corners in this fourth category, these were included only when the compiler thought they might be useful to show the timing of the transition of the other styles of covers to the plain standard design, or to illustrate unusual department or agency names. Obviously, not all combinations were necessarily present or included in the monographs. In addition, the period of use to be included was expanded from the early years of the twentieth century up into the post-World War 2 period, and occasionally even further into the modern period. Readers not interested in the more modern material may easily skip over it.

The monographs which have been prepared in this series were not intended to be complete in all respects, such as one might expect in a formal handbook or catalog, but have been prepared to provide the reader with an introduction to a representative sample of the styles and varieties of envelopes that were used during this period, and perhaps educate the collecting community as to the possibilities that could exist in collecting them.

Although these all-over illustrated “Official Business” departmental envelopes for Texas were compiled into separate monographs for the state and county office envelopes, it was elected to combine these groups into a single monograph for the other states. These monographs will generally have several sections. The initial section will include those envelopes used by the state agency and departmental offices, which are typically located at the state capitol. The state department envelopes have been organized into an alphabetical order based on the agency or department name. These department names were not always consistent, as they evolved over time, and therefore, these are usually grouped by what the compiler believed was the most obvious choice. Within the envelopes from a specific department, they have been grouped in chronological order to the extent possible.

Unfortunately, the “chronological order” goal presented some difficulties. Most mail sent prior to 1890 did not have the year date present in the post office date stamp, and in the absence of any

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sender or addressee docketing, an “educated” guess had to be made based on the postage stamp present.

The most common departmental names encountered included the following (obviously not a complete list): Adjutant General’s Office, Attorney General’s Office, Department of Agriculture, various Courts: Civil, Criminal, Appeals, Comptroller’s Office, Department of Education (also called Public Instruction), General Assembly, General Land Office, State Library, House of Representatives, Legislature, Senate, Department of State, Supreme Court, and Treasurer’s Office.

A second section was prepared to include envelopes from agencies and departments prepared for and used by the county and other local (city) governments. However, due to the limited scope of the search for covers, not all the states included in this monograph series had examples of these county offices represented. The organization of this section was arranged in alphabetical order by county, then by county seat, and finally by date, with any envelopes from a city office in the county to follow. When present, these envelopes were generally represented by the following departments: Assessor or Tax Assessor or Tax Collector, Comptroller’s Office, County and District Clerk, Justice of the Peace, Sheriff, and County Treasurer, although others are possible as well.

Schools and colleges presented a small dilemma, and an effort was made to include only those envelopes prepared for public, tax supported, schools. However, most schools identified with “Normal” as part of their name have been included, even though this was a common term used with private schools during the 19th century. The compiler apologizes for any confusion this brings to the monographs.

While examining these envelopes from a few states (especially Texas), examples of similar envelopes used by private businesses were encountered that used the same basic design templates. In some instances, these have been included in a separate section.

In the original plan, only a few examples of these all-over “Official Business” envelopes were observed which had been printed for use by the Congress in Washington, DC, and a separate monograph has been prepared for those. There was no intention to include envelopes with illustrations or corner cards from other offices of the many federal government’s departments and agencies which had major offices located within the state. However, after encountering a few “interesting” envelopes and corner cards, it was decided to include a few of these, with the criteria that they would have the post office name within the state imprinted on the envelope, and would typically not include the myriad of common “penalty” envelopes which are present in the thousands for some departments. As a result, the reader will find that the level of representation of these types of official business envelopes to vary considerably from state to state.

The origin or printing source of these envelopes is not well documented. Only a small number of envelopes examined had any form of printer’s imprint, and it is believed that many of the envelopes used by state governments were prepared by either a state printing department, or by annual contracts to private printers within the state. A careful examination of many examples of similarly appearing envelopes used over a sequence of years often reveals variations that would indicate that new lithographic plates were probably prepared, which could have been the result of an old plate wearing

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out or a change in the printing company. A review of the monograph for Ohio will present some preliminary analysis by the compiler along these lines.

The printing of the county and other local office envelopes appears – at least within Texas – to be the result of several large stationery printing firms who sold these designs to the local governments. It is suspected that the transition from these more colorful designs to the traditional corner cards seen after 1920 was the result of local printing businesses wanting this sort of business to be made available to their local businesses, and not outside firms.

The representation of these envelopes found in the several dozen monographs in this series is quite diverse. A few states: Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas, are now represented by a significant number of examples, often the result of early contributions from collectors who are state “specialists”, and who kindly volunteered to contribute scans of their material for inclusion. Other states, particularly those found in the southern and western areas of the United States, have only few examples recorded and included at the present time. This diversity should not be interpreted as an absence or scarcity of envelopes from those states, but more of an artifact of the method by which the data was collected by the compiler. Additionally, many states have no covers or very few examples of covers reported from the county offices, and the same consideration applies. Texas has by far the largest number of these county office envelopes included, which may be because there are 254 distinct counties in Texas, or simply an artifact of my having collected these for many years, but it also appears that several printing/publishing firms had aggressive marketing efforts to sell these types of envelopes at the county government level in Texas.

Each envelope illustrated will have a header section like the one shown here.

ID:	State:	County:	City:
Dates:		Color:	Size:
Office:			
Notes:			
Source:			

The fields are generally self-explanatory, but some comments are in order.

- a.) The “**ID:**” field is reserved for future use should it become practical to assign some form of classification to the different types of covers.
- b.) The “**Dates:**” field will generally be limited to the year of use, and when two identical covers are known from different years, a range may be provided. The exact dates for covers used prior to 1890 are often missing from postal markings found on the envelopes, and they are then estimated based on the stamp used. As the base postage rate changed from 3 cents to 2 cents on Oct 1, 1883, this date is often entered simply as “Before Oct 1, 1883” or “After Oct 1, 1883” when no other information is available.
- c.) The “**Size:**” field will be provided in inches, i.e., 6.25” x 3.75”, when the actual cover can be examined and measured, but when acquired from other sources, will usually be noted as “Small”, “Regular” (close to the 6.25” x 3.75” size), or “Large” (equivalent to our current legal size No. 10 envelopes).

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- d.) The “**Color:**” field will be approximate, as many colors seen online are not truly representative, and subject to fading.
- e.) The “**Office:**” field will include the name of the departmental or agency office as it appears on the envelope. As the departmental name may change over time, covers with alternative departmental names will generally be included following the earliest version of the department name.
- f.) The “**Notes:**” field will include any unique information about the envelope, and also about the printer’s imprint, when present. If not mentioned, there was no imprint, or the reverse of the cover was not available.
- g.) The “**Source:**” field will identify the source of the cover, generally either as “Author’s collection”, a contributor’s collection, or an eBay seller’s listing.

Only the illustration of front side of these envelopes has been included, unless there is some significant postal history element present on the reverse. When the envelope illustrated also included contents related to the purpose of the office, the contents, or at least the illustrated portion of the letterhead or billhead, were also included. As the search for relevant envelopes proceeded, other state and county documents with “interesting” billhead type illustrations were encountered, and because I found these interesting in terms of explaining the purpose for the use of these envelopes, I began to include these as well.

THE FUTURE PLANS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The complete series of these monographs has been hosted on the Stamp Smarter website through the courtesy of Don Denman. These are not intended to be an active project of the original compiler, but the source documents (a simple Microsoft Word file) can be made available to other collectors who would be interested in taking responsibility to add new materials to them.

For the immediate future, the compiler solicits the contribution of digitals scans that illustrate covers not present in these monographs, including those used with different dates. Preference will be given to those envelopes with the all-over illustrations, and the state/local buildings and seals, and those used prior to 1920. Contributions of envelopes from any state will be welcome. It is requested that the submitted covers should be scanned at 300dpi and provided in the JPG format when possible. If contributing more than a small number, please contact me to discuss options other than email.

I would like to thank Jim Doolin, a collector of the postal history from all towns named “Columbus”, for sharing his collection of the state covers from Columbus, Ohio. He also provided a group of color photocopies of similar illustrated envelopes from the collection of the late Richard Graham, which greatly augmented the materials presented. Other contributors will be acknowledged in the monograph(s) for which they submit examples. Please bring any errors found to my attention.

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COMPILER’S NOTE

In several sections of this monograph, I had begun to prepare a study and classification of the different designs of the Ohio state seal which were used as part of the envelope designs. These sections are incomplete, and I am working on a redesign. These were left in temporarily to provide a quick view of some of the differences, but should not be used for any other purpose.

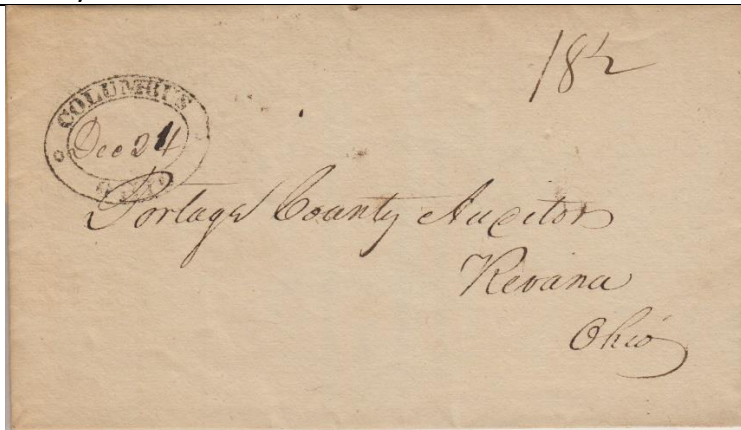
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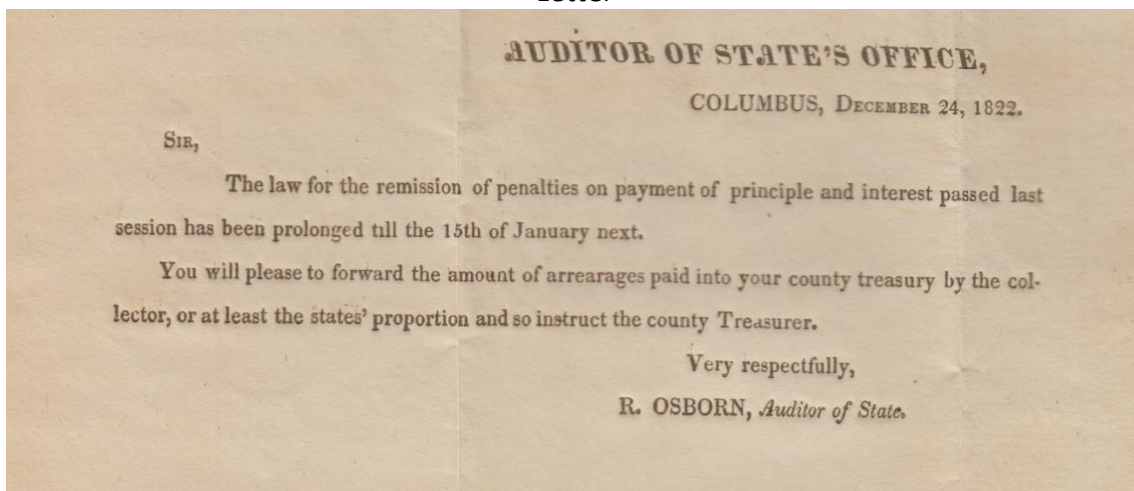
EARLY FOLDED LETTERS

Before the introduction and regular use of conventional envelopes, most "official business" was carried out using folded letters. This first section presents a few examples of these folded letters which were used by the Auditor of State's Office, where while they had no "return address" corner, the typically had department name at the top of the internal letter.

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 24 Dec 1822	Color: Black on Tan	Size:	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE"			
Notes: Folded letter with instructions to the county auditor to suspend the requirements of penalties on late payment of taxes.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Letter

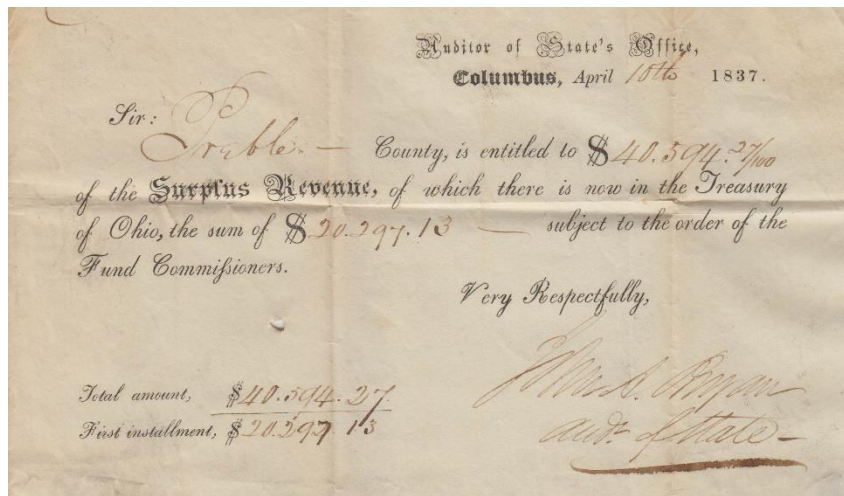


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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 10 April 1837	Color: Black on Tan		Size:
Office: "Auditor of State's Office,"			
Notes: Folded letter advising that Preble county has surplus revenue on deposit.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

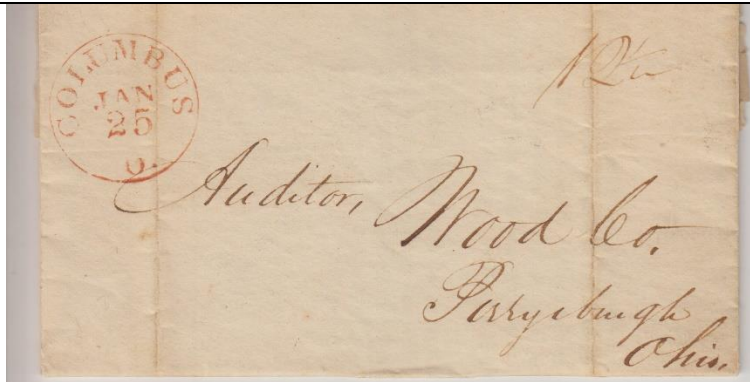


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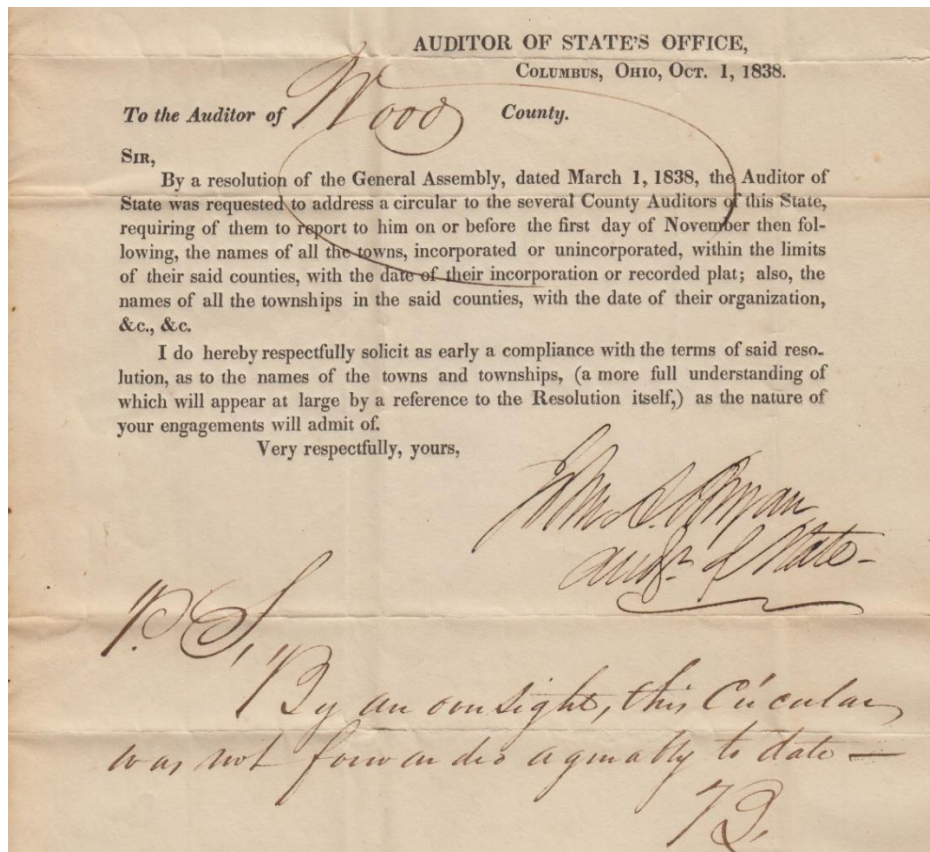


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 1 Oct 1838	Color: Black on Cream		Size:
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE"			
Notes: Folded letter requesting information regarding the names of towns in the county and other information.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Letter

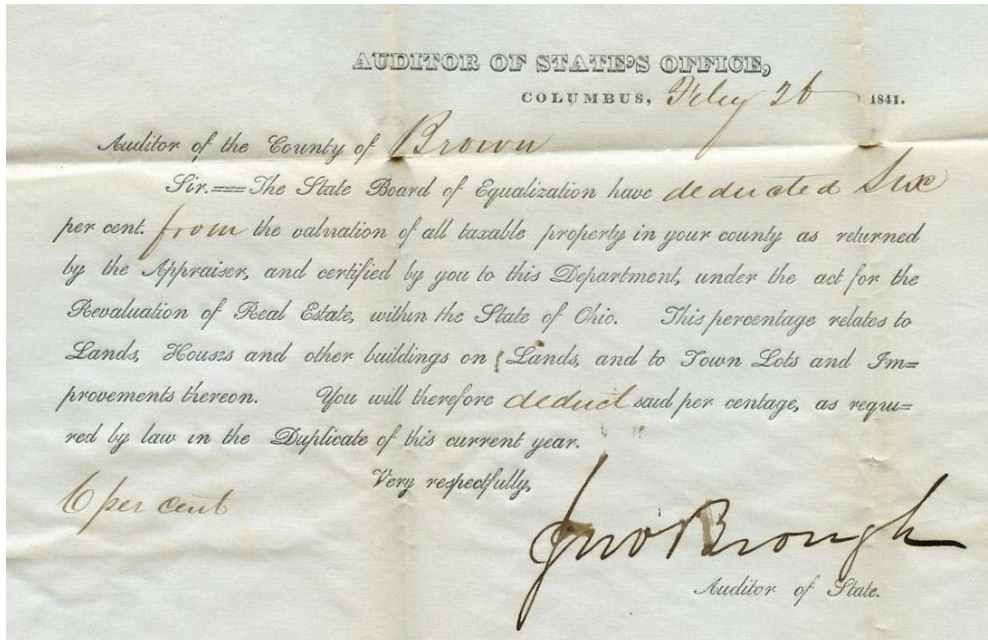


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 26 Feb 1841	Color: Black on gray		Size:
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE,"			
Notes: Folded letter requesting information regarding change in the tax rates.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller marlen-stamps, May 2021.			

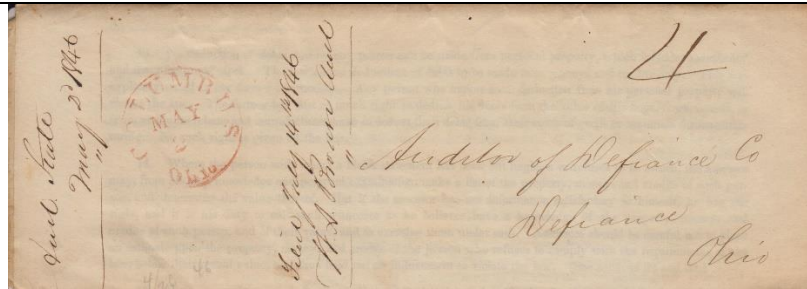


Letter



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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 28 April 1846	Color: Black on tan	Size:	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE,"			
Notes: Folded letter with circular summarizing instructions related to taxes to be paid. SFL front and first page of instructions.			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin collection.			



Circular, page 1

AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE,
COLUMBUS, April 26th, 1846.

Sir:

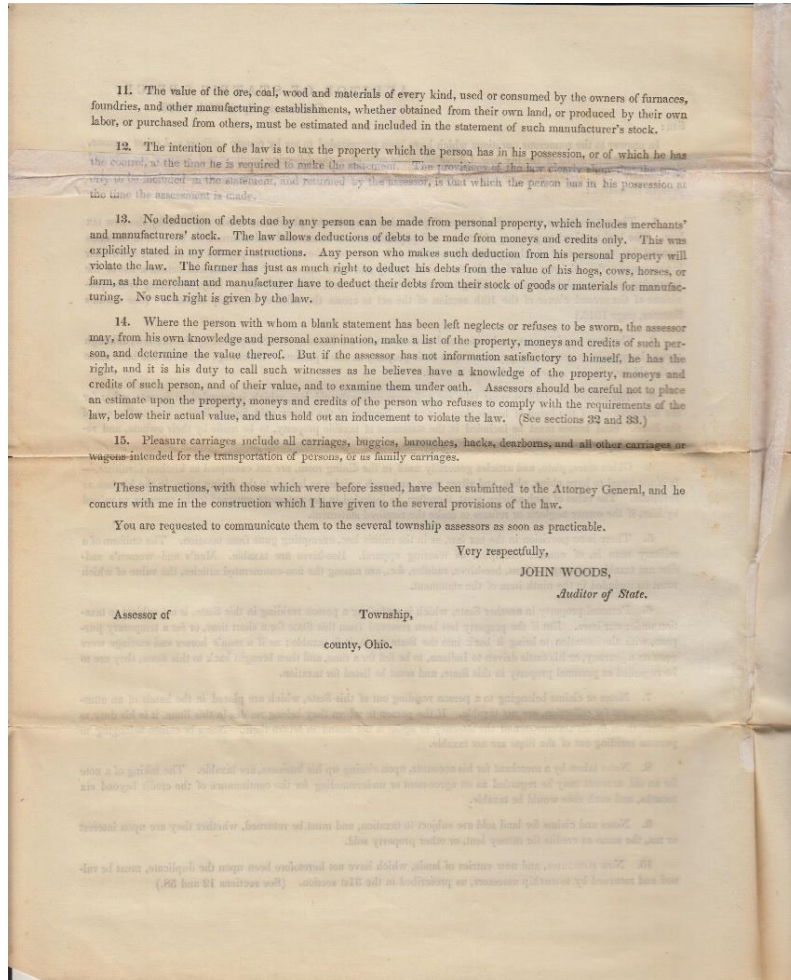
In answer to the numerous questions which have been propounded to me by county auditors and other persons, relative to the provisions of the tax law, I have given, in substance, the following opinions and instructions, which I now embody in this form, for the purpose of communicating them, through you, to the township assessors, and other persons interested:

1. The act to levy a tax on the income of practising lawyers and physicians is not repealed by the new tax law. The books and other property of lawyers and physicians must be assessed and returned for taxation in the same manner that the property of other persons is assessed and returned; they must also pay the tax assessed upon their incomes under the old law; and it is the duty of township and ward assessors to make out and return a list of the practising lawyers and physicians residing in their township or ward, on the first day of May, according to the provisions of the second clause of the 10th section of the act to create the office of township assessor. (See Swan's Statutes, page 1016.)
2. The laws requiring tavern keepers and peddlers to take out licences are not repealed by the tax law, although tavern keepers are assessed and pay a tax upon their property as other persons. No change whatever has been made in the old law, in this respect, by the new tax law.
3. The owners of stallions must take out a license under the old law, which is intended to operate rather for the improvement of the breed of horses than as a tax. No part of the money paid for the license goes to the use of the State. Stud horses must be included in the statement of taxable property, to be made by their owners, and returned by the assessors, at their value, as other horses.
4. China ware, plate, and articles generally used in the dining room, are not exempted as kitchen furniture.— It is not usual to have china, plate, and silver ware, and such articles as belong to the dining room, in the kitchen as furniture. The value of such articles must, therefore, be included in the statement returned to the assessor, or valued by him, if the owner neglects or refuses to make the required statement.
5. There is no provision in the tax law, or in the militia law, exempting guns from taxation. The uniform of a military man is, of course, exempted as wearing apparel. Bee-hives are taxable. Men's and women's saddles are taxable property. Guns, bee-hives, saddles, &c., are among the non-enumerated articles, the value of which must be included in the ninth item of the statement.
6. Personal property in another State, which is owned by a person residing in this State, is not subject to taxation under our laws. But if the property has been removed from this State for a short time, or for a temporary purpose, with the intention to bring it back into the State again, it is taxable; as if a man's horses and carriage were gone on a journey, or his cattle driven to Indiana, to be fed for a time, and then brought back to this State, they are to be regarded as personal property in this State, and must be listed for taxation.
7. Notes or claims belonging to a person residing out of this State, which are placed in the hands of an attorney or agent for collection, are not taxable. If the person to whom they belong resides in this State, it is his duty to include them in his statement, and the attorney or agent is not bound to return them. Notes or claims belonging to persons residing out of the State are not taxable.
8. Notes taken by a merchant for his accounts, upon closing up his business, are taxable. The taking of a note for an old account may be regarded as an agreement or understanding for the continuance of the credit beyond six months, and such note would be taxable.
9. Notes and claims for land sold are subject to taxation, and must be returned, whether they are upon interest or not, the same as credits for money lent, or other property sold.
10. New structures, and new entries of lands, which have not heretofore been upon the duplicate, must be valued and returned by township assessors, as prescribed in the 31st section. (See sections 12 and 55.)

