

## The 3¢ Nashville Provisional

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This presentation is about an in-depth postal history research project on the 3¢ Nashville postmasters' provisional. The objective was to determine which of the three different types of this provisional was the authentic and which were fake.

The history of the provisional was traced in detail from its first mention in philatelic literature (1865) to the early 21st century. In addition, contemporary non-philatelic sources were searched for information to place the subject in the proper the historical background. The result is a conclusion that was completely unexpected.

