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 SOLDIER'S HOME.
 NASHVILLE, TENN.
 SOLDIER'S LETTER.

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 Almont Paper Co
 Michigan



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SOLDIER'S LETTER.
 N. Ranger
 Chaplain, U. S. A.
 Joe Holt Hospital,
 JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.



U. S. Sanitary Commission,
 Soldiers' Aid Society of Northern Ohio,
 Central Office, - 95 Bank Street,
 CLEVELAND, OHIO.

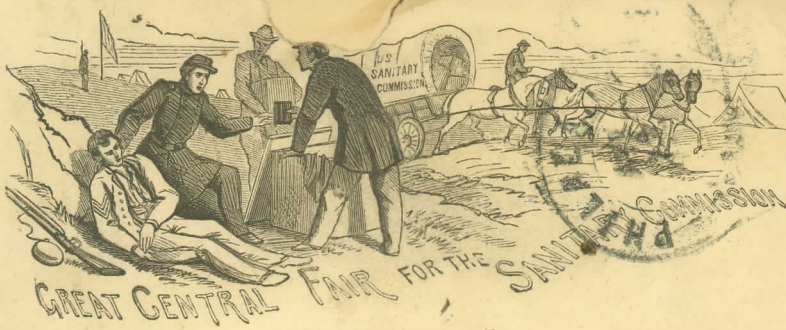
Mrs S. C. Boice
 Sec. Aid Soc.
 Rochester Depo
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NORTHWESTERN FAIR
 OF THE
 Sanitary Commission and Soldiers' Home,
 To open May 30th, 1865,
 CHICAGO - ILLINOIS.

*Mrs. E. V. Little
 Co. Regt
 1st Div
 S.O.*



*Mrs P. P. James
 400 So 9th*

TENN.



*Mrs Martha A Jones
 Smithville
 Peoria Co
 Illinois*

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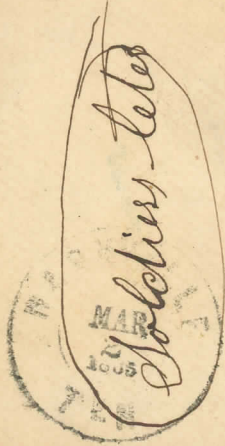


Mrs. C. M. Messer
Warren
Franklin
County
Ohio

SOLDIER'S LETTER.

U. S. Christian Commission.

Opened by mistake by
me John C. Howser



Mr John Howser
Caladonia St
Marion
Pinchastle
Ohio



The U. S. Christian Commission
sends this as the soldier's messenger to his home.
Let it hasten to those who wait for tidings.



Mr Henry Siler
Westtanon
Wayne Co
Ohio

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U. S. Sanitary Commission.



Mr C. W. Rugg.

SOLDIER'S LETTER.

Lowell,

Mass.

~~Hospital Chaplain, U. S. A.~~

~~LOUISVILLE, KY.~~

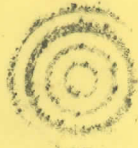
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SOLDIER'S LETTER



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U. S. Christian Commission.



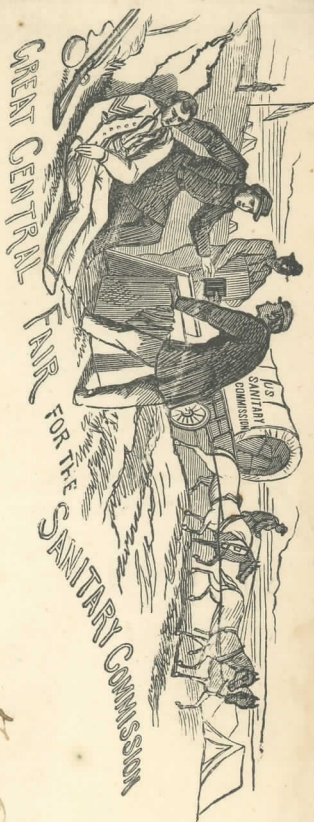
Miss Lydia A Garrison

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HANDSTAMPED SOLDIER'S LETTERS
from Old Point Comfort

U. S. Christian Commission,
11 Bank Street,
PHILADELPHIA.



Soldier's Letter

E. M. McClellan

Asst. Surg. U.S.A.

Mrs. Geo. W. Strong

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Oneida County

N.Y.

"E. M. McClellan" / Ass't Surgeon, U.S. Army (see 1863 US Register, p. 150.)
Probable use, 1862 or 1863, with handstamped signature.

