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The Award-Winning Kapiloff Collection

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Pre-sale viewing of the collection may be arranged by appointment during the week preceding the sale. All lots may be viewed during the morning of the sale from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

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**Extremely Fine (EF):** Exceptionally large margins or near perfect centering, used to describe stamps which are of superior grade for the issue.

**Very Fine (VF):** Normal size margins for the issue and well-centered with design a bit closer to one side. Please note that this grade is superior to the one on which Scott Catalogue retail prices are based.

**Fine (F):** Imperforate stamps may have smaller than usual margins and perforated stamps will be noticeably off-center. Issues before 1890 may have the design touched in places. If used, fairly lightly cancelled.

**Very Good (VG):** Attractive appearance, but margins or perforations may cut into.

**Good (G):** Average off-centered example with slight faults. This condition is generally acceptable for multiples and rarities.

**Gum**
Stamps issued before 1900 should not be expected to have original gum unless specifically stated in the description. 20th century issues may be expected to have original gum unless described otherwise. Terms used to describe the condition of gum are as follows:

**Mint:** As issued by the post office and never hinged.

**Original Gum (O.G.):** Stamp retains full original gum showing slight disturbance caused by previous hinge, which may be present or entirely removed. Early 19th century stamps should be expected to show cracking and toning in gum, which occurs naturally over time.

**Part Original Gum:** Up to half of the gum is missing, but the remaining portion is original.

**Disturbed Original Gum:** The gum is original to the stamp, but has been noticeably affected by hinge removal and/or humidity, mount glazing, etc.

**Hinge Mark:** Noticeable area where hinge has been removed and gum has been redistributed. Stamps described with hinge marks may not be returned because of gum disturbance.

**Hinge Remnant (H.R.):** All or part of hinge remaining affixed to gum.

**Covers**
Minor nicks, tears and slight reduction from opening are to be expected in 19th century covers. Folded letters normally have tears in the reverse and file folds, which will not be mentioned unless they affect the stamps or markings. Light cleaning of covers is an accepted form of conservation and is not grounds for return of a lot. The terms "Extremely Fine", etc., are meant to convey the overall appearance of cover, not the condition of an individual stamp.

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Introduction

Our nation’s first general issue postage stamps—the 5c and 10c 1847—will celebrate their 150th anniversary in a few years. Not since 1947, when the great 1947 Centenary celebration took place, has so much attention been focused on this issue. Therefore, it is timely and fortunate that Dr. Leonard Kapiloff, his family and the foundation which bears his name have chosen to sell the major portion of the 1847 Issue collection assembled and exhibited by Dr. Kapiloff over many years. Based on my 60 years of experience as a professional in philately and with all due respect to the many great 1847 collections dispersed over the years, I feel safe in saying that the Kapiloff collection is the finest and most comprehensive 1847 cover collection ever assembled. Considering all of the items he has amassed, their quality and rarity, and the remarkable story which together they tell, Dr. Kapiloff has accomplished himself as one of the great collectors in American philately.

“Doc” Kapiloff is a dentist by training, but he has not filled a tooth in many years. Instead, he has built a successful business in real estate development and publishing. I have known “Doc” Kapiloff since he and his brother were stamp collectors in the 1930’s. I have watched this 1847 collection grow from infancy to its Grand Prix International award-winning status. Many of the items in this sale came from collections our firm has handled in the past—Dick, Matthies, Rohloff and Rust among the great names—and until very recently, “Doc” had been adding items to enhance the collection.

Whenever an important collection is dispersed, I feel some regret in seeing a lifetime accomplishment undone. However, any regrets are overcome by the satisfaction of seeing new collectors acquire items they have long admired and desired. As we approach 1997 and the 150th anniversary of the first U.S. postage stamps, I hope that many collectors will take this opportunity to acquire covers that display the 5c Franklin and 10c Washington in their best form. A comparable sale could take a lifetime to occur again.
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1992 AT 2:30 P.M.

THE AWARD-WINNING KAPILOFF COLLECTION
1847 ISSUE STAMPS AND COVERS

1915 PANAMA-PACIFIC SMALL DIE PROOFS

1° 5c Red Brown, 10c Black, Panama-Pacific Small Die Proofs, 1847 Shades (3P2a, 4P2a), Set of Two Proofs, 5c Light Brown 1847 Shade, 10c slight thinning as often, otherwise Very Fine, Extremely Rare, with P.F. Certificates, Grossly Undercatalogued, Ex Southgate, Collectors Club of New York, Smeltzer, Gross, Wunderlich .................................................. 2,000.00

2° 5c Red Brown, 10c Black, Panama-Pacific Small Die Proofs, 1875 Shades (3P2a, 4P2a), Set of Two Proofs, 5c Dark Red Brown 1875 Shade, Very Fine, Extremely Rare and Exceptionally Choice, with P.F. Certificates, Grossly Undercatalogued, Ex Wunderlich ..................... 2,000.00

The preceding two lots offered as one unit, comprising the two distinctive sets of rare Panama-Pacific Exposition small die proofs in 1847 and 1875 shades.

atlanta trial color plate proofs in blocks of four

3° 5c, 10c 1847 Reproductions, Atlanta Trial Color Proofs on Card (3TC, 4TC), Complete Set of Five Colors in Blocks of Four, Each with Margins All Around, Brilliant and Fresh, Very Rare in Blocks, Only 50 Sets Printed, Only Four Sets Still in Blocks ......................... 8,000.00
5c AND 10c 1847 UNUSED BLOCKS

4° 5c Red Brown (1). Top Sheet Margin Horizontal Block of Ten, Positions 1-5, 11-15, Large Margins to just clear at right, Bright Shade, creasing, several unobtrusive faults incl. filled thin and couple sealed tears

Attractive Appearance and One of The Largest Recorded Unused Blocks of The 5c 1847 Stamp. An Outstanding Exhibition Item ......................................................... 69,000.00
5° 10c Black (2). Block of Four, Large to Huge Margins Showing Parts of Adjoining Stamps at Top, just into design of top right stamp, Fresh Paper with exception of faint toning caused by unevenly applied gum (characteristic of the issue, described in certificate as "tiny spots and light stains"), short scissors cut in margin between bottom stamps, faint corner crease at bottom right.

We know of only three unused blocks of the 10c 1847 stamp. The block of six with original gum is ex Gibson and is now in the Ishikawa collection. A block of four without gum is contained in the permanent collection on display at the Swiss PTT Museum. The rarity of the 10c 1847 in unused block form is substantiated by the fact that none was contained in the great collections formed by Slater, West, Caspary, Moody, Lilly or Grunin.

Very Fine for a Block of This Early Classic Period. One of The Rarest and Most Important of All First Issue Blocks of The World. Ex Green, Klein ............... E. 100,000-125,000
6° 5c Orange Brown (1b). Uncancelled, Magnificent Deep reddish Shade on Blue Paper from The First Printing, Proof-Like Appearance, Three Ample Margins, mostly clear at top, Used on Envelope to Ithaca N.Y. with ms. **"New Hamburgh N.Y. July 8" 1847 pmk.**, Neat Docketing and Original Letter from James Lenox Confirming July 8, 1847 Date, Very Fine, Lenox was a prominent New Yorker who spent time in New Hamburgh while his Fifth Avenue townhouse was being built, the New York provisionals used from New Hamburgh come from this correspondence, This Letter is Dated One Day Later Than The Earliest Recorded 5c 1847 Cover from New York City, Probably The Earliest Dated 5c 1847 Used Outside of New York City, A Handsome and Desirable Postal History Item, with P.F. Certificate .............................................................. E. 5,000-7,500

7° 5c Red Brown (1). An Astonishing Single with Enormous Margins All Around, Large Parts of Adjoining Stamps Show at Sides, bits of stamps below, Rich Color, tied by Lightly Struck "Maumee City O." cds on brown Envelope to Columbus O., envelope with fold, paper lightly age toned providing an Attractive Background to This Most Remarkable Stamp ...... E. 3,000-5,000
Matching 5c and 10c 1847 Covers from
The Turner Correspondence

8° 5c Red Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Two of Each in Artistic Overlapping Arrangement on Two White Envelopes Addressed to Miss E. E. Turner in Boston, 5c Both Stamps with Large Margins All Around, Rich Color and Impression on Deeply Blued Paper, 10c Both Fine, Former with Red “St. Louis Mo./Jan. 29/10” integral rate cds, Latter with Red “St. Louis Mo. Dec. 24” cds, Multiple Strikes Tie Stamps, Additional Strike at Right on Each Cover, 5c Cover Pristine, 10c Cover Fresh with one backflap missing and small opening tears just showing at edges, still Extremely Fine, A Marvelous Matching Pair of Covers, 5c Ex Brown, Caspar, Signed Ashbrook, 10c Ex Green, Both Ex Rust ................................................................. E. 15,000-20,000
Matching Pair of 5c 1847 Covers from Hudson, Ohio

9¢ 5c Brown (1). Two Singles Used on Buff Envelopes, Both Stamps with Large Even Margins, Rich Colors in Slightly Different Shades, first tied by Bold Blue Grid (stamp discreetly moved away from top edge), matching “Hudson O. May 7” cds, second tied by Black Grid, “Hudson O. Jun. 11” cds, Perfect Clear Strikes, Extremely Fine, A Superb Matching Pair of Covers, Ex Brooks, Shierson ................................................................. E. 2,500-3,500
I.

