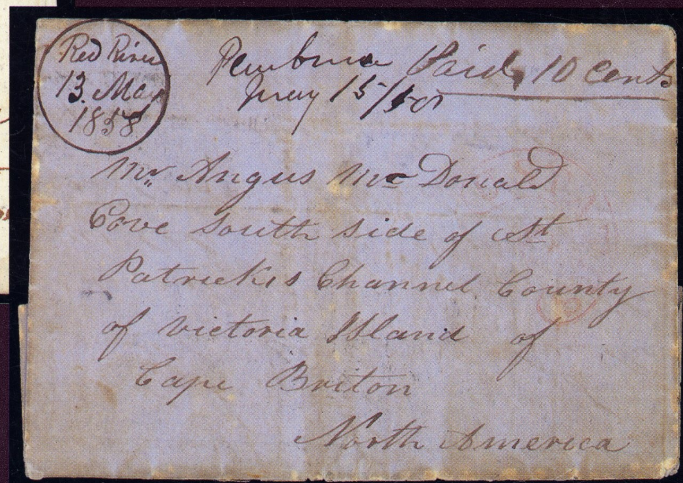
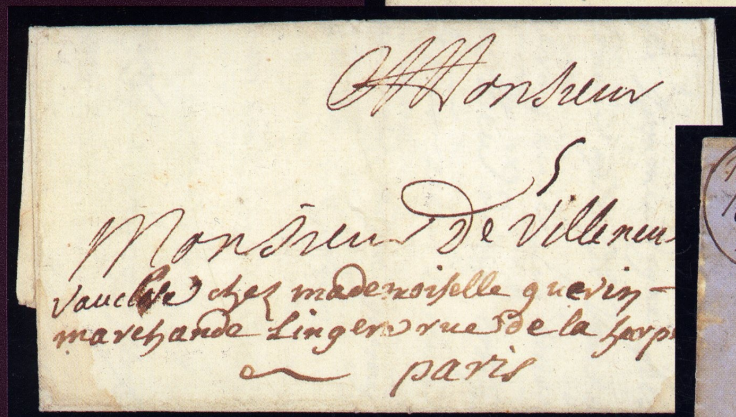


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THE ALLAN L. STEINHART COLLECTION OF
PRESTAMP AND STAMPLESS COVERS TO, FROM
AND THROUGH BRITISH NORTH AMERICA
1685-1865



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The Allan L. Steinhart Collection

When I first began letting collectors know that Matthew Bennett International would be bringing the Allan Steinhart collection to auction, the reactions were consistent — “Fantastic, I have been waiting years for these covers to come to the market. I must say, I was beginning to despair of ever having the opportunity to obtain that transatlantic (e.g.) cover for my collection.”

Indeed, Allan Steinhart was undoubtedly one of the most renowned postal historians of all time. Through fastidious research and untiring exploration, he was able to assemble one of the most in-depth collections of the history of North America by focusing on the mails to, through and from Canada. Mr. Steinhart was memorialized in the book “Allan Steinhart Postal Historian”, a compilation that, to our knowledge, represents one of the single largest undertakings to chronicle the life of a philatelist and that stands as a tribute to his legacy and his impact on the philatelic world. The lists of accolades, memberships, positions of office and publications alone fill nearly 25 pages of this tome. Further testimony to his outstanding philatelic achievements is the number of medals and prizes he won including an international Large Gold (PhilaKorea '84) and Gold and Special Prize (Capex '96 for the stampless collection) plus 50 other major awards for other collections.



Allan Steinhart (left) with pioneering Canadian philatelist Fred Jarrett

The finest validation of Mr. Steinhart's erudition and accomplishment is now in your hands. The sheer volume of material offered here, more than 1,300 items, both individually and in small groups, is absolutely staggering, especially when one considers the tiny population of such a young country as Canada in the 18th and early 19th centuries. Equally surprising are the exotic destinations to be found. B.N.A. collectors seeking countries other than England, France and the United States have probably long-since ceased the search because they know that if such a cover did exist, Allan Steinhart had already located the (quite often) only example extant. Now is the first time this assemblage of rare items will be available to other postal historians.

Numerous key covers, many discovered by Mr. Steinhart and thus available for the first time, will certainly catch the eye of the knowledgeable collector. Just a few important covers include the 1685 cover to France; Levis' letter regarding the fall of Quebec; the Parry and Franklin exploration letters; the Red River small circle postmark; the unique Detroit straightline and the Revolutionary War occupied Montreal cover. The history buff will also find dozens of fascinating letters discussing topics such as relationships with Indian tribes, skirmishes with the United States, fur trading and arctic exploration. Truly, every collector of postal history or aficionado of early Canada and United States general history will find an important cover to add. I cannot emphasize enough the need to review every single lot, as there was no way to cross-reference all of the various categories into which a cover or letter could fall. In fact, I believe many collectors will simply enjoy reading every lot for the fascinating and colorful commentary on the early history of the North American continent.

In conclusion, it is my humble opinion that Allan Steinhart formed the most magnificent, comprehensive and important collection of Canadian stampless covers of all time — a feat I feel certain can never be duplicated, given the years of tireless devotion Allan gave to studying, traveling the world, and talking to his fellow postal historians. Now this auction presents to you, the collector, a rare opportunity to enhance your own endeavors with these unusual and/or unique letters. It could be another generation before they become available again.

Bill Longley


Sale 6

The Allan L. Steinhart Collection of Canadian Stampless Covers

New France Mails

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- Lot 1001**  **1685 Quebec, New France to Paris, France**, folded letter, internal dateline "nouvelle france a quebeK le jour de la St. Martin 1685", manuscript "5"; light staining at lower corners, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NEW FRANCE DURING THE FRENCH ADMINISTRATION WITH A FRENCH POSTAL RATING.

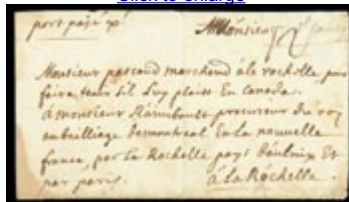
Prior to 1759 there were no maritime charges on incoming letters to France and therefore no entry markings are present. The letter was rated 5 sous for the internal postage from port of entry to Paris, which was often La Rochelle for most Canadian mail, or possibly Calais or Bordeaux. Villeneuve was a military engineer responsible for the fortifications of Quebec, and was the first King's engineer.


Provenance: **Pierre Lanlois.**

Realized SF 47,500

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- Lot 1002**  **1710-1717 (c.) St. James (De Beavron), Normandy, France to Montreal, New France (Canada)**, folded cover, manuscript "St. James" at upper right, manuscript "12", manuscript instruction via forwarding agent (translated) "to Mr. Pascaud merchant at La Rochelle for forwarding to Canada to Mr. Raimbault, King's attorney at the village of Montreal in New France by way of La Rochelle and Paris"; stain at lower left, Fine
Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS TO NEW FRANCE AND ALSO ONE OF THE EARLIEST EMPLOYING A POSTAL RATE, A FORWARDING AGENT AND THE USE OF "CANADA" IN THE ADDRESS.

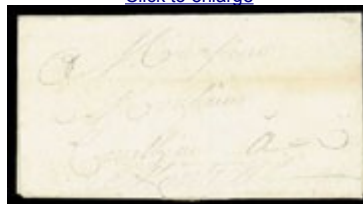
The cover was carried to La Rochelle, a distance of 85 leagues and rated 12 sous as a double rate letter passing through Paris, to New France. Pierre Rimbault (1671-1740) was a cabinet maker, Clerk of Court, Notary, Surveyor, King's Counsellor, King's attorney, acting Lieutenant of Police, Subdelegate of the Intendary, Judge in the court of Montreal. He was King's attorney between 1706 and 1727


Antoine Pascaud (1665-1717) was a prominent merchant of Montreal and later (1710) La Rochelle, which helps narrow the date of this cover. He was a merchant supplier to fur traders Compagnie du Nord, Pierre-Charles Le Sueur, Antoine Laumet dit de Lamothe Cadillac and the Tonty Brothers. He founded Compagnie de la Colonie in 1700. He entered the ranks of nobility of the robe and served as Judge of the Royal Mint and a Judge-Treasurer.

Realized SF 32,500

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Lot 1003  **1734-1749 (c.) Detroit, New France (U.S.A.) to Montreal, New France**, folded cover, no postal markings; tiny edge tear at bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

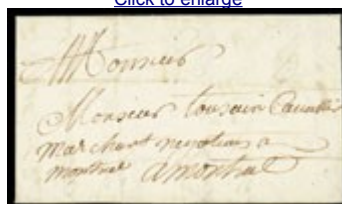
THE SECOND EARLIEST RECORDED COVER COVER FROM DETROIT IN PRIVATE HANDS.

The cover is docketed as being from is from Robert Navarre, Royal Notary and King's Warehouse Controller at Detroit (1734-1749).

Realized SF 3,250

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Lot 1004  **1738 (Mar. 24) Detroit, New France (U.S.A.) to Montreal, New France (Canada)**,, folded letter, no postal markings, Very Fine

Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM DETROIT AND A RARE NEW FRANCE COVER FROM WHAT WOULD LATER BECOME THE U.S.A.


There was no postal service at this time between these points and the cover was carried by private means. The letter was written by A. Cuillerier to his brother, whose family was among the earliest settlers in Canada, arriving in Montreal in 1661. Both towns were part of New France at the time.

Realized SF 8,000

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Lot 1005  **1749 (Sept. 14) Quebec, New France (Canada) to Montauban, France**, folded letter, Bordeaux fleur-de-lis "B" postmark (Lenain #7), manuscript "7" rating; stained, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

ONE OF THE EARLIEST COVERS IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM CANADA TO FRANCE WITH A POSTAL HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried by private ship to France with the French internal postage calculated from Bordeaux to Montauban based on 38 leagues plus weight, as a double rate letter and rated 7 sols due.

Realized SF 25,000

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Lot 1006  **1751 Liege, France (later Belgium) to Quebec, New France (Canada)**, folded letter, an albino strike of "DE LIEGE", manuscript rated "9" prepaid, sent via a forwarding agent at Amiens, France; repair, edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

ONE OF THE EARLIEST COVERS TO CANADA IN PRIVATE HANDS WITH A

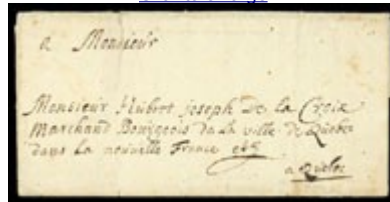
POSTAL HANDSTAMP AND THE EARLIEST BELGIUM COVER TO CANADA
IN THE COLLECTION.


Ocean postage from France to Canada was not charged at this time. The letter is addressed to Hubert-Joseph de la Croix (1703-1760) son of Domminique de la Croix of Liege, who was a medical doctor and early botanist.

Realized SF 2,700

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Lot 1007  **1752 (Jan. 16) Esseneux, France (later Belgium) to Quebec, New France (Canada)**, folded letter with no markings; repaired tear, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A VERY EARLY NON-FRENCH ORIGIN COVER TO CANADA DURING THE FRENCH REGIME.

The cover has no postal markings and was likely forwarded via France and a French ship sailing to Canada. Ocean postage from France to Canada was not charged at this time.

Realized SF 6,250

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Lot 1008  **1757 (Mar. 20) Paris, France to Montreal, New France (Canada)**, folded letter with no markings, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

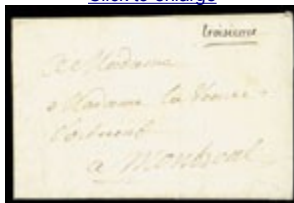
A FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR PERIOD COVER TO NEW FRANCE, WHILE STILL UNDER FRENCH CONTROL.


The cover was carried outside the post, as was often the case with early mail to Canada.

Realized SF 5,750

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- Lot 1009**  **1758 (Feb. 22) Paris, France to Montreal, New France (Canada)**, folded letter, no postal markings but with manuscript "troisieme" likely indicating the third copy of a letter sent in triplicate, carried outside the post; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

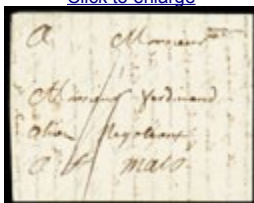
A FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR PERIOD COVER SENT AS A TRIPLICATE, PRESUMABLY TO ENSURE DELIVERY AGAINST LOSS TO BRITISH VESSELS.


A clean and late example of mail carried into Canada during the latter part of the French Regime, just a year before the fall of Quebec, and later Montreal, to the British.

Realized SF 4,500

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- Lot 1010**  **1758 (Aug. 22) Quebec, New France (Canada) to St. Malo, France**, folded letter, BREST straightline handstamp (Lenain #6), rated "4" sols due; Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

ONE OF THE EARLIEST COVERS IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM CANADA TO FRANCE WITH A POSTAL HANDSTAMP. A FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR PERIOD COVER FROM NEW FRANCE, WHILE STILL UNDER FRENCH CONTROL.

The letter was carried by private ship to France. The 4 sols due was based on the French internal rate of distance plus weight. The letter was single rated based on a letter sent between 20 and 40 leagues — the distance between Brest and St. Malo being 38 leagues.

Realized SF 8,000

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Lot 1011  **1759 (Sept. 22) Quebec, Canada to Paris, France**, folded letter, carried outside the post, no postal markings, Very Fine
Estimate SF 10,000/US\$ 8,333

AN IMMENSELY IMPORTANT HISTORICAL LETTER TRANSMITTING THE LOSS OF NEW FRANCE TO THE BRITISH, ESSENTIALLY THE END OF THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR IN NORTH AMERICA. THE FRENCH RETREATED FROM QUEBEC TO MONTREAL AND SURRENDERED AT MONTREAL IN SEPTEMBER 1760.

Chevalier Francois de Levis was second in command of the French Army in New France under General Louis-Joseph de Montcalm-Gozon. After Montcalm's death following the Battle of Plains of Abraham, De Levis commanded the balance of the army at Jacques Cartier, Quebec where this letter was written. His letter to the Marshall Duke De Belleisle, Minister of State of France serves as a letter of introduction for Sieur de Joannes, Town Major of Quebec, who was carrying verbal and written reports of the campaigns in Canada during the past season, including the loss of Quebec. Though the war for North America would not officially end for four more years, England's victory was won the day Quebec fell, opening New France to British control.

Realized SF 17,000

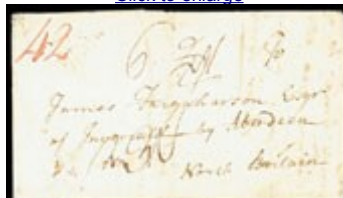
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England/Canada Mails: Canada to England

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Lot 1012  **1760 (Aug. 22) "Camp before Fort Levis on Isle Royal" to Invercall, by Aberdeen, Scotland**, folded letter, "NEW YORK" straightline handstamp, manuscript "42", "2N", "6", "Inall 3N", reverse with "1 DE" bishop mark, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST COVER FROM BRITISH ONTARIO IN PRIVATE HANDS AND AN INCREDIBLE FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF THE CAPTURE OF FORT LEVIS. THE FRENCH WOULD SURRENDER AT MONTREAL IN SEPTEMBER 1760, BRINGING THE NORTH AMERICAN COMPONENT OF THE SEVEN YEARS WAR TO AN END.


The letter was sent by military express to New York and rated "42¢" or double the 21¢ rate, carried by Falmouth packet and rated 2/0 Stg to London, then double 6d to Aberdeen for a total of 3/0 Stg collect. The letter was written at present day Chimney Island near Prescott, Ontario by a Highland officer describing the historic journey from Fort Ontario, as well as a sea battle with French warships and the siege and capture of Fort Levis, including detailed descriptions of troop movements. A fantastic and historic first hand account of the last land battle of the war in Ontario.

Realized SF 10,500

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Lot 1013  **1763 (Oct. 21) Montreal, Canada to London**, folded letter, manuscript rated "9", docketed "Recd Decembr the 29th 1763", reverse with "29 DE" bishop mark; soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

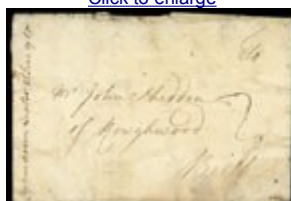
REPORTEDLY THE EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS THAT WAS UNDER THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED BRITISH POST OFFICE IN CANADA. ADDITIONALLY, THE EARLIEST WITH A POSTAL RATING AND THE EARLIEST TO BRITAIN.

The letter was rated 9 pennyweights paid and carried via New York and the Falmouth packet. The British Post Office in Canada was established in July of 1763, and the Montreal post office opened in August of the same year.

Realized SF 4,250

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Lot 1014 ✉ **1765 (June 23) Quebec, Canada to Beith, Scotland**, folded letter, manuscript "2", no other postal markings, small edge faults and soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

AN HISTORICAL GLIMPSE INTO THE DIFFICULTIES THE BRITISH
ENCOUNTERED WITH THEIR NEW COLONY.

The letter was favored to Scotland or carried under cover via forwarding agents to Scotland, where it was posted at 2d Stg local rate collect. The letter, from Captain John Brown, 60th (Royal American) Regiment of Foot, writes, "A great deal of the year the country is covered with snow, yet it is capable of producing everything. Vegetation in the spring is extremely quick, and the climate is very healthy. The inhabitants are a strong, hardy kind of people capable of enduring any fatigue, naturally very submissive,... very credulous... I arrived here yesterday from Montreal in order to spend some time with my friend the Governor... finding him in perfect health and good spirits, he has had inconceivable trouble in selling civil government here having had very little assistance from the people of 'the law'. I believe the ministry have not made the best choice of these gentlemen..."

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1015 ✉ **1769 (Dec. 12) Montreal, Canada to London, England via New York**, folded letter endorsed "per the packet Q.D.C.", manuscript "Mont paid 4", "1N", "8.6", partial "New York" straightline, Franklin marks "2 IA" and "29 FE"; folded out for display; small internal tear, paper loss, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was rated 4 dwt to New York, then 8:6 dwt including 1/0 Stg packet rate, with New York handstamp and Franklin marks. The rate from Montreal to New York was established Oct. 10, 1765 and was 4 dwt or 1/0 Stg for a distance of 301 to 400 miles. The letter is from Thomas Walker, traitor and Canadian anti-hero of the Walker's Ear Incident of 1764.

Provenance: **Faulstich, de Volpi, photographed in Lowe Vol. V.**

Realized SF 4,000

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- Lot 1016** ✉ **1776 (June 23) St. Charles on the Sorel, Canada to London, England**, folded letter, double circle "QUEBEC" with triangle at base and bishop mark "5 JY" on reverse, face with "SHIP-LRE" straightline and manuscript "7", "12 AU" bishop mark receiver on reverse, Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR COVER FROM A BRITISH SOLDIER IN PURSUIT OF RETREATING AMERICANS AFTER THE FAILED ATTACK ON QUEBEC.

The letter was carried from St. Charles on the Sorel to Quebec where it received the double circle datestamp, no Canadian postage showing, carried by private ship from Quebec to England, receiving London "SHIP - LRE" (Robertson S-34, earliest reported use), rated 7d (1d ship plus 6d possibly double 3d inland postage). The notation "Mr Allsopp Esquire of Capt Howe, of the artillery at Quebec will know where Capt. Walkers brigade is & to forward letters. Charles Terrot." Terrot, a British Lieutenant during the American Revolutionary War, writes from St. Charles on the Sorel on the date the British pursued the American forces who were fleeing from Canada after their failed attack on Quebec. Terrot would later return to England, serve in India and the Low Countries, and would rise to the rank of General.

Realized SF 8,500

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- Lot 1017** ✉ **1777 (June 14) Quebec, Canada to London, England**, folded letter, endorsed "p. the Milford / Capt. Levet", "DOVER / SHIP LRE", straightline, manuscript "7", reverse with illegible London bishop mark; minor cover faults, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

AN INSIGHTFUL NARRATIVE OF THE CONDITIONS OF QUEBEC AND TRAVELS TO MONTREAL DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

The letter was carried outside the post during the American Revolutionary War by the private ship "Milford" to England, entering at Dover as a ship letter (Robertson S1a), rated 7d Stg collect (1d Captain's gratuity, 6d Dover to


London). The historic contents include, "At the Isle of Bic I sent my letter by New York. There is no ship at present going to England. A disagreeable passage of two moths. I arrived June 11. The attack made on this town last year by the American Rebels. The country around is very romantic and pleasant, the town itself dirty and disagreeable. Here are still remains of the attack made by Genl. Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham and so many dreadful marks of the late attempt by the Rebels. It is probable the French Customs will gradually wear away. I set out this day for Montreal 180 miles further up the river. We travelled post in the elegant calaches which are the most horrid uneasy carriages in the world and sometimes in canoes, a mode of conveyance but little known in Europe. Just received from Quebec word informs me that some ships are going to England. several vessels sail together."

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1018  **1778 (July 29) St. Johns, Quebec to London, England**, folded letter, endorsed manuscript "Care of Cap't Ross 34 Regt Quebec" with manuscript "1N6", "A.I.P. Due 1N4", "1/4½" and "9" rates, handstamped "SHIP-LRE" straightline, reverse with manuscript "Not at home 26th Aug 1778", "Quebec" double circle handstamp with triangle at base and centrally struck "15 SE" bishop mark, also a "16 NO" bishop mark; small tear at top, Very Fine Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE MANUSCRIPT EXAMPLE OF AMERICAN INLAND POSTAGE DUE ON A TRANSATLANTIC AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR COVER.

*The letter was carried from St. Johns to Quebec where it was held for Capt Ross who according to the reverse notation was not at home, and finally posted Sept 16, rated "A.I.P. Due 1N4" for **American inland postage due** 1/4, via private ship to England, with London ship letter handstamp, rated 1/4½, and 3 or 9 applied in England. The cover was detained in being forwarded from Quebec as Captain Ross, a noted officer who had been at New Orleans and explored on the Mississippi River up to Illinois, was away from home, undoubtedly occupied as an officer in the American Revolutionary War. Ross was appointed Major 21st July 1780.*

Realized SF 7,000

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- Lot 1019** ✉ **1778 (Oct. 7) Quebec, Canada to London, England**, folded letter addressed to "Jamaica Coffee House, London", light strike "WHITEHAVEN/ SHIP LRE" handstamp and manuscript "9", reverse with "WHITE/ HAVEN" straightline and "16 NO" bishop mark, docketed "Recd 17 Novr", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR TRANSATLANTIC COVER
WITH EARLY SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.

The cover was carried outside the post to England during the American Revolutionary War, entering the mails at Whitehaven (unrecorded type in Robertson, Whitehaven ship letters not recorded until 1810), rated 9d collect. The letter is from Thomas Alywin (1729-1791) who was a merchant and justice of the peace.

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1020** ✉ **1781 (Oct. 13) Fort Hunter, N.Y. to London, England, via Montreal, Canada**, datelined folded cover, "MONTREAL" straightline, "QUEBEC" straightline and "17 OC" bishop mark, "AMERICAN INLAND POSTAGE DUE (pointing finger)" handstamp, red manuscript "8" and "11", Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

REPORTEDLY THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF THE AMERICAN INLAND
POSTAGE DUE (POINTING FINGER) HANDSTAMP.

The letter was written by Reverend W. Stuart, missionary at Fort Hunter, New York, a loyalist in the Mohawk Valley during the American Revolution, rated 8d Stg from Montreal to Quebec (normally rated 9d Cy), carried by Naval vessel or Provisional Packet during the period of irregular service due the American Revolution. The "American Inland Postage due" rating handstamp was applied at Montreal and is possibly a unique usage.

Realized SF 10,000

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- Lot 1021**  **1781 (Oct. 23) Quebec, Canada to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter, manuscript "6", backstamped "26 DE" and "27 DE" bishop marks, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

REVOLUTIONARY WAR LETTER CARRIED BY MAN OF WAR TO ENGLAND.

The letter was carried outside the post from Quebec to London where it was posted and rated 6d Stg collect to Edinburgh. The letter from A. Hay, a British officer in Canada, reads in part, "As most of the ships are now sailed thinking perhaps from accident my letters to you and my other friends might miscarry although put in the largest man of war of the convoy and entrusted to the care of Captn Pringle of the Daedalus... the gentleman who takes this is just now going on board."

Realized SF 1,000
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- Lot 1022**  **1782 (June 4) Quebec, Canada to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked "LIVERPOOL SHIP LRE" with manuscript "5" and "9", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

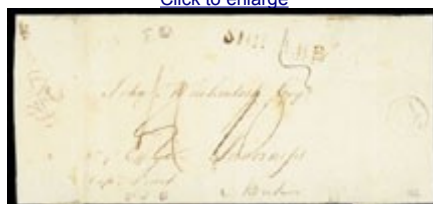
A BRITISH OFFICER'S INSIGHT INTO THE WAR AND DIRECTIONS TO SEND LETTERS VIA THE NEW YORK COFFEE HOUSE AND QUEBEC BAG.


The letter was carried outside the post from Quebec to England, entering as a private ship letter, rated 5d Stg collect, re-rated 9d Stg collect. The letter is from A. Hay, a British officer during the American Revolutionary War who writes, "...spent the winter in quarters near Quebec...most probable to me...is that peace will take place with America and the troops will be sent from it against the West Indies Islands. In that case as we here there are more German troops for this province, we hope the British Regts will be sent there...and will no doubt reap the benefit of being so long in this country... you will send your letters to N. York Coffee House and order them to be put in the Quebec bag..."

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- Lot 1023**  **1782 (July 4) Quebec, Canada to Inverness, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked faint "QUEBEC" and "SHIP - LRE" straightline, manuscript "4", "10", "pr. Effingham / Capt Powell / Q.D.C.", reverse with "24 IY" and "28 AU" bishop marks, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was placed in the mails from Quebec, cancelled, and handled as an outward ship letter with no Canadian postage shown, via private ship "Effingham" to England during the American Revolutionary War, with a London Ship Lre handstamp, rated 4d Stg, re-rated 10d Stg collect (4d ship, 6d inland) to Edinburgh.


Provenance: **J.E. Young.**

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- Lot 1024**  **1782 (Aug. 28) Quebec, Canada to Bristol, England**, folded letter, manuscript "p the Chambers, Capt. Langly", handstamped "CORK/ SHIP LETTER" straightline, manuscript "1N3", "11" (crossed out) and "5", reverse with "OC 19" bishop mark Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR ERA TRANSATLANTIC COVER MENTIONING POSSIBLE LOSS OF SHIP.

The letter was carried by private ship from Quebec during the American Revolution via the ship Chambers, entered at Cork as a ship letter, rated 1/3 Stg collect (1d captain's gratuity, 4d Cork to Dublin, 6d Dublin to London, 4d to Bristol), with manuscript "5" and "11" cancelled. The letter relates to wine and brandy from Quebec merchant Robert Willcocks, "....without any accounts from the Chance and Fear by his delay she may be taken..."


Provenance: **Robertson.**

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- Lot 1025**  **1782 (Oct. 24) Quebec, Canada to Guernsey**, folded letter postmarked "QUEBEC" and "SHIP-LRE" straightlines with "25 OC" bishop mark on reverse, manuscript "5", "8" and "9", reverse with manuscript "Recd 6 Decr" and "Forwd by Yr Obt Servt Wm. Seward", Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried to England during the American Revolutionary War, with forwarding agent endorsement on reverse, rated 5d, then 8d and 9d Stg collect.

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- Lot 1026**  **1784 (Oct. 7) Montreal, Canada to Newcastle, England**, folded letter, endorsed "p the man of War", manuscript "5", "10", "PORTSMOUTH / SHIP LRE" straightline, reverse with Quebec double circle with triangle at the base handstamp, "25 OC" bishop mark insert, "10 IA" bishop mark; Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from Montreal to Quebec, a rate of 9d which was not shown, via private ship to England, entering at Portsmouth as a ship letter, rated 5d Stg to London, changed to 10d Stg collect to Newcastle.

Realized SF 2,100

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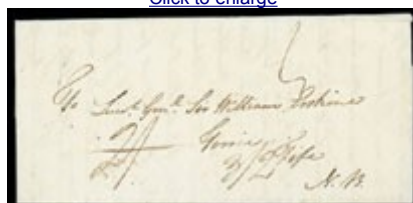
- Lot 1027** ✉ **1788 (June 7) Quebec, Canada to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "p. Maxwell Capt. Edwards" and "5" rating, "Quebec" triangle handstamp with "15 IV" bishop mark insert, "SHIP LRE" straightline and "JY 21 88" datestamp, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried by a private ship to England where it was received as a ship letter and rated 5d Stg (1d ship, 4d postage) collect to London.

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1028** ✉ **1791 (Feb. 11) Montreal, Canada to Fife, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked "MONTREAL / FEB:Y:11" straight line on reverse along with "AP 26" and red "AP 29" bishop marks, manuscript "2/0", "3/2" rates, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AMAZING CONCERN FOR THE BRITISH ABILITY TO RETAIN CANADA IN CONSEQUENCE OF WAR WITH THE U.S.


The letter was carried outside the post to Halifax or New York by favor or under cover. It was carried via the Falmouth packet "Tankerville" rated as a double packet letter 2/0 Stg to London, then double 7d internal postage to Fife for total of 3/2 Stg collect. The letter written by A. Gordon, an army officer, to Lt. General Sir William Erskine, provides some incredible concern regarding the state of affairs of Canada, "I am just returned from Quebec for paying my compliments to Lord Dorchester. He is, we understand, displeased at some ministerial arrangements, and has wrote for leave to go home; in which event, I should think... that he will never revisit this country... In the present unsettled state of affairs respecting our boundaries with the American States and our keeping possession of the upper posts, contrary they say to the articles of peace, the situation of a governor is not ... pleasant... It is a doubt with me... whether the province, on the terms we now hold it, is worth preserving. In the event of a war, it is a powerful military force alone which would keep it... Its internal defensive resources are little to be depended upon..."

Realized SF 650

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- Lot 1029**  **1791 (Nov.5) Murray Bay, Canada to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter, manuscript "2/-", "3/2", "to pay 2N", reverse with "QUEBEC" straightline, "23 NO" and "JA 6" bishop marks, "JA 3 B 92"; flap torn, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A VERY EARLY AND RARE TRANSATLANTIC USE OF THE QUEBEC STRAIGHTLINE.

The letter was sent overland to catch the Falmouth packet at New York or Halifax with no internal or North American postage or other markings 2/0 Stg double rate to London and double to Edinburgh, for a total 3/2 Stg collect. The letter is from John Nairne (1731-1802), officer and siegneur, who writes "...last packet has been long by the way... there is little hope of this letter reaching Quebec before the last of the ships are gone from there for this season".

Realized SF 375

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- Lot 1030**  **1793 (Mar. 1) Niagara, Upper Canada to Copford, Essex, England**, folded letter, "NIAGARA Mar 1" straightline, Halifax, N: Scotia double enclosed semi-circle datestamp (APR 25 93), red manuscript "American Inland Postpaid 2N9", "1/0", re-rated "1/4", London "JU 3 93" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried from Niagara to Halifax and rated 2/9 Cy, forwarded via Falmouth packet "Queen Charlotte" and rated 1/0 Stg, re-rated to 1/4 collect. The letter reads in part "... Our house is really very comfortable, on the banks of a noble river... I see so many Indians that I have lost all dread of them. They are very civil when sober & when drunk never quarrel but with each other, unless unreasonably provoked by white people... The Queens Rangers have built hutts at the land about six miles from here and the place is now called Queenstown, Col. Simcoe has fitted up one room for himself take we may occasionally go when he has a mind to see the troops. It is the prettiest road imaginable from here to Queenstown thro the woods on the bank of the river..."

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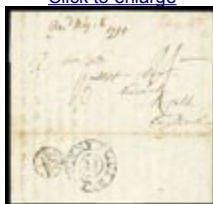
- Lot 1031** ✉ **1793 (July 29) Montreal, L.C. to Glasgow, Scotland**, folded letter, red "SHIP-LRE" and circular "GLAS/ GOW" handstamps, manuscript "1/1" crossed out and "3/7" applied, reverse with "SE C 19 93" c.d.s.; small piece of back missing (visible at upper right), Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried outside the post by private ship from Montreal to England, a red London ship letter handstamp, rated 1/1 including ship letter rate, redirected to Moffat, and Hamilton, Scotland, re-rated 3/7 Stg collect. The letter is from Alexander Douglas to Samuel Douglas and relates to the fur trade.

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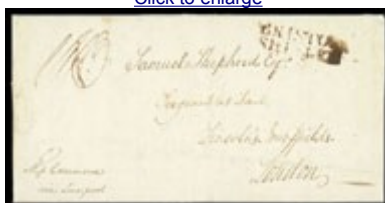
- Lot 1032** ✉ **1794 (Feb. 13) Three Rivers, Lower Canada to Norwich, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1N1", "1/5", red "to pay 1N", Quebec Canada double enclosed semi-circle, "23 FE" Bishop mark insert, "MAA 15 95", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried from Three Rivers, to Quebec and then to Halifax where it was carried by Falmouth packet "Sandwich", 1/5 Stg collect (1/ packet, 5d inland). The letter is from Mary Mountain, sister of Bishop Jacob Mountain. She arrived in Quebec Nov. 1, 1793 and this letter represents one of the earliest sent by her.

Realized SF 575

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- Lot 1033** ✉ **1798 (Feb. 11) York, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter with manuscript "Ship Commerce via Liverpool", handstamped "BRISTOL/ SHIP LRE" straightline and manuscript "1/3" rate, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from York, U.C. before a post office was established there, outside the mails to England, entering as a ship letter at Bristol, rated 1/3 Stg collect to London. The letter is from John White, Attorney General of Upper Canada, who was the first man killed in a duel in York in 1800.

Provenance: **Gems of Canadian Philately Capex '96.**

Realized SF 475

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- Lot 1034** ✉ **1798 (Nov. 16) Quebec, Canada to London, England**, folded letter, reverse with large "QUEBEC 17 CANADA 98" datestamp with "12 DE" insert bishop mark, manuscript "1N8" rating, "AP 15 99" backstamp, endorsed "via Halifax", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter is addressed to Mr. John Parker of Quebec, care of Caleb Blanchard, London, endorsed "per The Sisters Capt. Drummond", crossed out on arrival and notation "if not arrived to be returned unopened via Halifax".

Realized SF 500

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- Lot 1035** ✉ **1799 (Nov. 15) Quebec, Canada to Greenock, England**, folded letter, manuscript "p the Jane" crossed out, double oval "Ship Letter (crown) LONDON", manuscript "1/0" and "1/4", reverse with "JA 31 A 1800" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

AN INTERESTING DISCUSSION OF ENORMOUS HERRING AND

PORPOISE FISHERIES, POOR TRADE AND POOR SALMON FISHERY.

The letter was carried by private ship to England, London ship letter (Robertson S-7), rated 1/0 Stg, re-rated 1/6 Stg collect to Greenock. The letter is from John Shaw, a merchant at Quebec, who writes, "I went fown to R.O. beginning of April til June... I went down to Halifax with a schooner and cargo both of which I sold and came back passenger... last year the herring began to strike in about the end of June in quantities never before heard of... consequently the porpoisy in the same manner... there have been reckoned over 200 popoises... succeeded in taking 58 porpoisy... a very poor summer this year for trade... scarcity of cash and scarcity of produce... the north shore fisheries the year being greatly inferoir to last years...particularly the salmon...".

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1036 ✉ **1801 (Oct. 23) River Ouelle, L.C. to Greenock, Scotland**, folded letter, superb strike "Ship Letter (crown) QUEBEC", manuscript "4", endorsed "per Juno", red "Ship Letter (crown) GREENOCK", tiny edge tear, Very Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried by private ship with Quebec ship letter handstamp and no Canadian postage show, via private ship, entering England at Greenock, rated 4d Stg, originally addressed to London, changed to Greenock. The letter was likely carried in a convoy as the letter was sent during the Napoleonic Wars. The sender, Liveright Piuze (1754-1813) was born in Warsaw, Poland, was a surgeon and apothecary, moved to America, settling in Philadelphia, then Susquehanna River; captured by Indians he was traded to the British at Fort Niagara, imprisoned at Fort Chambly and released in 1780. He served as a surgeon on board British naval vessels on the St. Lawrence and later set up practise as a doctor at Riviere Ouelle.

Realized SF 950

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- Lot 1037**  **1813 (Apr. 16) York, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter, postmarked on reverse two "YORK APR 6 1813" straightlines and a "HALIFAX JUN 9" straightline, manuscript "Paid 8N3", "8/8", "6/6" rates on front, red "B 9 JY 9 1813" London receiver on reverse; small part of upper corner missing, not affecting cancels, otherwise Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A WAR OF 1812 TRANSATLANTIC COVER BY WAR VESSEL, WITH THREE STRAIGHTLINES.

The letter was carried from York to Halifax, overland by closed bag, to London by non-Falmouth packet, probably by a war vessel, paid 8/3 Cy, triple the 2/9 rate York to Halifax, then collect 8/8 Stg as a quadruple packet, changed to 6/6 Stg as a triple packet letter from Halifax to London. Letters via Falmouth packet were risky at this time as the May and June packets were captured, and the June packet was later recaptured. The letter is from William Baldwin (1775-1844), doctor, militia officer, J.P., politician, etc., who was the father of Robert Baldwin, an important political leader of Upper Canada.


