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The Henry H. Clifford Collection of Western covers is one of the most significant holdings in this field ever put together. It was commenced approximately in 1936 and was continued until very recently. It comprises a remarkably interesting showing as will be seen from the catalogue and makes an important contribution to philatelic research in this area, so rich in Postal History. The collection has been on exhibition many times and has deservedly won numerous awards. This is certainly the most extensive offering of covers of the various Express operators ever to be offered at a single time, with covers present from almost every "Expressman" serving the Great West in the early days of its postal history.

Apart from their rarity and value, these old letters to and from the West in the thrilling "Days of '49" carry an aura of intimacy and warmth when one reads of "letters from home" and how much they meant to the "Argonauts" and their families. These letters provided the only link between East and West. Here will be found letters that traversed the continent by land, through untold hazards and hardships. There are those that went via the sea routes, breaking the voyage at Panama, Nicaragua or even Mexico in order to link the Atlantic and Pacific.

Here is a wonderful variety of covers of the Express companies, some being one-man operations only, who took the letters from the larger central offices and brought them directly to the miners, wherever they happened to be working. From these rough beginnings one is able to trace the development of the mail and express business from the great multiplicity of small carriers to the eventual nationwide operations of Wells, Fargo & Co.

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WESTERN POSTAL HISTORY COVERS

CALIFORNIA MISSION LETTER

1 Mision de San Jose, 27 de Mayo (circa 1810) heads holograph letter in Spanish from Padre Narciso Duran (one of the more famous of the early Mission Fathers) to the Reverend "Padre Procurador" at the College of San Fernando, in Mexico City. One of the earliest of the few Mission letters known and in excellent condition; noted "Recd" the 29th July, two months in transit. E. IX

COVERS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST

(See also section of California Postmarks)

OCEAN MAIL — EAST TO WEST

2 10c Green, Ty. I (13). Huge margins to barely touched at U. L., tied by Red "Boston, Mass." & Boston "Paid" on June 1, 1855 cover to Santa Barbara, Cal., almost invisible cover fold thru stamp, otherwise Fine, Early Usage (Photo) 250.00

3 10c Green, Ty. III (15). Three large margins, just touched at L., tied by Boston "Paid" to Santa Barbara, California, small sealed cover tear, Fine 45.00

4 Pr. Str. California, ms. to Albany, N. Y., Per Steamer Geo. Law ms. to Michigan Bluffs, Cal., also a third cover with request to The Postmaster of Sacramento to hold until addressee returns from the mines, Three Very Fine "Out-of-The-Mail" covers E. III

5 Due 4 in Bold Str. Line and in ms., 3c Rose (11). Two copies tied by "Newark N. J. May 22" pmk on 1855 cover to San Francisco, Fresh, Fine, early use of 10c California Rate E. II

6 Per Steamer Empire City ms. on 1850 cover, Baltimore pmk. in Blue, Red "Paid" "40", highly interesting commercial letter to S. F., Very Fine, Ex-Knapp, Wiltsee (Photo) E. IV

7 "Eureka" Isabelle Blyth", "James Stewart", ms. Ship routings on three covers, circa 1850, to S. F., all "out of the mails", Very Fine, one from Canton, China E. II

8 Mazatlan, May 9, 1850, Heads letter to S. F. with Bright Orange Red "40" in box, a typical early S. F. rate marking, Very Fine Unusual rate from one West Coast port to another, Ex-Wiltsee E. III

LOTS ON VIEW FROM JANUARY 16th

OFFICES OPEN SATURDAY BEFORE SALE

The lots in this sale will be on exhibition 9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. Friday, January 3rd, 1969 at the Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California.
9  Per Str. New Orleans, ms. on 1850 cover from Valparaiso, Chile to S. F. with Orange Red “San Francisco, Cal.” pmk. & matching “Ship 6” in ornate circle, Very Fine, Scarce in Red ................................. (Photo)  E. V
10  New Orleans, La., “Paid” 80c, rate in ms., pmks in Red on 1851 cover to S. F., Extremely Scarce rate from New Orleans ........................................... (Photo)  E. V
11  New York, “80”, in separate circles, clear strikes on 1850 cover to San Francisco, Upper California, bit worn & slightly soiled, Fine & Scarce (Photo)  E. IV
12  “Per Oregon” ms. endorsement on 1851 cover to S. F., Bold “New York, 40” pmk., Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo)  E. III
13  New York Ocean Mail, pmk., Sharp Bold strike ties two shades of 3c Red (11) to small cover to S. F., Fine, Very Attractive ...................................... E. III
14  New York Ocean Mail, pmk., Bold strike ties 10c Green, Ty. III (33) to neat Orange cover to S. F., Very Fine ...................................................... (Photo)  E. IV
15  Per Steamer Prometheus, ms. on 1852 cover to S. F., Clear Red “New-Paid—York, 6” pmk. Very Fine Ex Knapp, Wiltsee ........................................ E. III
16  Steam, Mazatlan, in clear oval on orange cover to San Francisco, clear S. F. pmk., & “10” obliterated by grid; Back of cover has small nick, fresh, Very Fine .......................................................... (Photo)  E. VII
17  Steam, Panama, in oval, Bold “Due 6” on 1864 cover to S. F., 3c Rose (65) badly clipped at one side, tied by S. F. pmk., Scarce postal markings, Fine cover ......................................................... E. III
18  Vapor Lima, P, Str. Lines on 1853 cover to S. F. ms. “P. Steamer” 50c rate pencilled out & “68” substituted, no other markings, Very Fine .......... E. IV
19  Steamship Winfield Scott, Two Str. Lines in Red, Bold “Steam 5” in circles & Red “New Orleans” pmk., on back is “Forwarded by Davis, Brooks & Co., New York” in Red oval, Very Fine, scarce usage on the ship before she was put on the Pacific service to California (see also Lot #52) (Photo) E. VII
20  By Steamer Via Chagres & Panama, ms. on cover to S. F., “50c” In Red inked out & “80” substituted, bit aged & “dog-eared” in corners, Scarce ................................................................. E. III
21  Westbound Covers, to San Francisco, Five, Albany, N. Y., Exeter, N. Y., New Castle, Me., Newark, N. J. (2) all with “Paid 10” Fine—Very Fine ................................................ E. III
22  Westbound Mail, Eight covers (one a front only) to S. F. all 40c rate shown in ms., incl. Hartford, Conn. Illustrated corner card, Newark, N. J., Albany, N. Y., etc; one has nick, otherwise a Fine Lot ......................................... E. IV

OCEAN MAIL — WEST TO EAST

24  California, Red Str. Line on 1850 cover to Bordeaux, France, Orange S. F. pmk., matching “56” also “Paid” & numerous transit pmks, Rate strengthened, otherwise Very Fine .............................................. E. V
25  China & Japan Steam Service, in clear Magenta oval, 10c E Grill (89) S.E. at L., & few toned spots, tied by square dots, “San Francisco” pmk. on cover to Conn., ms. “U. S. Flagship Delaware, Yokohama” at U. L. Fine, Scarce cover ......................................................... (Photo)  E. VI
29  Los Angeles, 20 March 1844, heads letter to London, with "Franco En
Horcasitas" in Red Str. Lines, ms. "Por Vera Cruz" with Vera Cruz &
English transit pmks., ms "$\frac{3}{4}$" Due rate, Very Scarce usage from the
West under Mexican rule ......................................................... (Photo) E. XI

30  Magdalena Bay, Lower California, Dec. 16, 1847 heads letter to Provi-
dence, R. I., "New Bedford, Ms. Oct. 17" pmk. (1848) matching "Ship”,
ms. "12" Extremely interesting letter giving a graphic & stirring account
of the wreck of the Whaler "Hope", from the captain to the owners, Fine,
a wonderful Postal History cover ............................................. E. VI

31  Nevada City, Cal., "4 Paid", pmk. on 3c Die I Entire (U2) on cover to
Germany, ms. "26c paid" & "U. S. Pkt.” in Str. Line, various transit &
Due marks, cover tears far from stamp, Fine, unusual use .............. E. III

32  N. York Steamship, in clear circle, no date, ties 3c Rose (65) to neat cover
to Vermont, Bold "Due 7", ms. "From U. S. S. Saramac, Pacific Squadron”,
highly interesting letter enclosed, headed "Off Acapulco, Apr. 28, 1865”
mentions arrival of S. F. mail with news of Lincoln’s assassination, among
other comments, Very Fine, Choice Postal History piece ............. (Photo) E. VII

33  Oahu (Waahoo) Sand. I, Oct. 8, 1822, heads missionary letter to N. Y.
State, via "Ship Spermo, Nantucket” with ms. "Edgartown, Ms., March 28”
pmk., & "Ship Free”, no postage charged since addressed to the Post
Master, Very Interesting letter. Very Early for Hawaii, only slightly aged,
Fine, from the Loomis correspondence ..................................... (Photo) E. IX

34  Paid To Panama, Two lines, British pmk., with red ms. "4/–", Bold "Steam
Ship” & "Free” on reduced legal size cover from Paita, Peru to Washing-
ton, D. C., Fine ............................................................... E. III

35  Sacramento City, Cal., Apr. 11, 1861, clear strikes tie two 10c Green, Ty.
V (35) on opposite ends of fresh cover to Augusta, Me., slight perf. faults,
otherwise Very Fine, Attractive ............................................... E. II

36  San Francisco, Clear Str. Line pmk., Red ms. "June 20” & "40” on fresh
cover to N. Y. State, Very Fine, Scarce ...................................... (Photo) E. XII

37  San Francisco, Oct. 8, '48, heads letter to Boston, via Mexico, (Isthmus
of Tehuantepec?), New Orleans, with Vera Cruz pmk. & New Orleans,
La. with "Ship” & "12”. Very Interesting letter refers to sailors deserting
their ships for the mines, difficulties of commerce, etc. Small cover tear
tiny nick & minor stains, otherwise Fine, Scarce Routing .............. E. V

38  San Francisco, Cal., "20”, clear strikes on 1852 unpaid double letter to
Boston, ms. "pr. Golden Gate" Very Fine .................................. E. IV

39  San Francisco, Cal., heads 1850 letter to N. Y., Large "30” in Red indi-
cates out of the mails until Panama, where rate mark applied, stained
in R. margin, otherwise Fine .................................................... E. III

40  San Francisco, 40, 15 Jul., clear strike in Orange Red, on 1850 cover to
Phila., ms. "Per Steamer Tennessee” Fine ................................ E. IV

41  San Francisco, 40, in clear circle on 1850 cover to N. Y., ms. "Steamer
Isthmus, 17th Sept.” Very Fine, Ex Wiltsee ............................ (Photo) E. V

42  San Francisco, 40, Partial faint strike in Orange Red on 1850 cover to
London, ms. "By first Steamer, via Panama" 59c hdstp. rate changed to
56c by ms., also English due marking. Somewhat aged & worn, yet at-
tractive, Very Rare ............................................................... E. V

43  San Francisco, Cal., Mar. 1, 1861, ties 10c Green, Ty. V (35) to neat
cover to Ohio, ms. "Via Panama, per Steamer Cortez”, Very Fine .......... E. III

44  San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 20, 1859 ties 10c Green, Ty. V (35) to letter to
N. Y., ms. "per Steamer Uncle Sam”, letter shows through, filing crease
across stamp, Very Fine appearance ....................................... E. II

45  San Francisco, Cal., "10", Purser, Two Bold hdstsps., on cover docketed
"London, June 19, ’69” addressed to S. F., Very Fine, Exceedingly Scarce,
carried out of the mails until it reached S. F. .............................. (Photo) E. VII

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“Steam 40”, “ST” not struck up, matching “New Orleans, La.” pmk. on cover to Indiana, cover worn & creased, but very scarce usage from California, via Panama, through New Orleans Post Office ................................................................. E. II

Steam, Acapulco, clear oval, on 3c 1864 Entire (U58) to Vermont, S. F. pmk., cover extensively restored at top, yet attractive & Scarce ................................................................. E. III

Steam, Manzanillo, Bold strike in oval, “20” & “San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 12, 1865” pmk. on cover to S. F. originating at Havana, Cuba, Extremely Fine, Very Scarce (Photo) ................................................................. E. X

Steam, Panama, Bold oval, “San Francisco, Cal., 10” pmk. on cover docketed 1872 originating at Libertad, Extremely Fine (photo) ................................................................. E. VII

Steam Ship, Two Lines, “80” in circle, clear strikes on neat buff cover to Akron, Ohio, cover mended, far from pmks, Fine, Rare (Photo) ................................................................. E. VII

Steam Ship in two Bold Str. Lines on HOfi z., Pair 3c Rose (11) margins all around, on 1854 cover from S. F. to N. Y. with Handstamp Corner Card at L. L., Very Fine & Attractive ................................................................. E. III

Steamer Winfield Scott, Two Str. Lines in Red, clear hdstp. on cover to Illinois, Bold “Nevada City, Cal., 3 Paid” pmk., also additional “Paid 3” neatly mended hole in center of address, otherwise Very Fine, a Rare Wreck cover as the “Winfield Scott” was lost on this voyage; the mail's treasure & passengers were saved, Ex–Lichstein ................................................................. E. IX

Steamer Covers, Two “Courtesy” covers to Maine, each endorsed “Will Purser Daily deposit in N. Y. P. O. & oblige” one with 3c Red (26) other with three 3c Red (26) avoiding the 10c rate, one cover has corner nick, otherwise Fine ................................................................. E. II

Str. Arcata, Blue Str. Line ties 3c Green (207) to front only of cover. “Marshfield, Oregon, Coos Co. Aug. 1, 1888” clear Brown Duplex Pmk. also ties stamp. Rare coastal steamer marking, Fine ................................................................. E. II

Via Panama, with woodcut of old Side–Wheel Steamship, “Geo. H. Bell, S. F.” Imprint., 10c green, Ty. V (35) tied by S. F. pmk. on neat cover to Buffalo, N. Y., Couple of tiny cover tears, flap missing, Fine, Ex–Knapp, Wiltsee ................................................................. E. IX

Weaverville, Cal., matching “Paid 10” in arc, struck twice, on cover to Washington, D. C., ms. “Via Tehuantepec”, Illustrated in Ashbrook, Vol. II, p. 254, Very Fine Cover, Extremely Rare (Photo) ................................................................. E. XII

NICARAGUA LINE — AHEAD OF THE MAIL

Via Nicaragua, In ms. on cover to N. Y. with “Boyd's City Express Post” hdstp. in oval, Very Fine, note on back states 1853 usage from S. F., Ex–Wiltsee ................................................................. E. III

Nicaragua Line In Advance of the Mails, In oval, partly complete strike on small cover to Stockton, California, Blue “Adams & Co's Express, San Francisco” in mostly readable oval, Fine, Extremely Scarce, one of the few East to West “via Nicaragua” covers known, Ex–Wiltsee (Photo) ................................................................. E. XI

Forwarded Via Nicaragua From Noisy Carrier’s Publishing Hall in clear fancy Green frame on cover to Mass., 3c Rose (11) Horiz. Pair, margins all around, tied by “New York Ship”, Very Fine, Handsome & Rare, with return card on back ................................................................. (Photo) E. XI

Forwarded Via Nicaragua From Noisy Carrier's Publishing Hall, in clear Blue frame except “Forwarded” mostly missing, on 6c Green Entire (U13) to Mass. “Steam Ship” in two lines on stamp & “Due 6” in Bold Str. Line on the cover, Fine & Rare ................................................................. (Photo) E. XI

Via Nicaragua In Advance of the Mails, Bold strike in oval on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Boston, clear “New York Ship” cancel on stamp, no flap and top margin irregular, but choice markings, Ex–Barkhausen (Photo) E. VIII

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62 Via Nicaragua Ahead of The Mails, in clear Red Octagonal box on cover to Providence, R. I., 12c Black, Bisect (17a) Tied, but not across cut by clear “New York”, Signed “J. M. Bartels” & stated by him to be “guaranteed genuine.” Very Fine, Rare & Attractive .............. (Photo) E. XI

63 Via Nicaragua Ahead of The Mails, Clear Strike in Red octagonal frame on mourning envelope to Peoria, Illinois, Two 3c Red (11) margins to bit in, tied by Bold “New York Ship”. A Very Handsome cover, Very Scarce (Photo) E. IX

64 Via Nicaragua Ahead of The Mails, Leland, in clear Blue octagonal frame on cover to Maine, Pair of 3c Rose Red (11) damaged before using, tied by “New York Ship”, A Very Scarce marking, Most Attractive ........ (Photo) E. IX

65 Via Nicaragua In Advance of The Mails, Sullivan, Red oval, unusually Clear Strike on 6c Green on Buff Entire (U14) to Penna., Bold N. Y. pmk., Very Fine, Scarce, Ex Barkhausen ................... (Photo) E. XII

66 Stmr. Sierra Nevada, Via Nicaragua, Advance of The Mails, in Blue oval, clear strike on cover to N. Y. State, Pair 3c Red (11) one badly clipped but nicely tied by bold “New York Ship”, Very Scarce & Attractive Cover (Photo) E. IX

NOISY CARRIER, SAN FRANCISCO

67 Noisy Carrier's Mail, San Francisco, in oval, incomplete strike on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Harrisburg, Pa., clear S. F. pmk., stain in U. L. corner and repaired nick, A Very Scarce marking, Ex-Knapp, Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII

68 From Noisy Carrier's Mail, 77 Long Wharf, S. F., Cal. unusually clear strike in Green frame, to Maine, with Horiz. Pair 3c Rose Red (11) margins except just in at L., tied by S. F. cancel trivial age specks still Very Fine cover, signed by Ashbrook ....................... (Photo) E. XI

69 From Noisy Carriers Mail, Long Wharf, S. F. Cal., clear strike in frame on cover to Maine with two 10c Green, Ty. III & Ty. IV (15, 16) the Ty. III is cut in at bot., the Ty. IV Recut at R., just touched at R., Choice & Rare cover ................................. (Photo) E. XI


71 Forwarded via Nicaragua From Noisy Carriers Publishing Hall, San Francisco in Frame with arc at top, clear handstamp on an old French lithograph, pastel colors, least bit age stained. Interesting collateral item .......... E. IV

FORWARDERS' COVERS

72 Forwarded by Wm. T. Coleman & Co., In long Greenish oval, clear strike on flap of cover to St. Louis, Mo., with 3c Rose (65) tied by N. Y. Duplex pmk., cover slightly reduced, Very Fine, Scarce .................. E. III


74 Cova & Co, Panama, In Red, small fancy oval, clear, slightly strengthened strike, on 1855 cover to S. F., originating at Havana, Very Fine (Photo) E. IV

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G. B. POST & CO.

A Pacific Forwarder who handled covers in & out of San Francisco & Ports all over the Pacific Ocean.

75 Forwarded By G. B. Post & Co., San Francisco, clear hdstp. in oval on cover to Boston, from Sydney, Australia, via San Francisco, with clear S. F. pmk. & “10”, Very Fine, the “Post” oval is Exceedingly Scarce (Photo) E. X

76 Forwarded By G. B. Post & Co., San Francisco, mostly clear octagonal hdstp. on cover to Tahiti, Society Islands, clear Red “Boston 10cts”, matching “Paid” sealed cover tears, one through hdstp., otherwise Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. VII

77 Forwarded By Wm. Nelson, Panama in clear Red Oval on plain envelope to S. F., “20” rate hdstp., minor aging, Fine & Scarce (Photo) E. VIII

78 Forwarded By Wm. Nelson, Panama, Clear Red oval on small mourning envelope to “Black River, Jamaica”, with pmks of Panama, St. Thomas & Black River, a little age stained, otherwise Very Fine, Very Scarce (Photo) E. VIII


80 Forwarded By Zachrisson, Nelson & Co. Panama, in Bold Oval on back of cover to S. F., “20” rate in Orange Red, Very Fine (Photo) E. VI

81 Forwarded By Zachrisson, Nelson & Co., Panama, In oval, two light strikes on 1849 cover to London, originating at S. F. ,with the forwarder’s acknowledgement on back, “10” in circle & “2/-” collect mark, Fine (Photo) E. IV

82 Zachrisson, Nelson & Co., Panama, In clear oval on flap of 1849 cover to S. F., Rare “80” in Box, showing double rate, ms. Via Chagres & Panama”, minor cover wrinkles, otherwise Very Fine (Photo) E. VIII

OVERLAND MAIL

CHORPENNING ROUTE VIA PLACERVILLE AND SALT LAKE CITY


84 Placerville, Cal., Fairly clear strike barely ties 10c Green, Tl. III (33), s. e. at bot., ms. cancel, ms. “Via Salt Lake” to Washington, D. C., Excellent example of the scarce Chorpenning Route use, Placerville, via Salt Lake City (Photo) E. V

85 Choo Choo Envelopes, Two, “Per Overland Mail Stage, via Placerville, In Hope of The (Railroad);” “Overland Mail, Via Placerville”, each with picture of old train, Unused, Very Fine (Photo) E. V

86 Putt’s Overland Envelope, Satirical envelope, deriding “Uncle Sam’s Great Mule Railroad”, Back of cover with a comical poem, all Propaganda in favor of a Pacific Railroad. Addressed to Illinois, no stamp or postmark, Very Fine (Photo) E. IV

87 Putt’s Free & Easy Envelope, Satirical Propaganda Envelope, promoting the Railroad, with picture of old Railroad Train, Back of cover with extensive list of fantastic Mining town names, some legitimate, others a hoax, Unused, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. IV
**BUTTERFIELD ROUTE — OVERLAND VIA LOS ANGELES**

88 □ By the Overland Mail Stage, via Los Angeles”, “Choo-Choo” label with old R. R. train, affixed to cover to Ohio, 10c Green, Ty. V (35) tied by “San Francisco, Cal., Mar. 15, 1861” a Straddle copy with L. Center Line, Very Fine ............................................................. (Photo) E. VI

89 □ Los Angeles, Cal., Clear Strike on 1860 cover to “Dickinson’s Landing, Canada West”, 15c rate paid by pair 1c Blue, Ty. V (24) & single 3c Red (26) & 10c Green, Ty. V (35) each with neat grid cancel. A Red “20” rate mark has been obliterated by square grid & “15” in Red Octagon struck on the cover. Very Fine, Attractive & Extremely Rare ................................................ (Photo) E. VIII

90 □ Overland, Paid 20, Todds Valley, Cal., Three separate handstamps, all clear sharp strikes on cover to Conn., couple of tiny cover tears & least bit reduced at R., nevertheless Very Fine, Extremely Scarce, the “Paid 20” being of utmost rarity, Ex-Knapp, Wiltsee .................................................. (Photo) E. XI

91 □ Overland, Str. Line hdsp., on cover to Halifax, Nova Scotia, with Vert. strip of Four 3c Red (26) tied by “San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30, 1859” pmk., also Blue Express Co. “Paid” in oval. & Red “U. States” exchange mark, two stamps damaged, a Handsome cover ................................................. (Photo) E. VII

92 □ Overland, via Los Angeles, Printed, 3 str. lines on 3c 1853 Entire (U10) with 1c #24, & pair 3c #26 to make the 10c rate to Virginia, “San Francisco, Cal., Jul. 25, 1859” pmk. The 1c has an ink spot, cover reduced at R., affecting embossed stamp, somewhat water stained, Scarce usage, Ex Wiltsee ........................................... (Photo) E. VII

93 □ Overland Mail, via: “Los Angeles” Two lines, Printed on cover to Conn., 10c rate paid by pair of 3c Ty. I (25), single 3c imperf. (11) & 1c Ty. V (24), latter overlapping on the #11, all tied by “San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 21, 1859” Fine, unusual combination on a very scarce overland cover ........................................... (Photo) E. X

94 □ Overland, via Los Angeles, Tiny 4–Horse Stagecoach, Rare type, ms. “Coon Creek, Cala., Feb. 20th, Paid 10cts pmk. on neat yellow cover to Maine, Very Fine, Attractive ............................................................. (Photo) E. X

95 □ Overland, Via Los Angeles, small 4–Horse Stagecoach, on cover to Maine, ms. pmk. “Port Ludlow, W. T., Feb 13, ‘60”, cover corners nicked & minor tears, Scarce Washington Terr. usage ........................................... (Photo) E. VII

96 □ Overland, via Los Angeles, on Blue “Stagecoach” cover, 4–Horse Stage, Legend “The Star of The Union—California” ms. “Woodside, Cal. Apr. 22,” pmk., 10c Green. Ty. V (35) ms. cancel. to N. Y. State, A Gorgeous example of this very scarce Stagecoach cover, Ex–Wiltsee ......................... (Photo) E. XI

97 □ Overland, via Los Angeles, In Blue, 4–Horse Stagecoach cover, “The Star of The Union—California,” “Watsonville, Cal.” pmk., readable strike, on cover to Santa Cruz, Cal., 3c Red (11), ms. cancel., Scarce Intrastate use of Stagecoach cover, minor toning at U. R., Fine ........................................... (Photo) E. VIII

98 □ Per Overland Mail, Via Los Angeles, Four Horse Stagecoach envelope, with 10c Green, Ty. I (31), beautifully tied by “Los Angeles, Cal.” pmk., stamp Very Fine but for slight age toning, cover has nick neatly mended, Very Scarce Butterfield Route use from Los Angeles, Ex–Knapp (Photo) E. IX

99 □ Overland via St. Louis, in ms. N. Y. to San Francisco, 10c rate paid by three 3c Rose (65) & 1c Blue (63), two 3c with perf. faults, all tied by N. Y. duplex & docketing over two stamps, Fine Cover ........................................... (Photo) E. II


101 □ 6c, 15c, 30c Bank Notes (189, 190, 208). Tied by smudges on legal env. to Calif. paying 51c rate, 1883, cover a bit age stained & worn, Stamps V. G.–Fine, Scarce usage ............................................................. (Photo) E. III
CENTRAL OVERLAND CALIFORNIA & PIKE'S PEAK EXPRESS CO.