Philadelphia 18 December, 1850

My dear Sir,

Will you be kind enough to inform me

as to whether the Michigan Central Rail Road Company have declared a cash dividend on their stock, and if so, when it is payable? Since I have to exercise a power of attorney in order to receive it, or vote it, it is sufficient to sign a receipt for the amount due from the Company to the Bank where it is payable and transmit it through one of our Lancaster Banks.

from your friend,

James Buchanan

11° 5c Red Brown (1). Bright Shade, Margins All Around, tied by Perfect Bold Red “Burlington Vt. 29 Mar/5” integral rate cds on brown Envelope to Verymont Vt., neat docketing, Extremely Fine “Gem” ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

12° 5c Brown (1). Left Sheet Margin, Large Margins All Around, Dark Shade, tied by Bold Blue Grid, matching “Syracuse N.Y. Apr. 22” cds on 1850 folded letter to Elmira N.Y., Extremely Fine, Choice Stamp and Cover ................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

13° 5c Dark Brown, Double Transfer Type E (1 var). Large Margins, tied by Red Grid and “Boston/5 Jul./5 cts” cds on 1848 folded notice to Me., Extremely Fine, Very Scarce Double Transfer, Ex Judd, Garrett ................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

14° 5c Red Brown (1). Bottom Sheet Margin, Others Ample to Large, Bright Shade, Vivid Red Grid, matching “Amenia N.Y. Dec. 13” cds on brown Envelope to Poughkeepsie N.Y., light diagonal bend in cover, Very Fine and Handsome .......................................... E. 500-750

16° 5c Red Brown (1). A Superb Horizontal Pair, Extra Large Margins All Around, Deep Rich Color and Impression, tied by Four Clear Strikes of Blue “Paid”, matching “Louisville Ky./Aug. 30/10” integral rate cds on blue 1848 docketed folded cover to New Orleans, Extremely Fine, Absolute Perfection, Ex Norcross, Rust .................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

17° 5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Three Large Margins, clear at bottom, Fine Impression, tied by Two Bold Red Strikes of 6-Bar Grid in Circle, matching “Waukegan Ill. May 7” cds on Fresh blue 1850 folded letter to Buffalo, Very Fine ................................. E. 3,000-4,000

19° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Horizontal Pair, Large Margins, Deep Shade, tied by Black Grids, "Wilkes Barre Pa. Oct. 14" cds on white Envelope to Va., few faint toned spots at edges, Extremely Fine, Ex Lehman .................................................................................. E. 750-1,000

20° 5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Top Sheet Margin, Others Ample to Large, tied by Blue Grid, matching "Lockport N.Y. Sep. 3" cds on 1850 folded letter to N.Y.C., Fresh and Very Fine .................................................................................................................. E. 800-1,000

21° 5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Right Stamp Dot in "S" of US Variety, Large Margins to just touched at right, tied by grids, "Tallahassee Flor. Mar. 2" cds on blue folded cover to New York City, negligible bleached corner at bottom right, still Very Fine and Rare Florida 1847 Usage, Ex Gibson ..................................................................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

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22° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, Remarkable Proof-Like Impression, Beautiful Socked-on-the-Nose "Paint" Red Grid, matching "Mobile Ala. Jul. 2" cds on blue 1850 folded letter to Phila., Extremely Fine "Gem" in Every Respect, with P.F. Certificate .............. E. 3,000-4,000

23° 10c Black (2). Ample Margins, tied by Red "St. Louis Mo./Aug. 7/10" cds, Second Strike at Right on blue 1850 folded letter to Phila., Very Fine and Fresh .............. E. 1,000-1,500

24° 10c Black (2). Right Sheet Margin and Large Margins All Around, Intense Shade and Impression, tied by Clear Black Grid, Perfect Bold Red "Boston/26 Nov/10 Cts" cds on blue 1850 docketed folded cover to Baltimore, Extremely Fine, A "Gem" Stamp and Superb Cover, Signed Ashbrook .................................................. E. 1,500-2,000
25° 10c Black (2). Large to Huge Margins, Beautiful Fine Impression, tied by Red "Paid" hs, Second Strike at Left on small 1848 docketed folded cover to Boston, no town marking, Extremely Fine "Gem," Ex Moody, Haas ............................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

26° 10c Black (2). Ample to Extra Large Margins, Intense Shade and Impression, tied by Three Brilliant Red Grids, matching Partly Complete "New Orleans La. Apr. 16" cds on 1851 folded Printed Prices Current to New York City, faint toning, Very Fine, Signed Ashbrook. E. 1,250-1,500

27° 10c Black (2). Extra Large Even Margins All Around, Intense Shade and Impression, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Aug. 17" cds on blue 1849 folded letter to Kalamazoo Mich., Fresh and Extremely Fine, A Superb Stamp and Cover ...................... E. 1,250-1,500

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28° 10c Black (2). Two Ample to Large Margins, clear to touching on other sides, Fine Impression, tied by Red 5-Bar Grid, matching “Oxford N.Y. Dec. 16” cds on Homemade Envelope Fashioned from Printed Legal Form, Fresh and Very Fine, Unusual, Ex Rust .................. E. 1,500-2,000

29° 10c Black (2). Margins All Around, Fine Impression, tied by Blue Grid, matching “Little Rock Ark. Sep. 3” cds on 1850 folded cover to Cincinnati O., neat file fold, Extremely Fine, Very Scarce Town Origin and a Choice Cover, Sampson Insignia on Back .................. E. 3,000-4,000

30° 10c Black (2). Ample Margins, tied by Greenish Blue Grid, matching “Frankfort Ky. Jul. 24” cds on blue 1850 folded cover to New York City, Very Fine, Scarce Kentucky Town Usage of 1847 Issue ................................................................. E. 800-1,000
FANCY AND UNUSUAL TOWN MARKINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

31° 5c Red Brown (1). Three Large Margins, Ample to clear at top, ms. cancel, tied by Blue “5” Numeral Rate and “Watertown, N.Y.” Straightline hs with ms. “June 8” date on 1849 folded letter to Albany, light fold, Very Fine, An Enormously Rare Straightline Town Marking on The 1847 Issue, Ex Ring, Sampson Insignia on Back ........................................ E. 5,000-7,500

32° 5c Orange Brown (1b). Uncancelled, Beautiful Rich Color, margins on two sides only, used on blue folded cover to Plainfield N.J. with Bold Red “Scranonia Pa. July 15” Split Rail Fancy Town Datestamp, few letters of address re-inked where bleached to remove original addressee’s name, couple tiny erosion spots resulting, still Fine and Unique Use of This Fancy Town Marking with The 1847 Issue, Probably an 1850 Usage of The Late 5c Orange Brown Shade, Ex Richey, Foote, Meroni .......................................................... E. 5,000-7,500
33° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Superb Horizontal Pair, Margins All Around, Intense Shade and Impression, Each Stamp Cancelled by Small Dotted Grid in Bright Green, matching “Tallahassee Flor. Sep. 18” cds on 1848 folded letter to New York City, from the King & Sons Correspondence, Extremely Fine, Almost Certainly The Finest of The Few Recorded “Tallahassee Green” 5c 1847 Covers, Ex Gibson, Moody ................................................................. E. 5,000-6,000

34° 10c Black (2). Short Transfer at Top, Three Extra Large Margins, well clear at bottom, Cancelled by Deep Green Dotted Grid, matching “Tallahassee Flor. Aug. 29” cds on 1849 folded cover to New York City, about one-third of backflaps removed, sealed 1½ in. tear at top just into cds, hardly noticeable, Very Fine Appearance, An Extremely Rare Cover and One of The Finest of The 10c 1847 “Tallahassee Greens,” Ex Gibson, Moody .............................. E. 6,000-8,000

The preceding two “Tallahassee Green” covers offered as a matched 5c and 10c 1847 pair.
35° 5c Red Brown (1). Ample Margins All Around, Bold Unusual Red 4-Ring Target Cancel, matching “Greenwich N.Y. Nov. 29” cds on 1850 folded letter to Argyle N.Y., Turned and Returned to Greenwich N.Y., Red “Argyle N.Y. Nov. 30” cds, ms. rate, file fold thru stamp, otherwise Very Fine and Rare 1847 Cancellation ........................................ E. 1,250-1,500

36° 5c Brown (1). Ample to Large Margins, Rich Color, Bold Rectangular Grid of Squares, “Wilkes Barre Pa. Sep. 29” cds on buff Envelope to Funkhannock Pa., tiny mended opening fault at upper right, neatly pressed fold clear of stamp, still Very Fine, This Unusual Fancy Cancel is Believed To Be Unique on Cover (an off-cover stamp with same cancel was sold for $4,950 in a Sept. 1991 N.Y.C. auction), Ex Rohloff, Haas, Garrett ........................................ E. 2,000-3,000
Binghamton, New York “Herringbone” Cancel
All Four Colors

37° 5c Brown, Dark Brown (1.1a). Four Singles on Individual Covers, Each with Red “Binghamton, N.Y.” cds and “Herringbone” Fancy Cancel Struck in Red (stamp has Large Margins, corner creases, Ex Newbury), Black (Large Margins, stamp also cancelled in pencil and tied by cds), The Finest Known in Green (Large Margins to clear at bottom, Ex Emerson, Sweet, Simon, Grunin, Garrett), and Blue on Valentine Envelope (stamp average, cover with negligible staining, Ex Pope), the First Three Covers from the Roseboom Correspondence, A Splendid Group of This Most Sought-After 1847 Cancellation, It Would Be Extremely Difficult to Assemble a Similar Set, Each with P.F. Certificate ................................. E. 30,000-40,000
38° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Left Sheet Margin, Margins All Around, Wonderful Deep Shade and Intense Impression, tied by Sharp Blue “Paid” straightline, matching “Huntsville AL Aug. 23” cds and 5-Point Star with Negative Stars and “5” Rate, Each Marking is Perfectly Struck on bluish gray folded letter to Montgomery docketed 1848 on flap, neatly refolded along edges, Extremely Fine, A Superb Example of The 1847 Issue Used with Fancy Rate Markings of the Pre-Stamp Era, Ex Gibson, Meroni, Haas, Garrett, Sampson Insignia on Back, with P.F. Certificate E. 10,000-15,000

39° 5c Red Brown (1). Right Sheet Margin, other margins ample to just shaved at upper left frameline, Bright Color, tied by Bold Blue Open 5-Point Star, matching “Trenton N.J. Sep. 13” cds, Perfect Strikes on 1849 folded letter to Baltimore, Extremely Fine and Choice, Fancy Cancels on 1847 Issue Covers are Extremely Rare, Ex Emerson, Matthies, Rohloff E. 7,500-10,000
St. Johnsbury “Scarab” Grid Cancellation


41° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, Remarkable Proof-Like Impression, Cancelled by Perfectly Struck Red “Scarab” Grid, faint matching “St. Johnsbury Vt. Jul. 23” cds on 1849 blue folded letter to Buffalo, faint bleaching along file fold, Extremely Fine, The Stamp and Cancel are Exceptionally Choice, with P.F. Certificate .................................................. E. 8,000-10,000

The two preceding lots offered as a pair of 5c and 10c 1847 covers with the desirable “Scarab” cancellation.
42° 5c Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Very Fine Singles of Each on Separate Folded Letters, Each with Clear Central Strike of Fancy Small Quartered Cork with Three Dots in Circle, matching "Ellicottville N.Y." Aug. 1 and Aug. 2 (1849) cds, 5c cover neatly docketed, file folds, 10c cover missing approx. one-quarter of back flap, Very Fine Pair, An Extremely Early and Rare Fancy Cancellation ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

43° 5c Brown (1). Ample to Large Margins, pressed file fold thru stamp, barely noticeable, tied by Bold Red 17-Bar Grid, matching "Hudson Riv. Mail N.Y. May 31" Steamboat Route Agent cds on 1849 folded cover to N.Y., Very Fine Appearance, Ex Pope ............. E. 1,500-2,000
44° 10c Black (2). Large to Huge Margins, Fine Impression, Bold Red Wheeling Va. Grid Precancel at Lower Left, tied by Blue Grid, matching "Wheeling Va. Sep. 1" cds on 1847 folded letter to Phila., pressed filing crease thru stamp, barely noticeable and otherwise An Extremely Fine Example of This Precancel Rarity, Only Four 10c Covers Recorded, Ex Garrett. ........... E. 15,000-20,000

45° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, Remarkable Proof-Like Impression, A Superb Copy, cancelled by Perfect Bold Red Rectangular 9-Bar Open Grid, matching "Aurora Ill. Dec. 12" cds on 1850 blue folded letter to Buffalo, Immaculate Condition, Extremely Fine, The Finer of Two Recorded 1847 Covers from Aurora, Ex Rohloff, Grunin, Garrett ........... E. 4,000-5,000
46° 5c Brown (1). Right Sheet Margin, Other Margins Ample to Large, Fine Early Impression, tied by Bold Red Grid and “5” in Serrated Oval hs, matching “Chicago Ill. Sep. 12” cds on 1847 folded letter to Joliet Ill., Fresh and Extremely Fine, Choice and Very Scarce, Ex Rust ........................................... E. 2,500-3,500

47° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, tied by Red Grids, matching “10” in Serrated Oval hs and “Chicago Ill. Oct. 17” cds on 1847 folded letter to Buffalo, Extremely Fine, Scarce Fancy Rate Marking with 1847 Issue .......................................................... E. 2,500-3,500

The preceding two lots offered as a matched pair of 5c and 10c 1847 covers with the Chicago serrated oval rate markings.

48° 5c Red Brown (1). Margins All Around, Bright Shade, cancelled by Vivid Red “5” in Serrated Oval, matching Perfect Bold “Chicago Ill. May 22” cds on blue 1851 folded letter to Joliet Ill., Fresh and Extremely Fine, A “Gem,” Ex Dick, Garrett ...................... E. 1,500-2,000

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50° 5c Red Brown (1). Three Large Margins to clear at bottom, tied by Bold Red “6” in Circle, matching “New-York Dec. 27” cds on blue 1849 folded letter to Poughkeepsie N.Y., light file fold thru stamp, still Very Fine, Extremely Rare Numeral Rate Marking on 1847 Issue, Four or Five Known to Exist, Ex Rohloff, Grunin .......................................................... E. 1,500-2,000
51° 5c Brown (1). Three Ample Margins, barely touching at bottom, neatly affixed with wax wafer, Incredible Bold Socked-on-the-Nose “5” Numeral Rate Cancel, “Guilford Ct. Aug. 11” cds, both marking struck in a brownish manuscript ink on folded cover to Vt., file fold clear of stamp, Extremely Fine, A Magnificent Example of A Pre-Stamp Rate Marking Used To Cancel The 1847 Issue, Accompanied by Stampless Cover with Same Handstamp ........... E. 2,500-3,500

52° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Large Margins, Rich “Chocolate” Shade from First Printing, tied by Bold Blue Numeral “5” Rate Handstamp, Second Strike at Right, matching “Hartford Ct. Sep. 13” cds and “Paid” with Pointing Hand on 1847 blue folded letter to Norwich Conn., Extremely Fine “Gem” ...................................................... E. 2,000-2,500
53° 5c Dark Brown (la). Large Margins, Rich "Chocolate" Shade, tied by Two Clear Strikes of "5" in Rectangular Frame, faint "Alexandria D.C. Mar. 25" cds on slightly age-toned folded cover to Charlottesville Va., docketed 1848. Fine and Extremely Rare. This Rate Handstamp is Associated with The Alexandria Postmaster's Provisional and Is Seldom Found with The 1847 Issue, Ex Gibson, Rust, Sampson Insignia on Back .......................................................... E. 750-1,000

54° 5c Red Brown (1). Large Even Margins, Rich Color, tied by Blue "5" in Oval hs, matching "Baltimore Md. Nov. 27" cds on folded cover to Sandy Springs Md., Extremely Fine "Gem" ............................................................................................................................................................................... E. 600-800

55° 10c Black (2). Full Even Margins All Around, Fine Impression, tied by Blue "5" in Oval, matching "Baltimore Md. May 3" cds on blue 1848 folded letter to Warren O., lightly cleaned to remove soiling from file folds, Extremely Fine .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

56° 5c Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Ample Even Margins All Around, Warm Shade, tied by Two Strikes of Blue "10" Numerals in Oval, matching "Baltimore Md. Nov. 29" cds on buff Envelope to Rockford Ill., Very Fine and Attractive Cover .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

57° 5c Dark Brown (la). Horizontal Pair, Left Sheet Margin, Others Ample to Large, tied by Three Strikes of Numerals "10" in Fancy Rectangular Frame, matching "Huntsville Al. Jul. 24" cds on buff Envelope to Midway Ky., skillfully cleaned, small mended erosion spot at bottom edge, otherwise Fine. Choice Pair and Very Rare Use of This Pre-Stamp Rate Marking on The 1847 Issue, Ex Gibson, Rohloff, Haas, Sampson Insignia on Back .......................................................... E. 1,000-1,500

58° 10c Black (2). Large to Ample Margins, Fine Impression, tied by Bold Blue "12" Numerals Rate in Double-Line Circle, matching "Philada. Pa. Jan. 19/10" integral rate cds on brown Envelope to Logansport Ind., neat 1849 docketing, Extremely Fine, Most Unusual and Exceedingly Rare Rate Marking on This Stamp, Ex Grunin, Garrett ................................. E. 2,000-2,500

59° 10c Black (2). Large Margins, Sharp Centrally Struck Blue "X" Rate Handstamp heavily impressed, matching "Evansville Id. Sep. 4" cds and "Paid" hs on folded cover addressed in blue to Phila., bleached spots, otherwise Very Fine and Exceedingly Rare ......................... E. 1,000-1,250

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60° 5c Red Brown (1). Large Margins All Around, Blue Grid and matching “Cambridge Ms. Oct. 23” cds on small white Envelope to New York City, slightly blurred but complete readable strike of Red “Advertised 4 cts.” Straightline, pencil street address, Very Fine, Auxiliary Markings on 1847 Covers are Extremely Rare, Very Few “Advertised” Usages Known ……. E. 1,500-2,000

61° 5c Red Brown (1). Large Margins, Bright Shade, tied by Red Square Grid, matching “New-York Jun 15” cds on greenish 1850 folded letter to Troy N.Y., Blue Oval Framed “Advertised: 4cts” Straightline Applied at Troy, Clear Strike, Very Fine Example of This Rare Marking and 1847 Issue Usage, Ex Dick ………………………………………………… E. 3,000-4,000

62° 10c Black (2). Extra Large Even Margins All Around, neat ms. cancel, tied by Magenta Grid, matching “Hartford Ct. Aug. 11” cds and “Paid” & Pointing Hand, Large “10” Rate on Small Mourning Envelope to Richmond Va., Forwarded to Baltimore with Brilliant Red “Richmond Va. Aug. 16” cds, matching “Forwarded” Straightline and “5” Rate, address neatly scratched out with new location written by sender, Extremely Fine, Colorful and Rare Combination of Markings ………………………………………………………………. E. 5,000-7,500
63° 5c Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Large Margins Almost All Around, just touching at top left, Rich Color, tied by Blue 4-Bar Grid, Matching “Rathbun's Hotel New York” Circular Hotel Forwarder's Handstamp, Pair also tied by Red Square Grids, matching “New-York Mar. 11” cds on blue 1848 folded letter to Lockport N.Y., one word in address crossed out in contemporary ms., few tiny toned spots touching pair, still Very Fine, Rare Hotel Forwarder Usage and Most Unusual Use of Hotel Cancellation ............................................................... E. 1,500-2,000

64° 10c Black (2). Three Large to Huge Margins, clear at bottom, light pre-use crease, tied by Red “New-York/14 Mar/10 Cts” integral rate cds, Second Strike on buff Envelope to New Orleans, Clear Red “From Barnum's Hotel New York” Oval Hotel Forwarder's Handstamp, Fine and Extremely Rare Marking with 10c 1847, Ex Ackerman, Garrett ............................................. E. 2,500-3,500
65° 5c Brown (1). Large Margins, tied by Grid cancel, Red "Washington City D.C. Dec. 5" cds on 1847 mostly complete folded letter to Phila., Mis-Routed Thru New York City, Red "New-York Dec. 9" cds and matching "Missent" hs, blue ms. underscore below "Phila.," Very Fine, Missent Markings on 1847 Covers are Extremely Rare, Ex Garrett ................. E. 1,250-1,500