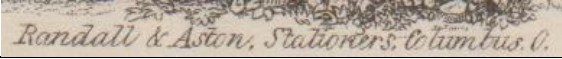
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 28 April 1846	Color: Black on tan		Size:
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE"			
Notes: Folded letter with circular summarizing instructions related to taxes to be paid. SFL second page of instructions.			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin collection.			

Circular, page 2




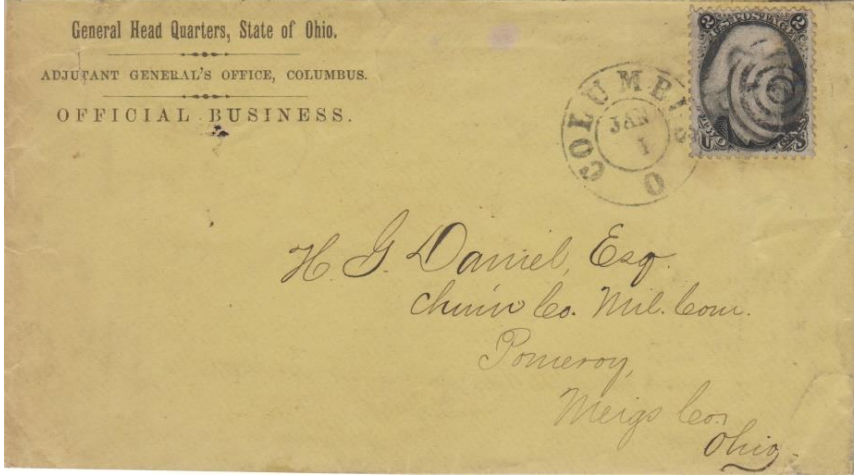
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 18 Mar 1861	Color: Black on white	Size:	
Office: Letterhead with a line engraving of the Ohio State Capitol Building.			
Notes: Printer imprint for " <i>Randall & Aston, Stationers. Columbus O.</i> "			
			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

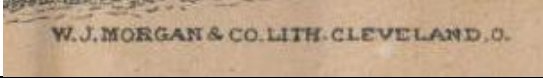
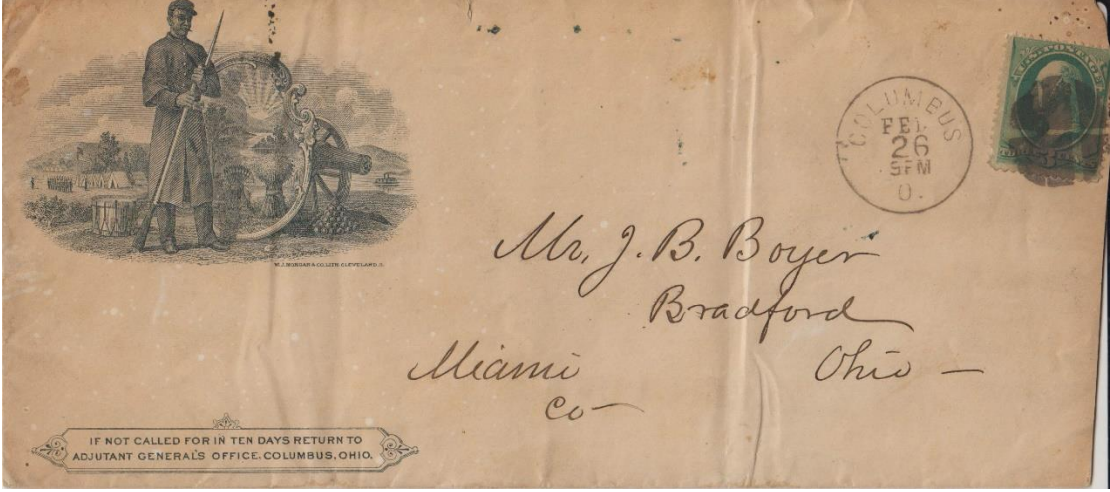


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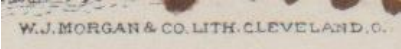
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1860s	Color: Brown	Size: 5.625" x 3.25"	
Office: "ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE. COLUMBUS." in oval seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 1 Jan ~1872	Color: Lemon	Size: 6.0" x 3.5"	
Office: "General Head Quarters, State of Ohio. / ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 26 Feb ~1870s	Color: Black on tan	Size: 8.5" x 3.75"	
Office: "ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE" in the return box.			
Notes: Printer's imprint for "W.J.MORGAN & CO.LITH.CLEVELAND.O."			
			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

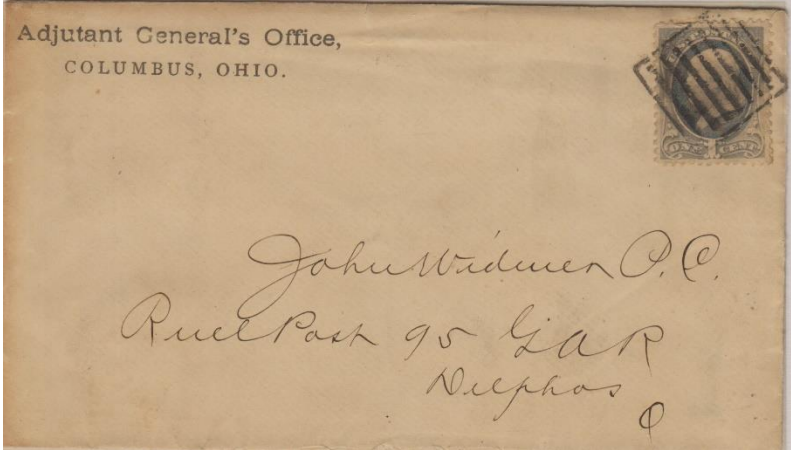
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 10 May to 1 Sept 1879	Color: Black on cream	Size: 6.0" x 3.5"	
Office: "General Head Quarter's, State of Ohio / ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE".			
Notes: Both envelope and letterhead have printer's imprint of "W. J. MORGAN & CO. LITH. CLEVELAND.O."			
Envelope:			Letterhead:
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			




Letterhead



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1885	Color: Brown	Size: 8.875" x 3.375"	
Office: "ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

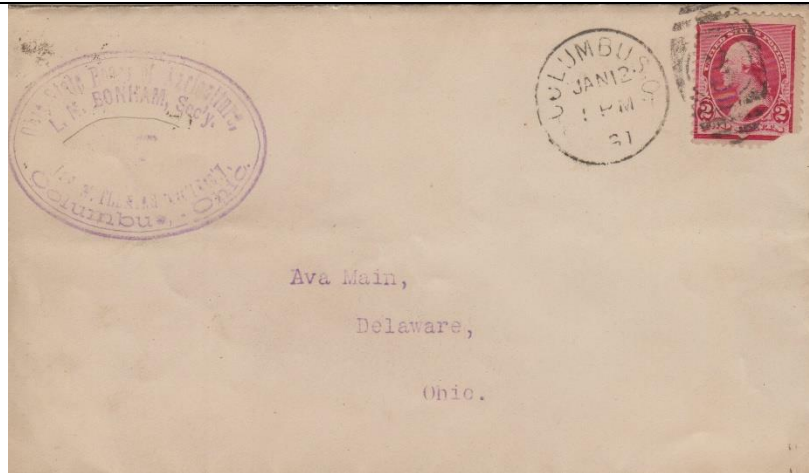
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 25 Nov 1892	Color: Brown	Size: 6.0" x 3.5"	
Office: "ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,".			
Notes: With "Held for Postage" auxiliary marking.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 10 May ~1875	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of unknown eBay seller, May 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 12 Jan 1891	Color: Brown	Size: 5.5" x 3.25"	
Office: "State Board of Agriculture" in oval hand stamp, magenta ink.			
Notes			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

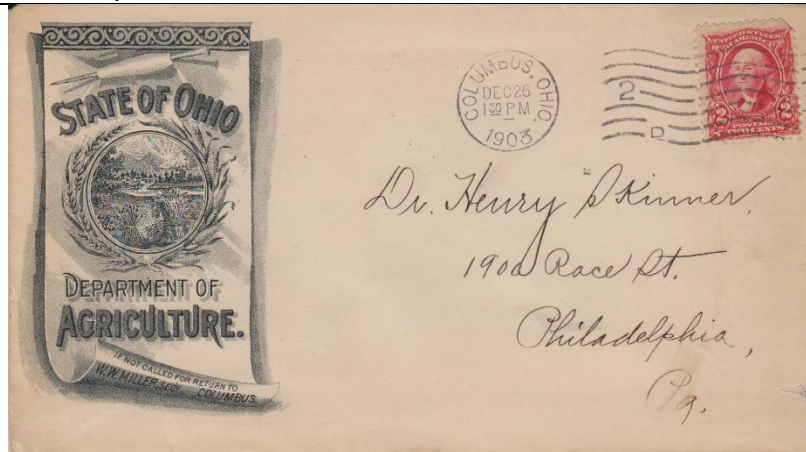


Letterhead



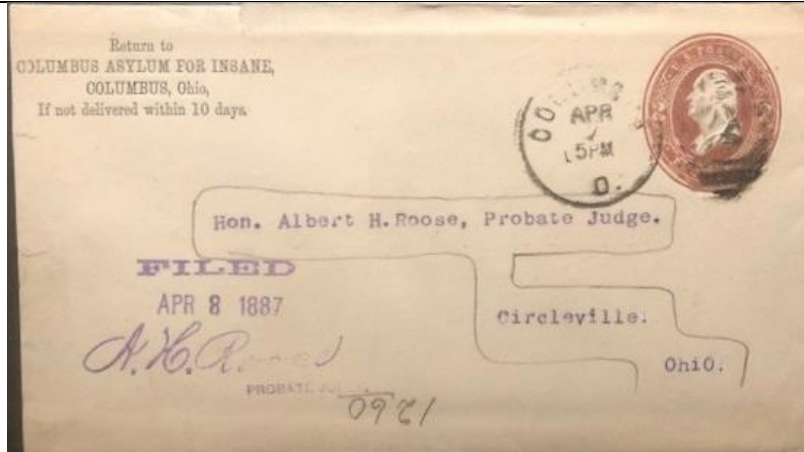
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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 26 Dec 1903	Color: Black on Tan	Size: 6.5" x 3.625"	
Office: "Department of Agriculture".			
Notes			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

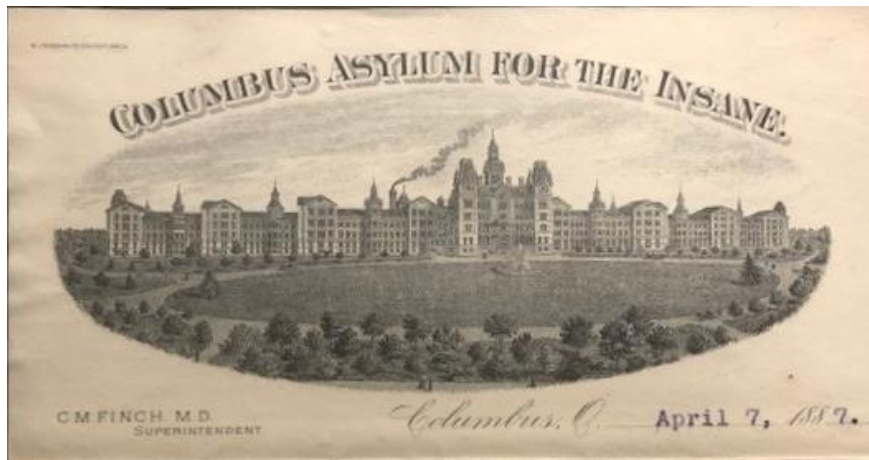


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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 7 April 1887	Color: Black		Size: Regular
Office: "COLUMBUS ASYLUM FOR INSANE".			
Notes			
Source: Image courtesy Jerry Login Collection.			




Letterhead

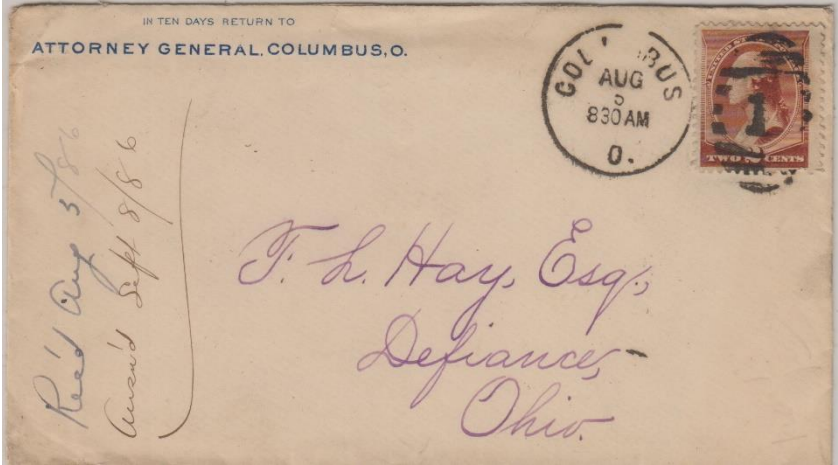


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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Montgomery	City: Dayton
Dates: 7 April 1887	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "SOUTHERN OHIO LUNATIC ASYLUM."			
Notes			
Source: Image courtesy Jerry Login Collection.			
			

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ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 7 Feb 1862	Color: Brown	Size: 5.5" x 3.25"	
Office: "ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE" in oval			
Notes: Double circle postmark in green used only in February 1862. Prison bars cancel on 3c stamp also in green ink.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 5 Aug 1886	Color: Brown	Size: 5.5" x 3.25"	
Office: Corner card "ATTORNEY GENERAL. COLUMBUS O."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

Ohio: “Official Business” Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

Auditor’s Office

The following section of envelopes used by the Auditor’s Department illustrate a number of varieties of the design which differ primarily in the devices used in the rim of the seal between the text: “AUDITOR’S DEPARTMENT” and “STATE OF OHIO”. These are shown in the following Table.

Table nn Variations in the Seal found on Auditor’s Office Envelopes.		
		
Type AU-1. Embossed Seal. 42mm Diameter. Used ~1858-1859	Type AU-2. Text is separated by dash. Bottom reads “ STATE OF OHIO ”. Diameter 48mm. Used 1870s.	Type AU-3. Text separated with star. Bottom reads “ STATE OF OHIO ”. Diameter 51mm. Used 1876
Type AU-4.		

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 20 Jan ~1858	Color: Cream	Size: 5.25" x 3.25"	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO" embossed at upper left corner			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

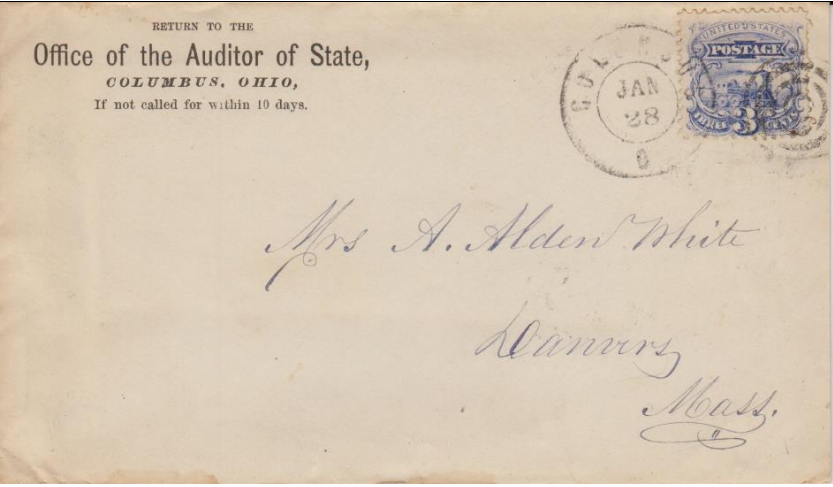


Closeup of embossed seal



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 28 Jan ~1858	Color: Cream	Size: 6.125" x 3.5"	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO"			
Notes: Now embossed on backflap			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

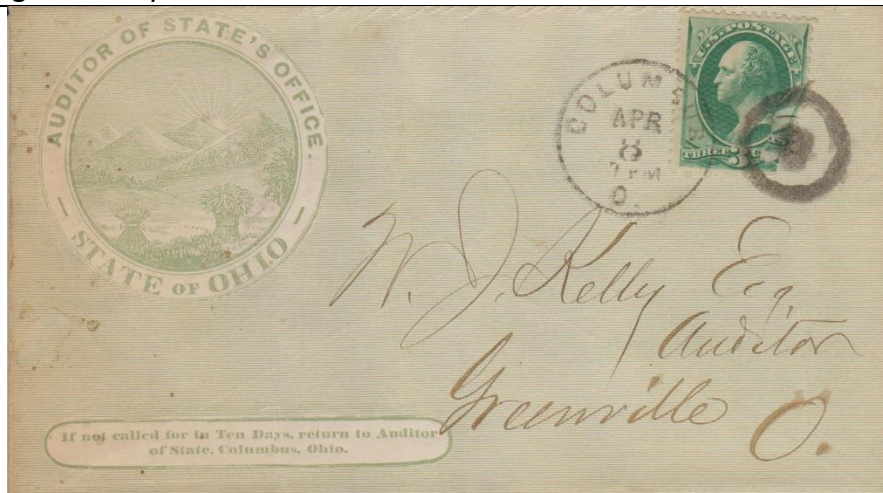
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 28 Jan ~1870	Color: Black on cream	Size: 5.625" x 3.25"	
Office: "Office of the Auditor of State,".			
Notes: Date estimated based on 3c stamp.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1870s	Color: Black on cream	Size: 5.875" x 3.5"	
Office: "Office of the Auditor of State".			
Notes: Different fonts used when compared to previous entry. Also small "pointing hand" in the "If not called for..." line.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 8 Apr ~1870s	Color: Green	Size: 5.75" x 3.25"	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE" in a sans-serif font			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

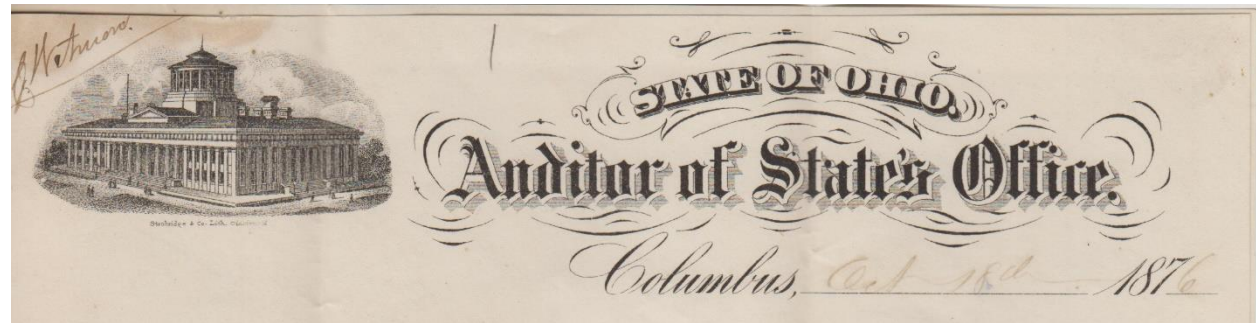


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 81 Oct 1876	Color: Green		Size: 5.75" x 3.375"
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE'S OFFICE" in a serif font			
Notes: Text in the return box revised.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

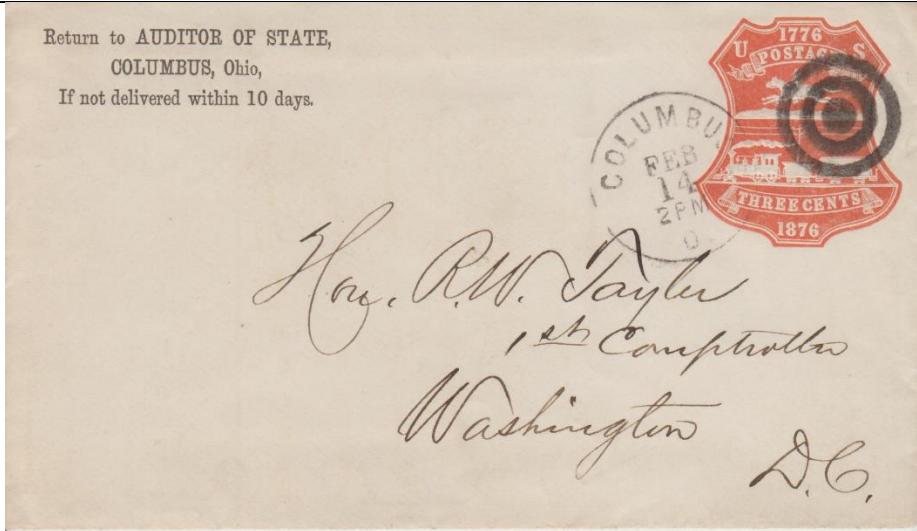


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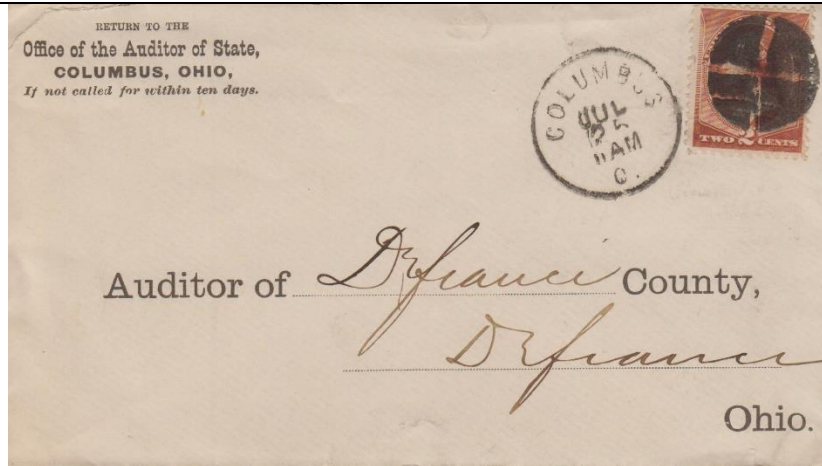
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 81 Oct ~1876	Color: Black on tan	Size: 5.875" x 3.375"	
Office: Corner card "AUDITOR OF STATE".			
Notes: On Centennial 3c PSE.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