The major operator between the Rocky Mountains & the East. Also operators of the Pony Express, for which Wells, Fargo & Co. became the Far West agents.

102 Central Overland California & Pikes Peak Express Co., St. Joseph, Mo.
sharp, clear strike in oval on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with clear "St. Joseph, Mo." pmk. to N. Y. State, faint cover stains, Fine, most Attractive (Photo) E. X

HINCKLEY & CO.

An important factor in the Great Plains, linking Colorado with the East via St. Joseph, Mo.; operated as connecting line with the Central Overland Co.

103 Hinckley & Co's Express, Denver City in Circle, Central Overland California & Pikes Peak Express Co., Denver City, K. T., in oval, Readable to clear strikes on 1860 cover to Iowa, 3c Red (26) tied by Blue "St. Joseph, Mo." pmk., bit wrinkled, tiny cover tear, stamp trifle nicked in L. R. corner, still a Fine example of this Rare Usage (Photo) E. IX


106 Holladay Overland Mail & Express Co. Fancy printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) with company cancel “Virginia City, Mon.” in double circle, few letters not struck up, to Denver City, Col. Ter., tiny sealed tear, Fine, Rare (Photo) E. XI

107 Jones & Russell's Pikes Peak Express Co., Denver City, Exceptionally Clear Strike on cover to Virginia, 3c Red (26) with part Imprint, tied by clear "Leavenworth City, K. T." pmk., Very Fine, A Magnificent Cover (Photo) E. XII

THE PONY EXPRESS

Operated by The Central Overland California & Pike’s Peak Express Co., and Wells, Fargo & Co., who also ran an important Pony service between San Francisco & Virginia City, Nevada.


109 California Pony Express, New York, in Blue oval, light, legible strike on legal cover to Marysville, Cal., with the large “Central Overland Pony Express” cancel., Pony rate of $10.00 shown in pencil, postage paid by 30c orange (39) & 10c Green, Recut T. & B. Pos. 64L (34) both badly damaged, not cancelled, cover well docketed & minor tears, clear markings, an Extreme Rarity (Photo) E. X
California Pony Express, Paid, Struck twice, faintly on 3c Star Die Entire (U27) to San Francisco, “Central Overland, etc St. Joseph” in oval, Bold strike, ms. “Pony Express”, cover badly torn into at U. R. but restored to a presentable appearance, one of the scarcest markings, Ex–Knapp (Photo) E. VIII

Pony Express, Red Wells, Fargo special Printed frank at left, addressed to San Francisco & with Red ms. “9/4 free, O. T.” Very Rare company use to an official, few toned spots, Fine (Photo) E. X

Pony Express, Special Wells, Fargo & Co., Red Printed frank at L. on plain envelope, Unused, Very Fine

Pony Express, Special Well Fargo & Co. Red Printed frank at L. on plain envelope, unused, bit aged, Fine

Pony Express, 10c Brown (134L7). Margins to barely touched, tied by light Blue W. F. & Co. Gold Hill, Utah cancel on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with W. F. & Co. Frank, fresh, Very Fine & Handsome Cover (Photo) 1,350.00

Pony Express, 25c Blue (143L8), Large margins, tied by Blue W. F. & Co. S. F. Double Circle pmk. on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with W. F. & Co. Frank, to Virginia City, Nevada Terr., trivial tiny cover tears, Very Fine cover, A Rare & Choice piece (Photo) 1,350.00

B. F. H. & Co., Oct. 19, 1863 (Benj. F. Holladay & Co.), Bold Blue circle on Pony Express cover with Wells Fargo & Co. 25c Blue Pony (143L8) margins except touched at T., tied by illegible Blue oval co. pmk. on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with similar pmk., opened carelessly at R., thru R. margin of Embossed Stamp, A Very Rare Cover (Photo) 1,350.00+

Pony Express, “Care Kenson’s Express”, in ms. on Pony Express cover, with 25c Blue Pony (143L8) Large margins, tied by illegible Blue circular co. pmk. on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with W. F. & Co. Frank ms. “Coll. 2/-” (collect 2 bits or 25c) cover soiled & worn but Very Rare usage, Possibly unique (Photo) 1,350.00

Pony Express, 25c Red (143L9), Large margins, tied by clear Blue Oval W. F. & Co. Virginia City N. T. cancel, slightly double struck, on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with same cancel & W. F. & Co. Frank, 3 tiny sealed cover tear & repaired nick in Embossed Stamp, otherwise Very Fine, Rare & Attractive (Photo) 1,350.00

Pony Express, 25c Red, Envelope (143L1U3), Imprinted on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank, Unused, Very Fine (Photo) 175.00

WESTERN EXPRESS FRANKS

ADAMS & CO’S. EXPRESS

This company dominated the express and banking business in California from its founding in December 1849 until its surprising failure Feb. 23rd, 1855. While it was connected with the Eastern “Adams & Co.” it was under different ownership. Adams absorbed a number of important express operators during its short life, among them being Freeman’s Express, Brown’s Express, Everts & Co. and Langton’s Express. After the failure, which so far as is known, was caused in its banking business, some of Adams & Co. employees organized the Pacific Express which was a highly important operator in California.

Adams & Co., Georgetown, in Red oval, clear strike, matching “Paid” in shaded letters on cover to S. F., part of flap missing, Very Fine, scarce Ghost town cancel E. V

Adams & Co., Jackson, clear strike in Red on cover to Mokelumne Hill, minor toned spot, Very Fine, scarce town E. V

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Adams & Co., Los Angeles, in clear Red Oval, matching “Paid” in oval, on cover to Santa Barbara, 3c Red (11) margins cut, ms. cancel on the cover, part of flap missing, Attractive, Scarce ................................................... E. VI

Adams & Co., Marysville, in long Blue oval with asterisks, fairly clear strike, Bold “Paid” in matching octagon, neat cover to S. F., Very Fine ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., Marysville, clear Red oval, matching “Paid” in octagon on 1853 cover addressed to the “Asst. Qr. Mr. U.S. Army, Fort Reading, Cal,” additional “To be left at the American Ranch”, Very Fine (Photo) E. VI

Adams & Co., Marysville, In Red oval on 1854 cover to S. F., matching “Paid”, ms. “Please deliver immediately, S. W. L. & Bro.” refers to Langton & Bro. Express, which often connected with Adams at Marysville, V. F. ................................................... E. IV


Adams & Co., Mud Springs in clear Gray Green Oval, matching “Paid” in small oval on cover to S. F., an unused 3c Red (11) margins to barely touched is on the cover, Scarce town, Very Fine cover ................................................... E. VI

Adams & Co., Nevada, Clear Red Oval, matching “Paid” in octagon, on small cover to S. F., minor wear at corners, still Very Fine ................................................... E. V

Adams & Co’s Express Agency, Panama, clear strike in Red on orange cover with “Free, A. & Co.” in ms., addressed to “Purser of S.S. Winfield Scott, Panama, N. G.”, Very Fine, an Exceedingly scarce marking believed to be unique ................................................... (Photo) E. IX

Adams & Co., Rattlesnake Bar, in Bold Green oval, matching “Paid” in octagon, cover stained, damaged & extensively restored, Very Scarce in any condition ................................................... E. III


Adams & Co., Sacramento, in clear Red Double Circle on fresh cover to S. F., Very Fine, Scarce marking ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., Sacramento, Blue Double circle, matching “Paid” in frame on neat cover to S. F., Very Fine ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., San Francisco, Wells Fargo & Co., Sacramento, Both in clear Blue ovals on 1853 cover from Marysville to Sacramento, forwarded to San Francisco; Combination of both these companies is extremely scarce, hdstps. a trifle strengthened, Very Fine cover ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., San Francisco, Blue roped oval, matching “Paid” in octagon, mostly clear strikes on cover to Stockton, Fine, Ex-Knapp ................................................... E. III

Adams & Co., San Francisco, Blue Double Circle, clear strike on neat cover to Nevada City, Cala., Very Fine ................................................... E. III

Adams & Co., San Jose, clear strike in Blue oval, matching “Paid” in circle, with uncancelled Adams & Co. 25c Local adhesive (1L6) on 1854 cover to S. F., Interesting letter relates to a proposed swindle, stamp has large margins except just shaved at L.L. corner, Fine, Very Scarce .............. (Photo) E. IX

Adams & Co., San Jose, clear strike in long Blue oval on cover to S. F., bit age stained, Fine ................................................... E. III

Adams & Co., Sonora, in long Blue oval with asterisks, matching “Paid” in octagon, nearly complete strikes on fresh 1853 cover to S. F., Very Fine ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., Sonora, in clear Blue, small oval, matching “Paid” in octagon, on neat 1853 cover to S. F., Very Fine ................................................... E. IV

Adams & Co., Sonora, in oval, clear strike, Blue “Paid” in octagon on fresh cover to Benicia, Cal., Very Fine ................................................... (Photo) E. IV
Adams & Co., Stockton, clear strike in Blue oval, “Rope” border on cover to S. F., Very Fine, scarce

Adams & Co. Express, 50c Black (IU3). On 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), unused, Very Fine & Scarce (Photo)

Adams & Co., New York, Southern & California Express, Boston, in Blue embossed circle, Adams & Co. Express, New York, in Red Shield, first has “Boston 5cts” pmk., other used outside mails, first has oil soak at U. L. and tiny hole, otherwise Fine, Scarce Pair

Adams & Co., American & European Express, Melbourne, N. S. W., Blue Ornate Embossed Return Card on flap of cover to Vermont, ms. “pr. Orestes”, “13” rate brush stroked, cover bit worn at corners, otherwise Fine—Very Fine

Adams & Co. Express, Four Embossed corner card covers, from New York, San Francisco, Washington & Pittsburgh, all in Red ornate shield–like designs, last has 3c Red (11) tied by Pittsburgh Pmk., two used outside mails, Rare Lot, Fine—Very Fine

Adams & Co. Express, Philadelphia, Corner card, Red Embossed, on local envelope, containing printed invitation to the opening of the Phila. Office, Oct. 6, 1851, highly stained, yet highly interesting, no pmk

San Pedro, Cal., Rare type pmk. in blue, Large Roman caps, ms. “Paid 6” on cover to Phila., Pa., “Paid” in octagon, (typical Adams & Co.) struck twice, letter accompanies headed “Los Angeles, Cal., Sep. 26, 1854”, evidently taken by Adams & Co. Express to San Pedro, where it was put into the mail, cover worn and nicked in L. R. corner, but a very scarce usage

Adams & Co.'s, N. Y. & Virginia Steamship Express; Adams Express Co., (Western Division). Two attractive return card covers, First has no pmk., other with 3c Green (158) “Garland, Colo.” pmk., with delivery notice, latter has sealed nick, Fine—Very Fine


Pedro Aguirre & Co., Printed Frank, with Illustrated Six-Horse Stagecoach, on 2c Red Entire (U236), unused, a bit soiled front & back, Extremely Scarce, Ex—Barkhausen (Photo)

Alaska Pacific Express Co., Printed frank on 2c Green Entire (U311) tied by Portland, Ore. 1898 Flag Cancel, cover restored at L. L. corner, Scarce

ALTA EXPRESS CO.

Operated primarily between larger towns & settlements; occasionally seen from rare towns.

Alta Express, Sacramento, clear Green oval, matching “Paid” in octagon on legal size cover to S. F., couple of tiny cover tears, Fine, Very Scarce

Alta Express Co. San Francisco, Red oval hdstp., clear strike on cover to a State Senator at Sacramento, slightly soiled and tiny sealed corner nick, Alta hdstp. is Very Rare, only three believed known, Fine, Ex—Knapp

Alta Express Co., Printed Pictorial frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Sacramento City, uncancelled, pinhole in frank, otherwise Very Fine

Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Beautiful strike of company oval “Jamestown” used to S. F., Very Fine, Scarce (Photo)

Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank on 3c Red Entire (U9). Bold company oval “Sutter Creek” to S. F., Very Fine, Scarce mining town cancel (Photo)

Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) Sharp “Alta Express Co., Volcano” in dull green, to S. F., cover with corner gone & other defects, Extremely scarce cancel (Photo)
160 Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank, framed type on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) overprinted in Red “From Thos. S. Fiske & Co., Sacramento” with clear Blue “Freeman & Co., Sacramento” in oval, cover nicked in R. Corners, well into Embossed stamp, but a Rare Usage E. V

161 Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank, Framed Type on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with clear “Alta Express Co., Angels” in oval & S. F. pmk., to Petaluma, cover restored in R. margin, barely affecting stamp, Scarce & Attractive E. III

162 Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Clear Red “Alta Express Co., Forest Hill” in oval, used to Todd’s Valley, minor cover repair in L. margin, Very Fine appearance Scarce Ghost town (Photo) E. V

163 Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Red “Sacramento” company oval, fairly clear strike, used to S. F., cover flap added, otherwise Fine E. IV

164 Alta Express Co., Pictorial Printed Frank Framed type, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Red company oval “San Francisco” light strike, used to Oroville, Cal., Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VI

165 American Express, Pictorial Printed Frank on plain cover, no pmk., used in San Francisco, cover tear neatly mended, Very Fine appearance, Ex–Lichtenstein E. III

166 American Express, Pictorial Printed label affixed to 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) over “Pacific Express” Horseman frank & tied by Red Str. Line “Watsonville” to S. F., tiny sealed cover nick, Fine & Exceedingly Scarce, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) E. IX

167 Anthony & Co’s. Northern Express, Paid, Frank in oval, on cover to S. F. with San Francisco, Cal. pmk. couple of tiny age spots, Very Fine, Extremely Scarce (Photo) E. IX

168 Angier’s North San Juan & Humbug Express, Ornate Printed Frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) neat ms. “X” & Blue “North San Juan, Cal.” pmk. to Sacramento City, Cal., Fine, Scarce & Handsome cover, Ex Lichtenstein (Photo) E. XI

169 Arizona & New Mexico Express Co., Printed Frank on 3c Green Entire (U163), to S. F., no cancel., U. L. corner of cover restored clear of frank, Very Scarce, Ex–Barkhausen E. III

170 Ballous Fraser River Express, Printed Frank in Scroll, on plain envelope to Lillooet, B. C. no pmk., considerably restored at top, Fine appearance, Scarce E. III

J. BAMBER & CO’S. EXPRESS

Operated in the East Bay Area serving many places and connecting at San Francisco with Wells, Fargo & Co.

171 J. Bamber & Co’s. Contra Costa Express, W. K. Bacon’s Oakland Office, Paid, all in large Red oval, struck three times, (once on back), one tying a 3c Rose (26) which has been cut from the cover & replaced, cover considerably worn but attractive & of great Rarity, with a very picturesque address “close to the sand hill” (Photo) E. VII

172 J. Bamber & Co’s. Contra Costa Express, Paid, and “Answer By Bamber . . .” Franks on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) E. IV

173 J. Bamber & Co’s. Contra Costa Express, Paid, Frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., with “Answer By Bamber . . .” on back, bit aged, Fine E. II
J. Bamber & Co’s. Contra Costa Express, Bacon & Hardy Oakland Office, Paid, all in clear Red oval hdstp. on 3c Pink Entire (U35), also “Answer By Bamber & Co’s. Express” in long frame with address, sealed tear and irregularly reduced at L., Scarce .......................................................... E. III

J. Bamber & Co. Contra Costa Express, Paid, Bold strike in oval on 4c Green Entire (U258) to S. F., docketed “Antioch, Cal.,” Very Fine, Scarce in such late use .......................................................... E. III

J. Bamber & Co’s. Contra Costa Express, Handstamp, Bold Strike over Red Printed “Freeman & Co.” Scroll type frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., ms. “PCO” (Pacheco, a Bamber Office) & the “Answer By” hdstp. on the face, Very Fine, Exceedingly Scarce & Handsome combination, Ex–Lichtenstein .................................................. (Photo) E. VIII


Bamber & Co’s. Express, Printed frank, Scroll type, on 3c Pink Entire (U58), Blue company cancel S. F. in Double Circle to Alvarado, Cala., V. F. .......................................................... E. II

Bamber & Co’s. Express, Printed Scroll Frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) to S. F., Company cancel in light Red Double Circle, Fine & Scarce .......................................................... E. II

Bamber & Co’s. Express, Printed Frank, Scroll type, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) neat ms. & light company cancel, a complete “pasty-back” to S. F., Fine .......................................................... E. II

J. Bamber & Co. Express, Printed Scroll frank, vertically at left on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) with printed Daily Line of Stages Boxed top listing towns served, company hdstp. in indistinct Double Circle ties stamp, also “Wells, Fargo & Co. San Francisco” in light Blue oval, originally part of a paste-up, corner nick mended, Scarce, Ex–Lichtenstein .................................................. (Photo) E. V

Bamber & Co’s. Express, Printed franks, two diff Scroll types, each on 3c Pink Entire (U58), Blue company cancels, Fine–Very Fine .......................................................... E. III

J. Bamber & Co’s. Express, Bacon & Hardy Oakland Office, Printed Frank on 3c Pink Entire (U34), Blue company cancel., Formerly Part of a Paste-up, Very Fine, Scarce Frank .................................................. (Photo) E. V

Bamber & Co’s. Express, W. B. Hardy’s Office, Oakland, Printed frank, Scroll type on a remarkable 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with light Red company cancel, Bold Blue “Wells Fargo & Co., San Francisco” in oval & clear Blue “Langton’s Pioneer Express, Marysville” in long oval, Bamber took it to S. F., Wells, Fargo to Marysville & Langton to Long Bar, Yuba Co., cover a bit stained & “dog-eared” but Exceedingly Scarce .......................................................... E. VI

Bamber & Co’s. Express, W. B. Hardy’s Office, Oakland, Printed Scroll Franks, two distinct types, light company cancels, S. F. & Oakland respectively on 3c Pink Entires (U58). One a bit stained & flap missing otherwise Fine .......................................................... E. IV

Bamber & Co’s. Express, W. B. Hardy’s Office, Oakland, Printed Scroll Franks on 3c Pink Entires (U58, U59), Illegible Blue Co. Cancels in Double oval, Oakland to S. F., one has sealed nick, Fine .......................................................... E. IV

Bamber & Co’s. Express, Red Adhesive Label, “Haywards” in ms. on legal size cover to Pleasanton, Cal., evidently used as a collection envelope, Fine, Scarce .......................................................... E. II
Bamber & Co.'s Express, Bamber & Co. W. B. Hardy's Office, Oakland, Printed Scroll Franks on 3c Pink Entire (U58), First with Red company cancel. & “San Leandro” in Red str. line, other with Blue oval company cancel. Covers damaged, Very Scarce uses ........................................ E. III

Bamber & Co.'s Express, Printed frank, Scroll type, on 3c Pink Entire (U58) & 3c Green Entire (U83) each with small “Antioch, Cal.” in clear blue Double circle, first has cover corner nick, otherwise Very Fine, Scarce & Attractive ....................................................... E. IV


Bannack City Express, Fairly clear hdstrup, in arc on cover to Minnesota, 3c Rose (65) grid cancel, not tied, light “Salt Lake City, U. T.” pmk.; via the Express to Salt Lake City, then with the mail to destination, cover neatly restored at R., Fine appearing & Exceedingly Scarce ....................................................... (Photo) E. VII


Barlow, Sanderson & Co., S. D. M. & Ex. Co., Santa Fe, N. M. (Southern Overland Mail & Express Co.) printed on yellow envelope to N. Y. State, 3c 1869 (114) not tied, light “Santa Fe, N. Mex.” pmk. tiny cover tear, Fine, Rare ....................................................... (Photo) E. IX

Barlow & Sanderson, Southern Overland Mail & Express Co., Handsome Pictorial cover Showing 6-Horse Stage coach in the mountains with 3c Green (158), target cancel, not tied, clear Laveta, Colo. pmk., used to Lake City, Colo., Very Fine and Extremely attractive cover ....................................................... (Photo) E. IX

Barnard’s Express, neat small printed frank in fancy octagon on 3c Green Die 1 Entire (U159) unused, minor negligible toning, Very Fine, Ex-Barkhausen ....................................................... E. III

BARNARD’S BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPRESS

An important operator in British Columbia from the Coast to the Fraser River country and into the Cariboo mining district. Connected with Wells, Fargo & Co. at Victoria.

Barnard’s British Columbia Express, Printed frank, Scroll type, vertically at left on “Wells, Fargo & Co., Victoria, Vancouver Island” plain franked envelope, least bit toned at U. L., unused, Fine ....................................................... E. III

Barnard’s British Columbia Express, two printed franks, Scroll type, on plain envelopes, one imprinted “Victoria and Yale”, other “Victoria & New Westminster” latter has unused Canada 3c Rose (37a) affixed, stamp has perf. nick otherwise Very Fine unused ....................................................... E. IV

Barnard’s British Columbia Express, Yale, Printed Scroll frank, vertically at L. of U. S. 10c Green on Buff Entire (U41) with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank, Unused, Very Fine, Scarce ....................................................... E. IV

Barnard’s Cariboo Express, Red adhesive frank, neat ms. cancel, on cover to Quesnelmouth, docketed 1865, bit water-stained far from stamp, Fine & Very Scarce ....................................................... (Photo) E. VIII
Barnard's Cariboo Express, Red Adhesive Frank tied with British Columbia 2½p Rose (2) and U. S. 3c Rose (65) on Front only of 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) bearing Dietz & Nelson Ribbon Frank at L. & Wells Fargo & Co. Frank at T. by Blue oval Wells Fargo & Co. Victoria small Blue W. F. & Co. June 9, 1864, used to S. F., Pasted on Envelope for Display, An Incredible Combination ........................................ (Photo) E. VIII

Beekman's Express, Jacksonville, O. T., clear red oval hsdtsp. on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank to Roseburg, Ogn., An Extremely Scarce frank, Very Fine (photo) E. X

Beekman's Express, Jacksonville, Oregon, Printed franks in Broad Ribbon. in Blue on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59); in Black on 10c Green on Buff Entire (U41), Immaculate unused, Very Fine, Scarce. E. VI

BERFORD & CO.

A Coast-to-Coast operator, who issued his own adhesive stamps; was a very important carrier in the early 1850's. Only limited routes in California but did an extensive Express business on the sea routes to California.