66° 10c Black (2). Horizontal Pair, Three Huge Margins, a bit close at top, tied by black grids, Red "Boston Mas. Sep. 9" cds on blue folded cover to Philadelphia, from the Ludlow, Beebee & Co. Correspondence, Bold Blue "R" Registry Handstamp and ms. "23" Record Number, small piece with wax seal removed from back, Very Fine and Rare Registered Mail Usage, Ex Sweet, Garrett, Ward Insignia on Back, Signed Ashbrook ....................... E. 4,000-5,000
RAILROAD ROUTE AGENT MARKINGS

67°  5c Red Brown (1). Ample to Large Margins except at right where close but clear, Rich Color, Cancelled by Small Red Circular Grid of Tiny Diamonds, matching “Cayuga & Susqh. R.R. Jan. 22” cds on Tiny White Lady’s Envelope, Scalloped Edge Flaps with Dark Trim, minor flap tear, Extremely Fine “Gem,” Very Scarce Railroad Marking ..................................................  E. 1,000-1,500

68°  5c Brown (1). Three Large Margins, Ample to close at bottom, tied by Bold Red 6-Bar Grid, matching “Housatonic Railroad/5” in Circle on white Envelope to Newark N.J., lightly cleaned, Very Fine, Choice Strike of This Rare Railroad Marking, Ex Meroni, Matthies, Garrett, with P.F. Certificate ..........................................................  E. 2,000-3,000

69°  5c Dark Brown (1a). Three Large Margins, left margin large to just touching, Remarkable Deep Shade and Impression, tied by Bold Red 6-Bar Grid, matching “Housatonic Railroad/5” Circular Route Agent Handstamp on Dec. 1848 folded cover to New York City, negligible soiling along file fold thru marking, still Fine and Scarce, Ex Caspary, From Our 1982 Rarities Sale Where It Realized $5,500 ..........................................................  E. 1,500-2,000

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 35 – JUNE 9, 1992
70° 5c Red Brown (1). Three Ample to Clear Margins, touched at bottom, Bright Shade, tied by Perfect Bold "Mic.Central R.R. Mic. May 17" cds on white Envelope to Jackson Mich., two sealed opening tears at top corners, one just into marking but clear of stamp. Very Fine Appearance, Scarce, Ex Hicks, Shierson .......................................................... E. 800-1,000


72° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Large Even Margins, Deep Shade, Cancelled by Double-Struck Red "5" Rate Cancel, matching "New York & Erie R.R. Sep. 1" cds on Envelope to Cherry Valley N.Y., one backflap missing, light fold thru cds, Fine ............................................. E. 400-500

73° 5c Brown (1). Two Singles, One with Ample Margins, Other with Ample Margins to just touched, file crease thru latter stamp, tied by Four Strikes of Blue "Paid" hs, matching "New York & Phila. R.R. May 20" cds on 1849 folded cover to Boston, small tear at top, otherwise Fine and Attractive, Ex Ackerman ..................................................... E. 500-750
74° 5¢ Dark Brown (1a). Two Singles, one with Extra Large Margins and file crease thru stamp, other with Ample Margins to just touching at right, slightly overlapping, tied by Blue "Paid" Straightline, matching "New York & Phila. R.R. May 25" cds on blue mostly complete 1848 folded cover to Burlington Vt., Forwarded to Montreal, Canada, ms. "5 forwarded" pmk., Red "Paid," Montreal Backstamp, Fine and Unusual Forwarded Usage Across Canadian Border, Ex Ring .......................................................... E. 1,500-2,000

75° 5¢ Red Brown (1). Margins All Around, Bright Shade and Rich Color, tied by Clear Blue 4-Bar Grid in Circle, matching "Norwich & Worcester R.R." cds on blue folded cover to Woodstock Conn., Extremely Fine and Choice, with P.F. Certificate ..................... E. 750-1,000

76° 5¢ Dark Brown (1a). Remarkable Deep Shade, Heavily Inked Strong Impression, Ample Margins, tied by Blue Grid, matching "Prov. & Wor. R.R. Apr. 29" cds on brown Envelope to Chicopee Mass., diagonal cover fold clear of stamp and markings, Very Fine, Scarce Railroad Usage ................................................................................................................. E. 1,000-1,500

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 37 – JUNE 9, 1992
INLAND WATERWAY MARKINGS

77° 5c Orange Brown (1b). Horizontal Pair, Bottom Sheet Margin, Others Large to just shaved at left frameline, scissors cut between stamps, Brilliant Color in Bright Orange Shade, tied by Blue Grids, matching "Buffalo Steamboat 10 Cts" Fancy Ribbon in Frame Handstamp on blue 1850 folded letter from Detroit to Buffalo, neat file fold thru marking, otherwise Very Fine, with P.F. Certificate ................................................................. E. 1,250-1,500

78° 5c Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Three Large Margins, just in at bottom, small corner fault near edge of cover, tied by Blue Grids, matching "Steam-Boat" in Ornate Frame with Fleurons and "Buffalo N.Y. Oct. 20/10" integral rate cds on brown Envelope to Poughkeepsie, minor flap tears just barely affecting top edge on front, Fine, Ex Meroni, Ring, Sampson Insignia on Back ................................................................. E. 750-1,000

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 38 – JUNE 9, 1992
79° **5c Brown (1).** Horizontal Pair, mostly separated between stamps, Rich Color, tied by ms. strokes, Red “Cincinnati O. Aug. 16/10” integral rate cds and matching “Steam” hs on 1848 folded letter from Louisville Ky. to New York City, light folds, Very Fine, with P.F. Certificate ........ E. 1,000-1,500

80° **10c Black (2).** Clear to Ample Margins, faint gum toning, tied by Red “Charleston Apr. 11/10” integral rate cds, matching “Steam Boat” Straightline hs on 1848 folded letter datelined New York City and addressed to New Orleans, Very Fine, Rare Usage, Ex Knapp, Rust ........ E. 2,000-3,000
81° 5c Red Brown (1). Two Singles, originally a vertical pair, one showing Top Sheet Margin, other margins huge to irregularly in on one, affixed "tête-bêche," each with Bold Blue Grid just tying left stamp, Bold matching "Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line Jun. 27" Balloon-Type cds on 1851 blue folded letter to Phila., tiny break in file fold, Beautiful Strike of This Route Agent Marking, Very Late Use of 1847 Issue (replaced with 1851 Issue four days later), Fine and Attractive, Ex Rohloff ................................................................. E. 5,000-7,500

82° 10c Black (2). Large Margins, tied by Blue Grid and matching "Louisville & Cincinnati/ Mail Line. Apr. (22 in ms.)" in Rectangular Frame, Grid Repeated at Right on Envelope to Phila., one backflap added, cover has been cleaned with address somewhat lightened, Markings Clearly Struck and Unique with The 1847 Issue, with P.F. Certificate ..................... E. 4,000-5,000
83° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Left Sheet Margin, Huge Margins All Around, tied by Perfectly Struck Blue "Troy & New York Steam Boat" in Rectangular Frame, matching "2 cts." in Double-Line Circle on blue folded cover to Albany, lightly cleaned, Extremely Fine. This Superb Cover Was A Highlight of Our 1969 Matthies Sale Where It Realized $2,200, Ex Matthies, Haas, Garrett ....... E. 7,500-10,000

84° 5c Red Brown (1). Large Margins to slightly in, Red cancel (not tied), matching Red "Lake Champlain S.B. Aug. 23" cds, Clear almost complete strike on 1850 folded letter to Concord N.H. datelined "Lake Champlain Steamboat 'Whitehall'," mentions "on my way from Saratoga to Burlington," Fresh and Fine. Very Rare Steamboat Route Agent Marking, Scarcer in Red Than Blue or Black and Especially Rare with The 1847 Issue .................. E. 1,000-1,500

86° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, Intense Shade and Impression, tied by ms. cross-hatching, Bold Red "Steamer Atlantic" in Oval hs, ms. "D" in Center, on folded letter to New Orleans datelined St. Louis, Dec. 1, 1848, Extremely Fine, An Extremely Rare Mississippi River Packetboat Marking, Possibly Unique with The 1847 Issue, Ex Rust ...... E. 2,500-3,500
87° 5c Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Large Margins All Around, tied by Red Grids, matching "Way 11 Cents" Rimless Oval Due Handstamp, faint Red "Steamer Hecla" Oval Packetboat Handstamp on buff Envelope to Stratford Conn., Forwarded to New Haven with ms. Stratford pmk. and rate notations (overlaps pair), a bit worn at edges, nevertheless a Fine and Rare 1847 Steamboat Usage

E. 1,500-2,000

88° 10c Black (2). Three Large Margins, close at bottom, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Mar. 20" First Type Ocean Mail cds on 1850 folded letter to New Orleans, light file fold clear of stamp, Very Fine, Extremely Rare Usage, Approximately Five 1847 Covers Known with This Ocean Mail Marking, Ashbrook Notes on Back, Ex Eno ................. E. 2,500-3,500
89° 5c Red Brown (1). Two Singles, one with Dot in “U” of US Variety, three clear to large margins, each barely touched at top, each tied by Blue Grid, matching “Syracuse N.Y./Oct 25/10” integral rate cds on buff Envelope with Ornate Large Red Woodcut Saleratus Manufacturing Co. Corner Card, one stamp with barely detectable light bend, Very Fine, Considered by Many to Be The Most Desirable 5c 1847 Advertising Cover Extant, Ex Waterhouse, West, Baker, Garrett .... ................................................................. E. 15,000-20,000
Vermont and Boston Telegraph Cover