Provenance: **Stulberg, Rosenthal.**

Realized SF 900

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- Lot 1038**  **1814 (July 20) Dorville, near Berthier, L.C. to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "per July packet, single", "9", "From Thos Webster 1814", double oval "Ship Letter (crown) QUEBEC" and "PAID" handstamps, manuscript "1/3", faint red "Ship Letter (crown) LIVERPOOL" double oval; toning and edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF A VERY FEW OUTWARD SHIP LETTERS BEARING CANADIAN POSTAGE. AN HISTORICAL LETTER FROM AN EARLY QUEBEC QUAKER.

The letter was rated paid 9d to Quebec, treated as an outward ship letter; sent via private ship from Quebec to Liverpool, outside the post and not by packet, most likely in a convoy. Entering Liverpool as a ship letter, the letter was rated 1/3 Stg collect to London. The writer, Thomas Walker, was a Quaker and provides historical insight, "...a good house 60 faint front by 40 faint depth... a good barn and stable... with 140 acres of good land, 60 of which are cultivated, the rest wood... this year I made 400 lbs weight (maple sugar)... for the house, buildings and land I gave L 302 sterling... the house is about 100


yards from the Grand Road to Montreal... We have the River St. Lawrence in front which is as broad as the Thames at Woolwich... all the vessels that pass between Quebec and Montreal must pass my door... There are no friends [Quakers] near my habitation and none I believe in the Lower Province...".

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1039**  **1814 (Aug. 9) Quebec, Canada to Glasgow, Scotland,** folded letter postmarked double oval "Ship Letter (crown) QUEBEC" with partial "Add^l/₂", red double ova "Ship Lre (crown) PLYMOUTH DOCK", manuscript "p. H.M. Ship Ajax" and "3/2" rate plus partial boxed Glasgow receiver, Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

WAR OF 1812 NAVAL TRANSPORT TO ENGLAND, TWO CROWN SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMPS.


Though the letter is postmarked at Quebec it shows no evidence of B.N.A. postage and was carried via British Naval vessel to Devonport outside the post during the War of 1812 and the Napoleonic Wars, entering at Plymouth Dock (Robertson S-2) as a ship letter, rated 3/2 Stg collect plus 1/2d Scottish road tax. The letter is from David Ross, merchant, "... sent me about quarter of my order and a letter apologising that owing to their apprehension of the American War, they were sorry to inform me... of not shipping for Canada for that period... I made up my mind to go home in the fall... but on deliberation on the risque of capture or detention ... the risque too great I declined", dated July 22. Additions on Aug 9 include "Since writing the forgoing no vessel has sailed for Britain..."

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- Lot 1040**  **1814 (Dec. 31) Montreal, L.C. to Dumfries, Scotland,** folded letter, postmarked bold "MONTREAL/ 31 DEC 14" straightline on reverse, small "PAID", Halifax fleuron (FE 25 1815), manuscript "2N1", "2/2", "2/5", boxed

"Add^{left.}/ ½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AN INSIGHTFUL WAR OF 1812 LETTER WITH IMPRESSION OF THE
WAR BY THE OFFICER'S WIFE.


The letter was carried from Montreal to Halifax and then via Falmouth packet, rated 2N1 prepaid to Halifax, then 2/2 Stg collect to London, re-rated 2/5 Stg collect to Dumfries plus ½d Scottish road tax. The letter is from a wife of an army officer at the end of the War of 1812 and reads in part, "I forgot to tell you anything about the war. I believe it is shockingly conducted and to say the truth if me and mine were out of their reach, I don't care if the Yankees had them tomorrow. We are taxed at home to keep a set of lazy wretches here full and comfortable who have no care but to screw and cheat the last farthing off us poor military people who are so far from home to defend them."

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1041**  **1815 (Sept. 15) Three Rivers, L.C. to Suffolk, England**, folded letter, "(TH)REE RIVERS 22 SEP 1815" straightline, partial oval "Ship Lre (crown) QUEBEC", red oval "Ship Lre (crown) PLYMOUTH DOCK", manuscript "7", "1/7" and "1/8", backstamped red "F 19 OC 19 1815", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

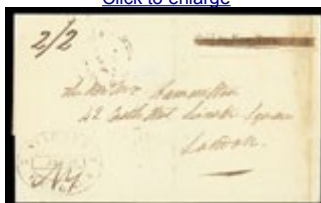
The letter was prepaid 7d from Three Rivers to Quebec and the outward ship letter rate, not shown, carried via ship to England entering at Plymouth Dock, rated 1/7 to London including incoming ship letter fee, re-rated 1/8 Stg collect to Suffolk. The letter from George Gennell, an ex-Army officer, reads in part, "...The Quebec Gazette of last week reported the arrival of 1200 people to settle on the frontiers... vessels of 250 tons may go up the river St. Lawrence with utmost safety to Montreal... the woods are the habitations of different tribes of Indians, whose manners and customs seem to have received no polish by their European visitors... they exist principally by hunting in the woods which are filled with innumerable bears, wolves, beavers and other smaller animals, and bring their skins to the English merchants for sale..."


Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 700

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- Lot 1042**  **1819 (Jan. 28) Niagara, U.C. to London, England**, folded cover, belt buckle type "NIAGARA U CANADA JAN 28 1819", underlined "Paid to New - York." handstamp with red manuscript "25" (crossed out), manuscript "2/2", Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE "PAID TO NEW YORK STRAIGHTLINE" HANDSTAMP.


The letter was posted from Niagara, U.C. where the belt buckle handstamp and the "Paid to New York" handstamp were applied, 25¢ postage to New York prepaid, later crossed out and carried via Falmouth packet to England, manuscript rated 2/2 Stg collect. No Canadian postage was shown as the Postmaster at Niagara, U.C. was an agent of U.S. Post Office.

Realized SF 4,250

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- Lot 1043**  **1819 (May 7) Montreal, Canada to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter, intense black "SHIP LETTER (crown) MONTREAL" handstamp, manuscript "1/2" crossed out, "1/7", boxed "GRAVESEND SHIP LETTER", red "JUL B 29 M 1819" transit, and boxed "1/2"; toning, edge wear, folds, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE FINEST RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE SINGLE RING OVAL CROWN SHIP LETTER MONTREAL.

The cover carried from Montreal to Gravesend, via London to Edinburgh, Scotland, rated 1/2 and changed to 1/7 Stg collect.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1044** ✉ **1820 (Sept. 22) Shipton, L.C. to London, England**, folded letter, reverse with straightline "SHIPTON" with manuscript date beneath "22 Sept 1820", "Paid 1N6", "PORTSMOUTH SHIP LETTER", "E 8 NO 8 1820", manuscript "1/4" and reverse with "3/1", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF LESS THAN FIVE REPORTED SHIPTON STRAIGHTLINE HANDSTAMPS, AND PRESUMABLY THE EARLIEST RECORDED EXAMPLE.

The letter was sent prepaid 6d to the border, 11d to New York (18½¢ U.S.), by private ship to England, entering as a ship letter at Portsmouth, rated 1/4 Stg collect. The Shipton straightline is reported used from 1820 until 1829.

Provenance: **J. Young.**

Realized SF 725

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- Lot 1045** ✉ **1821 (Jan. 1) St. Johns, Quebec to London, England**, folded cover, "ST. JOHNS" straightline on backflap, manuscript "Paid 1N10", "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "18½", manuscript "Care of T. W Moore Esq New York", crossed out and manuscript "via New York", manuscript "2/2", reverse with "D 12 MR 1821" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE ST. JOHNS, QUEBEC STRAIGHTLINE.


The letter was posted with a rare St. Johns Quebec straightline, prepaid 1/10 B.N.A. postage, 18½¢ U.S. postage and sent via forwarding agent in New York. All of the prepaid rates and forwarding instructions were crossed out and the letter rated 2/2 Stg collect via Falmouth packet to England.

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1046**  **1826 (Nov. 11) Quebec, Canada to Pultney, Scotland**, folded letter, Quebec Paid fleuron, manuscript "From Alexander Fletcher Private 79th Regt", countersigned at left, manuscript "1", red "PAID JAN 12 N 1827"; cover faults, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate, carried via Falmouth packet "Rinaldo" via Halifax and Falmouth, then to Pultney, Scotland.

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- Lot 1047**  **1827 (May 30) Montreal, Canada to Reigate, England**, folded letter, intense red "Ship Lre (crown) MONTREAL" handstamp, red "SHIP" handstamp, manuscript "3/2", endorsed "via New York" and "only double letter", reverse with red "B 13 JY 13 1829" transit, red "Montreal May 30" c.d.s., and boxed "SHIP LETTER / LIVERPOOL" handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE DISCOVERY COPY AND FINEST EXAMPLE OF THE RIMLESS SHIP LRE MONTREAL CROWN HANDSTAMP.

The letter was rated as an outgoing ship letter with the reporting copy of the crown handstamp, and a rare "SHIP" straightline (less than six known). The double letter was carried via New York, entering as a Liverpool ship letter, rated 3/2 Stg collect in Reigate.

Realized SF 2,200

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- Lot 1048** ✉ **1828 (Nov. 6) Stanstead, L.C. to London, England**, folded letter, straightline "STANSTEAD" handstamp, manuscript date "Nov 6th 1828" beneath, "PAID" handstamp with manuscript "11", additional "1/7", reverse with straightline "SHIP LETTER", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from Stanstead to New York, with 18¾¢ U.S. postage expressed as 11d, carried to England, entering as a ship letter (faint strike), rated 1/7 Stg collect to London.

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1049** ✉ **1830 (Feb. 15) Kingston, U.C. to Pultney, Scotland**, folded letter, 15 Feb. dateline, postmarked red "KINGSTON/ Feb 18" straightline on reverse, Quebec fleuron (date unclear), red "PAID MAY 19 1830", manuscript "P1", endorsed "From Alexander Fletcher Pte 79th Regiment", countersigned; edge faults, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate, carried via Falmouth packet "Marquis of Camden" via Halifax and Falmouth, then to Scotland.

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- Lot 1050** ✉ **1830 (Apr. 3) Quebec, L.C. to London, England**, folded letter postmarked red "QUEBEC APR 3 30" fleuron datestamp and two matching "QUEBEC PAID" rimless circles with manuscript rates, one "1/-", the other "18¾", also

manuscript "1/7" and "postage due to N.Y, E. Hale", backstamped boxed "SHIP LETTER/ LIVERPOOL", Very Fine. *Inside, at the top of the letter, is a skillfully rendered ink wash drawing entitled "view from our windows" showing a busy harbour below*
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A BEAUTIFUL WORK OF ART BY AN IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL.

The painting used as a letterhead is believed to be a unique example of artwork of this quality and era. The letter is written by Edward Hale, who was the former secretary to Lord Amherst in India, and later a member of the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council in Lower Canada. The cover was prepaid 1/- Cy B.N.A. postage and 18¾¢ U.S. postage and carried by ship to England, entering as a ship letter at Liverpool and rated 1/7 Stg collect to London.

Realized SF 1,800

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Lot 1051 ✉ **1830 (July 12) York, U.C. to London, England**, folded cover, red "YORK UP-CAN JUL 12", "NIAGARA U.C.", "NIAGARA U. CANADA PAID TO NEW YORK" buckle handstamp, boxed "PAID" and manuscript "6½ & 1/3", manuscript "1N7", reverse with "SHIP LETTER / LIVERPOOL" and "C 25 AU 25 1830"; soiling along file fold, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A WONDERFUL STRIKE OF THE USUALLY FAINT "PAID TO NEW YORK" BUCKLE HANDSTAMP.

The letter was prepaid from York to Niagara via the "across the lake" rate of 4½d plus 2d Ferriage and 1/3 Cy or 25¢ to New York. The scarce "Paid to New York" buckle was applied at Niagara, and the cover carried via New York, and Liverpool to London, rated 1/7 Stg collect.


Provenance: **Stulberg, Palmer.**

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- Lot 1052**  **1832 (Aug. 30) Amherstburg, U.C. to Pultney, Scotland**, folded letter, faint Amherstburg datestamp, manuscript "P1", endorsed "From Alexander Fletcher Pt Soldier 9th Highlanders", countersigned, red "PAID OCT 30 E 1832", Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The letter is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate, carried via Falmouth packet "Pigeon" via Halifax and Falmouth, then to Scotland. The cover has numerous light scribbles and two toned spots.

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- Lot 1053**  **1836 (Feb. 1) Hamilton, U.C. to Douglas, Scotland**, folded letter, red "HAMILTON FEB 1 UC" c.d.s., small "U.S. POST. PAID" and "PAID" straightlines, manuscript "50", "11", "8" and "3/2" rates and "per Pkt Ship 8 Feby N Yk @ L'pool", reverse with "LIVERPOOL SHIP LETTER" handstamp; a bit soiled with small tear at small, otherwise Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

THE ONLY REPORTED STRIKE OF THE "U.S. POST. PAID" HANDSTAMP PROPERLY USED.

The letter was prepaid to New York, double rated 4½d or 9d B.N.A. postage, plus 2d Ferriage and double 25¢ U.S. postage to New York, by ship to Liverpool, 8d incoming ship letter double rate 1/4, plus double 11d inland postage or 1/10, total 3/2 Stg collect.

Provenance: **Stulberg, Palmer.**

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1054** ✉ **1838 (Jan. 13) Quebec, L.C. to Cambridge, England**, folded letter endorsed "From Sergeant Denoon 14th Battn Royal Artillery", countersigned, faint red "QUEBEC JA 19 1838" c.d.s. with manuscript "P1" and red "G PAID 25 AP 25 1838" receiver, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from Quebec to Cambridge, England. The letter from the Sergeant provides detail of the Mackenzie and Papineau Rebellions, "...nothing but battle, murder and sudden death in Canada for these last 2 months... a deep scheme had been laid for the expiration of every being of British origin in Upper and Lower Canada. On the 6th of Jany the Canadians were to enter Quebec in the day time, not in a body, but merely to come in as if nothing extra was up and to remain in town till the dead of night when like one man they were to commence the work of butchery, their arms and ammunition being previously stowed away in their cursed haunts in the town. Mackenzie at the same time being in conjunction with Papineau had made similar arrangements for Upper Canada... 1000 L each is offered for the apprehension of Papineau & Mackenzie... some (of the others) had been taken and are same in Montreal and Toronto jails... martial law has been proclaimed in Montreal district... 3 engagements of some consequence have taken place in which great numbers of the rebels were settled with; Lynch was at one where about 200 of the rascals were killed. The country begins again to assume the appearance of peace".

Provenance: **Gems of Canadian Philately Capex '96.**

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1055** ✉ **1838 (Dec. 6) Montreal, L.C. to Kilman, Scotland**, printed circular with letter, manuscript "per 16th December Packet Ship", Montreal datestamp (Dec 7), two "PAID" handstamps, manuscript " $4\frac{1}{2}$ ", " $18\frac{3}{4}$ ", red "NEW YORK DEC 12" c.d.s., manuscript " $\frac{1}{8}$ ", "GREENOCK PENNY POST" straightline, boxed " $\frac{1}{2}$ " handstamp, reverse with red "LIVERPOOL SHIP LETTER" handstamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

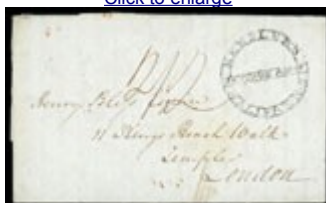
A PRINTED REPORT OF THE LOWER CANADA REBELLION.


*The letter was prepaid from Montreal to New York, carried by private ship to England, entering at Liverpool as a ship letter, rated 1/8 Stg collect to Kilmar plus 1/2d Scottish road tax. The contents are a 2½-page **printed** "Brief Narrative of the Late Rebellion" with manuscript "in Lower Canada in November 1838". Printed very soon after the rebel actions, and with great detail.*

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1056**  **1839 (Feb. 9) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, "KEEFLE'S READING ROOM HALIFAX N. S." large handstamp, manuscript "2/2", Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

ONE OF FIVE REPORTED COPIES OF THE KEEFLER'S READING ROOM FORWARDING AGENT HANDSTAMP.

The letter was handled through Keefler's Reading Room forwarding agent at Halifax, and carried via Falmouth packet, rated 2/2 Stg collect. The letter reads in part, "I would recommend your fellows urge with all your energies the plan purposed before I left you, I mean of not suffering the steam packets to come to Halifax, but having them sent to Louisburg or some other place of Cape Breton". The cover is illustrated on page 205 in Jephcott, Greene and Young.


Provenance: **Meroni.**

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1057**  **1839 (Mar. 31) London, U.C. to Kilman, Scotland**, folded letter, red London 1829-type c.d.s. with manuscript date "April 1 39", red "NEW YORK, APL 9"

c.d.s. and "PAID", manuscript "1.3", "7½" and "9", totaled "2/7½", manuscript "1/8", clear "GREENOCK/PENNY POST" handstamp, backstamped "LIVERPOOL/SHIP LETTER" straightline, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE RECENT FIGHTING, THE "YANKEE BOASTERS AND MIDNIGHT COWARDLY ASSASINS" AND THE HANGING OF REBELS AT WINDSOR AND TRANSPORTING THE BALANCE.


The letter was carried from London, U.C. to New York, prepaid 2/ ½ to New York, 9d to border, 25¢ U.S. to New York, and 7½d (12½c) FREIGHT MONEY charge for carriage by private sailing vessel to Liverpool, then rated 8d inward ship letter plus 1/0 Stg postage for total 1/8 Stg collect. The letter discussed the Upper Canada Rebellion, "The news from this part of the province is unimportant at the present moment but I suspect we shall soon again have some bloody work in expelling another invasion of our territory by 'American sympathizers and Canadian refugees'. As yet the British arms have on every occasion been singlally successful and the Canadians are now in such an efficient state of organization and defence that I have no apprehensions as the result. With 18th Regiment of the line and a heaver and overpowering force of artillery along with about 20,000 militia under arms I should surely think would at least be equal in action to 3 times the number of Yankee boasters and midnight cowardly assassins. Of the 60 prisoners captured at the recent action at Windsor, 6 have already suffered death on the scaffold in this town and the remainder into exile to be transported for life." The letter continues with addditional discussion of the New Brunswick - Maine border dispute.

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Lot 1058  **1839 (May 23) Goderich, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter, postmarked double circle Goderich datestamp and matching "PAID" (twice), red "NEW YORK JUN 1" c.d.s., manuscript "pp" with "1.50 and "P.P. 75" totaled to "4.6", manuscript "1½ oz" and two "9/6", backstamped "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline and London receiver, Jun. 24; fold wear and minor toning, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE HIGHEST RATED FREIGHT MONEY COVER RECORDED FROM CANADA (SEXTUPLE RATE).

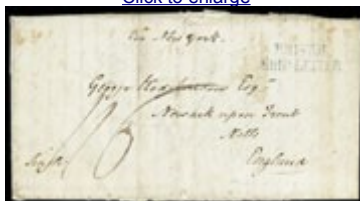
*The letter was prepaid 6 times the 10d rate to the border (5/0 Cy) which equals \$1.50 U.S., plus **6-times freight money** via U.S. Sailing ship (6 times 12½¢)*


equaling 75¢ U.S., totalling \$2.25 or 4/6 Cy, plus the 5/0 Cy totalling 9/6 Cy prepaid. This was slightly incorrect as the B.N.A. rate should be 6 times 11d which is 5/6 not 5/0. The letter was carried via U.S. sailing ship "George Washington" to Liverpool entering as a ship letter, then to London, rated 9/6 Stg collect which is 6 times the 1/7 Stg single rate. Cover #25 in Steinhart census, the largest freight money multiple cover from Canada and the only one from Goderich.

Realized SF 375

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Lot 1059  **1839 (July 6) Toronto to Newark on Trent, England**, folded letter, manuscript "via New York", "Single" and "1/6", neat "BRISTOL / SHIP LETTER" straightline; splitting along edges at top and bottom, otherwise Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE WRITER CLAIMS TO BE DISPUTING THE HIGHEST POSTAL CHARGE ON A LETTER EVER RECEIVED, DEMANDS EVERY YANKEE OR PATRIOT BE SHOT.

*The letter was carried outside the mail or undercover and placed on board ship at New York. There is no forwarding agent marking but presumably one paid the **Freight Money** of 25¢, carried via steamer "Great Western", entered England via Bristol ship letter, rated 1/6 Stg collect (8d ship, 10d inland) to Newar upon Trent. The letter reads in part, "The parcel has arrived with the enormous sum of L 13 odd per American postage and L6 odd for the Canada postage... it lies here and how long it will be before it is sent down to Quebec to the Postmaster General...I have tried the States Postmaster General to get off the postage, but he can do nothing...If Congress was sitting I might get a private act...to release it, I could succeed here to get off part of our Canada charges...never was such letter or parcel sent thro' the post office in this country with such a charge, it has been the talk of the place...If these borders would be quiet and let their opposite neighbours lye in bed without fear of waking dead next morning the country would flourish...next winter will be bad again -- EVERY PATRIOT OR YANKEE MUST BE SHOT, NOT TAKEN and that is the only thing to prevent further commotion. Col. Prince is idolized here...". A lengthy letter of political and historical interest.*

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- Lot 1060** ✉ **1839 (Nov. 7) Amherstburg, U.C. to Brighton, England**, folded letter postmarked Amherstburg c.d.s. with matching "PAID" and "BRITISH/AMERICAN" handstamps, manuscript "11d" (placed next to "BRITISH"), "25 cts" (next to "AMERICAN") "2N2" and "1/0", red "NEW-YORK NOV 18" c.d.s., endorsed "England - via New York per Great Western", reverse manuscript "Steamer's charge 1/3^d paid" with "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline London datestamp (Dec. 16), Fine. *Cover #12 in Steinhart census.* Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

INTENDED 25¢ FREIGHT MONEY VIA STEAMSHIP, SENT VIA 12½¢ RATE VIA SAILING SHIP WITH NO REBATE FOR OVERPAYMENT.

The letter was prepaid 11d to the border, 25¢ U.S. to New York, totalling 2/2 Cy prepaid with very scarce use of "British / American" handstamp at Amherstburg. Reverse with 'Steamer charge 1/3 paid' (25¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee) but missed the steamer and sent via 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee via sailing ship with NO REBATE OF FREIGHT MONEY OVERPAYMENT. The letter was carried to England, entering at Liverpool as a ship letter, rated 1/0 Stg collect (8d ship letter, plus 4d Uniform rate). Two freight money covers from Amherstburg are recorded, both mailed on the same day.

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- Lot 1061** ✉ **1839 (Nov. 7) Amherstburg, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter postmarked Amherstburg c.d.s. with matching "PAID" and "BRITISH/AMERICAN" handstamps, manuscript "11d" (placed next to "BRITISH"), "25 cts" (next to "AMERICAN") "2N2" and "1/0", red "NEW-YORK NOV 18" c.d.s., endorsed "via New York per Great Western", reverse manuscript "Steamer's charge 1/3^d paid" with "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline and three different London datestamps, Very Fine. *Cover #22 in Steinhart census.* Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

INTENDED 25¢ FREIGHT MONEY VIA STEAMSHIP, SENT VIA 12½¢ RATE VIA SAILING SHIP WITH NO REBATE FOR OVERPAYMENT.


The letter was prepaid 11d to the border, 25¢ U.S. to New York, totalling 2/2 Cy prepaid with very scarce use of "British / American" handstamp at Amherstburg. Letter indicates to be sent via pioneer steamer Great Western, reverse with 'Steamer charge 1/3 paid' (25¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee) but missed the steamer and sent via 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee via sailing ship with NO REBATE OF FREIGHT MONEY OVERPAYMENT. The letter was carried to England, entering at Liverpool as a ship letter, rated 1/0 Stg collect (8d ship letter, plus 4d Uniform rate). Two freight money covers from Amherstburg are recorded, both mailed on the same day.

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- Lot 1062**  **1839 (Nov. 22) Montreal, L.C. to London, England**, folded cover endorsed "pr. British Queen", manuscript "1/0", reverse with red boxed "SHIP LETTER/ GRAVESEND" and "B 26 DE 26 1839" datestamp, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

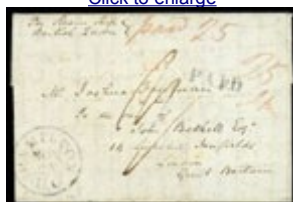
THE ONLY 4D UNIFORM RATE MAILS FROM NORTH AMERICA, ALSO FREIGHT MONEY.


The letter sent under cover to New York outside Canadian and U.S. post office, endorsed to be sent via British Quee (3rd voyage) during FREIGHT MONEY period (presumably paid by the agent at New York), entered England via Gravesend ship letter, rated 1/ Stg collect as 8d inward ship letter and 4d UNIFORM POST (in effect only Dec. 5 1839 to Jan. 10 1840). This was the ONLY steamer mail from North America to Britain during the 4d Uniform rate period.

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- Lot 1063**  **1839 (Nov. 22) Wellington Square, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter postmarked "HAMILTON NOV 23 U.C." c.d.s. with matching "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "Per Steam Ship British Queen", "4½", "25", "paid 25"

and "1/0", backstamped red boxed "SHIP LETTER/ GRAVESEND" and "26 DE 26 1839" c.d.s., Fine. Cover #27 in *Steinhart census*.
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

FREIGHT MONEY COVER TO ENGLAND DURING THE 4D UNIFORM RATE AND THE ONLY FREIGHT MONEY COVER FROM WELLINGTON SQUARE, U.C.


The letter was carried from Wellington Square to Hamilton where it was posted, prepaid 4½d to the border, 25¢ U.S. to New York, and 25¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee, carried by pioneer steamship "British Queen" to England, entering as a ship letter at Gravesend, rated 1/0 Stg collect (8d Stg ship letter plus 4d UNIFORM RATE). The 4d Uniform rate was in effect from only Dec. 5, 1839 until Jan. 10, 1840. This is the only freight money cover from Wellington Square.

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Lot 1064  **1839 (Nov. 29) Quebec, Canada to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked red Quebec c.d.s. and matching "PAID" struck three times, each next to manuscript rate "11", "18¾", or "12½", also manuscript "1/0", reverse with "LIVERPOOL / SHIP LETTER" straightline and "JAN 4 E 1840" receiver; fold wear, Fine. Cover #53 in *Steinhart census*
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

FREIGHT MONEY TO ENGLAND DURING 4D UNIFORM RATE PERIOD.

The letter was carried via closed bag mail from Quebec to Liverpool, prepaid 11d to the border, 18¾¢ U.S. to New York, 12 ½¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee for U.S. sailing packet to England, entering as a Liverpool ship letter, rated 1/0 Stg collect, representing 8d inwards ship letter rate plus 4d Uniform rate. The 4d rate was in effect from Dec. 5, 1839 to Jan 10, 1840.

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Lot 1065 ✉ **1839 (Dec. 14) Montreal, L.C. to London, England**, folded letter, red "NEW YORK DEC 19" datestamp, manuscript "3/2", red "L.C.O./ POSTAGE NOT PAID/ TO LONDON", redirected to Leamington, several other unclear British datestamps, several backstamps including "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER"; slight splitting at fold intersections, contents not complete, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A DETAILED ACCOUNT FROM SIR JOHN ROWLAND EUSTACE CONCERNING THE CAUGHNAWAGA INDIANS' CAPTURE OF 70 LOWER CANADA REBELLION REBELS.

The letter was carried by favor or undercover to New York, then via U.S. sailing packet to Liverpool where it entered as a Liverpool Ship Letter, to London and redirected to Leamington, rated 3/2 Stg Collect as a double 1/7 rate. The letter is from Sir John Rowland Eustace (1795-1864) who commanded the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards in Canada during the Rebellion of 1837-1839. This historic letter chronicles the native Indians' capture of a group of 70 rebels, "Rebellion has broken out in the province of Lower Canada... consequence of the repeal of Lord Durham's ordinances, the tribe of the five nations behaved at the breaking out of the rebellion... which took place on the 3rd November... a party of Canadians ...upwards of a hundred men armed with muskets, pikes and spears. from Chateaugay for the Indian village of Caughnawaga for the purpose of taking the arms from the Indians. At the arrival of the Canadians near that place at about eight o' clock in the morning. Most of the Indians were in church... one of the Indians saw the woods...filled with armed men...suspected to be rebels... the priest dismissed the congregation...assembled with their arms round the may pole near the church... the chief reconnoitered the rebels... could not attack them... resolved to lure them into the village... sent forward five Indians unarmed to enquire... intentions of the Canadians... in coming. in hostile array...came to borrow the arms of the Indians for the purpose of taking La Prairie... if the Indians refused to tend thier arms that they must have a fight for them... the five Indians... 'Come into the village and ask our chief'. The Canadians all followed in a body. The chief... sent out the main body of his Indians... to surround them. The Canadians having entered the village... demanded the arms of the Indians. The chief replied... arms were given by the government. will spill their blood in their defence... the Indians had surrounded the village. The chief demanded their surrender... The Canadians surrendered and were marched into Montreal prisoners by the Indians".

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- Lot 1066** ✉ **1839 (Dec. 30) Dundas, U.C. to Kinross, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked "Hamilton, U.C., Jan 1" c.d.s. and straightline "PAID", manuscript "via New York", "single sheet", "Ship 12½" "4 ½" and "25" with red, "NEW YORK JAN 7" c.d.s. and "8" handstamp, reverse with boxed "LIVERPOOL / SHIP LETTER" and dark red "JAN S 28 N 1840" c.d.s., Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY FEE VIA U.S. SAILING SHIP.

The letter was carried via closed bag mail from Hamilton to New York, prepaid 4½d to the border and 25¢ U.S. to New York, Additionally, the 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY by U.S. sailing vessel was collected by the Canadian post office, rated 8d Stg inwards ship letter and internal postage effective Jan 10, 1840. Freight money cover #7 in Steinhart census and one of two recorded from Dundas, U.C.

Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

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- Lot 1067** ✉ **1840 (Jan. 15) Melbourne, L.C. to London, England**, folded cover postmarked red Melbourne double circle with manuscript date, two red "PAID" handstamps next to manuscript "d4½" and "18¾" and two "SHIP PAID" handstamps, one next to manuscript "12½" with the "18¾" and "12½" totaled to "31¼"; red "NEW YORK JAN 21" c.d.s. and manuscript "8", reverse with "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline and "H 13 FE 13 1840" c.d.s., Very Fine. *Cover #9 in Steinhart census. Illustrated in The American Philatelist, Feb 1984 page 143.*
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

ONE OF ONLY TWO RECORDED FREIGHT MONEY COVERS WITH THE "SHIP PAID" HANDSTAMP AND THE ONLY ONE FROM MELBOURNE, L.C.

The letter was prepaid 4½d to the border, 18¾¢ U.S. to New York, and 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee, carried via U.S. sailing ship to England, entering as a


Liverpool ship letter, rated 8d Stg collect to London. The "SHIP PAID" handstamps are quite unusual. Steinhart records only two such covers, and summarizes the handstamp was applied at New York. This is the only cover with two strikes of the "SHIP PAID" handstamp and is the only one from Melbourne, L.C.

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1068**  **1840 (May 6) Sherbrooke, L.C. to Paisley, Scotland**, folded cover (bottom flap missing) postmarked Sherbrooke c.d.s., two black "PAID", red "PAID" and "SHIP PAID" handstamps, faint red "DERBY LINE MY 8 VT" oval handstamp with manuscript "May 8" date, manuscript "paid via New York", "18¾ US" and "12½ Ship" totaled to "31¼", manuscript "4½", "18¾", "12½", "31¼" and handstamped "8", reverse with "LIVERPOOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline and partial Paisley receiver, Fine. Cover #48 in Steinhart census. Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

ONE OF ONLY TWO RECORDED FREIGHT MONEY COVERS WITH THE "SHIP PAID" HANDSTAMP AND THE ONLY ONE FROM SHERBROOKE, L.C.


The letter was prepaid 4½d to the border, 18¾¢ U.S. to New York, and 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee, carried via U.S. sailing ship to England, entering as a Liverpool ship letter, rated 8d Stg collect to Edinburgh, Scotland. One of only two recorded covers with the "SHIP PAID" handstamp and the only example from Sherbrooke, L.C. The U.S. postage totalling 31¼¢ U.S. seems to be totalled separately at top, and again at New York at lower right.

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- Lot 1069**  **1840 (June 22) Cayuga, U.C. to London, England**, folded letter postmarked blue "DUNNVILLE, U.C." double circle with manuscript date "24th June 1840" and blue "PAID" handstamp next to red manuscript rates "4½d", "25¢"

and "Steamship 25¢", red "NEW YORK JUN 30" c.d.s., bold red "BRISTOL/SHIP LETTER" straightline, manuscript "via NY" and "8", backstamped red "F 16 JY 16 1840" c.d.s., Fine. *Cover #10 in Steinhart Census. Illustrated in The American Philatelist (Feb 1984).*
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

ONE OF ONLY TWO FREIGHT MONEY COVERS FROM DUNNVILLE,
AND THE ONLY ONE SHOWING FREIGHT MONEY FEE ON THE
COVER.


The letter was carried from Cayuga (P.O. not open until 1851) and posted at Dunnville, U.C., 4½d to the border, 25¢ U.S. to New York, 25¢ Steamship FREIGHT MONEY fee, carried via pioneer steamer "Great Western" to England, entering at Bristol as a ship letter, rated 8d Stg inward ship letter rate collect.

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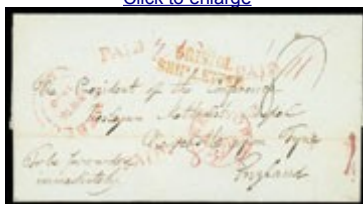
- Lot 1070**  **1840 (June 24) Quebec, L.C. to Shelton, England**, folded letter postmarked red Quebec c.d.s. with matching "PAID (manuscript) 50", "PAID (manuscript) 1/10" and "PAID (manuscript) 37½", endorsed "P Great Western Post Paid to New York", red "NEW YORK JUN 29" c.d.s., "BRISTOL/SHIP LETTER" straightline and manuscript "8", Fine. *Cover #35 in Steinhart census.*
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was prepaid 1/10 Cy to the border (double 11d), 37½¢ U.S. to New York (double 18¾¢), 50¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee (double 25¢) via steamer Great Western to England, entering as a ship letter at Bristol, rated 8d Stg collect.

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- Lot 1071**  **1840 (June 25) Quebec, L.C. to Newcastle upon Tyne, England**, folded

cover postmarked Quebec c.d.s., three red "PAID" handstamps, red "NEW YORK JUN 29" c.d.s. and "BRISTOL/ SHIP LETTER" straightline, manuscript "11", "18³/₄" and "25", Very Fine. Cover #35 in Steinhart census. Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


The letter was prepaid 11d to the border, 18³/₄¢ U.S. to New York, 25¢ FREIGHT MONEY fee, carried via pioneer steamer "Great Western" to England, entering England at Bristol as a ship letter, rated 8d Stg collect to Newcastle upon Tyne.

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- Lot 1072**  **1840 (June 30) Isle aux Noix, L.C. to Lt. General Lord Seaton, London,** folded letter endorsed "On Her Majesty's Service" with handstamped "2" and red "Too Late", readdressed to "Yeampton, Devon", apparently with **forwarding postage paid by an 1840 Penny Black** (which is no longer present) that was tied by a "Charin(g Cross)" straightline (and a red Maltese cross), backstamped "Ct, 17 AU 17, 1840", "EX 19 AU 19 1840" and "4 Eg 4, AU 17, 1840", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

*The letter is favored outside the post from Fort Isle aux Noix to England and posted in London to the Charing Cross office. The letter is from John Johnson, Lieut., Fort Isle aux Noix and reads in part, "...I am actually on SERVICE and during the Rebellion in command for nearly two months... I was second in command of the garrison at Isle aux Noix and on the day of the **Battle of Oldetown** I sent a sergeant and six privates from the garrison and in less than two hours they brought in twenty seven of the rebels prisoners. That the preparations taken by me at the commencement of the rebellion when I had only eleven men under my command in putting the garrison in a state of defence was the means of preventing the rebels from attempting to take possession of the fort whilst they were in numbers from two to three hundred. The rebels have frequents since acknowledged that the measures taken to impress upon their minds the belief that the garrison was in a much better state of defence than it actually was were the only reasons which prevented their attempting to take possession of it, a circumstance they say they very much regretted as it would have opened a communication with their refugee bretheren and sympathizing friends on the other side of the lines. I beg leave to observe that I have served as a staff officer upwards of sixteen years... deputy adjutant General of Militia and deputy Quartermaster General to the forces during the late war with America..."*


Provenance: Moulton.

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- Lot 1073**  **1840 (July 31) Colchester, U.C. to Lyneham, England**, folded letter postmarked, Colchester c.d.s. with manuscript date and red "BRIDGEWATER, SE 18, 1840" c.d.s., "Minehead/ Penny Post" straightline, manuscript "Double only", "via New York", "Paid 3/8", "Paid \$1", "Paid 50 Cts", "1 oz", "2/8", "not Lynton, Try Nr. Exeter", reverse with "LIVERPOOL / SHIP LETTER", Fine.
Cover #35 in Steinhart census
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

THE SECOND LARGEST MULTIPLE FREIGHT MONEY COVER
RECORDED FROM CANADA.