Berford & Co., 6c Green (11L2). Clear to Large Margins, faint crease in L. margin almost clear of design, mere trifle stained at U. L., with faint Red “B. & Co.” cancel., apparently originating at Jamaica to N. Y., ms. “Ohio” Steamer direction, Fine & Extremely Scarce Cover, Ex-Caspary (Photo) E. XII

Berford & Co., Letter & Package Express, Four lines in Red Shield, Sharp, clear strike on 1849 cover to N. Y., Very Fine, an Extremely Scarce Frank (Photo) E. XI

Berford & Co., Letter & Package Express, California, in clear Red Shield, also Berford & Co.'s Express, San Francisco in clear Red oval, on part of cover which has a Berford adhesive label on the back, broken when opened, Extremely Scarce & Desirable despite condition ........................................... E. V

Berford & Co.'s Californian Express, Clear Strike in Blue Oval, Red “B. & Co., Collect” in two Bold Red Str. Lines, on cover to S. F., Very Fine, A Handsome Rarity of which only three are believed known, Ex-Knapp .......................................................... (Photo) E. XII

Berford & Co.'s Express, San Francisco, clear strike in narrow Double oval, matching “Paid” on 1851 cover to “State Senate”, San Jose, Piece restored at L. R., Fine appearance & Very Scarce ........................................ (Photo) E. VI

Berford & Co.'s Express Paid, Oval Frank on plain brown envelope, un-used, U. L. corner mended, otherwise Very Fine, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. IV

Berford & Co. Express, Two 1850 covers to State Official at San Jose, ms. franks, one “Collect $1.00”, the other with “Paid, B. & Co.”, Rare, Very Fine ................................................................. E. VI

Berford & Co.'s Express to California, Blue oval N. Y. corner card on 1853 cover to Canada, “New York, 5cts” pmk. shows “5” altered to “6” in blue ink, also Blue Exchange mark in arc, Canadian pmks. on back, Possibly originating in California, few light stains, Fine, Ex-Knapp .................................................. E. IV

Berthouds Mule Team Express, Hdstsp. in long box on 3c Green Entire (U83) to Pioche, Nev., with light Blue “Treasure City, (Nev.)” pmk. slightly reduced at R., Fine & Scarce ........................................ (Photo) E. VIII

Bicycle Mail Route, 25c Green (12L1). Tied by crossed double bars on cover to S. F., 2c 1890 (220) just tied by Cork, Purple “Gilroy, Cal., Jul. 14, 1894” with Illustrated corner card & Illustrated Backstamp dated Fresno, Cal., Jul. 11, 1894, cover bent in middle & trifle soiled, not affecting stamps, Fine, a Very Scarce cover ........................................ (Photo) E. VII
Bicycle Mail Route, 25c Green (12L2). Tied with Bar cancel & by Bold "Fresno, Cal. Jul. 15, 1894" pmk. with 2c 1890 (220) s. e. at L., light pmk., on cover to Fresno, Illustrated company handstamp on back, Very Fine, Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

Bicycle Mail Route, 25c Brown, imprinted on 2c Green Entire (U312), unused, Very Fine, Scarce ......................................................................................................................... E. III

BLACK & CO.

A small operator who made connection with Wells, Fargo at Sacramento. His franks are particularly scarce and it is an unusual occasion to be able to present them in the three colors.

Black & Co.'s, Express, Paid 5, In Blue Negative Scroll, perfect strike, with clear "Wells, Fargo & Co. Express, Sacramento" in small Red oval, scarce type addressed "Care Reynolds & Co., San Francisco" small aging at Bot., Very Fine, An Extremely Scarce & Desirable Cover .................................................... (Photo) E. XI

Black & Co. Express, in negative scroll, clear Red "Wells, Fargo & Co., Sacramento" on cover to S. F., cover flap gone & upper corners neatly mended, Fine appearance, An Exceedingly Scarce frank ....................................................... (Photo) E. VII

Black & Co., Express Paid 5, Red negative Scroll, Fairly clear strike, with clear Red Oval "Wells, Fargo & Co. Sacramento" on cover to S. F., Part of flap missing & sealed cover tear, Attractive & Very Desirable, Exceedingly Scarce ....................................................... E. VIII

F. W. Blake & Co.'s, Express, Weaverville, in Blue oval, complete strike, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with Rare early type "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank, to S. F., Heavy stain at U. R., otherwise Fine, Very Scarce, Ex–Lichtenstein ....................................................... (Photo) E. VI

F. W. Blake & Co. Express, Weaverville, Printed Shield type frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), apparently used as paste–back to San Jose, Cal. but no cancellation on front or back, address partly erased, Very Fine & Scarce, offered as an uncancelled franked envelope ....................................................... E. III

Forwarded by Bower’s Express, clear strike in tiny oval on cover to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, light S. F. pmk. & "20", docketed “1851”, a scarce double rate unpaid cover, Fine, one of the Great Rarities among Express covers (Photo) E. XI

Brown’s Express, Murphys, in Blue oval, light partly legible strike, matching “Paid” in octagon to Stockton, Cal., Very Scarce, Ex–Lichtenstein ....................................................... E. VI

Forwarded By Brown’s Express, clear Blue oval hdstsp., with “Adams & Co. Express, San Francisco” in Roped oval, struck twice, to “Mormon Gulch, near Tuttletown–Son(ora), Cal.” via Adams to Stockton, then by Brown to destination with ms. “Collect 50cts”, Very Fine, Extremely Rare (Photo) E. XI

Buchanan & Co.’s, Canon City Express, Ornate printed frank, no pmk., on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Dalles City, Oregon, Very slight age stains, Fine & Scarce, Ex–Barthausen ....................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

Buchanan & Co.’s, Canon City Express, Ornate Printed frank in Dark Red on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to “Express Agent, Canyon City”, upper right of cover clipped thru stamp & restored Scarce frank, Ex–Lichtenstein ....................................................... E. IV

Buchanan & Co.’s, Express, Over Our Dalles & Canyon City Route, Green & Black Frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) tied by Target & clear Canon City, Orn. pmk., bit aged, badly nicked & restored at L. R., An Extremely Rare Cover ....................................................................................................................... (Photo) E. VII
228 Buckley’s Express, Paid, two lines hdsp’d in Blue frame, on 3c Green Entire (U168) with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank, Readable Blue "Darwin, Cal." pmk. to S. F. Chinatown with message in Chinese, Fine, Exceedingly Scarce & Attractive ................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

229 California City Letter Express, 10c Red (33L1). Clear margins to slightly in at L, neat ms. cancel. on cover to Broklyn, N. Y. with 10c 1861 (68) tied by S. F. cog & “San Francisco, Cal. Oct. 10, 1862” pmk. A Choice & Handsome cover of Great Rarity, Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein ............. (Photo) E. XIV

CALIFORNIA PENNY POST

A very important operator serving the larger California cities and with local delivery service in San Francisco.

230 California Penny Post Co. Unlisted type. Printed envelope for local delivery in S. F. inscribed “City Delivery Penny Postage Paid”, on back are instructions for sending to assure delivery or return to sender, “Penny Post Co., San Francisco” in clear circle on immaculate cover, Very Fine (Photo) E. XI

231 California Penny Post Co., Another unlisted type, for local use in S. F., Inscribed “City Delivery, Penny Postage Paid 5” smaller printed lines for address & no printing on back, from same correspondence as preceding lot, Immaculate cover, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo) E. X

232 California Penny Post Co., San Francisco, in circle on local cover, pmk torn out & neatly replaced, scarce cover .............................................................. E. III

233 California Penny Post Co., 5c Blue, adhesive (34L4) cut in & corner nick, uncancelled, on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Mass., “San Francisco” pmk., Fine, Rare cover, Ex–Barkhausen .................................................. (Photo) E. IX

234 California Penny Post Co., 5c Black, Entire (34LU3) on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Fairly clear “Placerville, Cal.” pmk. to S. F., Very Fine, Extremely Scarce, Ex–Barkhausen .................................................. (Photo) E. X

235 California Penny Post Co., 5c Black new unlisted variety, similar to #34LU3 but inscribed “City Delivery”, Printed on yellow envelope with mailing instructions, Bit wrinkled, partly addressed, but probably unused, Fine, Scarce .............................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

236 California Penny Post Co., 7c Black on Orange, Unlisted variety similar to #34LU4 but inscribed “To & From the Post Office”, unused, corners a bit worn, otherwise Fine .................................................. E. VII

237 California Penny Post Co., 7c Vermilion on 3c Red Entire (34LU6, U9) with list of towns served, Unused, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo) E. VI

238 California Penny Post Co., 7c Vermilion on 3c Red on Buff Entire (34LU7) “Georgiana P. O. Sept. 25th 1855” in ms, cancelled with matching lines “Paid” in clear oval, used to San Francisco, minor ink spot, otherwise Very Fine .............................................................. (Photo) E. XI

239 California Penny Post Co., 5c Black, Entire (34LU8) with 3c Red (11) uncancelled, as often, on cover addressed to S. F. very minor age stain, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo) E. VI

240 California Penny Post Co., 5c Black on Buff, Entire (34LU9) Unused, V. F.


242 California Penny Post Co., 7c Blue on 3c Buff Entire (34LU11a var.) unlisted in Blue with “Wells, Fargo & Co., Sacramento” in clear Red ovals, struck twice, to S. F. couple of minor ink blots, least bit aged at edges, Fine & Very Rare, Ex–Knapp, Barkhausen .................................................. (Photo) E. XII
243 California Penny Post Co., 7c Black on Buff Entire (34LU11C) with clear Red Balloon type pmk. “Vallejo, Cal.” to S. F., Part of flap gone & tiny sealed tears, otherwise Very Fine, Rare, Ex-Caspary ............... (Photo) E. XI

244 California Penny Post Co., 7c Black on Buff (34LU14) unused, with printed lines for address, negligible faint aging, Very Fine .......... (Photo) E. V

245 California Penny Post Co., 7c Black on Buff (34LU14), Printed address, San Francisco, 1857 docket at R., negligible cover tears Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. VIII

246 California Penny Post Co., Similar to #34LU14 but inscribed “Postage Must Be Prepaid” in box, Printed Sacramento address ms. “Other letters detained”, sealed tears & tiny corner nick, otherwise Fine, Ex-Knapp, Scarce ............... E. IX

247 Chase’s Express, Yreka, Deadwood & Indian Creek, Embossed frank in Scroll on cover to S. F. with clear Red “Wells, Fargo & Co. Sacramento” in oval, least bit aged at edges, Fine & Very Rare ............... (Photo) E. IV

248 Paid, Cherokee Express, Printed frank in ornamental frame, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Oroville, Calif., no pmk., bit reduced at R., Scarce, Ex–Barkhausen (Photo) E. VIII

249 Cherokee Express, Paid, Blue oval hdstp., few letters strengthened on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Oroville, Calif., couple of tiny cover nicks mended, Fine appearing & Very Scarce ........................................ E. III

250 Clarke’s Centennial Express to The Black Hills, Green printed frank on 3c Green Centennial Entire, Die 2 (U221), Entire back of cover with printed description of the country & routes traveled, also a plain envelope with similar printed back, Unused, Very Fine .......... (Photo) E. V

251 Clarke’s Centennial Express to The Black Hills, similar to preceding lot, front & back, used to Iowa, with light “Davenport, Iowa” cancel. on 3c Centennial Entire (U221), bad nick at L. R. mended, Scarce ............... E. V

252 Clarke’s Centennial Express to The Black Hills, two covers, different types on face & diff. inscriptions on back, on 3c Green Centennial Entire, Die 1 & Die 2 (U219, U221), one to Deadwood City, the other to N. Y. State, no pmks., Fine ........................................................................ E. VII

253 Colby’s Express, 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Nevada City, Return card of “South Yuba Canal Co.” & ms. “In care of Colby” (An Express operator in the Yuba River area), Fine ......................................................... E. III

254 Colby’s Nevada & Dutch Flat Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Unused, Very Fine ........................................ E. II

255 Conway & Little, Castella & cinnamon Mail, Express & Saddle Train, in ornate Corner Card in Red & Black, on 1898 cover to Redding, Calif., 2c Ty. III (267) clipped in R. margin tied by Target & part of “Castella, Cal.” pmk., choice cover, Very Scarce (Photo) E. VI

256 Copley & Co’s, Miner’s Express, Bold Blue oval, addressed to Marysville, California, part of “Burlington, Vt.” matching “Paid 10”, in pencil ,“St. L. 75”; Carried by U. S. Mail to Marysville, & by Copley to “St. Louis, Cal.” for which a 75c charge was made. Extensively restored at top, Attractive & Very Scarce (Photo) E. VI

CRAM, ROGERS & CO.

An important Northern California Operator whose territory extended into Southern Oregon.

257 Cram, Rogers & Co’s. Express, San Francisco & Shasta, Bold strike in long oval on cover to Shasta City, California, light “Indianapolis” pmk., trifle strengthened, matching “10” in circle, ms. “Collect 2.50”, the express charge, Attractive, Very Scarce (Photo) E. VII
Cram Rogers & Co’s. Weaverville Express & “Paid” in clear Blue ovals, also “Cram Rogers & Co. Express, Jacksonville, O. T.” partial strike with indistinct letters strengthened by pencil; addressed to “Willamette Forks or Albany, O. T.”, Scottsburg O. T. Dec. 16, 1853 & “5c” in ms., Fine, an Extremely Scarce & desirable cover .......................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

Cram Rogers & Co’s. Express, Shasta, clear oval, Partial Blue “Adams & Co., San Francisco” in Double Circle, to Scotts Valley, California, via Adams to Shasta, thence by Cram Rogers, Very Fine Cover, Rare combination usage, Ex–Lichtenstein .......................................................... (Photo) E. IX

Forwarded By Davis & Brothers Express, Bold oval, on cover to Marysville, California, “New Garden, Ia.” clear str. line, rate and date in ms., pencil “R. B. 1.50”, in U. S. Mail to Marysville, thence by Davis to Rich Bar for the $1.50 charge, Fine Choice cover of the utmost rarity (Photo) E. XII

Deming & Wall, Union & Eureka Express, Paid, Printed Pictorial Frank with Sailing Ship & Steamboat, addressed to “Bucksport” (since 1863 a part of the City of Eureka), no pmk., Very Fine, A Great Rarity possibly Unique .......................................................... (Photo) E. XII

Denver & Rio Grande Express, Printed frank on 2c Green Entire (U312), three covers, one unused, one addressed but not cancelled, other used locally in Denver with frank inked out, Fine–Very Fine .......................................................... E. IV

Devils Gate Express, Express, Paid 25, Hdstp. in 2 lines, nearly complete strike on 3c Pink Entire (U58) to Carson City, Nevada, with “Virginia City, Nev.” pmk., flap torn, a few minor toned spots, Choice, Handsome example of a Very Rare frank, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

Dietz & Nelson British Columbia Express. An important carrier who made connection at Victoria with Wells, Fargo & Co., providing service along the Fraser River.

Dietz & Nelson’s Columbia & Victoria Express, Printed Frank in Ribbon also company hdstp in Bold Blue Double circle, on yellow envelope, Unused, Very Fine .......................................................... (Photo) E. V

Dietz & Nelson B. C. & V. Express, clear Blue Double circle ties Bottom part of British Columbia 2½p Rose (2) (Some one tried to remove the stamp & tore it too) on cover to Victoria, “Collect” in oval, Attractive cover, Scarce & Desirable despite the mutilated stamp, Ex–Lichtenstein .......................................................... E. V

Dietz & Nelson’s Columbia & Victoria Express, Printed frank, Ribbon type, used to Victoria, ms. “D. H. Vi. Please Deliver” Very Fine, Scarce .......................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

Dietz & Nelson British Columbia & Victoria Express, Printed Frank, in Ribbon with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank, with “Paid . . . Barnard’s Express, Columbia River via Yale, B. C.” below on 3c Pink Entire (U58) unused, Very Fine, Ex–Barkhausen, Scarce .......................................................... (Photo) E. V

Dietz & Nelson British Columbia & Victoria Express, Printed frank, Ribbon Type on most of front only with Blue oval “Post Office, Victoria” Coat of Arms hdstp., Faulty Br. Columbia 2½p & 10c (2, 6) tied by “Paid” in oval, Rare & desirable despite condition, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VII

Edgar & Burke’s Canyon City Express, Printed frank in ornate frame, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Kirbyville, Josephine Co., Ogn., ms. pmk. “Canyon City, Ore.” L. edge of cover restored, affecting frank slightly, Very Scarce & Desirable .......................................................... (Photo) E. IX

Elko & Mountain City Pony Express, M. P. Freeman & Co., Props., Paid One Dollar, Printed Frank, with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank vertically at left on 3c Green Entire (U82) Unused, Very Fine .......................................................... E. III
271 ☑ English & Wells, Moore's Flat & Eureka Express, Fancy printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) with Bold “Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada” oval, used as paste-back with glue stains on back only, Very Fine, Exceedingly scarce frank used ................................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

272 ☑ English & Wells, Moore's Flat & Eureka Express, Fancy printed frank inscribed “Connecting at Nevada City & Emigrant Gap” on 3c Pink Entire (U58) Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .......................................................... E. II

EUREKA EXPRESS CO.

A relatively small operator serving the Plumas & Sierra County mining areas, of which Eureka, Plumas Co., near the South Fork of the Feather River was an important mining district. Connected at Nevada City with Wells, Fargo & Co.

273 ☑ Eureka Express Co., North Bloomfield, Negative hdstp., from Seal (Sealing Wax Seal), clear strike on orange envelope to Mohawk Valley, Cal., 1872 letter enclosed, no pmk., Very Fine & Exceedingly Scarce ............................................. (Photo) E. VIII

274 ☑ Eureka Express Co., Printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U164) to S. F. with partly clear “Wells, Fargo & Co., No. San Juan” in oval, Very Fine cover ................................................................. E. VI

275 ☑ Eureka Express Co., Nevada, Cal. Printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U82) to North Humbug, Cal., no pmk., cover reduced at R, Fine, Very Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. III

276 ☑ Eureka Express Co., Nevada, Cal. Printed frank on 3c Reay Entire (U82) to S. F., with Blue “Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada” oval, long cover tear mended, Fine appearance, Very Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. V

277 ☑ Eureka Express Co., 1492 – Columbian Issue – 1892, Printed frank in Blue on 2c Columbian Entire (U349), one unused, other with ms. pmk. “Graniteville, Oct. 15, ’94” to Nevada City, Cal., Very Fine & Scarce (Photo) E. V

EVERTS & CO. & PARTNERS

An important carrier out of Marysville into Plumas & Sierra County mining areas. He kept track of where the miners were working – picked up their mail at the P.O. or from Adams or Wells, Fargo & brought their letters to wherever they were located for a charge averaging a dollar.

278 ☑ Everts & Co’s. Express to Onion Valley, ms. forwarding mark on 1852 cover to Marysville, light Red “Blooming Grove, N. Y.” and clear “New – 20 – York” pmk. “O. V. 1.50” in pencil indicates Evert’s fee, a bit aged & small tear mended, Scarce ................................................................. E. III


280 ☑ Forwarded By Everts & Co’s. Express, Three line hdstp. in Blue, bit strengthened on cover to Sacramento City, Cal., “Paid 6” & pencil “$1.50 B.I.” Everts charge for taking the cover to Buckeye, Fine & Very Scarce (Photo) E. VII

281 ☑ Everts & Co’s. Express, Feather River, Three Line hdstp. in Blue, clear strike, on cover with light Albion, Mich. pmk., to Sacramento, Cal., “Br. V. 1.25” in pencil to denote Evert’s charge to Brown’s Valley, Very Fine & Scarce (Photo) E. X

282 ☑ Free, H. C. Everts, ms. on cover to Quincy, cover badly aged, scarce example of a “Courtesy Cover” ................................................................. E. II
283 Everts, Davis & Co.'s Express, Gibsonville, Fairly clear strike in Red oval, Inverted, on cover to S. F., matching Red "Paid" in box, Very Fine, A Rarity ........................................................................................................ (Photo) E. IX

284 Everts, Davis & Co.'s Express, Rabbit Creek, Clear strike in Blue circle, matching "Paid" in oval on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Yuba City, Immaculate cover of the utmost rarity. (Rabbit Creek the original name for La Porte, in itself a scarce Ghost Town), Extremely Fine (Photo) ........................................................................................................ E. XI

285 Everts, Davis & Co.'s Express, Saint Louis, in clear Green circle, Bold matching "Paid" in oval on small brown cover to "Rabbit Creek, Cal.", Neatly Rebacked front, Very Fine appearance .................................................. (Photo) E. VII

286 Everts, Davis & Co., Daily Express, Printed Frank in Box on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Quincy, Cal., Bit aged & pressed out cover crease, otherwise Very Fine, no pmk. ................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

287 Everts, Hannon, Wilson & Co. Daily Express, Printed frank; on Flap is a clear “Everts, Davis & Co.'s Express, St. Louis” in large oval to Vermont, Cover extensively restored including a 10c 1853 Cut Square (U18) added to corner, Red “Strawberry Valley, Cal.” pmk., Rare ........................................................................................................ E. III

288 Evert, Snell & Co's Express, Feather River, Clear Blue Oval, Scarce “Error” frank, name spelled “Evert”, Bold “Columbus, Ohio” pmk. matching “Paid, 6”, to Sacramento, Cal., pencil “S. L. 1.50” shows Evert’s charge to St. Louis, Cal., part of flap missing, Very Fine, Extremely Scarce .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. IX


291 Everts, Wilson & Co’s Express, Printed frank on 3c Red Entire (U9) to Oroville, Cal., uncancelled, Very Fine .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

292 Everts, Wilson & Co’s Express, Printed frank in small ornamental box, unusual type, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) used to Quincy, Cal., uncancelled, couple of minor cover tears, Scarcе, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) ................................................................. E. VI

293 Everts, Wilson & Co's Daily Express, Ornate printed frank on 10c Green Entire (U16), Blue “La Porte, Cal.” 1859 pmks., used to Pa., Fine, Extremely Scarce ........................................................................................................ (Photo) E. IX

294 Everts, Wilson & Co's Express, Ornate printed frank in Blue on 3c Red on Buff Entire to Quincy, Cal., no pmk., somewhat aged & worn & small hole neatly mended, Fine appearance & Very Rare, possibly Unique (Photo) ........................................................................................................ E. VIII

295 Everts, Wilson & Co's Daily Express, Ornate printed frank in Red on 3c Star Die Entire (U27), to S. F., “La Porte, Cal.” pmk. & Blue “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” (partly indistinct), Cover has two bad nicks in R. corners, Very Rare in any condition, Ex-Barkhausen ........................................................................................................ E. VI

296 Everts, Wilson & Co., Daily Express, Ornamented printed frank in Blue on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Quincy, Cal., light company cancel, “La Porte” retouched in pencil, Flap mended, Fine appearing & of the utmost Rarity, possibly Unique (Photo) ........................................................................................................ E. VIII

297 Everts, Wilson & Co. Daily Express, Printed frank in plain box on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Davenport, Iowa, Indistinct “Strawberry Valley” pmk. in Red., somewhat aged stained & “dog-eared” in corners. Very Scarce ........................................................................................................ E. IV
Everts, Wilson & Co’s. Daily Express, Ornate printed frank in Red, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Blue “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” in double oval, undated, also another partly legible W. F. double oval with date, Flap partly missing, Very Fine, Rare in Red ........................................ (Photo) E. VIII

Everts, Wilson & Co., Daily Express, Block letters in small printed box on 3c Red Entire (U9) to S. F., clear “Benicia, Cal.” pmk., Flap & small nick mended, otherwise Fine, Very Rare type of frank, possibly unique (Photo) E. IX

Everts, Wilson & Co’s. Express Marysville, clear oval hdstp. used as provisional frank, with “Paid” in oval struck in middle, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Rabbit Creek, Cal., cover slightly aged & worn, Very Scarce .................................................................................................................... (Photo) E. VII

Express O . . . G. (Oreg.), Hdstp. on 2c Brown Entire (U280) with 2c Brown (210), s.e. at R., target cancels, to Portland, Oregon, partly addressed in Chinese, bit aged, Fine ........................................................................................................ E. V

Express Hidalgo, Printed frank with portrait, two, one on Mexican 5c Entire, used, other on Mexican 10c numeral entire unused, Very Fine .......................................................... E. I

Express Nacional Mexicano, Seven covers, Green printed franks, Eagle type, one used, all on Mexican Entire, incl. two of the odd Double 20c for double-weight letters, minor duplication, Very Fine .................................................. E. II

Farley’s Express, clear hdstp. in Blue octagon, ms. “Ira Creek” in frank, on cover to Maine, “Camptonville, Cal.” pmk. & “Paid. 10” cover has large repaired tear, minor wear at edges, one of two known ........ (Photo) E. XI

M. Fettis’s Oro Fino Express, Printed frank in Ribbon, on 3c 1864 Entire (U59), Unused, Very Fine ......................................................................................................................... E. IV

FORD & CO.