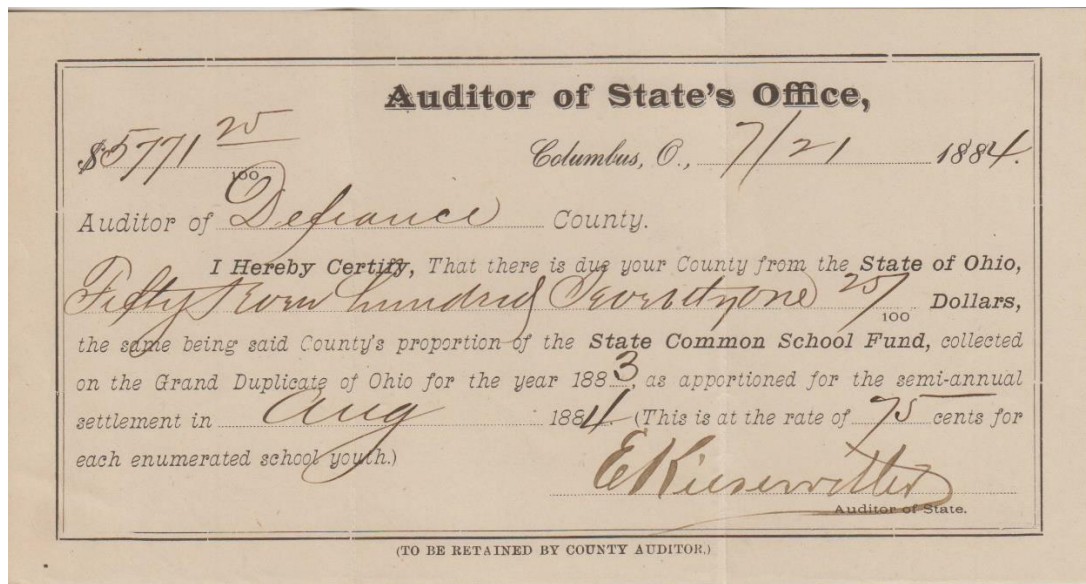


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

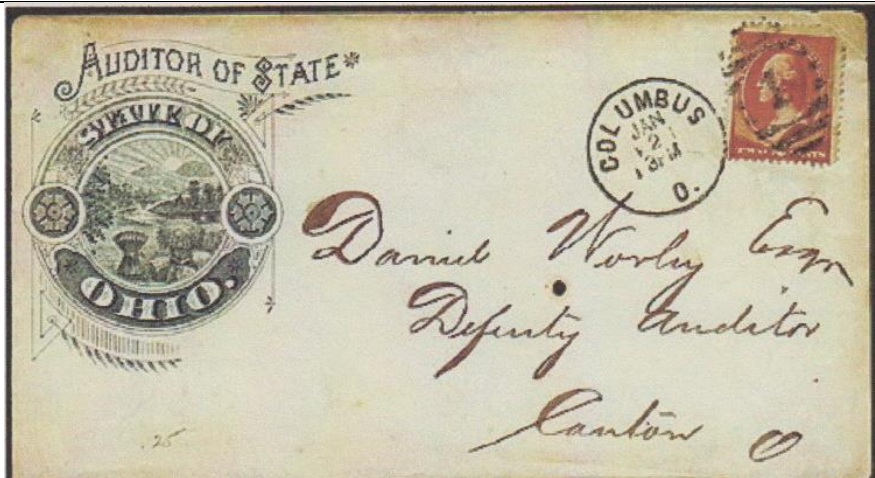
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Dates: 21 July 1884	Color: Black on cream	Size: 5.625" x 3.25"	
Office: "Office of the Auditor of State,".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

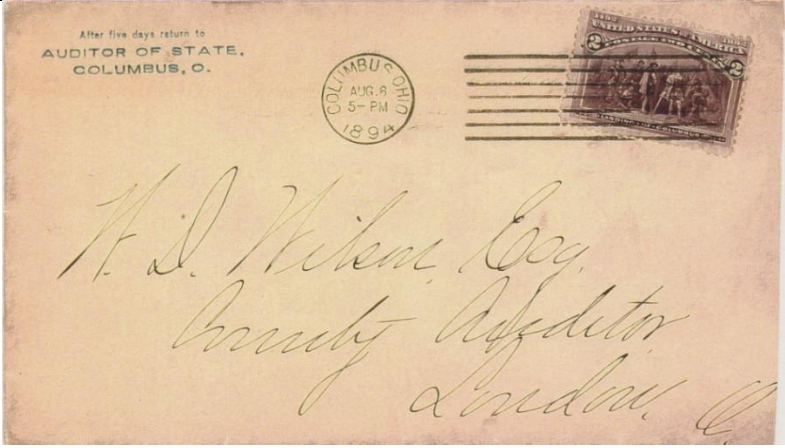


Enclosed Statement




Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: After Oct 1, 1883	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, (color photocopy).			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 6 Aug 1894	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "AUDITOR OF STATE".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, (color photocopy).			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 3 May 1897 – 30 Nov 1897	Color: Red-Brown	Size: 6.0" x 3.625"	
Office: "BUREAU OF BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 9 Mar 1898 – 14 Jun 1898	Color: Dark-Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "BUREAU OF BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, (color photocopy).			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 9 July ~1860s	Color: Brown	Size: 5.5" x 3.125"	
Office: "COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

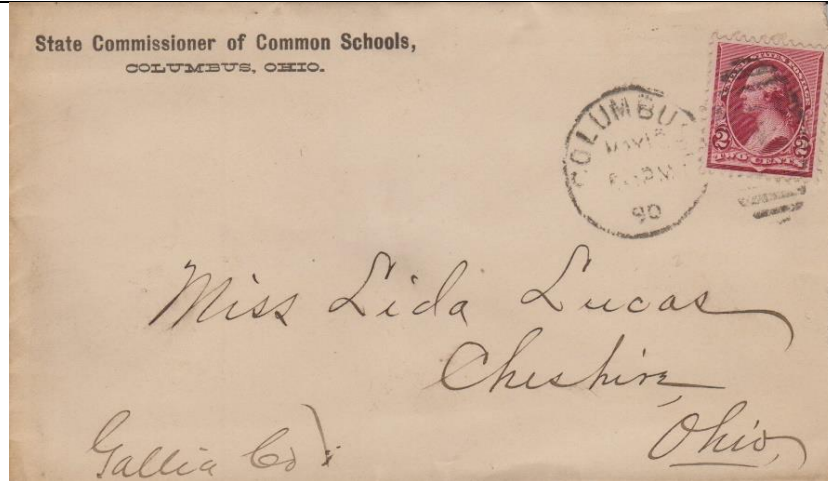


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 25 Jan 1900	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "DAIRY & FOOD COMMISSION".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, June 2021 (color photograph).			







ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 13 May 1890	Color: Tan	Size: 5.5" x 3.125"	
Office: "State Commissioner of Common Schools"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Ohio: “Official Business” Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

Executive Department

The following section of envelopes used by the Executive Department illustrate a number of varieties which differ primarily in the devices used in the rim of the seal between the text: “EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT” and “COLUMBUS”. These are shown in the following Table.

<p align="center">Table 2 Variations in the Seal found on Executive Department envelopes.</p>		
		
<p>Type EX-1. No device separating text. Bottom reads “COLUMBUS”. 27mm Diameter. Used 1863.</p>	<p>Type EX-2. Text is separated by dash. Bottom reads “COLUMBUS”. Diameter 49mm. Used 1863-1863.</p>	<p>Type EX-3. Text separated with long dash. Bottom reads “STATE OF OHIO”. Diameter 48mm. Used 1871</p>
		
<p>Type EX-4. “EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT” now at bottom. Diameter unknown (~49mm ?). Used ~1875.</p>		

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 31 July 1863 - 1864	Color: Tan	Size: 5.75" x 3.5"	
Office: "Executive Department"			
Notes: Seal diameter is 27mm. Printer's imprint "GAVIT & CO. N.Y."			

Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1860s	Color: Tan	Size:	
Office: " Executive Department / State of OHIO" in center of envelope			
Notes: Seal in oval.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

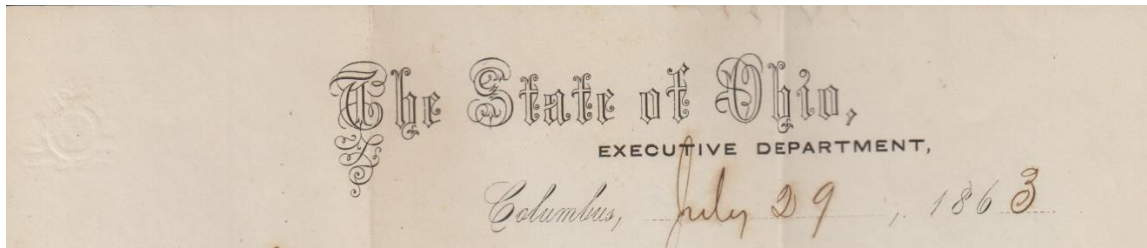
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 31 July 1863	Color: Gray	Size: 5.75" x 3.25"	
Office: "Executive Department" around the seal			
Notes: Seal now larger, 49mm. Printer's imprint for "J. W. Orr, N.Y."			



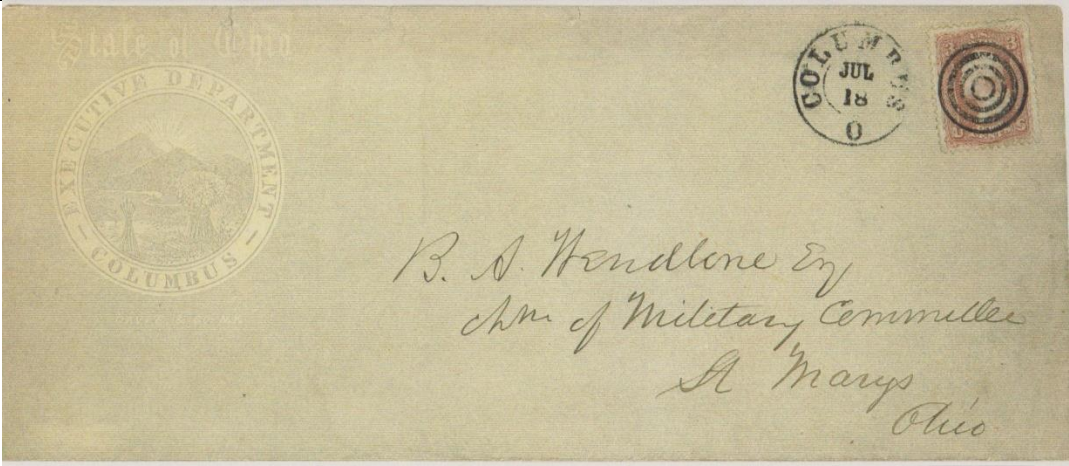
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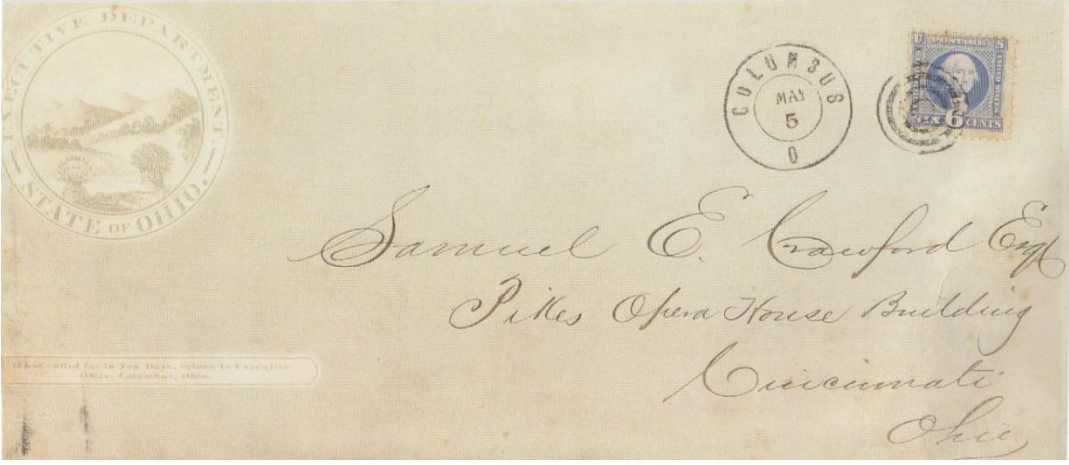


Letterhead of contents



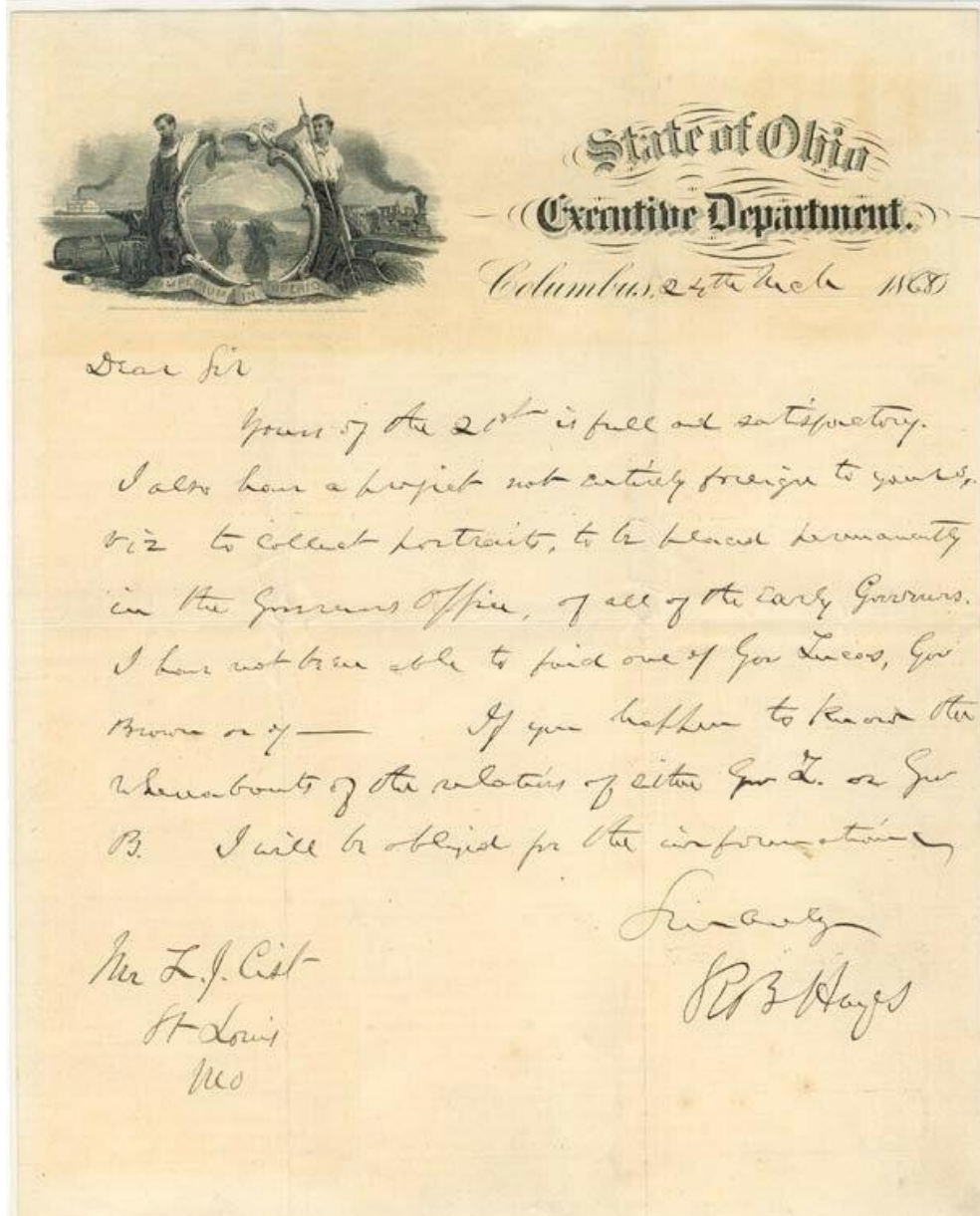
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1860s	Color: Gray-green	Size: Legal	
Office: "Executive Department" around edge of Seal			
Notes: Printer's imprint for "GAVIT & CO., N.Y."			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1869-1870	Color: Light brown	Size: Legal	
Office: "Executive Department" around edge of Seal			
Notes: Seal shifted up into top left corner. Return is now in small box at lower left.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

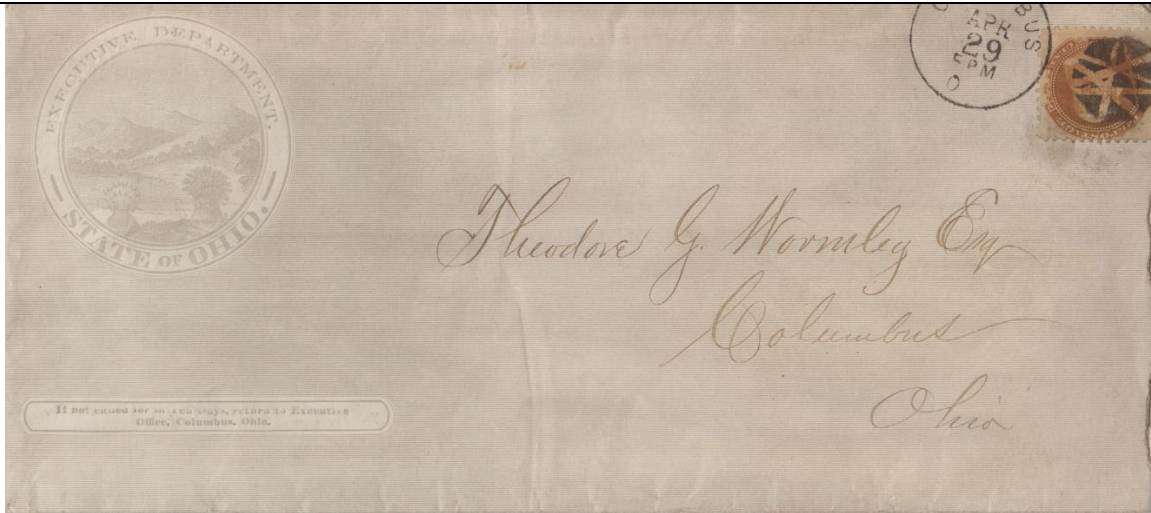
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 24 Mar 1868	Color: Black		Size:
Office: "Executive Department"			
Notes: Letterhead from letter signed by Governor Rutherford B. Hays.			
Source: Image courtesy ebay seller historydirect, June 2021.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

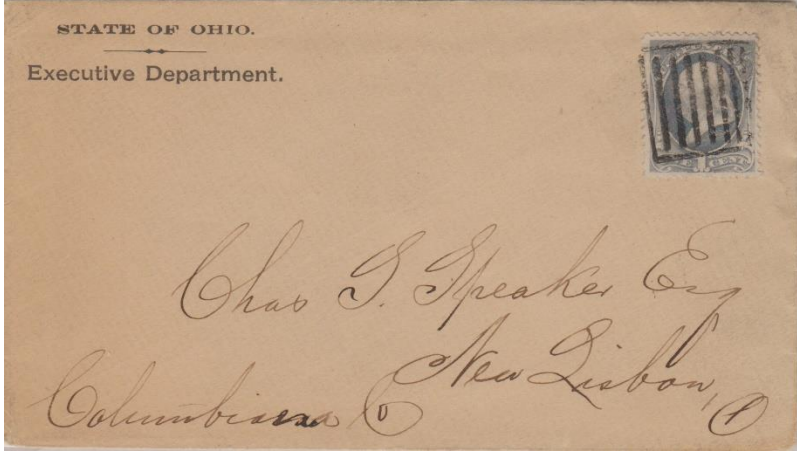
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 29 Apr 1871	Color: Gray	Size: 8.5" x 3.75"	
Office: "EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT." now at top of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

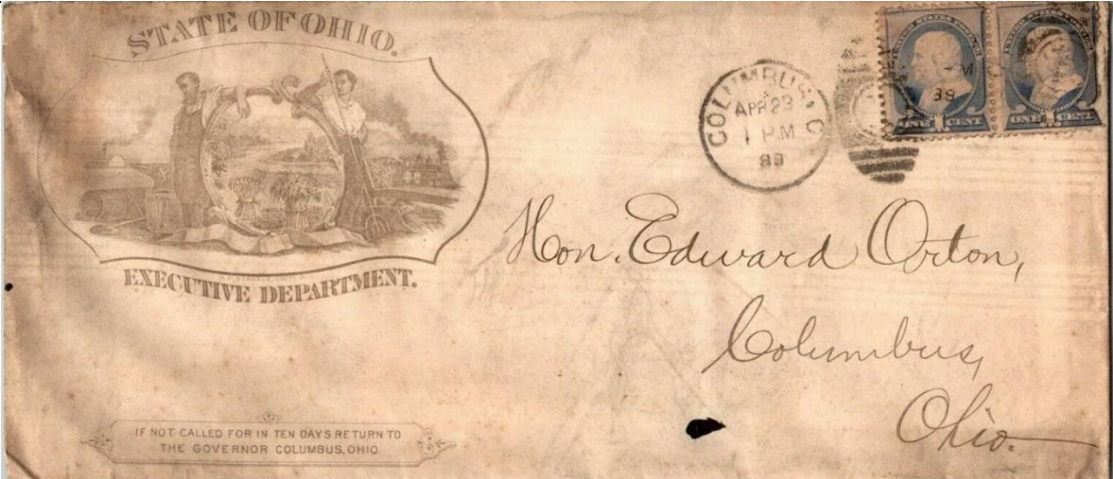


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 11 Dec ~1875	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT." now at bottom of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller rachelmcmack, May 2021.			



