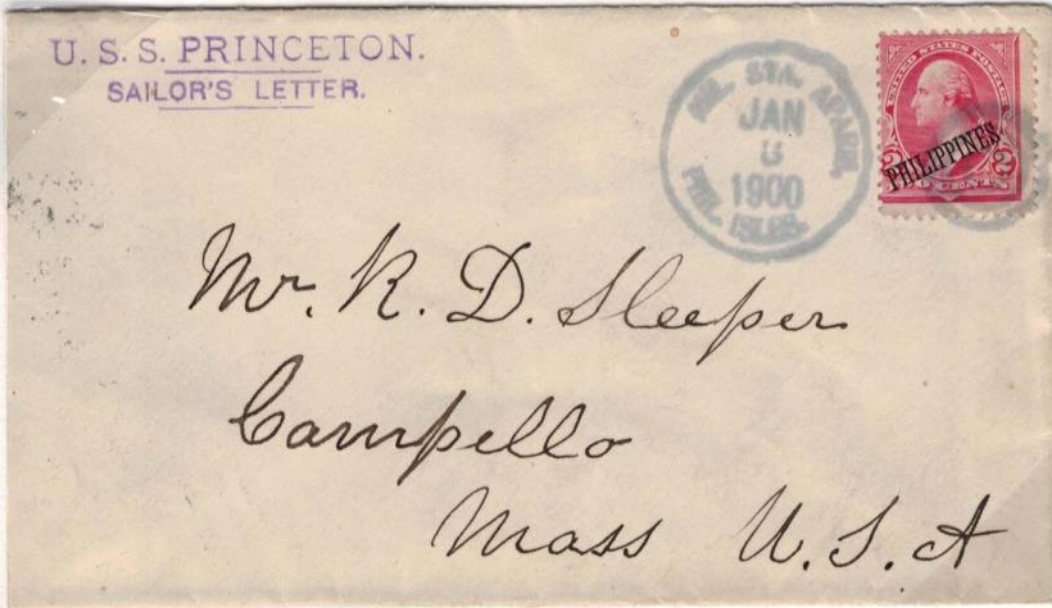


PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Mil Sta. Aparri
3 January 1900
3 February 1900
10 August 1901



The U.S.S. *Concord* anchored off Aparri in northernmost Luzon and took formal possession in May 1899. However, there are no recorded examples of an Aparri postmark until December 1899. The lower cover shows cds with a scalloped edge, clearly a second form of the device. The "M.O.B." cancel shown used on a money order receipt is the discovery example of this marking, previously unrecorded in any of the literature.