The letter was marked "double only" but paid quadruple rate 4x11d to the border (3/8), 4x25¢ U.S. postage to New York, and 4x 12½¢ FREIGHT MONEY via sailing ship from New York to Liverpool, rated 2/8 Stf collected and redirected. The letter is from R. Lachland, Chairman Western District Emigrant Committee and related to a meeting held "for the purpose of adopting measures for the relief of Distressed Emigrants..." and is addressed to Lord Seaton, Sir John Colborne (Lt. Governor, Commander in Chief and Governor General of Upper Canada). The letter was sent via U.S. sailing ship paying the quadruple Freight money charge, and is the second largest multiple freight money cover from Canada, and the only one from Colchester, U.C.

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- Lot 1074**  **1840 (Sept. 28) Quebec, L.C. to Barnet, England**, folded letter, postmarked red Quebec c.d.s. with matching "PAID", manuscript "1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

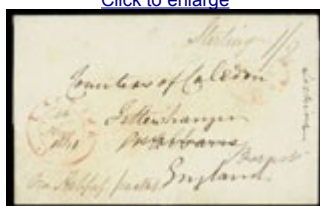
The cover was carried via Cunard "Britannia" via Halifax and Liverpool to


Barnet, prepaid 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy. The letter is written by James du Pre Alexander, 3rd Earl of Caledon, Captain Coldstream Guard, reads in part, "There have been 5 ships of war here and they are going away today or tomorrow. I saw a man hanged this morning for the yard arm of one of them. They fired a gun and ran him up from a grating on deck. He deserved it richly as he had struck an officer and killed a marine. There was a court martial on a captain but he was acquitted and another on a deserter who was sentenced to death but is to be transported instead... I am going to send over two bears and a moose deer to Caledon. If the moose gets over safe he will be a great curiosity. They stand 7 feet high and will go in harness..."

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- Lot 1075**  **1841 (May 4) Lachine, L.C. to St. Albans, England**, folded letter postmarked red double circle "LACHINE, L.C." with manuscript date "4th May 1841", manuscript "Sterling 1/2", redirected to Barnet, backstamped red BARNET/MG/ JU 11/ 1841 c.d.s., Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried by Cunard "Britannia" via Boston and Liverpool to England, to St. Albans then redirected to Barnet. The letter is from James du Pre Alexander, 3rd Earl of Caledon who writes, "We are just starting our expedition. We have some magnificent canoes... the Indians and Voyaguers are just taking leave of a great multitude of gaily dressed ladies..."

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- Lot 1076**  **1841 (June 18) La Prairie, L.C. to Churtzel, England**, folded letter, endorsed "From William Cook Sergeant 70th Regiment", countersigned, small red La Prairie datestamp, red "A PAID 15 JY 15 1841", blue "CHERTSEY JY 16 1841"; small tear at bottom of vertical file fold, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The cover was carried at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate via Cunard "Columbia", the sergeant was stationed here as a result of the Rebellion of 1837-1838. The letter reads in part, "... left Demerara on 24th April... sailed for Quebec on May 1st... arrived Quebec 29th May. sailed in the 'Queen' steamer for Montreal on 31st May and were transshipped to the 'Royal Victoria' steamer for La Prairie which is our station. we had our vessel well equipped for war in case on an attack. We are getting 120 men from Ireland this year ... as fine a regiment as there is in Canada".

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Lot 1077  **1841 (Aug. 23) Quebec, L.C. to Barnet, England**, folded letter postmarked red "QUEBEC AU 23 1841 L.C." c.d.s. with manuscript "1/2"; minor wax seal stain in center, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INDIAN ENCOUNTERS, SIOUX WAR PARTIES, TRAVEL BY CANOE AND STEAMER AND MEALS OF BUFFALO AND DOG.

*The letter was carried from Quebec on the Cunard "Columbia" to Liverpool, then to Barnet, rated 1/2 Stg collect. It is written by James du Pre Alexander, 3rd Earl of Caledon (1812-1855), wherein he gives a detailed narrative of **Indian encounters**, "I have had big trip upwards of 6000 miles. I left the half breeds at Lac de Diable, having travelled with them from Pembina. We usually killed 2 to 300 buffalo a day (before breakfast) — on the river Cheyenne we met the Sioux...all painted themselves and horses... two large kettles full of dog which is their greatest compliment... they scarcely wear any clothing — the women wear dressed skins. I gave a sergeant-major's coat to the head chief the "Burnt Racine"... They are all at war with the Chippeways... some American missionaries here have not converted any of them... large fort at Fort St. Anthony... hired a canoe and two men, got to Prairie du Chien in 4 days... met two war parties of Sioux and their villages had no one in them but women and old men ... gone against the Chippeways... at the Baerie I got another canoe... two days we got to Dubuque... steamer there ... to Galena...to Chicago...steamed all the way to Quebec."*

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- Lot 1078** ✉ **1844 (Jul. 27) Montreal, L.C. to Woowick, England**, folded letter, manuscript "P1", "prepaid", red Montreal datestamp (Jul 27 1844), red "I PAID 14 AU 14 1844" framed transit, address crossed out and "at M Wm Pattons America Mills near Dundee Scotland" added, backstamps include boxed "Dundee AU 16 1844" receiver, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A SCARCE TRANSATLANTIC ONE-PENNY SOLDIER'S CONCESSION LETTER TO A SOLDIER.

The letter pays the 1d Soldier's Concession rate to Sgt. Lynch, 1st Battalion, Royal Artillery at Woolwich, then redirected to Dundee, Scotland. Letters TO a soldier are much scarcer than FROM a soldier.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1079** ✉ **1846 (Nov. 10) Montreal, L.C. to Douglas, Isle of Man**, folded letter with outer leaf only, endorsed "From 1735 Pt. Richardson 93 Highlanders", countersigned, red "(crown) PAID AT QUEBEC" handstamp, red manuscript "1", "Missent to Lanarkshire", and redirected to "Isle of Man", boxed "DOULAS DE 2 184(6)", Montreal and Liverpool datestamps on reverse; Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A RARE EXAMPLE OF SOLDIER MAIL TO THE ISLE OF MAN.

The letter had the 1d Soldier's Concession rate prepaid and was carried by the Cunard "Britannia" and incorrectly sent to Douglas, Lanarkshire, England, where it was redirected to the Isle of Man.

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- Lot 1080** ✉ **1846 (Nov. 16) Niagara, U.C. to Launceston, England**, folded cover, red "Niagara" c.d.s., two red "MONEY LETTER" handstamps of different size, manuscript "money", large red manuscript "M", "1/2", Montreal (No 22 1846) and Launceston (DE 17) backstamps, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

HARRISON REPORTS 5 STAMPLESS MONEY LETTERS TO ENGLAND, THIS BEING THE SECOND EARLIEST AND THE MOST ATTRACTIVE.

The letter received the smaller Money Letter handstamp at Niagara and the larger at Montreal, the large "M" at Toronto, rated 1/2 Stg collect, it was carried via Cunard "Acadia" via Boston to England. The letter was not charged additionally as a money letter in Canada, and does not appear to be treated as a registered letter in England.

Realized SF 950

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- Lot 1081** ✉ **1848 (Jan. 8) Quebec, L.C. to Glasgow, Scotland**, folded letter, red manuscript "1", red "PAID AT QUEBEC (crown)" handstamp, manuscript "From Corporal John Strong 1st British Antarctic Territory. RL Arty", countersigned, "Glasgow B JA 30 B 1848" backstamp; small tear at bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The cover was paid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from Quebec to Glasgow on the Cunard "Caledonia" via Halifax and Liverpool. The British mails missed the ship at Boston and the Caledonia sailed without them. The mails were carried by packet ship "New York" Black Ball line. This letter, sent via Halifax was carried on the sailing, one of very few letters carried during this Cunard voyage.

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- Lot 1082**  **1848 (Sept. 4) Quarantine Station, Grosse Isle, C.E. to London, England**, folded letter, endorsed "From Pte 1613 James Spencer Res Battn 71st Higd Lt. Inf.", countersigned, very fine strike of red "(crown) PAID AT QUEBEC", Quebec datestamp, red manuscript "1", red London "O PAID 26 SP (2) 6 1848" datestamp; Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

MAIL FROM THE QUARANTINE STATION IS RARE, ESPECIALLY AS A SOLDIER'S LETTER.


The letter had the 1d Soldier's Concession rate prepaid and was carried by closed bag mail from Quebec to Halifax and Liverpool by Cunard "Niagara" then to London. The letter was carried via Halifax during the period of cancellation of the mails transiting through the U.S.

Realized SF 500

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- Lot 1083**  **1849 (Apr. 19) Clarenceville, L.C. to Liverpool, England**, folded letter, red double circle "CLARENCEVILLE L.C.", manuscript "24 APL 49", manuscript "11½d" crossed out, manuscript "1/-", reverse with Henryville and Montreal datestamps, light file fold, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

A RARE 10 DAY RATE, EFFECTIVE APRIL 15 TO 25, 1849.

The letter was rated 11½d then re-rated 1/- Stg collect, carried by Cunard "Europa" via closed bag mail to Halifax from Montreal, during the period when all closed mails from Canada to Britain were sent via Halifax due to the break up of the Anglo-American postal arrangements. On April 2, 1849, the G.P.O. Montreal circular announced a new rate of 11½d Stg opening tear 1/1 Cy per 1/2 oz on Canada-Britain mails via Halifax with the instruction, "AN UNPAID LETTER IS TO BE RATED 11½D IN LARGE FIGURES IN BLACK INK." Soon after, an April 25, 1849 G.P.O. Montreal circular "INSTRUCTIONS TO CANCEL DEPARTMENT ORDER, 2ND APRIL 1849", announced the 11½d Stg or 1/1 Cy rate was cancelled and the new rate via Halifax was 1/0 Stg or 1/1½ Cy. This cover was rated 11½d during the 10 DAY PERIOD THE


RATE WAS IN EFFECT, AND THEN RERATED AT THE NEW RATE, IN TRANSIT.

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1084**  **1851 (Aug. 27) Quebec, Canada to London, England**, folded letter, endorsed "From No. 168 Pte Robt Ashe Band 66th Regiment", countersigned, red "PAID AT QUEBEC, L.C." crown handstamp, manuscript "1" and red London receiver "S PAID 28 SEP 28 1851", Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter, which is datelined Jesuit Barracks, Quebec, was prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from Quebec to London, carried via Cunard "America" via closed bag mail via Halifax. 1d Soldier letters were not prepaid the U.S.A. transit rate and were therefore routed overland to Halifax.

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- Lot 1085**  **1851 (Sept. 29) Kingston, U.C. to Guernsey, Channel Islands**, folded cover, endorsed "From 750 Pt Joseph Burrell, 2nd Batt. Rifles Bde", countersigned, red "PAID" and "1" handstamps, Kingston, U.C. datestamp (SP 29), red "PAID Wg 27 OC 1851", backstamped Quebec (Oct 2) and Guernsey (Oct 28); toning, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

VERY FEW SOLDIER CONCESSION RATE COVERS EXIST TO GUERNSEY.


The letter had the 1d Soldier's Concession rate prepaid and was carried by Cunard packet via Quebec and Halifax to Liverpool, and then to Guernsey.

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1086**  **1854 (Feb. 26) Quebec, L.C. to Galashiels, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked red Paid/ Quebec, L.C. c.d.s. and large red circle "1^d/ PAID AT QUEBEC.", red "PKT LETTER PAID LIVERPOOL MR 29 54" tombstone, red "PAID MAR 30 M 1854" receiving c.d.s., endorsed "From Gr Chas Wilson 10th Battalion Royal Artillery", countersigned; soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

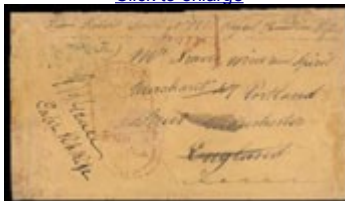
A RARE USE OF THE QUEBEC 1D HANDSTAMP ON A 1D SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVER.


The letter was carried from Quebec via Liverpool to Boxburghshire, Scotland at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate.

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- Lot 1087**  **1854 (Mar. 3) Niagara, U.C. to Manchester, England**, envelope postmarked red "NIAGARA MR 3 1854 UC" c.d.s., "PAID", and "1" handstamps, endorsed "From Robert Smith No. 1201 Royal Canadian Rifles", countersigned, red "PKT LETTER PAID LIVERPOOL AP 8 1854", reverse with Manchester datestamp (AP 8 1854); edge wear, stains., Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate and carried via closed bag mail from Quebec to Liverpool, by either Cunard "Arabia" or Candaian Steam Navigation Company "Ottawa". The letter reads in part "I am very comfortable, I am on rations and my pay is very good, I draw 5d per day for good conduct besides my other pay..."

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- Lot 1088** ✉ **1854 (Apr. 7) Hamilton, C.W. to London, England**, Hamilton datestamp, red "PAID DV 29 AP 1854", red "8d STG PAID 10d CY" handstamp.
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THIS RATE HANDSTAMP.

The letter would have normally gone via Cunard "Canada" sailing of April 12 from Boston but somehow missed the sailing and sent via Collins line "Atlantic". Carried via closed bag mails from Hamilton to London. The rate handstamp is unreported in Arnell, and was locally manufactured.

Realized SF 950

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- Lot 1089** ✉ **1855 (Feb. 27) Drummondville, C.E. to Ely, England**, cover, red Drummondville and green Ely datestamps, "1/2d Stg." handstamp, "8" obliterated by target handstamp, reverse with Melbourne, L.C., Montreal, L.C., "PKT LETTER LIVERPOOL" datestamps, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE 1/2D STG. HANDSTAMP.

The letter was rated 8d Stg via Cunarder, cancelled and re-rated "1/2d Stg" collect, a previously unreported handstamp, likely used at Montreal, via Collins line "Baltic" during period of Cunard withdrawal due to Crimean War.

Realized SF 600

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- Lot 1090** ✉ **1855 (Mar. 31) Sandwich, C.W. to Clitheroe, England,,** folded letter with postmarked blue oval "LEGISLATIVE CANADA ASSEMBLY", red "PAID AP 9 1855 QUEBEC, L.C." c.d.s. and matching straightline "1/2 Stg PAID 1/4 Cy" (Arnell A-9), also red "PKT. LETTER/ PAID/ LIVERPOOL/ 29 AP/ A55" tombstone and "CLITHEROE MY 1 1855" c.d.s., endorsed "E Louvill M.P.P.", backstamped Montreal and Blackburn, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was favored from Sandwich, C.W. to Quebec to a member of the legislative assembly who free franked it. However, because the franking privilege did not apply to mail outside the country, the letter was rated 1/2 Stg or 1/4 Cy. This rate marking was typically used on pre-1854 Cunard mail, but this letter was carried by the Collins steamer "Baltic" during the period of Cunard withdrawal due to Crimean War.

Realized SF 575

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- Lot 1091** ✉ **1855 (May 28) Montreal, C.E. to Enniscorthy, Ireland,** cover, Montreal paid tombstone (MY 28 1855), red "1s/4dCy" circular and "PKT. LETTER LIVERPOOL 10 JU D55", reverse with "CONVEYED BY / UNITED STATES / PACKET" in red, "4 JU 1855", "ENNISCORTHY JU 12 55", slight edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE RED 1S/4D CY RATE HANDSTAMP.


The letter was prepaid the 1/4 Cy rate via Collins line "Baltic" via New York and Liverpool during the period of withdrawal of Cunard steamers during the Crimean War. This is the only example of the 1s/4d Cy handstamp (Arnell A-5) struck in red, and the "CONVEYED BY / UNITED STATES / PACKET" struck in red is not reported in Robertson (M-5).

Realized SF 375

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- Lot 1092**  **1855 (Oct. 3) Toronto, C.W. to East Dereham, England**, folded cover, bold strike of red "Toronto C.W. Oct 3 1855 Paid" handstamp with matching red boxed "REGISTERED" handstamp, tombstone red "PKT. LETTER PAID LIVERPOOL 22 OC E55", green "Dereham OC 24 1855", manuscript "1/4", "1/8", "6", Very Fine and colorful
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

HARRISON REPORTS 5 STAMPLESS REGISTERED COVERS TO ENGLAND, THIS BEING THE EARLIEST.


The letter was carried from Toronto via Boston and closed bag mail via Cunard steamer "America" to Liverpool and then to Dereham. Rated 1/4 Stg 1/8 Cy prepaid being double the 8d Stg 10d Cy Cunard rate via the U.S.A. The boxed Registered handstamp was applied at Toronto and the 1d Registration fee paid in cash and the letter was treated as registered ONLY in Canada as there was no interchange of registered mail between the U.S. and/or England at this time. The letter was rated 6d Stg collect in England, being the registration rate from port of arrival to destination.

Realized SF 1,000

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- Lot 1093**  **1855 (Nov. 8) Harvey Hill, C.E. to Bristol, England**, folded letter with red split-ring "PAID NO 10 1855 QUEBEC, L.C." c.d.s. and matching, script handstamp "8^d. Stg. Paid 10^d. Cy.", also straightline "CONVEYED BY/ UNITED STATES/ PACKET" and "PKT. LETTER/ PAID/ LIVERPOOL/ 26 NO/ B55" tombstone, backstamped Bristol, Nov. 27, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was favored to Quebec as Harvery Hill had no post office. It was carried by the Collins line "Baltic" via New York to Liverpool, then to Bristol. The rate was actually 1/2 Stg or 1/4 Cy via American packet and was therefore shortpaid 6d Stg with no indication of postage due. The rate handstamp (Arnell D-6) was used at Quebec.

Realized SF 575

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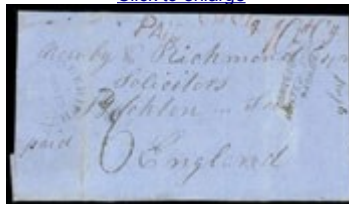
- Lot 1094**  **1855 (Nov. 23) Leeds, L.C. to Bristol, England**, folded letter postmarked red double circle Leeds, L.C. datestamp with manuscript date, handstamped "CONVEYED BY/ UNITED STATES/ PACKET" straightline, "PKT. LETTER/ PAID/ LIVERPOOL/ 9 DE/ B555" tombstone, "PAID", manuscript "1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy", backstamped Quebec (Nov. 24) and Bristol (Dec. 10), Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was carried by the Collins line "Atlantic" via closed bag mail from Quebec to Liverpool via New York, properly paid 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy during period of withdrawl of Cunard steamers due to the demands of the Crimean war.

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1095**  **1856 (Jan. 10) Goferich, U.C. to Stockton, England**, folded cover, Goderich datestamp, "PAID 8D Stg 10d Cy", "6d" and "CONVEYED BY / UNITED STATES/ PACKET" handstamps, reverse with Hamilton (JA 12), "PKT LETTER LIVERPOOL JA 31 1856", and Stockton (FE 1) datestamps, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


The letter was carried by Collins line "Atlantic" during the period of withdrawl of Cunard steamers for service in the Crimea, carried by closed bag to Liverpool via New York. Rated "PAID 8d Stg 10d Cy" (Arnell D-9, a combination of D-1 and D-23, used at Hamilton), it was carried via Collins line and should have been 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy, shortpaid 6d, and 6d due.

Realized SF 180

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- Lot 1096**  **1856 (July 21) Quebec, C.E. to London, England**, cover with red "PAID, QUEBEC L.C., JY 21 1856" c.d.s. and "8d Stg. Paid 10^d. Cy." straightline, red "PAID DD 4 AU 4 1856" London receiver on front; minor surface abrasion and tiny edge tear, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

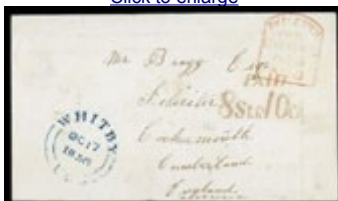
The red rate handstamp (Arnell D-6) indicated prepaid postage via Cunard "Africa" and closed bag to London via New York.


Provenance: **Robertson.**

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- Lot 1097**  **1856 (Oct. 17) Whitby, U.C. to Cockermouth, England**, cover, blue Whitby datestamp, red "PAID / 8 Stg 10 Cy", red "Pkt Letter Paid Liverpool No 2 A56", reverse with Cockermouth datestamp (NO 3 1856), light file fold, Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE PROVISIONAL PAID 8D STG 10D CY HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried via Cunard "Niagara" via Liverpool to England, prepaid at the 8d Stg 10d Cy rate. The Paid 8d Stg 10d Cy handstamp is a provisional example.

Realized SF 260

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- Lot 1098**  **1856 (Oct. 28) Niagara, U.C. to Manchester, England**, cover postmarked red Niagara c.d.s. with matching "1" and "PAID" handstamps, endorsed "From Robert Smith Local Pensioner", countersigned "John Weir Segt Major in charge of Detachment of Permanent Pensioners", red "BY - CANADIAN/ PACKET" straightline, red "PKT LETTER/ PAIDLIVERPOOL/ NO 21 A56"

tombstone; repaired, 1½ backflaps missing, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A MOST UNUSUAL SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVER FROM A
PENSIONER, COUNTERSIGNED BY A SARGEANT MAJOR INSTEAD
OF AN OFFICER.


*The letter was carried from Niagara via Liverpool to Manchester, England at
the 1d Soldier's Concession rate.*

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- Lot 1099**  **1858 (Feb. 11) Simcoe, U.C. to Andover, England**, envelope franked with 1855 3d Beaver (4), faulty, tied by 4-ring "43", postmarked Simcoe, U.C., manuscript "more to pay 4½d", crossed out and "6" handstamp applied, manuscript "via Halifax", backstamped Hamilton, "Pkt Letter Liverpool Fe 28 1858", London and Andover; Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF TWO RECORDED SHORTPAID COVERS WITH THIS
FRANKING AND ROUTE.

The letter was prepaid the 3d domestic rate, but shortpays the 6d Stg 7½d Cy rate via Halifax per Cunard or Allan line. The cover was rated the shortpayment of 4½d but charged the full 6d Stg via the Halifax route and was actually sent via Cunard "Arabia" via New York at the 8d Stg, 10d Cy rate via New York but was not charged at the higher rate.

Realized SF 2,400

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- Lot 1100**  **1858 (Nov. 19) Quebec, Canada to Dublin, Ireland**, folded cover, manuscript "Paid box 316", "p Indian", red "PAID 19 1858 QUEBEC L.C.", red "6d Stg Paid 7½d Cy" fancy script straightline, "PKT LETTER PAID LIVERPOOL DE

2 A 58", reverse with "BY-CANADIAN / PACKET" and "DUBLIN 3 A DE 3 1858", Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried via Allan line "Indian" from Quebec to Liverpool, then to Dublin. The red straightline rate handstamp (Arnell E4) was applied at Quebec, the "By-Canadian Packet" applied at Liverpool. A very late use of the Pkt Letter Paid Liverpool handstamp as the new "Col. Packet" handstamps were dispatched from the G.P.O. on Dec. 4, 1858.


Provenance: **Robertson.**

Realized SF 500

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Lot 1101  **1864 (Nov. 12) Quebec, C.E. to Edinburgh, Scotland**, envelope postmarked red "PAID QUEBEC L.C. NO 12 1864" c.d.s. with matching "6^d. Stg Paid 7½^d. Cy." (Arnell E-4), franked manuscript "Free Geo Brown Prest Ex. Council", "p Canadian Steamer 12 Nov 1864", "written just before starting for England, Mr. Mowatt appointed Vice Chancellor", backstamped Edinburgh, Nov. 23; stain, small edge tear at top, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A COVER SENT FROM ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FATHERS OF CONFEDERATION. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 134 OF ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The cover is prepaid the 7½d Allan line rate via "Hibernian" to England and is from George Brown, President of the Executive Council, Prime Minister of the Province of Canada. Brown established the "Toronto Globe" newspaper; was an advocate of Confederation and in November of 1864 he sailed to England for talks with the Imperial Government regarding the union of the B.N.A. colonies.

Realized SF 325


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The Allan L. Steinhart Collection of Canadian Stampless CSale 6overs

England/Canada Mails: England To Canada

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- Lot 1102**  **1765 (Nov. 9) London, England to Quebec, Canada via New York**, folded cover endorsed "Pacquet Q.D.C.", red manuscript "1N", "1/10" and "5:8", reverse with partial "New/ York" straightline and "9/ NO" bishop mark, date and place of origin indicated by docketing; internal tears, silked, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667


The letter was carried from London to New York via Falmouth packet, paid 1/0 Stg and then 1/10 Cy or 5:8 dwt collect to Quebec. A very early example of this rate which became effective October 10, 1765.

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1103**  **1771 (Jan. 1) London, England to Quebec, Canada**, folded cover postmarked red "1 IA" bishop mark on reverse, manuscript "1N", red "9.8" and "3/2", docketed "Recd 27 April 1771"; Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

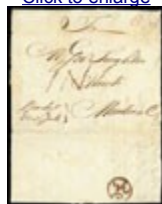
The letter was rated 1/0 Stg via Falmouth packet to New York, 9:8 dwt or 3/2 Cy collect.

Provenance: **Bonar.**

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1104**  **1774 (Oct. 5) London, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter endorsed "p Packet via N. York", manuscript "8" and "1N", reverse with "5

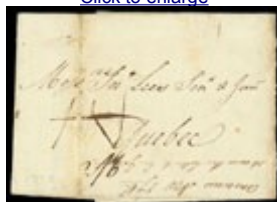
OC" bishop mark, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was rated 8 pennyweights silver collect, 1/0 Stg Falmouth packet rate from London to New York. This equates to 4 dwt packet rate plus 4 dwt New York to Montreal. The letter is to George Singleton, a merchant and Army officer of the King's Royal Regiment of New York. He served with Sir John Johnson and Joseph Brant during the American Revolutionary War. He was one of the earliest settlers of Belleville, U.C.

Provenance: **Wellburn.**

Realized SF 1,500
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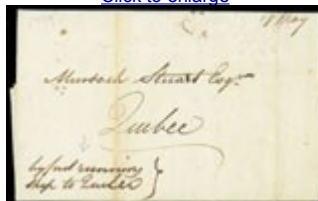



- Lot 1105**  **1775 (Feb. 1) London, England to Quebec, Canada**, folded letter postmarked "1 FE" bishop mark on reverse manuscript "1N" crossed out and replaced with "2/6", docketing; slight splitting along file fold, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was carried via Falmouth packet from London (bishop mark on reverse) to New York. From New York it was rated 2/6 Stg total collect. This is incorrect as the rate should be 1/0 Stg or 1/4 Cy plus 1/10 Cy New York to Quebec. The cover was sent very shortly before this postal route was closed in the fall of 1775 by the start of the American Revolutionary War. The letter is from Francis Rybolt in regard to his well known dispute with Pierre Du Calvet, well known Quebec trader, merchant and legislator.

Realized SF 1,500
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- Lot 1106**  **1779 (Mar. 11) Glasgow, Scotland to Quebec, Canada**, folded letter, manuscript "by fast running ship to Quebec", docketed Glasgow, 18 Mar, "rec'd p. the Patsy Capt. from Liverpool"; erasure of contemporary notation of reply at upper right, Fine

Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was carried outside the post from Glasgow to Quebec during the period of the American Revolutionary War. The contents state in part, "I wrote you this day by the Nancy that your goods go by the Revenge Privateer..."

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1107**  **1781 (Feb. 5) London, England to "31st Regt of Foot at Canada",** folded letter, manuscript "1N", illegible bishop mark on reverse; soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

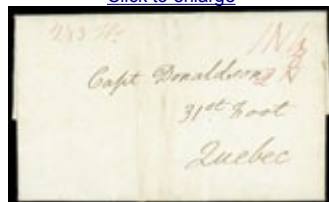
A RARE REVOLUTIONARY WAR LETTER INBOUND TO A SOLDIER.


The letter, addressed to Mr. William Hatley Sargeant in Captn Pilots Comp 31st Regt of Foot at Canada, was rated 1/0 Stg per packet or naval vessel to New York or some other North American port and probably carried by military dispatch from the port of arrival to destination, somewhere in Canada. There are no North American inland postage charges. The 31st Regiment largely garrisoned Quebec at this time and therefore the letter was likely sent there.

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1108**  **1784 (Oct. 8) London, England to Quebec, Canada,** folded letter, red manuscript "1N4", "8", totaled to "2N", manuscript "2N3 Hx", reverse with Quebec double circle with triangle at the base, bishop mark insert "21 MR"; Very Fine and choice
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by favor or undercover to Halifax where it was posted (before Halifax postmarks were available), rated 1/4 Stg to Quebec, forwarded to Montreal where Capt. Donaldson of the 31st Regiment of Foot was stationed, with an additional 8d Stg. The total 2 Stg or 2/3 Halifax Currency was used during the short period where both currencies were rated on the cover.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1109



1793 (Mar. 27) Bristol, England to Montreal, L.C. folded letter, black "SHIP", exceptional strike of "QUEBEC CANADA" double enclosed semi-circle backstamp with "7 IY" insert bishop mark, red manuscript "1N7", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by private ship to Quebec where it entered as a ship letter and rated double rate (2x9d) plus 1d ship letter fee for a total 1/7 Cy collect. The letter is to William Grant (1743-1810), fur trader, merchant, office holder, partner in North West Company.

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1110



1794 (June 4) Hull, England to Kingston, U.C., folded letter postmarked straightline "BALT - SEP '28", manuscript "Sh 26", "1N11" and "1N2" changed to "1N0", incorrectly totaled to "3N0" and corrected to "to pay 2N11"; Baltimore straightline partly drawn in, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

LIKELY A UNIQUE ROUTING FOR MAILS CARRIED FROM ENGLAND TO CANADA AT THIS TIME.

The letter was carried by private ship to Baltimore where it entered as a ship letter for 26¢ (4¢ inward ship letter rate plus 22¢ postage to the


border), which converted to 1/11 Cy collect. The letter was then redirected from Montreal to Kingston, the rating of 1/2 changed to 1/0, and although reduced from 3/0 collect to 2/11, the 1/0 rate Montreal to Kingston should have been 9d, a slight overcharge of postage. An early cross-border treaty cover and an unusual entry port for British-Canada mails.

Realized SF 2,700

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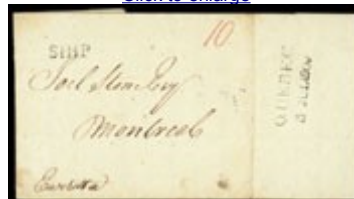
- Lot 1111**  **1800 (Jan. 7) Exeter, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, endorsed "By N. York", two "EXETER" straightlines, manuscript "P 1/6", "1N7", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The letter was sent via Jan. 1800 Falmouth packet "Earl Gower" via New York during the Anglo-French War when winter mail was sent via New York. Prepaid 6d inland British postage and 1/0 Stg Falmouth packet, the letter was rated 20¢ U.S. postage from New York to the border (1/0 Cy) plus 7d special rate from the border to Montreal for a total 1/7 Cy collect. The letter was sent to Capt. Hugh McDonell, care of E. Edwards, the Postmaster at Montreal. The letter reads in part, "I suggested my being recommended by General Simcoe as his aide-de-camp, which the duke contrary to my expectations approved of.... I am now on the staff in this district... expect another expedition to the continent in conjunction with the Russians... General Simcoe will be the first of his rank actively employed..." signed S. McDonell. Captain Hugh McDonell, served in the Royal Canadian Regt (Volunteers, a British line regiment, raised in Canada for service in Canada and overseas.

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1112**  **1800 (Apr. 10) London, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, "SHIP" handstamp and red manuscript "10", endorsed "Eweretta", reverse with "QUEBEC/ 3 JUL. 1800" straightline; Fine

Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

FEWER THAN FIVE STRIKES OF THE QUEBEC "SHIP" HANDSTAMP ARE REPORTED.

The letter was carried by private ship "Eweretta" to Quebec where it entered as a ship letter; receiving both the SHIP straightline and the Quebec backstamp. The letter was rated 10d Cy collect (1d ship letter fee, 9d postage) to Montreal.


Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 625

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- Lot 1113**  **1801 (Aug. 28) Paisley, Scotland to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, manuscript "p. Nancy", manuscript "10", double oval "Ship Letter (crown) QUEBEC" handstamp, reverse with similar second strike, and "QUEBEC / 15 MAY 1802" straightline; toning, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

THE ONLY RECORDED COVER WITH TWO STRIKES OF SHIP LETTER (CROWN) QUEBEC HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried by private ship "Nancy" to Quebec (260 days in transit), rated 10d Cy collect (1d ship, 9d inland to Montreal), with TWO strikes of Quebec ship letter handstamp.

Realized SF 400

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- Lot 1114**  **1804 (Jan. 28) Ayr, Scotland to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, red Philadelphia "PHI 7 AP" c.d.s. and small matching "SHIP" handstamp, manuscript "22" and "1N9", Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

AN EARLY PHILADELPHIA SHIP MARKING ON CANADIAN MAILS.

The letter was carried outside the post by private ship from Scotland to Philadelphia where it received the small "SHIP" handstamp (15 x 3 mm) which is either a new late date for A.S.C.C. listing of 15x4 mm handstamp, or a new unreported listing. The cover was rated 22c collect (2¢ ship plus 20¢ U.S. postage to the border). This was converted to 1/0 Cy plus 9d special rate from the border to Montreal for a total of 1/9 Cy collect.

Realized SF 500

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Lot 1115



1804 (undated) England to Montreal, Canada, folded cover, manuscript "By the British Queen via Bristol" and red "1½ oz" and "4N6", handstamped "SHIP", reverse with manuscript "Mr. B. will please forward this soon as he can" and "QUEBEC/ 4 SEP 1804" straightline, Very Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THIS QUEBEC SHIP HANDSTAMP ON A SMUGGLED COVER.


The letter originated in England, sent by private ship outside the post to Quebec care of James Barnard at Quebec and redirected to Montreal, Quebec "SHIP" handstamp (23 mm x 6.5 mm). Rated 6x9d for 1½ ounce Quebec to Montreal with no ship letter charge which should have been added. The "SHIP" handstamp may have been applied in error as cover smuggled ashore contrary to regulations and placed in the mails by Mr. Barnard. The SHIP handstamp bears signs of pencil obliteration which was partially erased.

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- Lot 1116**  **1812 (May) Wynne, England to Quebec, Canada**, folded cover, manuscript "per Ralph Nicholson", "1 oz", "8 2", and "8N2", red "NEW YORK 2 AUG" c.d.s. and "SHIP" handstamp, reverse with "MONTREAL 22 APR 15" straightline, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A WAR OF 1812 LETTER HELD FOR OVER THREE YEARS, UNTIL THE END OF THE WAR.

The letter was carried outside the post on board private sailing vessel to New York, rated 1 oz and quadruple rate 20¢ plus 2¢ ship for 82¢ collect. The letter arrived in New York on Aug. 2, after the start of the War of 1812 on June 18, 1812 and was held until the end of the war. After the war, the letter was forwarded with 4/6 U.S. postage due, plus 4 times 11½d B.N.A. postage or 3/10 Cy for a total 8/2 Cy collect. Although this was during Theresienstadt period of the 50% War Surcharge (Feb. 1, 1815 to March 31, 1816) the letter was rated as the original 1812 cover.


Provenance: **Stulberg, Palmer.**

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1117**  **1815 (Mar. 24) London, England to York, U.C.** folded letter, manuscript "Liverpool 5 April 1815 Received and forwarded by James Chipman & Co.", fair strike red "POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER 5 AP 5 1815 LIVERPOOL" c.d.s., Quebec flueron (date unclear), all on reverse, manuscript "P9", "1N8 1/2" plus double oval "Ship Letter Quebec (crown)" handstamp on front, addressed to York, care of "Arthur Webster Esq, Montreal", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

POSSIBLY THE FIRST BRITISH INCOMING SHIP LETTER AFTER THE END OF THE WAR OF 1812.


The cover was sent outside the post or undercover from London to a forwarding agent at Liverpool (Chipman unrecorded in Lowe), rated 9d Stg as a post paid withdrawn ship letter at one third the 2/2 Stg rate from London to Halifax, entered the mails with a Quebec ship letter handstamp, rated 1/8½Cy collect as 2½d incoming ship letter fee plus double the 9d rate, Quebec to Montreal. Sent to a colleague at Montreal, the cover was then forwarded outside the post to York.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1118**  **1815 (June 14) England to Quebec, Canada**, folded cover, exceptional strike of double circle "POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER / (crown) / 14 JU 14 1815" on reverse, manuscript "p Dorothy", "2/1½" in red; Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was treated as a withdrawn ship letter, prepaid one third of the packet rate and handed back for carriage via private ship "Dorothy" to Quebec.

Realized SF 1,000

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- Lot 1119**  **1815 (June 28) Liverpool, England to Montreal, L.C.,** folded letter handstamped red "PAID" (twice), "SHIP" and "NEW YORK AUG 11" c.d.s., manuscript "30" and three manuscript "9", endorsed "care of Messrs Boorman & Johnston N. York", "p Matilda", reverse with large double circle "POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER/ LIVERPOOL/ (crown)/ 28 JU 28/ 1815" and manuscript "New York 11th Aug 1815 Recd & forwarded Your obt St Boorman & Johnston", Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was prepaid 9d Stg (one third the 2/2 Stg packet rate) as a withdrawn ship letter, carried via Matilda to New York, entering as a ship letter. It was then rated 9¢ as an inward ship letter (6¢ local delivery plus 50% War of 1812 surcharge) collect, then 30¢ prepaid (20¢ to the border plus 50%) and 9d Cy collect from border to Montreal. The War of 1812 50% surcharge was in effect from Feb. 1, 1815 until March 31, 1816.