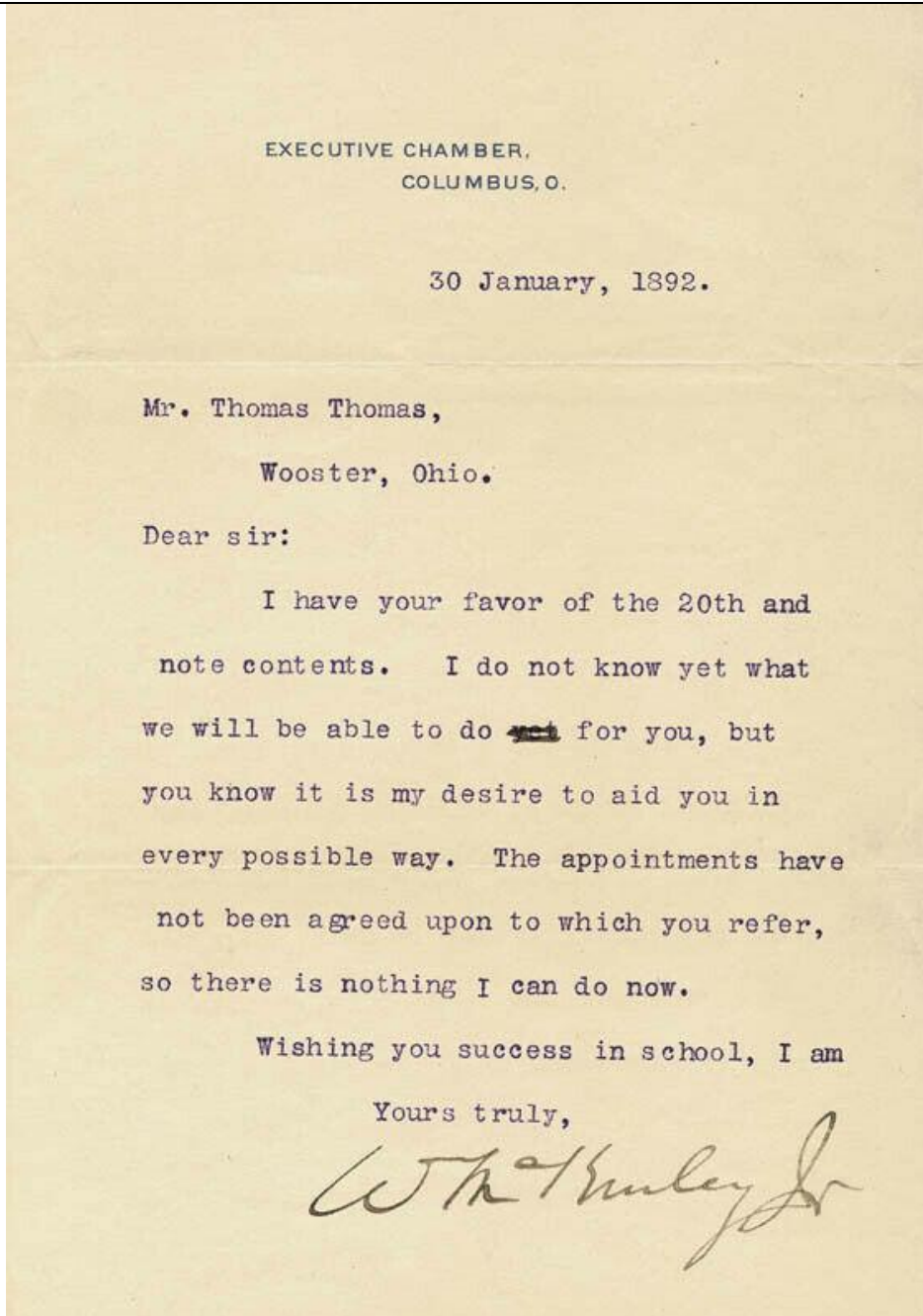
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1885	Color: Tan	Size: 5.75" x 3.5"	
Office: "STATE OF OHIO / Executive Department."			
Notes: Dated by use of prison bar cancel, which was used in 1885 on unsealed circular mail.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

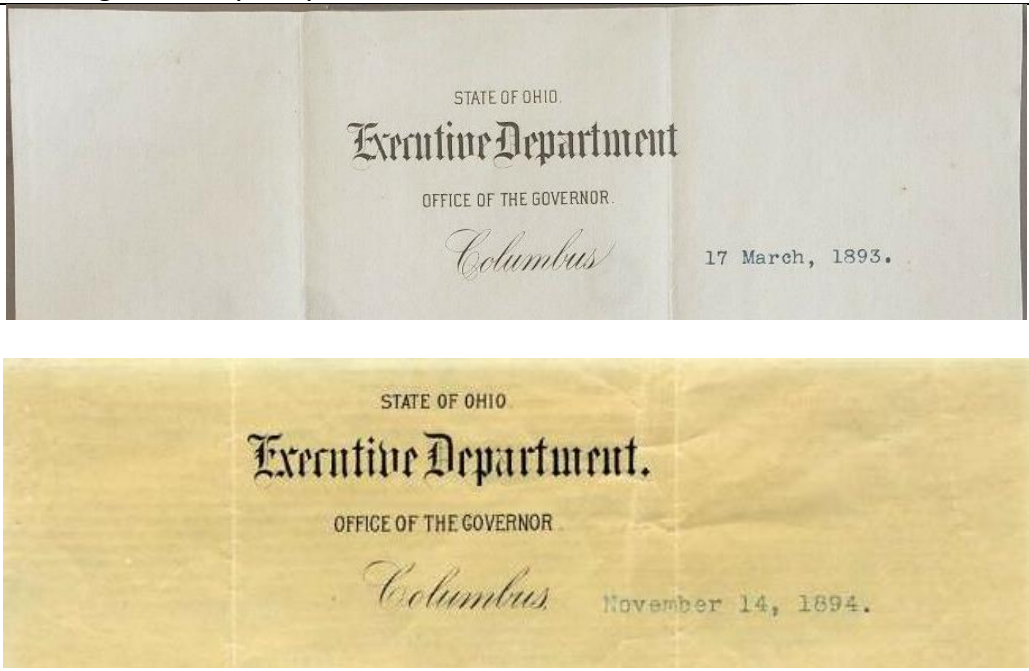
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 23 May 1889	Color: Tan	Size: Large	
Office: "EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT."			
Notes: New seal design. Return now says "THE GOVERNOR."			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller goldpathstamp, May 2021.			
			

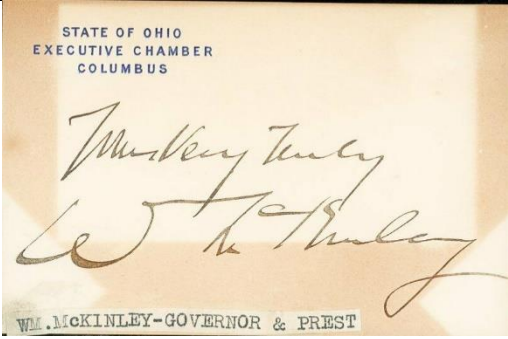
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 30 Jan 1892	Color: Blue	Size:	
Office: "EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, / COLUMBUS O."			
Notes: Letterhead used during term of Governor William McKinley.			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller historydirect, June 2021.			




Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 17 Mar 1893 -14 Nov 1894	Color: Blue or black	Size:	
Office: " Executive Department. / OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR / Columbus"			
Notes: Two additional letterheads used during term of Governor William McKinley. Seen in both blue and black on different color stationery.			
Source: Image courtesy eBay sellers kbcollectibleslic and khw, June 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates:	Color: Blue	Size:	
Office: "STATE OF OHIO / EXECUTIVE CHAMBER / COLUMBUS"			
Notes: Card with W M ^c Kinley autograph			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller historydirect, June 2021.			
			







Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 3 May 1950	Color: Black	Size:	
Office: "STATE OF OHIO / DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE / DIVISION OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL / COLUMBUS 15, OHIO"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller bellesite, June 2021.			
			

Ohio: “Official Business” Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The following section of envelopes used by the General Assembly illustrate a number of varieties which differ primarily in the devices used in the rim of the seal between the text: “EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT” and “STATE OF OHIO”. These are shown in the following Table.

<p align="center">Table GA Variations in the Seal found on Executive Department envelopes.</p>		
		
<p>Type GA-1. Oval, 57mm x 52mm, but no Department Name in border of the seal. Diameter 57mm x 42mm.</p>	<p>Type GA-2. Text is separated by dash. Bottom reads “STATE OF OHIO”. Diameter 49mm. Used 1870s.</p>	<p>Used 1870-1871 ?</p>
		
<p>Type GA-3. Three element device. Bottom text now reads “OF OHIO”. Diameter 50mm. Used ~1870s</p>	<p>Type GA-??. The arrows and shock of wheat similar to previous, but device is smaller. Used ~1870s- 1883</p>	<p>Mar 26, 1870s prior to 1883</p>

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

		
<p>Diameter 49mm.</p>	<p>Diameter 52mm. Used 1876</p>	<p>Type GA-7 Diameter 47mm. Used 1885.</p>

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1870	Color: Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "General Assembly / OHIO." in large letters across envelope.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 28 Mar ~1870	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / STATE OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 12 Jan ~1870s	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / STATE OF OHIO" in border of seal. Background in seal much lighter.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 3 Feb ~1870s	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

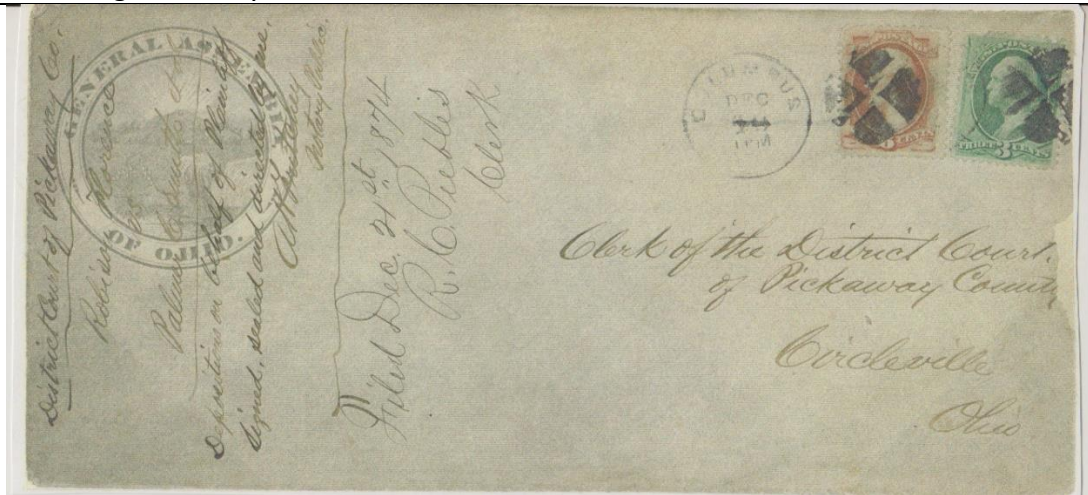


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

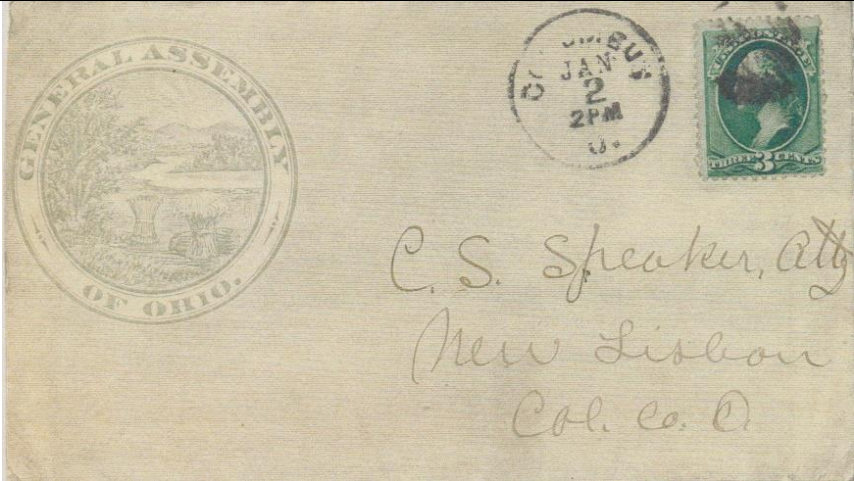
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 19 Apr ~1870s	Color: Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in seal.			
Notes: Design of seal is similar to the previous entry, but device between "GENERAL ASSEMBLY" and "OF OHIO" is smaller.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller goldpathstamps, June 2021.			

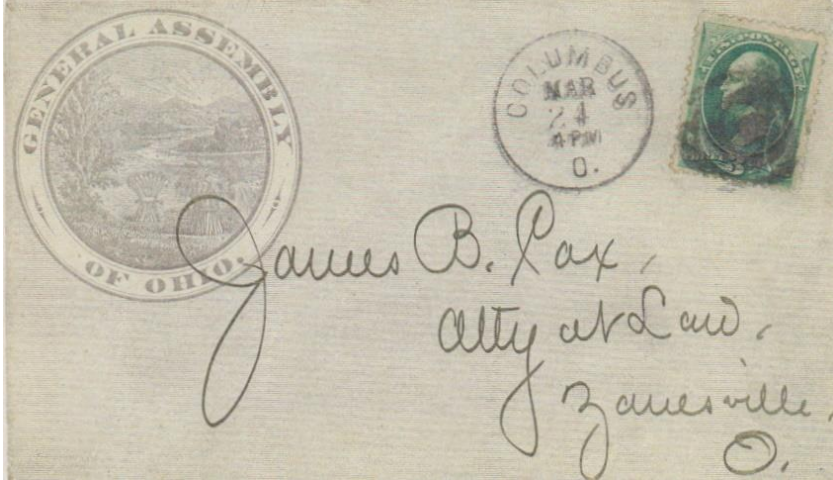


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 14 Dec 1874	Color: Green	Size: Legal	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in seal.			
Notes: Date based on Graham annotation.			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, June 2021.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 2 July ~1870s - 1882	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in seal.			
Notes: Seal different, same device in border, but color is now green.			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham, June 2021.			
			

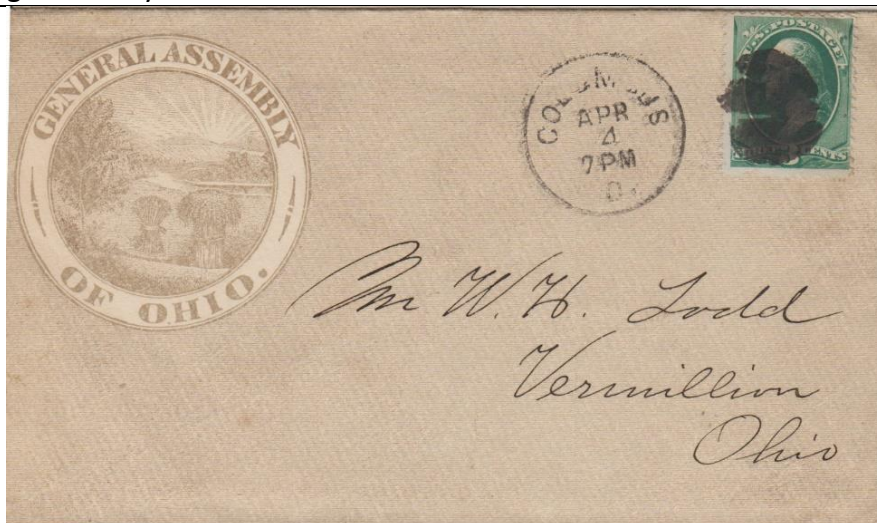
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 24 Mar ~1870s	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in seal.			
Notes: Seal different, same device in border, but color is now gray.			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, June 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 24 Mar ~1870s	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in seal.			
Notes: Seal different, same device in border, but color is brown. Graham notes that this cover has printer's imprint for "W. J. Morgan & Co., Lithographers, Cincinnati, O." on backflap			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection, June 2021.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 4 Apr ~1870s	Color: Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



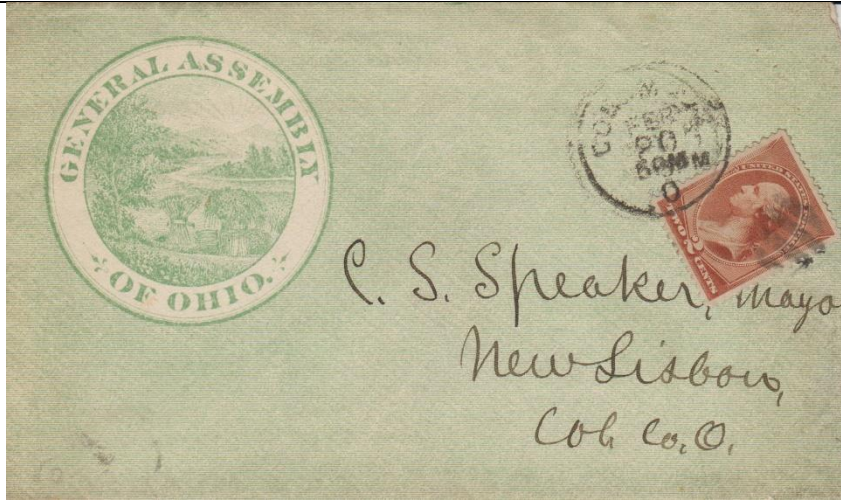
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 6 Mar 1876	Color: Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes: Different device used in seal.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

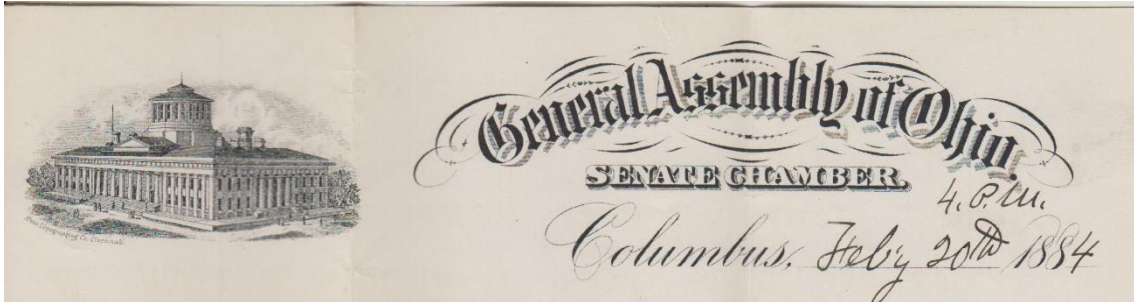


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 20 Feb 1884	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes: Contents was letter on Senate Chamber letterhead dated Feb 20, 1884.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

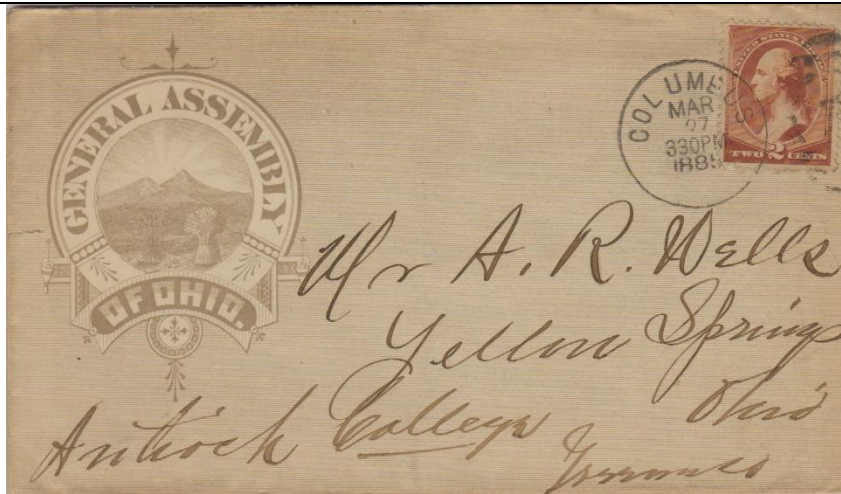


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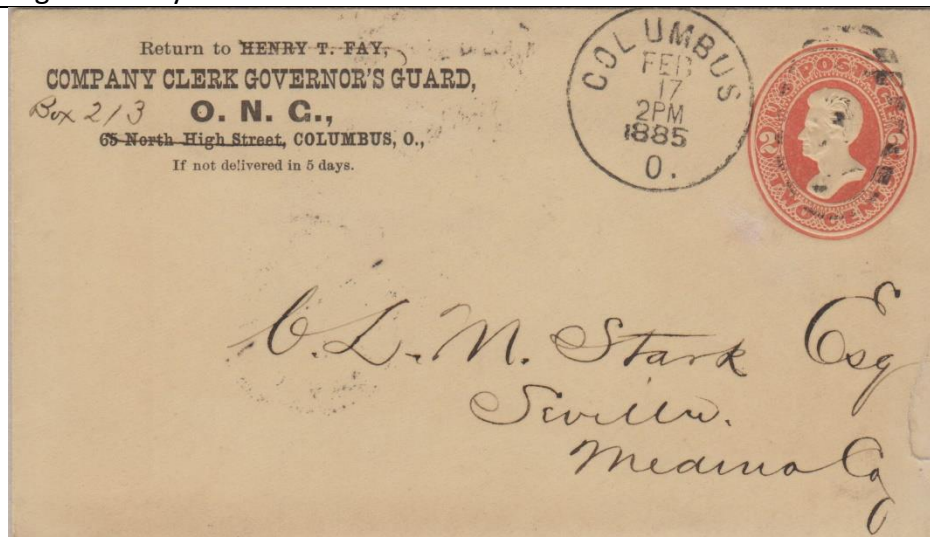


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 27 Mar 1885	Color: Brown	Size: 6.0" x 3.75"	
Office: "GENERAL ASSEMBLY / OF OHIO" in border of seal.			
Notes: New design of seal outline			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

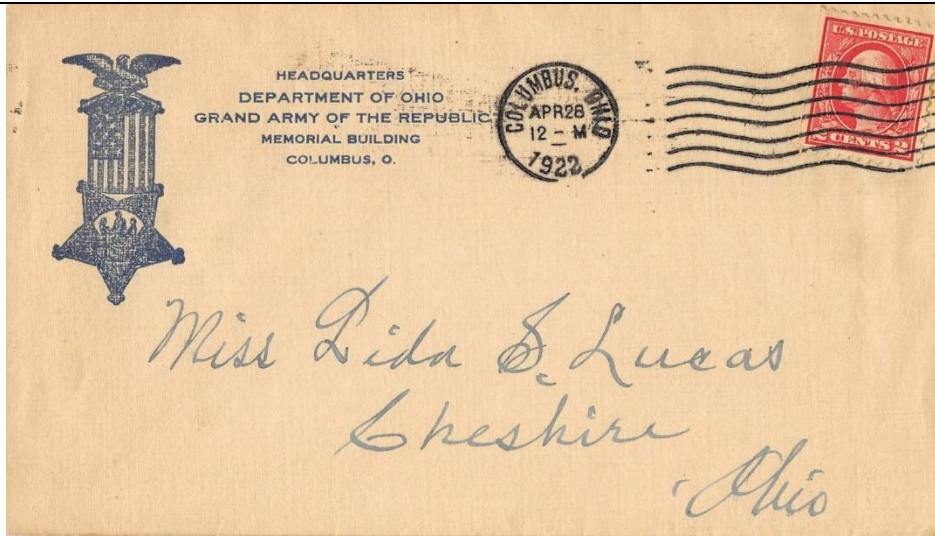


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 7 Feb 1885	Color: Black on Tan	Size: 5.375" x 3.5"	
Office: Corner card for "COMPANY CLERK GOVERNOR'S GUARD".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 26 Apr 1922	Color: Blue-gray	Size: Regular	
Office: Corner card for "DEPARTMENT OF OHIO / GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller worldwidedphilatelics and collectibles, June 2021			