90° 5c Red Brown (1). Margins All Around, tied by Bold Blue Criss-Cross Grids Creating Waffle Pattern, matching “Waterbury Vt. Dec. 18” cds on Illustrated Vermont & Boston Telegraph Line Envelope, oval illustration at top center showing Ships, Train, Post Rider, Postman and Turtle, Imprint in Ribbon and Telegraphic Lightning Bolt with Hand and Quill Pen at End, the design illustrates that the telegraph beats all other modes of communication transport, “Office at Cheney & Co.’s Express” corner card, slight wear and negligible toning, still Very Fine, A Remarkable Illustration and Believed to be Unique Used with the 1847 Issue, This Cover was a Highlight of the Rohloff Collection sold by our firm in 1977, Illustrated in Graham’s “Great Stamps Make Greater Covers” (American Philatelist, Oct. 1977), with P.F. Certificate ……………… E. 15,000-20,000
91° 5c Red Brown (1). Three Margins to just in at bottom, tied by Red 14-Bar Grid, matching "Brattleboro Vt. Jun. 26" cds on buff Envelope with Illustrated Advertisement for Musical Key Instruments (Organs, Melodians, etc.), Attractive Framed Design, a stain has been skilfully removed from the center of the cover, edges discreetly reinforced, Very Fine Appearance, A Rare and Marvelous 1847 Issue Advertising Cover, Ex Meroni, Ring, Steinway, Grunin, Garrett, with P.F. Certificate ................................................................. E. 7,500-10,000

92° 5c Red Brown (1). Two Singles, Each with Ample to Large Margins, right-hand stamp has tiny corner crease, tied by Blue "Philada. Pa. Jan. 20/10" integral rate cds on brown Envelope to Fla. with Printer's Return Card at Top, Extremely Fine, Choice and Scarce 1847 Return Card, Ex Pope ................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000
93° 10c Black (2). Ample to Huge Margins except just shaved at bottom right frameline, Intense Shade and Impression, tied by Blue "Philada. Pa/Oct. 22/10" integral rate cds, second strike on buff Envelope with Front and Back Printed Advertisement for Godey's Lady's Book, Lengthy Text, with Original 1850 Enclosure Signed L.A. Godey, Very Fine, 10c 1847 Advertising Covers are Very Rare, This Godey's Cover is Ranked the Finest by Many, Ex West, Matthies, Garrett .................................................. E. 20,000-30,000

94° 10c Black (2). Large Margins, insignificant gum stain spot at top, tied by Blue "Philada. Pa. 10" integral rate cds on Fresh Envelope with Blue Oval Corner Card for Shoe, Hat and Straw Goods Merchant, Attractive Design with White on Blue Lettering, Immaculate Condition and Extremely Fine, Very Rare 1847 Issue Corner Card Usage ......................... E. 4,000-5,000

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VALENTINE COVERS

95° 5c Brown (1). Dot in “S” of US Variety, Margins All Around, tied by Two of Three Strikes of Red “5” Numeral Rate, matching Bold “Charlestown Ms. Feb. 15” cds on Small Lady’s Envelope with Embossed Flower and Vase Design at Top Left, Hand-Colored in Gold, All Original, With Matching Enclosure, Poem from a Lady to Her “Chosen One” Dated Feb. 14, 1850, Extremely Fine, A Beautiful Exhibition Item, Ex Garrett, with P.F. Certificate. E. 3,000-4,000

96° 10c Black (2). Clear to Ample Margins, tied by Vivid Red Cork Cancels, matching “St. Louis Mo./Mar. 31/10” integral rate cds on Fresh White Envelope with Embossed Flower and Vase Design at Top Left, Hand-Colored in Pink, Green, Cobalt Blue and Gold, All Original, Extremely Fine, A Charming Cover of Unusual Beauty, Ex Garrett, Signed Ashbrook, From Our 1980 Rarities Sale Where It Realized $12,650 ........................................... E. 5,000-7,500

The two preceding lots offered as a matched pair of 5c and 10c 1847 hand-colored lady’s covers.

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 48 – JUNE 9, 1992
97° 5c Red Brown (1). Horizontal Pair, Ample to Large Margins, scissors cut between stamps, tied by Blue Grids, matching "Philada. Pa./Feb 5/10" integral rate cds on Lady's Envelope with Embossed Floral Trim, Hand-Decorated in Pink, Green and Gold, All Original, trivial flap tear, Extremely Fine, A Wonderful Exhibition Item, Ex Emerson, Garrett ............... E. 7,500-10,000

99° 5c Red Brown (1). Two Singles, Bright Reddish Shade, Each with Three Margins to irregularly in at top, tied by Red Square Grids, matching Bold “New-York Feb. 17” cds on 7½ x 5¼ in. **Embossed Valentine Envelope with Original Valentine Enclosure**, Lace and Silk Panel with Silver and Gilt Paste-On Decorations, Multicolored Enamel Vignette Picturing Two Cherubic Figures, Paste-On Scroll Dedication to Addressee with Hand-Written Poetic Verse Inside, Dated 1851, envelope lightly creased and with negligible splits along embossing, otherwise Fresh and Very Fine, 1847 Valentines with Original Enclosures are Exceedingly Rare and Desirable, Ex Pope ....

E. 4,000-5,000

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100° 5c Red Brown (1). Large Margins to just clear at top left, Exceptionally Rich Color and Fine Impression, tied by Red Square Grid, matching “New-York Feb. 15” cds on 7¼ x 5½ in. Embossed Valentine Envelope to New Haven Conn., Clear Red “Dunham’s Union-Square Post-Office” Oval Local Post Handstamp, somewhat overzealously cleaned and silked at seams, tiny mend at center clear of stamp, Remarkably Beautiful, accompanied by Valentine of the period … .................................................................................................................. E. 1,250-1,500
CARRIER AND LOCAL POST COMBINATIONS

101° 5c Brown (1). Margins All Around, tied by Grid Cancels, Used in Combination with Boston, Mass., 1c Blue on Pelure (3LB1) Semi-Official Carrier, Margins All Around, tied by Circular Cancel and Part of Grid, Red “Boston 8 Jul. 5 Cts” integral rate cds on 1850 folded cover to South Hadley Falls, neat file fold, Extremely Fine, Exceptionally Choice 1847 Issue and Carrier Combination, This Extremely Rare Combination was Not Represented in the Vast Caspary and Middendorf Collections, Ex Garrett, Scott Retail $4,000.00 ........................................ E. 4,000-5,000

102° 5c Red Brown, Double Transfer Type A (1 var). Large Even Margins, tied by Clearly Struck Red “20” in Circle on Small White Envelope to N.Y.C., Used in Combination with Blood’s Despatch 1c Bronze on Black (15L13), usual acid tie, Extremely Fine, A “Triple” Combination of Scarce Stamp Variety, Unusual Local Post Usage and Enormously Rare Numeral Rate Cancellation, Ex Pitcher, Ackerman, West, Grunin, Garrett ........................................ E. 2,500-3,500


SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 52 – JUNE 9, 1992
104° 10c Black (2). Margins All Around, tied by Red Square Grid cancel, matching "New-York Sep. 18" cds, Used in Combination with Bouton's City Dispatch Post 2c Black, Type I with Leaves in Corners (18L1), Sharp Impression, Large Margins, tied by Red "Paid/Bouton" two-line handstamp on 1848 folded letter to Ithaca, Extremely Fine, this Bouton's local stamp picturing then-Presidential Candidate Zachary Taylor ("Old Rough and Ready," the Party Slogan, is incorporated into the design) is the Very Rare First Type with Leaves in Corners, Only a Few Covers Recorded and No Other Combination with the 10c 1847 is Known to Us, Ex Haas, Garrett ...... ........................................... E. 20,000-30,000

1847 USAGES TO CANADA

106° 10c Black (2). Ample Margins, Fine Impression, tied by Bold Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Apr. 18" cds on blue 1849 folded letter to Kingston, Canada West, Receiving Backstamp in Red and Pencil "3" Indicating Ferriage Rate, Very Fine, Rare U.S.-Canada Rate ................................................................. E. 4,000-5,000

107° 10c Black (2). Large to Enormous Margins Showing Parts of Adjoining Stamps at Top and Bottom, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Oct. 21" cds on blue folded cover to Montreal, Canada, ms. "4½" Canadian rate, neat filing crease, Extremely Fine, Signed Bloch with Certificate ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

108° 10c Black (2). Wide Even Margins All Around, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Sep. 13" cds on blue 1848 folded letter to Toronto, Canada, faint Red "U.C." transit cds, ms. "4½" internal Canadian rate, Extremely Fine .................................................. E. 2,000-3,000

109° 10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, trivial corner crease and gum toning, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Dec. 4" cds on 1847 folded cover to Hamilton, Canada West, Red Rimless "Queenston U.C." Transit cds, ms. "4½" Canadian Rate, Very Fine ................................................................. E. 800-1,000

110° 10c Black (2). Four Even Margins, pre-use horizontal crease, tied by Red Grid, matching "Boston/Oct. 13/10cts" integral rate cds on blue 1849 folded letter to Amherstburgh, Canada West, Rimless "Queenston U.C. Transit, Various Red Transit Backstamps, ms. "11½" Canadian Rate, Very Fine Appearance, Ex Lehman ................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

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Troy and New York Steamboat Usage to Canada

111° 10c Black (2). Positions 86/96L, Vertical Pair with Bottom Sheet Margin, Other Margins Large to close or just shaving frameline at right of bottom stamp, Fine Impression, tied by Bold Blue "Troy N.Y. Sep. 2" cds, matching "Troy & New York Steam Boat" in Rectangular Frame on blue 1850 folded letter to Montreal, Canada, ms. "9" Canadian rate, from the Torrance Correspondence, as often with letters from this correspondence there is a file fold thru the stamps, neatly pressed and otherwise A Very Fine Cover and Rare Usage, Sampson Insignia on Back, Ex Meroni .......................................................... E. 10,000-15,000
112°  10c Black (2). Large Even Margins, Remarkable Proof-Like Impression, tied by Red Square Grid, matching “New-York Jan. 20” cds on 1848 folded letter to St. John’s, New Brunswick, ms. “7” Canadian Rate, Transit Backstamps, Extremely Fine, A Superb Stamp on Desirable Cover, Ex Rust ................................................................. E. 2,500-3,500

113°  5c Red Brown (1). Ample Margins to just clear, affixed over a pre-use fold in lettersheet (thus not affected), tied by Blue Grids, matching “Philada. Pa. 5cts Jul 2” cds on mostly complete 1850 Printed Notice to Halifax, Nova Scotia, ms. “4½” Canadian Rate, “UD. States/Halifax/Jy 6/1850” receiving backstamp, Fine ................................................................. E. 1,250-1,500

1847 ISSUE USED FROM CANADA

For letter between U.S. and Canadian postal officials discussing the use of 1847 stamps at Canadian post offices, please see Collateral section at the end of sale.