An early operator serving a limited territory for only two years. His franks are seldom seen.

Ford & Co’s. Express, Clear hdstp. in Green, rimless with dotted Ring & Star in center, on back of 1854 cover to New Albany, Ind., Red “Sacramento City, Cal.” pmk. & matching “40”; somewhat aged & worn at edges. Very Rare frank on a highly interesting & dramatic letter, giving an account of reaching California via Salt Lake & of the problems of mining after arrival (Photo) E. XII

Forwarded By Ford & Co’s. Express, Perfect strike in Blue Roped oval on cover to Hopkinton, N. Y., Red “Sacramento City, Cal.” pmk., matching “10”; slight age stains, otherwise Very Fine, a very scarce frank as Ford operated only in 1851 & 1852 ........................................... (Photo) E. XII

J. F. Forman’s Gallatin Express, Printed frank in Red, Blue & Black with printed schedule, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Unused, minor surface rubs, Fine, Rare early Montana frank ......................................................... (Photo) E. IV

FREEMAN & CO.

An important operator with Coast-to-Coast service, via Panama and with important California routes. Absorbed by Wells, Fargo & Co.

Freeman & Co’s. Express, clear strike in small Red oval on large part of cover to S. F., small ink blot, otherwise Very Fine, An Extremely Scarce early frank ................................................................................................................... E. VI

Freeman & Co’s. Express, San Francisco, clear hdstp. in Red oval on 1855 letter from Panama to S. F., letter is from Coya & Co, Panama forwarders & is directed via “J. L. Stephens” well-known Pacific Steamer, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

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311  ❑ Freeman & Co’s. Express, San Francisco, nearly full strike in Red oval on 1855 cover, Portland, Me. to Sacramento, “Reply By Freeman & Co’s. Express” in two lines in Red on back, clear strike, couple of minor stains, Fine & Scarce .......................................................... E. VII

312  ❑ Freeman & Co’s. Express, Panama, Cova & Co., Agents, In Clear Red oval on 1857 cover, Panama to S. F., Very Fine, Rare .................. (Photo) E. IX

313  ❑ Forwarded By Freeman & Co’s. Express, San Francisco, in Blue oval, readable strike, on cover to Sacramento, minor sealed cover tears, Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. IV

314  ❑ Forwarded By Freeman & Co’s. Express 2nd St., Sacramento, Red Oval hsdp., faint partly legible strike, on cover to S. F., Scarce .......... E. II

315  ❑ Forwarded By Freeman & Co’s. Express, Marysville, in clear Green oval on 1851 cover to S. F., slight soiling, least bit worn at edges, still Fine & Exceedingly Scarce ............................................. (Photo) E. VIII

316  ❑ Freeman & Co. Express, In Red Circle, fairly clear strike on cover to S. F., docketed 1853, Fine, one of the scarcer Freeman markings (Photo) E. VIII

317  ❑ Freeman & Co’s. California, Atlantic States & European Express, Printed frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), light “Freeman & Co., San Francisco” in Red oval, to Victoria, V. I., somewhat aged & edges a bit worn, Very Scarce .......................................................... (Photo) E. IV

318  ❑ Freeman & Co., Red Printed frank, in Ribbon on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Rare “Freeman & Co., Coulterville” in Greenish Blue oval, Very Fine, Choice & Desirable .......... (Photo) E. VI

319  ❑ Freeman & Co., Red Printed frank, in Ribbon on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10). Bold “Freeman & Co., Watsonville” in oval to Santa Cruz, Immaculate cover, Very Fine ........................................... (Photo) E. V


321  ❑ Freeman & Co., Printed frank in Red Ribbon, Two, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with company ovals, “Marysville” & “Stockton Mess.”, first only partly legible, latter with Red S. F. Corner Card, Fine ....................... E. V

322  ❑ Freeman & Co., Red Printed Frank, Scarce Ribbon type with letters slanted L. on 3c Red Entire (U9) to S. F., Scarce fairly legible Benicia Co. pmk.; in pencil “Freeman–please deliver before 8 o’clock”, negligible nick in corner, Fine & Attractive ........ E. III

323  ❑ Freeman & Co., Red Printed Frank, Scarce type with all letters slanted L., Two, on 3c Red Buff Entire (U10) with company ovals, “Marysville” & “San Francisco”, latter slight stain in corner, otherwise Very Fine ......... E. IV

324  ❑ Freeman & Co’s. California Express, New York, Oval corner card on cover to Vermont with 3c Rose (26) added to complete the “New York, May 28, 1861” cancel, Very Fine Appearance .................................. E. II

325  ❑ Frey’s Valentine Express, In Red, printed on envelope with lines for address, & corner card of Wm. A. Frey, New England Valentine Co., S. F., Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .................................................. E. III

326  ❑ G. & H. City Express, (Gahagan & Howe) in clear blue oval, on locally used cover in S. F., trivial sealed scissor cut at T., still Very Fine, Extremely Scarce ....................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

327  ❑ H. F. Galen’s Stage & Express Line, Printed frank on 3c Green on Cream Entire (U84) Unused, Very Fine ............................................. E. IV

328  ❑ Garland’s Express, Printed frank, in box, on 3c Pink Entire (U58), Unused, Very Fine .......................................................... E. III

329  ❑ Gerow & Johnson’s British Columbia Express, Printed frank with Coat of Arms, unused on plain envelope with unused Canada, 3c Rose (37a) in corner, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .................................................. (Photo) E. VI

331 ☣ Gillpatrick & Co.'s Express, S. F., two diff. printed franks, First in box on 3c Green Entire (U159) other, unframed, with large dot, on 3c Green Entire (U165), Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. V

332 ☣ Gray's Cal. Express, In small shield, Bold Strike on cover to Hampden, Maine, “San Francisco, 40” in orange red, clear strike, Very Fine, an Extremely Rare frank, only 3 on record .......... (Photo) E. XI

333 ☣ Gray's Express, Printed Frank, in Blue, Vertically at L, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with “Wells, Fargo & Co.” printed frank, to S. F., cover mended in L. margin, clear of frank, Fine, Very Scarce, Ex-Barkhausen .......... (Photo) E. IX

334 ☣ Greathouse & Slicer, Yreka, in Blue octagon, fairly clear strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with “Wells, Fargo & Co.” printed frank, early type at Left of envelope, to S. F., Very Fine, Extremely Scarce (Photo) E. X

GREENHOOD & NEWBAUER

Probably the most important carrier in the Trinity area, with headquarters at Weaverville & connecting with Wells, Fargo & Co. at Shasta.

335 ☣ Greenhood & Newbauer Northern Express, Printed frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., clear Blue company oval “Weaverville” & “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” in clear blue oval, trifle reduced at R. just touching stamp, otherwise Very Fine ...................................................... E. II

336 ☣ Greenhood & Newbauer Northern Express, Printed frank with Error “Newbauer,” on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with clear Co. oval “Weaverville,” to S. F., Very Fine .......................................................... E. III

337 ☣ Greenhood & Newbauer Northern Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to S. F., Company cancel “Weaverville” in Bold double circle, used as paste-back with part of joined cover remaining on back, Very Fine, Scarce type of cancel., Ex-Lichtenstein ........................................ (Photo) E. V

338 ☣ Greenhood & Newbauer Northern Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to S. F. Company cancel. “Weaverville” in mostly clear Blue double circle, Very Fine cover ........................................................................... E. III

339 ☣ Greenhood & Newbauer Northern Express, Printed frank on 3c 1864 Entire (U58) to S. F., “Weaverville, Cal.” pmk., in clear circle with matching “Beaver Tail” cancel., Very Fine ............................................................. E. III

GREGORY'S EXPRESS

A very important operator, Coast-to-Coast and throughout the Pacific Area. He used a wider variety of franks than any other carrier except Wells, Fargo.

340 ☣ Gregory's Express, in ms. on cover to S. F. with “Adams & Co., New York” return card in shield, Red “Paid” in oval, a typical Gregory marking & docketing gives dates & Ship names. Heavy tape stain in corner & small corner nicks, Scarce usage ................................................................. E. II


342 ☣ Gregory's Atlantic & Pacific Express, Central Office, 280 Montgomery St. San Francisco, Red headstp., 4-lines, nearly complete strike, Red “Not Paid” in clear oval, to Sacramento City, Choice cover, Very Fine (Photo) E. VIII

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343  || Gregory's Atlantic & Pacific Express, Forwarded by Thompson & Hitchcock, 143 Pearl St., N.Y. in 4-line hdstp., almost complete strike on 1851 letter from "Franklin" to Marysville with uninked "Franklin" pmk., addressed to Frank Rumrill of Rumrill's Express, tiny worn spots in margin, still Very Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein ............................................. (Photo)  E. VIII

344  || Gregory's California Express, Received & Forwarded By, Thompson & Hitchcock, 141 Pearl Street, New York, Red hdstp., 4-lines, nearly complete strike, matching "Paid. T. & H." on 1851 letter to S.F., Very minor aging, Very Fine, considered the Rarest Gregory frank, Probably Unique (Photo)  E. XII

345  || Gregory's Express, matching "Paid" in oval, in Blue, "Express" in shaded letters, clear strikes on cover to S.F. ms. "2$" on flap shows charge, Very Fine, Scarce ..........................................................  E. VII

346  || Gregory's Express, clear Red hdstp., matching "Paid" in oval, "Express" in shaded letters, on 1851 cover to S.F. from Sacramento, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo)  E. VII

347  || Gregory's Sacramento Express, in clear Blue oval on 1851 cover to "Agent, Gregory's & Co's Express, Marysville", Very Fine, scarce .............. (Photo)  E. VIII

348  || Gregory's Express, Marysville, Bold three line hdstp. heading two letters without covers 1851 in Red, 1852 in Blue; the letters are personal in nature & are from Frank Rumrill (Rumrill's Express to his future wife in Ohio), Very Fine, interesting comment on California life ........................................  E. V

349  || Gregory's Express, Marysville, Bold Blue hdstp., 3-lines, matching "Paid" in oval, on cover to Sacramento, docketed "John A. Sutter, Hock Farm, Sept. 17, 1852," Very Fine .................................................. (Photo)  E. VIII

350  || Gregory's Express Office, San Francisco, 3-line hdstp. in Blue matching "Paid" in oval on letter to N.Y., "Boyd's City Despatch Post," partial strike & "Paid J.T.B." for local delivery in N.Y., bit stained at R., Scarce usage .................................................. (Photo)  E. VI

351  || Gregory's Express Office, San Francisco, unusually clear 3-line hdstp. in Blue, matching "Not Paid" in oval on 1851 cover to S.F. ms. "Ohio" (Ship name) origin "San Diego", slight age stains, yet Very Fine (Photo)  E. VIII

352  || Gregory's Express Office, San Francisco, mostly clear 3-line hdstp., Rare type, matching "Not Paid" in oval on 1852 cover to S.F., Red ms. "Str. Sea Bird" letter, in Spanish, headed "Santa Barbara" refers to the "recent" California statehood, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo)  E. VII

353  || Gregory's Express Office, San Francisco, Three clear Blue str. lines, matching "Not Paid" in oval, on 1852 cover to Martinez, Cal. age stains, otherwise Fine ..................................................  E. VI

354  || Gregory's Express, San Francisco Office, Three lines, in Blue, Bold Strike, matching "Paid" in oval on cover to N.Y., ms. "Per Gold Hunter," bit aged & minute corner nick, otherwise Very Fine .................................................. (Photo)  E. VII

355  || Gregory's Express, Pocket Letter Book, Fresh, Unused, with 1851 Calendar & description of Gregory's Express services, with original blank envelope, Very Fine & Desirable ..................................................  E. V

356  || Gregory's Express, Pocket Letter Book, Fresh, unused, 1851 but without calendar; has list of Branch offices, printed on back, Very Fine, with original blank envelope ..................................................  E. V

357  || Gregory's Express, Bold Red hdstp. on 1852 Receipt, "Gregory's New York & California Express" in Blue dotted oval & "Gregory's Express, Marysville," 3-lines in Blue on 1852 personal note of Frank Rumrill to his intended, Very Fine ..................................................  E. V

358  || Gregory & English's Moore's Flat and Eureka Express, Collect., Printed frank in ornate frame on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Unused, light crease at left, otherwise Very Fine, Ex-Barkhausen ......................... (Photo)  E. V
J. W. HOAG & CO. CONTRA COSTA EXPRESS

An East–Bay operator who was absorbed by J. Bamber & Co. after only two years of service. Worked out of San Francisco to Trans–bay towns.

368 J. W. Hoag & Co., Contra Costa Express, San Francisco, Clear strike in Blue oval, matching “Collect 12½cts” in Diamond, 3c Red (11) touched at T. & creases, tied by “Paid” in large oval, on cover to “Mission of San Jose, Cal.” tiny sealed cover tears, Fine, Handsome & Very Rare (Photo) E. X


370 J. W. Hoag & Co.’s, Contra Costa Express, Oakland, Clear Red oval, matching “Paid” in oblong on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) minor ink stain at L. L. Fine, a Scarce & Attractive cover (Photo) E. VIII

371 Hogan & Co.’s, North San Juan & Humbug Express, Two diff. Printed franks on 3c Green Entires (U82, U83), Unused, one has tiny toned specks, otherwise Very Fine (Photo) E. VIII

372 Holland, Morley & Co.’s, Express, Printed frank in ribbon, on plain envelope to “Ophir, Washoe Co., N. T., Rare “Truckee Meadows, N. T.” pmk. in Red, partly illegible, 3c Rose (65) Badly nicked, unc cancelling, cover lightly soiled & sealed tear, A Very Scarce Cover (Photo) E. V

373 Holland & Wheeler’s Daily Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U34) to S. F., faint, partly readable oval “Forbestown” an “Everts” type & Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville, in partly readable blue double oval, soiled & somewhat nicked at bot., Rare cover, Ex–Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII
Holland & Wheeler's Express, Printed frank in Red ribbon on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Wisconsin, "Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville" in Blue double oval, dated Mar. 31, “Atchison, Kas. May 11, ’65” Duplex pmk., docketing verifies over 6 weeks in transit, minor toned spot, microscopick nickel, Fine & Very Rare ................................................. (Photo) E. X

Hoogs & Madison Dispatch Post, Paid 10c, Printed Running Pony Frank in Frame, on 10c Green on Buff Entire (U41), Unused, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. VII

Hoogs & Madison, Dispatch Post, Paid 10c, Printed Running Pony Frank in frame on 3c Pink Entire (U58), Unused, Very Fine ..................... (Photo) E. VI

Hopkinson’s Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., neat Blue oval “Wells, Fargo & Co., Dutch Flat”, “75” in pencil indicates Express rate, Very Fine, Scarce ........................................... (Photo) E. XII

Hopkinson’s Express, Printed frank in Red on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U58) to Nevada City, Cal. no pmk., few toned spots, yet Fine & Very Scarce, Ex-Barkhausen ................................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

Hopkinson’s Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), ms. pmk. “Dutch Flat, Jan. 3, 1865” to Nevada City, Cal., Reduced slightly at R., just nicking embossed stamp, otherwise Fine, Scarce .................... (Photo) E. VII

Hopkinson’s Express, Printed frank on 3c 1864 Entire (U59) to Nevada City, Cal., no pmk., trifle reduced at L., Very Fine, Scarce

Horn’s Yreka, Fort Jones & Scott River Express, Light Purple hdsp. in odd frame, struck over “Wells, Fargo & Co.” printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U163) to S. F., no pmk., Very Fine, Scarce, Ex-Sawyer

W. P. Hunt’s, Warren Express, Printed frank, in ribbon on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59). Unused, Very Fine ............................................. (Photo) E. IV

HUNTER & CO.

Important early operator out of Sacramento into the Placerville section of the American River mines.

Hunter & Co., Small Blue oval, clear strike, on cover to Sacramento City, Cal., forwarded to Spanish Bar, ms. pmk. “Spencerburg, Mo., 40,” part of Red “Sacramento” pmk. & "$1.70” for Hunter’s fee to Spanish Bar, wrinkled & small corner repairs, Rare usage, Ex-Lichtenstein ................................. E. VIII

Hunter & Co’s Express, in small oval, Running Pony in center, Remarkably clear strike, on cover docketed 1852, clear Blue Fairfield, Ct. pmk. to Sacramento City, & forwarded by Hunter to “M. Bar” (Murderer’s Bar) for which $1.25 charge is indicated, Flap missing, A magnificent frank of great Rarity, Very Fine, Ex-Emerson, Knapp ................................................. (Photo) E. XIII

Forwarded By Hunter & Co. Express, Mud Springs, Cala. in Shield, clear strike, on cover to S. F., minor sealed cover tear, Very Fine (Photo) E. VII

Forwarded By Hunter & Co’s Express, Mud Springs, Cala., In clear Red Shield on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with clear Red Oval W. F. & Co, Sacramento Express pmk., used to S. F., no flap & bit reduced at T., Fine, Scarce .................................................. (Photo) E. XII

C. C. Huntley Stage & Express Line, Fancy Printed frank in Purple on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Deer Lodge, M. T., no pmk., opened bit irregularly at L., otherwise Very Fine & Scarce, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII

Indian Creek Express, Printed frank with Stage coach on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U58) unused, Very Fine ............................................. E. III

Jeffray’s Fraser River Express, Fancy Printed frank, with oval "Post Office, Victoria, V. I." with Coat of Arms, bit smudgily struck on front only, neatly rebacked, unused, Fine, Very Scarce ............................................. (Photo) E. IV

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390  Jones' Express, N. O. & O. Rail Road, ms. frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to New Orleans, with Red "N. O." pmk. & Bold "Way" on stamp, Very Fine, Scarce 
Texas frank (Jones operated from Houston & Galveston to New Orleans) .................................................. (Photo) E. VI

391  Jones & Edgar's Canyon City Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to "Dalles, Ogn." no pmk., Very Fine & Rare, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. VIII

392  Jones & Edgar's Canyon City Express, Printed frank across top of 3c Pink Entire (U34) to Ehy Landing, W. T., "Wells, Fargo & Co., Dalles, O." in oval, aged and clipped edge of embossed stamp at R., Very Rare, Ex-Barkhausen .............................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

393  Keene & Hurley, Paid Over All Stage And Express Lines From Ruby City, W. T., Printed frank across top of 2c Brown Entire (U278) Unused, Very Fine .............................................................. (Photo) E. IV

394  Kennedy's Express, Red Printed frank on Orange cover to Conn., with off-center 3c Red (65) tied by "Shamrock" & clear "Helena, Montana" pmk., Badly water-stained & ragged left edge, immaterial since this is the only one on record, Unique .............................................................. E. VIII

395  Kennedy & Co's Half Moon Bay & Pescadero Express, Printed franks in Blue frame, Two, on 3c Pink Entire (U58, U59) Unused, Very Fine ... E. IV

396  Kennedy & Co's Half Moon Bay & Pescadero Express, Printed frank in Blue frame on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to San Jose, with S. F. Duplex pmk., Frank partly obliterated by pen scrolls, Very Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein pmk., Frank partly obliterated by pen scrolls, Very Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein ...... E. VII

397  Kennedy, Long & Co's Express & Transfer Co., Blue printed frank in frame on 3c Pink on Buff Entire with additional 3c Green (158), S. F. pmk. to San Jose, Frank partly obliterated by pen marks & blot, Fine, Scarce, Ex-Barkhausen .............................................................. (Photo) E. VII


399  Kootenai Express, Printed frank, with "James & Co." obliterated by brush stroke, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) with "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank & light Blue W. F. & Co. oval "Lewiston," to Portland, Ore., rounded corners and cut well into Embossed Stamp at R., Very Rare ........ E. VIII

400  Lamping & Co.'s Express, Printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) clear Company oval "Downieville" in Blue, also "Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville," in Blue on Immaculate cover, Very Fine, Extremely Scarce used, A Gem .............................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

401  Lamping & Co. Express, People's Express Co., Printed franks on 6c 1864 Entire (U62) & 2c 1887 Entire (U311) respectively, Legal size covers, Unused, Very Fine .............................................................. E. III

LANGTON'S PIONEER EXPRESS

A major carrier out of Marysville, into the Sierra County and Plumas County mining areas, extending east into Nevada. There is served the mining towns near the Humboldt River, as well as the Carson Valley.

402  Langton's Express, Two company cancels, "Downieville" one in small oval (early type) to St. Louis, Cal.; other Error "Downieville" from Allegheny City, Pa. "Paid 6." Both covers rather worn & small nicks but Very Scarce E. III

403  Langton's Pioneer Express, Printed frank on plain orange cover to Poker Flat, Cal., Red oval "Langton's Pioneer Express, Virginia City," bit indistinct at T., small part of flap missing, Fine, Very Scarce ............ (Photo) E. VI

404  Langton's Express, Downieville, partly struck up, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F. with "Pacific Express Co., Marysville" in clear blue oval, couple of small cover nicks, otherwise Fine, Very scarce joint usage E. IV
| 405 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed frank in fancy oval, Two, on 3c Red Entire (U9, U10), one with company oval “Downieville”, other with Rare, “Eureka, Sierra Co.” in Red oval & W. F. & Co., Marysville in Blue oval, bit worn and latter nicked at L. L. Scarce Pair | E. III |
| 406 | **Langton's Pioneer Express, Eureka City**, in Red oval, light legible strike on back of 10c Green Entire (U18) to N. Y. with **Langton Printed frank**, Bold Downieville, Cal. pmk. & ms. “Due 10”, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) | E. VIII |
| 407 | **Langton's Pioneer Express, Marysville**, in long clear Blue oval on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with Wells, Fargo & Co. printed frank & W. F. & Co. clear Blue oval “San Jose” to **Smarts Ville, Cal.**, unusual usage, scarce, flap missing, Very Fine (Photo) | E. V |
| 408 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed frank in **Blue** on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Sacramento City, clear Red company oval “Forest City” & “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville in partial Blue oval, Very Fine, Scarce cancel (Photo) | E. VII |
| 409 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U34) to Marysville, Bold Blue company oval “Washoe City” & Bold Blue “Washoe City, Nev. T.” pmk., Very Scarce, Opened Carelessly at R., thru Embossed stamp, Very Scarce | E. III |
| 410 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed Frank on 3c Pink Entire (U34), Two, Each with Company oval “Downieville” in Blue, one Eastbound to Virginia City, N. T., other Westbound to S. F. with “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” Blue oval, clear strikes, one has tiny corner nick, otherwise V. F. | E. IV |
| 411 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed franks, on 3c Entire (U10, U35) First with faint Red company oval “San Juan”, other “Columbia Hill”, in Blue, both to S. F. with “Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada” ovals, Scarce “Ghost Town” cancels. Covers bit nicked & worn | E. II |
| 412 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed Frank, ornamental in **Blue** on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Downieville, no pmk. irregularly opened at L., just touching the frank, Scarce | E. II |
| 413 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed frank, Ornamental, in **Green** on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to N. Y., light pmk. not legible, very slight soiled spots, Fine & Rare, possibly unique in green | E. VI |
| 414 | **Langton's Pioneer Express**, Printed frank, Ornamental, on 3c Pink Entires (U58, U59) Two, to S. F., First with scarce Blue company cancel, “Forest City”, other with illegible company oval, both with “Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” in Blue, Fine | E. III |
| 415 | **Langton's Nevada Mail & Express Co.**, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Barkhausen (Photo) | E. IV |
| 416 | **La Porte Express Co., La Porte**, Bold Blue oval, matching “Free” in box & Maltese Cross in circle, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Quincy, Cal., reduced at R. into stamp, A Rare & Attractive cover (Photo) | E. VII |
| 417 | **La Porte Express Co.**, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F. Partial Blue company oval “La Porte”, cover bit nicked on back only, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) | E. VII |
| 418 | **La Porte Express Co.**, Printed frank at L. of 3c Pink Entire (U59) with “Grant I. Taggart’s Shasta & Weaverville Express” printed frank in box across top, unused, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein | E. III |
| 419 | **Latta's Express**, “Per R. W. Latta, Coin $28.75” in ms. on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Nevada City, Cal., Very Fine, scarce | E. VI |
| 420 | **Latta's Mountain Express, Paid** Printed frank in Dark Blue on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), uncancelled, Very Fine, Shows traces of having been used as paste-up, Ex–Barkhausen (Photo) | E. V |
| 421 | **Leland & Mc Comb Express, San Francisco**, Clear Red oval on plain envelope to S. F., negligible creasing, Very Fine, A Rare & Seldom Seen Frank, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) | E. VIII |
422 Leland & Mc Comb's Southern Express, in Blue oval, nearly complete strike, matching "Paid" in oval, on small embossed Lady's envelope to N. Y. State, 3c Red (11) cut in at L., tied by S. F. pmk., "Due 5" as to the rate was 6c prepaid; Also a Red "Paid 6" partly under the stamp, trifle stained on back only, Very Fine Cover, Ex—Emerson, Knapp .... (Photo) E. X