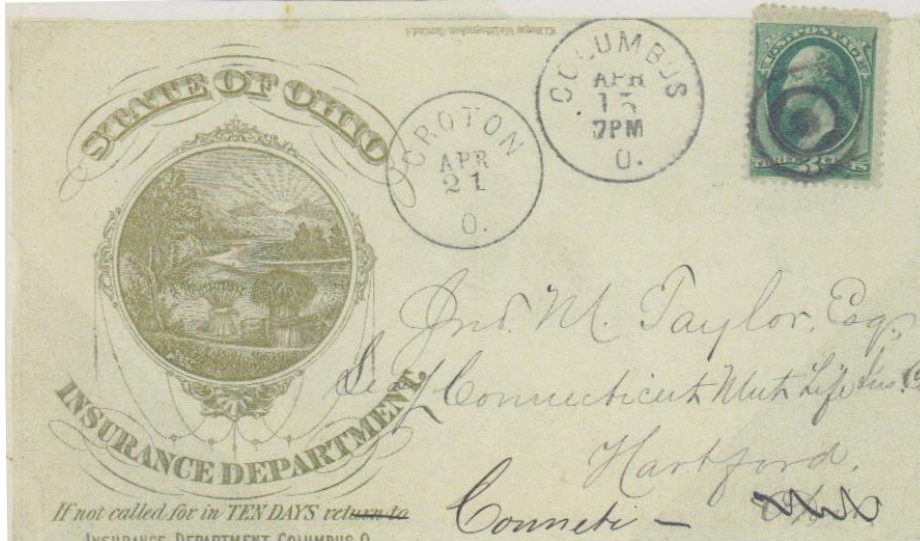


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 6 Feb 1894	Color: Blue on Tan	Size: 5.875" x 3.75"	
Office: "House of Representatives".			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT" below bottom of seal.			
Notes: Printer's imprint at top center, "W. J. Morgan & Co., Lithographers Cincinnati O."			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Brown	Size: 5.875" x 3.75"	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT" below bottom of seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

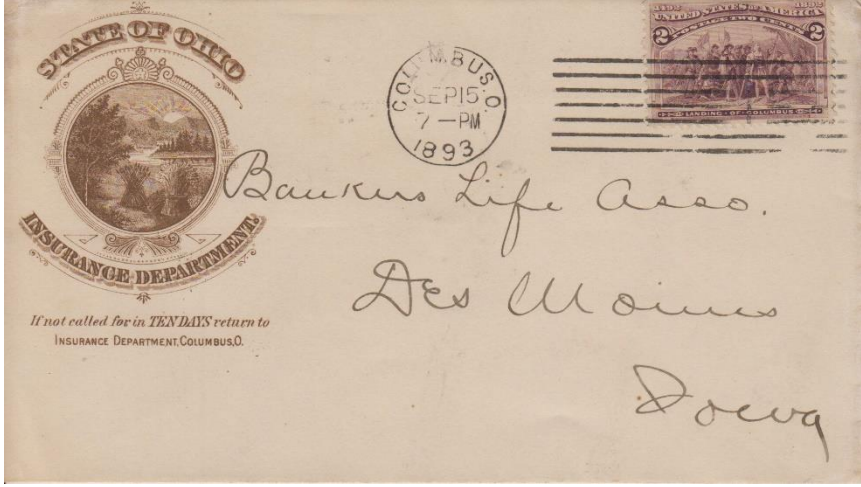



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1890s	Color: Brown	Size: 6.5" x 3.75"	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT." below bottom of seal.			
Notes: Seal large than previous entry. Letters are now hollow.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 18 Apr 1892	Color: Red-Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT." below seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin; ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			

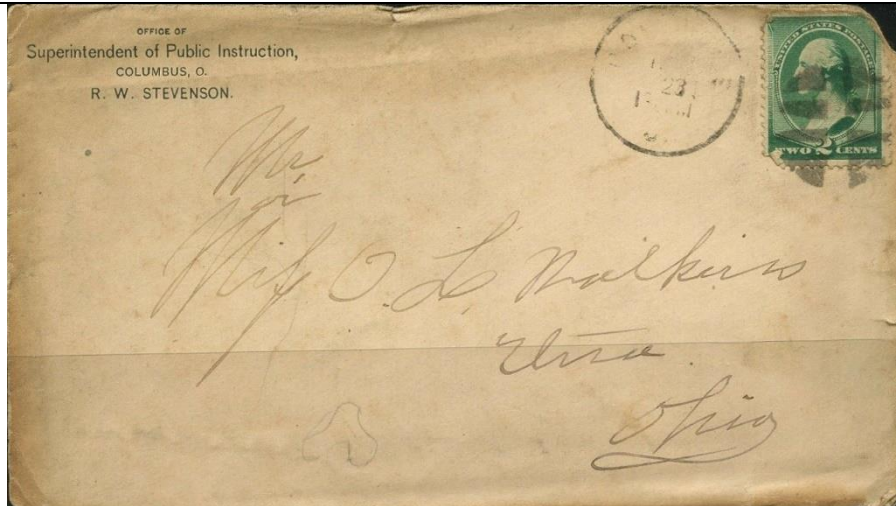
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 15 Sept 1893	Color: Brown	Size: Regular	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT" in bottom of seal.			
Notes: Return is moved upwards and closer to bottom of seal.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

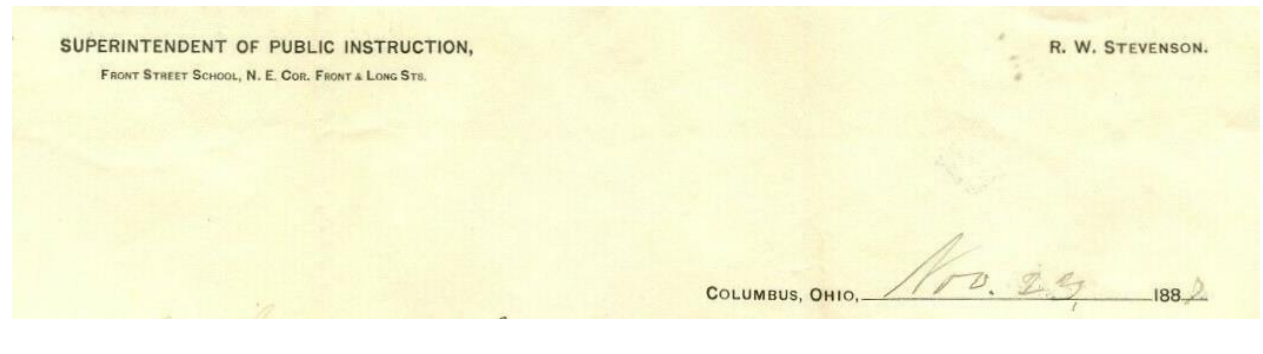
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 13 Oct 1898	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "INSURANCE DEPARTMENT" below bottom of seal.			
Notes: Return is moved farther downward from bottom of seal.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 23 Nov 1887	Color: Black		Size: Legal
Office: "Superintendent of Public Instruction,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller cindi101862, June 2021.			



Letterhead from enclosure



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

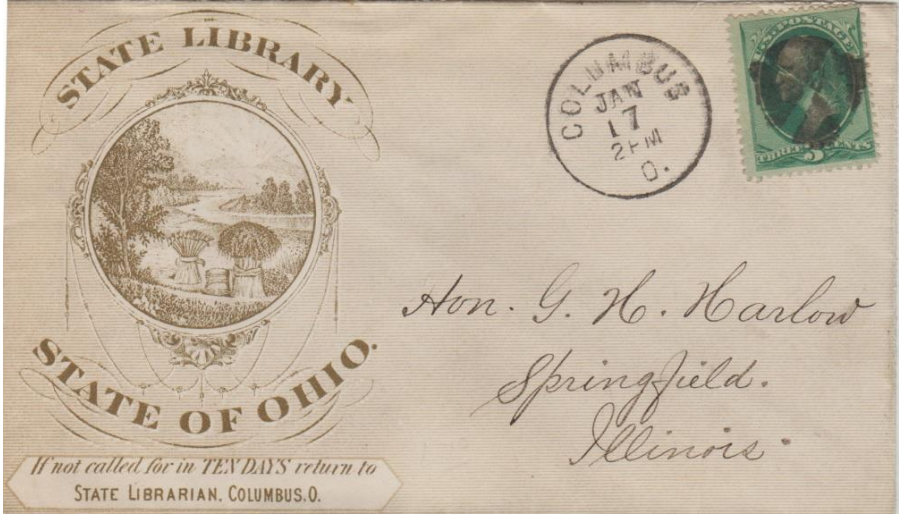
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Newark	City: Newark
Dates: 9 May 1887	Color: Unknown	Size: Regular	
Office: "OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of Matt Liebson, Philamercury cover census #7025, May 2021.			




ID:	State: Ohio	County: Newark	City: Newark
Dates: 29 July 1940	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "Chemical Abstracts / OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY"			
Notes: With auxiliary "RETURN TO SENDER / SERVICE SUSPENDED".			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller Aztec-collectables, June 2021.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 17 Jan ~1870s	Color: Brown	Size: 5.875" x 3.75	
Office: "STATE LIBRARY" and "STATE OF OHIO" around seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 20 Oct ~1869	Color: Lemon	Size: Regular	
Office: "Commissioner of Railroads and Telegraphs" in ornate corner card.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 17 July ~1870s	Color: Brown	Size: 5.75" x 3.375"	
Office: "Commissioner Railroads & Telegraphs" in return box at bottom left.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 15 Mar ~1870s	Color: Orange	Size: 8.75" x 3.875"	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" located below Seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 24 Mar ~1870s	Color: Orange	Size: 6.0" x 3.375"	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" located below Seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 5 Jan ~1873	Color: Gray	Size:	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" located below Seal.			
Notes: Same as previous entry but now in gray.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham (color photocopy).			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 19 Aug: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Gray	Size: 6.0" x 3.375"	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" now located above Seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

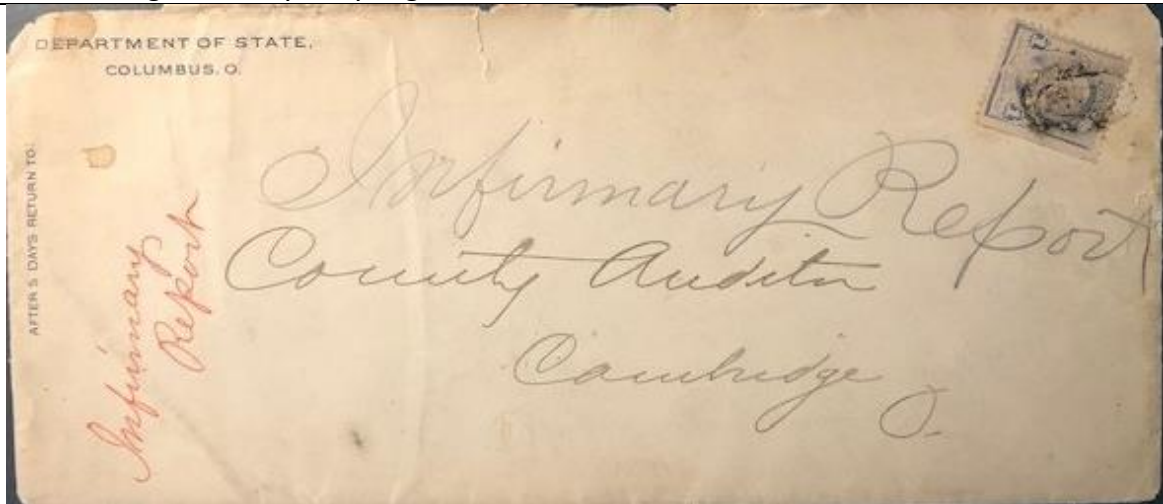
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 12 Aug: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Orange	Size: Regular	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" now located above Seal.			
Notes: Same design as before, but in orange.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection(color photocopy).			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 2 Sep ~1880s	Color: Brown	Size: 5.625" x 3.375"	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE" now located above Seal.			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			

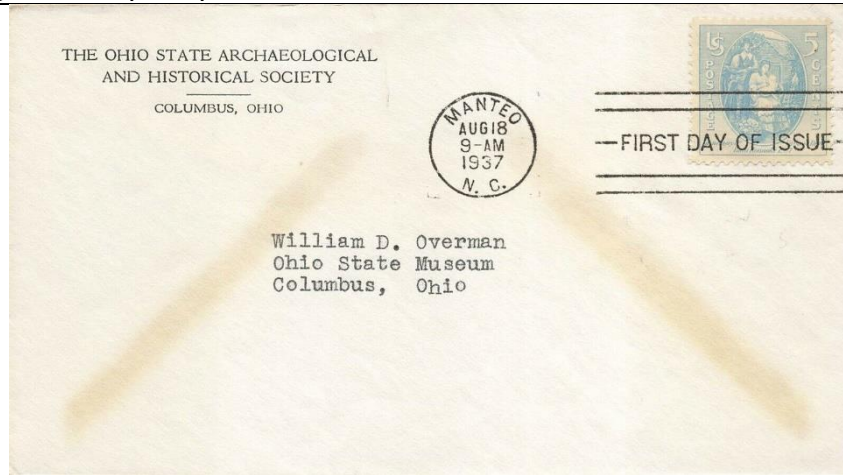


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: ~1880s	Color: Blue	Size: Legal	
Office: "DEPARTMENT OF STATE"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jerry Login collection, June 2021.			

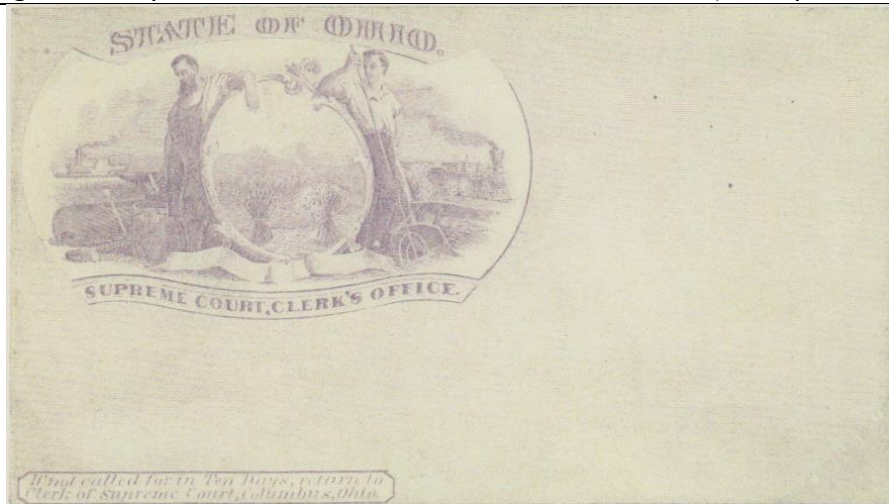


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

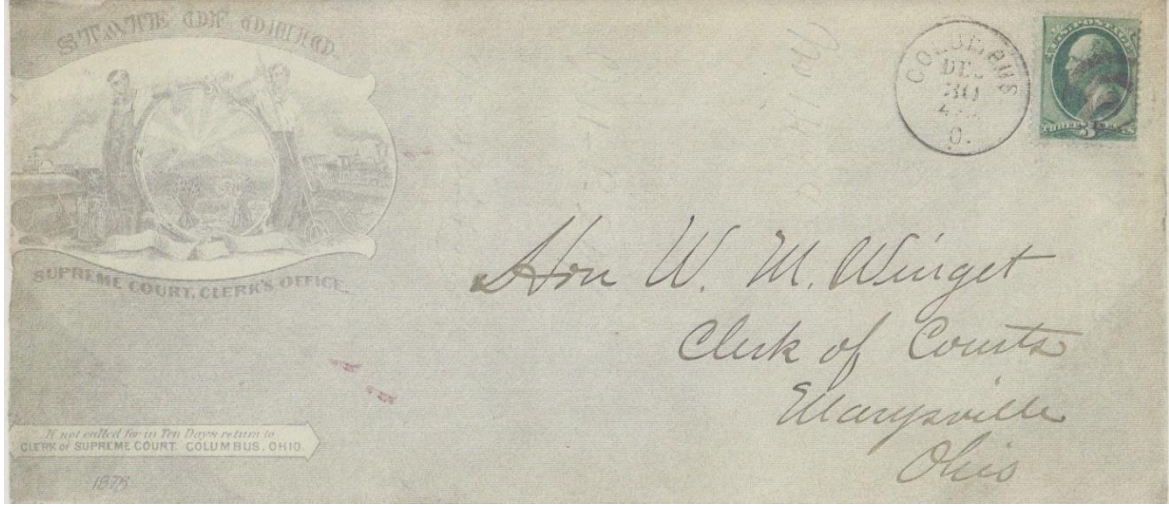
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 18 Aug 1937	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "THE OHIO STATE ARCHAEOLOGICAL / AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY"			
Notes: On First Day cover of Virginia Dare stamp.			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller mike713, June 2021.			




ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 12 Jan 1874	Color: Purple	Size: Legal	
Office: "SUPREME COURT, / CLERK'S OFFICE"			
Notes: Not mailed, but dated by contents.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 30 Dec 1878	Color: Gray	Size: Legal	
Office: "SUPREME COURT, / CLERK'S OFFICE"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 7 June 1878	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "SUPREME COURT COMMISSION"			
Notes: Dated by docketing.			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

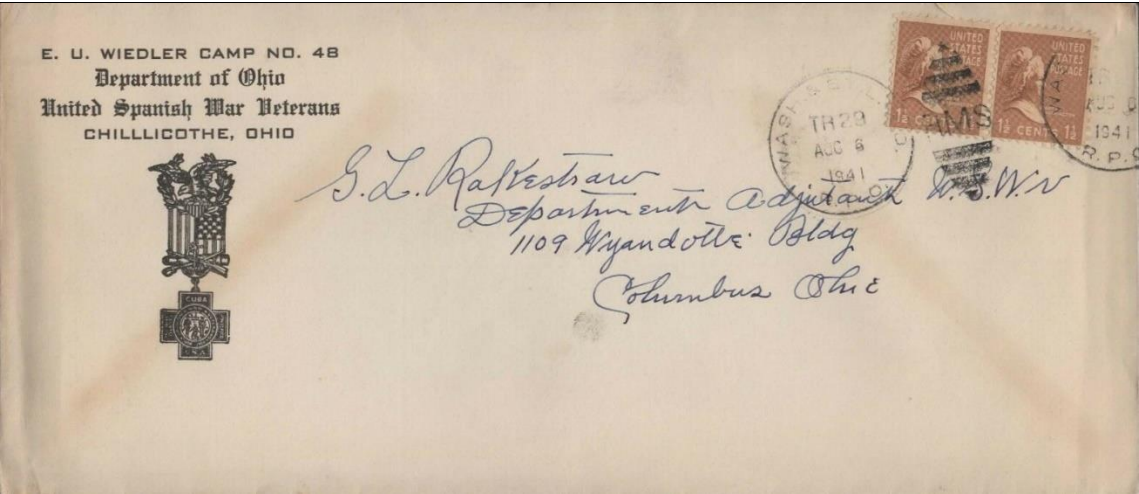
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883 - 1888	Color: Black on tan	Size: 5.875" x 3.375"	
Office: "Clerks Office / SUPREME COURT OF OHIO"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Doolin collection.			


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: " SUPREME COURT" with "Return to LAW LIBRARY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stambyboy, April 2021.			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Pale Green	Size: Regular	
Office: " SUPREME COURT - Return to LAW LIBRARY"			
Notes: Same seal design and device as previous, but horizontal lines in background			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Doolin, ex-Richard Graham collection (color photocopy).			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ross	City: Chillicothe
Dates: 5 Aug 1941	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "Department of Ohio / United Spanish War Veterans"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy eBay seller zuluwar24, June 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Red on yellow		Size: Regular
Office: " <i>University of Cincinnati / Cincinnati, O.</i> "			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy Jim Forte, June 2021.			
			

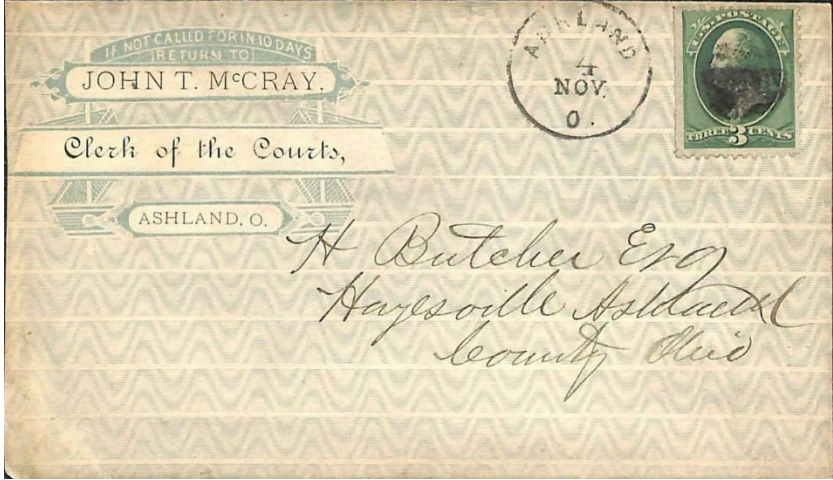
Part 2

OHIO

County & City Agencies “Official Business” Envelopes


Arranged by County and City

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ashland	City: Ashland
Dates: 4 Nov ~1870s	Color: Blue-gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "JOHN T. McCRAY, / Clerk of the Courts,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stambyboy, May 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ashland	City: Ashland
Dates: 1 Nov ~1880s	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "Sheriff's Office, / Ashland County"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller ephemeraand, May 2021.			
			


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ashtabula	City: Jefferson
Dates: 23 June 1880s	Color: Black on cream	Size: Regular	
Office: "S. T. FULLER – County Treasurer"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller ephemerand, May 2021.			
			

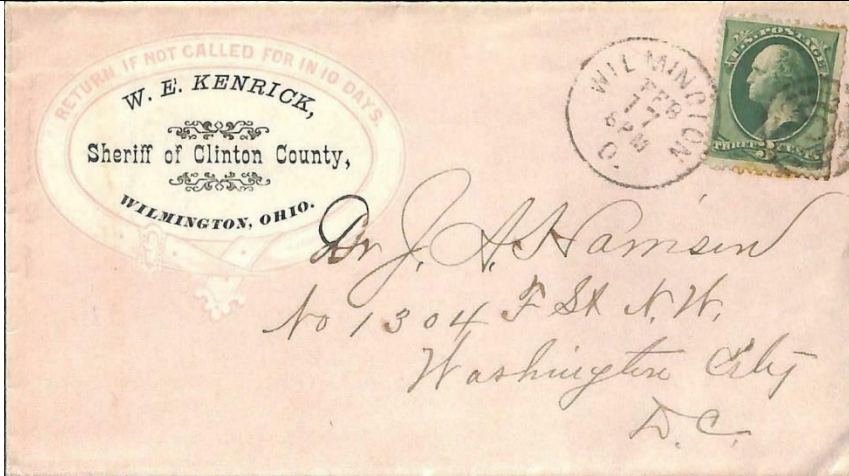
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Butler	City: Hamilton
Dates: 1876-02-15	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "Superintendent's Office – Public Schools"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller mrfancycancel, May 2021.			
			