Realized SF 900

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- Lot 1120**  **1815 (July 15) Liverpool, England to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter postmarked on reverse large double circle "POSTPAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER/ 16 JY 16/ 1815/ LIVERPOOL", manuscript "1/6", crossed out and manuscript "9" (twice), endorsed "Messrs Boorman & Johnston, N. York", reverse with datestamp and manuscript "forwarded N.Y...."
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was originally rated 1/6 Stg but re-rated 9d Stg prepaid, which was one third the packet rate from Liverpool to New York, treated as a post paid withdrawn ship letter. It was carried by private ship to New York where it was rated 9¢ collect (6¢ drop letter ship rate plus 50% War of 1812 surcharge) and forwarded by a forwarding agent to Montreal under separate cover or outside the post.

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- Lot 1121**  **1815 (Aug. 22) Liverpool, England to Montreal, Canada,** folded letter, manuscript "p Carrick", black oval crown "SHIP LETTER QUEBEC", red manuscript "1N8½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN UNCOMMONLY CLEAR EXAMPLE OF THIS OFTEN FAINT AND POORLY STRUCK SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried by private ship from Liverpool to Quebec where it entered the mails and received the Quebec Ship Letter crown handstamp, and rated 1N8½ collect to Montreal. This ship letter crown handstamp was used between 1815 and 1817 and differs from the later one in that this one has side dots above Quebec and the crown is of a simpler design.

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- Lot 1122**  **1819 (Feb.27) Glasgow, Scotland to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter postmarked red oval "PACKET SHIP/ JAMES MUNROE/ W. ATKINSON/ Sailed Mar. 1/ 1819/ LIVERPOOL", red "NEW YORK APR 8" c.d.s. and straightline "SHIP", manuscript "20½" and "1N10", Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was carried outside the post by American sailing ship to New York with oval "Packet Ship" handstamp applied at Liverpool, entered via New York, rated 20½¢ due to border (2¢ ship, 18½¢ postage), converted to 1/1 Cy plus 9d to Montreal, total 1/10 Cy collect.

Realized SF 950

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- Lot 1123**  **1819 (June 11) Liverpool, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, light "Ann Crock(er)" straightline on reverse, red "NEW YORK JUL 31" c.d.s. and "SHIP", manuscript "20½", "1N7" and "Ann NY", Fine. Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried outside the post via American sailing vessel "Ann Crocker" [handstamp recorded as used only in 1819]. Entered the mails at New York, rated 20½¢ collect to the border (2¢ ship, 18½¢ postage), converted to 1/1 plus 6d special rate from border to Montreal, total 1/7 Cy collect.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1124** ✉ **1819 (Dec. 20) Liverpool, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, manuscript "Telegraph", red enclosed handstamp "SHIP TELEGRAPH H. COFFIN", bright red "NEW YORK FEB 13" c.d.s. with matching "SHIP" handstamp, manuscript "20½" and "1N7"; trivial paper rust clip stain at top, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A FINE, CLEAR STRIKE OF THE PRIVATE OCEAN SHIP
HANDSTAMP "SHIP TELEGRAPH H. COFFIN".

The letter was carried direct via the Telegraph to New York where it entered the mails as a ship letter, rated 20½¢ U.S. postage, then 1/7 Cy collect to Montreal which included the B.N.A. postage.

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1125** ✉ **1821 (Feb. 5) Glasgow, Scotland to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter, black scalloped oval "*CAMILLUS * SAILED FEBY 15 I.B.OYES", red "NEW YORK APR 6" c.d.s. with matching "SHIP" handstamp, manuscript "20½", "1N7", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PRIVATE OCEAN SHIP NAME HANDSTAMPS ON CANADIAN
MAILS ARE RARE.

The letter was carried direct via the Camillus with private ocean ship handstamp, entered the mails at New York and rated 20½¢ U.S. postage, then 1/7 Cy collect to Montreal, including B.N.A. postage.

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1126** ✉ **1821 (May 24) Liverpool, England to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter, bright red scalloped oval "* SHIP. ATLANTIC * SAILED MAY. 30. W.

MATLOCK", red "NEW YORK JUN 3" c.d.s. and matching "SHIP" handstamp, manuscript "20½", "1N7", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PRIVATE OCEAN SHIP NAME HANDSTAMPS ON CANADIAN
MAILS ARE RARE.


The letter was carried direct via the Atlantic and entered the mails at New York and rated 20½¢ U.S. postage, then 1/7 Cy collect to Montreal, including B.N.A. postage.

Realized SF 1,400

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- Lot 1127**  **1828 (Mar. 22) Paisley, Scotland to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, red double oval "Ship Lre (crown) MONTREAL", manuscript "11½", manuscript "per favour Mr. McNaughton", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was carried by private ship to Montreal where it received the ship letter handstamp and was rated 11½d collect.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1128**  **1829 (Jun. 9) Wargraves, England to York, Upper Canada**, folded letter, boxed "PAID AT OXFORD" handstamp, manuscript "1/", "post paid to Liverpool", "care of Messrs Crosser & Co Liverpool", red New York datestamp (July) with matching "SHIP" handstamp and manuscript "27", "NIAGARA 6 AUG 1829", red three-line "AMERICAN POSTAGE / FERRIAGE / FORWARDED" with postage summed "1¼½", "2", "7" for a total of "2¼½", reverse manuscript "By some chance this letter missed Burnham by one hour RDC", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN EXCELLENT STRIKE OF THE THREE LINE FERRIAGE
HANDSTAMP, WHICH IS OFTEN POORLY STRUCK.

*The letter is from Wargraves rated 7d to Liverpool, ship to New York, then
overland via Niagara, U.C. to York, rated 1/4½ U.S. equivalent postage, 2d
ferriage and 7d B.N.A. postage to York.*

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1129



1831 (July 29) London, England to Quebec, folded letter, manuscript "pr
Ship Hero/ Capt. Campione", red oval rimless "SHIP LETTER (crown)
QUEBEC" with matching "QUEBEC, SE 20, 1831" split-ring c.d.s.
alongside, manuscript "2½", docketing, name erased and repencilled; tape
stain at top, reinforced splits, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A LATE (PERHAPS THE LATEST) USE OF THE RIMLESS OVAL
"SHIP LETTER QUEBEC" CROWN HANDSTAMP.

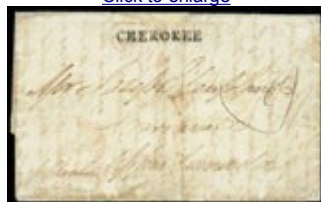
*The letter was carried outside the post via ship "Hero" to Quebec where it
entered as a ship letter, receiving the rare rimless oval "Ship Letter"
handstamp, rated 2½d Cy as an inbound ship letter for local delivery.*

Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1130



1834 (Apr. 15) Greenock, Scotland to Cornwall, Upper Canada, folded
letter with front leaf only, pencil date on flap, black "CHEROKEE", light
red "Montreal May 21" c.d.s. with matching "SHIP" straightline
handstamp, manuscript "9½", "per Cherokee Capt Millar", docketed "22
May"; worn and soiled, paper loss, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE ONLY REPORTED STRIKE OF THE PRIVATE OCEAN SHIP
HANDSTAMP "CHEROKEE" AND THE ONLY RECORDED SHIP
NAME HANDSTAMP ON DIRECT BRITISH - CANADA MAILS.

The letter was carried direct via the Cherokee to Montreal, where it entered the mails as a ship letter and was rated 2d Stg incoming ship letter (1/2 Cy) plus 7d postage to Cornwall for a total of 9½d Cy collect.

Provenance: **Halliday.**

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1131



1834 (May 19) Edinburgh, Scotland to Toronto, U.C. folded cover, "HALIFAX JY 24 1834 N.S." and "QUEBEC AU 4 1834" datestamps and red straightline "(FOR)WARDED", "Add^l/ ½", manuscript "4/10½", "Packet 5N4" and "3N4" subtotaled to "8N8" then "2N2" added and totalled to "10N10", manuscript "To be called for", reverse with manuscript "Opened by a person of same name Toronto City P.O. August (?) 1834" and "Advertised and Not Called For", red wax post office seal "General Post Office"; tiny edge tear and piece of back flap missing, Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

A VERY EARLY EXAMPLE OF OFFICIAL RESEALING OF MAIL
OPENED IN ERROR.


The letter was sent via Falmouth packet "Reindeer" to Halifax, rated 4/10½ Stg as double 2/5 packet letter plus ½d Scottish road tax, converted to 5/4 Cy, then double 1/8 (3/4) to Quebec, and 2/2 to Toronto, totalling 10/10 Cy collect. Opened in error, resealed by the post office and endorsed, eventually returned to England.

Unsold

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- Lot 1132**  **1838 (Apr. 11) Irvine, Scotland to Ramsay, U.C.** folded letter, red "Montreal, L.C., Ju 4, 1838" c.d.s. and matching straightline "SHIP", manuscript "11½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE MONTREAL "SHIP" STRAIGHTLINE HANDSTAMP IS QUITE RARE.


The letter was carried outside the post to Montreal where it received the rare "SHIP" straightline, was rated 2d Stg or 2½d Cy as an inward ship letter plus 9d for 100-200 miles from Montreal to Ramsay. This rate is incorrect as the route passed from Quebec to Montreal and was considered part of the inland post route. The cover should have been rated as if it was sent from Quebec.

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1133**  **1839 (Feb. 7) Woolwich, England to Toronto, U.C.** folded letter, "T.P. Woolwich" straightline, red "PAID 11 FE 11 1839", endorsed "From Alex Mitchell Gunner & private 9 Batallion Royal Artillery", countersigned, red manuscript "1", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The cover was carried at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate by Falmouth packet Linnet via Halifax, N.S. The letter written by Gunner Mitchell reads in part, "It would take thirty pounds to buy my discharge, the standing price of artillery..."

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- Lot 1134**  **1839 (Nov. 26) Athy, Ireland to Fort Henry, Kingston, U.C.** folded letter, red manuscript "P 1", red "PAID NO 27 M 1839" datestamp, reverse with

double arc "ATHY NO 26" datestamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

**A SCARCE TRANSATLANTIC ONE-PENNY SOLDIER'S
CONCESSION LETTER TO A SOLDIER.**


The letter pays the 1d Soldier's Concession rate to Private Conboy, 65th regiment garrisoned at Fort Henry, Kingston, U.C. Soldier Concession rates TO a soldier are much rarer than FROM a soldier.

Realized SF 700

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- Lot 1135**  **1840 (Apr. 6) Aberdeen, Scotland to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, manuscript "11½", red Quebec datestamp (MAY 19 1840) and exceptional strike of matching single-ring oval "SHIP LETTER (crown) QUEBEC"; paper loss at upper left, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

**UNQUESTIONABLY THE FINEST STRIKE OF THE QUEBEC SHIP
LETTER CROWN HANDSTAMP.**


The letter was carried privately to Quebec where it entered the mails, and received a immaculate strike of the ship letter crown handstamp, manuscript rated 11½d to Montreal. This crown handstamp was used from 1835 until 1843 and lacks the side dots typical of the earlier handstamp. It is also a much more ornate crown.

Realized SF 900

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- Lot 1136**  **1840 (Dec. 12) Ballymena, Ireland to Peterborough, U.C.** folded letter franked with an 1840 1d Black, cut into at bottom, tied by red Maltese cross, endorsed "By the first ship from Liverpool", red boxed "PAID AT BALLYMENA" and "PAID DE 19 M 1840", "No. 1", "NEW YORK SHIP

JAN 16", "KINGSTON JAN 22 UP CAN", manuscript "1/-", "39½", "2/", "1/6", totalled "3/6"; paper toned and brittle with splits along folds, first page of letter missing but small pieces with complete dateline present, horizontal file fold through stamp, otherwise Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

ONE OF ONLY THREE RECORDED SINGLE-FRANKED PENNY
BLACK COVERS TO CANADA.

The letter was prepaid 1d inland postage, and 1/- Stg transatlantic rate, to New York, entering and rated as a ship letter double rate 39½¢ U.S. collect (double 18¾¢ plus 2¢ ship fee), converted to 2/ Cy, plus 1/6 inland B.N.A. postage to Peterborough, edge wear, file fold.

Realized SF 11,500

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Lot 1137



1841 (Mar. 5) London, England to Quebec, Canada, folded letter franked with an 1840 1d Black, cut into at top, tied by black Maltese cross, endorsed "To the care of the Agents of the British Queen Steamer London", manuscript "20¾", "2/0½", red "NEW YORK SHIP APR 4 "c.d.s., reverse with "MAR 5 5 N 1841", "S 7 MR 7 1841", Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

ONE OF ONLY THREE RECORDED SINGLE-FRANKED PENNY
BLACK COVERS TO CANADA.


The 1d Black pays the internal British postage and the cover was sent to the agents of the steamer "British Queen" in London, who placed the letter on board the ship, avoiding outward ship letter charges. It was carried on the "British Queen" to New York entering as a ship letter, rated 20¾¢ collect (2¢ ship letter, 18¾¢ U.S. postage) which converts to 1/1 Cy, plus 11½d Cy from the border to Quebec for a total of 2/0½ Cy collect.

Realized SF 14,000

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- Lot 1138**  **1842 (Mar. 10) Meltham, England to Chatham, U.C.** folded letter, red "PAID HUDDERSFIELD" oval handstamp, "NEW YORK SHIP APR 17", "QUEENSTON APR 21 48 U.C.", manuscript "27", "By ship", "8", "1/4 1/2", "9", "2/1 1/2", "1", totalling "2/2 1/2", reverse with "SHIP LETTER (crown) 12 MR 12 1842 LIVERPOOL", "MAR 10 1842" lozenge, Fine Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


The letter was rated 8d Stg as an outward ship letter from Liverpool to New York via U.S. sailing packet, entered New York as a ship letter, rated 27¢ collect (2¢ ship, 25¢ postage), converted to 1/4 1/2 Cy plus 9d B.N.A. postage to Chatham and 1d EXCHANGE SURCHARGE AT 6%. The 6% exchange surcharge was in effect from March 1, 1842 until May 16, 1842, and charged on U.S. postage collected in Canada.

Realized SF 210

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- Lot 1139**  **1842 (Nov. 29) Edinburg, Scotland to Quebec, Canada,** Wesleyan missionary news letter, "A NO 29 1842", "L NO 20 42", manuscript "1/2" crossed out, "1/4", addressed along the side to Quebec, Fine Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

A VERY UNUSUAL TRANSATLANTIC PRINTED PAPERS RATE.


The printed papers were carried via Cunard "Britannia" from Liverpool to Halifax and then to Quebec, rated 1/2 Stg, or 1/4 Cy collect. Printed papers were a minimum of 8 pages from England to Canada.

Realized SF 180

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- Lot 1140**  **1843 (Dec. 18) Aster Park, Monksheath, England to Prescott, C.W.**
folded letter franked with G.B.2d blue, large to cut into margins,
manuscript "1/2", boxed "1/4^dCy" handstamp, reverse with Monksheath,
Congleton (De 18 1843), "L 19 DE 43" lozenge, Prescott (JA 30 1844),
tone spots, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


Although franked with the 2d blue, no credit was given for partial payment and the letter rated fully unpaid 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy collect, carried via Cunard "Britannia" via Halifax and Quebec closed bag mail.

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- Lot 1141**  **1844 (Apr. 14) Kinsale, Ireland to York, Grand River, Upper Canada,**
Kinsale datestamp on "The Constitution or Cork Advertiser" newspaper,
red British 1d revenue tax stamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

SURVIVING TRANSATLANTIC NEWSPAPERS OF THIS ERA ARE SCARCE.


The newspaper was carried via Cunard "Hibernia" from Liverpool to Halifax and then to York, carried as a FREE NEWSPAPER.

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- Lot 1142**  **1848 (July 9) Coldstream, England to Townsend Twp, C.W.** folded letter, manuscript "8" and red "paid 8d", Coldstream datestamp (JY 9 1848), red "SHIP LETTER (crown) MONTREAL" circular handstamp, "2^D½ Currency" handstamp, red Simcoe U.C (OC 4 1848) datestamp, manuscript "Advertised", various backstamps, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE MONTREAL SHIP LETTER
(CROWN) CIRCULAR HANDSTAMP.


The letter was prepaid the 8d British Ship Letter rate, with 2d St colonial postage due, shown as 2½d Cy collect for a total special rate of 10d Stg with the red ship letter handstamp applied in Montreal. The letter was "advertised" as indicated by the manuscript notation at right.

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- Lot 1143**  **1849 (Dec. 11) Kilchrist, Scotland to Sault Ste. Marie, C.W.** folded letter datelined Kilchrist, handstamped neat "1s/4d Cy." in circle, manuscript "1/2", backstamped red Holland Landing, U.C (JA 7 1850), blue Penetanguishine, U.C (JAN 8 1850) and blue Liverpool (DE 14 1849 B) c.d.s.s, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

A COVER CARRIED BY SNOESHOW TO CANADA'S MOST
WESTERN POST OFFICE.


The letter was carried from Kilchrist via Cunard "Cambria" via Liverpool and Boston by closed bag mail to Montreal, then via Holland Landing to Penetanguishine and from there by SNOWSHOE to Sault Ste. Marie, which was the most western post office in Canada at this time. The letter is from Duglad Mac Tavish to William MacTavish, both men who were deeply involved in exploration and the fur trade, Hudson's Bay Company and later politics. The letter discusses family matters and mentions Hargrave, Lockhart, Simpson and others.

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1144**  **1852 (Feb. 20) Newspaper from Meikleour, Scotland to Cobourg, U.C.** three-inch strip from the front page of *The Times* of London including the masthead, addressed to Cobourg, Canada West, partial MEIKLEOUR undated circle postmark, large "1d" handstamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The newspaper was carried by Cunard steamer, likely the "Asia" from Liverpool to New York, with the 1d handstamp applied in Liverpool to indicate 1d collect for U.S. transit fee. Newspapers were free but the recipient had to pay the 1d U.S. transit charge.

Realized SF 450

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- Lot 1145**  **1853 (Oct. 27) New Castleton, Scotland to Sydenham, C.W.** folded letter franked with a G.B. 1sh green, cut to shape, tied by oval grid and "10" handstamp, manuscript "paid 1/" and "per Canadian mail packet", reverse with New Castleton, Langhorn, Carlisle, Liverpool, Montreal, Guelph, Owen Sound and Leith, U.C. backstamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

THE EARLIEST REPORTED CANADIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY COVER.


The cover was prepaid the 1/0 Stg rate and carried via Canadian Steam Navigation Co. "Sahara Sands" via Liverpool and Portland (the 3rd voyage and first via Portland for "Sahara Sands"). The 10d accountancy handstamp was applied at Liverpool for credit to Canada. Arnell's "Atlantic Mails", page 162, illustrates an 1854 cover which is the earliest reported example of mails by C.S.N.C. This cover is a new earliest use.

Realized SF 400

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- Lot 1146**  **1855 (July 6) Liverpool, England to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, red "Milligan & Companys / Circular / ONE PENNY / Newspaper" revenue, "LIVERPOOL JY 7 1855 F", large "1d" handstamp, manuscript "p Canada", reverse with "L JY 7 A", Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

TRANSATLANTIC CIRCULARS WITH PRINTED REVENUE STAMPS TO CANADA ARE EXTREMELY SCARCE, ESPECIALLY IN SUCH PRISTINE CONDITION.

The printed circular was sent via Cunard "Canada" via Boston by closed bag mail to Montreal, rated free to Canada plus 1d U.S. transit fee.

Realized SF 425

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- Lot 1147**  **1762 (Sept. 7) Quebec, Canada to Paris, France**, folded letter endorsed "De Quebec par Louvien" (by Post Office in France), rated manuscript "10" and re-rated "14"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE EXAMPLE OF MAIL FROM CANADA DURING THE INTERIM PERIOD BETWEEN BRITISH CONQUEST OF 1759-1760 AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BRITISH POSTAL SERVICES IN 1763.

Between 1759 and 1763, after the British conquest, there were no organized postal services in Canada. As a result, this cover was carried by private vessel to France. New French postal charges, effective July 8, 1759, were 4 sols maritime postage on letters from Canada, and 10 sols internal postage to Paris, for a total of 14 sols collect. The letter was from L. Lajus Veaux Almain, a member of the family of Jordain Lajus, a pioneer surgeon in Canada and

representative of the first surgeon to the King.

Realized SF 5,000

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Lot 1148



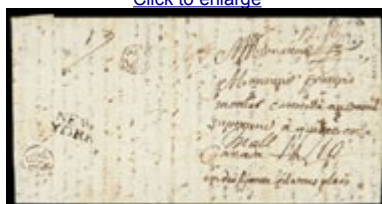
1765 (Apr. 2) France to Montreal, Canada, folded cover with docketing, carried under cover to a forwarding agent with manuscript "A Cheminee par V so S. Daniel Vialars de Londres le 5e Juin 1765", red manuscript "6.16"; tape repair on reverse, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

The letter, originally undercover from France (town unknown), was forwarded from London, England by private sailing vessel to Quebec where it was placed in the mails and rated "6.16" collect (6 penny weights plus 16 grains of silver). The inwards ship letter rate was 16 grains of silver plus 6 penny weight, double the overland rate Quebec to Montreal. A rare marking.

Realized SF 2,000

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Lot 1149



1767 (Mar. 20) Caen, France to Quebec, Canada, folded cover, circular "CAEN / PORT / PEYE" handstamp, manuscript "17" rating on reverse, London bishop mark "MR 27", "NEW YORK" straightline and bishop mark "28 MA", manuscript rated "1/0", later "Inall 1/10", and finally "4/3" and "12.16", Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A RARE EARLY USAGE FROM FRANCE TO LONDON.

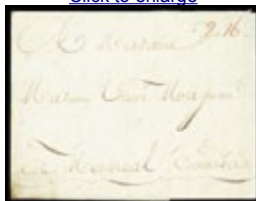
The letter was rated 7 sols from Caen to Paris, and 10 sols to port of departure for 17 sols prepaid. The "1/0" Falmouth packet rate from London to New York, re-rated "In all 1N10" to include 10d British charge (7:8 dwt or 2/5 Cy). The U.S. rate from New York to Quebec was 5:8 dwt (1/4 Stg or 1/10 Cy). The cover was dually rated collect

4/3 Cy and also shown as "12.16" dwt.

Realized SF 7,250

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Lot 1150



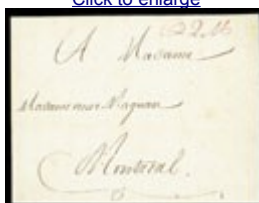
1770 (Mar. 4) La Rochelle, France to Montreal, Canada, folded letter with dateline, manuscript rated "2.16"; lower left corner fault, part of contents missing, Very Fine appearance
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was carried outside the mail by private ship to Canada where it was placed in the mails at Quebec. It is rated "2.16" which is 2 dwt 16 grains of silver, the rate to Montreal. The letter is from Denis Goguet (1704-1778), Receiver of the Admiralty Court at Quebec, Treasurer of France, Merchant and Fur Trader, agent for Pascaud Freres of La Rochelle, reported to be the leading recipient of Canadian furs in France and in 1769 became the King's Secretary in France. The letter was addressed to M.V. Magnan who was involved in the fur trade in Canada.

Realized SF 1,250

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Lot 1151



1774 (Mar. 10) La Rochelle, France to Montreal, Canada, folded letter with red manuscript "Q 2.16", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE "Q" MANUSCRIPT POSTMARK IS THE EARLIEST CANADIAN POSTMARK OF ITS KIND TO INDICATE THE CITY OF USE.

The letter was carried outside the mail by private ship to Canada where it was placed in the mails at Quebec and marked "Q 2.16", which represents Quebec 2 dwt and 16 grains of silver collect to Montreal. The letter is from Denis Goguet (1704-1778), Receiver of

the Admiralty Court at Quebec, Treasurer of France, Merchant and Fur Trader, agent for Pascaud Freres of La Rochelle, reported to be the leading recipient of Canadian furs in France and who, in 1769, became the King's Secretary in France. The letter was addressed to M.V. Magnan who was involved in the fur trade in Canada.

Realized SF 1,800

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Lot 1152



1791 (Sept. 22) Montreal, Canada to Bordeaux, France, folded letter, red "NEW YORK Oct. 6" straightline, black "Paq. de New York 11 Sept." and "October" month correction added, red "SEPTENIONALE AMERIQUE / P. L'ORIENT" double circle handstamp, manuscript "34", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A RARE FRENCH CONTRACT PACKET COVER ORIGINATING IN CANADA.

The letter was posted under cover to New York and/or favored to New York and posted there. The black "Paq. de New York" straightline was applied at New York, and the letter carried by French Contract Packet "Le Suffren", sailing from New York on or about Oct. 14, 1791. The letter likely arrived at L'Orient on November 30, 1791, the 14th voyage by contract packet owned by Benjamin Dubois of St. Malo, and the 7th voyage of "Le Suffren". The letter is rated 34 sols collect. Joseph Quesnel (1746-1809) was a businessman, composer, militia officer, playwright and poet. The letter is addressed to his brother Pierre's firm at Baignoux - Quesnel at Bordeaux.

Realized SF 7,500

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Lot 1153



1843 (Dec. 13) Toronto, U.C. to Lyon, France, folded letter, Toronto (DE 13 1843), two strikes of boxed "CANADA/ &c ART. 11" in red,

red "ANGL. BOULOGNE 2 JANV 44" transit, manuscript "2/-" and French "32", backstamps include Quebec and England transits, Fine Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

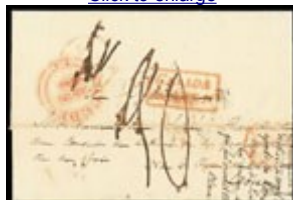
THE FINER OF THE TWO RECORDED STRIKES OF "CANADA & ART. 11", AS WELL AS THE EARLIEST RECORDED.

The letter was carried from Toronto via Halifax and Cunard steamer "Hibernia" to England and then to Lyon, France with 2/0 Stg collect crossed out and 32 decimes due added. The "CANADA & ART. 11" (Salles #3002) was used from June 1, 1843 to Dec. 31, 1845 on unpaid letters from Canada to France with 4/0 Stg due from France to Britain per ounce. Illustrated in "Allan Steinhart Postal Historian", p. 11.

Realized SF 4,500

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Lot 1154



1845 (Apr. 26) Quebec, L.C. to Lyon, France, folded letter, red Quebec (AP 26 1845), red boxed "CANADA &c ART. 11", manuscript "30", backstamps include red "OO 14 MY 1845", blue "PARIS 18 MAI 45", and "LYON 18 MAI" receiver; tiny edge tear, Fine Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE OTHER OF THE TWO RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE "CANADA &C ART. 11" HANDSTAMP.

The letter was carried from Quebec via the U.S.A. and Cunard steamer 'Caledonia' via closed bag mail from Quebec to London via Boston and Liverpool. This was the first sailing from Canada of closed mails through the United States to England. The cover was rated 30 decimes collect in error and should have been 32 decimes (12 decimes GB debit to France, 20 decimes internal French postage) under the new Article 11. The boxed "CANADA &c ART. 11" (Salles #3002) was used from June 1, 1843 to Dec. 31, 1845 on unpaid letters from Canada to France with 4/0 Stg due from France to Britain per ounce. Illustrated in "Allan Steinhart Postal Historian", p. 11.

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1155



1848 (Oct. 9) Granville, France to St. Pierre & Miquelon, folded letter postmarked Granville c.d.s., handstamped red boxed "PD", "PAID C 13 OC 13 1848", "L OC 14 A" and red "X" in circle, reverse with "H OC 23 1848", "Sydney CB OC 29 1848 NS", "ST ANGL 12 OCT" handstamps and manuscript "19", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was prepaid 19 decimes, from Granville to London by Cunard "Europa" via Liverpool and Halifax, then Cunard Halifax-St. John's mail steamer to Sydney, C.B. and from there a local mail boat to St. Pierre & Miquelon.

Realized SF 400

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Lot 1156



1852 (Dec. 3) Quebec, L.C. to Cognac, France, folded letter postmarked red "QUEBEC CAN" c.d.s., manuscript "2/4", crossed out, red boxed "CANADA &c ART. 12", "ANGL. CALAIS 22 DEC 52" and manuscript "51", backstamped Montreal, London, Paris, and Cognac, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE "QUEBEC CAN" DATESTAMP WITH CAN AT THE BASE.

The letter was carried from Quebec via Cunard steamer to England, then to France, rated double weight 2/4 Stg unpaid, crossed out and French 51 decimes collect.

Realized SF 650

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Lot 1157



1853 (Feb. 11) Quebec, L.C. to Paris, France, mourning envelope postmarked "LEGISLATIVE CANADA ASSEMBLY." oval, red "QUEBEC FE 11 1853 LC" c.d.s., "PAID AT QUEBEC" crown circle, "PAID 1853 28 FE 28 DU" c.d.s., "ANGL. 1 MARS 53 (AM 1) CALAIS 2" c.d.s., oval "PD" with manuscript "2/5" and "2/8½" rates, backstamped Paris, Mar. 1, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE BLACK LEGISLATIVE CANADA ASSEMBLY HANDSTAMP USED AT QUEBEC.

The letter was prepaid 2/5 Stg or 2/8½ Cy via Cunard "Canada" via Boston and Liverpool to London and then Paris. The oval Legislative Assembly handstamp is normally in blue and is unreported in black at Quebec.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1158



1853 (July 16) Quebec, L.C. to Cognac, France, folded letter postmarked red Quebec c.d.s., endorsed "P Lady Eglinton", manuscript "1/", "10", and "15", "ANGL (AM. 1) CALAIS 2 29 JUIL 53" c.d.s. with, red boxed "COLONIES &c ART. 13.", reverse with green tombstone "Pkt. Letter Liverpool JY 28 1853", Paris (Jul. 29) and Cognac (Jul. 30) datestamps, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

BELIEVED TO BE THE ONLY COVER CARRIED BY THE CANADIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY WITH THE SHIP NAME ENDORSEMENT.

The letter was carried from Quebec to England on the maiden voyage of the 'Lady Eglinton' who served the short lived "Canadian Steam Navigation Company", and made only two voyages. The letter was rated collect postage via Great Britain, with a boxed Colonies & Art. 13 handstamp, "1/" crossed out, and finally rated 15 decimes collect.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1159



1856 (Dec. 15) Montreal, C.E. to Cognac, France, folded letter postmarked Montreal c.d.s., endorsed "p Arabia", red boxed "CANADA ART - 19", "ANGL. AMB CALAIS A 30 DEC 56" c.d.s. and manuscript "34", backstamps include London (Dec. 29) and Cognac (Dec. 31), Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

THE LAST SAILING THAT INCLUDED COVERS ON WHICH THE CANADA ART - 19 ACCOUNTANCY HANDSTAMP WAS USED.

The cover was carried from Montreal via Cunard "Arabia" via closed bag mail via Boston and Liverpool, rated 34 decimes due in Cognac. The accountancy handstamp was only used in 1856 on unpaid letters from Canada to France. The rate breakdown is 24 decimes G.B. debit to France and 10 decimes internal French postage for a total of 34 decimes collect.

Realized SF 575

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Lot 1160



1857 (Mar. 27) Montreal, Canada to Paris, France, cover postmarked Montreal, L.C. c.d.s., "GB/ 2^F 40^C" handstamp (Salles #3041) and "ANGL 12 AVRIL 57 AMB. CALAIS D" c.d.s., manuscript "10", endorsed "p Steamer North America", backstamped London, Calais, and Paris, Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried via Allan line "North American", via Portland and Liverpool via closed bag mail to London, then via Calais to Paris. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 2F 40¢" was aused Jan. 1, 1857- Dec 31, 1857 on unpaid letters from Canada to

France direct or via Halifax. The letter was rated 10 decimes collect.

Realized SF 350

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Lot 1161



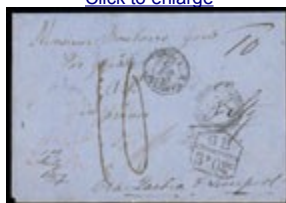
1857 (June 20) Montreal, Canada to Paris, France, folded letter postmarked Montreal c.d.s., "GB/ 2^F 40^C" (Salles #3041) handstamp and "ANGL 3 JUIL 57 AMB. CALAIS E" c.d.s., manuscript "10", endorsed "p North America", backstamped London, Paris a Strasbourg and Rheims, Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried via Allan line "North American", via Portland and Liverpool via closed bag mail to London, then via Calais to Paris. This Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 2F 40¢" was used Jan. 1, 1857- Dec 31, 1857 on unpaid letters from Canada to France direct or via Halifax. The letter was rated 10 decimes collect.

Realized SF 210

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Lot 1162



1857 (July 1) Paspébiac, L.C. to St. Claire, Granville, France, folded cover postmarked Paspébiac L.C. c.d.s. with manuscript date, manuscript "8d Stg", "10d", "via Quebec & Liverpool" and large "10", handstamps are a Quebec 4-ring "37", which cancels the manuscript "8d Stg", an Anglo-French accountancy mark "GB/ 3^F 02^C" (Salles #3043, used only in 1857) and "ANGL. AMB CALAIS 27 JUIL 57" c.d.s., reverse with "Quebec, London, Paris a Cherbourg, Granville and St. Claire datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

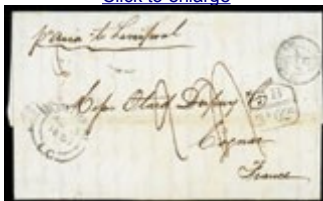
The letter was carried via Cunard "Niagara" from the Gaspé region via an unusual routing of Quebec, by closed bag via Boston and Liverpool to London, then to France. The 8d Stg rate was annulled by the 4-ring "37" and the letter was rated 10 decimes collect in France,

the 10d rate prepaid via Cunard and the U.S.

Realized SF 575

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Lot 1163



1857 (Aug. 3) Montreal, C.E. to Cognac, France, folded letter postmarked Montreal with manuscript "p Asia to Liverpool" and "24", "GB/ 3^F 02^C" (Salles #3043) and "ANGL. 17 AOUT 57 AMB. CALAIS L" handstamps, backstamped London, Paris and Cognac; fold toning, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried via Cunard "Asia" via New York and Liverpool by closed bag to London, then Calais and Paris to Cognac, rated 24 decimes collect. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB/ 3^F 02^C" was applied under Article #37 and used only in 1857 on unpaid mail from Canada to France via the U.S.

Realized SF 500

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Lot 1164



1857 (Aug. 25) Quebec, L.C. to Rheims, France, folded letter postmarked Quebec c.d.s. with manuscript "p English Mail" and "10d", "GB/ 3^F 02^C" (Salles #3043), "12" and "ANGL. 7 SEPT. 57 AMB. CALAIS M" handstamps, backstamped London, Paris, Paris a Strasbourg and Rheims, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried via Cunard "Canada" via Boston and Liverpool to London via closed bag, then Paris, Strasbourg to Rheims. The letter was rated 10d Cy collect, the prepaid rate via Cunard via U.S.A., rated 12 decimes collect. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 3^F 02^C" was applied under Article #37 and was used only in 1857 on unpaid mail from Canada to France

via the U.S.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1165



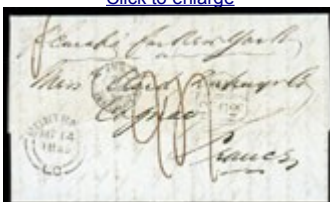
1859 (Jan. 22) Paspebiac, L.C. to Granville, France, blue folded cover postmarked red Paspebiac c.d.s., "6d", "NEW B^K/ 1^d/ CLAIM" and "GB 2^F 62^C" (Salles #3048) handstamps, manuscript "3d" and "8" rates, backstamped Carleton-Gaspe, L.C., Sackville, N.B., London, Paris, Granville datestamps; minor bleach spots, Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was originally rated 3d to Sackville, re-rated at Sackville 6d, the rate to England, "New BK 1d CLAIM" handstamp applied, sent via Cunard "Arabia" from Halifax via closed bag from Sackville to London, then Calais, Paris and Granville. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 2F 62C" was applied under Article #44, effective Jan. 1 1858 on letters from Canada to France VIA THE U.S.A. This handstamp was applied IN ERROR, as the letter was sent via Halifax. The cover is rated 8 decimes due but in fact should have been 12 decimes due (7 G.B. debit to France, 5 French internal).

Realized SF 375

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Lot 1166



1859 (Mar. 14) Montreal, L.C. to Cognac, France, folded letter postmarked Montreal c.d.s., "GB/ 2^F 62^C" handstamp (Salles #3048) and "ANGL. 29 MARS 59 AMB. CALAIS M" c.d.s., manuscript "24" and "p Europa from New York", backstamped Montreal, London, Paris, Paris a Bourdeaux and Cognac, Very Fine Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried via Cunard "Europa" via closed bag mail from Montreal via New York and Liverpool to London, then via Calais, Paris, Bourdeuax to Cognac. The letter received the Anglo-French

accountancy handstamp "GB/ 2^F 62^C" under article 44, effective Jan. 1 1858, rated 24 decimes collect. This is the latest recorded use of this accountancy handstamp, as after April 1859 letters to England had to be prepaid or a penalty was charged.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1167



1861 (Sept. 28) Quebec, Canada to Havre, France, cover postmarked Quebec, L.C. c.d.s., oval "GB/ 40¢" handstamp (Salles Fig. 3036), "ANGL. 9 OCT 61 AMB. CALAIS A" French entry c.d.s., and manuscript "5", backstamped London, Paris and Le Havre, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

RARE USE OF "GB 40¢" ON CANADIAN MAILS, AS IT WAS INTENDED FOR U.S. MAILS.

