

# Confederate Census of Bowling Green, Kentucky, Stampless Markings

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## Description



Type A



Type B



Type C

### Bowling Green Stampless Markings (not to scale)

The different markings are identified by the 2012 *Confederate States of American (CSA) Catalog and Handbook* Stampless Type. The letters "X, Y, and Z," are used to designate added items not in the CSA Catalog. The absence of a CSA Catalog Type in the illustrations above indicates that item is not included in the census.

Items are presented in the census in the order of the illustrations above.

This census is based on images of covers. Only covers for which an image was obtained are listed in the census. For this reason, this census may be far from complete.

## Occupation of Bowling Green

In early September 1861 Confederate General Simon Bolivar Buckner led a Confederate force into Kentucky and occupied the city of Bowling Green. Soon General Albert Sidney Johnston, commander of the Western Theater established his headquarters at Bowling Green. From this location the Confederates exercised control over lower southern Kentucky. By early February Union victories in the east and west forced the Confederate forces to withdraw to the south thus ending the occupation Bowling Green.

A Confederate post office was established in the town primarily to serve the large number of troops in the vicinity. The office ceased operation with the withdrawal of Confederate forces.

## Blue Ink

Some Bowling Green markings are in blue ink. The shade of the blue ink can vary from light to dark. In most cases the designation markings in blue is taken from auction descriptions.

**NOTE:** Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the census, but the inclusion of an item is not a guarantee of authenticity.

## Count of the Bowling Green Stampless Markings

Marking	Color	Type	Covers	Everett Count*
PAID + 5 (in circle)	Black	A	1	1
PAID + 5 (in circle)	Blue	Ax	1	--
PAID / 10 (in circle)	Black	B	1	2
PAID / 10 (in circle)	Blue	Bx	2	--
5 (in circle) [due]	Black	C	2	--
5 (in circle) [due]	Blue	Cx	1	--

\* See "Stampless - Important Information" on Stampless Covers page for information on the Everett Count.

## Mini Census of Bowling Green, Kentucky, Stampless Covers

<u>Pmk Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>PmkPos</u>	<u>PrvPos</u>	<u>CN</u>
<b>PAID + 5 (in circle), black-- Type A</b>				
21 Jan [1862]	Miss Terrie Worthington / Grand Lake / Arks.	LL	UL-UC	007*
<b>PAID + 5 (in circle), blue -- Type Ax</b>				
23 Jan [1862]	Mr Jas J Fraley Esq / Hamburg / Tenn	UL-CTR	UC-UR	001*
<b>PAID / 10 (in circle), blue -- Type Bx</b>				
21 Jan [1862]	Rev. T. R. Markham / 4th District / New Orleans / L[a]	CL	UC-UR	003*
22 Jan [1862]	Mrs Callie Slemons / Monticello / Drew Co/ Arks	UC	UR	002*
<b>5 [due], black -- Type C</b>				
7 Jan [1862]	Mrs Indianuah [sic] / Freean [sic] / Randolph / Ten	UL	CL	004
7 Jan [1862]	Mrs Mary Simmons / Hicksville / Rutherford County / N. C.	CTR-UR	UR-CR	006*
<b>5 [due], blue -- Type Cx</b>				
7 Jan [1862]	Lieut T H Willis / Crystal Springs / Miss	LL	UR	005*

\* Indicates a color image

## Full Census of Bowling Green, Kentucky, Stampless Covers

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### PAID + 5 (in circle), black-- Type A

21 Jan [1862]

**Description:** Black "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark LL, Type A marking UL-UC. Date docketing UC-UR. "DUE / 5" marking is that of Memphis, Tennessee.

**Address:** Miss Terrie Worthington / Grand Lake / Arks.

**Provenance:** None recorded.

**Source:** Private\*. [007]

**Image Credit:** Courtesy Trish Kaufmann.



### PAID + 5 (in circle), blue -- Type Ax

23 Jan [1862]

**Description:** Blue "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark UL-CTR, Type Ax marking UC-UR.

**Address:** Mr Jas J Fraley Esq / Hamburg / Tenn

**Provenance:** Warren

**Source:** SR-27apr2013(53)-4083\*. [001]

**Image Credit:** Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



**PAID / 10 (in circle), blue -- Type Bx**

**21 Jan [1862]**

**Description:** Blue "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark CL, Type Bx marking UC-UR.

**Address:** Rev. T. R. Markham / 4th District / New Orleans / L[a]

**Provenance:** None recorded.

**Source:** Private\*; RAS-9Jun1998(801)-104. [003]

**Image Credit:** Private Collection.



**22 Jan [1862]**

**Description:** Blue "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark UC, Type Bx marking UR.

**Address:** Mrs Callie Slemons / Monticello / Drew Co/ Arks

**Provenance:** Warren

**Source:** SR-17Nov2008(35)-2718\*; SR-25Apr2024(115)-2035\*. [002]

**Image Credit:** Schuyler Rumsey Auctions.



**5 [due], black -- Type C**

**7 Jan [1862]**

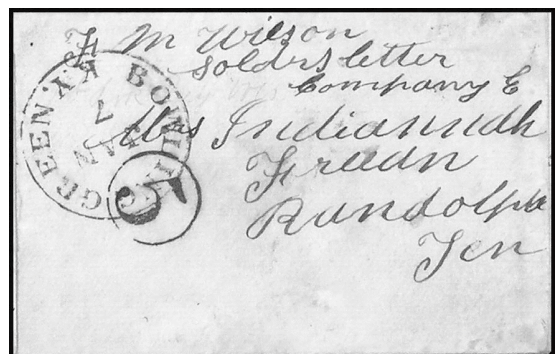
**Description:** "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark UL, Type C marking CL. Soldier's endorsement across top.

**Address:** Mrs Indianuah [sic] / Freean [sic] / Randolph / Ten

**Provenance:** None recorded.

**Source:** Private. [004]

**Image Credit:** Private Collection.



7 Jan [1862]

**Description:** Black "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark CTR-UR, Type C marking UR-CR. Soldier's endorsement UC-UR. Jefferson Davis medallion patriotic cover.

**Address:** Mrs Mary Simmons / Hicksville / Rutherford County / N. C.

**Provenance:** None recorded.

**Source:** Private\*. [006]

**Image Credit:** Private Collection.



## 5 [due], blue -- Type Cx

7 Jan [1862]

**Description:** Black "BOWLING GREEN / KY." postmark LL, Type Cx marking UR. Soldier's endorsement across left end. "DUE / 10" marking is that of Memphis, Tennessee.

**Address:** Lieut T H Willis / Crystal Springs / Miss

**Provenance:** None recorded.

**Source:** Private\*. [005]

**Image Credit:** Private Collection.