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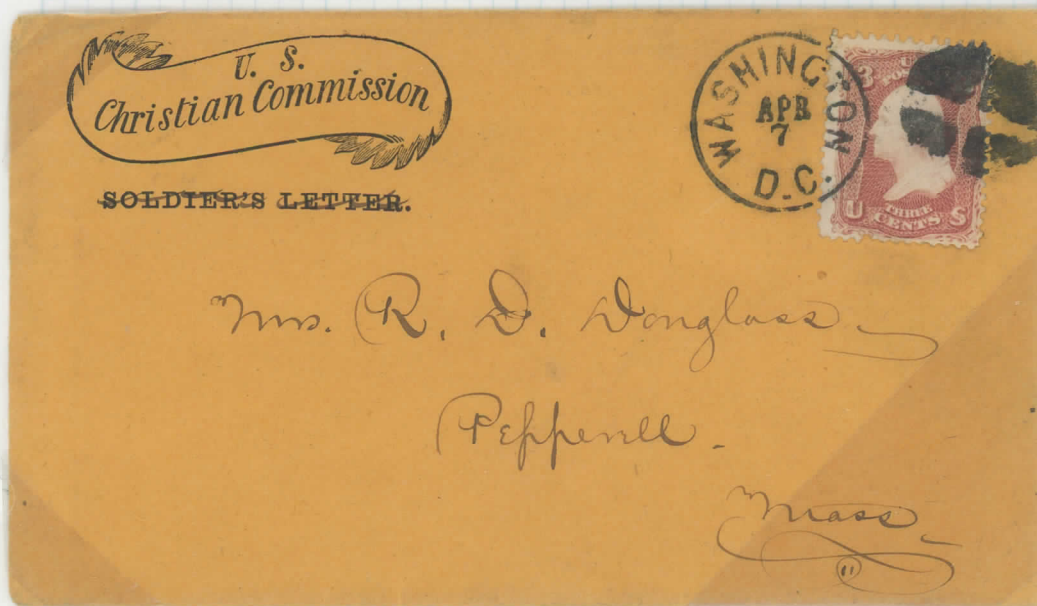
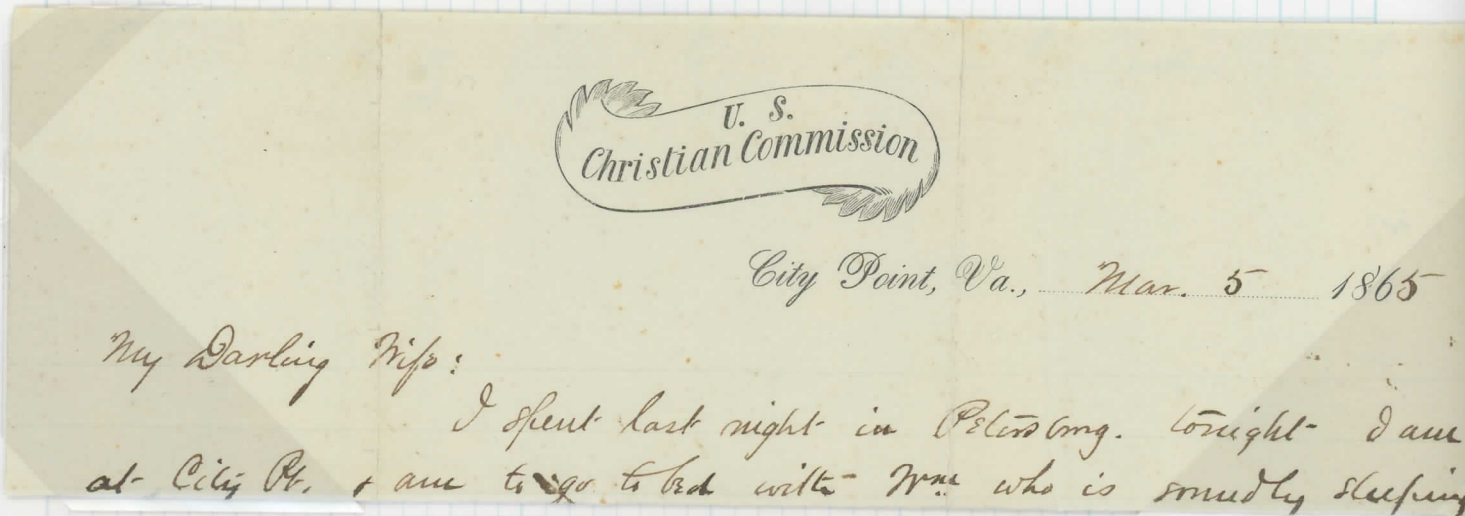
With handstamped "Soldier's Letter" endorsement of "L. B. P. M." of the 141st New York Regiment. The "P. M." was actually the regimental mail clerk and not a P. O. D. employee. The "Due 3" was applied at Old Point Comfort, Va., probably April or May, 1862 while the 141st New York was at Suffolk, Virginia.

CITY POINT, VIRGINIA

City Point, on the south side of the James River below Richmond, was occupied by some 30,000 Union troops of the Army of the James under Gen. Ben Butler on May 5, 1864. The small town was strongly held by Union forces for the rest of the war, becoming the main base of Grant's Union army of the Potomac (under Meade) when it moved south of the James to besiege Petersburg in June 1864.