*The letter was carried via Allan line "AngloSaxon" from Quebec to Liverpool and London via closed bag, 5 dcimes collect. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 40¢" **was applied in error**. Article 31, effective Jan 1, 1857 rated letterd 40¢ per 30 grams or ounce due to Britain from France for unpaid letter from U.S.A. This cover should have been rated under Article 35 with "GB 2f40¢" and therefore rated 10 decimes collect.*

Realized SF 290

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Lot 1168



1865 (May 17) Paspebiac, Gaspé, C.E. to St. Pair, France, cover, Paspebiac datestamp, "PD", "LONDON FY JU 5 65 PAID", "PAID", "ANGL. 5 JUIN 65 AMB. CALAIS E", "BRITISH 5d CLAIM" altered with manuscript "7", reverse with Carleton- Gaspé, Dalhousie, Chatham, Sackville, Paris a Cherbourg, Granville datestamps, pinhole top right, not affecting postmarks, otherwise Fine

Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was prepaid 17¢ via closed bag mail from Sackville, N.B. to London via Halifax and Cunard "Asia" via Liverpool, then to France. The British 5d Claim handstamp is unrecorded used at Sackville, and most unusual in its modified form to show 7d credit to England. An odd example of Gaspe region mail of Eastern Quebec forwarded through N.B. via Halifax and not via Quebec or U.S.A.

Realized SF 180

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Lot 1169



French covers to or from Canada, group of six covers comprising 1820 Paris to Quebec ship letter, 1822 Paris to Quebec; 1843 Montreal to Lyon, France; 1844 Quebec to Lyon, France; 1852 Quebec to Aix, France with vander Linden #1257 in red "FR 2f" in circle (used only 10 days in August 1852); and 1864 Quebec to Orgères, France, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,800

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Lot 1170



1761 (June 15) Quebec, Canada to Newport, Rhode Island, folded letter with no markings; internal edge separation along fold, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AN EARLY BRITISH PERIOD CROSS BORDER COVER.

The cover was sent during the interim period after the French loss of

New France and the British establishment of a post office in Canada in 1763. The letter reads in part, "safe arrival here on the 13th"... "a very bad market... determined to set out for Newfoundland as soon as I can land my freight..."

Realized SF 1,050

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The Allan L. Steinhart Collection of Canadian Stampless Covers

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- Lot 1171** ✉ **1769 (c.) Montreal, Canada to Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.** folded cover addressed to "Monsieur Martin Durocher, Dit frape j Vermont, Au Detroie", wax seal stain and soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

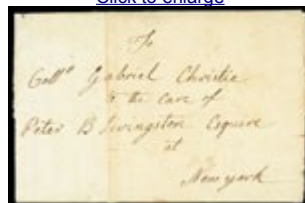
A RARE USAGE TO BRITISH-OCCUPIED DETROIT.

At this time Detroit was a British possession and there was no postal route or rate beyond Montreal. The letter was carried by favor or military courier.

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- Lot 1172** ✉ **1775 (May 6) Montreal, Canada to New York, New York, U.S.A.** folded personal letter datelined Montreal, no postal markings, some splitting on folds and content not quite intact, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

AN EARLY AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR CROSS-BORDER COVER.

The letter was carried outside the post at the beginning of the American Revolution from Sarah Christie, wife of Gabriel Christie, army officer and

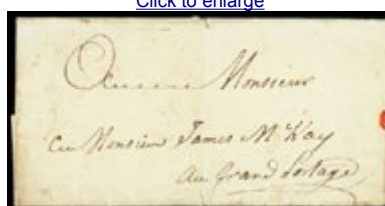
seigneur. Christie would become Major General by October 1781 and retire as a full general. In 1764 he was partnered with Moses Hazen in seigneuries of Bleury and Sabrevois in addition to other seigneuries. He had a notable court battle with Hazen. The letter's contents include, "Yours of the 19 February I received only yesterday... If Hazen should attempt to do anything before you come home the Lord knows what I shall do..." The letter also mentions the insecurities of the post.


Provenance: **Wellburn.**

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1173**  **1789 (Mar. 26) Montreal, Canada to Grand Portage (now Minnesota, U.S.A.),** folded cover, no postal markings, addressed simply "Au Monsieur James McKay au Grand Portage", docketed on reverse "James McKay, Donald McKay & Angus Shaw, 26 March 1789"; reinforced folds and minor splits, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

AN EARLY, CROSS-BORDER FUR TRADE COVER CARRIED VIRTUALLY THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE GREAT LAKES AND ST. LAWRENCE RIVER SYSTEM.

The letter was carried outside the mails by canoe express across the Great Lakes. Grand Portage was the main North West Company post at the east end of the Grand Portage Route from Lake Superior to Red River at the western end of Lake Superior. The letter is addressed to Donald "Mad" McKay, who was employed in 1779 by John Ross, a minor North West Company trader on Assiniboine River. Being in American territory, Grand Portage was later abandoned in 1800-1801 and replaced by a new post further north at Fort William.

Realized SF 5,750

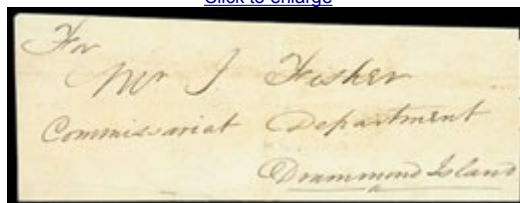
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- Lot 1174**  **1820 (Aug. 2) St. Catherines, U.C. to Mayville, N.Y., U.S.A.** folded cover, postmarked black straightline "ST. CATHERINES" plus red manuscript "2d Aug 1820" and "Free to lines", first two crossed out at U.S. exchange office in Lewiston, M.E. and manuscript postmarks "Lewiston NY 5 Aug." and "12½" were applied; light water stain on reverse only, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

ONLY A FEW EXAMPLES OF THE ST. CATHERINES STRAIGHTLINE
ARE REPORTED IN PRIVATE HANDS.

*The letter was carried free to the border, exchanged at Lewiston and rated
12½¢ U.S. postage collect.*

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- Lot 1175** ✉ **1825, Sandwich, U.C. to Drummond Island**, large part folded letter, no postal markings, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

TO U.S. TERRITORY STILL UNDER BRITISH CONTROL.

The letter was carried free on post office business to "Mr. J Fisher, Commisariat Department, Drummond Island". The letter is a list of "Drummond Island letters received. at this office", ten letters in all, with postage totaling 19sh, but no reference is made specifically to Sandwich.

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- Lot 1176** ✉ **1831 (Apr. 23) Montreal, L.C. to Champlain, New York, U.S.A.,** folded letter, manuscript "Plattsburg April 30", "Ship 8", Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

SHIP LETTERS ON LAKE CHAMPLAIN ARE QUITE UNCOMMON.


The letter was carried outside the post by Lake Champlain steamboat to Plattsburgh, New York where it entered as a ship letter, rated 2¢ ship, plus 6¢ postage for less than 30 miles to Champlain, N.Y.

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1177**  **1835 (July 9) Quebec, L.C. to Ellsworth, Maine**, folded letter with red "Quebec U.C. JY 8 1835" c.d.s. with matching PAID handstamp, endorsed "per Kennebec", "Canada line July" with matching "18³/₄", red manuscript "7", "AC", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ONE OF ONLY TWO RECORDED CROSS BORDER COVERS VIA THE KENNEBEC ROAD, BOTH OF WHICH ARE IN THIS COLLECTION.

The letter was prepaid 7d to the border and rated 18³/₄¢ collect, and endorsed to be carried via the Kennebec Road due south of Quebec to the border and the Canada line. This shorter route to the U.S. resulted in B.N.A. postage charges of only 7d as compared to the normal 11d, 11¹/₂d, or 1/0 postal charge.


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1178**  **1836 (Mar. 31) Barton Gov. Dist., U.C. to New York, NY**, folded letter, red "Hamilton U.C. Apl 3" rimless c.d.s. with matching "PAID" and "U.S. POST. PAID" handstamps, manuscript "25", "6¹/₂", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ONE OF LESS THAN SIX RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE "U.S. POST PAID" HANDSTAMP.

The letter is datelined "Barton, Gore District", an early name for Hamilton, and was prepaid 4¹/₂d to the border, 2d ferriage across the river and 25¢ U.S. postage to New York, with the red "U.S. POST. PAID" applied at Hamilton, U.C.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1179** ✉ **1837 (May 22) Hallowell, U.C. to Batavia, New York**, folded cover, red Kingston U.P. CAN datestamp (May 23), two-line "BRITISH POSTAGE PAID / U. STATES Do. PAID" handstamp, manuscript "1/-" and "25 Cts", endorsed "via Kingston", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

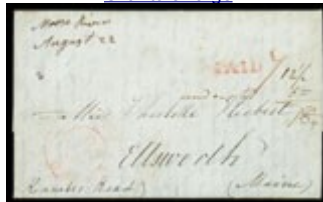
ONE OF LESS THAN SIX RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE HALLOWELL TWO-LINE RATE HANDSTAMP.

The letter was prepaid 1/0 Cy to the border (9d double postage, 3d FERRIAGE) plus 25¢ U.S. postage to Batavia.

Realized SF 750

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- Lot 1180** ✉ **1838 (Aug. 20) Quebec, L.C. to Ellsworth, Maine**, folded letter, manuscript "Kennebec Road", "Moose River August 22", "PAID" handstamp with red manuscript "7", manuscript "12½" plus "6¼" totalled "18¾", Very fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE OTHER OF THE TWO RECORDED CROSS BORDER COVERS VIA THE KENNEBEC ROAD.


The letter was prepaid 7d to the border and rated 18¾¢ collect, and endorsed to be carried via the Kennebec Road due south of Quebec to the border and via the Moose River, the Maine border exchange office. This shorter route to the U.S. resulted in B.N.A. postage charges of only 7d as compared to the normal charge of 11d, 11½d or 1/0.

Realized SF 1,400

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- Lot 1181**  **1839 (Mar. 30) Quebec, L.C. to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter, free franked "T.A. Stayner", then "U.S. postage paid", "37½", red "PAID" and "FREE" handstamps, Quebec double circle (MA 30 1839), Very Fine Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

THE DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL DISCUSSED FREIGHT MONEY CHARGES WITH PIONEER STEAMER AGENTS.


The letter was free franked by D.P.M.G. Stayner, and paid U.S. postage of 37½¢ to New York. The letter to A. Bell & Co, agents for various pioneer steamers discusses FREIGHT MONEY, "I shall of course, as you desire, direct my deputy at Montreal to remit direct to you, and if all the postmasters in the more remote situations could do the same, I should be pleased..."

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1182**  **1839 (July 29) Montreal, L.C. to Concord, Mass.** folded letter, Montreal datestamp, red "STEAM-BOAT" straightline and "PAID" with red manuscript "4 ½" rating, magenta "18¾"; Very Fine Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was prepaid 4½d to the border, 18¾¢ U.S. collect to Concord. The STEAMBOAT handstamp was applied at Whitehall, N.Y. indicating carriage via Lake Champlain steamboat from St. John, L.C. to Whitehall, N.Y. The letter reads, "... and in this place there are a number of thousands of soldiers who live in the barracks and go regularly through their military duty. There are a very large number of the Queen's Household troops called I believe Grenadier Guards. These are picked men all six feet in height sent over to assist in quelling the insurgents and when marching in the streets present you quite an imposing appearance..."

Realized SF 300

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- Lot 1183**  **1840 (May 30) Quebec, L.C. to New York**, letter only headed "Account of Steam Ship Postage collected in the Canadas, on Letters and Packets transmitted to New York to be forwarded thence by the Steam Ship 'Liverpool' viz.". The letter details \$270.14 in postage less \$33.76, the 12.5% commission allowed to Postmasters for collecting U.S. postage in Canada, and less \$5.78 for the draft of the balance \$230.60 U.S. transmitted. *Illustrated in Steinhart "Freight Money".*
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


A FIRST HAND ACCOUNTING OF CANADIAN POSTMASTER'S
12.5% COMMISSION ON FREIGHT MONEY.

Realized SF 250

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- Lot 1184**  **1842 (Nov. 16) St. Catharines, U.C. to Houston, Republic of Texas**, folded letter, red manuscript "U.S.P. 25 / B.P. 4½", two PAID handstamps, blue manuscript "Ship" and "25", "FORWARDED BY WILLIAM BRYAN NEW ORLEANS" double oval handstamp; repaired vertical tear, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE CANADIAN COVER TO THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS.

The letter was carried from St. Catharines to the border for 4½d, then 25¢ U.S. postage to New York, via ship to New Orleans, then incoming ship and additional 25¢ collect (6¼¢ ship letter, 18¾¢ postage) to Houston, Republic of Texas. The letter likely entered at Galveston.

Provenance: **Faulstich, Greene.**

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1185** ✉ **1846 (May 2) London, U.C. to Underhill, Vermont, U.S.A.** folded cover, manuscript "From No. 1865 Yo Geo Campbell 61st Regt", countersigned, London, U.C. datestamp (MY 2 1846), "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "1", "Too Late" script straightline, red Lewiston, N.Y. datestamp (May 5) with matching "10" handstamp; toning, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

VERY FEW CROSS-BORDER SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVERS ARE KNOWN.

The letter was prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate to the border, and then 10¢ U.S. postage collect.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1186** ✉ **1848 (Feb. 4) Montreal, L.C. to Burlington, Vermont, U.S.A.** folded letter, red Montreal datestamp (Feb 4 1848), endorsed "From ... Geo Campbell 77th Regt", countersigned "Graham Egerton Major Commanding 77th Regiment", red manuscript "1", red Highgate, V.T (Feb 7) datestamp with matching boxed "5" handstamp; aging, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

VERY FEW CROSS-BORDER SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVERS ARE KNOWN.


The letter was sent at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate, properly countersigned, and prepaid 1d. Upon entering the U.S., the boxed 5 handstamp was applied to indicate 5¢ U.S. postage due upon delivery, as the British Empire Soldier's concession rate did not include U.S. postage.

Realized SF 900

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- Lot 1187**  **1853 (Sept. 12) Montreal, L.C. to Warner, N.H., U.S.A.** cover with enclosure, red illustrated corner card of B.P. Paige & Co., "Manfs. of Patent Thrashing Machines" featuring a **horse-powered thrashing machine**, artist's name "W. Murhpy, NY" in the design, handstamped red Montreal Paid tombstone, "CANADA" arc, "PAID" and "10", minor edge toning, Very Fine. *Prepaid 10¢ crossborder treaty rate and a very early example of coloured advertising*
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1188**  **1857 (June 23) Montreal, C.E. to Narhouse Point, Conn, U.S.A.** cover postmarked Montreal c.d.s. with red "The Donegana Hotel J.H. Daley Montreal" illustrated cameo corner card, manuscript "6" and handstamped "10"; minor edge faults, Fine. *The 6d Cy or 10¢ cross border treaty rate on an early advertising cover*
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

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- Lot 1189**  **1859 (Jan. 28) Quebec, L.C. to San Francisco, California**, cover, red "PAID JA 28 1859 QUEBEC. L.C.", "9", "PAID" handstamps, San Francisco Mar 11 1859 Advertiser, small tear at top, edge soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

ONE OF FEW RECORDED PENCE PERIOD STAMPLESS RATES TO CALIFORNIA.


The cover was rated paid 9d or 15¢, the rate from Canada to the west coast of U.S.A. over 3000 miles, carried via New York and ship via Central America, taking 42 days in transit.

Realized SF 260

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- Lot 1190**  **1861 (Dec. 5) St. Alexandre, L.C. to Philadelphia, PA, U.S.** U.S. political campaign cover showing Republican presidential candidate John C. Fremont, postmarked St. Alexandre, handstamped "PAID" with manuscript "10", small manuscript "paid", "CANADA" in arc exchange office marking; opening tears at bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

UNCOMMON USE OF U.S. POLITICAL CAMPAIGN COVER FROM CANADA TO U.S.A., DURING U.S. CIVIL WAR. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 134 OF ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".


The letter was prepaid the 10¢ cross-border rate.

Realized SF 210

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- Lot 1191**  **1862 (Dec. 18) Bluevale, C.W. to Le Roy, N.Y.** blue and red U.S. Civil War patriotic cover "The War for the Union / The Constitution and The Law", small Bluevale c.d.s. with manuscript date, manuscript "Paid 10", backstamped Morrisbank, U.C. and Seaforth, C.W.; slightly reduced at right, Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

UNCOMMON USE OF US CIVIL WAR PATRIOTIC FROM CANADA TO U.S. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 86 OF ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".


The cover was prepaid the 10¢ cross-border treaty rate.

Realized SF 250

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- Lot 1192**  **1768 (Sept. 15) Philadelphia, U.S.A. to Quebec, Canada.** folded cover, red two line "PHILA / DELPHIA", magenta Franklin mark "15 SE", red "POST PAID", "11.16", additional docketing notations, Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

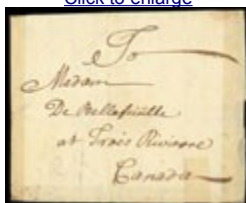
A RARE INTERCOLONIAL LETTER RATE.

The letter was rated 11.16 dwt prepaid as a double rate intercolonial letter.

Realized SF 4,750

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- Lot 1193**  **1769 (Aug. 2) New York, U.S.A. to Trois Riviere, Canada,** folded letter datelined New York, no postal markings; tape repairs, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

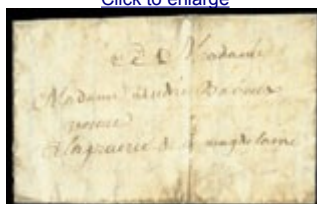
A VERY EARLY NEW YORK FORWARDING AGENT COVER AND "CROSS BORDER" COVER.

The letter was carried by favor outside the post and is from a New York forwarding agent, Isaac Low, which reads in part, "I have the pleasure to forward to you the enclosed letter recommended to my care from Cayenne, in case you should want to send letters to be forwarded to that place, I shall be very proud to do so for you provided I am not rendered liable to any postage in consequence of such letters, as has often been the case before...". It seems even early forwarding agents had trouble collecting their monies outlaid for clients. The letter is sent to Madam Lefebvre de Bellefeuille, whose husband, Francois (1708-1780) was a seigneur, trader and an important figure in the Gaspé fishery.

Realized SF 2,600

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- Lot 1194**  **1770 (July 27) Detroit, Michigan, U.S. to La Prairie, Quebec**, folded letter datelined "de Detroit", no postal markings; soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

A RARE USAGE FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED DETROIT.


At this time Detroit was a British possession and there was no postal route or rate beyond Montreal. The letter was carried by favor or military courier.

Realized SF 1,350

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- Lot 1195**  **1775 (Dec. 27) Albany, New York to Montreal, Canada**, datelined folded cover, manuscript "Albany 3:8", "1/ 1½"; stain upper right, Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

THE ONLY REPORTED COVER TO MONTREAL WHILE UNDER ADMINISTRATION OF THE AMERICAN CONTINENTAL POST OFFICE.


*The letter was rated 3:8 dwt or 1/1½d Cy collect to **occupied**, Montreal. Montreal was occupied during the American Revolutionary War by American forces from November 13, 1775 to June 16, 1776, and subsequently this letter was sent and received under the administration of the American Revolutionary Post Office. The letter is from Abraham Ten Broeck, a brigadier in the American Revolutionary War forces to Jacob Jordan, who was a contract supplier to the British Forces and Deputy Paymaster General.*

Realized SF 21,000

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- Lot 1196**  **1781 (May 28) Detroit, U.S.A. to Quebec, Canada**, folded cover, "MONTREAL" straightline and red manuscript "9", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A LETTER FROM DETROIT AS PART OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR.


The letter was from Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., favored outside the post to Montreal and posted there, rated 9d Cy to Quebec. The letter is from Jacques Duperont Baby (1731-1789), fur trader and Indian Department employee, who writes to his brother in Quebec. Baby was an important, early citizen of Detroit. Knowledge of the correspondence is the only evidence of a Detroit origin or of the year date.

Realized SF 1,500

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- Lot 1197**  **1782 (Aug. 20) Niagara, New York to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, manuscript "His Majesty's Service", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was written by the famous John Butler, of Butler's Rangers, from Niagara to Montreal during the American Revolution. Fort Niagara remained in British control until 1796. Col. Butler raised a 100 man company of Indian Department Rangers who defended the Indian Territory against the Sullivan-Clinton Expedition, commanded raids against Schoharie and Mohawk Valley and established his headquarters at occupied Fort Niagara (New York). In the letter, Butler expresses a legal opinion regarding one Christopher Chrysler.

Realized SF 2,700

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- Lot 1198**  **1783 (Oct. 10) Detroit, U.S.A. to Quebec, Canada**, folded letter, "MONTREAL" straightline and red manuscript "9"; tiny cover tear at top, Very Fine appearing
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

A VERY EARLY LETTER FROM DETROIT WHILE OFFICIALLY AMERICAN TERRITORY YET OCCUPIED BY THE BRITISH.


The letter was carried outside the post from Detroit to Montreal, where it received the Montreal straightline and was rated 9d Cy collect to Quebec. Paris of 1783 ending the American Revolution. Detroit was occupied by the British until 1796.

Realized SF 1,900

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- Lot 1199**  **1784 (Feb. 20) New Orleans, Spanish Louisiana to Quebec, Canada**, datelined folded letter, no postal markings, Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE ONLY RECORDED COVER FROM SPANISH UNITED STATES TO CANADA IN PRIVATE HANDS.

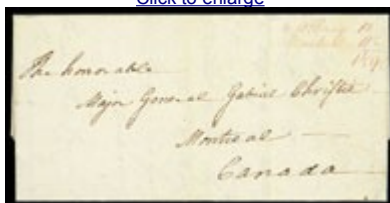
There was no postal route so the letter was carried by favor from New Orleans, overland by way of the Mississippi River and the Illinois Country. The writer, Jaques-Nicolet Perrault was a well known merchant and seigneur and notes in the letter that this was the best route. The letter was carried at the end of the American Revolutionary War period.


Provenance: **Poitras.**

Realized SF 6,250

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- Lot 1200**  **1785 (Feb. 7) New York, New York to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, red manuscript "to Albany 10 / Montreal 11½" "/ 1N9½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

AN EARLY POST-AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR CROSS BORDER COVER.

The cover is from New York to Montreal and bears no U.S. postal markings but is rated 10d to Albany, 11½d to Montreal for a total of 1N9½ collect. The letter is from B. Livingston to Major General Gabriel Christie and concerns a dispute with Brig. General Moses Hazen. The letter is an early Pre-Treaty cross-border cover just following the resumption of cross-border mail after the American Revolution.


Provenance: **Wellburn.**

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1201**  **1785 (May 24) Detroit, U.S.A. to Quebec, Canada**, folded cover, manuscript "9", reverse with "MONTREAL / JUNE 6:" straightline, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

BRITISH OCCUPATION OF CEDED TERRITORY TO USA AFTER THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

Knowledge of the correspondence is the only evidence of the date and place of origin.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1202** ✉ **1785 (July 28) New York to Montreal, Lower Canada**, folded letter, partial "N-York, July 29" straightline handstamp, Quebec triangle at base handstamp with bishopmark "19 IA" insert, manuscript "2:16", crossed out and "To Pay 2N"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was likely sent by ship from New York to Quebec, rated 2:16 dwt from Quebec to Montreal which was effective from Nov. 17, 1775. The letter was re-rated 2/0 representing double the 1/0 Stg overland rate from New York to Montreal.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1203** ✉ **1792 (Jan. 24) Saginaw, Michigan to Montreal, Canada**, folded letter, "Detroit * Feb :4;" straightline on reverse, manuscript rated "1N8" in red; trivial back flap tear, Very Fine
Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

THE ONLY RECORDED STRIKE OF THE DETROIT STRAIGHTLINE IN PRIVATE HANDS.


The letter was rated 1/8 Cy collect in red for a distance of 601-700 miles. The letter was written by Ch. D. Le Pallier to his brother in law James Morrison. Le Pallier was based at Michilimackinac, Michigan, and the contents state "From the house of Mr. Jonathan Schiffelin at Saginaw where I traveled on my own business... by an express that leaves Detroit for Mr. Schiffelin.". At this time although on United States territory, Detroit and Michilimackinac were still occupied by British forces and the British-Canadian post office was in operation at Detroit. Detroit was given to the United States on July 11, 1796.

Realized SF 47,500

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- Lot 1204**  **1795 (May 20) Oswego, New York to Glengary or Montreal, Canada,** folded letter, endorsed "care of Ens Fraser Kingston", no postal markings, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE COVER FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED U.S.A.


The letter was written from Fort Ontario, by a military officer in the Royal Canadian Volunteers, which was a British Line Regiment raised in Canada. The letter was carried by favor outside the post, addressed to Captain Hugh Macdonnell, also of the Royal Canadian Volunteers. Fort Ontario was still under British control after the 1783 Treaty of Paris and was not returned to the U.S.A. until 1796.

Realized SF 1,300

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- Lot 1205**  **1795 (Sept. 2) Michilimackinac, Michigan to Montreal, Canada,** folded letter, endorsed "hounore par / M. Campion", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE COVER FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED U.S.A.


The letter, from a fur trader, was carried outside the post to Montreal. At the time Michilimackinac was occupied by British forces, and not returned to the U.S.A. until 1796.

Realized SF 1,450

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- Lot 1206**  **1813 (Aug. 31) New York, NY to Fort George, U.C (U.S. OCCUPATION)**, folded letter postmarked red "NEW YORK 31 AUG", red manuscript "25", addressed to "Ensign John Gifford, 25 Regt U.S. Infantry, Fort George, Upper Canada"; aging, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE ONLY REPORTED EXAMPLE ADDRESSED TO THE OCCUPIED FORT GEORGE.

The letter was rated 25¢ to a U.S. soldier while Fort George was under U.S. occupation during the War of 1812. The mail was handled between the fort and Niagara by Dr. James West, special agent to the army.


Provenance: **Frajola.**

Realized SF 3,750

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- Lot 1207**  **1814 (Apr. 16) Occupied Fort Niagara, New York to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter, manuscript "1N2", manuscript forwarding endorsement crossed out, red "YORK/ 27 APR 1814" straightline handstamp on reverse, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A WAR OF 1812 COVER FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED FORT NIAGARA, U.S.A. AND THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF THE RED YORK STRAIGHTLINE.


The letter was from a British Officer Lt. John A Stevenson (100th Regiment) while Fort Niagara was under British occupation during the War of 1812, which lasted from Dec. 19, 1813 until the end of the war. The "YORK" straightline on the reverse is the only recorded example in RED.

Realized SF 2,400

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- Lot 1208**  **1818 (Apr. 21) Pultneyville, New York to Ancaster, U.C.** folded letter, black "GENEVA APR 21" datestamp, manuscript "Paid 12½", red manuscript "Ferry 2", "8", totalled "10", reverse with "QUEENSTON / APRIL 30. 18" straightline, slight file fold splitting, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


The letter was prepaid 12½¢ U.S. to the border, 2d FERRIAGE, 8d to Ancaster, with Queenston straightline on reverse. This is an early ferriage charge before it was officially sanctioned in 1829, and the internal postage was actually 7d not 8d, a deliberate overcharge of 1d. A number of Canadian postmasters deliberately overcharged postage for personal gain, a practise which was investigated by the House of Assembly of Upper Canada and stopped in the 1820s.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1209**  **1825 (Oct. 25) Drummond Island, U.C. to Sandwich, U.C.** folded letter (in French), manuscript "favour of Capt. Mackintoche", no postal markings, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

FROM U.S. TERRITORY STILL UNDER BRITISH CONTROL.

The letter was carried free on post office business from Drummond Island, present day U.S.A., to Sandwich. Drummond Island was assigned to the U.S.A. by the Boundary Commission in 1822 but was not evacuated by the British until 1828.

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- Lot 1210** ✉ **1829 (Apr. 20) New York, NY to York, U.C.** folded cover, red New York (Apr 20), manuscript "18³/₄", black Niagara, U.C (28 Apr 1829) datestamp and three-line "AMERICAN POSTAGE / FERRIAGE / FORWARDED" handstamp with corresponding postage charges of "11¹/₂", "2", "7" for a total of "1¹/₈¹/₂", docketing at left, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN EXCELLENT STRIKE OF THE THREE LINE FERRIAGE HANDSTAMP, WHICH IS OFTEN POORLY STRUCK.

The cover was rated 18³/₄¢ from New York to the border, with the three line handstamp applied at Niagara, the U.S. postage converted to 11¹/₂d, plus 2d Ferriage across the river, and 7d B.N.A. postage to York, U.C., for a total 1¹/₈¹/₂ Cy collect.

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- Lot 1211** ✉ **1831 (Nov. 12) Burlington, V.T., U.S. to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter postmarked red circular "STEAM-PACKET, FRANKLIN/ CAP^T. R. W. SHERMAN./ LAKE CHAMPLAIN." handstamp, manuscript "1d" rate, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried via the Steam packet Franklin, and favored to Montreal, where it entered the post and was rated 1d as a drop letter. Sold in the E.S. Knapp sale (1925) for \$15 U.S.


Provenance: **Knapp.**

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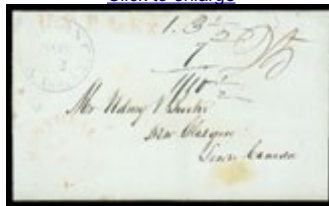
- Lot 1212**  **1843 (Jan. 17) New York, U.S.A. to Montreal, L.C.** folded cover, red "NEW YORK JAN 17 NY", manuscript "18¾", "1¼½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167


The letter was rated 18¾¢ U.S. postage collect, converts to 11½d plus 1/2d EXCHANGE SURCHARGE during 2.5% exchange premium, plus 4½d to Montreal, total of 1¼½ Cy collect. A similar cover rated 1/4 Cy collect before the exchange surcharge was put in place from May 17 1842 to Dec 27, 1843.

Realized SF 105

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- Lot 1213**  **1843 (Oct. 30) Michigan City, Indiana to New Glasgow, L.C.** folded letter, manuscript "25", Michigan City, Ind. Datestamp (NO 12), red "Montreal NO 18" exchange datestamp with matching "U.S.P. & Ex" straightline, manuscript "1.3½", "7", totalled "1/10½", "NEW - GLASGOW L.C." double-ring receiving backstamp with manuscript "20 Nov 1843" date, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

LESS THAN FIVE RECORDED STRIKES OF THE "U.S.P. & EX." EXIST.


The letter was prepaid 25¢ U.S. to the border, converted to 1/3 Cy with the addition of ½d EXCHANGE SURCHARGE, plus 7d B.N.A. postage for a total of 1/10½ Cy collect to New Glasgow, L.C. An exchange surcharge of 2.5% (in this instance ½d) was charged on U.S. unpaid mail from May 17, 1842 until Dec. 27, 1843. The handstamp "U.S.P & Ex" stands for United States postage and exchange (surcharge). The "Ex" was excised after the surcharge was discontinued and the "U.S.P." saw continued use.

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1214**  **1844 (Apr. 7) Boston, Mass. to Montreal, L.C.** folded cover, Boston datestamp (AP 7), Montreal (AP 11 1844), red "U.S.P.", manuscript "18¾", "11½", "11½", red "QUEBEC APR 13 1844" backstamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was carried from Boston to the border, rated 18¾¢ U.S., converted to 11½d, plus 11½d postage via Montreal to Quebec for a total 1/11 Cy collect. The "U.S.P." handstamp is the former exchange period handstamp "U.S.P. & Ex." used after the exchange period was cancelled and the "Ex." removed.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1215**  **1845 (Mar. 27) Victoria, Republic of Texas to Gananoque, U.C.** folded letter, blue New Orleans (AP 18) with matching "SHIP" handstamp, red Prescott, U.C (AP 22 1845), red "Too Late" handstamp, blue manuscript "27", manuscript "U.S.P. 1/4 1/2" "4 1/2", totalled "1/9", "Gananoque" receiving backstamp with manuscript "30 Apl 1865" date; Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE COVER FROM THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS TO CANADA.


The letter was favoured outside the Texas post office to New Orleans, received as a ship letter, rated 27¢ collect (converted to 1/4½d Cy), Canadian postage 4½d, totalled 1/9 Cy collect with the Too Late handstamp applied at Prescott, C.W. The letter is from the sheriff of Victoria who states "...we have no case for murder: most of the criminal cases are for little fights and squabbles... the passport that I got on my release from the castle of Perote required me to present myself to the British Consul Vera Cruz... from the prison to Vera Cruz was 120 miles... four days half on foot... we have no doubts about annexation now...". The letter was written by a Canadian who was serving as the Sheriff of Victoria at the time, who seemingly was released from the Perote Prison, a former prisoner, perhaps one of the men of the Mier Expedition.

Realized SF 1,800

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- Lot 1216**  **1845 (July 11) New Orleans, LA to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter, blue "New Orleans Jul 11 La.", blue manuscript "10" with "forwarded 5" added and totaled to "15", red "Burlington Aug 13 Vt." c.d.s., manuscript "1/1½", reverse with faint red Montreal datestamp (Aug 14), Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

WHILE ON HIS WAY WITH HIS INFANTRY TO FIGHT IN TEXAS, GENERAL HITCHCOCK EXPRESSES GRAVE MISGIVINGS OVER THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF TEXAS.

*The letter was rated 10¢ from New Orleans to Burlington, Vt (over 300 miles), forwarded to the border and charged an additional 5¢ U.S., totalling 15¢ collect (9d Cy equivalent), plus 4½d Canadian postage, totalling 1/1½ Cy collect. The letter is from General E. H. Hitchcock to his brother regarding Texas and the Mexican-American War. The letter reads, "I arrived here yesterday with the 3rd Infantry on my way to Texas. The 4th Infy left its camp near Jesup a few days before me and occupies the New Orleans barracks... destined also to Texas... A company of Arty is expected daily from Charleston which is placed under the orders of **Gen. Taylor** [Zachary Taylor, future president of the U.S.]... The 2nd Regt of Dragoons is to proceed overland from Jesup to the Western Texas Frontier and more regiments are promised... We have various reports from Texas and it now seems settle that Annexation is to take place for better or worse. The movement of troops from the U.S. is a precipitate measure resorted to at Washn in ignorance of the real state of public feeling in Texas and from a feverish anxiety to take some step of an overt kind to force annexn at all events... I will not undertake to speculate upon our prospects. **We are going to a new and comparatively unknown coast at a sickly season for an unholy purpose**".*


Provenance: **Golden.**

Realized SF 2,000

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- Lot 1217**  **1845 (Oct. 4) Austin, Republic of Texas, to St. Catherines, C.W.** folded letter datelined Austin, postmarked "NEW ORLEANS, La., OCT 24" with "QUEENSTON U.C. NOV 3" entry c.d.s. alongside, manuscript "6" and "4½" totaled to "10½", also blue "10"; sealed tear along file fold, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A LATE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS USE TO CANADA.


The letter was carried outside the post to New Orleans where it was posted, rated 10¢ U.S. postage, entered Canada at Queenston, converted to 6d, plus 4½d Cy fot a total of 10½d Cy collect. Texas was an independent Republic from 1835 to December 29, 1845.

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1218**  **1849 (Sept. 23) Lahania, Maui, Sandwich Islands (Hawaii) to Fredericton, New Brunswick,** folded letter, red manuscript "Ship 42", San Francisco, Cal. c.d.s (Nov 1), endorsed "To the care of G D Thompson Esq Agent for Ship 'Champion' New Bedford Mass U States," with manuscript "2/3", reverse with blue "St. Andrews 27 MA 1850" c.d.s. and lengthy endorsement "My Dear Sir, I obtained this from the Post Office Robinson today — which is the only letter. No News papers, Yours very truly (signed) I. Wilson, St. Andrews, 27 Mar 1850", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

POSSIBLY UNIQUE USAGE FROM HAWAII TO NEW BRUNSWICK.


The letter was carried to San Francisco where it was rated "Ship 42" for the 2¢ ship letter fee plus double 20¢ rate to New Bedford, Mass. The letter was carried around Cape Horn to New Bedford, Mass, then forwarded to St. Andrews, N.B., endorsed as mentioned, and sent to Fredericton, rated a combined 2s/3d U.S. and New Brunswick postage collect.

Realized SF 4,250

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- Lot 1219**  **1849 (Dec. 19) Sacramento, California to Montreal, L.C.** folded letter postmarked oval "SACRAMENTO, DEC 19 CAL." with matching oval "PAID/ 40." double oval, endorsed "via Burlington, Vt" with manuscript "4½" rate, backstamped red "MONTREAL L.C. FE 14 1850" c.d.s.; somewhat worn, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE CROSS BORDER GOLD RUSH COVER.


The letter was prepaid 40¢ from Sacramento via Panama and New York to Burlington, V.T. exchange office, 4½d Canadian postage collect. The reverse is endorsed "The Rory O'More, Brig Panama, Brig Urica -- these three vessels left Quebec with freight and passengers to California about 12th Nov 1849". The letter is a Gold Rush letter and describes the writer's overland journey to via Salt Lake City, Utah to California. The letter reads in part, "tried to keep us from coming here... dreadful stories of the wild Indians of the Humboldt and the snow on the mountains, they tried to have us pack with horses and mules which would have been a good way but the prices of their animals was tremendous".

