

Postal Stationery of the United States

Intervention in Cuba - 1898 to 1902

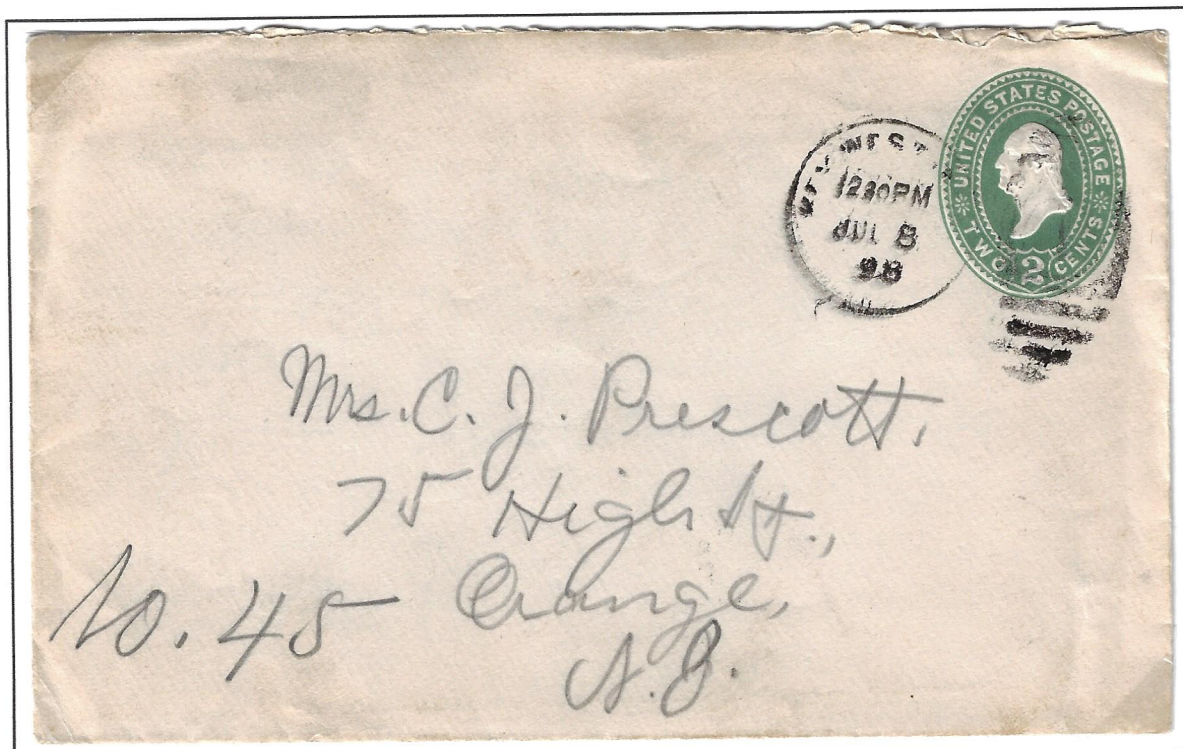
Purpose - To show U.S. postal stationery used in/from Cuba, as well as, the postal stationery issued by the United States for use in Cuba during its occupation/administration of the island. The exhibit highlights the innovations introduced by the U.S. to the Cuban posts.

Scope - The exhibit covers the four years between the establishment of the first Military Station, in 1898, and the end of the U.S. Administration on May 20, 1902.

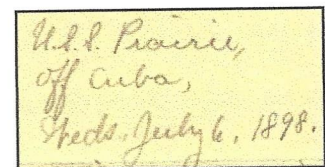
Organization - The exhibit follows a chronological traditional presentation. The story is told in four chapters. First is a sampling of U.S. stationery used from Military Stations in Cuba. Second chapter shows the interim overprinted U.S. stationery. Third chapter shows the Columbus issue. Fourth chapter introduces the Special Request envelopes.

Plan of Exhibit -

Ch.	Content	Pages
1	U.S. STATIONERY	
	U.S. Stationery from Mil. Sta.	2-18
2	OVERPRINTED U.S. STAT.	
	Overprinted Cards & Envelopes	19-68
3	COLUMBUS ISSUES	
	Envelopes & Wrappers	69-116
4	SPECIAL REQUEST	
	Special Request Envelopes	117-128



Naval Blockade -



Scan of the letter's heading. Contents relate minor action with Spanish gunboat and firing on a blockade runner.

...and so it begins!

USS *Prairie* off Cuba July 6, 1898 - Sailor's letter to New Jersey, entered the mails at Key West, FL July 8.

Importance - The most complete showing of the subject to date. Every size, knife and paper color variety is represented, as well as, much of the pre-production material and major errors.

Rarity - Rarity statements are based on the "Postal Stationery of Cuba and Puerto Rico Under United States Administration" 2015 Edition, (to which the Exhibitor contributed as Associate Editor), or on the Exhibitor's own knowledge.

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The icon:  denotes original research.