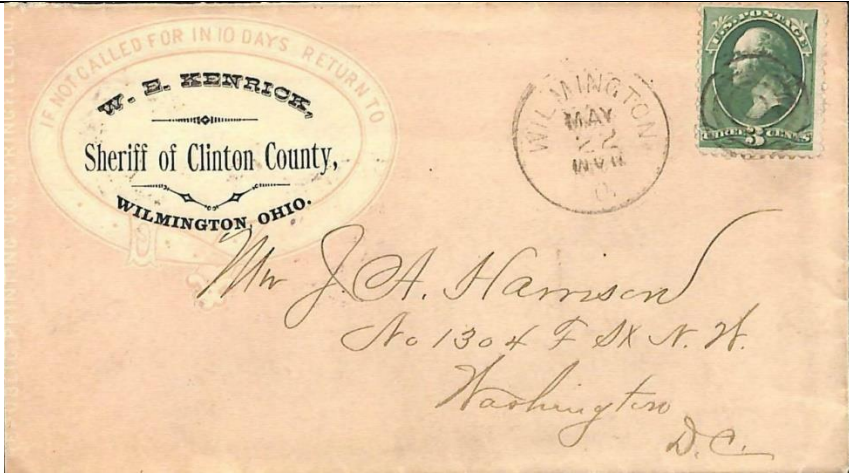
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Carroll	City: Carrollton
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "OFFICE OF THE / RECORDER / CARROLL COUNTY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
 <p>The image shows a yellow illustrated cover for Carroll County, Ohio. On the left, there is a detailed illustration of a large, multi-story building with a central tower, likely the county courthouse. Above the illustration, it says "IF NOT CALLED FOR IN 10 DAYS RETURN TO:". To the right of the illustration is a decorative frame containing the text "OFFICE OF THE RECORDER CARROLL COUNTY CARROLLTON, O.". Two one-cent blue stamps are affixed to the top right. The cover is addressed in cursive to "Carroll Bros., Spring Boro, Pa.". A handwritten number "19013" is written vertically on the left side. The name "Stackholders" is written at the bottom left.</p>			

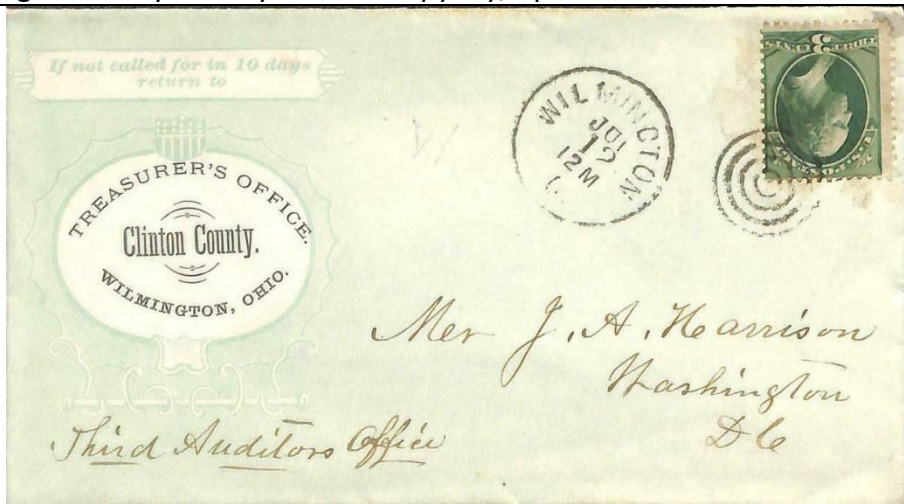
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Clinton	City: Wilmington
Dates: 6 June 1894	Color: Gold	Size: Regular	
Office: "C. Q. HILDEBRANT / Clerk of the Courts, Clinton, Co."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
 <p>The image shows a gold-colored illustrated cover for Clinton County, Ohio. It features a circular postmark from "WILMINGTON OHIO" dated "JUN 6 9AM 1894". A purple stamp is affixed to the top right. The cover is addressed in cursive to "Mess Vandeman & Chaffin, Washington, Ohio.". A printed return address is visible: "C. Q. HILDEBRANT, Clerk of the Courts, Clinton, Co., WILMINGTON, O.". A faint circular seal is visible on the left side.</p>			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Clinton	City: Wilmington
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Pink	Size: Regular	
Office: "W. E. KENRICK / Sheriff of Clinton County,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

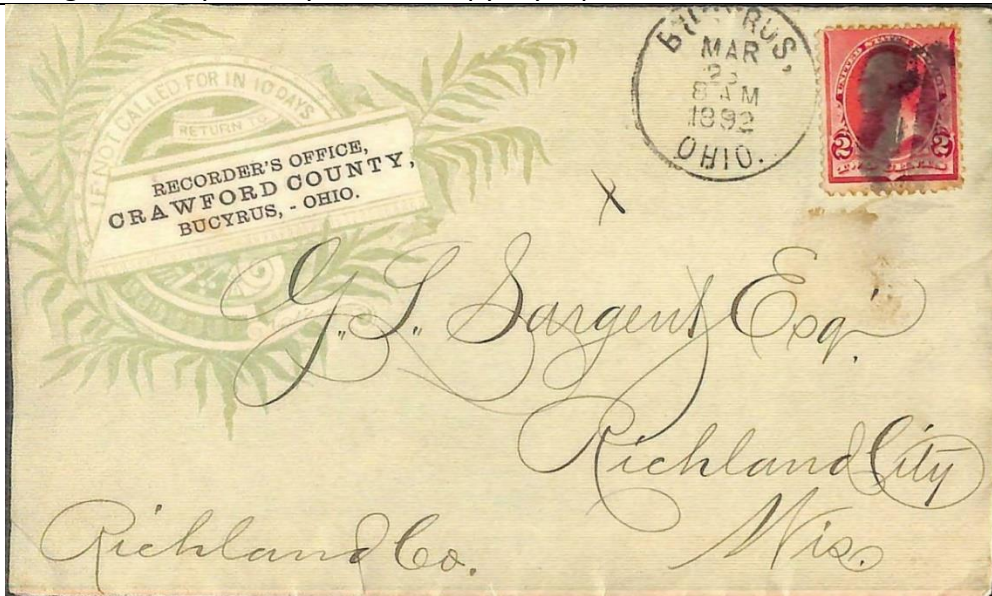
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Clinton	City: Wilmington
Dates: 22 May 1882	Color: Pink	Size: Regular	
Office: "W. E. KENRICK / Sheriff of Clinton County,"			
Notes: The return corner address in printed with a new font.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

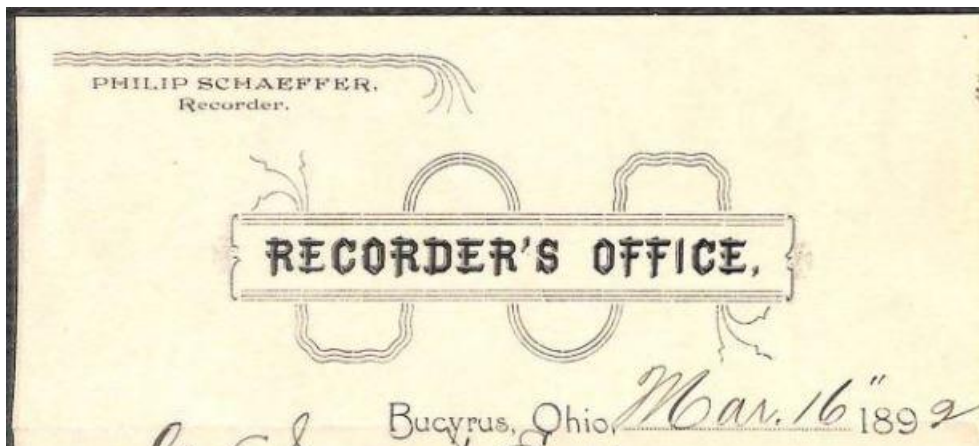
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Clinton	City: Wilmington
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "TREASURER'S OFFICE / Clinton County."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

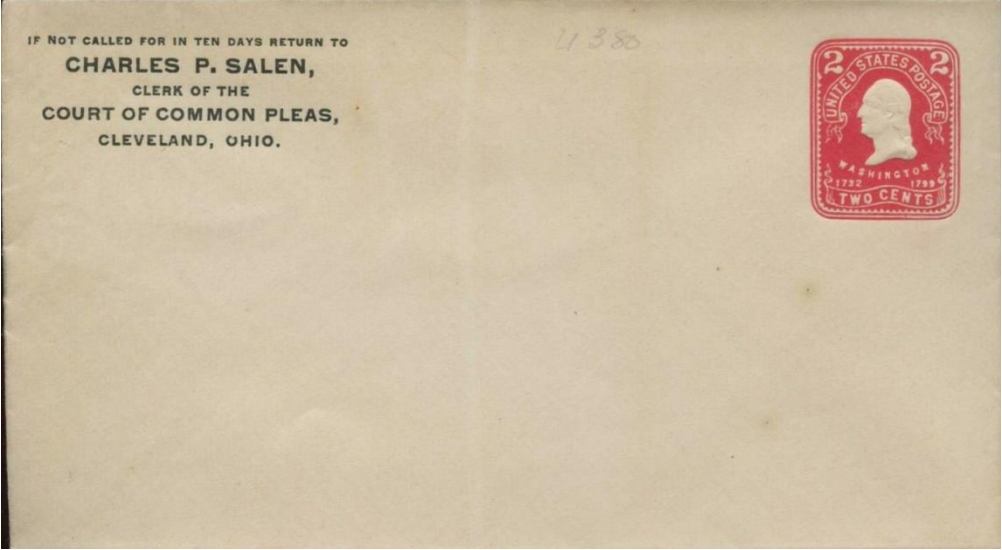
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Crawford	City: Bucyrus
Dates: 23 Mar 1892	Color: Green/Gold	Size: Regular	
Office: "RECORDER'S OFFICE / CRAWFORD COUNTY."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			




Letterhead

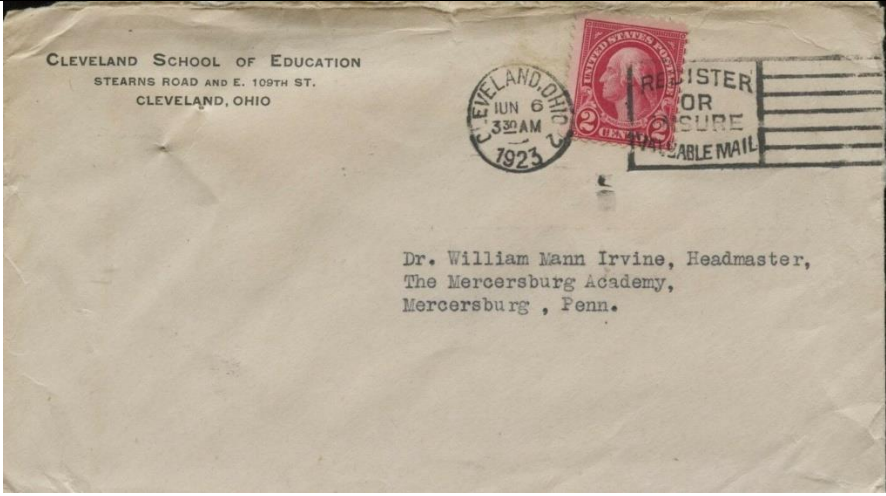


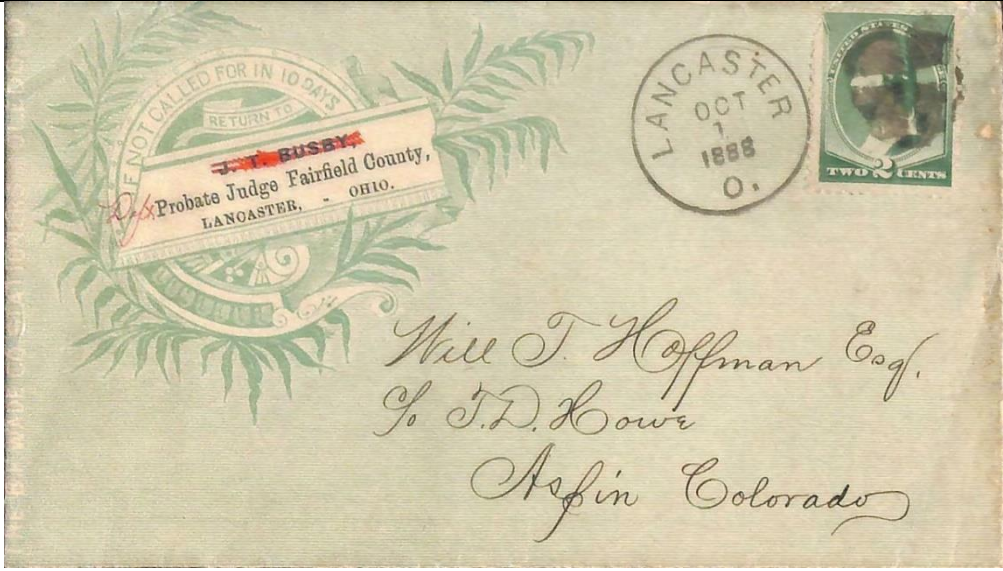
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Cuyahoga	City: Cleveland
Dates: Unused, ~1900	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "CLERK OF THE / COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller covermuseumnax, May 2021.			
			


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Cuyahoga	City: Cleveland
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "Board of Education, / SUPERINTENDENTS / OFFICE"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller covercrazy2, April 2021.			
			


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Cuyahoga	City: Cleveland
Dates: 6 June 1923	Color: Black on white	Size: Regular	
Office: "CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF EDUCATION"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller covermuseumannex, April 2021.			
			


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Fairfield	City: Lancaster
Dates: 1 Oct 1888	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: J. T. BUSSY, / Probate Judge Fairfield County,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

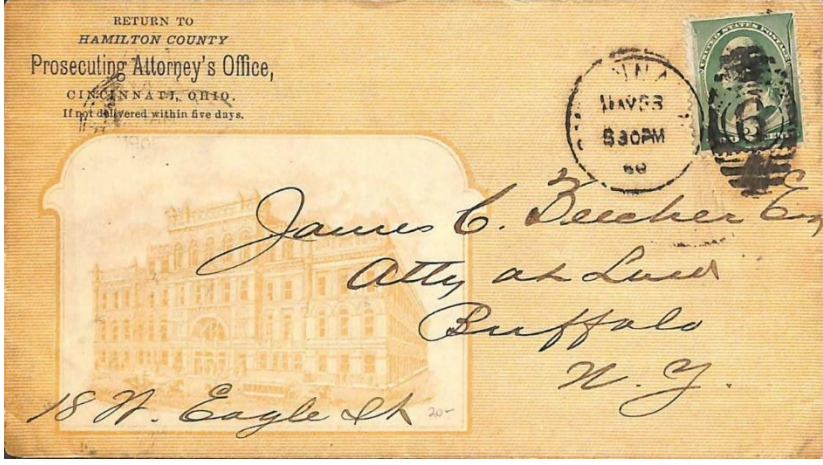
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Guernsey	City: Cambridge
Dates: 7 July 1904	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "R. V. ACHESON, Treasurer."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of Matt Liebson, Philamercury census #15344, May 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Hamilton	City: Cincinnati
Dates: 7 Dec 1863	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "CITY OF CINCINNATI / OHIO" in border of Seal, no department named.			
Notes: Seal of Cincinnati Ohio			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller mkewriga, May 2021.			
			

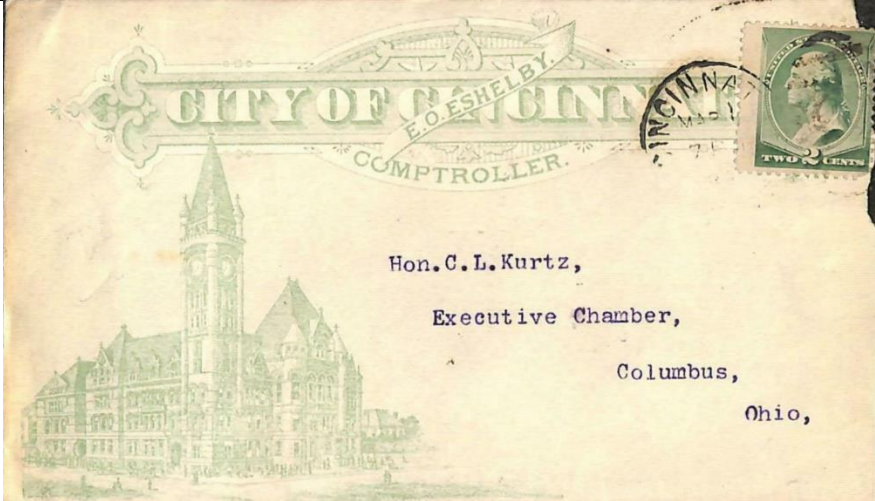
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Hamilton	City: Cincinnati
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883; ~1888	Color: Orange	Size: Regular	
Office: "FRANK RATTERMANN / County Treasurer,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

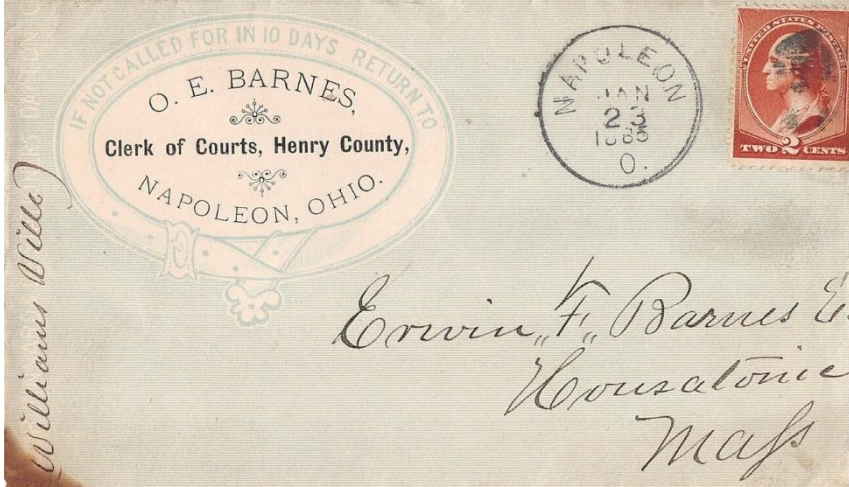
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Hamilton	City: Cincinnati
Dates: 23 May 1888	Color: Orange	Size: Regular	
Office: "Prosecuting Attorney's Office"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Hamilton	City: Cincinnati
Dates: 2 May 1872	Color: Pink	Size: Regular	
Office: "CITY CLERK / CINCINNATI, OHIO"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Hamilton	City: Cincinnati
Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "E. O. SHELBY / CITY OF CINCINNATI / COMPTROLLER"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

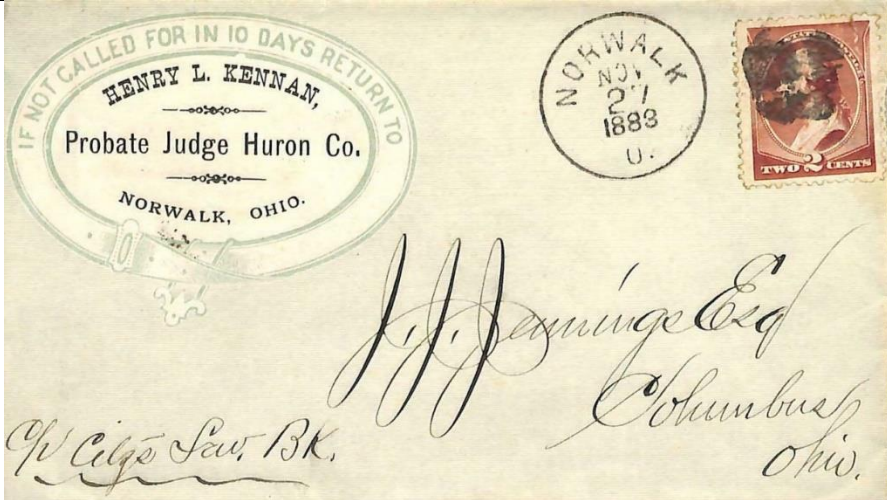
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Henry	City: Napoleon
Dates: 23 Jan 1885	Color: Blue	Size: Regular	
Office: "O. E. BARNES / Clerk of Courts, Henry County,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller wroldwidphilatelicsand collectibles, June 2021.			
			

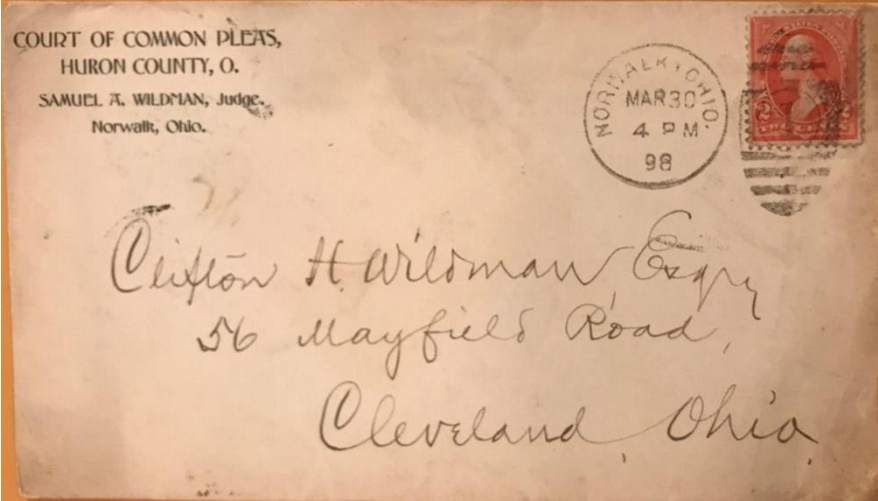
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Huron	City: Norwalk
Dates: 30 Apr 1885	Color: Black on Tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "Auditor's Office / HURON COUNTY"			
Notes: With auxiliary marking "FORWARDED".			
Source: Image courtesy of Matt Liebson, Philamercury cover census #15660, May 2021.			
			

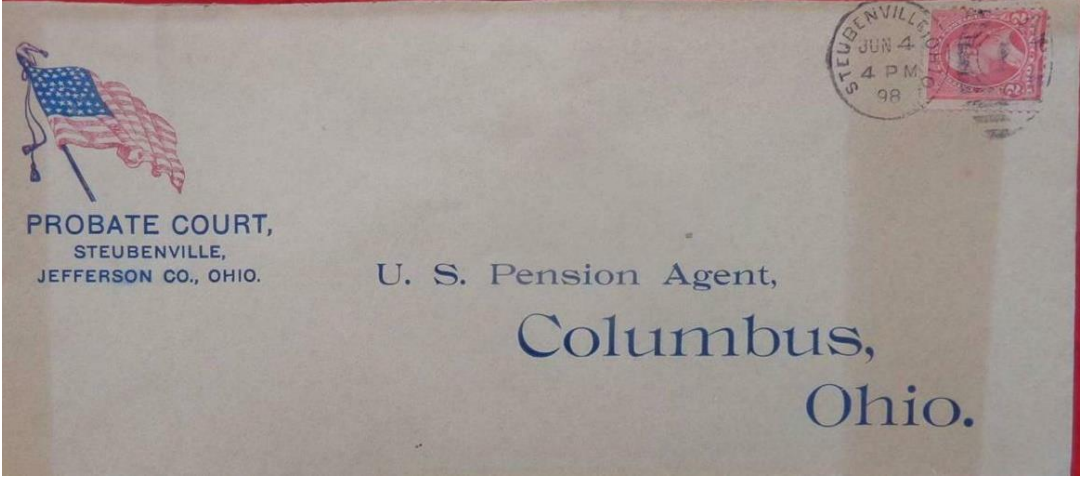
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Huron	City: Norwalk
Dates: 12 Aug 1893	Color: Black on Tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "Clerk of the Courts / HURON COUNTY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of Matt Liebson, Philamercury cover census #15661, May 2021.			
			