Although Petersburg was connected by a Union controlled railroad to City Point, and thus mail from the Army of the Potomac was evidently sent north via City Point, no occupation Army Post Office was established there until quite late in the war. Until then, such mail was processed and postmarked at Washington or Old Point Comfort.

The cover below, from a member of the U.S. Christian Commission was postmarked at Washington on Apr 7, [1865] but is datelined at City Point on March 5, and thus was over a month in transit.



Washington, Apr 7 [1865].

"Soldier Letter" crossed out, as sent by a civilian.

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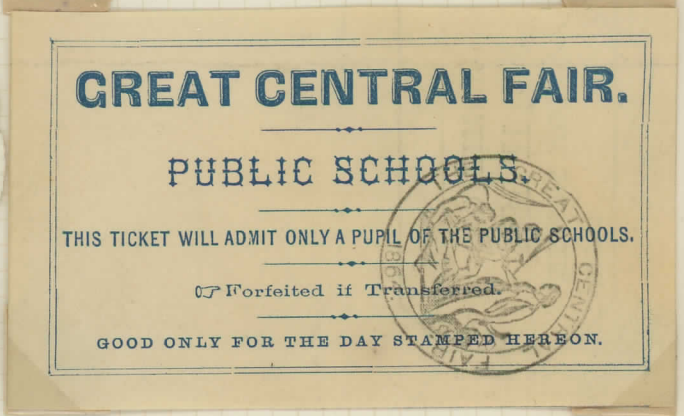
Enclosed you will find C.P. to pay for the pictures. You did exactly right in regard to the Sanitary Commission fair. God damn them its a god damn swindle and I am just the boy to tell the Sanitary Commission what they are & what they were at Gettysburg. I had nothing to eat for two days & laid under a tree without an shelter and a minister of the Sanitary had the cheek to ask me if I was hungry & when I said yes they gave me a small slice of dry bread and went into a tent about 20 yards from me where about 100 of them had a table loaded down with the luxuries of life while we poor

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AMATEUR CONCERT,
 BY THE
Amphion Musical Association,
 FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
Cooper Shop Refreshment Saloon,
 AT THE MUSICAL FUND HALL,
 On Friday April 25th, 1862.
 Concert to commence at 8 o'clock.
Tickets 50 Cts.



LEEDS AND FRANKLIN ENVELOPES



This cut-down front of a legal size envelope is one of 25,000 Leeds and Franklin patent envelopes sold by Lewis Leeds to the United States Sanitary Commission during the Civil War. Leeds was also a member of the Commission in addition to being one of the original proprietors of the patent envelopes. The printed "103" at upper left on the cover is the remains of the Sanitary Commission corner card printed as a return address on the cover, mailed as a double-rate letter at Washington, D.C. in, probably, September 1864.

The purpose of the punched-out hole with its lattice was that the stamp would be placed over the hole and thus be attached to both the envelope and the letter content, inside. The dated town postmark was then to be used to cancel the stamp. When the content was removed, the thin lattice ends would break and the stamp, with its dated postmark, would remain attached to the letter content with the lattice confined between stamp and content. The dated town postmark on the stamp would thus stay with the content and constitute a legal proof of mailing, as per the patent issued in June 1860 to Benjamin Morrison.

The concept was unintentionally but effectually voided by an order of U.S. Postmaster General Joseph Holt on July 23, 1860, requiring use of a separate cancel for stamps and banning use of the town postmark for that purpose.

The purpose of Holt's order was to prevent re-use of stamps ineffectively canceled by the dated town postmarking devices.

LETTER CONTENTS REMOVED FROM LEEDS AND FRANKLIN ENVELOPES

DAVIS, GILBERT & PLANT'S LOAN LIBRARY, CONTAINS OVER 3000 VOLUMES.

Utica, Nov 1

1865-

Messrs Thompson Coffe & Plum, Constableville
 Dr to ~~Bought of~~ Davis, Gilbert & Plant,

ROBERT H. DAVIS,
 BENJ. D. GILBERT,
 FRANK W. PLANT

BOOKSELLERS AND STATIONERS,

No. 177 Genesee Street, Five Doors Below the Central Hotel.

with Cash

Oct 11 To Mdse

\$58.30

Please remit.

Above - Color copy of opposite side of letter content at left, below.

These two invoices, sent by stationers at Utica, N. Y.



In 1865 and 1867, were sent to a customer in Leeds & Franklin envelopes. The 3¢ 1861 stamps, still adhering to the backs of the invoices, were cancelled by a separate cancel, as per regulations. The envelopes, less their lattices, were evidently discarded by the addressee when received.

Evidently, the stationer was using up a supply of the otherwise un-saleable Leeds & Franklin envelopes.

see Chronicles #103 & 104.