423 Lewis's Cherokee Flat Exp., clear Blue hdsp. on 3c Pink on Buff (U59) to Oroville, Cal., reduced at R., slightly into Embossed stamp, Fine for this Very Rare frank

424 Livingston, Fargo & Co., By The American Express, Printed frank in Blue on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Ohio, Endorsed "Death, Agent please deliver immediately", no pmk., bit age browning, minor cover tears, Scarce

425 Loon Creek Express, Printed frank in frame, "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank, vertically at L. on 3c Pink Entire (U58) Unused, Very Fine, Ex—Lichtenstein

426 Loon Creek Express, C. J. Tasell, Messenger, Printed frank, beneath "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U83) Unused, Very Fine

427 Mann's Island Express, Crescent City, Printed frank in box on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), Unused, Very Fine, Ex—Lichtenstein

428 Martin's Spokane Falls and Gardiner Stage & Express Line, Printed frank in Red across top of 2c Brown Entire (U278), Unused, Very Fine, Ex—Barkhausen

429 Forwarded By McRuer & Merrill, San Francisco, in Clear Red oval, bit strengthened, on cover to New Bedford, Mass., 3c Red (65) tied by Cog, S. F. pmk., cover nicked & mended at top, no flap, Very Scarce

430 Mead & Clark, Over our Clear Creek Route, Printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Uncancelled, incomplete address, minor creases & scuffs, Fine, Ex Lichtenstein

431 Moore's Flat Express, In small blue dated oval, clear strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F. with "Pacific Union Express Co." Red printed frank, "Nevada City, Cal." pmk. Very Fine, A Great Rarity, possibly unique

432 Moore's Flat, In large mostly clear Blue oval, "June 3" below, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., with "Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada" in Blue oval, the "Moore's Flat" probably the "Langton & Co." hdsp., Very Fine, Scarce

433 Moore's Flat, Bold Blue oval, "Langton's Pioneer Express" oval Printed frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., with "Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada" in clear Blue oval, Very Fine, Exceedingly Scarce & Desirable

434 Morley, Caulkins & Co.'s Daily Express, Printed frank in box on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Memphis, Missouri, ms. "B" on stamp, Bold Red "Strawberry Valley, Cala." pmk., bit aged & wrinkled, still Fine, Very Rare, Ex—Barkhausen

435 Mossman & Co.'s Express, Dirigo, Nez Perces & Salmon River Mines, Printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U34) once part of a paste up, unc Cancelled, small sealed tear into stamp, otherwise Fine, Scarce

436 Per Myers Express, ms. frank on Orange cover to S. F., Fine & Scarce, Ex—Lichtenstein

437 Nichols & Co.'s Express, Frank in Ultramarine on 3c Red Entire (U9) to S. F., faint Red company cancel., not legible, several sealed cover tears, Fine appearance & of the utmost rarity, possibly unique

438 Nichols & Co.'s Express, Pictorial Printed frank on plain envelope to S. F., Faint company cancel. in Red oval, Flap missing, a bit aged, Very Scarce frank

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Package to your Address can be sent to the Office.

This envelope at the delivery department
Between the hours of 8 A.M. and 4 P.M.

Wells, Fargo & Co.
439 **Norman & Grant’s Express**, Printed frank in fancy box on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Saw Pitt, Plumas Co., Cal., no pmk., cover mended at R. where carelessly opened, Extremely Scarce & seldom seen in any condition .......................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

**NORTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS CO.**

A late operator serving the area of the Northern Pacific Railway.

440 **Northern Pacific Express Co.**, Printed frank in Dark Blue, Two, on 2c Red Entires (U139, U227) unused, first has minor ink speck, otherwise Very Fine .......................................................... E. I

441 **Northern Pacific Express Co.**, Printed frank in Dark Blue, Two, one on 2c Red Entire (U227) to East Portland, Or. with “100” in purple on stamp & “Answer” hdstp. on back, the other to Columbus, Ohio, on 2c Brown Entire (U277) with “Minneapolis, Minn.” pmk., Each bit reduced, latter bit into Embossed stamp, scarce Pair .......................................................... E. III


443 **Northern Pacific Express Co.**, Printed franks, three, one in blue, on 2c Green Entire (U311), Nice “Olympia, Wash.” pmk., a scarce “R.P.O.” pmk. & 1888 use to Phila., Pa., Fine–Very Fine .......................................................... E. IV

444 **North Western Express Co.**, Pictorial Printed Frank, old Side–Wheel Steamer, on 2c Green Entire (U311) Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein (Photo) E. IV

445 **A. J. Oliver & Co’s Bannock & Salt Lake City Express**, In oval, light clear strike, “T. D. Brown, Agent, G.S.L. City” (Great Salt Lake City) in box on 1864 cover to Murphy’s Camp, Cal., 3c Rose (65) tied by target, “Salt Lake City, U.” pmk., negligible nicks in L. edge of cover, Fine, A Very Rare Frank .......................................................... (Photo) E. XII

446 **Oregon & California R. R. Express, Portland**, In clear Blue Double circle on 3c Green Entire (U84) Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein ............. E. IV

447 **Oroville & Quincy Express**, Printed in Red over Picture of 6–Horse Stagecoach, on 3c Green Entire (U164) to S.F. with clear Blue oval “Wells, Fargo & Co., Oroville” Very Fine, an Extremely Rare frank, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... (Photo) E. XI

448 **Oroville & Quincy Express**, Printed in Red over Picture of 6–Horse Stagecoach, on 3c Green Entire (U164) to S.F., Type with name all in caps, no pmk., faint toned spots & microscopic sealed nick, Very Fine, Very Rare, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... (Photo) E. VI

**END OF FIRST SESSION**

**LOTS ON VIEW FROM JANUARY 16th**

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SECOND SESSION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23rd, 1969 — 1:00 P.M.

PACIFIC EXPRESS CO.
A very important carrier serving a large part of California. Formed out of Adams & Co.’s lines after Adams bankruptcy in 1855.

449 □ Pacific Express, Printed “Horseman” frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Santa Cruz, Cal., Scarce “Shaws Flat, Cal.” pmk., light mostly legible strike, Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. IV

450 □ Pacific Express, Printed “Horseman” frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Coloma, Faint company oval “Sacramento” struck twice, Fine ...

451 □ Pacific Express, Printed “Horseman” frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Marysville, Cal., Very Faint company oval, “Sacramento,” A few toned specks .................................................................. E. II

452 □ Pacific Express Co., Printed “Horseman” frank on 3c Red Entire (U9) to Sacramento, Very Scarce company oval “Montezuma” in partly clear Blue oval, light age stain at L., otherwise Fine (Photo) E. IV

453 □ Pacific Express Co., Printed “Horseman” frank in Blue, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Volcano, Cal., mostly clear Blue company oval “Sacramento,” Very Fine Cover, Scarce in Blue (Photo) E. V


455 □ Pacific Express Co., Printed “Horseman” frank in Blue, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Blue company oval “Sacramento”, mended nick at T., otherwise Fine, Ex—Wiltsee ........................................................................ E. II

456 □ Pacific Express Co., Printed “Horseman” frank Two, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10), one with clear Red company oval “Coloma”, other “San Francisco” in clear Blue Double circle, first has tears at L. B., other has top restored, nice appearance ......................................................... E. III

457 □ Pacific Express Co., Printed “Horseman” frank on 10c Green Entire (U18) to Washington, Bold “New York” pmk. faint horiz. crease, otherwise Very Fine, Seldom seen on the 10c ...................................................... (Photo) E. VI

458 □ Pacific Express Co., San Francisco, Blue oval, Bold Impression, just as though printed, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Sacramento, no pmk., Very Fine, Scarce .............................................................. (Photo) E. V

459 □ Pacific Express Co., California, No. 124 Broadway, N. Y., in large clear Blue oval, Bold Red “Paid” in oval on cover to Washington, Pa., on 6c, 1853 Entire (U14) with 1c Ty. IV & 3c Red (9, 11), each a bit cut into, tied by “N. Y.” pmk.; “Due 7” obliterated & “Due 4” in its place. Stained at L. R., yet Fine & Very Rare, possibly unique ................................................. (Photo) E. IX

460 □ Pacific Express Co., San Francisco, clear Blue hdstp., Double circle, all in block letters, 3c Rose (11) margins to barely touched, ms. cancel, to Iowa Hill, Cal., fresh, Very Fine Cover ........................................... (Photo) E. V

461 □ Pacific Express Co., San Francisco, Two diff. hdstps. on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Iowa Hill, Cal., one in large oval, matching “Paid”; other in Blue Double circle, name in serifed caps, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. VII
Pacific Express Co., Campo Seco, Blue oval, fairly clear on legal size cover to Mok. Hill, bit stained at L. edge, Fine ........................................ E. II

Pacific Express Co., Crescent City, Bold Blue oval, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., minor cover tears, Fine, Very Scarce town marking (Photo) E. V

Pacific Express Co., Georgetown, clear Red oval, matching shaded "Paid" on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., minute nick, Fine, Scarce town cancel .................................................. E. V

Pacific Express, Nevada, Paid, Clear Blue oval frank, on 3c Red Entire (U9). Similar clear oval used as cancel with date in place of "Paid" to Sacramento, Very Fine, Scarce, used shortly after failure of Adams & Co., while printed franks were being prepared ................................ (Photo) E. VI

Pacific Express Co., Northern Mines, clear Blue oval on plain orange envelope to "White Sulphur Springs, Napa Co., Cala.", Very Fine & Scarce (Photo) E. VI

Pacific Express Co., Stockton, Blue oval frank, hdstpd., clear Blue company cancel, in smaller dated oval on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., trifle wrinkled, Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. IV

Pacific Express Co., Coulterville, Paid, Bold strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., about 1/2 in. of cover restored at R., thru stamp, to improve appearance, Rare "Ghost Town" cancel. Very attractive, Ex-Barthausen ................................................. (Photo) E. IV

Pacific Express Co., Big Oak Flat, In oval, struck three times, once clearly on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F. bit age stained, Fine, Scarce town ................................................................. E. IV

Pacific Express Co., El Dorado, in large clear oval, matching "Paid" in small oval on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U2) to S. F., "Value $100" in ms., Very Fine ............................................................. (Photo) E. IV

Pacific Express Co., Iowa Hill, In Red oval with "Paid" in Red Oval inside, fairly clear strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Fine, Scarce "Ghost Town" cancel ............................................. E. V

Pacific Express Co., Martinez, In Red oval, bit indistinct strike on cover to S. F., fresh, Fine ........................................................................................................ E. IV

Pacific Express Co., Murphy's, Clear oval, matching "Paid" in octagon on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Stockton, Very Fine, Scarce ....................... (Photo) E. VI

Pacific Express Co., Sonoma, clear Blue oval, on 6c Green Entire (U13) to "White Sulphur Springs, Cal." slight age stains, Fine, Rare in local use (Photo) E. VII

Pacific Express Co., Watsonville, clear oval hdstp. to S. F., "Paid" in ms., Very Fine, Scarce ......................................................... (Photo) E. V

Pacific Express Co., Brown Printed frank with Railway Car on 2c Brown Entire (U277) to Astoria, Ogn., Bold S. F. company cancel. in four str. lines, Very Fine, Scarce used .............................................. (Photo) E. VI

Pacific Express Co., Printed frank, "Railway Car" with two 1c Columbian (230) tied by Bold "Salt Lake City, Utah", Duplex pmks to Iowa, Very Fine, Handsome cover .................................................. (Photo) E. IV

Pacific Express Co., Two Printed Franks on 2c Brown Entire (U277) one with Railway Car. the other with Globe, Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. II

Pacific Express Co., Four covers, two late franks, one "Railway Car" type, two return card covers, 1892-1907 Scarce, Fine—Very Fine .................................................. E. II

Pacific Stage & Express Co., Pictorial Printed frank, "Six—Horse Stage coach" with list of towns served, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to S. F., "Nevada City, Cal." pmk., light crease, trivial nick in L. R. corner, Fine, Rare & Handsome .................................................. (Photo) E. IX

Pacific Stage & Express Co., Three Printed Pictorial franks, one "Six—Horse Stage", Two oval franks with "Four—Horse Stage", one in blue on plain envelope, others on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35), Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. III
PACIFIC UNION EXPRESS CO.

A major operator in the 1860's with exclusive express rights over The Union Pacific R. R. Was chief competitor of Wells, Fargo & Co. until a merger of the two companies gave Wells, Fargo complete dominance of the express business.

482 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Printed frank in Black Scroll, on 3c Pink Entire (U58), New York in clear Blue co. pmk., to Treasure City, Nevada, clear Blue company cancel “Hamilton” (Nev.) on stamp. The Black Frank Very Rare, used only from East to West. Lower edge of cover restored, Very Fine appearance ................................................................. (Photo) E. IV

483 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Red Scroll frank, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., Unusual freak, Double Impression of frank, no pmk., Fine & Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. IV

484 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Red Printed Scroll frank, “J. Bamber & Co., S. F.” hdstp. in clear Blue Double circle on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), to Oakland, Cal., tiny scuff spot at L., Very Fine attractive combination usage ................................................................. (Photo) E. IV

485 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Red Printed Frank, Scroll type, with “J. Bamber & Co., S. F.” cancel. in Bold Blue Double circle, a full “paste-back” addressed “near Alvarado”, taken by Pacific Union to S. F., thence by Bamber to destination. Very Fine, scarce combination usage ................................................................. (Photo) E. IV

486 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Red Printed frank on 3c Pink Entire (U58) to S. F., “Wells, Fargo & Co., Petaluma Route” oval co. cancel, “Wells” not struck up, tiny sealed tear, Fine, Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. IV


488 ➤ Pacific Union Express Co., Red Scroll frank, Four on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), all with clear Blue Messenger cancels. “Napa”, “Sacramento”), “So. Coast” & “Stockton” all to S. F. one clipped into stamp at R., others Fine–Very Fine, Very Scarce Lot ................................................................. (Photo) E. VI


490 ➤ Panamint Pony Express, Printed frank with Pony Rider on 3c Green Entire (U38) Unused, Very Fine & Scarce, Ex Barkhausen ................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

491 ➤ D. C. Patterson & Co’s. Ex., Paid, Frank in ms., Vertically at R. on cover to N. H., “Bannock City, Boice Mines, Idh. Territory” in pencil across top of cover and over a 3c Rose (65) tied by grid, mostly readable “Salt Lake City, U. T.” pmk., cover flap restored, Fine, a Very Rare Frank ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

492 ➤ Pauly & Nohrman’s Express, Printed frank in box on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to N. Y. State, “La Porte, Cal.” pmk., cover repaired at L. L. and sealed tears, Very Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

493 ➤ R. Penman’s Express, Truckee, Jamison, Mohawk & Eureka Mills, Embossed frank on flap of 3c Green Entire (U83) with “Wells, Fargo & Co.” Printed frank & W. F. & Co. Truckee in Blue oval to Red Bluff, Cal., cover nicks neatly mended, Fine appearance, Very Rare, only 2 or 3 known ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

494 ➤ Perham’s Stage & Express Line, Printed on large envelope to Centerville, Cal. with Blue adhesive label of W. T. Ellis, Forwarding Agent, small cover tears, Fine & Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

495 ➤ Pescadero and Half Moon Bay Stage Co’s. Express, Perfect strike in blue oval on 3c Pink (U34) to S. F.; cover extensively repaired at L., Very Rare ................................................................. (Photo) E. V
Phoenix Express & Transportation Co., Over—all litho. in light Brown, picture of “Phoenix” on cover to S. F., 3c ultramarine (114) tied, “Galveston, Texas” pmk., small cover tears, Fine .............................................. E. V

**W. L. PRITCHARD FAST FREIGHT LINE**

An operator who carried mail, express & freight in Central Nevada, from Palisade, through Eureka, to the Pioche area.

W. L. Pritchard Fast Freight Line, Elko to White Pine, Printed Frank in box, “Wells, Fargo & Co.” printed frank at L., on 3c Pink Entire (U58) to S. F., sealed cover tears, slightly affecting Franks, no pmks., Rare Frank

(PHOTO) .................................................. E. V

Pritchard’s Fast Freight, Palisade, Over—all frank in Drab on 3c Green Entire (U82) with Wells, Fargo & Co.” printed frank at L. & clear Blue W. F. cancel “Palisades” (Nev.) to S. F., Very Fine, Scarce Nevada operator

(PHOTO) .................................................. E. VI

Pritchard’s Fast Freight Line, Over—all Buff design listing places served on 3c Green Entire (U82) with “Wells, Fargo & Co.” frank at L., faint Blue W. F. oval “Palisades” (Nev.) to S. F., Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. V

Pritchard’s Fast Freight Line, Over—all printed frank in Pink on 3c Green entire (U82) with “Wells Fargo & Co.” printed frank & light Blue W. F. oval “Palisades” to S. F., Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. V

Private Post Office, San Francisco, 15c Blue, Imprinted on 3c 1864 White Entire (U58) similar to #123LU2a but on the white envelope, Unused, Very Fine & Rare ..................................................................................... E. VIII

Public Letter Office, San Francisco, Printed in fancy letters on 2c 1863 Entire (U54), Handstamped “Paid 15cts” in ornate frame, Unlisted, Unused, minor cover tear, otherwise Very Fine, Rare, A Very Handsome Cover

(PHOTO) .................................................. E. VIII

Puget Sound Express in light str. line on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with very faint Wells Fargo & Co. Portland cancels in Red and Blue, first with matching “Paid”, cover badly clipped at L. & margin faults but Very Rare, Ex—Barkhausen .................................................. E. III

Pullen, Virgil & Co.’s. Express, Red label on plain envelope to S. F. ms. “Paid Through”, Very unusual use of an Eastern Express Co. to California, cover has corner flaws & minor aging .................................................. E. III

R. & P. C. Express, Gothic letters in oval hdstp. on front & back of 2c Brown Entire (U277) to Mass., Yankton, Dak. return card & faint “Yankton, Dak.” pmk., slight age spots, Fine & Scarce .................................................. E. V

R. E. Raimond, San Francisco, Two covers, Diff. Bold oval hdstps. with ship in center, one in Blue on cover with uncan. 3c Red (11) to “Oasis Rancho”, other on “Wells, Fargo & Co.” franked 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to “San Luis Rey”, W. F. “San Francisco” in light Blue oval; said to be franks but most likely attractive return cards, Fine—Very Fine .................................................. E. VI

Raum’s Ruby Hill, Schellburn & Rubyville Express, Fancy Printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U82) to San Jose, Cal., ms. “Schellburn” pmk., Very Fine, Rare Nevada operator .................................................. (PHOTO) E. IX

Raum’s Ruby Hill, Schellburn and Rubyville Express, Fancy Printed frank, wide type, on 3c Green Entire (U83) to Schellburn, Nev., no cancel, Very Fine, Rare .................................................. (PHOTO) E. V

Raum’s Centerville, Ruby Hill & Schellburn Express, Printed frank, unboxed on 3c Green Entire (U83) to San Jose, Cal., clear “Schellborne, Nev.” pmk., cover has repaired nick at L. R., barely affecting pmk. Fine appearance, Rare .................................................. (PHOTO) E. VII
REED'S CITY DESPATCH POST

Operating locally in San Francisco. Had arrangement to take letters for Adams & Co.

510 Reed's City Dispatch Post, on Blue Glazed (126L2), Margins all around, uncancelled on small cover, Very Fine, Extremely Rare, only 3 covers known, Ex-Caspary ................................................................. (Photo) 1,250.00+

511 Reticker's Poney Express, Bold hdstp. on 3c Green Envelope (U82) with "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank & light Blue Oval “Salt Lake City” a cover front only, cut to Embossed Stamp at R., Very Rare, Ex–Barkhausen ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

REYNOLDS & CO.

An early operator who merged his company with Todd's Express. Served the Southern Mines out of Stockton to the Sonora–Jamestown areas.

512 Reynolds & Co's. Express, in small Indistinct Rimless circle, ms. pmk. “West Townsend, Mass.” to S. F. ms. “40” & “2” indicating 40¢ postage & Reynolds' charge of $2.00, a small Lady's envelope, minor aging Fine, Very Rare, said to be unique ................................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

513 Forwarded By Reynolds & Co. Express, in small oval, splendid strike on cover to Stockton, Cal., Red “Salem, Mass.” pmk., “40” postage rate & $2.00 for Reynolds' charge, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein ................................................................. (Photo) E. IX

514 Reynolds & Co's. Sonora Express, $2., Bold strike in Rimless oval, “Dam'a Mills, Me.” (Damariscotta) pmk., 40¢ rate, addressed to “Mormon Gulch, South Mines” but re-addressed by Reynolds to “Jackass” (Jackass Gulch), Front & Portion of Flap only, Very Fine, Rare, said to be unique (Photo) E. IX

515 Reynolds & Co. Express, Sonora, Stockton, San Francisco, in Blue Double oval, clear strike, “Wilmington, Del.” & “New York, 10” pmks. to “Jackass Gulch” (via Stockton, Cal.), Reynolds' charge of $1.00 in pencil. Lightly docketed with 1857 date, flap mended, Fine, Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) E. VIII


518 Reynolds, Todd & Co. Express, San Francisco, in oval, light strike, matching “Paid” to Sonora, Cal., Scarce ................................................................. E. IV

519 Rhodes & Co's. Express, Red Bluffs, In Blue oval, Bold strike on 6c Green Entire (U13) with Horiz. Pair 3c Brownish Carmine (11) cut in L. & T., tied by “Sacramento City, Cal.” pmk, which has been strengthen in pencil for legibility, cover bit aged, Attractive, Very Scarce frank (Photo) E. VIII

520 Ritcherderon's Missouri Express, Embossed pictorial frank or corner card on cover to “Hempstead Branch, Queens Co. N. Y.” with 3c Claret (11a) tied by Sharp Rimless “Quindaro, K. T.” stamp has tiny flaw, Choice & Handsome Terr. cover, Ex–Meroni ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

LOTS ON VIEW FROM JANUARY 16th

OFFICES OPEN SATURDAY BEFORE SALE

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RIVER EXPRESS

A late operator who first ran between Stockton and San Francisco but later expanded his service to Petaluma, Napa & other sections easily reached from San Francisco. Used covers are seldom met with.

521 [x] River Express, Stockton & San Francisco, Green printed frank, with "Petaluma" stamped below frank on 2c Green Entire (U312) with company cancel., bit cut into stamp at R. by careless opening Very Scarce used, especially with the "Petaluma" ............................................................... E. III

522 [x] River Express, Stockton & San Francisco, Green printed frank, on 2c Green Entire (U312) to S. F., Pink company oval "Stockton" & "River Express, Bring Return Package" clear strike. Cover has closed tears, Scarce & Fine appearing ............................................................... E. III

523 [x] River Express, Stockton & San Francisco, Printed Franks, Two, on 2c Green Entires (U311, 312) First uncancelled, latter with clear Blue Oval S. F. co. cancel, Very Fine ............................................................... E. III

524 [x] River Express, Three Company advertising covers, one with overall Ill- lustration of Express Wagon on back, other two with lists of company offices on back, 2c 1890, 2c 1895 adhesives, Fine lot ............................................................... E. III

525 [x] W. H. Robinson, Express Agent, Sacramento, In oval, Partial strike (as are all known) on cover to Malone, N. Y. with Horiz. Pair 3c Red (11) touched at T. & trifle creased, tied by S. F. pmks., Fine Cover, Very Scarce ............... E. VI


527 [x] J. L. Sanderson & Co., Overland Stage & Express Co., Pictorial printed frank, 6-Horse Stage, Mountain scene, on cover to Chicago with 3c Green (207) illegible Calif. pmk., cover a bit ragged & corners rounded, Scarce ............................................................... E. III

528 [x] Robinson & Co.'s, Express, Printed frank with Grizzly Bear on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) Unused, Very Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. V

529 [x] Rockfellow & Co.'s, Express, Paid 75c, Fancy printed frank in L. L. corner of 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to S. F., Blue "Wells, Fargo & Co., Walla Walla oval, illegible strike, sealed tear thru Embossed Stamp, Very Rare (Photo) E. IX

F. RUMRILL & CO. EXPRESS

An energetic operator connecting with Adams & Wells, Fargo at Marysville for points in Nevada, Sierra & Plumas Counties. (Some of his personal letters bear handstamps and are offered here under the appropriate company.)

