

Civil War Patriotic Cover

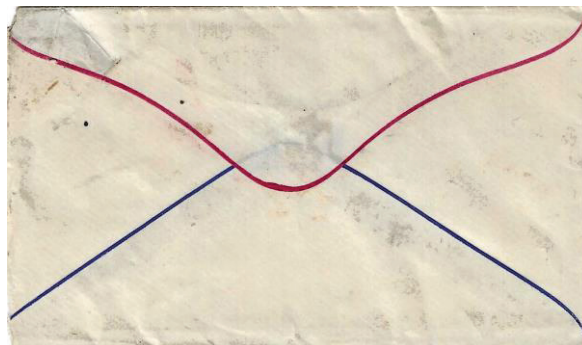
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New Orleans, Louisiana was the largest city and most active port in the Confederate States during the American Civil War. The Union naval and field forces under the command of Flag Officer David Farragut were able to defeat the Confederate defenses and capture New Orleans on April 24, 1862. From that date, the Union Forces maintained possession of the New Orleans city and the surrounding area.

The subject cover was sent from New Orleans on April 28, presumably in 1862, by one of the Union Force members, Arthur N. Chase, to his wife in Nottingham, New Hampshire possibly to inform her of the successful capture of the city. (The initials A. N. C. in the lower left corner indicate who was the sender). The postage stamp on the cover is Scott #65 which was issued in 1861. The sender marked the back of the envelope with blue and red ink to show the patriotic colors of the Union Forces.



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References:

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