Synopsis

This exhibit shows various covers and/or telegrams from various Pioneer Telegraph Companies of the North East, and adjacent connections.

A couple of the original telegraph tapes are shown; these normally would be destroyed after the telegram is transcribed on the telegraph form for remittance to the addressee. However, some were saved against company regulations.

A few telegrams of the Civil War period are included with the appropriate revenue tax applied.

Changes in the envelope format or the telegram form; some of these changes have not been noted before.

A brief history is noted throughout a few of the telegraph companies.