Realized SF 5,000

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- Lot 1220**  **1853 (Dec. 6) Middleport, N.Y., U.S.A. to Forestville, C.W.** illustrated cover front postmarked "PAID" and "U. STATES" straightlines with manuscript "10 cts" and "Dec 13 1853"; minor staining, Fine. *Prepaid the 10¢ cross-border rate*
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The cover features numerous scenes from Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin; or, Life Among the Lowly" printed in 1852 and 1853. It bears the imprint "Uncle Tom Right Secured Sold by D.M. Dewey, Rochester, N.Y." and "Miller MXSO". Stowe was an important anti-slavery advocate, and Lincoln is said to have claimed that her book was a catalyst for the Civil War.

Realized SF 575

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- Lot 1221** ✉ **1860 (Jan. 17) Alvarado, California to Paris, C.W.** envelope postmarked Alvarado, Cal. double circle datestamp with manuscript "17" day, also "NEW YORK FEB 15", "ET UNIS. SERV. BR. AC 28 FEUR 60 H", red boxed "SHORTPAID", rates include pentagonal Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "FR 2^F 10^C" (Salles #3091), manuscript "Paid 15", "1/2", "36", "36¢", "6" and handstamp "16", at least different backstamps including London, Paris, France, Buffalo & Lake Huron R.R. and Paris, C.W.; minor opening tears at left, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A WELL TRAVELLED COVER FROM CALIFORNIA MISSENT TO FRANCE, THEN PROPERLY DIRECTED TO CANADA.

*The letter was sent from Alvarado, California addressed to "Paris P.O., Canada" but **missent to Paris, France**. It was prepaid the proper rate of 15¢ over 3000 miles to Canada, but at New York the letter was sent to France, carried via Cunard "Asia" to Liverpool, then France, rated 16 decimes collect (double unpaid rate from the U.S.), handstamped "FR 2F 16C" and returned via England and the Cunard "North Britain" via Portland to Toronto or Hamilton, then to Paris, C.W., redirected to Egmondville, C.W. The cover was finally rated 1/ Stg G.B. debit to Canada (includes 10 decime credit to France) plus Canadian sea transit of 4d plus B.N.A. internal of 1d, for a total of 17d or 36¢ due in Canada, which seems patently unfair considering that the cover was missent due to no fault of the sender or the addressee. A very well travelled cover.*

Realized SF 700

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- Lot 1222** ✉ **1861 (May 14) Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands to Hudson's Bay Company, Vancouver Island**, folded cover postmarked red "HONOLULU MAY 14 HAWAIIAN - ISLANDS" c.d.s. and manuscript "paid", docketed "Recd 3 June /61" on reverse; tape repair, reduced slightly at right, Fine

Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

ONE OF ONLY THREE RECORDED HAWAII TO VANCOUVER ISLAND COVERS IN THIS PERIOD.

The cover is from the Hudson's Bay Company depot at Oahu and is sent collect to their depot at Victoria, Vancouver Island.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1223**  **1861 (Jan. 5) Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands to Hudson's Bay Company, Vancouver Island**, envelope postmarked black "HONOLULU JAN 5 HAWAIIAN - ISLANDS" c.d.s., docketed "Recd Jan 27/ 64" on reverse; part of flap missing, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

ONE OF ONLY THREE RECORDED HAWAII TO VANCOUVER ISLAND COVERS IN THIS PERIOD.

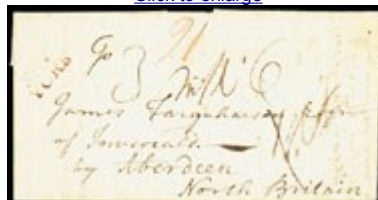
The cover is from the Hudson's Bay Company depot at Oahu and is sent prepaid to their depot at Victoria, Vancouver Island.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 3,750

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- Lot 1224**  **1761 (July 2) "Camp at Crown Point, NY" to Invercald, Scotland**, folded letter, manuscript "21", "1N", "in all 1N6", "3", red "NEW/ YORK" straightline, indistinct bishop mark, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A LETTER FROM A MUCH TRAVELED SOLDIER INVOLVED IN
FORT CONSTRUCTION AT THE END OF THE FRENCH AND INDIAN
WAR.


The letter is rated 21¢ as a single rate by military express to New York. It then went by Falmouth packet to England, rated 1/0 Stg, plus 6d to Edinburgh, and apparently an additional 3d to Aberdeen. The letter is written by Alexander Farquarson, a British officer in Lord Amherst's army, who writes, "We are just now building a very large fort which when finished will surpass any in North America, it is supposed we will soon move from here towards York, in order to embarque on a second expedition... we marched to Montreal the 12th last month..."

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1225**  **1808 (June 2) Philadelphia, P.A., U.S.A. to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "p H. M. Ship Nemesis", changed to "Aurelia", clear double oval "Ship Letter (crown) QUEBEC", manuscript "11", reverse with red "D SEP 14 1808"; Extremely Fine and choice
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

AN UNUSUAL U.S.A. TO ENGLAND COVER USING CANADA AS A
TRANSIT POINT.

The letter was favored or carried undercover from Philadelphia to Quebec, receiving the ship letter handstamp, no Canadian postage charged, via private ship outside the post to England, no British ship letter handstamp, rated 11d Stg collect to London with London receiver backstamp.

Realized SF 725

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- Lot 1226**  **1815 (Jan. 26) Castine, Maine (under British occupation) to Taunton, England**, folded letter, "HALIFAX 20 FE 20 1815", manuscript "2/2"; edge

tears, wear, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

A RARE COVER FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED U.S.A. DURING THE
WAR OF 1812.

The letter was writted from Castine, Maine which was under British occupation during the War of 1812. The letter was favored to Halifax and likely carried by naval vessel as no Falmouth packets arrived from Halifax between Dec. 29, 1814 and Apr. 22, 1815 due to the War of 1812. The letter was rated 2/2 Stg collect. The America fort at Castine was abandoned by U.S. forces when British Admiral Griffith's fleet approached in Sept., 1814. The fort remained occupied by British forces until after the Treaty of Ghent which was concluded on Dec 24, 1814, announced Feb. 18, 1815, and on Apr. 25, 1815 the British sailed out of Penobscot Bay.

Realized SF 2,200

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- Lot 1227**  **1801 (St. John, New Brunswick to London, England, folded cover**
postmarked "St. John, N*B* / Oct,r 16 1801" straightline on reverse, "Ship-
letter." straightline, "Ship (crown) Letter" oval plus manuscript "10"and "Ship
4" totaled to "N2" on front,backstamped red "A DEC 19 1801" c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

*The letter received the St. John straightline as well as the Ship Letter
handstamp (J.G. & Y. #140), although no N.B. postage is shown, carried
outside the post to England, entering the mails and sent to London, rated 4d
ship letter plus 10d inland postage or 1/2 Stg collect.*

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1228** ✉ **1809 (Sept. 25) Fredericton, New Brunswick to Gateshead, England,** folded letter, red "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "1N1½" and "4/6", reverse with "FREDERICTON: N;B / SEPT*R, 27;1809" and "HALIFAX OCT 2" straightlines and "S NOV 26 1809" c.d.s.; tear in back flap just shows at top of front, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

AN UNCOMMON DOUBLE STRAIGHTLINE COVER.

The large Fredericton N.B. straightline starts the cover on its journey via Halifax and is rated 1/10½ which appears to be double the 10d rate to Halifax plus 2½d Cy ship letter fee, then via Falmouth packet "Lady Pellew" to Falmouth and London, rated 4/6 Stg collect, double 2/3 internal plus packet rate or 1/1 packet plus 1/2 internal. The Halifax straightline is reported used 1803-1807 and this represents an unreported year of use. The Fredericton straightline is only reported used in 1809 in this format.

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- Lot 1229** ✉ **1814 (Dec. 5) St. Andrews, New Brunswick to Edinburgh, Scotland,** folded letter datelined "His Majesty's Sloop Jaseur St. Andrews New Brunswick 5th Decr 1814", addressed to William Henderson, 27th Regiment of Foot, care of Edinburgh, address crossed out and readdressed to "Northumberland", crossed out and "Abderdeen" added, red "FEB B 11 M 1815" and "FEB B 22 A 1815" c.d.s., manuscript "1/0", "1/0½", boxed "Add^l/ ½", partial red "LIVERPOOL SHIP LETTER" straightline handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

WAR OF 1812 LETTER WRITTEN ABOARD A BRITISH NAVAL VESSEL.

The letter was written aboard the naval sloop "Jaseur" during the War of 1812, entered St. Andrews, New Brunswick Dec 25 (manuscript notation on reverse), carried outside the post to England, entering as a ship letter at Liverpool, rated 1/0½ Cy including Scottish road tax. The letter from a naval officer reads in part "We have been at Castine (one of our captured


settlements on the coast) with a convoy. From thence we came here where we have since remained waiting for three transports loading for Bermuda and another month will elapse before they are ready. After seeing our convoy safe into port we cruise back to Halifax which will occupy us until the middle of February."

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- Lot 1230**  **1826 (June 1) St. John, New Brunswick to London, England**, folded letter postmarked straightline "ST. JOHNS N.B.", endorsed "proof Congress", handstamped red fancy "SHIP LETTER 18 AU 18 1826 DUBLIN" in crown, manuscript "3/6" and "1/9", Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


*The letter received the **error** handstamp "ST JOHNS" instead of "ST JOHN", endorsed "p Congress" by the post office and treated as an outward ship letter from St. John with no N.B. postage shown, via private ship to Dublin where entered as a ship letter (Robertson S-3, Feldman #447), rated 3/6 Stg as a double inward ship letter to London, changed to single rated 1/9 Stg collect. The letter is from Richard Williams (1790-185) who was a Wesleyan Methodist minister and missionary and one of the first to arrive in Canada. He also served as Chairman of the Canada District and New Brunswick District.*

Realized SF 425

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- Lot 1231**  **1839 (Aug. 9) St. John, New Brunswick to Haddingham Bucks, England**, folded letter, St. John, N.B. datestamp (Aug. 21), red manuscript "1", endorsed "From Benjamin Howlett No. 1124 Pt Soldier 69th Regt", countersigned by Major Booker, commanding officer, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

ONE OF ONLY TWO KNOWN SOLDIER LETTERS FROM THE BRITISH SIDE OF THE AROOSTOOK WAR, BOTH OF WHICH ARE IN THIS

COLLECTION.

The letter was rated 1d at the Soldier's Concession rate, posted at St. John, New Brunswick and carried via the Falmouth packet to England. The Aroostook War was a short-lived border skirmish between New Brunswick and the United States (Maine). The letter written by Private Benjamin Howlett who states, "sailed from Cork 15th Jan... landed Halifax 29th of Feb... very boistrous passage... the loss of three sailors... orders to proceed to Woodstock 200 miles up the country... we travelled on sleighs on the ice on a large river... snow 20 to 30 feet deep... our regiment is 600 strong... when we got to Woodstock we expected to go into action every day but the rebels was too great... to make an attack...we fired the guns into the woods... shot six of them and one of our men fell which stood next to me and I did not know but that I might fall next but they give up, the Yankee General and our General Sir John Harvey, KGB, settled the affair... we came down on the ... to St. John". The 1783 Treaty of Paris had left the New Brunswick / Maine border unclear, and in 1838 a dispute over timber caused both sides to call out the militia. The Webster-Ashburton Treaty resolved the border dispute in 1842.


Provenance: **Robson Lowe, E. Richardson.**

Realized SF 4,500

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- Lot 1232**  **1839 (Nov. 21) St. John, New Brunswick to Haddenham, England**, folded letter, St. John NB datestamp (Dec 9), endorsed "From Benjamin Howlett, No. 1124 Pt. 69th Regt", countersigned "Robt Brookes Major 69th Regt Commandn", red manuscript "1", "Henley on Thames" (Jan 18 1840) rimless transit, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE OTHER OF THE TWO KNOWN SOLDIER LETTERS FROM THE BRITISH SIDE OF THE AROOSTOOK WAR.


The letter was rated 1d at the Soldier's Concession rate, posted at St. John, New Brunswick and carried via the Falmouth packet to England. The letter written by Private Benjamin Howlett, which reads in part, "We were out in the middle of a wood two hundred and twenty miles up the country. nothing but bears, wolves, badgers and snakes", and continues with a long letter describing the country and conditions in the Upper St. John River country.

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1233**  **1839 (Dec. 7) Fredericton, New Brunswick to Huddersfield, England,** folded cover postmarked "FREDERICTON DE 7 183(9) NB" c.d.s. on reverse, endorsed "From Wm. Kershaw Pte 43d Lt Infty.", countersigned, "PAID" in circle handstamp and manuscript "1"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

VERY FEW AROOSTOCK WAR PERIOD LETTERS ARE KNOWN.


*The letter had the 1d Soldier's Concession rate prepaid and was carried by the Falmouth packet "Hope". It was sent during the **Aroostock War period**, which related to the boundary dispute between New Brunswick and Maine.*

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1234**  **1842 (June 26) Fredericton, New Brunswick to Lichfield, England,** folded letter, red Fredericton and Fredericton Paid datestamps, red manuscript "1", endorsed "From Robert Smith Pte 52nd Regt. Light Infantry, No. 630", countersigned; tape repaired file fold tears at top and bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The cover was carried at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate via Cunard "Caledonia" via Halifax, and Liverpool to Lichfield. The letter reads in part, "We went from Berbice to Demerara and then to Barbadoes. We staid there about a month and whent on board of the 'Java' transport to St. John, N.B. We staid there about six weeks and then in the steamer to Fredericton. It is reported that they expect another disturbance this next winter with the Yankees and if there is it will cause us a great deal of trouble. We had two deaths this last week, the big drummer and the Quartermaster. We lost about 160 men besides whoman and children in the West Indies".

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- Lot 1235**  **1842 (Sept 29) Chatham, New Brunswick to Liverpool, England**, folded letter, black "PAID AT CHATHAM" straightline with manuscript "1/4 Cy", additional manuscript "1/2", "Paid", "MIRAMICHI N.B. PAID" datestamp (29 Sept 1842), endorsed "per Steamer 4th Oct", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE "PAID AT CHATHAM" STRAIGHTLINE HANDSTAMP IN PRIVATE HANDS.


The cover was routed via Miramichi, N.B., prepaid 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy with the previously unrecorded "Paid at Chatham" handstamp.

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1236**  **1846 (June 27) St. John, New Brunswick to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "From Gunr Thos. Murray Royal Artillery", countersigned, red manuscript "1", manuscript "Paid 1d", St. John, N.B. datestamp (June 27 1846), red "S PAID 14 JY 14 1846", backstamped red "4 Eg 4, JY 14, 1846, A", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The cover is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from St. John, N.B. to London, England, carried via Cunard "Caledonia" via Halifax and Liverpool.

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- Lot 1237**  **1856 (Oct. 5) Fredericton, New Brunswick to Edinburgh, Scotland**, cover, Fredericton Paid datestamp, red "BRITISH 5D CLAIM", circular "7½d Cy", red "PKT LETTER PAID LIVERPOOL OC 19 A 56", file fold across top, Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

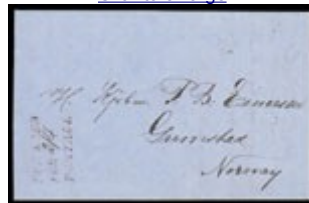
THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE RED FREDERICTON 7½D CY HANDSTAMP.


The cover was carried via Cunard "Canada" from halifax to Liverpool, then to Edinburgh. The red 7½d Cy circular handstamp (Arnell E-22) is not reported used in red at Fredericton. Arnell reports only one other red strike used elsewhere. The 5d British claim accountancy handstamp (Arnell F-13) was applied at Fredericton.

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- Lot 1238**  **1859 (Aug. 22) Richibucto, New Brunswick to Grimstadt, Norway**, folded letter postmarked "RICHBUCTO AU 22 1859 N.B." c.d.s. on reverse, "RETURNED/ FOR/ POSTAGE" handstamp with manuscript "2/4" inserted, backstamped Bend of Petitcodiac, N.B (Aug. 23) and Sackville, N.B (Aug. 24), Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE "RETURNED FOR POSTAGE" HANDSTAMP USED AT SACKVILLE, N.B.


The letter was sent unpaid, the rate of which J.G. & Y. notes as being 2/5 Cy prepayment mandatory. At Sackville, where the closed mails were made up for England, the "Returned/ For/ Postage" handstamp was applied and rated 2/5 Cy which is 1d less than the stated rated. The cover was returned to the sender under cover as there are no returning datestamps on the cover itself. The cover was likely received in Norway, eventually, sent under another separate cover. The handstamp was formerly recorded as used only at St. John.

Realized SF 550

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- Lot 1239**  **1790 (Feb. 26) London, England to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded letter, boxed "SHIP LRE", manuscript "N10", reverse with double enclosed semi-circles (Apr 18 1790) and manuscript note on reverse "Halifax 18th April 1790 I certify that this letter hath not been opened or any attempt made to open it in this office but that the same was delivered to me with the seal broken in the same state in which it now appears. J. Peters - Witness Edmund Ward, James Bremner"; flap toned, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

QUITE POSSIBLY THE EARLIEST EXAMPLE OF "FOUND OPEN" MAIL TO THE CANADIAN PROVINCES.


The letter was sent from Scotland via Halifax signed by three postal officials.

Realized SF 2,600

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- Lot 1240**  **1795 (Apr. 2) London, England to St. John(s), New Brunswick**, folded letter with beautifully struck red "PAID AP 2 1795" double-line c.d.s., manuscript "1/" and "N9", reverse with double enclosed semi-circle "HALIFAX N SCOTIA JUN 6 95", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF THE REQUEST TO ALLOW FREE POSTAGE ON NEWSPAPERS TO CANADA.

The letter was prepaid 1/0 Stg from London to Halifax via Falmouth packet "Carteret", rated 9d Cy collect from Halifax to St. John, N.B. The letter relates to the important issue of free postage on newspapers, "To the Right Honble Wm. Pitt, chancellor of his Majesty's Exchequer. seen in the printed votes of the House of Commons that a bill is now depending in that house for the regulation of franking by which they understand the privilege of sending newspapers in open covers free of postage to all parts of Great Britain and

Ireland is continued, but that they cannot be sent in like manner to any of the British colonies free of postage to the great inconvenience of the inhabitants and the prejudice of the public revenue. "Your memorialists therefore pray that a clause may be inserted in the said bill to permit newspapers to be sent free of postage to the British colonies in like manner and under the same restrictions and regulations as they are now sent to all parts of Great Britain and Ireland".


Provenance: **Robertson.**

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1241**  **1840 (Aug. 20) London, England to St. Andrews, New Brunswick, folded letter, "Aug S 20 A 1840" backstamp, "Halifax SEP 17 1840 Nova Scotia", manuscript "1/", "1N4", Fine**
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

AN AROOSTOOK WAR PERIOD RELATED COVER.


The letter was carried via Cunard "Britannia" (second voyage) via Liverpool and Halifax via closed bag mail, rated 1/0 Stg G.B. and ocean postage due to England, 1/4 Cy collect equalling 1/0 Stg plus colonial postage. The letter is to a Lt. J. H. Edgar of the 69th Regiment at St. Andrews, N.B. on the U.S. border. The 69th was one of the regiments sent to New Brunswick to protect it from the Americans during the Aroostock war period of late 1838. They remained on border garrison duty in 1840 while conditions along the border were still unsettled and the danger of war still present.

Realized SF 180

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- Lot 1242**  **1841 (Feb. 2) Bristol, England to Miramichi, New Brunswick, folded letter, circular "2½d" handstamp, Bristol datestamp (FE 2 1841 C), manuscript "1/0", "p Halifax steamer via Liverpool", small tear at top, light soiling at right, Fine**

Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE 2½D RATE HANDSTAMP.

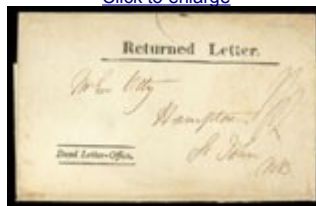
The letter was carried via Cunard "Britannia" via Liverpool and Halifax, then to Miramichi. The 2½d rate handstamp (Arnell B-10) is the discovery copy, and the location of application is unknown, but presumed to be either Halifax, N.S. or Sackville, N.B.


Provenance: **Arnell.**

Realized SF 105

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- Lot 1243**  **1848 (Jan. 28) London, England to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded cover, "Returned Letter.", "Dead Letter Office." form, reverse with "BP 28 JA 28 1848", "St. John FE 16 1848 NB", manuscript "1/2", tear at top ending in "e" of "returned", otherwise Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292


The printed form letter enclosed a returned letter, rated 1/2 Stg 1/4 Cy collect. The printed internal letter reads "General Post Office. The inclosed Letter not having been delivered for reason assigned thereon, was opened here by the Officer appointed by Her Majesty's Postmaster-General for that purpose, and is now returned to the Writer. W. L. MABERLY, Secretary.". It was carried on the Cunard "Hibernia" via Liverpool and Halifax and then to St. John.

Realized SF 350

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- Lot 1244**  **1849 (July 10) Aberdeen, Scotland to Fredericton, New Brunswick**, Valentine's Ocean Penny Postage envelope, State 3, postmarked Aberdeen c.d.s. on reverse, manuscript "1/2" crossed out and changed to "1/-", backstamped Liverpool (Jul. 11), and Fredericton (Jul. 26) c.d.s.s., Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

A RARE OCEAN PENNY POST PROPAGANDA USAGE TO A BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN COLONY.


The letter was rated 1/2 Stg and re-rated 1/0 Stg or 1/1½ Cy collect (the reduced rate effective April 15, 1849) via Cunard steamer to Halifax, and then to Fredericton, N.B. The propaganda envelope is Bodily State #3.

Realized SF 1,700

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- Lot 1245**  **1858 (June 18) Girvan, Scotland to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded letter postmarked Girvan c.d.s., handstamped "2^s/6^d Cy" in circle, manuscript "2s/7d to pay", backstamped Liverpool (June 20) and St. John (July 8); slight tears, mostly on reverse, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE ONLY REPORTED STRIKE OF THE "2S6D CY" HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried via closed bag mail from Liverpool to St. John via Halifax on Cunard "Arabia", rated 4 times the 7½d Cy rate and the 2s6d Cy handstamp (Arnell C-15) was used [This handstamp was originally intended for the double 1/3 Cy packet letter rate]. The total rate of 2/7 Cy included the 1d fee for local delivery.

Realized SF 450

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- Lot 1246**  **1756 (July 12) Fort Cumberland, New Brunswick to Easton, Maine, U.S.A.** folded letter, addressed "To Captain Nathan Perry at Easton in New England to be left at Mr. Samuel Proctors in Boston", "Q.D.C." talismanic superscription, worn, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR PERIOD COVER DESCRIBING A

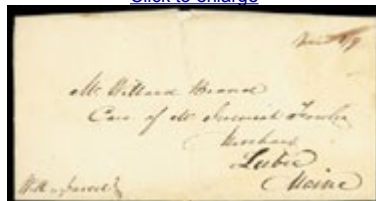
BRITISH NAVAL RAID.


The letter was carried by favor as there was no postal route or rate at this time. The contents read in part, "Mr. Brewer with a party went on board a vessel and went to a place called Pettecojack and went on shore and killed two Indians and scalped them and caught one boy and one gall..."

Realized SF 1,500

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- Lot 1247**  **1829 (Mar. 18) Miramichi, New Brunswick to Lubec, Maine**, folded letter, manuscript "with a parcel", "Paid 1/9", reverse with manuscript "Forwarded by Capt. Twombly together with 35 patriot doubloons / Royal ditto / 6 Guineas / 3 Sovereigns / St. John 28th March 1829 / your obedt Servts / McKenzie & Tisdale", Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

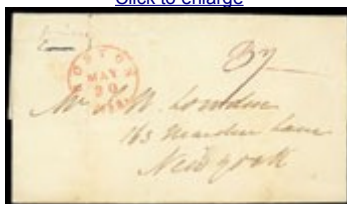
A RARE WITHDRAWN POSTAGE PAID LETTER ACCOMPANYING A PARCEL OF MONEY.

The letter prepaid the postage from Miramichi to St. John, N.B., and was then carried outside the post all the way to Lubec, Maine. Prepayment of the postage satisfied the law on private carriage of letters, in this case, one accompanying a rather large shipment of money, entrusted to a forwarding agent. The letter reads in part, "I have forwarded by Mr. Blithin, who leaves here this day, thirty five Patriot doubloons (etc...) and a twenty dollar U.S. bill which I am in hopes will arrive safe and have a speedy passage. In case Mr. B goes via Houlton he will give this to Mr. McGregor of Fredericton who will forward the same to Maltese CrossKenzie & Tisdale...". The U.S. \$20 bill was sent in this letter, the coins via the parcel by Mr. Blithin.

Realized SF 140

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- Lot 1248**  **1844 (May 27) St. John, N.B. to New York, N.Y.** folded letter endorsed

"Gunnisons Express" with manuscript "37½" and red "BOSTON MAY 30 Mas." c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A VERY EARLY "GUNNISONS EXPRESS" MARKING AND WITHOUT THE APOSTROPHE.


The letter was rated 37½¢, double the 18¾¢ rate from Boston to New York, carried by Gunnison & Co Express, established in 1844, making this a very early Gunnison cover. This endorsement varies slightly from those identified in J.G. & Y. in that this one is clearly "Gunnisons" as opposed to the normal "Gunnison's" with an apostrophe.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1249  **1845 (May 19) St. John, New Brunswick to New York, N.Y., U.S.A.** folded letter, manuscript "Gunnison Exp", red oval "Forwarded By Hale & Co. From Boston", boxed "Collect Six Cents", "Six" crossed out, manuscript "12½", reverse with large oval "Forwarded By Hale & Co From Boston"; Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF GUNNISON EXPRESS MANUSCRIPT.

The manuscript "Gunnison Exp" is the discovery copy in Jephcott, Greene and Young, A.S.S.C., and Blake, forwarded via Hale & Co, to New York, the 6¢ due crossed out and re-rated 12½¢ collect. Gunnison, Joseph of Eastport, M.E. established Gunnison & Co. Express between Boston, Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick 1844-1851.


Provenance: **Blake.**

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1250**  **1848 (May 9) St. John, New Brunswick to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter postmarked boxed red "FORWARDED BY AMES & CO'S EXPRESS." handstamp, red "BOSTON MAY 11 Mass." c.d.s. with matching "SHIP" and "7" handstamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

AN ATTRACTIVE CROSS BORDER EXPRESS COVER.

The letter was carried by Ames & Co. express to Boston and posted there, entering the mails as a ship letter (2¢ ship fee plus 5¢ postage) to New York.


Provenance: **Carr.**

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1251**  **1848 (June 14) St. John, N.B. to New York, N.Y.** folded letter endorsed "J. Gunnison Paid", red "BOSTON JUN 17 Mas." c.d.s., "STEAM" and "PAID" handstamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE MANUSCRIPT "J GUNNISON PAID" IS UNLISTED IN J. G. & Y.


The letter was carried by Gunnison & Co Express aboard the steamer "Admiral" from St. John, N.B. to Boston with the express fee prepaid, rated 10¢ as an inward steamboat letter over 300 miles to New York. The steamer "Admiral" was used by Gunnison from 1848 until 1851.

Realized SF 950


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- Lot 1252**  **1850 (July 8) St. John, New Brunswick to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter, handstamped "STEAM" and red "BOSTON, 10 Cts, 11 JUL", reverse with red boxed "Forwarded by/ FAVOR'S/ Package Express./ 7 State St. Boston/ Waterhouse St. John/ Wadsworth Easport" (J.G. & Y. #180) across flap, Fine



- Lot 1255**  **1855 (c.) (Oct. 11)**, folded cover bearing exceptional strike of red "EXPRESS MAIL ST. JOHN OCT 11" and "10" handstamp, Very Fine and fresh
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A VERY UNUSUAL MARKING IN RED.

The letter was likely carried by steamer "Eastern City" by Benjamin M. Flint, U.S.P.O. steamboat mail carrier; rated 10¢ U.S. cross-border rate.


Provenance: **David Jarrett, Carr.**

Realized SF 900

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- Lot 1256**  **1855 (Nov. 3) St. John, New Brunswick to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter postmarked "EXPRESS MAIL ST. JOHN NOV 5", "20" and "PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK" handstamps, manuscript "p Express mail p Str 5th Novr" with the addition of "Express" and correction of "Sept" to "Novr" in a different hand; Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried by express mail fro St. John, to Boston, and then to New York, rated 2¢ U.S. postage collect as a double rate letter.

Realized SF 650

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- Lot 1257**  **1856 (May 26) St. John, New Brunswick to New York, U.S.A.** cover

postmarked "U.S EXPRESS MAIL/ ST. JOHN, N.B./ MAY/ 26" and "10" handstamps, reverse with red "FAVOR'S EXPRESS./ MAY 1856/ STEAMER ADMIRAL."; small "RVC" owner's handstamp on reverse, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried by U.S. express mail, receiving the Steamer Admiral handstamp (an early use, recorded 1856-1859), rated 10¢ U.S. postage collect to New York.


Provenance: Carr.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1258**  **1857 (June 10) St. John, New Brunswick to Wilmington, D.E., U.S.A.** folded letter with manuscript "Mail per Adelaide" postmarked "U.S. EXPRESS MAIL/ ST. JOHN/ JUN/ 11" and "10" handstamp, reverse with Wilmington datestamp (Jun 15); minor toning at edges, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried between St. John and Boston on the steamboat "Adelaide", then onto Wilmington, rated 10¢ U.S. postage collect.

Realized SF 625

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- Lot 1259**  **1861 (Apr. 26) Upper Woodstock, N.B. to Houlton, Maine**, envelope postmarked red "W. O. UPPER WOODSTOCK N.B. PAID", "WOODSTOCK N.B. AP 271861 PAID" and black "NEW BRUNSWICK" with manuscript "2 Cents", reverse with "W.O. UPPER WOODSTOCK, N.B." with manuscript date "26 Apr 1861"; reduced at lower left, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

THE RARE 2 CENT LINE OFFICE RATE BETWEEN WOODSTOCK, N.B. AND HOUTON, MAINE.

The letter was prepaid the 2¢ cross-border rate between Woodstock and Houton, Maine, also referred to as the "Line Office Rate".


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 2,200

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- Lot 1260**  **1862 (c.) St. John, New Brunswick to Boston, Mass.** cover postmarked circular "TURNER'S AMERICAN EXPRESS No. 3 Court Square, BOSTON." handstamp; part of backflap missing, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AN ATTRACTIVE CROSS BORDER EXPRESS COVER.


The cover was carried from St. John, N.B. to Boston and carried by Turner's American Express to New York. Jephcott, Greene and Young illustrate a similar handstamp employed at St. John, N.B. The very competitive and bitter battle between express companies, including Turner, to gain market share, is described in Jephcott, Greene and Young, pages 213-225.

Realized SF 800

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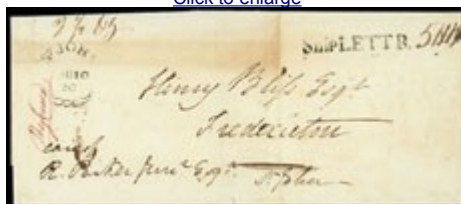
- Lot 1261**  **1865 (Feb. 1) Lower Cloverdale, N.B. to New York, U.S.A.** U.S. Civil War patriotic envelope showing soldier holding sword and flag, postmarked red "W.O. Lower Cloverdale, N.B. PAID" undated rimless circle and matching "PAID/ 10/ CENTS" in circle, reverse with "P.O. Salisbury, FE 1 1865, N.B." and "Saint John FE 1 1865 N.B." c.d.s.s, edge faults at right, Fine. *Prepaid the 10¢ cross-border treaty rate*
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


A RARE USE OF U.S. CIVIL WAR PATRIOTIC FROM COLONIAL NEW BRUNSWICK.

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1262**  **1820 (Aug. 5) Boston, Mass. to Fredericton, New Brunswick**, large folded wrapper, manuscript "care of R. Parker Junr Esq St. John", manuscript "2½ oz", "5N10", black straightline "ShipLETTR", "S^T JOHN/ AU/ 10 20/ (fleuron)", red manuscript "Refused"; toned, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE ONLY RECORDED STRIKE OF THE ST. JOHN, N.B. "SHIPLETTR" STRAIGHTLINE.

*The letter was carried by private ship from Boston, entering as a ship letter at St. John, where it received the **only recorded strike** of the "ShipLETTR" handstamp, rated 10-times the letter rate, 5/10 Cy, collect to Fredericton, where it was refused.*


*Provenance: **Glassco.***

Unsold

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- Lot 1263**  **1829 (July 2) Mackinac, Michigan Territory to Halifax, Nova Scotia**, folded letter postmarked with a red oval "DETROIT JUL 25 MIC. T." annulled with several pen strokes, manuscript "via N. York" and "3½", minor tear at bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried outside the post from Mackinac to Detroit where it was posted and then withdrawn from the post office. The postal handstamp was crossed out and the letter was carried outside the post to an Atlantic port and by private ship to Halifax where it entered as a ship letter, rated 3½d Cy collect (2d Stg or 2½d Cy shipmaster's gratuity plus 1d local rate). The letter is from David Aitken, a fur trader, who writes, "On our arrival from the

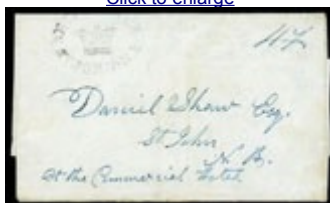
interior... this has been the only year for many back that furs have been any price sufficient to clear the expenses of the trade... the hardships of the Indian country are incredible... we are not only exposed to the loss of life in many ways but also to the losing any principal of religion we may have... I intend leaving here in a few days for the Indian country... supposed about 1200 miles... greatest part on foot... shall write you more fully the next year".


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 1,100

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- Lot 1264**  **1841 (May 9) Merion, Maine to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded letter postmarked oval "SHIP LETTER (crown) ST. JOHN. N B." with manuscript "4½" rate, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was carried by private ship outside the post to St. John where it entered as a ship letter (J.G. & Y. #147) and was rated 4½d Cy collect including 2½d Cy ship master's gratuity.


Provenance: **V.G. Greene.**

Realized SF 425

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- Lot 1265**  **1844 (Nov. 1) Boston, Mass. to Annapolis, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, manuscript "per Acadia", no U.S. postmarks or rates, manuscript "1/1½", reverse with movable type handstamp "PACKET LTR/ NO 3/ 1844/ B/ H", Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

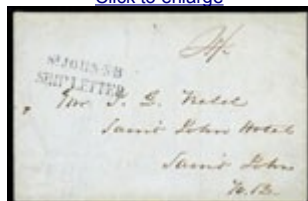
THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE PACKET LTR MOVABLE TYPE HANDSTAMP.


The letter was placed directly aboard the Cunard "Acadia" with no U.S. postmarks or rates, carried to Halifax, rated 1/1½ Cy collect (effective Dec. 5 1842 as 1/0 Stg or 1/1½ Cy plus inland postage), no inland postage appears to have been charged. The rare movable type emergency postmark "PACKET LTR NO 3 1844 B H" (MacDonald TE1-11) was proofed Mar. 2, 1843.

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1266**  **1846 (Apr. 14) Boston, Mass. to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded cover with enclosed letter, manuscript "4½", bold strike of "ST. JOHN N.B. SHIP LETTER" straightline handstamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried by private ship from Boston to St. John, entering as a ship letter; rated 4½d Cy collect.


Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1267**  **1847 (Apr. 12) New York, U.S.A. to St. John, New Brunswick**, cover with red "U.S. EXPRESS MAIL N.YORK APR 12 N.Y." and red "10" handstamp, manuscript "U.S. 6", "7", totalled "1/1", reverse with St. Andrews, N.B. and St. John, N.B. datestamps (both AP 16 1847); Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried by expresss mail to St. John, rated 10¢ or 6d collect to the border plus 7d internal N.B. postage, totalling 1/1 Cy collect.

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- Lot 1268**  **1849 (Oct. 6) Boston, Mass. to Truro, Nova Scotia**, folded letter postmarked red "Boston/ 10cts., 7 Oct" c.d.s. and "PAID", clear "ST. JOHN N.B./ SHIP LETTER" straightline, manuscript "1/1½", reverse with St. John and Amherst, N.S. datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The cover was carried from Boston to St. John, N.B. by private steamer or sailing vessel and received as a ship letter, rated 1/1½ Cy collect.

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- Lot 1269**  **1854 (Oct. 23) Boston, Mass. to Chatham, New Brunswick**, folded letter, "EXPRESS MAIL BOSTON OCT 23", "UNITED STATES", "6" handstamps, central stain at top, reverse with St. John and Chatham, N.B. datestamps (OC 26 and OC 29); part of flap and top center missing, Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was carried via steamer "Admiral" or "Eastern City" from Boston to St. John, N.B., rate 6d collect cross-border rate, then to Chatham, N.B.

Provenance: **Carr.**

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- Lot 1270**  **1859 (Aug. 17) New York, U.S.A. to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded letter

postmarked clear "N. Y. & BOSTON STMB. & B.R.R AUG 17" c.d.s., handstamped "10" (twice) and "6", manuscript "Steamboat", reverse with red "FAVOR'S EXPRESS. 1859 STEAMER ADMIRAL" in circle and St. John receiver (AU 19 1859); sealed tear along file fold at bottom, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried via Favor's Express steamer Admiral (J.G. & Y. #183), rated 10¢ or 6d collect.