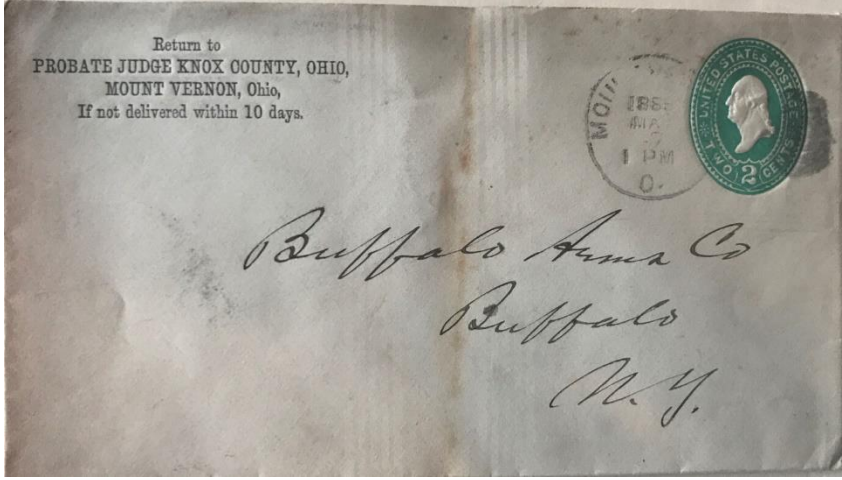
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Huron	City: Norwalk
Dates: 27 Nov 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "HENRY L. KENNAN / Probate Judge Huron Co."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

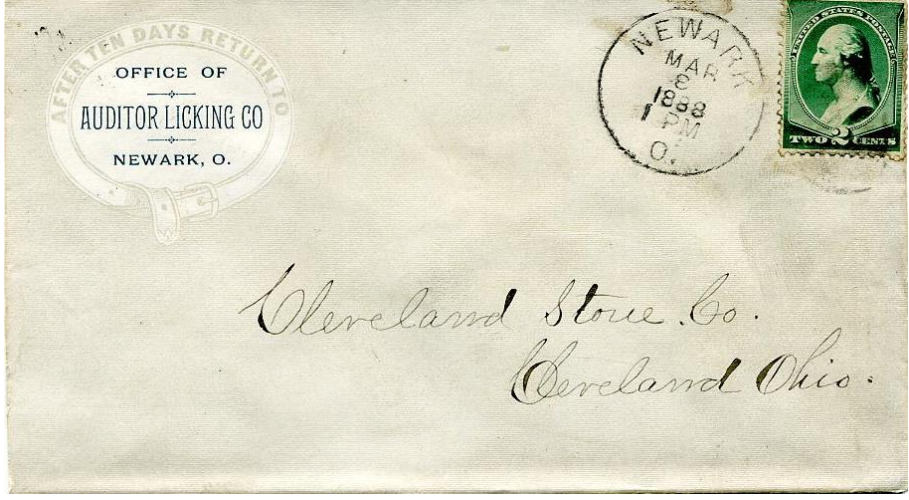
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Huron	City: Norwalk
Dates: 30 Mar 1898	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, / HURON COUNTY, O."			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller calloohcallay11, June 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Jefferson	City: Steubenville
Dates: 4 Jun 1898	Color: Black	Size: Legal	
Office: "PROBATE COURT"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller thisoldhouse, June 2021.			
			

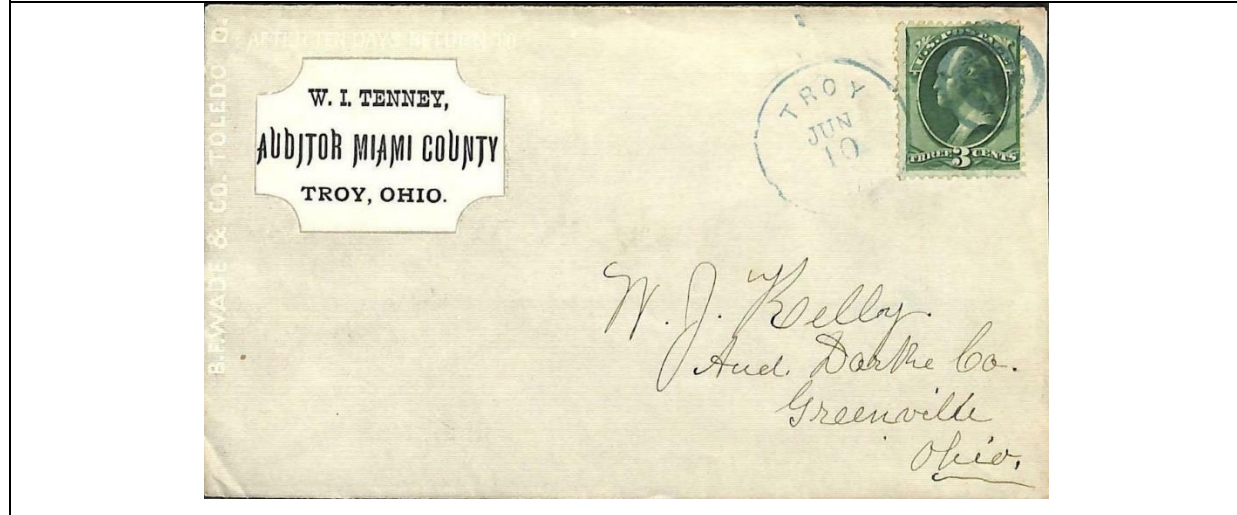
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Knox	City: Mount Vernon
Dates: 2 May 1885	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "PROBATE JUDGE KNOX COUNTY, OHIO,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller calloohcallay11, June 2021.			
			

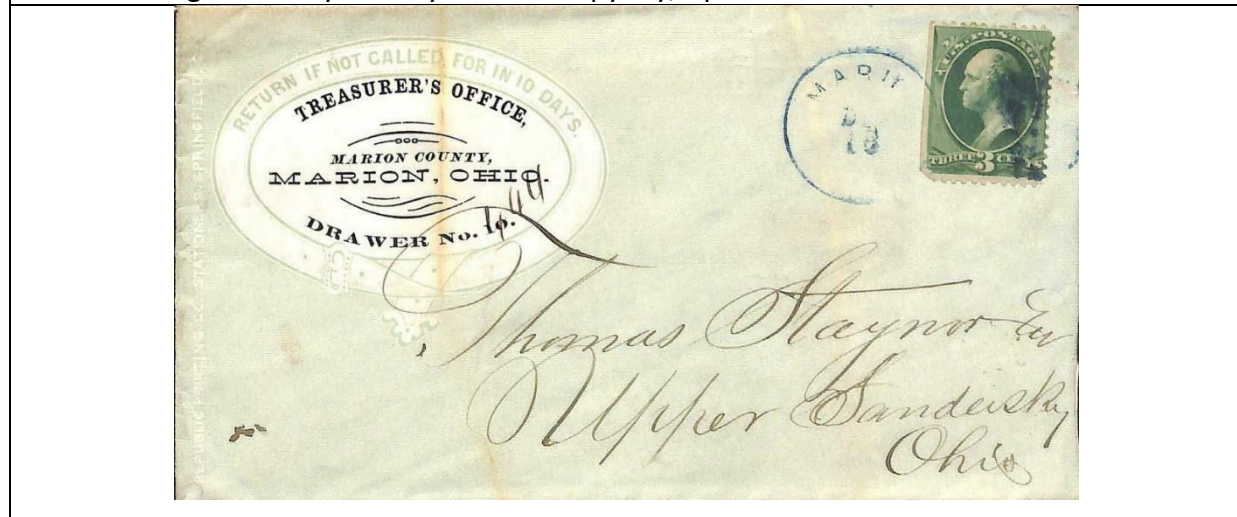
ID:	State: Ohio	County: Licking	City: Newark
Dates: 8 Mar 1888	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "OFFICE OF / AUDITOR LICKING CO"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Miami	City: Troy
Dates: 10 June ~1880s	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "W. L. TINNEY / AUDITOR MIAMI COUNTY"			
Notes: Printer's imprint at left edge: "B. F. WADE & CO. TOLEDO O."			
<i>B. F. WADE & CO. TOLEDO O.</i>			
Source: Image courtesy of unknown eBay seller, April 2021.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Marion	City: Marion
Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "TREASURER'S OFFICE / MARION COUNTY,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			

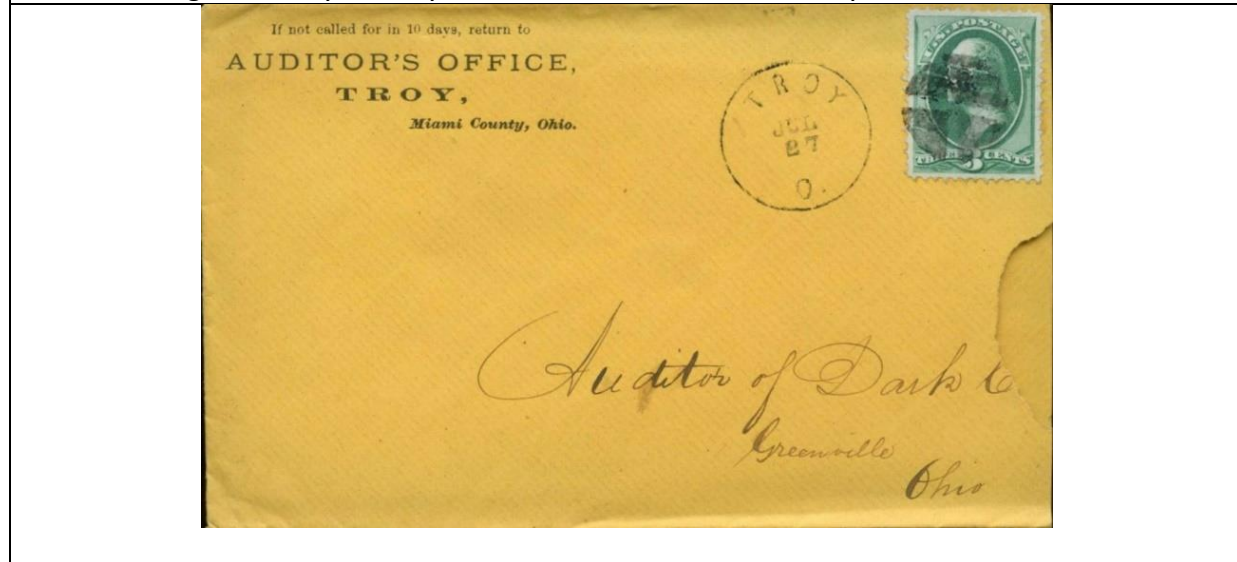


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Mercer	City: Celina
Dates: 15 Aug 1888	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "EDWARD LANDFAIR / Clerk of Courts, Mercer County,"			
Notes: Printer's Imprint: "TROUP KINNARD & CO STATIONERS DAYTON O"			
			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			

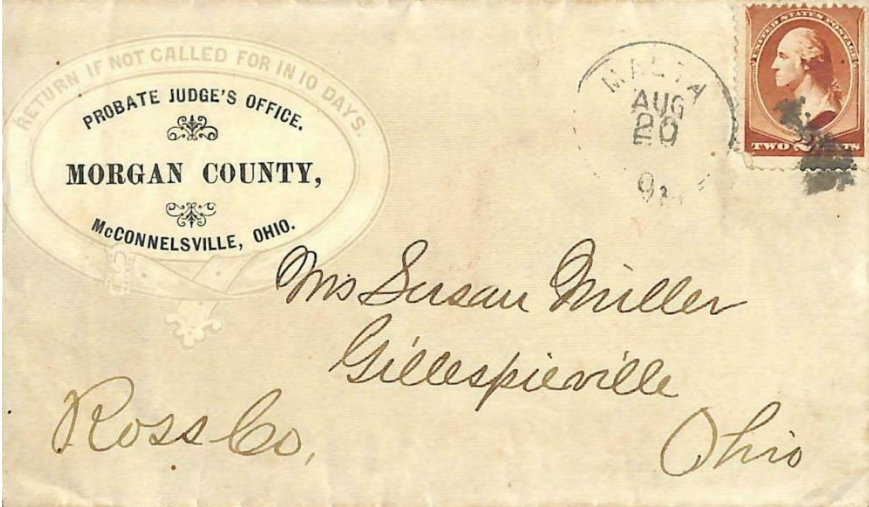


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Miami	City: Troy
Dates: 27 July 1870s	Color: Black on yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "AUDITOR'S OFFICE – TROY, -- Miami County, Ohio"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller covermuseumannex, May 2021.			

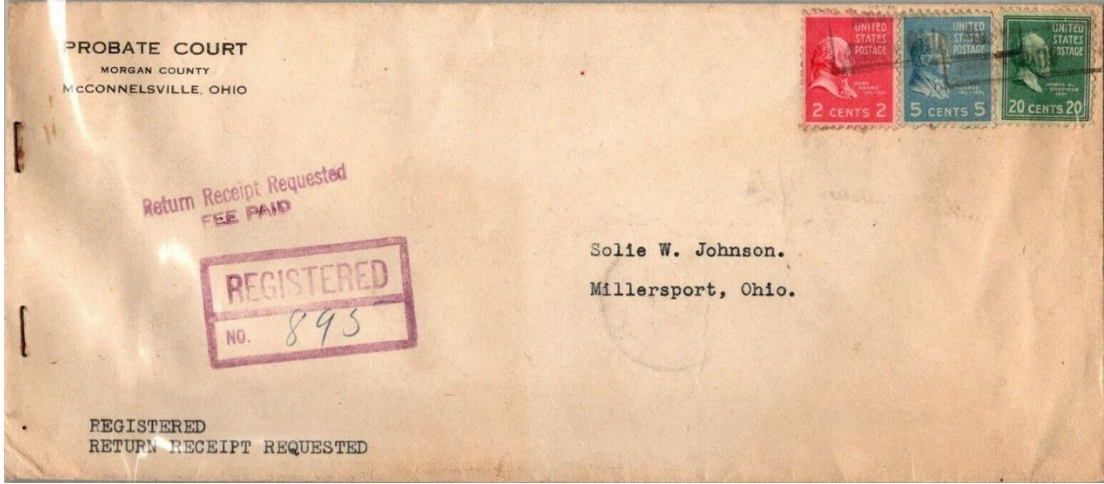


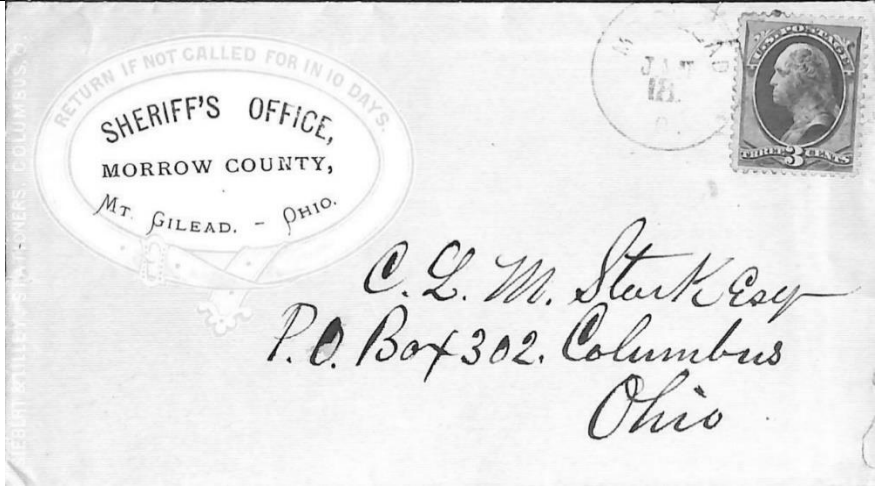
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Monroe	City: Woodsfield
Dates: 2 July 1880	Color: Pink	Size: Regular	
Office: "JOHN GATCHELL, / <i>Treasurer Monroe Co.</i> "			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Morgan	City: McConnellsville
Dates: 20 Aug 1884	Color: Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "PROBATE JUDGE'S OFFICE. / MORGAN COUNTY,"			
Notes: Date from annotation on reverse.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Morgan	City: McConnellsville
Dates: 18 Mar 1943	Color: Black	Size: Legal	
Office: "PROBATE COURT / MORGAN COUNTY"			
Notes: Date from annotation on reverse.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller goldpathstamp, June 2021.			
			

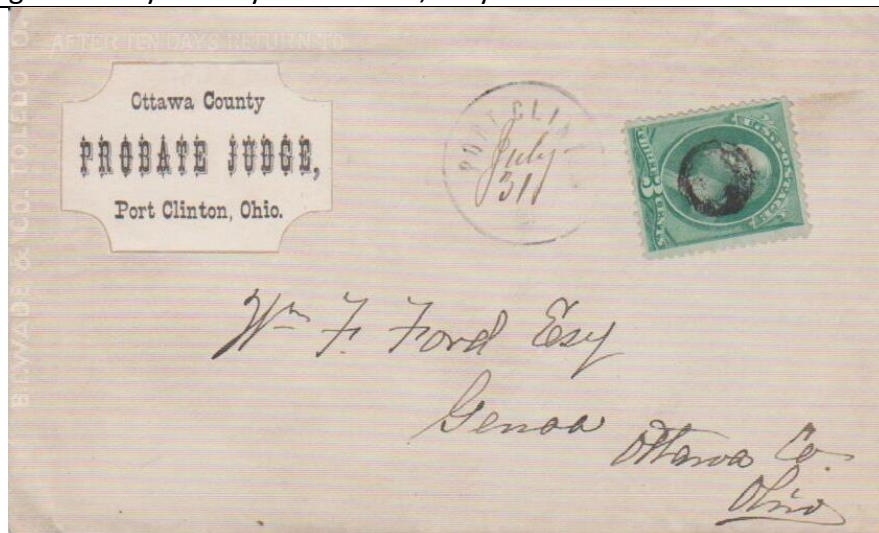
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Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Unknown	Size: Regular	
Office: "SHERIFF'S OFFICE / MORROW COUNTY"			
Notes: Photocopy. Printer's imprint: "SIEBERT & LILLEY STATIONERS. COLUMBUS. O."			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Muskingum	City: Zanesville
Dates: 25 Mar 1868	Color: Black on Yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: Corner card: "Auditor's Office, / Muskingum Co."			
Notes: Date from annotation on front.			
Source: Image courtesy of Phil Bansner, item #64122, May 2021.			



ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ottawa	City: Port Clinton
Dates: 27 July 1870s	Color: Tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "Ottawa County / PROBATE JUDGE"			
Notes: Printer's imprint on left edge of cover. "B. F. WADE & Co. TOLEDO OH".			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller Baltic, May 2021.			

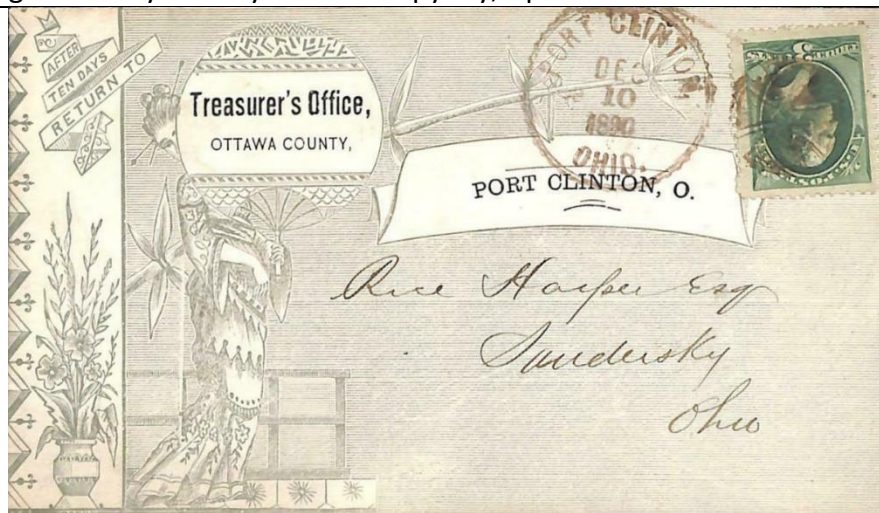


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ottawa	City: Port Clinton
Dates: 2 July 1892	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "N. A. CLEMONS / Recorder, Ottawa County,"			
Notes: Date from arrival postmark on verso.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			




ID:	State: Ohio	County: Ottawa	City: Port Clinton
Dates: 10 Dec 1890	Color: Black on pale yellow	Size: Regular	
Office: "Treasurer's Office / OTTAWA COUNTY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			



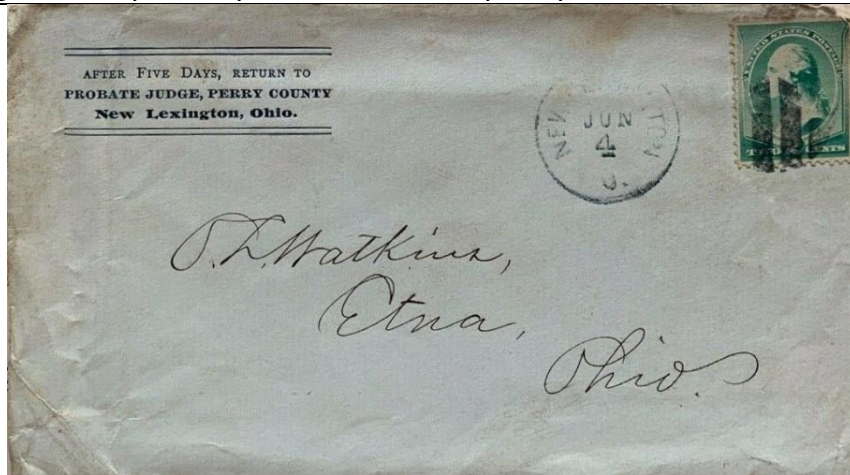
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

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Dates: 31 Dec 1889	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
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Notes:			
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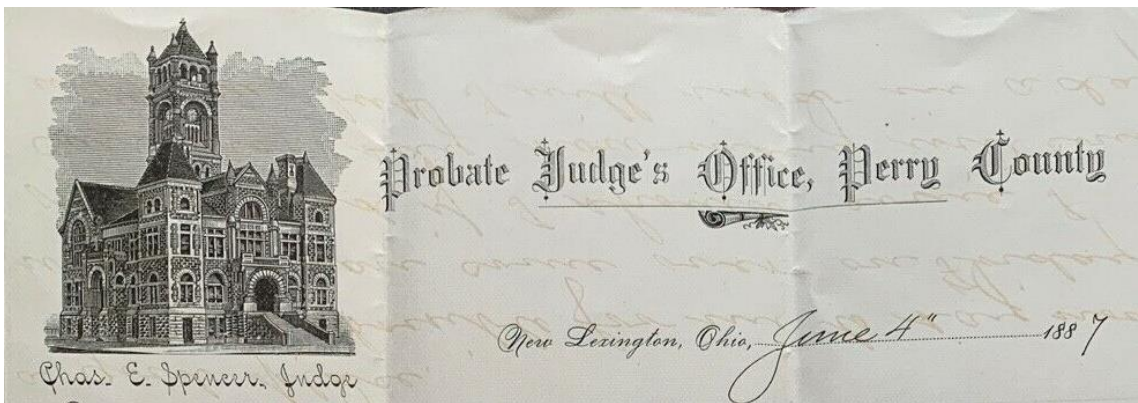
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Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "RECORDER'S OFFICE / PREBLE COUNTY,"			
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Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards


ID:	State: Ohio	County: Perry	City: New Lexington
Dates: 24 Apr 1889	Color: Black on cream	Size: Regular	
Office: "PROBATE JUDGE – PERRY COUNTY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller mermaidbay, May 2021.			