115° 5c Brown (1). Ample to Large Margins, trivial corner crease, Neatly Cancelled by Odd Rectangular Frame Surrounding 8 Tiny Bars, matching “Cape Vincent N.Y. Mar. 4” cds on small 1850 cover from Canada to Auburn N.Y., Red “Kingston U.C. Mr 3, 1850” cds, Very Fine, Rare Prepaid Usage from Canada at 5c “Under 300 Miles” Rate, The Unusual Fancy Cancel is An Additional Attraction, Ex Pope, with P.F. Certificate ......................... E. 3,000-4,000

116° 5c Red Brown (1). Two, One with Dot in “S” of US Variety, Large Margins to just touching or slightly in, tied by Red Grids on 1849 folded cover from Canada to New York City, Rimless “Chippawa U.C./No 28/1849” cds, “Paid” hs crossed out, Red “Lewiston Me. Nov. 29” cds, red ms. “4½” Canadian Rate, “U.C.” Transit Backstamp, Handsome and Very Rare Canadian Usage of U.S. Stamps, with A.P.S. Certificate .................................................. E. 2,000-2,500
117  5c Red Brown (1). Two Pairs, Originally a Block of Four, tied by Blue ms. stroke on Brown Envelope from Canada to San Francisco, faint Red “Montreal/Au 14/1850” Rimless cds, matching “Paid,” ms. “1 1/2” Canadian Rate, Addressed to William Phillips, Agent of Canadian Post Office, the left-hand pair and cover have been skilfully restored to remove staining and reduce minor faults, Fine and Attractive Appearance, A Unique Usage and Fascinating Postal History Item .................. E. 6,000-8,000

118  10c Black (2). Ample to Large Margins, Proof-like Impression, Blue Ms. Cancel and Red Ms. “4 1/2” Canadian Rate Ties Stamp on 1849 folded cover from Canada to New York, Red Rimless “Tombstone” Type “Montreal/Paid/Sp 8/1849/Canada” datestamp, blue ms. used to strike out “Paid” endorsement and postmark for unknown reason (stamp fully prepaid U.S. postage to New York City), Extremely Fine, A Rare Usage in Choice Condition, Illustrated in Boggs (p. 71, fig. 23), Ex Dale-Lichtenstein, with P.F. Certificate ......................... E. 7,500-10,000
Triple 5c “Under 300 Miles” Rate
From Montreal to Burlington, Vermont

119° 5c Red Brown (1). A Superb Vertical Strip of Three, Extra Large to Huge Margins, Deep Rich Color and Fine Impression, Top Pair is Uncancelled, Bottom Stamp Neatly Tied by Red Rimless “Tombstone” Type “Montreal/Paid/Au 7/1848/Canada” datestamp on folded letter datelined Montreal, Aug. 7, 1848 and addressed to Burlington Vt., red Canadian “Paid” straightline and ms. “1/6” rates in black and red, ms. endorsement “Money,” letter states that $500 is enclosed and expresses apprehension about using mails instead of independent express, few tiny edge tears at bottom, still Extremely Fine, A Magnificent Canadian Usage of the 1847 Issue and Extremely Rare Three-Times 5c Rate from the Line to Burlington (under 300 miles), A Wonderful Combination of Philatelic Quality and Unusual Postal Usage, Ex Rust, Signed Ashbrook ...... E. 25,000-35,000
Triple 10c “Over 300 Miles” Rate
From Montreal to New York City

120° 10c Black (2). Vertical Pair and Single, former with Ample to Large Margins, latter with Three Large Margins, just in at bottom, minor faults from filing folds which have been skillfully pressed, tied by blue ms. and Red “10” in Circle cancels, Red “Tombstone” Type “Montreal/Paid/Fe 14/1849/Canada” datestamp on blue folded letter datelined Montreal Feb. 14, 1849 and addressed to New York City, from the Kennedy Correspondence, Canadian ms. “1/6” rate, Very Fine Appearance, An Extremely Rare Canadian Multiple Rate Usage of the 1847 Issue, Ex Dale-Lichtenstein, Peyton .......................................................... E. 20,000-30,000
United States 5c 1847 and Canada 3p 1851 “Beaver” Mixed Franking

121° 5c Brown (1). Three Ample Margins, barely in at left, late printing, tied by Canadian 7-ring target cancel, Used in Combination with Canada 1851 3p Red on Laid (1), Large Even Margins, Bright Color, also tied by target, Both Stamps Tied Together by Red Canadian “Paid” hs on blue Jun. 7, 1851 folded letter from Montreal to New York City, Red Rimless “Montreal L.C. Ju 8 1851” cds, matching “Canada” in Framed Arc, a fresh clean folded letter with faint file fold thru 3p stamp

The combined use of United States 1847 Issue and Canadian stamps was possible for only 38 days from April 23, 1851, when the first Canadian stamp was made available, until June 30, 1851, the last day that the U.S. 1847 Issue was valid. Only two such legitimate mixed frankings on mail from Canada are recorded: the cross-border letter offered in this sale, and the 24c rate cover to England with a strip of five 5c 1847 stamps (now in the Ishikawa collection). This cover was highlighted in the tenth sale of the Dale-Lichtenstein collection (H.R. Harmer, Dec. 7, 1970) and realized $9,000, the second highest price of the auction, which was exceeded only by the mint corner pair of the 1851 12p Black.

A Very Fine and Extraordinary Combination of “Number One’s” of The United States and Canada. Ranked Among The Most Outstanding Postal History Covers of North America. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein, Hillmer, Grunin and Garrett. ......................... E. 150,000-200,000

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1847 USAGES TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS

122° 5c Orange Brown (1b). Horizontal Pair, First Printing in Brilliant Shade, Fine Impression on Deep Bluish Paper, Clear to Ample Margins, negligible tiny tear and light pre-use creasing, tied by Red Square Grids, matching “New-York Sep. 15” cds on 1847 folded letter to Trieste, Austria, via London, from the Lang Freeland & Co. Correspondence, British and Austrian Transits Front and Back, Extensive Rate Markings, Very Fine, Colorful and Extremely Scarce Usage, Ex Hart ................................................. E. 6,000-8,000

123° 5c Grayish Brown (1a). Horizontal Pair, Fine Early Impression, Distinctive Shade, Ample Margins to just in at right, tied by Bright Red “St. Louis Mo./Jul. 10/10” integral rate cds on 1848 folded letter to Belgium, Red French Le Havre Transit, French and Belgian Transits on Back, ms. rate, slight soiling and wear around edges, Fine Cover and Extremely Rare European Destination .................................................. E. 4,000-5,000
124° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Ample to Large Margins, tied by Sharp Blue Grid, matching “Philada. Pa./Dec. 23/5cts" integral rate cds on front only addressed to Midshipman in Santiago, Chile, Care of Navy Dept., Washington D.C., the 5c stamp paid postage to Washington, carried privately and placed into mails in Chile, Red “1½ [plus] 2 [equals] 3½” Rate and Straightline Applied in Chile, Very Fine Piece, The Only Recorded 1847 Cover to Chile, Ex Rohloff ......................... E. 5,000-7,500

125° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Horizontal Pair, Deep Rich Color and Impression, Ample to Large Margins, tied by Bright Red Grids and matching “Boston/Jan. 5/5cts” integral rate cds on blue 1848 folded letter to Matanzas, Cuba, Care of Spofford, Tileston & Co. New York Forwarders (neatly crossed out in ms.), lightly cleaned and pressed file fold well clear of pair, Extremely Fine, Enormously Rare Destination for This Issue, Only Three Known to Us, Ex Krug, Dick, Rohloff ........................................ E. 10,000-15,000
126° 5c Red Brown (1). Three Clear to Large Margins, partly in at left, tied by Perfect Bold "5" in Circle and indistinct Red cancel, matching "Hyde Park N.Y. Jul. 18" cds on Small, Remarkably Fresh White Envelope to Liverpool, England, "1/-" Due hs, Liverpool Receiving Backstamp, Fine and Extremely Handsome Foreign Mail Usage, Ex Krug, Baker, Signed Ashbrook .................. E. 3,000-4,000


128° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Horizontal Pair, Remarkably Deep Shade and Fine Early Impression, Large Margins, scissors cut in top left margin clears frameline, tied by Blue Grid, matching "Geneva N.Y. Oct. 11" cds on 1847 Envelope to London, England, Endorsed "By Boston Steamer," ms. "1/-" Due, Red British Receiving Backstamp, the envelope has been refolded to reduce size, Choice Pair and Fine Cover .......................................................... E. 2,000-3,000
129° 5c Red Brown (1). Five Singles Used to Prepay 24c Treaty Rate to England, Each with Large Margins to just in, Second Stamp from Right is Pos. 80RI Double Transfer Ty. A, tied by Red Grids, matching “Charleston S.C. Apr. 11” cds, Red “19” Credit hs and Liverpool Transit on 1850 Envelope to Devonport, England, receiving backstamp, one stamp creased, small part of backflap with wax seal removed, the cover has been very skilfully restored with small mends at corners and edges, Attractive and Extremely Rare Franking, This Cover was a Highlight of The 1924 Waterhouse Sale, Ex Rust ............................................................. E. 4,000-5,000


The two preceding lots offered together, comprising a matching pair of 5c and 10c 1847 internal "Way" usages to France from the same commercial correspondent.