Provenance: **Carr.**

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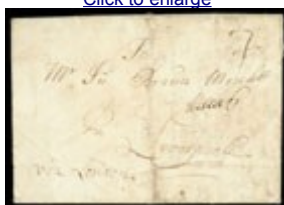
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Lot 1271  **1709 (Sep. 12) Bonavista, Newfoundland to Liverpool, England**, folded letter, endorsed "via London" with "DE / 27" bishop mark on reverse, manuscript rated "7", manuscript "In all 1N6"; slightly soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

REPORTEDLY THE SECOND EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

Upon arrival in England, the letter was rated 7d Stg initially, then an additional 11d to Liverpool for a total of 1N6 collect. The contents read in part "Bonavista Newfoundland 7ber 12, 1709... I arrived at Trinity Harbour by 14th ins. after 4 weeks passage from Ireland. came hitherby... to sail hence to St. John's... to court convoy for Lisbon... Our sloops holds about 1000 quintallos of fish... The fleet is not expected to sail this month. St. John's hath been taken by the French last winter", followed by further references to French invasion.

Realized SF 3,500

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Lot 1272 ✉ **1709 (Sep. 25) St. John's Newfoundland to Liverpool, England**, folded letter, "NO / 23 B" backstamp, manuscript rated "3", then "5"; slightly soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

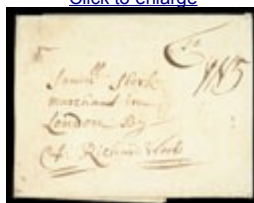
REPORTEDLY THE THIRD EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

The letter was carried via private sailing vessel to England where the letter was posted at Bristol, with "NO / 23 B" backstamp, rated 3d and re-rated 5d Stg collect. Contents include " Our vessel hath on board 1000 Quintallos of fish. determined to sail without convoy for Gibraltar. near Lisbon where most of Ye Danger is. "

Realized SF 3,250

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Lot 1273 ✉ **1732 Ferryland, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter endorsed "by Captain Richard Woods" with manuscript "1N5", reverse with "8/NO" bishop mark; Very Fine. *The cover is illustrated in Pratt, page 20.*
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

REPORTEDLY THE FOURTH EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

The letter was carried on a private ship by Captain Richard Woods to England where it was posted and rated 1/5 Stg collect. The contents are a long and important historical letter from John Ruggles. Sir George Calvert (Lord Baltimore) founded the proprietary colony of "The Colony of Avalon at Ferryland" in 1621 but it failed. Seasonal occupation by fisherman continued, and it later became one of the earliest settlements in North America.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 5,250

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Lot 1274 ✉ **1743 (June 9) St. John's, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "5", reverse with bold "POOL" straightline and "19 OC" bishop mark, docketing indicates date and place of origin, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried outside the post from St. John's by private ship to Pool, placed in the mails and rated 5d Stg collect.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1275 ✉ **1749 (Nov. 3) Trinity Bay, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "4", reverse with "POOL" straightline and "11 DE" bishop mark; slight splitting along folds, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried outside the post from Trinity Bay to Pool, England, entered the mails, rated 4d Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,700

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Lot 1276 ✉ **1762 (July 13) St. John's, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "7", reverse with "PORTS/ MOUTH" straightline and "6 AU" bishop

mark; top flap missing, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried outside the post to Portsmouth, England, received the straightline, rated 7d Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,700

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Lot 1277 ✉ **1763 (Nov. 12) Harbor Grace, Newfoundland to Bristol, England**, folded letter, rated manuscript "4", "SOUTHAMP/ TON" backstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

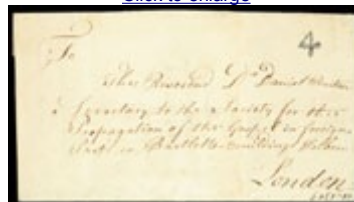
The letter was carried by private ship via Southampton and rated 4d collect being the 1d ship master's gratuity plus 3d inland postage. The letter is illustrated in Pratt, page 20.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1278 ✉ **1764 (Nov. 9) Trinity Bay, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover with black "4" handstamped rate, reverse with "POOL" straightline and "9 JA" bishop mark, date and place of origin indicated by docketing, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PREVIOUSLY UNREPORTED POOL "4" HANDSTAMP.

The letter was carried by private ship from a missionary to England and received a previously unrecorded Pool British "4" rate handstamp. Illustrated in Pratt, page 22.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 4,000

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Lot 1279 ✉ **1766 (Nov. 8) St. John's Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, weak strike red "DARTMOUTH/ SHIP LRE" straightline with manuscript "5" rate, "24 (NO)" bishop mark on reverse, Fine.
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by private ship to England, entering the mails with Dartmouth ship letter handstamp (Robertson S-1, reported use 1787-1814 making this a very early use), rated 5d Stg collect (1d ship, 4d inland).

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1280 ✉ **1767 (Oct. 10) Fogo, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter, "ROSS" (Ireland) straightline, manuscript "10", reverse with "COUNTRY" straightline handstamp and partial "23 NO" bishop mark; top edge adhesion and small tear, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was carried by private ship via Ross where it received the "COUNTRY" handstamp, was rated 10d collect (4d Ross to Dublin, 6d to London). It is from Jeremiah Coghlin, merchant and ship owner who established a fishery at Fogo, Labrador and was active in naval matters during the American Revolutionary War.

Realized SF 3,500

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Lot 1281  **1768 (Sept. 10) St. John's, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover manuscript "4", reverse with "PLYMO(UTH)" straightline and "12 OC" bishop mark; sealed vertical tear, otherwise Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by private ship to England, entering the mails at Plymouth where it was rated 4d Stg collect.


Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,700

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Lot 1282  **1771 (Nov. 27) St. John's, Newfoundland to Westminster, London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "4", reverse with "TOTNES" straightline and "25 DE" bishop mark, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

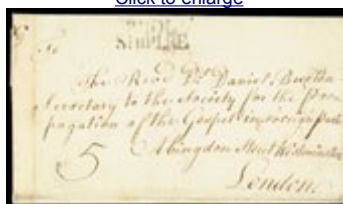
The letter was carried outside the post, favored to Totnes, placed in the mails and rated 4d Stg collect, with Christmas Day bishop mark.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 900

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Lot 1283  **1772 (Oct. 12) Trinity Bay, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover,

"POOL/ SHIP LRE", manuscript "5", reverse with "18 DE" bishop mark, docketing indicates point of origin as Trinity Bay, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried outside the post to England, entering at Pool as a ship letter, rated 5d Stg collect (1d ship, 4d inland) to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1284 ✉ **1774 (July 26) Trinity Bay, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "4", reverse with bold "POOL" straightline and "29 AU" bishop mark, docketing indicates point of origin as Trinity Bay, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried outside the post to Pool, placed in the mails and rated 4d Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,200

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Lot 1285 ✉ **1777 (June 19) Banks of Newfoundland, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter, "DOVER/ SHIP LRE" straightline and manuscript "4", reverse with "8 JY" bishop mark, letter datelined June 19, 1777, location taken from content, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

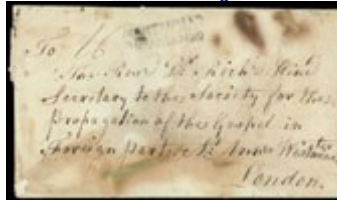
The letter was carried outside the post to England, entering as a Dover ship letter (Robertson S1a), rated 4d Stg collect to London. The letter reads in part, "I am now very near the Banks of Newfoundland after having been five weeks at sea...".

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1286 ✉ **1778 (Jan. 5) Harbor Grace, Newfoundland to London, England,,** folded letter, black "MONTANNA DESANTANOR" straightline, manuscript "4", reverse with "MR 23" bishop mark; small paper loss at lower left, partial scorching, *likely indicating disinfection by fire*, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE EXAMPLE OF DISINFECTED MAILS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

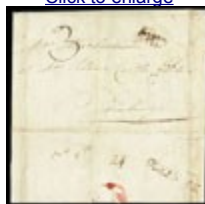
The letter was carried from Harbor Grace by private ship to Montanna Desantanor, Spain and from there to a port on the south coast of England, likely Pool. It was rated 4d Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,400

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Lot 1287 ✉ **1779 (Sept. 11) St. John's, Newfoundland to Edinburgh, Scotland,** folded letter, "GREENOCH" (on reverse) and "SHIP" handstamps, manuscript "3" rate, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was carried outside the post from St. John's by private ship to Greenock, where it entered the post with separate "GREENOCK" and "SHIP" handstamps (Robertson S-1), rated 3d Stg collect including ship fees. The letter is from Alexander McClean, Port Adjutant of St. Johns and writes, "...in this cursed country...very healthy climate...port adjutant of the garrison".

Realized SF 1,000

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Lot 1288  **1780 (Oct.) Harbor Grace, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "4", reverse with "CHUD/ LEIGH" straightline and "17 NO" bishop mark, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

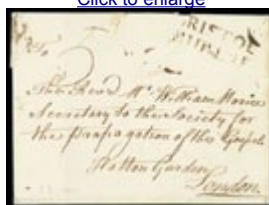
The letter was carried by favor outside the post, mailed at Chudleigh to London with bishop mark receiver, rated 4d Stg collect. The cover was from W. Balfour, a missionary based at Harbor Grace.


Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1289  **1780 (Nov. 18) town unknown, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, "BRISTOL/SHIP LRE" straightline handstamp, manuscript "5", reverse with "3 JA" bishop mark, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by private ship from Newfoundland to England, entering Bristol as a ship letter (Robertson S-3), rated 5d Stg collect (1d ship, 4d inland) to London with bishop mark receiver.

Realized SF 1,000

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Lot 1290 ✉ **1781 (Nov. 12) St. John's, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded cover, "POOL / SHIP LRE" straightline, manuscript "5", reverse with "10 DE" bishop mark.
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried by private ship outside the mails from St. John's to England, entering at Pool as a ship letter (Robertson S-1), rated 5d Stg collect (1d ship letter fee, 4d inland postage) to London with bishop mark receiver.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1291 ✉ **1827 (Aug. 3) Perlican, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter, exceptional strike of ornate "Solomon Seal" handstamp "POST OFFICE (coat of arms) NEWFOUNDLAND", manuscript "1N4", red docketing "796" at left, reverse with framed "SHIP LETTER / PORTSMOUTH" handstamp and red "D 19 SE 1827" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

THE EARLIEST OF SEVEN REPORTED STRIKES OF THE SOLOMON SEAL.

The letter carried by private ship to England, entering the mails at Portsmouth, rated 1/4 Stg collect to London. The handstamp was named after the Postmaster at St. John's, Newfoundland -- Simon Solomon, and is recorded used from Aug 3, 1827 until May 1833. Pratt records seven examples. Illustrated in Pratt, page 91.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 15,000

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Lot 1292 ✉ **1828 (May 9) St. John's, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter, ornate "Solomon Seal" handstamp "POST OFFICE (coat of arms) NEWFOUNDLAND", manuscript "3N2", reverse with framed "SHIP LETTER / DARTMOUTH" handstamp and red "2 JY 2 1828" datestamp, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

ONE OF SEVEN REPORTED STRIKES OF THE SOLOMON SEAL HANDSTAMP.

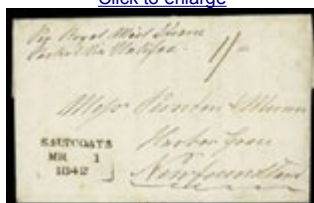
The letter was carried by private ship to England, entering the mails at Dartmouth, rated 3/2 Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 12,000

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Lot 1293 ✉ **1842 (Feb. 20) Aberdeen, Scotland to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland**, folded letter, "SALTCOATS MR 1 1842", manuscript "per Royal Mail Steam Packet via Halifax", "1/=", Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

ILLUSTRATED IN PRATT, PAGE 95.

The letter was carried via Cunard "Columbia" (7th voyage) via Liverpool and Halifax. On this voyage the Columbia turned about and did not go to Boston, the Unicorn took her mails to Boston. She arrived a week late at Halifax with a broken shaft, proceeding the last 450 miles to Halifax under power of sail. The letter was carried by closed bag to Newfoundland via Halifax, with no Newfoundland postal markings, rated 1/0 Stg collect.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 180

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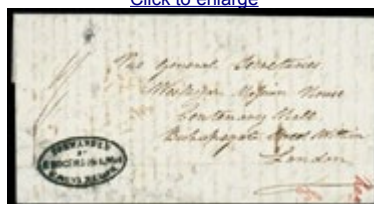
Lot 1294 ✉ **1847 (Sept. 11) St. John's, Newfoundland to Sunbury, England**, cover with "ST. JOHNS NEWFOUNDLAND SP 11 1847" backstamp, red "PAID AT ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND" crown circle handstamp, red manuscript "1/", red "SP 30 1847" backstamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was prepaid 1/- to England by closed bag, posted at St. John's, carried by Cunard feeder steamer to Halifax, then Cunard "Caledonia" to England, entering at Liverpool, then to Sunbury.

Realized SF 900

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Lot 1295 ✉ **1849 (Apr. 26) Grand Bank, Newfoundland to London, England**, folded letter, bold strike of oval "FORWARDED BY A. ROGERSON & SON ST. JOHN'S N.F.LAND", manuscript "1/", reverse with St. Johns (Jul. 7) and London (Jul. 2) c.d.s.s., Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PRATT REPORTS ONLY ONE STRIKE KNOWN AND DESCRIBES THIS AS THE RAREST OF ALL NEWFOUNDLAND FORWARDING AGENT HANDSTAMPS.

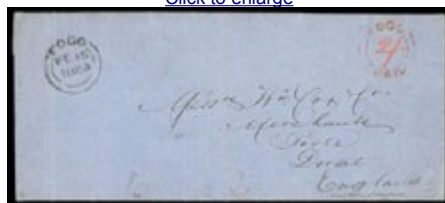
The cover was sent from Grand Banks via St. John's forwarding agent via Cunard "Europa" from Halifax to Liverpool and then to London and rated 1/ Stg collect. Illustrated in Pratt, page 108. The letter is from Revered Nightingale, a missionary in Newfoundland. This is one of the last sailings of the Europa as it struck the U.S. Emigrant ship "Charles Bartlett" on June 27, 1849 sinking her with the loss of 134 lives.


Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 3,250

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Lot 1296  **1863 (Feb. 16) Fogo, Newfoundland to Poole, England**, folded letter, red "FOGO PAID" with manuscript "2/-", "FOGO FE 16 1863", reverse with St. John's (AP 17 1863) and Poole (A MY 11 63) datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was delayed 2 months during the winter due to the harbour being iced up then carried via Cunard feeder service to Halifax, then via Cunard "Arabia" to Liverpool, then Poole, rated 2/- Stg prepaid the quadruple 6d rate.


Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 1,000

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Lot 1297  **1744 (July 31) Trepassey, Newfoundland to Newport, Rhode Island, U.S.A.** folded letter datelined Trepassey, no postal markings; paper loss at bottom center, some internal splitting, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried outside the post from Trepassey, Newfoundland to Newport. The contents include, "...am obliged to you for your kind offer of serving our master when drive in to your port after being taken. This comes to you in one of your vessels bound for Boston. come to talk of our fishery, we have had a tollerable plenty season. the was was the principal cause of your not sending here. we are daily afraid of being visited by the French every day; which giveth us no small uneasiness in these parts and we are forced to remove the most of our value at Ferryland being a small fortification there."

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1298 ✉ **1764 (Oct. 28) St. John's, Newfoundland to New York**, folded letter, rated manuscript "Bo Sh 4:16", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried privately to Boston where it entered the post with the manuscript "Bo Sh 4:16" for Boston Ship (Blake & Davis #48, earlier than previously reported). The 4:16 dwt represented 16 grains of silver inward ship letter rate plus 4 dwt silver Boston to New York.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1299 ✉ **1810 (Aug. 10) Cape Harrison, Labrador to Marblehead, Massachusetts, U.S.A.** folded letter, red manuscript "Weymouth Sept 20th" postmark and "8" rating; aging, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

AN EARLY LABRADOR CROSS BORDER COVER.

The letter was carried by favor outside the post to Weymouth, Mass. by a fishing vessel where it was posted and rated 8¢ collect. The letter relates to the fishery industry.

Provenance: **Boggs.**

Realized SF 2,000

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Lot 1300 ✉ **1830 (Aug. 9) Hopedale (Hoffenthal), Labrador, to Philadelphia, U.S.A.**

folded letter, red "New York MAR 7" and matching "SHIP", and manuscript "20³/₄", Extremely Fine and choice
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250


The letter was carried by private ship from a Moravian missionary to New York where it entered the post, rated 2¢ ship letter plus 18³/₄¢ to Philadelphia, 20³/₄¢ total collect.

Realized SF 2,000

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Lot 1301  **1847 (Oct. 9) St. John's, Newfoundland to Boston, Mass.** folded cover with docketing, "ST. JOHNS NEWFOUNDLAND OC 10 1847" backstamp, red crown "PAID AT ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND" handstamp, indistinct red "SHIP 6" handstamp, manuscript "1/", "H OC 15 1847 NS" backstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was posted at St. John's, carried by Cunard feeder steamer to Halifax, then Cunard "Cambria" to Boston, prepaid 1/0 Stg packet rate, rated 6¢ as a local ship letter collect.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1302  **1850 (June 5) St. John's, Newfoundland to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter, manuscript "Per Steamer Viceroy" and "4", handstamped red "PAID HALIFAX JUN 12 1850, NOVA SCOTIA" and "6", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

FEWER THAN FIVE COVERS BY THE "VICEROY" AND THIS SHIPPING LINE ARE BELIEVED TO EXIST.

The cover was either favored, placed on board steamer or carried under cover from Newfoundland to Halifax and then carried by the non-contract steamer "Viceroy" from Halifax to New York, prepaid 4d Stg port to port from St. John's

or Halifax to New York; or it could be an outward ship letter rate as noted in J.G. & Y. The "Viceroy" was built in 1850 for the Dublin and Glasgow Steam Packet Co. and wrecked on its return maiden voyage off Cape Sable, Nova Scotia.


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 1,250

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Lot 1303  **1858 (Aug. 30) 1858 St. John's, Newfoundland to Boston, Mass.** folded letter, faint red "ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND AUG 30 1858 PAID" c.d.s. beneath a bold "BOSTON 5 Cts 3 SEP BR. PKT." c.d.s., manuscript "4" and "per Steamer 'Propeller'", Very Fine. *Prepaid 4d Stg to Boston where it was rated 5¢ collect* Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

REPORTEDLY THE ONLY KNOWN COVER BY THE "PROPELLER" FROM ST. JOHN'S TO THE U.S.

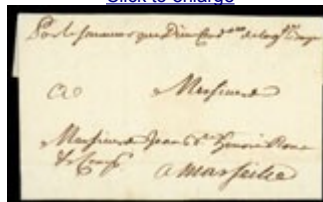
The letter was carried by the Atlantic Steam Navigation Company Galway line "Propeller", which made only one voyage for the Galway line.


Provenance: **Pratt, photographed in Hubbard and Winter.**

Realized SF 850

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Lot 1304  **1733 (Sep. 14) "De La Grande Baye, L'Isle a Bois, Cote de Labrador" to Marseille, France**, folded letter, manuscript endorsement "par Le Sauveur, Q. D. C.", reverse with "8 NO" bishop mark; Very Fine Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

REPORTEDLY THE EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM LABRADOR.

Isle a Bois is a small island in the Strait of Belle Isle off the coast at Blanc Sablon

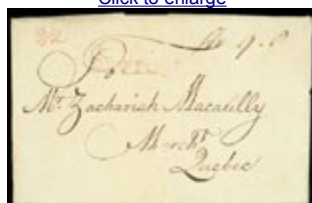
where the government of New France granted seigneuries or concessions to traders, fishermen and whalers.

Provenance: **Wellburn.**

Realized SF 7,000

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Lot 1305 ✉ **1774 (Nov. 16) St. John's, Newfoundland to Quebec, Canada**, folded letter, postmarked red "NEWPORT" straightline, manuscript "Sh 9:8" and "3/2", docketed on reverse "recd 11 Jany 1775", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried via Newport, Rhode Island where it entered as a ship letter and was rated "Sh (for Ship) 9:8" (dwt) or 3/2 Cy collect.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 2,000

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Lot 1306 ✉ **1849 (Apr.) (c.) French Coast, Newfoundland to St. Sirvan, France**, folded cover postmarked "SYDNEY C.B SHIP LETTER" straightline with Sydney C.B. c.d.s (AP 23 1849) on reverse, "H AP 30 1849 NS", "MD 15 MY 15 1849", "ANGL 16 MAI 2 BOULONGNE 2", "ST. SIRVAN 16 MA 49", manuscript "voi d' Halifax", manuscript "17", boxed "COLONIES &c ART. 13.", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE COVER FROM THE FRENCH COAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

The letter was carried from the French Coast of Newfoundland by private ship to Sydney, C.B. where it received the ship letter handstamp and datestamp, sent via closed bag mail Halifax to London via Liverpool per Cunard "Europa", then to France. Postage of 17 decimes collect is 10 decimes G.B. debit to France and 7 decimes internal French postage.

Realized SF 4,250

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Lot 1307 ✉ **1856 (Dec. 15) St. John's, Newfoundland to Vianna, Portugal**, folded letter postmarked red "St. John's Paid" datestamp, red "POSTAGE NOT PAID" straightline, "PAID 14 JA 14 1857", "PAID DS 20 JA 20 1857", "ANGL. 20 JANV 57 AMB CALAIS", oval "P.", boxed "G B/ 1^F 60^C", red double-circle "AUS ENGLAND PER AACHEN FRANCO 15 1 B", numerous manuscript and handstamped rates including "4", "7", "1/11", and "480", "7R" and manuscript "Hispania", backstamps include Vienna and Lisbon (Jan. 29), Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The cover was sent from St. John's to Vianna, Portugal but missent to Vienna, Austria, then returned to England and forwarded to Portugal.

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1308 ✉ **1856 (June 11) St. John's, Newfoundland to Auckland, New Zealand**, cover postmarked red "ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND PAID JU 11 1856" datestamp, manuscript "1", "2", "1/", "PAID CZ 30 JU 30 1856" and "AUCKLAND OC 10 1856 B" datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The cover was carried from St. John's, Newfoundland prepaid to London at 1/0 Stg, with 1d Stg credit to Newfoundland, then postage collect in New Zealand.

Realized SF 1,600

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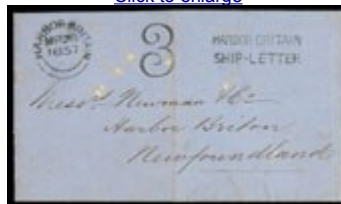
Lot 1309 ✉ **1856 (July 15) Trois Montagnes, French Coast, Newfoundland to Granville, France**, folded letter, "ST.JOHNS NEWFOUNDLAND JY 29 1856" c.d.s. on reverse, manuscript "2", "1/2", red "COLONIES/ ART - 18" handstamp, black "ANGL CALAIS 26 AOUT 56" and "15" handstamp, backstamped London (Aug. 26), Paris (Aug. 27), and Granville (Aug. 28), Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried collect via Halifax with the Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "COLONIES & ART - 18" which is unusual on Newfoundland mails, rated 15 decimes collect in France.

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1310 ✉ **1857 (Feb. 13) London, England to Harbor Briton, Newfoundland**, folded letter, exceptional strike of "HARBOR BRITAIN / SHIP - LETTER" straightline handstamp with matching "Harbor Britain MR 28 1857" datestamp and "3" rate handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE FINER OF THE TWO RECORDED STRIKES OF THE HARBOR BRITAIN SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.

The cover was carried privately from London, to Newfoundland where it was rated 3d collect and received the Harbor Britain Ship Letter handstamp. Illustrated in Pratt, page 248 and 557.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 7,250

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- Lot 1311** ✉ **1857 (Feb. 25) St. John's, Newfoundland to Vianna, Portugal**, folded letter postmarked red "St. John's Paid" c.d.s., London "Q PAID 24 MR 24 1857" datestamp, oval "P.", double circle "AUS ENGLAND PER AACHEN/ FRANCO/ 25/ 3/ B", "280" handstamp, manuscript "2", "1/7"., seven different datestamps on reverse including London (Apr. 9), Vienna (Mar. 27 and Apr. 6) and Lisbon (Apr. 21 and 24), Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The cover was addressed to Vianna, Portugal but missent to Vienna, Austria, then forwarded to Portugal.

Realized SF 3,000

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- Lot 1312** ✉ **1857 (Aug. 15) Petites Oies, Newfoundland to Legue, France**, folded letter postmarked St. John's, Newfoundland (Sep. 77) c.d.s. on reverse, manuscript "1/" and "2", "GB/ 2^F40^C" (Salles #3041) and "ANGL. 21 SEPT. 57 AMB. CALAIS K" and "10" handstamps, backstamped London, Calais, Paris and St. Brieuc, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was carried from the French Coast of Newfoundland outside the mails to St. John's where it was posted, carried via Cunard branch steamer to Halifax, then Cunard "America" to Liverpool, closed bag mail to London, then Calais, Paris, Brest, St. Brieuc. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 2F 40C" was used between Jan. 1 1857 and Dec 31, 1857 under Article 35 on unpaid letters from Newfoundland to France direct or via Halifax. The 1/0 Stg rate had 2d Stg due to Newfoundland and the letter was rated 10 decimes collect in France.

Realized SF 2,300

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Lot 1313 ✉ **1858 (July 14) Petites Oies, Newfoundland to Legue, France**, folded letter postmarked "SYDNEY C.B./ SHIP LETTER" straight line with matching "SYDNEY C.B. JY24 1858" c.d.s. on reverse, pentagon "GB/ 2^F 62^C", "ANGL AMB CALAIS 10 AOUT 58", "3" and "12" handstamps, backstamped Halifax, London and Paris, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE NEWFOUNDLAND "FRENCH SHORE" OR COTES DU NORD COVER.

The cover was sent from the French Shore or the North east Coast of Newfoundland and carried to Sydney, C.B. by private ship, likely from Grand Peche, via Halifax and closed bag mail via Cunard steamer "Canada" to Liverpool, then via London, Calais, Pairs, Brest, St. Brieuc. The letter was rated 3d in Halifax as the Nova Scotia rate but it was not collected, the total unpaid rate due being 12 decimes collect in France.

Realized SF 2,300

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Lot 1314 ✉ **1858 (Aug. 5) La Scie, Newfoundland to Legue, France**, folded letter, handstamped "3", "12", "GB 2F 62C", "ANGL. 6 SEPT. 58 AMB. CALAIS M", reverse with octagonal "SHIP LETTER / HALIFAX, N.S. / 26 AU 1858", "LONDON WA SP 6 1858", "PARIS 7 SEPT 58", "PARIS A BREST 7 SEPT 58", "ST. BIEOU 8 SEPT 58", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried from the "French Shore" (the north east coast of Labrador) to Halifax by private ship, then by Cunard "Niagara" to Liverpool, then to France, rated 12 decimes collect. The "3" is the Nova Scotia rate which was not collected. The scarce G.B. 2F 62 Anglo-French accountancy handstamp was applied under Article 44, effective Jan. 1 1858.

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1315  **1860 (Apr. 25) St. John's, Newfoundland to San Francisco, California, U.S.A.**
folded letter postmarked red St. John's Paid and Boston (May 4) c.d.s.s., red
manuscript "4" black handstamp "10", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

PRATT DOES NOT NOTE ANY 1860 OR EARLIER COVERS FROM
NEWFOUNDLAND TO CALIFORNIA.

*The cover was sent from St. John's to Boston 4d Stg to port, rated 10¢ collect via
Panama to San Francisco.*


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1316  **Newfoundland Balance**, 27 covers to or from Newfoundland comprising six
covers from **Newfoundland to England**: 1843 Bonavista maiden voyage of
Hibernia, 1853 Carbonear, 1852, 1856 1860 Harbor Grace, 1853 Port de Grave;
five covers from **England to Newfoundland**: 1850 Liverpool quadruple rate 4/-;
1850 Paddington; 1851 to Bay St. George; 1857 to Harbor Grace quadruple 6d
rate; 1858 to Harbor Grace via P. Rogerson & Son forwarding agent, four
Newfoundland to or from Scotland: 1854 St. John's; 1834 to Edinburgh; 1863
Harbor Grace via replacement Galway "Columbia", 1844 Scotland to Harbor
Grace; four covers **Newfoundland to the U.S.**: 1841 Trinity to South Boston;
1863 St. John's to New York via non-Cunarder; 1860 St. John's to Manchester,
S.C; 1859 St. John's to Boston; one **U.S. to Newfoundland** (1853 Boston to
Harbor Grace 8d port to port plus 3d internal), three **Newfoundland to Bermuda**
(1839, 1840, 1840), two **Newfoundland to Portugal**: 1829 to Oporto with "C.
Est. de N." ship letter handstamp; 1862 to Oporto; 1860 San Jaun **Porto Rico to**

St. John's; and datelined via Cunard "Unicorn" and forwarding agent in Halifax, and routed through Boston to Canada, a very odd route; a generally Fine-Very Fine and an excellent starter collection
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

Realized SF 10,000

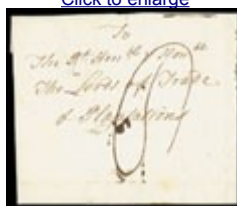
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The Allan L. Steinhart Collection of Canadian Stampless Covers

Nova Scotia Mails

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- Lot 1317**  **1752 (Nov. 2) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "8", reverse with Bristol "RIS/ TOL" in large "B" handstamp and "26 FE" bishop mark; small piece out at top, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The cover was carried outside the post from Halifax, N.S. to London, England on the same ship that was taking Lord Cornwallis, the first governor of Nova Scotia, home to England. The letter was from Thomas Peregrinehopson, second Governor of Nova Scotia, who took office Aug. 3, 1752.

Realized SF 5,250

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- Lot 1318**  **1752 (Nov. 13) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "8", reverse with Bristol "RIS/ TOL" in large "B" handstamp and "26 FE" bishop mark, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The cover was carried outside the post from Halifax, N.S. to London, England on the same ship that was taking Lord Cornwallis, the first governor of Nova Scotia, home to England. The letter was from Thomas Peregrinehopson, 2nd Governor of Nova Scotia who took office Aug. 3, 1752.

Realized SF 4,500

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- Lot 1319**  **1768 (Jan. 9) Lunenburg, Nova Scotia to Westminster, London, England**, folded cover with content docketing, "DOVER SHIP LRE" straightline, manuscript "7", "20 FE" bishop mark on reverse, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

REPORTEDLY THE SECOND EARLIEST COVER FROM THIS PART OF NOVA SCOTIA TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.

The letter was carried outside the post to England, entering as a ship letter at Dover, rated 7d Stg collect (1d ship letter fee, double 3d letter rate to London). Docketing indicates the enclosed letter was written by the missionary Rev. Bryzelius, from the German settlement at Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.


Provenance: **Guggenheim.**

Realized SF 2,300

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- Lot 1320**  **1768 (July 1) Lunenburg, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded cover, "DOVER / SHIP LRE" handstamp, manuscript "7", reverse with "27 / SE", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

REPORTEDLY THE EARLIEST COVER FROM THIS PART OF NOVA SCOTIA TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.


The letter rated 1d ship letter fee plus double 3d rate to London, total 7d Stg collect. Docketing indicates that the letter was written by the schoolmaster in the German settlement at Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.

Realized SF 5,000

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- Lot 1321**  **1780 (July 19) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Kiloch, Scotland**, folded letter, "In all" handstamp, manuscript "1/0" and "1N6", reverse with "15 NO" bishop mark; small tear at top, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR ERA COVER SENT VIA NEW YORK DUE TO CANCELLED HALIFAX PACKETS.


The letter was carried by private ship, man of war or packet from New York during the American Revolutionary War. There was no Halifax packet service at this time. The cover was rated 1/0 Stg collect, re-rated 1/6 Stg collect including 6d internal postage to Scotland. The "In all" handstamp (Robeson Lowe #505, Alcock #648) was applied in London when a letter was subject to more than one charge such as conveyance from abroad and then inland postage.

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1322**  **1789 (Jan. 5) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded cover, with boxed "HALIFAX N.S." straightline with separate datestamp "JA. 5" beneath, manuscript "1/", reverse with "F 11 89" and "FE 12 89" datestamps; some wear, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was carried via Falmouth packet "Speedy", rated 1/0 Stg collect via Falmouth to London.

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1323**  **1791 (Aug. 22) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1/", reverse with two strikes of Halifax double enclosed semi-circle handstamps, the first Aug 21, 1791, the second Aug. 24 1791, red "OC D 7 71", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

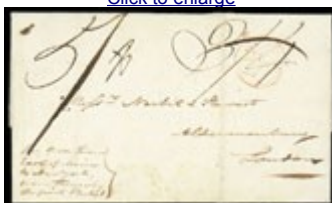
THE ONLY REPORTED COVER WITH TWO STRIKES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA DOUBLE ENCLOSED SEMI-CIRCLE HANDSTAMP.


The letter was carried by Falmouth packet "Dashwood" via Halifax and Falmouth, then to London. The letter is from Capt Arthur Gould, Brigade marines. Two strikes of the Halifax postmark were used since the first date was in error.

Realized SF 1,700

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- Lot 1324**  **1798 (Jan. 6) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "3/4", red inspectors cross handstamp, "5/0", reverse with small boxed "HALIFAX N.S. / Jan. 15 1798", red "E MA 15 98", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

THE BOXED HALIFAX STRAIGHTLINE IS RARE.


The letter was carried via Falmouth packet "Halifax", rated 3/4 Stg, changed to 5/0 Stg, triple the 1/8 rate.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1325**  **1798 (May 12) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded cover, manuscript "1/8" and "1", two line boxed "HALIFAX N.S. MAY 12 1798" backstamp, "Lombard St. Unpaid Penny Post" backstamp, red "4 oClock JY 2 98 EVEN", circular "JU 7 98" datestamp, manuscript "Picked up in the Post Office Yard", Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was carried by Falmouth packet, rated 1/8, crossed out, and re-rated 1d collect. A most unusual example of a letter found in the post office yard.

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1326**  **1809 (July 17) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Dursley, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1", manuscript "His Majesty's Ship Eurydice Halifax July 16th 09" on reverse, countersigned on reverse "J.W. Bradshaw, Capt.", red "PAID AUG 18 1809" handstamp, red "MIS-SENT TO LONDON" straightline, reverse with manuscript "2" and "AU 18 1809" receiver; backflap stain, soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE AND EARLY SEAMAN'S CONCESSION RATE COVER.


The letter is from a Royal Marine serving on the H.M.S. Eurydice while at Halifax. Apparently the letter was missent to London, and a red Paid handstamp applied to ensure delivery without additional postage. Oddly, there is a manuscript "2" on the reverse, which may or may not be a postage rating at 2d collect, the unpaid rated. The lengthy letter provides much insight into naval battles in the Americas between British and French ships.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1327**  **1810 (Jan. 8) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Petergate, England**, folded letter, manuscript "From John Todd Soldier 8th Kings Regt of Foot", red manuscript "1", red "S PAID 11 FE 1810", countersigned by commanding officer, reverse with

partial two-line "HALIFAX / JAN 3" straightline, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN EARLY TRANSATLANTIC SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVER.


The letter is properly endorsed and countersigned to qualify for the 1d Soldier's Concession rate. The contents read in part "... two years last... embarked for Copenhagen... made the attack on the city... from Halifax after leaving England... to subdue the French at Martinique... We sailed from Halifax the 8th Dec, 1809... Barbadoes Harbour on the 29th December... two Generals were Beckwith and Prevost... sailed for Martinique and made our landing... their retreat to the interior... to Fort Bourbon... fell after a brave resistance of 22 days... several of our men died from the fever...".

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1328**  **1812 (Nov. 5) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Fort William, Scotland**, folded letter postmarked "PACKET-LETTER" straightline, boxed "GLASGOW..." receiver, red crown and "JAN D 16 M 1813" handstamps, manuscript "2/2", "2/7", "3/6", "missent to Fort William", red London "D 30 DE 30 1812" c.d.s. on reverse; Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A WAR OF 1812 OFFICER'S LETTER WRITTEN ABOARD THE FRIGATE "AEOLUS".

The letter is headed "Aeolus Frigate", from a naval officer during the War of 1812, carried by naval vessel to Britain, crown inspector's cross, missent to, rated 2/2, then 2/7 and finally 3/6 Stg collect. The contents read in part "...We left England the 3d July and after a tedious voyage of nine weeks, we arrived here without encountering the Americans. We are now under way for Providence by way of Bermuda, the frigate is commanded by Lord James Townshend... (signed) Charles Cameron".

Realized SF 375

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- Lot 1329**  **1813 (July 5) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, oval "SHIP LETTER PORTSMOUTH" crown handstamp, manuscript "2/0", backstamped partial red datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A ROYAL NAVY LIEUTENANT'S STRIKING FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT OF SHIPS CAPTURED IN PRIZE, AND TRANSMITTING HIS SHARE OF PRIZE MONEY.