530 [x] F. Rumrill & Co.'s. Express, Fosters Bar, Shield hdstps., clear strike on personal letter from Frank Rumrill to the woman who eventually became his wife, letter discusses the mails & how much time elapses between letters, choice postal history piece ........................................................................ E. V

531 [x] F. Rumrill & Co.'s. Express, Marysville, in circle, fairly clear strike on cover with Red "Georgetown, Ky." pmk. to Marysville, Cal. & carried by Rumrill to "Mouth Nelson's Creek, Plumas County", strip of four 3c Rose (11) margins except one touched at T. ms. cancel., cover mended, mostly on back, Fine, Rare, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VIII

532 [x] F. Rumrill & Co.'s. Northern Express connecting with Wells, Fargo & Co., Bold Blue Oval on cover with ms. "Elk River, Iowa" pmk. to Marysville, Cal., forwarded to Nelson Creek for which Rumrill first made a 25c charge & altered it to $1.00, minor sealed tear, Very Fine, a Very Scarce frank, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. IX
F. Rumrill & Co's. Northern Express, connecting with Wells, Fargo & Co., Blue oval, clear strike on cover to Marysville, Cal., clear Brown “Indian River, Me.” str. line pmk. Date & Rate “10” in heavy ms., faint aging otherwise Very Fine, Very Scarce & Unusual, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VIII

Rundell & Jones Canyon City Express, Paid 50 cents, Printed frank at top of yellow cover to “Dalles, Og.” no pmk., Very Fine, Rare frank, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VI

Rutherford & Co's. Express, Printed frank, Scroll type with the name “Wheel e r” (a former partner) removed, on 3c Pink Entire (U58) to Crescent Mills, Plumas Co. (Cal.), Date in ms., no other pmk., Repaired in L. margin, not affecting Frank otherwise Fine, Very Scarce (Photo) E. V

Sacramento River Express, Printed frank on 3c Green Entire (U83) Unused, Very Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. III

Sale & Barber's Humboldt Express, Printed frank in oval on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with “Langton's Pioneer Express” printed frank, to Meadow Valley, Plumas Co., Cal., carelessly opened at R., thru Embossed Stamp, & repaired, an example of one of the Rarest combination franks in existence, no pmk. (Photo) E. IX

SALMON RIVER & NEZ PERCES EXPRESS

Operated in Idaho & Oregon between the Salmon River Mines and the Coast, by both Tracy & Co., & Wells, Fargo & Co. (See Wells, Fargo section for surcharged franks of this service.)

Salmon River Express, Paid . . . One Dollar at L. L. of Tracy & Co. Oregon Express franked 3c Pink Entire (U34) to Wisconsin, 1c Blue 3c Rose (63, 65) vert. pair of latter, clipped at R., tied by grids, clear matching Portland, Or. 1862 pmk. marginal cover repairs at L. & T., Very Rare, one of two known, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII

Salmon River & Nez Perces Express, Paid 50 cents, Frank at L. L. on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with Wells Fargo & Co. Frank and clear Blue Oval Florence City co. pmk. used to Vancouver, neatly mended marginal nick at L. L., barely affecting Frank, Attractive & Very Scarce (Photo) E. VIII

Salmon River & Nez Perces Express, Paid 50 cents, Frank at L. L. on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with Wells Fargo & Co. Frank & clear Blue W. F. & Co. Portland oval cancel, minor marginal nicks at L., otherwise Fine, Very Scarce, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII

Salmon River & Nez Perces Express, Paid 50 cents, Frank at L. L. of 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with Wells Fargo & Co. Frank & clear New York Duplex pmk., minute margin tear, Very Fine, Very Scarce (Photo) E. VIII

Salmon River & Nez Perces Express, Paid 75 cents, Frank at L. L. on 10c Green on Buff Entire (U41) with Red Wells Fargo & Co. Frank & clear Blue Double Circle W. F. & Co. S. F. cancel, light Salt Lake City, U. T. pmk., used to Central City, C. T., bit ragged at R., barely affecting Embossed Stamp, otherwise Fine, Unique on 10c Entire (Photo) E. IX

San Francisco Letter Express, clear Blue Oval, with Pony Rider, overstamp-ed “Paid” on complete local paste-back cover bit wrinkled, Fine (Photo) E. VI

San Francisco Letter Express, clear Blue oval, with Pony Rider, over-stamped “Paid” in box on local cover, bit aged, probably part of paste-up, no pmk., Fine
**SCHOCH'S COPPER CITY EXPRESS**

A very small operator in the Trinity area. Usually deposited his letters in the P. O. at Shasta, California.

545 Schoch's Copper City Express, Fancy Printed Frank on 3c Pink on Buff Envelope (U59) to Prairie P. O., Yolo Co., Cal., clear “Shasta, Cal.” pmk. A cover front only, very neatly remounted, Very Fine appearing, A Rare frank, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... (Photo) E. VII

546 Schoch's Copper City Express, Printed frank, odd type on 3c Pink on Buff Envelope (U35), clear “Shasta, Cal.” pmk., a front only, neatly remounted, Fine appearing, Rare, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... (Photo) E. VII


548 Sheppard Cooper & Co.'s. Powder & Boise Express, ms. frank, with frame on cover to N. H., 10c Green (68) tied by sharp, clear “Walla Walla, W. T.” str. line pmk., repeated on the cover, Small Repaired nick in top margin of cover, no flaps, otherwise Fine, Rare & most attractive (Photo) E. IX

**W. E. SINGER & CO.**

A small operator working out of Marysville into the Feather River diggings.

549 W. E. Singer & Co.'s. Feather River Express, Clear Blue oval on cover to Marysville, Cal., forwarded to “Opposite Mouth of Nelson’s Creek”, faint orange “Georgetown, Ky.” pmk. & “12 Paid” & “coll. $1.00” for Singer’s fee, Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .......................................................... (Photo) E. VIII

550 W. E. Singer & Co.'s, Feather River Express, Clear Blue oval, on cover (addressed as preceding lot) with Orange “Georgetown, Ky.” pmk. & matching “Paid” “6”, Singer’s $1.50 charge in pencil, Very Fine, Scarce (Photo) E. IX

551 Singer & Morrow Feather River Express, Printed frank on 10c Green Entire (U17) to Mass., “Marysville, Paid By Stamps” in light Blue circle struck twice, “Reg. No. 7” Bold Magenta ms., bit aged & soiled, otherwise Fine, Rare & Unusual .......................................................... (Photo) E. X

552 Southern Express Co., Two printed franks, one inscribed “From Houston, Texas”, other “From... Texas”, on 3c Pink Entire (U58) first with clear Houston, Tex. Duplex pmk., latter addressed but no pmk., Very Fine pair (Photo) E. V

553 Southern Express Co. and Texas Express Co., Printed Frank in Green on 2c Brown Entire (U278) with New Orleans 1887 pmk. to Mass., Very Fine, Seldom seen ..................................................................................................................... E. IV

554 Snow–Shoe Express 1857, Pictorial Printed frank on plain yellow envelope, Unused, Very Fine .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. V

555 Spokane & Salmon River Stage Line, Printed frank on 2c Green Entire (U312) Unused, Very Fine .................................................................................................................. E. III

556 Spokane & Salmon River Stage Line, Printed frank on 2c Brown Entire (U278), light Spokane Falls, Wash. 1887 pmk., to Slaughter, Wash. Terr., minor sealed cover tears, Fine, Scarce used .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. VI

557 Stockton & S. F. Express Co., clear Str. Line Purple hdstp. on cover to S. F. with 2c 1894 Ty. I (250) tied by “Deliver & Call For Return Package” in Four Bold Purple Str. Lines, Handsome, Very Fine .......... (Photo) E. IV

558 Stolp's Express, Nevada, in oval, name “Nevada” partly illegible on cover to Oriskany, N. Y., “Nevada City, Cal. 5” pmk. & “10” (10c unpaid rate) letter headed “Washington, Jun. 11, 1854”, obviously “Washington, Cal.” a very small mining town served through Nevada City, least bit aged, Fine, Exceedingly Scarce .................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. XI

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Swift & Co., Printed frank on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F. with fairly clear Blue company oval “Santa Rosa”, clear “Wells, Fargo & Co., Petaluma” in Blue oval, Scarce combination use, ms. “With Pkg. Coin $100.” back of cover appears as though it may have been used as “paste-back” with the package, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

Swift’s City Express, Bold Blue oval, matching “Paid” in oval, local use in San Francisco, Very Fine, An Exceptional Rarity ........................................ (Photo) E. XI

Grant I. Taggart’s Shasta & Weaverville Express, Printed frank in box on 3c Pink Entire (U58) Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. II

Thomes & Skadan’s Express, Susanville & Reno, Printed frank, Ribbon type on 3c Green Entire (U82) with blurly “Wells, Fargo & Co., Reno” oval, to S. F. “contains Green Backs $90.00 ,Cheque $160.00” on the cover, flap missing, otherwise Fine, Very Scarce, Used ........................................ (Photo) E. VII

Thomes & Skadan’s Express, Susanville & Reno, Printed frank, unlisted type with “bracket” reversed, on 3c Green Entire (U82), no pmk. to Reno, Sealed cover tear & minor stain at R., 1873 docket on flap, Scarce Used, F. ......................................................... E. IV

Thomes & Skadan’s Express, Printed frank, words in curves, on 3c Green Entire (U85) to S. F., Blue “Wells, Fargo & Co., Reno” latter not struck up, Reduced at R., slightly into stamp, sealed tear, Very Scarce used ......................................................... (Photo) E. V

Thomes & Skadan’s Express, Franks in Ribbon & in curved lines on 3c Green Entire (U52, U84) unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. III

Tinnin & Owen’s Weaverville & Shasta Express, Printed frank on 3c Green on Amber Entire (U83) Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. E. II

TODD & CO. EXPRESS

A major early operator from San Francisco through Stockton into the “Southern Mines” around Columbia & Sonora.

Todd & Co. Express, in clear Small Shield, “From Stockton” in clear str. line on 1850 cover to S. F., Very Fine, Handsome & Rare .......... (Photo) E. VIII

Todd & Co. Express, in clear Small Shield, “From San Francisco” in clear str. line, on cover to Carson Creek, Southern Mines, Todd’s charge of $1.00 in pencil, small hole from filing spindle, otherwise Very Fine (Photo) E. VIII

Todd & Co. Express, in small shield, clear hdsp. on 1850 letter to Stockton, “Purdy, Ten.” pmk., (partly in ms.) “40” rate, Interesting personal letter, small part of back missing, minor aging, Fine & Scarce ......................................................... E. VII

Todd & Co. Express, In clear small Shield, matching slanting “Paid”, “to S. F.” in ms., “Collect” hdsp. in Bold Str. Line, typical of Berford & Co., to a State Official at San Jose, Todd carried to S. F., Berford to San Jose, Fine, Interesting & Scarce combination, Ex–Lichtenstein ........... (Photo) E. VIII

Forwarded By Todd & Co. Express, In Double oval, light fairly clear strike on 1851 cover, Stockton to S. F., negligible aging spots, Fine, Scarce type hdstp. ................................................................. E. VI

Forwarded By Todd & Co.’s Express, in Blue Double oval, Partly clear strike, “Paid” in slanting letters on cover to S. F. bit age spotted, Scarce ......................................................... E. V

From Todd’s Express Office, Sonora, clear vertical octagon in dull Blue, matching “Paid” in oval, on 1853 cover to S. F., Very Fine, A Handsome Cover ................................................................................ E. VIII

Forwarded By Todd’s Express, Sonora, In Bold, Blue oval, matching “Not Paid” in oval to S. F., ms. “4/–to pay” indicating collect charge of 4–Bits–50c, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein ........................................... (Photo) E. VIII
TRACY & CO.

One of the most important Oregon Carriers, operating also into Idaho & Washington Territories.

580 Tracy & Co. Oregon Express, Printed frank, in Ribbon, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with neat Blue Co. "Dalles" to Roseburg, Oregon, minor sealed tears, Very Fine, Handsome & Rare ........................................... (Photo) E. IX

581 Tracy & Co. Oregon Express, Printed Frank in Blue Ribbon, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Victoria, Vancouver's Island, clear Blue oval "Wells, Fargo & Co., Portland", Reduced at R., barely into Embossed Stamp rounded corners, otherwise Fine, A Great Rarity, one of two known in Blue, Ex-Barkhausen ................................................................. (Photo) E. IX

582 Tracy & Co., Oregon Express, Printed frank in Ribbon, "Boise Express, Paid 50cets." printed at L. B. corner on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Umatilla, forwarded to Dalles, (Oregon) clear Blue "Wells, Fargo & Co., Bannock City, I. T." in oval struck over the Tracy frank, repeated on the stamp, Very Fine, A Wonderful Cover, Ex-Barkhausen ....................................... (Photo) E. XII

583 Tracy & Co's. Express, Printed frank, Large Gothic Letters in frame on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Walla Walla, W. T., Very Fine, no pmk., Rare unlisted type ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

584 Tracy & Co., Portland, In Bold Blue Double Circle on 3c Star Die Entire (U27) with "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank to "Fort Walla Walla, W. T."., minor scuff at center, still Very Fine, a Rare & Handsome Cover, Ex-Lichtenstein ......................................................... (Photo) E. X

585 Tracy & Co. Express, Roseburg, in oval, almost complete strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) with "Wells, Fargo & Co." printed frank to S. F., Very Fine, Rare combination use ........................................... (Photo) E. IX

586 Tracy & Co. Oregon Express, Printed letter head, on which is a Dec. 1861 personal letter written & signed by E. W. Tracy at his Portland office, Very Fine collateral piece ................................................................. (Photo) E. III

TRUMAN & CO'S. EXPRESS

This carrier operated exclusively between San Francisco and San Jose, a distance of 48 miles on the old S. F. and S. J. Railroad, now a part of the Southern Pacific Lines. Handstamps were rarely used and the indication of use is in pen or pencil. The franks are usually printed in black, any other color is decidedly rare.

587 Truman & Co's. Express, Printed frank in Blue, old R. R. train on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to San Jose, ms. 1865 pmk., trivial toned speck, Very Fine & Rare in Blue ................................................................ (Photo) E. VI

588 Truman & Co's. Express, Two diff. Franks, one showing R. R. Train on 3c Pink Entire (U35, U59) to San Jose & San Fran, ms. dates, Very Fine ................................................................................. E. V
589  ☑  Truman & Co’s. Express, Two printed franks, tall letters on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), one marked “Inter-Office Message” with tiny clear Blue “Mountain View, Santa Clara Co.” pmk., other with clear “Santa Clara, Cal.” pmk. to S. F., Very Fine, Scarce with pmks. .................................................. E. VIII

590  ☑  Truman & Co. Express, Printed frank, tall letters, with “S. F. & S. J. R. R. Express” printed above, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Soquel, Cal. no pmk., flap missing, otherwise Very Fine .................................................. E. IV

591  ☑  J. C. Truman’s Express, S. F. & S. J. Rail Road, Printed frank with very old style R. R. train on 3c Pink Entire (U34) to San Jose pencil cancel, slight toning, Very Fine .................................................. (Photo)  

592  ☑  Truman & Chapman’s Express, S. F. & S. J. Rail Road, Printed frank old R. R. train of all freight cars, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to San Jose ms. cancel, Very Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. IV

593  ☑  Truman & Chapman’s Express, S. F. & S. J. Rail Road, Printed frank with R. R. train, 2nd car is coach, others for freight on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) flap missing, trifile toned, Fine, Scarce unlisted type  .................................................. E. V

594  ☑  Turner’s Pony Express, Printed Frank with Pony Rider & area served, on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with “Paid to All Parts of The State” printed around the stamp, Used to Placerville, (Cal.) L. edge of cover restored, barely affecting Frank, bit soiled and few age spots, Rare .................................................. (Photo)

595  ☑  Union Pacific Express, Omaha, Neb., Bold Purple oval on 1878 plain envelope in care of Wells, Fargo & Co., San Francisco, V. F. & Scarce (Photo)  

596  ☑  Vallejo & S. F. Express, clear Purple str. line on plain envelope to S. F., Printed address, U. L. corner of cover restored, Fine appearing, Scarce, Ex-Lichtenstein .................................................. E. III

597  ☑  Vera’s Express, Fancy Printed frank, vertically at L. of 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with Printed Wells, Fargo & Co. Frank to Marysville, Red Illustrated W. F. & Co. Oriville Label applied over frank, sealing wax on stamp & considerably restored at L., Fine appearance, Very Rare (Photo)  

598  ☑  Wand & Davis Express, Paid through, Blue pictorial frank with Flying Angel, on 3c Pink Entire (U58) Unused, few negligible toned specks Very Fine, Ex-Barkhausen .................................................. (Photo)

599  ☑  Washington Express, Printed frank in box on 3c Green Entire (U82) to San Jose, Cal., clear Blue “Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada, Cal.” oval & Bold W. F. San Jose oval on back, Very Fine, An Extremely Rare frank, possibly unique .................................................. (Photo)  

600  ☑  Welch & Ryan’s Dutch Flat Express, Printed Pictorial frank with Pony Rider on 6c Vermilion Entire (U85a) Unused, Very Fine, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) .................................................. E. VI

601  ☑  Wellington Express, Bold Blue oval, used as “paste-back” with 3c Pink Entire (U58) tied by Esmeralda, Nev. Duplex Pmk., V. F. & Rare (Photo) .................................................. E. IX

602  ☑  L. H. Wells, Moore’s Flat & Eureka Express, Fancy Printed Frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., “Wells, Fargo & Co., Nevada” in clear Blue oval, Very Fine, Scarce, Ex-Lichtenstein .................................................. (Photo)

603  ☑  Wells & Co’s. Moore’s Flat & Eureka Express, Fancy printed frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F. with light Wells, Fargo & Co. oval, Fine, Rare .................................................. (Photo)

604  ☑  Wells & Herring’s Moore’s Flat & Eureka Express, Fancy Printed Frank on 3c Green Entire (U82) Light Wells, Fargo & Co. ovals of Nevada & San Francisco, Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein .................................................. (Photo)  

605  ☑  Wells & Herring’s Moore’s Flat & Eureka Express, Printed frank in box on 3c Green Entire (U83) Unused, Very Fine .................................................. E. VII

606  ☑  J. P. Wharton’s Express, Printed frank in fancy frame, with uncancelled 3c Rose (65) s. e. at L., used as paste-back on cover to the Sheriff of Plumas Co., Quincy, Cal., trivial nick where opened, otherwise Fine, only three examples known  .................................................. (Photo)  

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WHEELER'S EXPRESS, & PARTNERS

Operated out of Marysville into the Feather River Diggings and Upper Plumas & Sierra County Mines.

607  Wheeler's Express, Printed frank in Ribbon, on 3c Pink Entire (U34) to Carson City, N. T., Faint Blue company cancel, “Wells, Fargo & Co. Marysville” in Blue oval, Reduced at R., part of stamp restored, Scarce, Ex-Lichtenstein E. IV

608  Wheeler's Express, Printed frank in Ribbon on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Carson City, N. T., mostly illegible Blue company cancel, “La Porte & Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville” in Blue oval, cover reduced to edge of Embossed Stamp at R., tear & cover nicks, Very Scarce E. IV

609  Wheeler, Rutherford & Co.'s Express, Printed frank in Ribbon on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Quincy, Cal., Blue Maltese Cross in Circle at L. L., bit ragged at L., barely affecting frank, no pmk., Scarce E. III

610  Wheeler, Rutherford & Co.'s Express, Printed frank in Ribbon on 3c Pink Entire (U58), “Forbestown” in large Blue company oval, also “Wells, Fargo & Co. Marysville” in blue oval, cover trimmed slightly into Embossed stamp at R., Very Scarce (Photo) E. V

WHITING & CO.

An energetic operator out of Marysville into the Feather River & Plumas–Sierra Co. mining areas.

611  Whiting & Co's. Express, Quincy, mostly clear strike on plain yellow cover to Quincy, Cala., ms. “with package”, Very Fine, an Extremely Scarce frank, only two known (Photo) E. XI

612  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, clear oval on an Albino 3c 1864 Entire (U58) to Indian Valley, Cal., part of blue company cancel, “Marysville”, cover damaged at top & considerably soiled, Rare E. III

613  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, Printed frank in box on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Mass., clear “Bidwell's Bar, Cal.” pmk., matching “Paid” “7” in ms. to make balance of 10c Rare, negligible microscopic corner nicks, Fine & Scarce, actually this should be considered a provisional 10c Entire since the “Paid 7” is tantamount to a surcharge (Photo) E. VIII

614  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, Printed frank in box on 10c Green Ty. I Entire (U16) to III. Light Blue Marysville, Cal. pmk. matching grid, heavy stain in center, otherwise Fine, Scarce E. VI

615  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, in fancy box, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire, (U35) to Bidwell's Bar, Cal., cover reduced slightly into Embossed stamp at R., No Pmk., Very Rare type, Ex-Barkhausen (Photo) E. VII

616  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, Printed frank in Ribbon on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., part of “Indian Valley” cancel, & Blue Wells Fargo oval, town illegible, Fine Cover (Photo) E. VI

617  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, Printed frank in Ribbon, In Purple, on 3c 1864 Entire (U58) addressed to Oroville, no pmk., Very Fine, A Great Rarity, one of two known (Photo) E. IX

618  From Whiting & Co ... FREE, Printed across top of cover with printed lines for address, sent to Quincy slight soiling & minute corner nick, Fine & of the utmost Rarity, Believed to be Unique (Photo) E. XI

619  Whiting & Co's. Feather River Express, Printed frank in heavy ornamented frame on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with 10c Green (68) & two 1c Blue (63) paying the 15c rate to Victoria, V. I. “Quincy, Cal.” pmk. & “William's Creek” in pencil (probably where Whiting took the letter) all stamps damaged & cover much worn at edges, Very Rare E. V
Whitney & Co. Express, Paid, S. B., ms. frank on cover to Ohio, clear “Quincy, Cal.” pmk., ms. “Paid 10c”, considerably stained, Scarce, Ex-Lichtenstein E. III

Whitney & Co’s. Express, Printed frank in Scroll on 3c Green Entire (U159) to Phila., light S. F. pmk., Fine, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. V

Whitney & Co’s. Express, Printed frank in scroll on 3c Green Entire (U159) to S. F., Blurred Blue company cancel., not legible, Scarce E. IV

Wiggins Express, ms. frank on plain cover to Yreka, letter enclosed headed “Scott Bar, Dec. 30, 1857” with Postscript reading “You can send me a letter by the Expressman. L. Wiggins, Friday Jany. 1, 1858” part of flap gone, Fine, Unique E. VIII

C. E. Williams, Olympia, W. T., Printed in L. L. corner of 3c Pink Entire (U34), addressed to Olympia & with Olympia pmk., rather blurred, L. margin repaired, barely affecting frank, minor age stains, Very Rare, only 2 or 3 known (Photo) E. VI

G. H. Wines & Co., Pictorial printed frank, Eagle & Shield, on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Harrisburg, O. T., Hdstps. of Pacific Express Co., S. F. & Shasta, first in Red, Rhodes & Whitney, Weaverville, latter much filled in due to heavy defects in cover, Exceedingly scarce E. IV

Wines & Co’s. Express in strengthened str. line, clear Blue “Collect” in odd frame on 1856 cover headed “Grenada” (small Siskiyou Co. town) to S. F., minor aging, Fine, Very Rare (Photo) E. VIII

Collect, Fancy Handstamp of Wines & Co. (See lot #626) on cover to Sacramento, Cal., 3c Red (26) clipped at B., tied by “Wells, Fargo & Co., S. Fco” in blue double circle from Acapulco, “Steamer letter” W. F. carried to S. F., Wines to Sacramento, small cover faults, Scarce E. III

Wood & Co’s. Express, Pictorial printed frank, showing miner in front of mine shaft, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Oroville, Cal., no pmk., Very Fine & Exceedingly Scarce, Ex-Lichtenstein (Photo) E. VII

Wood & Co’s. Express, Printed frank in fancy frame on 3c Pink Entire (U58) Unused, Very Fine E. III


ESTIMATES

Our sales contain many 19th Century covers and fancy cancellations. We have had many requests to give the estimated cash value on these lots. We are trying to place a fair net valuation on each lot as a guide for bidding when no catalogue value portrays the true value. The chart below will be used, for example E. IV means our estimate cash value on this lot is $30.00 to $40.00. Lots may actually realize more or less than these estimates and under no circumstances are these estimates to be considered reserves but merely a guide to bidding.

