

<p>Sale 268</p> <p>November 1, 2003</p> <p>Lot 1933</p>		<p>✉</p> <p>[Stand Watie], two covers addressed to the future Confederate general, first with "Office Indian Affairs/ Official Business" handstamp and frank of Wm. Medill on Washington drop cover to "<i>Mr. Stand Watie (Cherokee)</i>" with light strike of red c.d.s. and attached "Free", the other with manuscript postmark "Beaties Prairie Ark. May 29th" and "10" on ca. 1850 folded cover to "<i>Colonel Stand Watie Treaty Delegation C. Nation</i>" in Washington, Fine and desirable pair. <i>At the beginning of the Civil War, Watie raised a company of home guard and was commissioned Captain. Active as a cavalry raider, he fought at Wilson's Creek and Pea Ridge in addition to many skirmishes in Indian Territory and Arkansas. On May 10, 1864 he was appointed Brigadier General. Despite political divisions among the Cherokees that repudiated treaties with the C.S.A., General Watie remained loyal to the Confederacy, not surrender until June 23, 1865.</i></p> <p>Estimate 300 - 400</p> <p>Realized \$743</p>
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