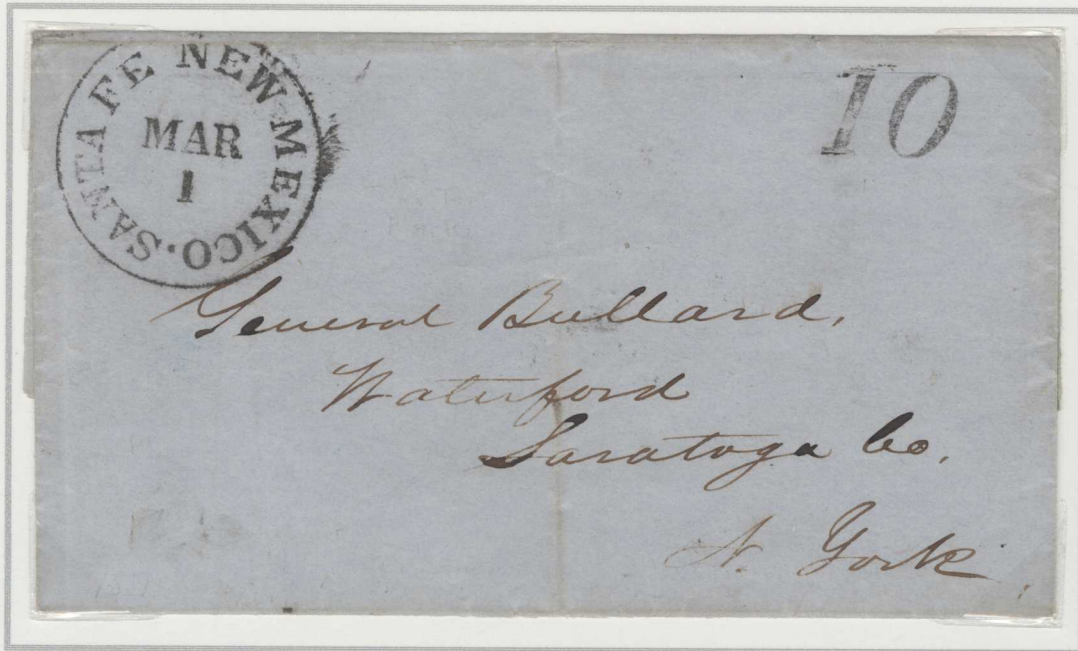


Santa Fe

The End Of The Trail

On August 18, 1846, General Stephen W. Kearny arrived in Santa Fe declaring New Mexico under United States Rule. The first order of work was to begin building a fortification near the town. Lieut. William Emory selected a site for the fort on a hill northwest of the Plaza. On August 27th 100 men began the construction of the foundation.



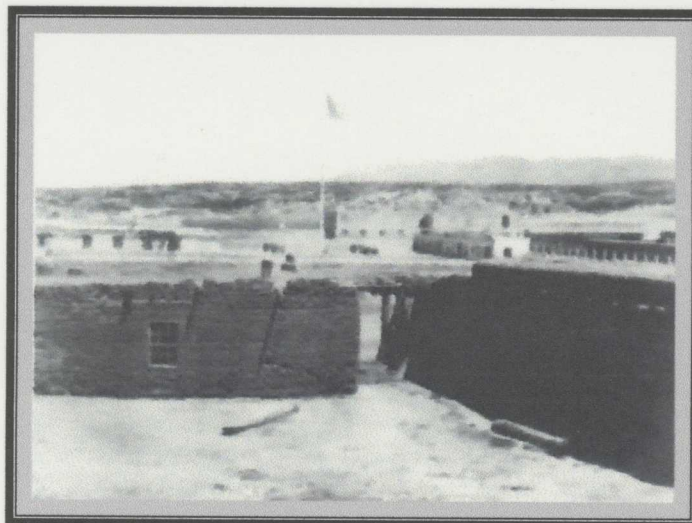
March 1, 1851 Santa Fe, New Mexico

To General Bullard Waterford, Saratoga County, New York

Large black circular *Type 2* handstamp and black 10 cent rate

From Major Shepherd, Commander at Fort Marcy, Santa Fe

Pen notation on reverse notes the date written as 16th Febry 1851



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