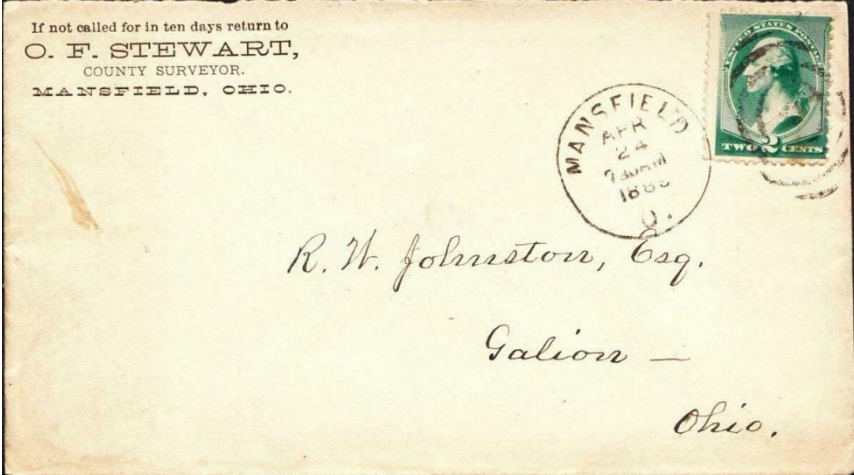


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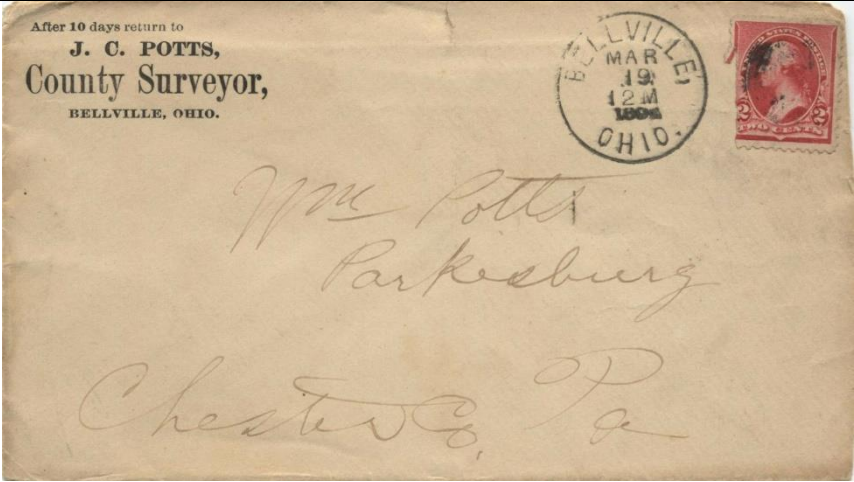


Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

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Dates: 18 Jan 1917	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "JOHN S. NEFF / Treasurer of Pickaway County"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of Jim Forte website, June 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Richland	City: Mansfield
Dates: 24 Apr 1889	Color: Black on cream	Size: Regular	
Office: "O. F. STEWART / COUNTY SURVEYOR"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller mermaidbay, May 2021.			
			

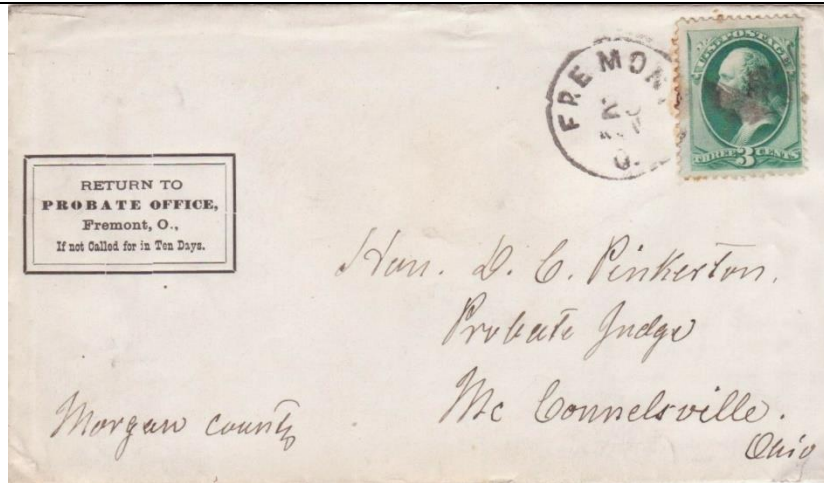
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

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Dates: 19 May 1894	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
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Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller budgetcoverbox, May 2021.			
			

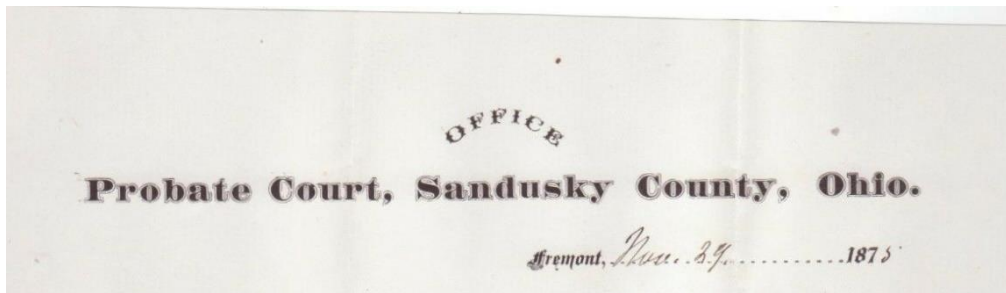
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Dates: 2 Nov 1900	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
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Notes:			
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Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

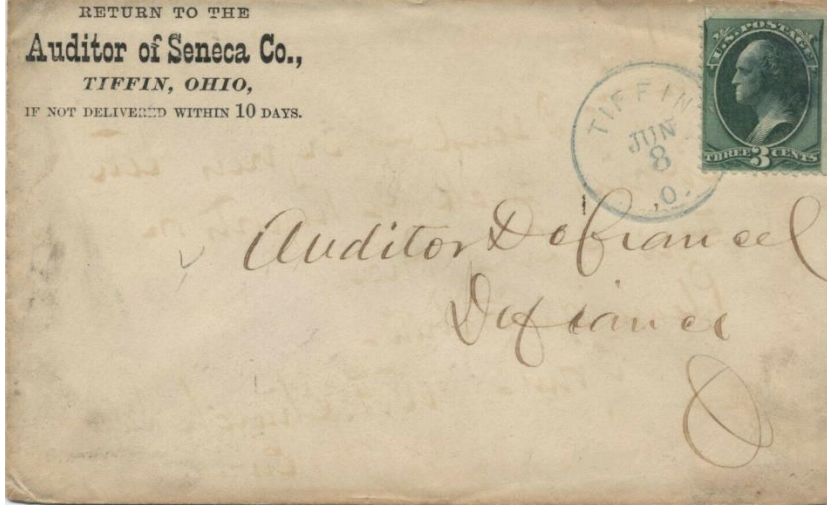
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Dates: 25 Nov ~1870s	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "PROBATE OFFICE, / Fremont, O.,"			
Notes:			
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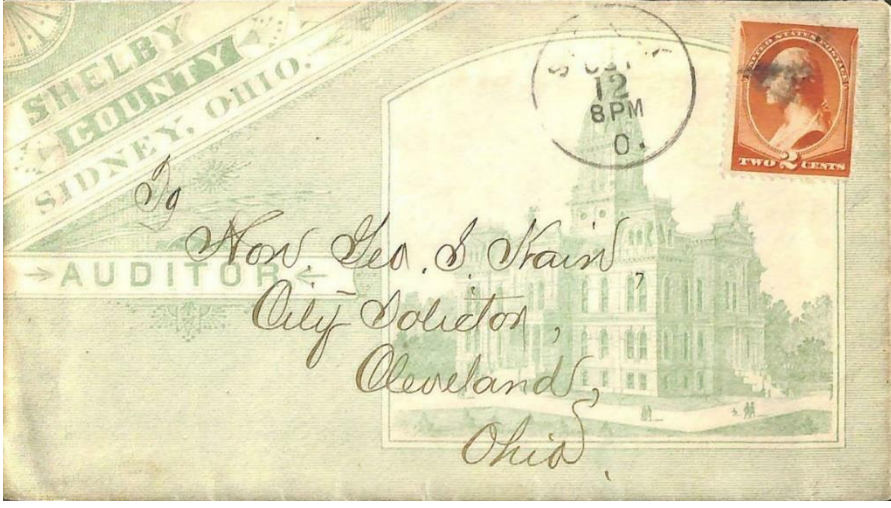


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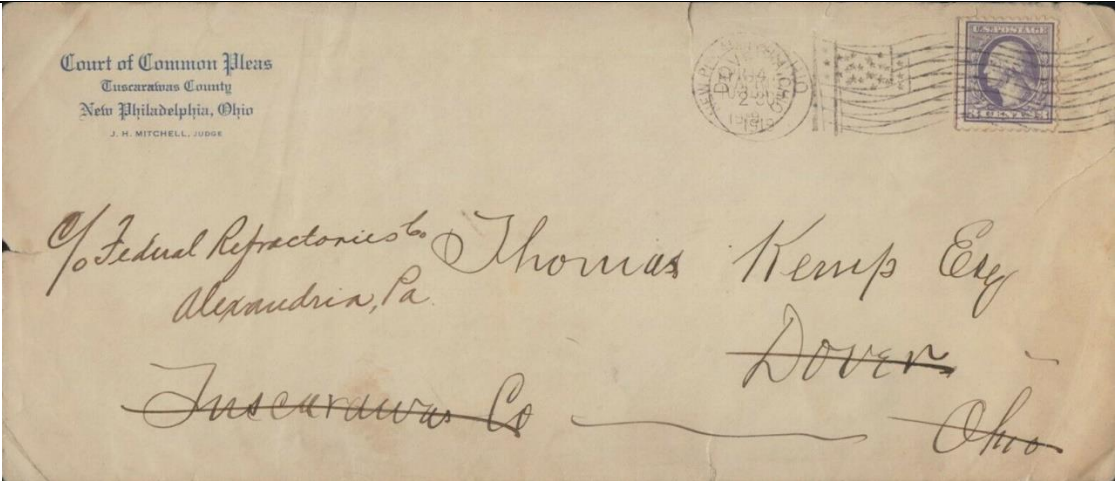


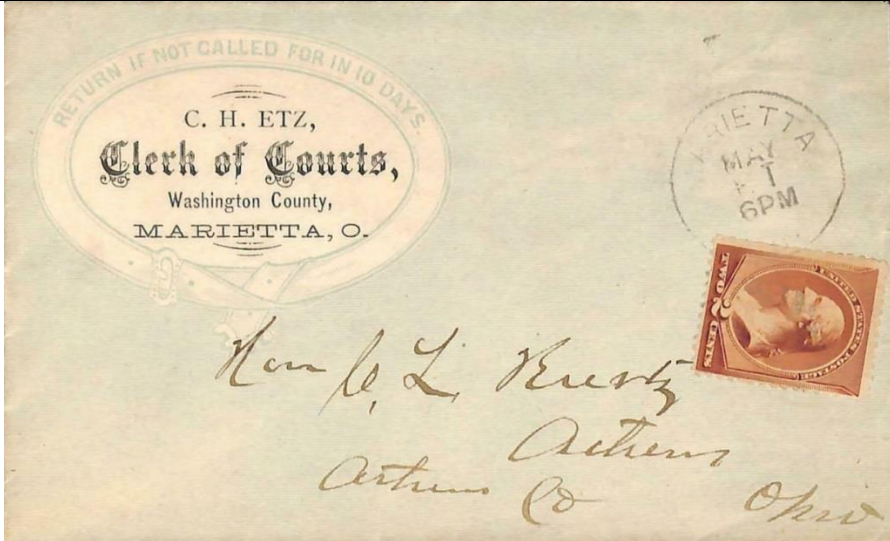
Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Seneca	City: Tiffin
Dates: 8 June 1880s	Color: Black on tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "Auditor of Seneca Co.,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller budgetcoverbox, May 2021.			
			

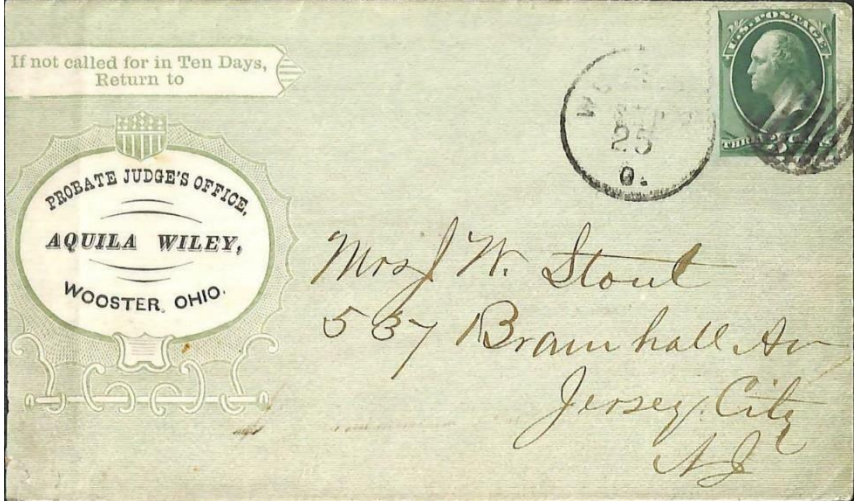
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Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "SHELBY / COUNTY / AUDITOR"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Tuscarawas	City: New Philadelphia
Dates: ~ Aug 1919	Color: Blue on tan	Size: Legal	
Office: "Court of Common Pleas"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller mayfairstamps, June 2021.			
			

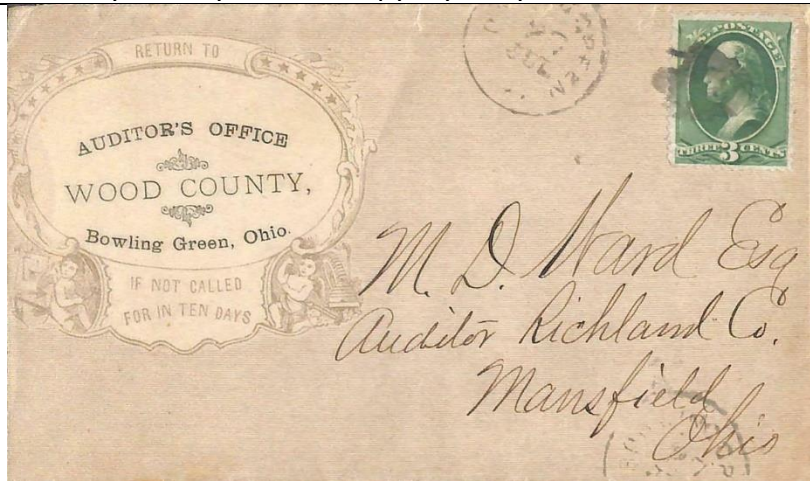
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Dates: After Aug 1, 1883	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "C. H. ETZ / Clerk of Courts,"			
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Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

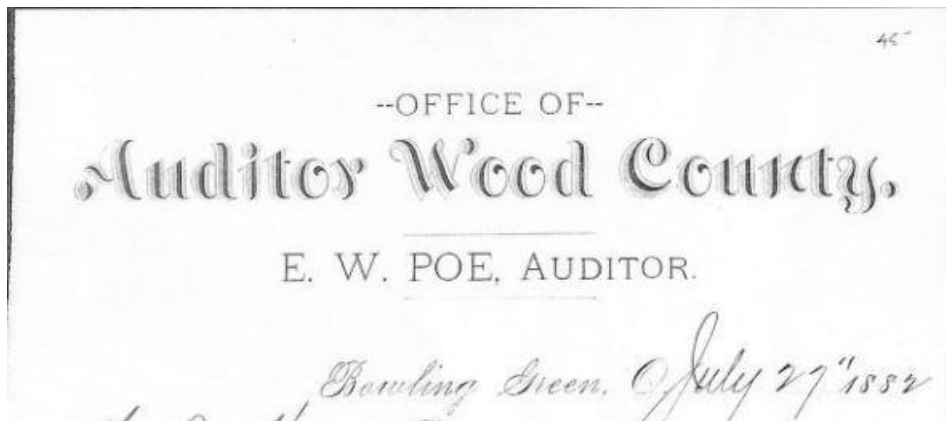
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Dates: Before Aug 1, 1883	Color: Pale green	Size: Regular	
Office: "PROBATE JUDGE'S OFFICE, / AQUILA WILEY,"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, May 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Wood	City: Bowling Green
Dates: 27 July 1882	Color: Tan	Size: Regular	
Office: "AUDITOR'S OFFICE / WOOD COUNTY"			
Notes:			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, May 2021.			



Letterhead



Part 3

OHIO

Private Business

Using designs similar to the “Official Business” Envelopes

Arranged by County and City

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Jackson	City: Jackson
Dates: 28 Apr 1879	Color: Green	Size: Regular	
Office: "SOLDIER'S CLAIM AGENCY / H. C. MILLER"			
Notes: Date from annotation on reverse.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Warren	City: Lebanon
Dates: 20 July 1880	Color: Gray	Size: Regular	
Office: "GEO. W. CAREY / NOTARY PUBLIC"			
Notes: Date from annotation on reverse.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller stampyboy, April 2021.			

Part 4

OHIO

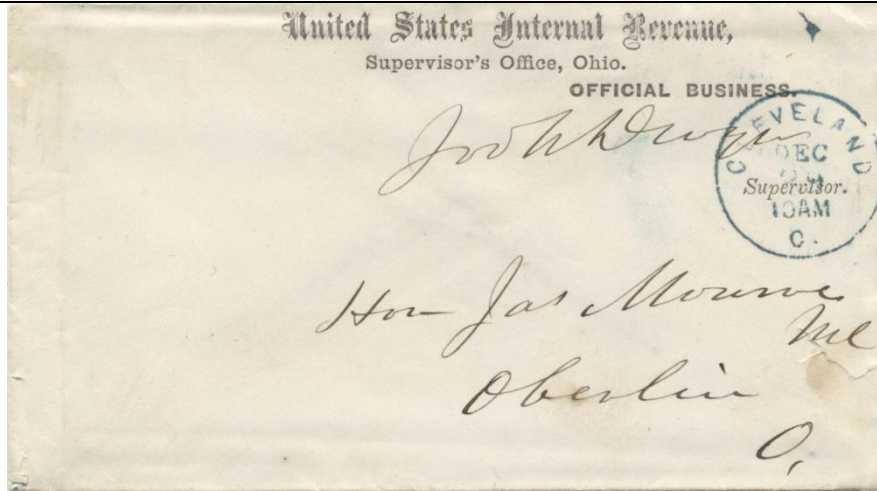
Federal Department & Agency Envelopes

Used within the State

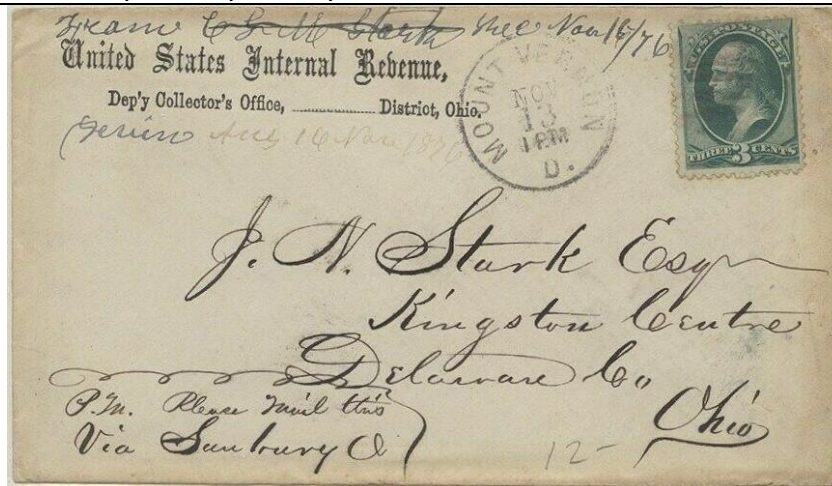
Arranged by County and City

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

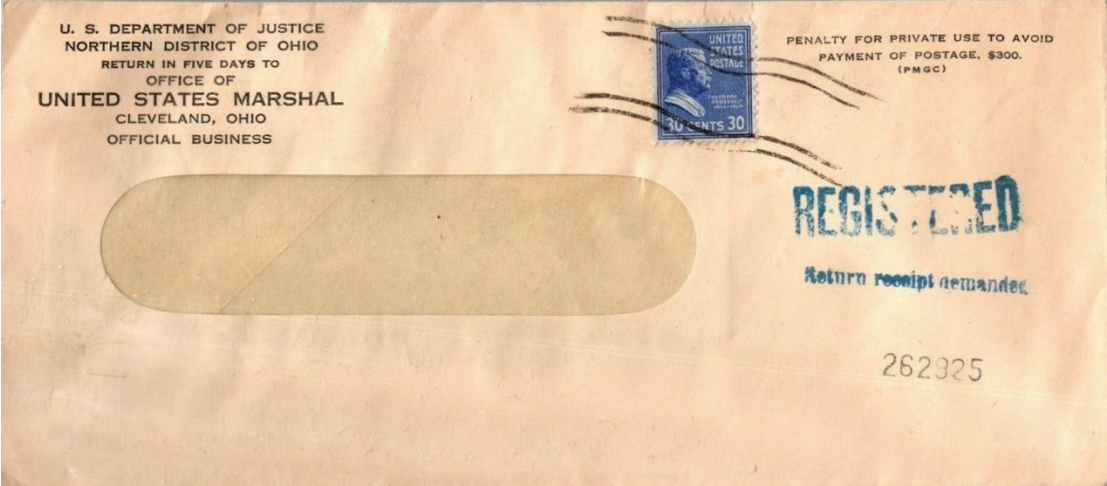
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Dates: 29 Dec ~1870s	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "United States Internal Revenue, / Supervisor's Office, Ohio."			
Notes: .			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller paperhistory, June 2021.			




ID:	State: Ohio	County: Knox	City: Mount Vernon
Dates: 16 Dec 1876	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "United States Internal Revenue, / Dep'y Collector's Office, ___ District, Ohio."			
Notes: .			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller yefzin, June 2021.			



Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Cuyahoga	City: Cleveland
Dates: 25 May 1950	Color: Black	Size: Legal	
Office: "NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO / UNITED STATES MARSHAL"			
Notes: Date from postmarks on reverse.			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller goldsmithstamp, June 2021.			
			

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus
Dates: 18 June 1892	Color: Black	Size: Legal	
Office: "U. S. PENSION AGENCY / Department of the Interior."			
Notes: .			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller goldpathstamp, June 2021.			
			

Ohio: "Official Business" Illustrated Covers and Corner Cards

ID:	State: Ohio	County: Franklin	City: Columbus Barracks
Dates: 22 July Before 1883	Color: Black	Size: Regular	
Office: "Depot Quartermaster's Office, / Columbus Barracks, Ohio."			
Notes: .			
Source: Image courtesy of eBay seller weiszcovers, June 2021.			