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135° 5c Red Brown (I). Large Margins at sides, Ample to close at bottom, Bright Reddish Shade, tied by grid cancel on folded cover docketed 1851 from Boston to Germany, Endorsed “per Steamer Asia from N.York,” Red British Transit Backstamp, ms. “½” Rate, Blue ms. German Due Marking, Red Framed “America per England” Backstamp, Fresh and Very Fine, Extremely Choice Example of This Rare 1847 Usage to Germany ............................. E. 3,000-4,000

136° 5c Orange Brown (Ib). Large to Huge Margins, Brilliant Color, few minor pre-use creases, Vivid Red Grid Cancel, matching “Cincinnati O./Jan. 2/ 5cts” integral rate cds and “Steam” Straightline Handstamp on Jan. 1, 1851 folded letter to Bremen, Germany, Red British Transit Backstamp, ms. rates, Very Fine, Colorful and Rare Usage Combining Steamboat Service and Transatlantic Mails, Ex Pope, with P.F. Certificate ............................. E. 3,000-4,000
137° 5c Orange Brown (1b). Large Margins, Superb Color and Impression, tied by Bold Blue "Philada. Pa. Jul 30/5 cts" integral rate cds on 1850 folded letter to Rotterdam, Holland, Endorsed "pr Steamer America from New York," Red British and Dutch Transits on Back, ms. rates, light folds, ms. content faintly shows thru, Very Fine and Scarce Transatlantic Usage .............................................. E. 3,000-4,000

138° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Two Singles, Magnificent Deep Shade and Very Early Impression, Large Even Margins, stamp at left wrinkled when affixed, tied by Bold Blue Grids, matching "Philada. Pa./Sep. 14/10cts" integral rate cds on Fresh 1847 folded letter to Gouda, Holland, ms. endorsement "Boston Steamer Caledonia 16 Sept.," Red British and Dutch Transit Backstamps, ms. rates, Extremely Fine, A Superb Cover and Very Rare Usage, Ex Moody ...... E. 4,000-5,000
139°  10c Black (2). Ample Margins All Around, Fine Impression, tied by Blue "Paid" in Frame, matching "Philada. Pa./Jan. 13/10cts" integral rate cds on 1848 folded letter to Amsterdam, Holland, ms. endorsement "Liverpool Steamer Caledonia from Boston, Jan. 15," Red British and Dutch Transit Backstamps, ms. rates, addressee's name crossed out, Very Fine and Rare European Destination, with P.F. Certificate .............................................................. E. 8,000-10,000

141° 10c Black (2). Large to Huge Margins With Frameline of Adjoining Stamp Showing at Bottom, Fine Early Impression, tied by neat Red Square Grids and “1/” handstamped rate on greenish May 1848 folded Prices Current datelined Charleston S.C. to Greenock, Scotland, from the A. R. Johnston Correspondence, Extremely Fine, Scarce Destination and Very Choice Quality, Ex Grunin, Garrett .......................................................... E. 4,000-5,000
142° 5c Red Brown (1). Large to Huge Margins All Around, tied by Red Grid, matching “U.S. Express Mail N.Y. Jul. 23” Route Agent cds on 1850 folded letter to Switzerland, Red Framed “Colonies &c Art. 13” Accountancy hs, Red Calais Transit, British and French Transit Backstamps, Red ms. rate, Extremely Fine, Rare European Destination and Especially Desirable with Route Agent Marking, Ex Keightley ....................................................... E. 10,000-15,000
143° 5c Red Brown (1). Block of Four, Bright Reddish Shade, Ample to Large Margins except close to just touched at bottom right, small scissors cut between left pair, tied by Red Square Grids, "New-York Oct. 27" cds on front only to Montreal, Canada, ms. "9" Canadian rate, mounted on folded letter, left pair very light filing crease, otherwise a Fine-Very Fine Block and Attractive Usage, Very Few Used Blocks Known On or Off Cover, This Cover was a Highlight of our 1977 Rohloff Sale where described as "A Phenomenal 1847 Showpiece of the Highest Order of Rarity," Illustrated in Graham's "Great Stamps Make Greater Covers" (American Philatelist, Oct. 1977), Ex Waterhouse, Emerson, West, Dick, Rohloff. Scott lists block off cover at $25,000, unpriced on cover ............................................. E.30,000-50,000
144° 5c Brown (1). Horizontal Strip of Four, Three Large Margins, Clear to Large at Top, tied by multiple strikes of Bold "Steam Ship" Two-Line Handstamp, another strike to left of strip on buff Envelope to Kentucky, ms. "Via New Orleans & Louisville" Routing Instructions, pencil note on back states that enclosure was dated Dec. 19, 1850 (no longer with cover), some minor skilful restoration around edges to reduce wear, A Spectacular Usage with Extremely Rare Multiple Franking, Ex Seybold, Gibson, Matthies, Garrett .............................. E. 15,000-20,000
145° 5c Brown (1). Vertical Strip of Three, Ample to Three Huge Margins, Light Shade from Worn Plate, tied by Red Square Grid, matching "New-York Jan. 17" cds on buff Envelope to Alexandria Va., Very Fine, 5c Multiples Larger Than A Pair Are Very Rare, Strips of Three Are Extremely Unusual, This Being a Three-Times 5c Rate ........................................ E. 5,000-7,500

146° 5c Dark Brown (1a). Four Singles, Two With Large Even Margins, Third Clear to Large Margins, last barely in at framelines in places, Dark Shade, Fine Impression, tied by Blue "Philada. Pa. Apr. 18" cds on Envelope to Greenville Va., Quadruple 5c Rate, slight wear and faint soiling at edges, small part of backflaps removed along with wax seal, still Very Fine and Choice Cover, Ex Emerson, Knapp, Gibson, Signed Kelleher, Weill Insignia on Back .......................... E. 3,000-4,000
1847 Issue Used on 40c Rate Cover
From San Francisco to New York

147° 10c Black (2). Horizontal Strip of Four, Mostly Large Margins, close to just in at bottom right, tied by multiple strikes of Red "Paid" cancel, additional ms. cancels, matching Red "San Francisco 1 Jan" cds, "Paid" and "40" Rate handstamps on Jan. 1, 1851 folded Partially Printed Notice addressed to Howland & Aspinwall, New York City, endorsed "per Carolina"

The 1847 Issue was not shipped to post offices in California, and only two examples of its usage there are known to us. This transcontinental usage at the 40c rate is the only recorded 10c 1847 cover sent from California to New York. The addressee, the firm of Howland & Aspinwall, was a major international trading concern and financial backer of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

Extremely Fine and One of The Most Celebrated 1847 Issue Covers Extant. An Historic Usage of The Nation's First General Issue from Gold Rush Era California. Formerly a Highlight of the Gibson, Ackerman, Jessup, Pearce and Haas Collections, and One of The Highlights of This Important Collection. Illustrated on the Front Cover of Coburn's Letters of Gold and Graham's "Postal History and Stamps: A Colorful Combination, 1847-1861" (American Philatelist, Apr. 1978). With P.F. Certificate. .................. E. 100,000-150,000

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One of Two Recorded 10c 1847 Strips of Six Used on Cover

148° 10c Black (2). Horizontal Strip of Six, Positions 25-30L, Right Sheet Margin, Large Margins Almost All Around, frameline just touched in two places, one stamp with natural printing wrinkles, Each Cancelled by Vivid “Paint” Red Grid, impressions tie thru lettersheet, matching “Mobile Ala. Sep. 24” cds on folded letter from New Orleans to Howland & Aspinwall in New York City, letter refers to enclosures for forwarding to Kingston, Jamaica, file fold and wrinkles, few tiny toned spots, the lettersheet has been refolded at left and bottom to enhance its appearance.

The block of fourteen and strip of ten discovered by Major Cleveland H. Bandholtz in 1927 are the largest recorded off-cover multiples of the 10c 1847 stamp. Both are contained in the Hirzel collection on permanent display at the Swiss PTT Museum. Next in size is the unused block of six with original gum, now part of the Ishikawa collection. The used block of six that once highlighted the Benjamin K. Miller collection at The New York Public Library was divided into smaller units after its theft from the Library. Three unused blocks of four are recorded, and another three used blocks are known. Of the 10c 1847 strips, units larger than a pair are very scarce. A few strips of four are known on covers, generally paying the 40c transcontinental rate. Strips of five are great rarities on or off cover. A strip of six is the largest size multiple known on cover. Only two such strips on cover are recorded: the six-times 10c rate folded letter from New Orleans to New York City via Mobile, which is offered in this sale, and the cover to France with the Philadelphia Railroad straightline.

The Largest Size Multiple Known on Cover and One of The Few Large Used Multiples Still in Private Hands. A Spectacular Franking and Certainly One of The Most Important Classic United States Covers in Existence. Ex Seybold and Rust. Ward Insignia on Back. ............ E. 150,000-200,000
Double 40c Rate Cover from New York City to San Francisco

149° 10c Black (2). Horizontal Strips of Five and Three, Mostly Large Margins except at bottom left of each strip where slightly in, four stamps with barely noticeable pre-use and filing creases, both strips tied by multiple strikes of Red "Paid" in Arc, matching "New-York Feb. 7" cds on bluish gray 1850 folded letter to Macondray & Co. in San Francisco, content mentions enclosure (thus double rated)

The largest recorded 10c 1847 multiples are the used off-cover block of fourteen and strip of ten from the Bandholtz discovery, which are now part of the permanent Swiss PTT Collection. Of the multiples on cover, a strip of six is the largest size unit, which is recorded on at least two covers (see lot 148). One known cover from Panama to Mexico bears eight stamps and a portion of a ninth, the other part of which was torn away (ex DeVoss, now in the Ishikawa Collection). This double 40c rate cover from New York City to San Francisco bears the second greatest number of 10c 1847 stamps on a single cover, and is the largest intact multiple rate franking we record.