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WELLS, FARGO & CO.

Organized in 1852, originally for Express and Letter service between the East and California, this company soon became a dominant factor in the Express field. Through the absorption of numerous small competitive Express companies, Wells, Fargo and Co. grew rapidly and became the most important single organization in Banking & Express.

The Wells, Fargo & Co. Franks are found in a wide variety of types and for the sake of clarity and definitive identification we denote the Handstamped Franks by the type classifications in the recent publication “The Handstamps of Wells, Fargo & Co.”, compiled by John F. Leutzinger, and the printed franks are classified according to the Thorp–Bartels “Century Edition” of the Postal Stationery Catalogue.

To avoid repetition of the company name, we commence our descriptions with “Handstamp” or “Printed Frank” as the case may be.

We shall also use the following abbreviations:
L–1–I Leutzinger, Type 1–I
TB–A Thorp–Bartels, Type A

SCROLL TYPE FRANKS

631 ✱ Printed Frank in Red Scroll (TB–A), First type, on 3c Red Entire (U9), Unused, Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo) E. V

632 ✱ Handstamp, In Blue Shield (L–1–I) Sharp, clear strike on plain envelope with Red Printed Frank (TB–A), Unused, Very Fine, Extremely Scarce, Ex–Lichtenstein ........................................................................... (Photo) E. VII

633 ✱ Wells, Fargo & Co., California Express, Shield–Shaped Printed Boston corner card on plain envelope, Boston address, small sealed cover tear, F. E. III

634 ✱ Printed Frank, Scroll Type, resembling (TB–A), Inscribed “Paid 12½ccts”, “For the interior of Lower California Only”, printed across top, Unused, light creases, otherwise Very Fine .......................................................... E. III

635 ✱ Printed Frank, Scroll Type, resembling (TB–A), Inscribed “Paid Over Our Lower California Interior Route, Only,” “Paid 12½ Cents” on Yellow envelope, unused, with unused 3c Red (11) margins all around, small faults, Very Fine cover, unlisted .............................................................................................. E. IV

636 ✱ Printed Frank, Scroll Type (TB–A), with Boston address of company, used as return card on cover to N. H., 3c Rose (65) tied by “Paid”, clear Red “Boston” pmk., couple of tiny cover tears, Very Fine ........................................ (Photo) E. IV

EARLY HANDSTAMPS

Mostly on covers with no printed frank.

637 ✱ Per Express, Wells, ms. on plain cover addressed to Mrs. Henry Wells, Clifton Springs, N. Y., neatly docketed “Rec’d from San Francisco, Oct. 21, 1852, Very Fine, choice Postal History cover, Free Franked by company official ..................................................................................................................... E. VI

638 ✱ Handstamp, “Angels” In Purple (L3–1), both “S” of “Express” Reversed, on official W. F. envelope to Wilton, Cal., Bold strike, Very Fine, Purple cancel. Extremely Scarce in this type ........................................................................... (Photo) E. IV

639 ✱ Handstamp, Blue oval, “Columbia” (L1–22), Perfect strike in top center of cover to S. F., tiny sealed tear, Very Fine, Scarce ................................................................................................................................. (Photo) E. V

640 ✱ Handstamp, Blue Oval, “Marysville” (L–1–12), clear strike, matching “Paid” on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Very Fine .......................................................... E. III

641 ✱ Handstamp, Double Circle, “New York” (L11–3), Struck twice, tying 3c Rose (65) on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35), a double letter to S. F. with Blue crayon “2”, Fine, Scarce ................................................................................................................. E. III

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Blue Oval Handstamp “Ophir” (L1-18), clear strike on cover with clear Red “Auburn, N. Y.” pmk. & pair 3c Red (11) tied by Grid, the pair has margins all around, Very Fine & the R. stamp is the Big Double Transfer, line through “Three Cents” & Double Rosettes, Pos. 92L2L, ms. $1.00 charge for W. F. & Co., Choice, Rare cover, Very Fine .................. (Photo) E. VIII

Handstamp, Blue Oval, “Ophir Express” (L1-17) Splendid Strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U2) to Gold Hill, Placer Co., Cal., Nesbitt seal on flap, Very Fine a Gorgeous & Rare cover ................................. (Photo) E. VII

Handstamp, In Blue Oval, “Sacramento” (L1-24), Perfect strike on 1852 cover to Samuel Brannan, San Francisco (Famous in early S. F. history) docketed by Brannan, Choice Historic Piece, Very Fine ........................ (Photo) E. IV

Handstamp, Red Oval, “Sacramento” (L1-1-24) to San Francisco, fairly clear strike, few light toned spots, Fine, Scarce ........................................... E. IV

Handstamp, Red Oval, “Sacramento” (L1-12), Clear strike on 1854 letter to San Francisco, Very Fine, Scarce in Red .................................................. E. IV

Handstamp, Blue Oval, Dated, “Sacramento” (L11-9a), clear strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., Return stamp of “D. O. Mills & Co.,” noted early California banker, minor cover tear, otherwise Very Fine ......... E. II

Handstamp, Blue Double Circle, “Sacramento” (L1-1), clear strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., D. O. Mills 1868 Return, Very Fine .................................................. E. II

Handstamp, Blue Oval, “San Bernardino” (L3-3), Clear strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) with “San Bernardino” pmk., matching target, to Tucson, Arizona, minor cover tear, Fine Exceedingly Scarce & Unusual usage .................................................. E. III

Handstamp, Large Blue Oval, “San Francisco” (L1-21), Clear Strike, matching “Paid” in oval to Columbia, Cal., tiny sealed cover tears, still Very Fine, Rare type of frank ........................................ (Photo) E. VI


Handstamp, Blue Double Circle, “S. Fco” (L1-19), matching “Collect” in Box (L7-28) Bold strike on cover to S. F., from Havana, V. F. (Photo) E. VI

Handstamp, in Blue Shield, San Francisco (L1-6) Clear Strike ties 3c Red (11) rather cut into, with matching “Paid” in oval on cover addressed to “John Bigler, Esq. Governor, Sacramento City”, Fine & Rare (Photo) E. VIII

Handstamp, Blue Oval, “San Francisco” (L1-12), Bold strike on 1855 letter to Sacramento with 3c Red (11) cut into, T. & R., with the Blue “W. F. & Co.,” pre-cancel (L1-13) Very Fine cover with interesting letter, Ex-Baker (Photo) E. VIII

Handstamp, Blue Octagon, Similar to (L1-15), but town name eliminated, clear strike on 10c Green on Buff Die 1 Entire (U17) with Printed frank (TB-F) to S. F., Very Fine of utmost rarity, possibly unique .......... (Photo) E. VIII

Blue Handstamp, “Southern Coast Messenger” (L8-8), Clear Strike on plain envelope to San Leandro, Very Fine, Scarce type ................................. (Photo) E. IV

Red Negative Hdstp., In Solid Box, Apr. 16, 1879, (L18-1), clear strike on legal cover, neatly docketed, Age stained at L., tear far from hdstp., Fine, Very Scarce .................................................. E. II

Handstamp, Blue Oval, “Hamilton, Nev.” (L12-3), Clear strike, used as frank on cover to Hamilton, a damaged 1c Blue (145) on the cover, not cancelled, Very Fine & Scarce cover ........................................ E. III

STEAMBOAT CANCELLATIONS

Handstamp, Blue frame, Round corners “Steamboat” (L2-1). Excellent strike on 3c Red Entire, Ty. 1 (U1) with Nesbitt seal on flap, Beautiful cover, Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein .......................... (Photo) E. IX
Handstamp, Blue Oval “Steamboat” (L2-2). Slightly blurred strike on plain cover to S. F., ms. “Paid, Reilly” (W. F. River Boat agent), Fine, Ex-Barkhausen ................................................................. E. VI

Handstamp, “Shield Shaped” in Blue, “Steamboat” (L2-4). Partly clear strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with early type Printed frank (TB-B) to S. F. ms. “With Coin $75.00” small sealed cover tear & minor stains, Fine, Rare ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

Handstamp, Blue Polygon, “Steamboat” (L2-5). Clear strike on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) with early type Printed frank (TB-B) to S. F. ms. “With Coin $75.00” small sealed cover tear & minor stains, Very Scarce. (Photo) E. V

Handstamp, Blue Oval, “Steamboat” (L2-7). Perfect strike on 3c 1853 Entire (U10) to S. F., with Printed Frank (TB-E) at T., negligible sealed tear. Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo) E. VIII

**EARLY PRINTED FRANKS**

Printed Frank, Early Type (TB-B). At U. L. of 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F. clear “Marysville” hdsp. in Blue (L3–1) minor age stains, Fine (Photo) ................................................................. E. V

Printed Frank, Early Type (TB-B). On 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., neat “Marysville” Blue Oval (L3–1), age spot on stamp, otherwise V. F. ................................................................. E. V

Printed Frank, Early Type, Unlisted Sub-Type of (TB-B). Without “Butler” imprint over “Routés” on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Blue “Marysville” oval (L3–1), small nick in corner, otherwise V. F., Scarce ................................................................. E. V

Printed Frank, Early Type, Error “Routés” for “Routés” (TB-B1). On 3c 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to Placerville, partial Red Hdsp. “Sacramento” (L3–1) negligible wear in bot. corners, Fine, Extremely Scarce (Photo) ................................................................. E. IX

Printed Frank, Early Type (TB-B). At top left of 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) tied together by N. Y. pmk. with 10c Green, Ty. IV Recut at B., Pos. 55L1 (17) Huge Margins & with unusual Blue cancel with “Sep. 5” struck twice, tying stamp at T., part of address erased & restored, a Very Fine & Handsome cover ................................................................. (Photo) E. XI

Printed Frank, Early Type In Red (TB-C). On 10c Green on Buff Die II Entire (U18) to Chicago, N. Y. pmk., somewhat aged & a bit nicked at L., otherwise Fine, Scarce ................................................................. E. III

Printed Frank, Early Type In Red (TB-C). On 10c Green on Buff Die II Entire (U17) to N. Y. State, N. Y. pmk., bit reduced at L. & some aging stains, Scarce ................................................................. E. II

**THE (THORP–BARTELS) TYPE E FRANKS**

**FRANK IN BLUE**

Handstamp Frank (TB-E). In Blue, on large part of paste–back, legal size, partly reduced, “San Jose” in Blue oval (L3–1) struck four times, fairly clear strikes, Rare in Blue ................................................................. E. III

Printed Frank, In Blue (TB-E). On 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F. clear Blue oval “Sac. City” (L11–5) Rather worn in corners, otherwise Fine Scarce frank in Blue ................................................................. E. III


FRANK IN BLACK

675  Per Wells, Fargo & Co’s. Express, Printed across top of 3c Red on Buff Entire (U10) to S. F., Blue oval “Stockton” cancel. (L11–5) clear strike “From J. Dillon & Co., Stage Proprietors, Stockton, Cal.” printed at L. L., Very Fine, possibly a combination frank, connecting at Stockton, Rare

676  Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Red Entire (U9) to S. F. Scarce clear “Chinese Camp” oval (L3–1) Immaculate cover, Very Fine

677  Printed Franks (TB–E). Two, on 3c Red on Buff Entires (U10) clear Blue ovals “Columbia” (L3–3), “Grass Valley” (L11–7), First has freak Double Embossing of stamp, latter has mended back, Very Fine


679  Printed Frank (TB–E). Vertically at R, over stamp on 3c Red Entire (U9) with over–all “Brooklyn Hotel” advertising cover to Santa Cruz, “S. Frco” in Blue circles (L11–4) couple of minor ink stain, Fine, Very Scarce most unusual


682  Printed Franks (TB–E). Five, 4 on 3c Red on Buff Entires (U10) one 3c Red Star Die Entire (U26) neat cancels of S. F., San Jose, Stockton & Sacramento, stamp clipped on Last, Good–Very Fine

683  Printed Franks, (TB–E). Three, Vertically at L. on over–all printed advertising covers, one on 3c Red Entire (U9) others on 3c Green Entire (U163), first has clear pmk.


685  Printed Frank, (TB–E). On 3c Red on Buff, Star Die Entire (U27) used to Placerville with 3c Red (26) Each tied by Blue Double Circle “S. Frco” (L11–4) Fine, Attractive

686  Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Red on Buff Star Die Entire (U27) to San Jose, with “S. Frco” in Blue Double circle (L11–4) & 3c Red (26) tied by “Collect” in Box, Very Fine Example of a part–paid franked cover (Photo)


688  Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Pink Entire (U34) to Santa Barbara, Cala. Blue “S. Frco” Double Circle (L11–4) Freak printing of frank, with R. side missing, Very Fine

689  Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Placerville, Cal. with 3c Rose (65) tied by “S. Frco” Blue Double Circle (L11–4) paying Pre–paid Double rate, trifile aged at bot., Fine

690  Printed Frank (TB–E). Misplaced frank, diagonal, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F., clear Blue Oval “Los Angeles” (L11–9) ms. “Per Senator” carried by costal steamer, trifile wrinkled, otherwise Very Fine ...

Handstamp, Large Blue Circle, “San Francisco” with “Express” in center (L6-10). Fairly clear strike on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to S. F. with Printed Frank (TB-E), Fine, A Rare & seldom seen cancel ......................... E. IV

Printed Frank (TB-E). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), Light Blue oval “Napa Valley R. R. Rte” (L9-5), small corner card at L. L. small nick at L. R. & Embossed stamp touched at R., Scarce ........................................ E. III

Printed Frank (TB-E). On 3c Pink Entire (U58) to “Port Discovery, W. T.” Blue oval “North’n Cst. Messr” (L8-11) fairly clear strike, tip of U. R. corner clipped, Fine, Scarce ................................................................. E. III

Printed Franks (TB-E). Two, one on 3c Pink Entire (U34) with Scarce “Olympia” cancel. (L3-2), other on 3c Pink Buff Entire (U59) with “Walla Walla” cancel (L11-9) fairly clear strikes, Fine ........................................ E. IV

Printed Frank, (TB-E) on 3c Pale Pink on Buff Entire (U59). Stamp almost colorless, to Weaverville, Cal., “Sacramento Messr,” in Partial Blue Oval (L8-10) Scarce type, Very Fine Cover ...................................................... E. II

COLLECT, Printed in Bold Block letters in Red on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59), clear Blue oval “Sac. Messenger” (L8-2), Full paste–back with Printed Frank (TB-E) similar Entire with “Sacramento” in clear Blue circles (L11–1) & “Collect” in octagon, bit soiled. Fine, Rare & possibly unique ................................................................. (Photo) E. VII

Printed Frank, (TB-E). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to N. Y., clear Blue oval “San Francisco” & Collect 2cts in Two Bold Str. Lines, two strikes, sealed tear at T., Very Fine, Scarce marking not illustrated in Leutzinger ............................................................................................................................................................................................ E. IV


Printed Frank (TB-E). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Treasure City, Nevada, Scarce Blue “San Jose Route” cancel. (L9–6), not struck at T., ms. “Enquire at Union Pacific Express Office for J. F. R.” (addressee) Fine .................................................................................................................. E. III

Printed Frank (TB-E). On 3c Pink Entire to S. F., Fairly clear “Southern Coast Route” in Blue oval (L9–5), Fine, Scarce cancel .......................................................... E. III

Printed Franks (TB-E). Two on 3c Pink Entire (U58, U59) one not cancelled with Patent Lines, other “Stock’n Messenger” (L8–2) in Blue Oval, Fine .......................................................... E. II

Printed Frank (TB-E). On 3c Pink Entire (U58) to Hamilton (Nev.) “Vallejo Route” in Blue oval, partial strike (L9–6) with corner card at L. L., Fine, Very Scarce ........................................................... E. III


COAST-TO-COAST FRANKS


SURCHARGED FRANKS

715 Printed Frank (TB-E), Overprinted on Freeman & Co. Red Frank with another W. F. frank vert. at L., on 3c Red on Buff Entire (U9) to Stockton, “S. Frc” in clear Blue circles (L11–4) Reduced at R., just touching stamp, Scarce .......................................................... (Photo) E. IV

716 Printed Frank (TB-E), Overprinted on Pacific Union Red Scroll frank on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) Unused, Very Fine .................................................. E. III

717 Printed Frank (TB-E), Overprinted on Pacific Union Red Scroll frank, on 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U59) to Sacramento, light oval “Petaluma” (L11–9) Reduced at R., barely in to Embossed Stamp, otherwise Fine, Scarce, used when W. F. absorbed Pac. Union ......................................................... (Photo) E. IV

718 Printed Frank, “Over Land via Los Angeles, for U. S. Mail” (TB-02). In vert. box printed under 3c 1864 Env. (U59) Right third of cover only, Very Fine & Scarce .................................................. E. III

719 Printed Frank, In Red (TB-F) with Black “Paid 50cts” (TB-03a). On 10c Green on Buff Die I Entire (U16) Unused, Very Fine & Scarce, for Idaho–Oregon usage .......................................................... (Photo) E. V

720 Printed Frank (TB-E) with “Paid 25 cents” on L. L. (TB-04). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to “Dalls, Oregon” with “Bannock City, I. T.” Blue Oval (L12–3) bit worn & irregular nicks at L. due to careless opening, Very Scarce .......................................................... (Photo) E. VI

721 Printed Frank, “Paid 25cts” below (TB-03). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to S. F., illegible W. F. oval, used in the Oregon–Idaho area, badly cut into at R. but restored to a nice appearance, Rare, Ex-Barkhausen .................................................. E. III


723 Printed Frank, Boise Mines, Paid 50cts in Red (TB-05). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35), to S. F., “Bannock City, I. T. in clear Blue oval (L12–3), bit soiled, couple of small nicks, Very Scarce Frank .................................................. (Photo) E. VI

724 Printed Frank, Boise Mines, Paid 50cts in Red (TB-05). On 3c Pink Entire (U34) to S. F. partly legible “Bannock City” oval (L12–3), part of flap Missing, Fine Scarce, Ex-Meroni .................................................. (Photo) E. VII

725 Printed Frank (TB-E) “Victoria, Vancouver Island” below, on plain envelope to Walla Walla; British Columbia 3p Blue (7) not cancelled & with perfs gone at R. on the cover, no pmk., scarce .................................................. (Photo) E. IV
726 Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Pink Entire (U34) to S. F. with Bold “Post Office, Victoria, V. I.”, Coat of Arms in Blue oval, “Victoria” cancel in Blue (L11–9), partial double strike, Very Fine & Handsome ........................ (Photo) E. IX

727 Printed Frank, Bright Blue (TB–J) “Victoria, Vancouver Island” on plain env. to S. F., Canada 3c Vermilion (37) tied by faint purple oval, Fine, Scarce ........................................ (Photo) E. VII

SPECIAL FRANKS

728 Printed Frank (TB–J). On 2c Green (U312) with “Steamer Emily” in clear Purple Str. Line, Magenta W. F. oval, S. F. to Redding, Cal., the “Emily” was a small coastal ship serving small lumber towns, reduced at R., cutting well into Embossed Stamp, Very Fine & Handsome .............................. (Photo) E. IX


730 Handstamped Provisional Frank, Purple Octagon, “Los Angeles, Cal., S. A. Butler, Agent” (L1–25). Bold strike at L. of 2c Entire (U311) with Los Angeles & San Francisco hdstsps. (L17–5, L19–2) on half of paste-back cover, Very Fine ................................................................. E. III

731 Handstamped Provisional Frank (L1–25), (Similar to Lot #730). With “Jul.” stamped over “Jun” date on 2c Green Entire (311) to S. F., with handstamps (L17–5 & L19–2), Very Fine ................................................. (Photo) E. III

732 Handstamped Provisional Frank (L1–25), (Similar to Lot #730). On 2c Green Entire (U311) to S. F. with hdstsps. (L17–5, L19–2), Very Fine .......... (Photo) E. III

733 Handstamped Provisional Frank (L1–25), (Similar to Lot #) on 2c Green Entire (U311) to S. F., “July” stamped over “June” in date, with hdstp. (L17–5, L19–2), Very Fine ...................................................... E. III

734 Wells, Fargo & Co.’s Express, Purple str. line on plain 1898 envelope to Carson, Nevada, corner card of “Carson & Colorado Railway Co.”, Hawthorne, Nevada, very slight aging, Very Fine .............................................. E. III

LATER PRINTED FRANKS

735 Printed Frank (TB–E). On 3c Green Entire (U163) to S. F. with clear oval “Globe, A. T.” cancel. (L12–3) Very Fine, Scarce Arizona Territorial ................................................................. (Photo) E. V

736 Printed Frank (TB–J). On 2c Green on Amber Entire (U312) to S. F. with indistinct Purple Circular W. F. cancel & oval grid, “Monterey, Cal.” town barely legible, the only W. F. cancel. with a grid to cancel the stamp, couple of toned spots, Fine ............................................................... E. II

737 Printed Franks, six late issues, incl (TB–H, H1, H3) on contemporary 2c Entires, 4 used, Fine–Very Fine lot .................................................. E. III

738 Printed Frank (TB–J) Fourteen covers on various 2c Entires 1883–1892 period, 10 used, mostly S. F. cancels., nearly all Very Fine, Interesting lot ............................................................... E. III

739 Printed Frank Columbian Issue, (TB–H2). The scarcer type with small “1892” on 2c Columbian Entire (U349) Unused, Very Fine, Ex–Barkhausen .......................................................... E. II

740 Printed Columbian Issue Frank (TB–H3). Five on 2c Columbian Entires (U349) two unused, incl. franks in light & dark blue & scarce str. line “Hanford” cancel., Very Fine ................................................. E. III

741 Blue Newspaper Stamp (143LP10), Large to Huge Margins, tied on neat wrapper to Coronado, Cal., tied by Greenish Blue oval “San Diego”, Very Fine, Scarce on cover ............................................................... (Photo) E. IV

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Surcharges for Mexico

742 ** Printed Frank, In Red “For Mexican Ports, Paid–25 cents” (TB–M12). On 3c Star Die Entire (U26), Unused, Very Fine, Rare ................................................. (Photo) E. V

743 ** Printed Frank “Mexican Coast & California Express – 25cts.” (TB–M). On 3c Pink on Buff Entire (U35) to Lower Cal., W. F. “S. Frco” in Double Circle (L11–4), Fine, Rare ....................................................... (Photo) E. V


745 ** Printed Frank, “Mexican Coast and California Express – 35cts.” (TB–M1). On 10c Green on Buff Entire (U40) used as half of paste–back to S. F., with W. F. Blue oval “Guaymas”, Interesting note of wrong delivery on face, Fine ................................................................................................................................................ (Photo) E. III

746 ** Printed Frank, “Mexican Coast and California Express – 35cts.” (TB–M1). On 3c Green Entire (U163) to Mexico City, on half of paste–back, faint W. F. oval, Fine, Scarce use .................................................................................................................. E. II

747 ** Printed Frank, In Green, Mexican franks (TB–M16 & M19). On 5c Brown Entire (U222, U223) Unused, one a bit toned, Fine–Very Fine ............................................................. E. II


749 ** Printed Mexican Frank in Green (TB–M20 Surcharged) to S. F., with Mexico 5c 1895 adhesive & two U. S. 1c 1895 (264) tied atop it by S. F. pmk., one stamp few clipped perfs., otherwise Fine, Scarce ................................................................. E. II

750 ** Printed Mexican Frank in Green (TB–M20). Two on plain envelopes to S. F. with Mexico 6c Ultramarine (149), one with Pink W. F. cancels, Fine & Scarce .................................................................................................................. E. II

751 ** Mexican Printed Franks on Mexican Entires. Nineteen covers, two unused, nearly all diff., used locally in Mexico & to U. S. A. Wonderful range of handstamps, virtually all Very Fine, A Choice & Interesting lot .................................................. E. VII

752 ** Express Hidalgo, Mexican Printed Franks, Twenty covers on Mexico Postal Stationery, mostly of the 1890’s, all used & with splendid range of company cancels, Very Fine lot .................................................................................................................. E. V

Collateral Material

Express Franks on Newspapers

A little–known function of the private Express operators was the transmission of newspapers from the larger towns and cities into the remote mining areas. In some instances such newspapers received the handstamps of the carriers.


