

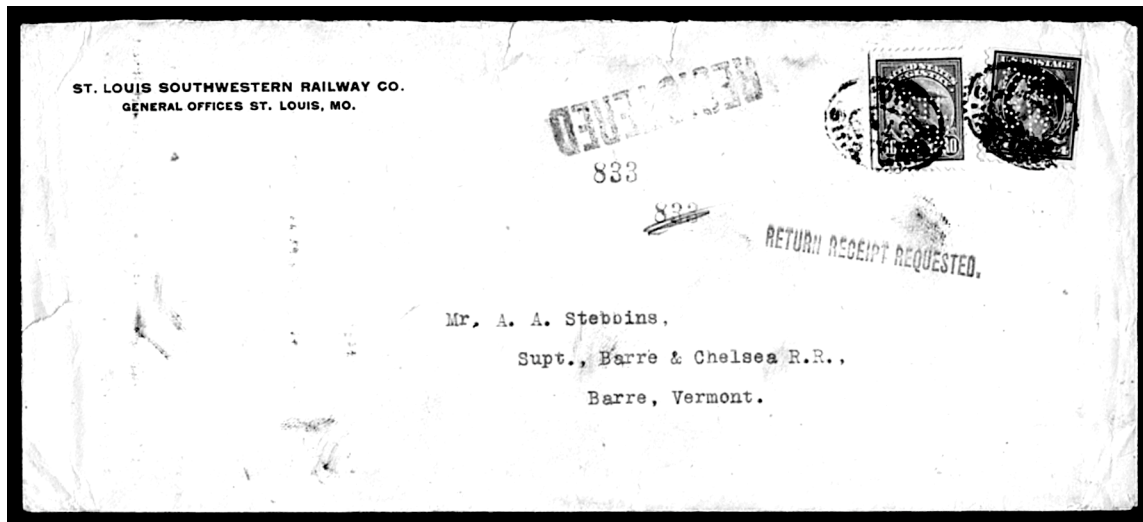
Perfins as Postal History #4

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While reading the June issue of TPB I noted that in a "Spotted Elsewhere" feature on page 90 that a recent Linn's "Stamp Market Tips" feature mentioned the U.S. 1911 registry stamp. In it author David Kols was quoted as noting " Perfins of F1 are also extremely rare. I have never seen one on cover."

Accompanying this article is a cover with a perfins

F1 (S-284) and 4 cent Washington-Franklin. This registered cover, weighing over 1 ounce, was mailed from St. Louis on Feb 21, 1917, and received in Barre, VT on Feb 23. Additionally, as the handstamp indicates, a return receipt was requested. There was no additional fee required at this time for return receipt service above the basic registry fee of 10 cents.



While I don't know how rare an F1 perfins is on cover, I recall seeing one other in an exhibit once.

For those who are interested in perfins patterns found on F1, a checklist was published in the NOV -

DEC 1981 issue of TPB, pg. 125. Only 15 patterns were listed (and S-284 was not included). Perhaps someone can update the list and publish a revised checklist.