The Only Recorded 80c Transcontinental Rate Cover with The 1847 Issue. A Spectacular and Truly Outstanding Classic United States Cover. Ward Insignia on Back. Illustrated in Rose's Classic United States Imperforate Stamps. Ex Sweet, Rust and Garrett. .............................. E. 400,000-500,000
COMBINATION 5c AND 10c 1847 FRANKINGS

150° 5c Red Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Combination of The First Two United States General Issues, Both with Large Margins All Around, 10c stamp used first and cancelled by Blue Grid, matching “Buffalo N.Y./Feb 21/10" integral rate cds on blue 1850 folded letter to Albany N.Y. (over 300 mile rate), Forwarded from Albany to Albion N.Y. with 5c Stamp, tied by Red Cancel, matching “Albany N.Y. Feb. 25" cds Ties 10c, circular waterstain barely shows thru address panel at left, small mended piece out at top center, otherwise Very Fine and Colorful Combination of Stamps and Markings, A Very Rare and Desirable Franking, Discovered by Ezra Cole More Than 50 Years Ago, Illustrated in Rose’s Classic United States Imperforate Stamps and Graham’s “Postal History and Stamps: A Colorful Combination, 1847-1861” (American Philatelist, Apr. 1978), Ashbrook Notation, with P.F. Certificate .............................................. E. 20,000-30,000

151° 5c Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Combination Usage of The First United States General Issue, 5c Large Even Margins, tiny tear, 10c Margins All Around, Short Transfer at Top, Each tied by Red Grid on brown Jan. 1851 Envelope to Paris, France, Red Framed “Colonies &c Art. 13” Accountancy hs, Red Calais Transit, French Due hs, British and French Transit Backstamps, Very Fine and Believed to Be A Unique Usage, accompanying P.F. certificate describes cover as “cleaned and repaired,” in our opinion the cover is completely sound with only light soiling removed from edges, just as it was in 1957 when sold in our 204th Sale of the Dick Collection, Sampson Insignia on Back, Signed Ashbrook ......................................................... E. 12,000-15,000
152° 5c Brown, 10c Black (1,2). 10c Horizontal Pair, Ample to Huge Margins, tiny tear at left, small hole in right stamp, Used with Fine Single and Very Fine 5c, tied by ms. lines, 10c Pair also tied by Red British Transit on Jan. 1850 Envelope to Canton, China, magenta ms. “40” Credit, Rimless “Hong Kong 18 Ap 1850” Backstamp, one 10c stamp is believed to be missing from right side, small tear at top left, tiny hole above address, still Fine and Attractive, An Extraordinary Foreign Mail Usage, The Only Recorded 1847 Issue Cover to China, Ex Hollowbush, Pope, with P.F. Certificate .......................................................... E. 15,000-20,000
5c Red Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Combination of The First Two United States General Issues, Two 10c Singles, Ample Margins to just in, minor toning affecting both stamps and lettersheet, Used with 5c, Large Margins, tied by Multiple Strikes of Blue "10" in Oval, matching "Baltimore Md. Sep. 18" cds on docketed 1849 blue folded cover to Halifax, Nova Scotia, from the Noble Correspondence, ms. "4½" Canadian Rate, "UD. States/Halifax/Sp 27/1849" backstamp, Endorsed "pr Steamer Niagara via New York," light folds barely affect end stamps. This 5c and 10c 1847 combination cover and its companion from the Noble correspondence have aroused considerable debate among students of international mails of the period. The 25c postage represents a 15c overpayment of the 10c rate from Baltimore to Boston, which was the actual port of departure, despite the New York routing instructions at upper left. This letter was carried by the Europa, a Cunard line steamship which sailed on Sept. 26 and arrived at Halifax on Sept. 27 (the date of the Halifax receiving backstamp). Faced with such a gross overpayment of the internal U.S. postage, Creighton C. Hart and his colleague, the late Susan McDonald, both expressed serious doubts about the authenticity of the two 25c franked Noble covers in articles appearing in The Chronicle (Feb. 1980, Feb. 1985 and Feb. 1986). However, other knowledgeable philatelists have taken an equally strong position that the cover is entirely genuine. Stanley M. Piller defended this particular cover's authenticity in a rebuttal to Hart's articles (The Chronicle, Feb. 1986). Mr. Piller has speculated that the sender, anticipating that the letter would fail to reach New York City in time for the Niagara's sailing, expeditiously added a 10c stamp; then, concerned that the letter might exceed the half-ounce limit for a single rate, he added another 10c stamp. Regardless of why such an overpayment occurred, in favor of its authenticity are the physical ties between the stamps and the lettersheet; specifically, the blue "10" handstamp is impressed six times — so strongly that the indentations can be seen on the reverse side of the address panel — and the age toning and files folds pass thru the stamps and the lettersheet. Although overpayments of U.S.-Canada rates are unusual, overpayments in general occurred frequently during this period in which weight and distance were factors determining postage. In 1985, at least 75 years after the Noble correspondence with these two covers reached philatelic hands, The Philatelic Foundation was asked for an authoritative decision regarding this cover's authenticity. The certificate states, "It is a genuine usage overpaying the 10c rate with the left and right stamps tied by blue oval "10's and vertical folds."

An Extremely Rare and Fascinating Combination Franking. Ex Seybold, Ackerman, Hollowbush and Pope. With P.F. Certificate. .......................................................... E. 20,000-30,000
154° 5c Red Brown, 10c Black (1,2). Combination Franking, 5c Large Margins to just touching, Deep Rich Color and Early Impression, Used with 10c Horizontal Pair, Three Large Margins, in at top, stamps together by Bright Red Grids, Pair tied on slightly oversize 1848 folded legal document to Lockport N.Y., Red “Batavia N.Y. Mar. 4” cds, light folds, Fresh and Very Attractive Franking, Signed Ashbrook, Ex Rohloff .......................................................................................... E. 7,500-10,000

155° 5c Brown, 10c Black (1,2). 10c Bottom Sheet Margin Pair, Ample to Large Margins, right stamp with small hole, Originally Used with 5c 1847 to Prepay 24c Treaty Rate to England, the missing 5c stamp now replaced with a Fine copy, skilfully “tied” with markings and cancel drawn in, on 1849 folded cover to London, Forwarded to Berlin, Red “19” Credit hs, Red British Transit, Aachen Transit and blue ms. rate, Fresh and Attractive Appearance, A Master Restoration of A Very Rare Usage, with P.F. Certificate .................................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000
Matched Pair of
10c 1847 Diagonal Bisects on Cover

156° 10c Black, Diagonal Half Used as 5c (2a). The Lower Left and Upper Right Halves of The Same Stamp, Position 7R, Ample to Large Margins except just touched at top right corner, Intense Shade and Impression, Well-Tied Across Cuts by Blue Grid, matching “Gardiner Me.” May 19 and May 20 cds on Immaculate Envelopes to Brattleboro Vt., from the Evans Correspondence. This pair of matched bisects comes from the correspondence written by former Maine U.S. Senator George Evans to his wife. The Evans correspondence was the subject of two articles written by the late Susan M. McDonald in The Chronicle (Nov. 1969, Feb. 1984). Mrs. McDonald hypothesized that Senator Evans was writing to his wife while she stayed at one of the medical facilities that existed in Brattleboro at the time. The Evans correspondence yielded three pairs of matched bisects on cover, one postmarked in red (ex Moody, Baker), the other two in blue (the ex Knapp pair and the pair in this sale). In addition, a fourth matched pair from the Stilphin correspondence was uncovered by the late Mrs. McDonald. Extremely Fin. One of Four Recorded Matching Diagonal Bisects. A Beautiful Pair of Covers in The Finest Quality Attainable. Ex Rust. From Our 1981 Rarities Sale Where This Pair Realized $44,000. Ex Garrett. With 1937 A.P.S. Certificates. ................. E. 50,000-75,000
The Unique Matched Pair of
10c 1847 Vertical Bisects on Cover


These two letters were reunited by philatelists after some 122 years from the date of mailing. While matched pairs of 10c diagonal bisects have been found among a single correspondence, the discovery of two letters mailed to entirely unrelated addressees was nothing short of a miracle. They are the only recorded matching vertical bisects of this stamp.


Right Half with P.F. Certificate ................................................................. E. 50,000-75,000
DEMONETIZED USAGE AFTER JULY 1, 1851

158° 5c Brown (1). Margins All Around, minute closed tear in margin, used with 1851 1c Blue, Type II (7), Huge Margins, Deep Rich Color, both tied by Green “Cannonsburgh Pa. Sep. 15” cds on buff Envelope to Lexington Ky., ms. line thru stamps, “10” collect rate and notation “No Go” which is crossed out, possibly at Lexington to indicate accepted prepayment, neat 1852 docketing (minor erosion in few letters), Very Fine, The Finest of The Three or Four Known Demonetized Usages Bearing 1847 and 1851 Issues, A Fascinating Postal History Item, Ex Pope ................................................................. E. 7,500-10,000

159° 5c Red Brown (1). Ample Margins Almost All Around, tied by Bold “New York Sep. 6” 4-Bar Circular Datestamp on buff Envelope to Troy N.Y., this type of cds was not used in New York City until after the 1847 Issue was demonetized as of Jul. 1, 1851, some erased notations, otherwise Very Fine, Rare Demonetized Use of The 5c 1847, Sampson Insignia on Back ........... ................................................................. E. 2,000-3,000
COLLATERAL

160° *Laws and Regulations for the Government of the Post Office Department.* 1847. 70 pages, with 36-page Appendix. Paper, with brown covers, printed title and contemporary ms. "1847" below it. The original edition and very rare. Some chipping and wear of course—this was a working copy, but otherwise intact and sound. ................................................................. E. 150-200

161° A Letter from the Postmaster of Montreal to Robert Morris of New York Concerning the 1847 Issue. Dated Nov. 19, 1847: "I have been requested by a number of merchants in the City to address you with a view to ascertain, whether or not you will consider as paid all letters from Canada which reach your office with the postage stamps of your Government whether they are for your own delivery or for transmission to Europe. If there is no objection to the adoption of this plan, much of the inconvenience anticipated to result from the change which has just taken place in our intercourse will be obviated. I shall be glad to receive an early reply to this letter and at the same time will be glad to know to whom I shall have to apply for the purchase of a supply of your postage stamps." Written just three days after the Canadian Post Office ceased collecting American postage on letters. (U.S. postage could no longer be prepaid in cash at Canadian post offices.) Any references in contemporary letters to the 1847 Issue are quite rare, and this extended example is significant. Aside from the glimpse it provides into an unusual and important area of cross-border mail, it also underscores the slight confusion on the part of a government that was still three years from issuing its own stamps. Fresh & Very Fine. Invaluable exhibition piece for the cross-border student. .... ................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000

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