754 ** Pacific Express Co., San Francisco, Blue double circle on Newspaper, “Daily Placer Times and Transcript”, San Francisco for June 18, 1855 Excellent state of preservation, full of fascinating ads, incl. some for Medical “Quacks”, local steamers, etc. Wonderful Postal History Item .................................................................................................................. E. V

755 ** W. E. Singer & Co’s, Feather River Express & Wells, Fargo & Co., Marysville (L1–12). Both splendid strikes on Newspaper, “Daily Alta Californian” San Francisco for Nov. 2, 1854, full of interesting ads, some of Express Co’s, & Mail Steamers, few aged spots, but generally in fine state of preservation .................................................................................................................................................. E. VII
Everts Davis & Co’s Express, Clear Blue oval on Newspaper “Sacramento Daily Union” for Aug. 11, 1855, Page 1 & 2 only, Fascinating reading matter & ads, Fresh, Very Fine but for a small ½ in. ad cut out, Rare Postal History piece .......................................................... E. VI

Everts & Co’s. Express, Connecting with Adams & Co., Clear Blue oval on Newspaper, “The Sun” San Francisco, for Aug. 26, 1854 in excellent state of preservation, full of interesting ads incl. Express Co. lists of places served, Choice piece .......................................................... E. VI


EXPRESS FRANKS ON DEEDS

An important function of the private Express carriers was the recording of deeds to real property at the County Seats. Offered here is a very unusual group of deeds which were taken by the Express carriers to the County Seats, there recorded and brought back by the carrier to the persons involved.

Holland, Morley & Co’s. Express, clear oval hdstps. on two deeds of 1863, Revenue stamps cut from deeds, otherwise Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein E. II

La Porte Express Co., La Porte, Clear Blue oval hdstp. on Deed of 1866, Revenue stamps cut out, otherwise Very Fine ............................................. E. II

Wheeler’s Express, La Porte, in double Circle, Four Deeds, 1864–65, some to mining properties, Revenue stamps cut out, otherwise Very Fine .......... E. II

E. W. & Co., La Porte, (Everts, Wilson), Wells, Fargo & Co. in ms. on two Deeds, 1862 & 1868, noted on each is The Express Co. charge of $1.00 for Recording, Revenue stamps cut out, otherwise Very Fine, Ex–Lichtenstein E. IV

Collection & Commission Envelopes, Eleven, incl. British Columbia Express, La Porte, Express, Pacific Union Express, several diff. Whiting & Co., many with pictures of Stages, Ships & Trains. Some badly aged, Interesting Lot .................................................. E. II

Langton’s Pioneer Express, Two “Collect” envelopes, one with Yellow Illustrated label, “Unionville, N. T.” with legal papers to Santa Rosa, Cal., other printed, with 4-Horse Stage, from “North San Juan” office, Fine & Scarce .......................................................... E. II

Telegraph Envelopes, Eleven, 7 diff., mainly Western Union in California, also 10 telegrams, 1860’s–70’s. Some carelessly opened, Good Lot ........... E. III

Wells Fargo & Co. 50th Anniversary Medal, Silver, with Stage Coach, Pony Rider, R. R. Train, Steamship, dated “1852 March 18, 1902”, Very Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. III

Printed Inter. Office Envelope, “From Wells, Fargo & Co., San Francisco” Containing 1874 receipt for Gold Bullion deposited at the S. F. Mint, Nicked at L. R., Fine .......................................................... E. II

Wells, Fargo & Co. Delivery Notice Envelope, Printed on 1c Star Die Entire (U19) with additional 1c Blue (63) tied by grid & S. F. pmk., stamp not centered, Fine attractive cover ........................................ (Photo) E. V

Official Pictorial Envelope, showing two S. F. office Bldgs of Wells Fargo Co, with 1889 type written letter from the Vice–President of the company. Sealed tear at T., neatly docketed no pmk., Very Fine appearance, Scarce .... E. II

Wells, Fargo & Co, Official Pictorial Envelopes, three with pictures of S. F. Offices, two with W. F. hdstp. cancels, one a rare type in 3 tiny str. lines in Red (not in Leutzinger) two covers nicked, one very small, Very Good–Fine .......................................................... E. III

Wells, Fargo & Co. Seven “Collect” or Transmittal envelopes, three with illustrated old R. R. trains, two with adhesive labels, Legal Size, Scarce .... E. III
Wells, Fargo & Co. Thirteen Collection & Commission envelopes, many illustrated, with old R. R. train, most used in Calif. mining areas. Varied uses & interesting to show the many services rendered by the company, most Fine–Very Fine

Wells, Fargo & Co., Sixteen legal size envelopes with colored adhesive labels affixed. Various towns & types, mixed quality, a few defective, a few Fine, used mainly to transmit legal papers to the courts

Wells, Fargo & Co., Collateral Material. Fascinating collection with old letter heads, Checks, Bills, Assay forms, etc. Incl. group of letters of Asbury Harpending, noted mining promoter, approx. 75 pieces, most are well preserved

Whiting & Co., Printed Collection Envelope, 4-Horse Stage, 1863 use, out of Quincy, Cal. office, Very Fine

Modern Centennial & Commemorative Covers, Sixty Two mostly diff., all relating to Western Postal History incl. Pony Express, Discovery of Gold, Butterfield Rte., Overland Mail, etc., many cachets & elaborate envelopes, incl. First Day covers, Fine–Very Fine lot

WESTERN COVERS

ILLUSTRATED MINER'S ENVELOPES

Illustrated Miner's Envelope, "Express Letters From Home" with Horseman, "A Hutchings's California Envelope", to Ohio, with pair 3c Red (11) corner nicks, tied by "Forest City, Cal." partial strike of unusual large type pmk., bit soiled & worn, Very Scarce (Photo)

Illustrated Miner's Envelope, "Miner's Coat of Arms", Barber & Baker Imprint, Three 3c Red (11) tied by grids, "Downieville, Cal." pmk., a 1c Blue, Ty. IV (9) ms. canc. has been put on the cover to show a 10c rate, sealed cover tear and bit aged, Very Scarce (Photo)

Illustrated Miner's Envelope, Miner's Tread by a Bear, a "Hutchings's California Envelope", to N. Y. State, ms. "Forbestown, Cal. Feb. 20/55" pmk., two 3c Red (11) ms. canc., Flap missing, cover nick mended, Fine appearance (Photo)


Illustrated Miner's Envelope, "Rocking the Cradle", Miners working Rocker, "A Hutchings's California Envelope" to Mass., with pair 3c Red (11) ms. cancel, no postal markings, Rounded corner mended, Fine (Photo)

Illustrated Miner's Envelope, "The California Escutcheon" with part of State Seal, "A Hutchings's California Envelope", addressed to R. I. but no stamp or pmk., Very Fine

Illustrated Miner's Envelope, Printing Press set up on stump of Big Tree, in oval, 10c Green, Ty. III (33) centered L. L. tied by scarce "Murphy's, Cal." pmk. on cover to Delaware, bit worn at edges & age stained, a Very Scarce cover, probably unique, this cut was used as the mast head of "Big Tree Bulletin & Murphy's Advertiser" a short–lived Calif. newspaper (Photo)

CALIFORNIA ILLUSTRATED COVERS

California Temperance Envelope, Handsome fountain & allegorical designs on Temperance propaganda cover, "Barber & Baker, Sacramento" Imprint, used locally out of the mails in Sacramento, tiny sealed tear still Very Fine
785  California Temperance Envelope, “Downieville, Cal.” pmk. to S. F. with pair 3c Red (11) grid cancels, not tied, similar to lot 784 but no Imprint, Very Fine, Unusually attractive .................................................. (Photo) E. X
786  Alta Telegraph Co., Red pictorial envelope with “Jove Hurling Thunder bolt”, couple of minor cover nicks, Fine & Scarce ............................................................... E. II
787  California State Telegraph, Orange cover with Red Allegorical figure “Jove” with thunder bolts, addressed to Auburn, Cal., tiny cover tear, V. F. ............................................................... E. II
788  California State Telegraph, Two Pictorial envelopes, diff. types, one in Red, other Black, also Western Union Telegraph Co., two types, all to Roseburg, Oregon, Very Fine, original telegrams, enclosed ............................................................... E. III
789  Californiana, Handsome Insurance return card cover, with Eagle & Ribbon, offering Life Insurance to travelers to California, “Eastern R. R.” & matching “5” in Blue, to Portland, Me., Very Fine, Ex-Knapp .................................................. (Photo) E. V
790  3c Red (11). Margins to just touched, tied by bold “New York” on cover to Pa., with huge Blue oval Embossed, Lumber Merchant’s corner card with illustration of Clipper Ship & “Shippers to California Supplied”, Very Fine, Handsome cover ............................................................... E. IV

CALIFORNIA TOWN POSTMARKS

791  Auburn, Cal. “TEN.”, Rate spelled out, clear strikes on 1853 cover to Conn., Very Fine, Scarce ............................................................... (Photo) E. IV
792  Benicia, Cal., in Red, matching Italic “40”, on cover to Maine, docketed 1851, cover tear mended, Beautiful appearance & Very Scarce .................. (Photo) E. VI
793  Benicia, Cal., Clear strike, Bold “Paid 3” in arc, on cover to Santa Barbara, Cal., Scarce IntraState use, very minor wear, otherwise Very Fine ............................................................... E. III
794  Benicia, Cal., Two covers to Maine, 10c Yellow Green 1861 Entire (U40), 10c Deep Green Entire (U41), First with small pmk., other large, V. F. ............................................................... E. III
795  Columbia, Cal., Two covers, one in Blue with “Paid 6” in circle, other “Paid” and “10”, light pmks, one has tiny tear, otherwise Fine ............................................................... E. III
796  Culloma, Cal., Blue Circle, matching “Paid 6cts” in oval, clear strikes on cover to Mass., one corner stained, otherwise Fine, Scarce .................................................. E. II
797  Grizzly Flat, Cal., Bold strike on cover to Sacramento City, Cal., 3c Rose (26) tied by ms. cancel, Fine & Scarce ............................................................... (Photo) E. V
798  Iowa City, Cal., Two clear strikes tie 1c Blue, Ty. V (24) & Strip of Three 3c Rose (26) to neat cover to Maine, Very Fine & Scarce .......................... (Photo) E. V
799  Iowa City, Cal., on 10c Green on Buff, Die 2 Entire (U18), to Maryland, Very Fine, Scarce town ............................................................... E. III
800  Last Chance (Cal.) in ms. 3c Red (11) ms. cancel on fresh Buff cover to San Francisco ............................................................... E. IV
801  Martinez Dec. 4, in ms. matching “5”, on neat folded 1851 cover to San Jose, fresh, Very Fine ............................................................... E. III
802  Little York, (Cal.), in ms., with Strip of Three 1c Blue (63) ms. cancels., on Multicolor Patriotic cover (Flag & Rising Sun) to Gold Run, Cal. cover has stained spot and minor edge nicks but Rare pmk., Any Calif. Patriotic is Very Scarce ............................................................... E. VI
803  Los Angeles, Cal. in Blue, Serif caps, Fairly Clear Strike on 10c Buff Entire (U18) to S. C. 1856 usage, some one has outlined part of the stamp portrait in ink, nevertheless Fine & Scarce ............................................................... E. III
804  Los Angeles, Cal., clear strike on neat cover to San Buenaventura, Cal. 3c Rose (65) with Grid cancel., Fine & Attractive ............................................................... E. II
805  Lundy, Cal., Dec. 30, 1886, 2c Brown (210) tied by target, corner card of “Great Sierra Con. Silver Co., Bennettville, Mono Co., Cal.” Very Scarce Ghost Town pmk., Fine ............................................................... E. II
806  Marysville, Cal., Two covers, “6 Paid” to Conn. Large “10” to Ohio, clear strikes in Blue, Very Fine Pair ............................................................... E. II
Marysville, Cal., in Blue, 3c Orange Brown (10) Horiz. Pair, margins to just in, barely tied by “Paid 6” in oval on neat cover to Providence, R. I., Fine, Very attractive ............................................................... (Photo) E. V

Marysville, Cal., Paid By Stamps, Fairly clear strike in Blue on 10c Die I Entire (U16) to Maine, stamp with huge square dot grid, Very Fine .......... E. III

Maxwells Creek, Cal., Bold strike in Blue, on 10c Buff Entire (U18) to N. Y., Extremely Fine, Scarce ............................................................... (Photo) E. VII

Mokelumne Hill, Cal., fairly clear strike in small 23mm circle, on forwarded cover from Wilkes Barre, Pa., short paid letter single 3c Red (11) & Bold “Due 5cts”, Fine, Scarce pmks. ............................................................... (Photo) E. III

Mokelumne Hill, Cal. in partly indistinct circle, ties 10c Green, Ty. V (35) to cover to N. H. another 10c Ty. V (35) just tied by matching grid, cover aged, otherwise Fine ............................................................... (Photo) E. II

Monterey, Cal., in Red, matching “5” on 1853 cover to Benicia, used during short period when Benicia was the state capital, Fine, Scarce .... E. II

Mount Ophir, Cal., Bold strike in Blue, ms. date, on cover to Ohio, 3c Red (11) Strip of 3, Fine & 1c Deep Blue (7), tied by matching bars, the 1c is the major Cracked Plate, Pos. 8R3, but has been “improved” by adding 3mm of another stamp to the bottom, cover stained & restored in corner but Attractive & Very Scarce ............................................................... (Photo) E. IV

North San Juan, Cal., Bold strike, 3c Red (26) Strip of 3 tied together with 1c Blue, Ty. V (24) by neat “Paid” in small ovals on cover to Pa., Scarce & Handsome, Fine ............................................................... (Photo) E. VI

Rattlesnake, Cal., Bold strike in Double Circle ties 10c Green, Ty. V (35) on fresh cover to Newburgh, N. Y., Very Fine, Handsome & Scarce (Photo) E. VII

Red Bluff, Cal., ties 3c Rose (26) another clear strike, on cover to Benicia, forwarded to S. F. with “Forwarded 3” & Benicia pmk., Fine ............... E. III

Saint Helena, Cal., Windsor, Cal., Blue pmks. on separate covers, with 3c Rose (65), Very Good ............................................................... E. II

Sacramento, Cal., “40”, 4 July clear strike on 1850 cover to N. Y., bit aged, otherwise Fine ............................................................... (Photo) E. III

Sacramento City, Cal., matching “Paid 6” in arc, on cover to Conn., docketed 1852, Fine, Scarce ............................................................... E. II

St. Louis, Cal., Dec. 26, 1855, ms. pmk. on 10c Buff Entire (U18) to Penna., Very Scarce Ghost town pmk., bit aged & minor marginal nick, otherwise Fine, Scarce ............................................................... E. III

San Diego, Cal. in clear circle on cover to Santa Barbara, Cal. with Red “New York, Paid 6” & unusual “Paid” in arc, all bold, sharp strikes; Very Unusual to find San Diego as an intermediate despatch office during 6c rate period, negligible aging, Very Fine ............................................................... (Photo) E. VII

San Francisco, “40”, June clear strike in Bright Red, on brown cover to Long Island, minor sealing wax spot in center, Very Fine & Attractive ............................................................... E. III

San Francisco, Cal., Partial faint strike, Bold Boxed “40” on fresh cover to N. Y., Fine cover ............................................................... E. II

San Francisco, “6”, July 15, clear strike in Orange Red, matching “Paid” on fresh cover to St. Louis, Mo., Very Fine, Ex–Ashbrook ............................................................... E. III

San Francisco, Cal., clear strikes on two covers to Sonora, one the 3c “Paid” rate, other the 5c unpaid rate, Very Fine Pair ............................................................... E. II


San Jose, Cal., clear strike in Red, two pairs 3c Red (11), affixed like a block, tied by pen–cross on neat cover to Phila., docketed “5 mo. 14/55” thus an over payment of the “new” 10c rate, Fine & Attractive (Photo) E. IV

Santa Barbara, Cal., in small circle, 10c Green, Ty. V (35) with ms. cancel. on cover to Maine, scarce pmk. this early, Fine ............................................................... E. III

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Santa Barbara, Cal., clear strike in small circle ties Horiz. Pair 5c Buff (67) to small neat cover to Maine. Excellent color, a couple of perfs. rubbed at T. from edge of cover. Choice Very Rare, said to be the only pair known from Santa Barbara. (Photo) ................................. ................................. 829 ................................. Santa Barbara, Cal., clear strike in small circle, Bold “Paid, 10” & “Due 10” on small cover to Maine. Very Fine, Unusual & Scarce usage (Photo) ................................. 830 ................................. Santa Barbara, Cal., clear strike, “Paid” in small oval frame, ms. “20 cents” on fresh cover to Maine; apparently a shortage of stamps there as the 1855 10c rate made prepayment by stamps obligatory, so this & lot 830 are in the nature of provisionals. (Photo) ................................. 831 ................................. Santa Barbara, Cal., clear strike, “Paid” in small circle, Bold “Paid, 10” & “Due 10” on small cover to Maine. Very Fine, Unusual & Scarce usage (photo) E. VI ................................. 832 ................................. Santa Barbara, Cal., Nine stampless covers from same correspondence, all 1860–61, with “Paid 10”, “Due 10”, “Paid 20” & “Due 20” markings, six diff., combinations of ms. & hdstps. These must be provisionals since they were used when stamps were required but probably not available at what was then a very small P. O., Fair–Fine lot. Interesting ........................................ ................................. 833 ................................. California Town Postmarks, 30 covers, 19 diff. towns, mostly on 3c Entire Issues 1853–1864 Issues, incl. Auburn, Benicia, Chico, Folsom, Forest Hill, Oroville, Placerville, Sacramento, incl. odd cancels, Shasta, etc., mostly clear strikes, Good–Fine lot ........................................ ................................. 837 ................................. Illustrated & Advertising Covers, Eight, all California mostly 1870’s–90’s, incl. old R. R. train, Handsome Hotel covers, some with letterheads, Fair–Fine, Attractive lot ........................................ ................................. 838 ................................. OTHER WESTERN POSTMARKS

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WESTERN CANCELLATIONS OFF COVER

850  3c Red (11), Wells, Fargo & Co. in Blue Shield (S. F.), Partial strike, margins nearly all around, Fine, Scarce ................................................................. 60.00
851  3c Red (11), Wells, Fargo & Co., New York, in Red Shield, partial strike on pair light creases, otherwise Fine, Scarce ................................................................. 120.00
852  3c Red, 1c Blue, Ty. V (11, 24). Each with part of N. Y. “Ocean Mail” cancel., Fine–Very Fine, difficult to find on the 1c ................................................................. E. III
853  10c Green, Ty. I (13). Huge margins, Splendid color, Double Transfer, Post. 100R1, small tear in U. L. margin, far from design which can be trimmed and still leave an Extremely Fine stamp ................................................................. (Photo) 175.00+
854  10c Green, Ty. II (14). Large margins, Rich, Deep Color, minute tear, entirely in margin, otherwise Extremely Fine ................................................................. 37.50
855  10c Green, Ty. II (15). Minute scissor cut in B. margin, still Extremely Fine (Photo) 37.50
856  3c Red (26), Wells, Fargo & Co., in Blue oval, struck twice, centered to U. L. Fine ................................................................. 32.50
857  10c Green, Ty. II (32). Beautifully centered, tiny negligible flaws, Extremely Fine appearance ................................................................. 22.50
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859  10c Green, Ty. V (35). Four choice shades, all interesting cancels, incl. N. Y. “Ocean Mail”, S. F. town with 1861 year date, Red Grid & Blue Marysville, Cal. “Checkerboard”, one has small thin, others Very Fine ................................................................. 44.00+
860  1c, 3c, 10c–30c, 2c, 5c, 15c 1861–62 Issues (63, 65, 68–71, 73, 75–77). All with perfect Bold S. F. Cog cancels, few trivial faults, nearly all F.–V. F. ................................................................. 105.40+
861  5c Buff (67). Excellent color, Bold S. F. Cog cancel. centered bit to R., Fine (Photo) 55.00+
862  10c Green (68). Prescott, A. T. str. line cancel, clear strike, Fine, Very Scarce (Photo) ................................................................. E. III
863  24c Steel Blue (70b). Bold S. F. Cog cancel., centered bit to R., Fine (Photo) 47.50+
864  30c Orange (71), Wells Fargo & Co., Blue Double Circle (S. F.) clear strike Reper. at R., slight thin, Scarce & attractive ................................................................. 70.00
865  90c Blue (72). Clear S. F. Cog cancel., slight faults, Very Fine appearance, Scarce on this stamp ................................................................. 42.50+
866  2c Black (73) Wells Fargo & Co., Victoria, in Blue oval, Partial strike, faint crease in corner, otherwise Fine, Scarce Br. Columbia usage ................................................................. 70.00+

WESTERN LOCAL STAMPS

867  Adams & Co., 25c on Blue (11.1). Large margins, Fresh color, thin, Very Fine appearance, Scarce ................................................................. (Photo) 60.00
Adams & Co., 25c on Pink Card (I1).3. The so-called “Poker Chip” stamp, L. L. corner Block of Eight, couple of tiny stains mostly in margins, otherwise Very Fine .................................................. 90.00+

Adams & Co., 25c on Pink Card (I1.3), Two Blocks, distinct shades, L. B. corner margins, Extremely Fine .......................................................... 90.00

Adams & Co., 25c Black, Initialed “G. R. W.” (I1.4). Very Fine (Photo) 50.00

Adams & Co., 25c Black, Initialed “S. R.” (I1.4). Couple of tiny ink spots on back, Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo) 50.00

Adams & Co., 50c Black (Similar to I1.2). Huge margins, nearly full o. g., couple of tiny thin specks, negligible since this is the known adhesive stamp of this design, unlisted and of the highest degree of rarity (Photo) —

Bicycle Mail Route, 25c Green, Corrected Die (12L2). Single & Pair, o. g., minor faults .......................................................... 15.00+

California City Letter Express Co., 10c Red (33L1). Large margins to irregularly in at U. R., tiny thin specks, Fresh color, a Very Scarce stamp (Photo) 300.00

California City Letter Express, 10c Blue (33L5). Cut to shape & corner added, mounted on a yellow envelope to make a nice appearance, offered strictly as an off-cover single, with defects, Very Scarce, Unpriced in cat. E. V

Carne's City Letter Express, (5c) Rose (35L1). T. R. & L. L. corner margin pairs of each, one pair light crease, otherwise Very Fine, o. g. 36.00+

Carne's City Letter Express, (5c) Rose, 10c Rose (35L1, 35L2). Vertical corner pair of first, o. g., also Loomis Letter Express (981L) ms. cancel. & Mc Greely's Express, 25c Blue (155L1), Very Fine lot of scarce Western locals .......................................................... 114.00+

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Carne's City Letter Express, 5c “Bear” (35L3–35L8). Fine–Very Fine Set, most with o. g. 36.00

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Gahagan & Howe City Express, (5c) Black (70L3) Vertical pair, with B. sheet margin, clear “San Francisco Letter Express” with Pony Rider cancel., in Blue oval, mounted on envelope for display, one stamp has slight thin, otherwise Very Fine, offered strictly as an off-cover pair .................................................. E. II

Humboldt Express, 25c Brown (86L1). Horiz. Pair, Ample to Large margins, part of Blue “Langton & Co.” oval & two pen–strokes cancel., one creased in corner otherwise Very Fine, Scarce .................................................. (Photo) 275.00

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