The letter was carried outside the post from Lt. M. Gray, Royal Navy on H.M.S. "Belvedere" during the War of 1812 to England, entering as a ship letter at Portsmouth and rated 2/0 Stg collect in London. The letter reads in part, "It is with much pleasure that I produce to you a little of the fruits of our war with America. The enclosed bill for 150 pounds sterling will, I hope, soon be followed by one for a greater amount. We have a share in a very good prize that has been sent to England, by name the St. Michael, with hides and tallow. I hope you will be able to get some money for her by and by. We have taken a great many prizes but in consequence of our sending them all to Bermuda they have sold very badly but from the numbers, I expect something very handsome. I have but a small share in the drawings, I may as well give you a list of the vessels names as it is likely you will have a small portion of them some time or other. The first is the Brig, Minerva with cones and salt; Oronoosa ship in ballast; Nautiluss sloop of war; Eastern Star, a brig with 22,000 dollars, which the Africa took by herself, all other captures have made will be paid in this country...We are taking in 5 months provisions and going on a good cruise I hope..."

Realized SF 950

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- Lot 1330**  **1815 (Mar. 30) Digby, N.S. to Bristol, England**, folded letter postmarked "HALIFAX 8 MY 8 5181" c.d.s (5181 for 1815) with manuscript "2/2" (twice); few internal splits, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A SAILOR'S LETTER AT THE END OF THE WAR OF 1812.

The letter was carried outside the post to Halifax, via Falmouth packet "Hinchin


Brooke" to England, then to Bristol, rated 2/2 Stg (1/1 packet, 1/1 British inland postage). The letter is from H.M. Brig Aurlen, Royal Navy while on patrol during the War of 1812. The letter reads in part "...from the middle of Decr we have been wandering about from port to port in the Bay of Fundy... peace having been concluded with America... we have been laying a long time at Castine in the United States... we are now laying at Digby waiting for a wind to proceed to Castine with dispatches, from thence we sail for Halifax... Henry must have been in this affair at New Orleans".

Realized SF 375

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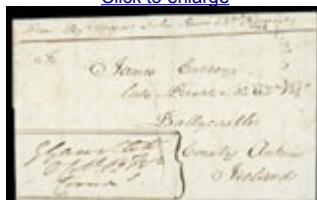
- Lot 1331**  **1815 (Dec. 9) Digby, Nova Scotia to Aberdeen, Scotland**, folded letter, black "DIGBY DEC 18" straightline with manuscript "9" day, manuscript "After Closing", Halifax (FE 3 1816), red "MR 16 1816", boxed "Add 1/2", manuscript "2/", "2/5", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The letter is datelined "St. John, New Brunswick" and was favored across the Bay of Fundy to Digby, N.S. via Halifax and Falmouth packet "Hinchin Brooke", from Falmouth to Aberdeen, rated 2/0 then 2/5 plus 1/2d Scottish Road Tax. The manuscript "After Closing" indicates the letter was re-opened after closing and a 1d fee paid.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1332**  **1821 (May 13) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Ballycastle, Ireland**, folded letter endorsed "From Serg Major John Rowe 62nd Regiment", countersigned by commanding officer, red manuscript "1", Halifax datestamp (12 MY 1821), red diamond "13 JU 13 1821"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was sent prepaid at the 1d Soldier's Concession rate, carried via Falmouth packet "Lord Hobart". The contents state, "We hereby certify that James


Curry. Was entitled to prize money for the captures on the Pebobscot in North America in September 1814 having served as a private in brevet Major Riddall's company 62nd Regiment on that occasion... will enable you to receive your proportion of the Castine Prize Money from the agents on referring to the Castine Prize List...".

Unsold

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- Lot 1333**  **1823 (Mar. 28) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Enniskillen, Ireland**, folded letter postmarked Halifax N.S. Paid fleuron, manuscript "1", endorsed "From Sargeant Major Patterson 81st Regiment", countersigned in unusual lined format, backstamped red diamond "21 AP 21 1823", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate and carried via Falmouth packet "Lady Louisa". A most unusual soldier's letter format with a pair of double ruled horizontal lines.

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- Lot 1334**  **1824 (Oct. 22) unknown town to London, England via Halifax, N.S.** folded cover, "Ship Letter (crown) HALIFAX" handstamp, manuscript "1", Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

SUPERB STRIKE OF HALIFAX SHIP LETTER CROWN.


The cover was sent by private ship from an unknown location to Halifax where it was treated as a ship letter, carried by private ship to England, entering at Liverpool as a ship letter and rated 1/7 Stg collect to London.

Unsold

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- Lot 1335**  **1826 (Oct. 11) Windsor, N.S. to London, England, "POST OFFICE WINDSOR"**
double circle datestamp with manuscript "Oct 11 26", Halifax fleuron, manuscript "4 ½", "2/2", reverse with "D 16 NO 16 1826".
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was prepaid internal postage 4½d, carried via Falmouth packet "Swallow" to England rated 2/2 Stg collect.

Realized SF 210

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- Lot 1336**  **1846 (July 1) Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "From 1390 Buglar Thomas O day 2nd Batt Rifle Brigade", red "1" handstamp, red "HALIFAX PAID JUL 2 1846 NOVA SCOTIA", "S PAID 14 AP 14 1846", reverse with "3 A 3 JY 14 1846 D".
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AN UNCOMMON SOLDIER'S LETTER FROM A BUGLAR.

The letter is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from Halifax, N.S. via Cunard "Caledonia" via Liverpool to London.

Realized SF 400

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Lot 1337 ✉ **1759 (Mar. 10) London, England to Louisbourg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, "PD" and "RJ" circled handstamps, reverse with "13 MA" and "2 IV" bishop marks, manuscript "1/", "New York or elsewhere"; soiled, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

AN IMPORTANT FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR COVER AFTER THE FALL OF LOUISBOURG AND BEFORE THE FALL OF QUEBEC.

The letter is addressed to Lt. Colonel James Cleppham of Colonel Frasers Regiment "New York or elsewhere in North America". A New York bishop mark was applied in transit and the cover forwarded to Louisbourg where Fraser's Highlanders were preparing to sail to attack Quebec after participating in the capture of Louisbourg.

Realized SF 2,400

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Lot 1338 ✉ **1795 (Sept. 1) Hampton Court, Middlesex, England to Halifax, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, manuscript "1s/ at Hampton Court for the packet and 2d postage", unclear straightline, red "PAID SE 2 1795" double circle, manuscript "Paid ½", Very Fine and choice
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried via Sept. 1795 Falmouth packet "Carteret" via Halifax and paid 1/0 Stg packet rate plus 2d internal postage. The letter is addressed to General George Brinley, Commanding General at Halifax.

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Lot 1339 ✉ **1798 (July 12) London, England to Halifax, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, manuscript "p Richmond Capt Bansfield", two-line "HALIFAX / SHIP LRE", small boxed "HALIFAX N.S. Oct 8 1798" backstamp, manuscript rated "10", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The cover is carried outside the post to Halifax where it receives a ship letter and straightline handstamp, redirected to Windsor, N.S. and rated 10d Cy collect (1d ship letter fee, double 4½d rate Halifax to Windsor). This cover is illustrated in Jephcott, Greene and Young (p. 171).


Provenance: **Jephcott.**

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1340**  **1799 (May 5) London, England to Windsor, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, red two line "HALIFAX / SHIP LRE", manuscript "5½", reverse with "HALIFAX / AUG 18 99" straightline, manuscript "p The Hope Cap Olley", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE DISCOVERY COPY OF THE FORWARDING AGENT ENDORSEMENT
AND AN EARLY SHIP LETTER STRAIGHTLINE.

The letter was carried by private ship 'The Hope' to Halifax with two straightlines, rated 5½d (1d inward ship letter, 4½d postage), care of Foreman & Grassie Co forwarding agents.


Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1341**  **1806 (June 18) Guernsey, Channel Islands to Annapolis, Nova Scotia**, folded letter postmarked mostly complete "GUERNSEY" black arc straightline, manuscript "Via Halifax", "Packet 1N2½" and "9", totaled to "1N11½", manuscript "P 1/-" in red crossed out and replaced with manuscript "1/1", reverse with "HALIFAX/ 25 AUG" straightline; light foxing and slight splitting, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was prepaid 1/0 Stg from Guernsey to Falmouth, and carried via Falmouth packet "Prince Adolphus" to Halifax. 1/1 Stg collect equals 1/2½ Cy plus 9d to Annapolis, total of 1/11½ Cy collect. The Halifax datestamp of Aug 25 suggests the packet arrived Aug 24 or Aug 25 and not Aug 16 as reported in Arnell. The letter reads in part "I wrote you 15 October... I believe my letter must have been taken by the French..."

Realized SF 675

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- Lot 1342**  **1746 (Nov. 22) Louisbourg, Nova Scotia to Massachusetts**, dateline on folded military dispatch (no address panel) a few edge faults, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

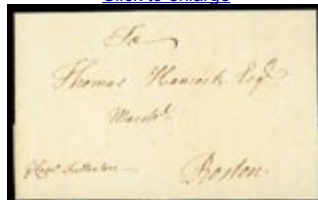
A RARE EARLY LETTER FROM BRITISH OCCUPIED LOUISBOURG.


The letter was written by William Cosby, Colonial officer and former Governor of New York to William Pepperrell, Commander of the expedition, who at this time was back in Massachusetts, British North America (U.S.A.). The letter was written during the first occupation by British and Colonial forces and discusses Cosby's sending of a packet of letters. "enclose a packet from London which I saw on board a ship and thought it my duty to forward it accordingly..."

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1343**  **1748 (Apr. 30) Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia to Boston, Mass.** folded letter, manuscript "pr Capt Fullerton", docketed "recd 4 May", no postal markings; Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NOVA SCOTIA TO ANOTHER COUNTRY.

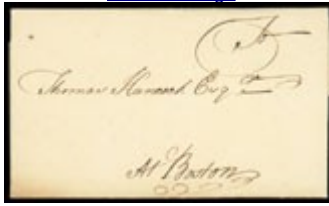
The letter, which was carried by private ship, is from Major Erasmus James Philipps (1705-1760), a military officer, N.S. Council and House of Assemblyman, founder and first master of the first Masonic lodge in Canada at Annapolis Royal, to Thomas Hancock, a merchant in Boston.


Provenance: **J. Young.**

Realized SF 2,800

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Lot 1344  **1750 (Feb. 12) Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia to Boston, Mass.** folded letter, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE SECOND EARLIEST REPORTED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM NOVA SCOTIA TO ANOTHER COUNTRY.


The letter was carried by private ship to the U.S.A. to Thomas Hancock, a merchant in Boston.

Realized SF 2,400

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Lot 1345  **1752 (July 24) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Newport, R.I., U.S.A.** folded letter endorsed "P. Capt Turner Q.D.C.", large stain, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

The letter was carried by private ship outside the post from Halifax to Rhode Island. At this time, there was no postal service in Halifax. The letter is from Malacky Salter, an early settler, merchant and public officer.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1346**  **1758 (Dec. 20) Louisbourg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia to Boston, Mass.** folded letter with no markings; archival repair of small paper loss along file fold, Fine Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

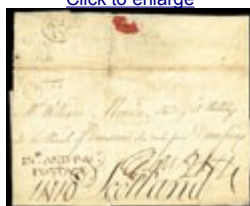
A FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR COVER FROM A BRITISH SOLDIER AFTER THE CAPTURE OF LOUISBOURG.


The letter was from a British Officer just after the capture of Louisbourg from the French.

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1347**  **1772 (Apr. 3) dateline "Eglinton on the Windsor Road 24 miles from Halifax", Nova Scotia to Kellelago, Scotland,** folded letter, light "BOSTON" straightline in magenta and bishop mark, "To pay 10d" Stg, "NEW / YORK" straightline and "IN^D. AND PAC^T. POSTAGE", "1N10", "20 IY" bishop mark, "2N4"; small edge tear, Fine Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE ROUTING THROUGH THE U.S.A. FOR A COVER TO SCOTLAND.

The letter was carried by private ship to Boston, forwarded to New York and rated "To Pay 10d Stg", 1/10 Stg collect to London by Falmouth packet, London Bishop mark and forwarded to Scotland, re-rated 2/4 Stg collect.

Realized SF 6,000

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Lot 1348 ✉ **1799 (June 1) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Newport, Rhode Island, U.S.A.** folded letter, manuscript "4½", crossed out and "17", circular "POST PAID" handstamp, manuscript "p Pkt via New York", reverse with "HALIFAX / JUN 1. 99" straightline; some toning along folds, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A MOST UNUSUAL ROUTING AND RATE DURING THIS PERIOD.

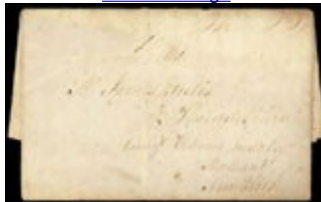
The letter was carried via Falmouth packet "Mary" from Halifax to New York, prepaid 4½d Cy (4d Stg) packet rate port to port, rated 1¢ collect from New York to Newport.

Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 650

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Lot 1349 ✉ **1813 (Mar. 6) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Philadelphia, P.A., U.S.A.** folded letter, endorsed "Care of Edward Lyde Esq merchant New York", manuscript "Sh 22" rating; some aging, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

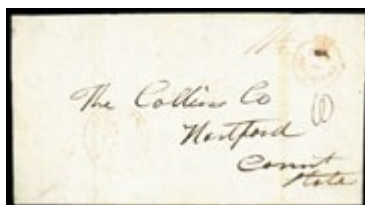
A BOOTLEG COVER SMUGGLED ACROSS ENEMY LINES DURING THE WAR OF 1812.


*The letter was smuggled across the border during the War of 1812, carried via private ship to the U.S., no port of arrival indicated but indicated to go via New York, manuscript "Sh" for Ship and 22¢ postage (2¢ ship plus 20¢ postage) to Philadelphia. The letter reads in part, "The cursed war has interrupted all our communications and disconcerted our plans... we are still in hopes here that **Bounoparte may have gone to the devil** and not arrived at Paris as is reported... His army is pretty well accounted for and I hope will be **a warning to all invaders the nova scotians are as warlike and determined as the Russians or Canadians.** The House of Assembly has voted L 50,000 for the defence of the province and we have got a stout, loyal militia, besides we will have Wellington's veterans from Spain to assist us as the French are driven from that country..."*

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1350**  **1846 (June 16) Amherst, Nova Scotia to Hartford, Conn, U.S.A.** folded letter, red "AMHERST N.S. JU 18 1846" backstamp with matching crown "PAID AT AMHERST N.S.", red manuscript "11½", the "PAID" crossed out and manuscript "10", Robbinstown, M.E (Jun. 23) datestamp, reverse with Dorchester, St. John, and St. Andrews transits, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A CLEAR STRIKE OF THE AMHERST, N.S. PAID CROWN HANDSTAMP ON A CROSS BORDER COVER.


Prepaid 11½d to the border; the "PAID" in the crown handstamp was crossed out and the letter rated 10¢ U.S. postage to Hartford.

Unsold

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- Lot 1351**  **1847 (May 10) Shag Harbour, Outer Island, Nova Scotia to Boston, Mass.** folded letter postmarked on reverse red "BARRINGTON MY 12 1847 NS" and on front red split ring "BARRINGTON, N.S. PAID" with manuscript "11½" in center, red "ROBBINSTON, Me., May 20" c.d.s. with matching red "10" in double-lined oval, backstamped "DIGBY MY 16 1847 NS", "ST. JOHN MY 18 1847 N.B.", and "ST. ANDREWS MY 19 1847 N.B." c.d.s.s; Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF THE WRECK OF THE WHITE DIAMOND LINE *ANGLO-SAXON*.

The letter was written by a passenger who was aboard the White Diamond line "Ango-Saxon" which left Boston May 5, 1847 bound for Liverpool, and wrecked on Duck Island, Shag Harbour, N.S. on May 8, 1847 in a thick fog. The letter was posted at Barrington, N.S. near the shipwreck site and rated 11½d prepaid to the border; and 10¢ U.S. postage collect at Robbinstown. The incredible first hand account of the wreck reads in part, "...you will of course hear of our shipwreck. We are safe and well, but shall not leave here till day after to-morrow in a schooner for Eastport and then probably by land from there. The ship struck on "Duck" Island and we are on Shag Harbour Outer Island, Nova Scotia, God be praised, for his merciful deliverance of us. The ship struck at ½ past eleven Saturday night and we


got into the boats within an hour and landed at ½ past six yesterday (Sunday) morning. We are hospitably, but of course, very poorly accomadated as there are but 2 or 3 houses on the island. The mainland is 2 miles over opposite to us and is called Barrington", and was written by a young man to his father. His mother has added "For seven hours on the open deep in a small boat with 49 people lying so deep in the water that we expected to be lost every moment".

Realized SF 900

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Lot 1352  **1847 (Aug. 14) Amherst, Nova Scotia to Hartford, Conn. U.S.A.** folded letter, red crowned circle "PAID AT AMHERST. N.S.", red "Robinston Me. Aug 18" c.d.s., manuscript "11½" and "10" with "PAID" in crown handstamp, reverse with Amherst, Dorchester and St. Andrews datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

AN EXCEPTIONAL STRIKE OF THE AMHERST N.S. PAID CROWN IN RED.


The letter was prepaid to the U.S. border 11½d, then rated 10¢ collect to Hartford.

Unsold

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Lot 1353  **1848 (July 29) Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York, N.Y.** folded letter postmarked red Halifax Paid rimless tombstone, manuscript "1/" and red "24" handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

RETALIATORY RATE COVERS FROM NOVA SCOTIA ARE UNCOMMON.


The letter was carried from Halifax to New York via Cunard British steamer during the Retaliatory rate period, prepaid the 1/0 British packet rate and charged 24¢ U.S. full packet rate collect without inland postage, during the 6 month period this rating structure was in effect.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1354**  **1848 (Oct. 4) Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter, red Halifax Paid rimless tombstone, manuscript "1/", red "BOSTON/ SHIP/ OCT/ 6/ U.S." c.d.s. and "29" handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

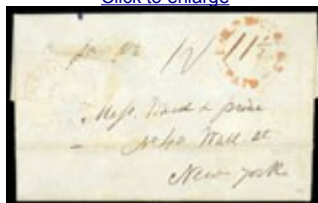
RETALIATORY RATE COVERS FROM NOVA SCOTIA ARE UNCOMMON.


The letter was carried by British Cunard steamer to Boston, prepaid the 1/0 Stg packet rate, and rated 29¢ collect, the full U.S. packet rate 24¢ plus 5¢ inland postage to New York during the short lived (6 month) Retaliatory rate period.

Realized SF 325

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- Lot 1355**  **1850 (June 27) Barrington, Nova Scotia to New York, U.S.A.** folded letter postmarked on reverse red "BARRINGTON JU 27 1847 NS" and on front red split ring "BARRINGTON, N.S. PAID" with manuscript "11 1/2" in center, manuscript "Paid 11 1/2" and "10", red "ROBBINSTON, JUL 2 Me", reverse with "DIGBY JU 30 1850 N.S.", "ST. JOHN JY 2 1850 N.B.", "ST. ANDREWS JY 2 1850 N.B." c.d.s.s, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

THE ONLY LETTER RECORDED FROM THIS SHIP, THE VICEROY, WHICH WRECKED ON HER MAIDEN VOYAGE.

The letter was written aboard the Dublin & Glasgow Steam Packet Company "Viceroy" on its maiden voyage and wrecked near Cape Sable, N.S. The contents, datelined "...on board steamer Vice Roy, June 24/50 8 PM" reads in part, "...We have got on shore hard and fast about half an hour since - supposed to be on Sable Island but the fog is so thick I believe no one can tell. We have had a dense fog almost all the time since we left the hook, all hands are trying to lighten her forward getting an anchor out aft. The tide is leaving us fast, she has keeled over to starboard -- seems settling down fast -- throwing coal over the side - We have


discovered she is making water fast in the lower hold and threatens to put out the fire so that the engine has stopped backing, an officer from Her Majesty's steamer "Columbia" has come alongside and told us we are not on Cape Sable but on Cape Puerto... 2:00 AM - We commenced to pack up for a move fearing she will never be got off. The fog cleared away soon after and the full moon has cheered us... We have arrived at this place called Barrington, N.S. and the mail leaves early in the morning... It is not likely that the steamer will be got off. It is now springtide and there is a government steamer with sixty men and they have done no good as yet."

Realized SF 1,250

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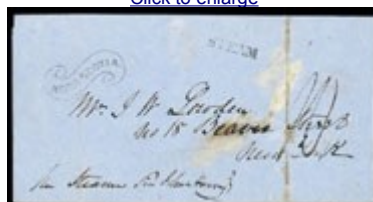
- Lot 1356**  **1851 (Oct. 16) Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York, U.S.A.** folded cover endorsed manuscript "prepaid by Express" and red "6", red ""PAID"" handstamp, blue "NEW BRUNSWICK VR 1851 X" c.d.s., small red Halifax Paid tombstone (Oct 16 1851), Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The cover was carried from Halifax (very scarce small tombstone J.G. & Y. #78) to St. John, then by private steamer to Boston, and onto New York, rated 6d Cy prepaid. The blue New Brunswick VR 1851 X handstamp was used to indicate cross-border mail.

Realized SF 250

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- Lot 1357**  **1853 (Feb. 15) Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York, U.S.A.** folded cover with original letter dateline, "Halifax Nova Scotia FE 15 1853" backstamp, endorsed "per Steamer Sir John Harvey", scroll "NOVA SCOTIA." and "STEAM" handstamps, manuscript "10"; smudge, faded, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

ONE OF FOUR EXAMPLES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA SCROLL HANDSTAMP.
ONE OF ONLY TWO COVERS WITH BOTH THE NOVA SCOTIA SCROLL
AND STEAM HANDSTAMPS ON THE SAME COVER.


The letter was carried from Halifax on board the steamer 'Sir John Harvey' to Boston, and rated 10¢ collect to New York. Both the "NOVA SCOTIA" scroll and "STEAM" handstamp were applied in Halifax, and are only known used in 1853. The Nova Scotia government contracted the steamer 'Sir John Harvey' to carry the mail between Halifax and Boston, in order to reduce the sea postage. The covers had to be endorsed via the 'Sir John Harvey' and were marked "Nova Scotia" to identify them. The rate of postage was 6d prepaid or 10¢ collect per half ounce from Nova Scotia to any place in the United States under 3000 miles. This trial service commenced on Dec. 3, 1852 and was discontinued on March 14, 1853 after generating a meager £5/4/9. Jephcott, Greene and Young state that approximately 200 letters were carried.

Realized SF 2,100

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- Lot 1358**  **1854 (June) Boston, Mass. to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia**, mourning cover, manuscript "Politely favored by Messrs. Ladd & Hale Boston", red "YARMOUTH N.S. SHIP LETTER" with matching partial "YARMOUTH N.S. JU 7 1854" backstamp, manuscript "3", pencil docketing erased; small corner tear, Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE YARMOUTH SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.


The cover was favored from Boston to Yarmouth, N.S. by Ladd and Hale where it entered to mails, receiving the Yarmouth Ship letter handstamp and rated 3d collect.

Realized SF 1,900

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- Lot 1359**  **1857 (July 5 ca) Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York, U.S.A.** folded cover endorsed "per Steamer 'Kersonesse' via Portland", manuscript "4 ½", red Halifax Paid tombstone (Jul (day?) 1857 and black "STEAM" straightline, Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PRESUMABLY THE ONLY RECORDED COVER CARRIED BY THE KERSONESSE.

The letter was carried by the steamer "Kersonesse" of the North Atlantic Steam Navigation Co. which ran from Liverpool to St. John's Newfoundland, Halifax, N.S. and Portland and return. It was the last of two voyages for this company and the non-contract steamer. The cover was rated 4½d Cy paid as an outward ship letter from Halifax or 4½d Cy packet rate to Portland, with no U.S. postage charged. It is marked "STEAM", normally indicating a contract steamer between Nova Scotia and the U.S., but the "Kersonesse" is not listed as a contract steamer.


Provenance: **Susan MacDonald.**

Realized SF 850

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- Lot 1360**  **1850 (May 18) Lowell, Mass, U.S.A. to Pictou, Nova Scotia**, folded letter postmarked blue Lowell c.d.s. with matching "PAID" and "10", manuscript "1N4" and "charge box 19", "ST JOHN NB/ SHIP LETTER" straightline handstamp, backstamped St. John (May 21) and Pictou (May 26) c.d.s.; minor fold toning, Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625


The letter was rated prepaid 10¢ U.S. postage, entered the Canadian mails as a St. John, N.B. ship letter and rated 1/4 Cy collect.

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- Lot 1361**  **1857 (Sept. 13) New York, U.S.A. to Kentville, Nova Scotia**, orange cover with manuscript "Steamer Adelaide", "10", "U.S. EXPRESS MAIL N. YORK SEP 13 N.Y.", oval "UNITED STATES" and "6" handstamps, reverse with St. John, N.B., Annapolis, N.S. and Kentville, N.S. datestamps (SP 15, SP 19, SP 19 1857 respectively); Extremely Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried by U.S. Express mail to Boston and steamer Adelaide to St. John, N.B., rated 10¢ U.S. collect or 6d Cy. The letter was carried by ship across the Bay of Fundy to Annapolis and then to Kentville, N.S. The steamer Adelaide operated between 1854 and 1859 and ran between Boston and St. John, N.B. Albert Reed was the steamboat letter carrier on the Adelaide.

Unsold

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Lot 1362  **1755 (June 14) Louisbourg, Cape Breton Island, New France to Marseille, France**, folded letter postmarked "de Bayonne" straightline handstamp with manuscript "13", Very Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

THE ONLY COVER RECORDED FROM FRENCH NOVA SCOTIA AND A FINE FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT OF A NAVAL BATTLE BY A FUTURE FRENCH ADMIRAL. AN EARLY NAVAL ENGAGEMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR, BEFORE FORMAL HOSTILITIES WERE DECLARED.


The letter, carried by private vessel to France, entered the French postal system at the port of Bayonne and travelled 116 leagues to Marseille. The single letter rate was 8 sols and the double rate 14 sols. The rating of 13 sols does not correspond to any known rating according to the post office rate tables for this period — an enigma. The sender, Pierre-Andre de Suffren, would later become an Admiral of France. The letter describes naval battles with English ships, "...hostilities committed by the English against our vessels in these neighbourhoods... three ships separated in the mist were met by 11 English ships at 45 degrees 57 minutes latitude between Whales' Bank and the Green Bank. They were attacked and the Alcide, which was the only one of the three equipped for war, was captured. The 'Lis' was still fighting at 7pm but it appears that she was also taken. The 'Dauphin Royal' (Suffren's ship) got away on account of its speed and arrived here the 15th of June... P.S. The day of the battle is Sunday the 8th of June".

Realized SF 9,000

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- Lot 1363**  **1788 (Apr. 30) Dublin, Ireland to New Brunswick, New Jersey, U.S.A.** folded letter, manuscript "4d 1oz", "Ship", "12:16", "66/-" and "Missent", red "POST PAID" handstamp, reverse with "MY 2" bishop mark, "MA 8 88" c.d.s., boxed "HALIFAX N.S." with two separate datestamps, "AU 12" and "OC 8" beneath; tear in back flap, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A MISSENT TRANSATLANTIC COVER, WITH AN ENORMOUS RATE.


The letter was missent from Dublin to New Brunswick the colony when it was intended for New Brunswick, N.J., U.S.A. It was marked missent and forwarded to the U.S., rated 12:16 dwt or 66 shillings collect during U.S. inflation period, an enormous sum.

Realized SF 800

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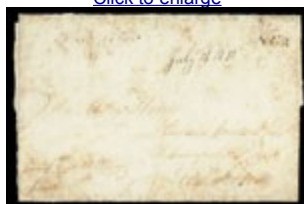
- Lot 1364**  **1796 (June 1) Bath, England to St. John, New Brunswick,** folded letter, manuscript "1/5", "9", "BATH" straightline, "PAID JU 1 1796", reverse with large boxed "Halifax N.S. / Augu, 6 96", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was prepaid 1/5 Stg to Halifax via Falmouth "Halifax", rated 9d collect to Halifax with an excellent strike of boxed Halifax straightline.

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot**  **1800 (July 14) South Crooked Island, Bahamas to Annapolis Royal, Nova**

- 1365** **Scotia**, folded letter, endorsed "care of Coli De Lancey", manuscript "Ship Letter" and "N2½" rate, docketed "July 12 1800"; soiling and edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

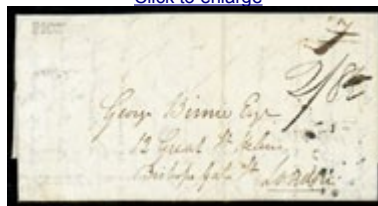
THE ONLY REPORTED EXAMPLE OF THE ANNAPOLIS, NOVA SCOTIA
MANUSCRIPT SHIP LETTER MARKING.


The letter was carried from Bahamas by private ship entering Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia as a ship letter rated 2½d Cy, received the manuscript "Ship Letter" and was delivered locally.

Realized SF 2,800

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- Lot 1366**  **1817 (Sept. 15) Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island to London, England**, folded letter, "PICTOU" straightline, manuscript "7", manuscript "2/8½", reverse with manuscript "10/-" and "C 8 DE 8 1817", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE PICTOU, NOVA SCOTIA
STRAIGHTLINE IN PRIVATE HANDS.


The letter was favored from Charlottetown, P.E.I. to Pictou, Nova Scotia where the Pictou straightline was applied and the cover rated 7d Cy to Halifax. From Halifax, the cover was carried by Falmouth packet "Swiftsure" to London and rated 2/2 Stg for a total of 2/8½ Stg collect. According to MacDonald's "The Nova Scotia Post", this is the earliest recorded example of the Pictou straightline. The letter is from Fade Goff (1780-1836), a businessman, J.P., and member of House of Assembly.

Realized SF 3,750

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- Lot 1367**  **1839 (Apr. 10) Demerara, British Guiana to St. John, New Brunswick**, folded letter, Very Fine strike of "Forwarded by / E. W. R/ Moody / Yarmouth. N. S." handstamp on reverse, manuscript "9", Yarmouth, N.S. star; light stain at left, Fine

Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THIS FORWARDING AGENT HANDSTAMP.

The letter was sent from Demerara by private ship to Yarmouth, N.S. where the forwarding agent handstamp was applied, rated 9d collect.


Provenance: **Greene.**

Realized SF 1,800

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- Lot 1368**  **1843 (July 7) Demerrara, British Guiana to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, exceptional strike of red "LIVERPOOL N.S. / SHIP LETTER" straightline with matching "LIVERPOOL N.S. AU 9 1843" backstamp, manuscript "1/8½" plus "1", totaling "1/9½", manuscript "p Saml Cunard", Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE FINEST OF THE FOUR RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE LIVERPOOL N.S. SHIP LETTER.

The letter was carried by private ship to Liverpool where it received the ship letter handstamp. The letter was rated 1s 8½d which was 4½d sea postage doubled for a letter between ½ oz and 1 oz, plus 9d postage for a single sheet to Yarmouth, a distance of 101-200 miles, plus 2½d Captain's gratuity, and finally 1d Yarmouth letter carrier fee, for a total of 1s 9½d collect. This cover is illustrated in Jephcott, Greene and Young, p. 190.

Provenance: **Jephcott, Greene.**

Realized SF 5,500

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- Lot**  **1845 (Nov. 17) Halifax, Nova Scotia to Oporto, Portugal,,** folded letter endorsed

- 1369** "p Steamer via Liverpool GB", postmarked Halifax c.d.s. on reverse, front with red boxed "No./ Detained for Postage", manuscript "5/2", "5/6", "5/2" rates, London "T PAID 2 DE 2 1845" and blue Lisbon octagonal "13 PORTO 12/ 18/ 45" with matching "560" handstamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter was detained for postage with 5/2, 5/6, and finally 5/2 Stg rating, carried via Cunard "Caledonia" via Halifax and Liverpool by closed bag to London, then to Portugal and rated 560 reis collect.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1370**  **1847 (Apr. 24) New Orleans, U.S.A. to Turin, Sardinia via Nova Scotia**, folded letter postmarked "NEW ORLEANS APR 24 La." with handstamped "PAID" and "10", red "SHIP LETTER", red boxed "Returned for (manuscript 2/3) Postage" and "(No.) (manuscript "5022")/ Detained for Postage", manuscript "2/3", red handstamps "PF", London "PAID EY 10 MY 10 1847", French "ANGL 16 JUIL 47 BOULOGNE", manuscript "4" and "3/4", reverse with "BARRINGTON MY 14 1847 NS", Halifax "H MY 20 1847 N.S.", and British "S (crown) B 15 JY 15 1847"; partial splits along edges, fresh and Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

**A FASCINATING COVER FROM NEW ORLEANS TO SARDINIA
INTERRUPTED BY A SHIPWRECK IN NOVA SCOTIA AND THEN TREATED
AS UNPAID.**

The cover was sent from the Sardinian Consul at New Orleans to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sardinia, prepaid 10¢ overland to New York, via White Diamond line "Anglo-Saxon" from Boston to Liverpool (sailed May 5 1847). The "Anglo-Saxon" wrecked on Dock Island, Shag Harbour, N.S. on May 8, 1847 in a thick fog. The mail was forwarded to Barrington, N.S. and carried via Cunard "Britannia" from Halifax to Liverpool. The cover was treated as an incoming ship letter at Barrington, rated 4d Stg, 4½d Cy collect, plus ¾ collect. The generic ship letter, detained for postage and returned for postage applied. The 2/3 Stg was paid and the cover forwarded from England to Sardinia. A most incredible handling of shipwreck mail, with no sympathy or understanding on the part of the Barrington post office.

Realized SF 4,500

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The Allan L. Steinhart Collection of Canadian Stampless Covers

Prince Edward Island Mails

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- Lot 1371** ✉ **1774 (May 11) New London, Island of St. John's (Prince Edward Island) to Cavendish Bridge, England**, folded letter dld "New London, Granvill Bay, the Island St. John's" (the old name for Prince Edward Island) with manuscript "2/" rate, addressed to Castledonington Lestershire, "to be left at Cavendish Bridge", backstamped "31 DE" bishop mark, with manuscript "P 5½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.

The letter was carried privately to England and posted in London, with bishop mark on reverse and 2/ Stg collect. The manuscript P 5½ on the reverse may be 5½ Stg additional. The letter is from Joseph Follows and reads in part, "By a letter / sent by a man of War to Quebec which expect will come to hand before this... lobster I can catch within a stone's cast of our door as large as my leg around... the vessel that I intend sailing this came by from Yarmouth last spring and is now going to London..."

Realized SF 3,750

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- Lot 1372** ✉ **1789 (Apr. 30) Edinburgh, Scotland to Prince Edward Island**, folded letter, circular "POST PAID", manuscript "1N", "3/2", "5N", reverse with endorsement "Sent from the General Post Office, in the Mail for Quebec, to Halifax. The postage from Halifax to Quebec is on this letter, forwarded - 5N -", red "MY 1" bishop mark and "MA 4 '89" datestamp; edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

PERHAPS THE EARLIEST EXAMPLE OF MISSENT MAIL TO P.E.I., MARKED AS SUCH.


The letter was carried via Falmouth packet "Portland", rated double 1/7 or 3/2 Stg to Halifax, and routed in error by the G.P.O in London via Quebec. The cover travelled to Quebec and then back via Halifax to Prince Edward Island, rated an additional 5/ Cy.

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1373  **1789 (Aug. 12) Edinburgh, Scotland to St. John's Island (present day Prince Edward Island)**, folded letter, edge wear at top center, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER FROM BRITAIN TO ST. JOHN'S ISLAND (SOON TO BE NAMED PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND).


The letter was carried outside the post or undercover the entire length of the trip and before there was an active postal service in P.E.I. St. John's Island was the previous name of P.E.I.

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1374  **1793 (Aug. 7) London, England to Charlotte Town, St. Johns Island (Prince Edward Island)**, folded letter, manuscript "9", reverse with HALIFAX N: SCOTIA double enclosed semi-circles (SEP 21 93) handstamp and manuscript "Island St. John / 30 Sepr 1793", Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE EARLIEST RECORDED P.E.I. POST OFFICE MARKING.


The letter was carried from London via Halifax per Falmouth packet with Halifax N: Scotia backstamp. This letter was sent to P.E.I prior to a post office being established there.

Realized SF 1,400

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- Lot 1375**  **1799 (Mar.12) Edinburgh, Scotland to Charlotte Town, Island of St. John (Prince Edward Island)**, folded letter, manuscript "care of Custom House Halifax, Nova Scotia", manuscript "3½", crossed out, "2 ½", partial two-line "HALIFAX / SHIP LRE", and light boxed "HALIFAX / APR. 26 1799", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was carried outside the post by private sailing ship "Hunter" to Halifax where it received both a ship letter handstamp and straightline, favored outside the post to Charlottetown rated 2½d Cy collect.

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1376**  **1799 (Aug. 31) Edinburgh, Scotland to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island**, folded letter, red "AU 31" bishop mark, "PAID B SEP 3 99", manuscript "1/0", "2/2", "4 ½", reverse with "HALIFAX / NOV 19 99" straightline, manuscript "Recd 3d Decr 1799", Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER FROM BRITAIN TO THE NEWLY NAMED PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.


The letter was prepaid 2½ Stg (6d to London, 8d to Falmouth, 1/0 to Halifax), carried via Falmouth packet "Grantham" to Halifax, then an unofficial rate of 4½d Cy charged to Charlottetown, P.E.I. The old name of St. John's Island was changed effective June 3, 1799 to Prince Edward Island. The letter is a long family letter regarding business, and military affairs with France, etc.

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1377**  **1803 (May 7) Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island to Edinburgh, Scotland**, folded letter, "SHIP LETTER LONDON JUN 25 1803 (crown)", manuscript "3/", "3/9", reverse with "JU 25 1803" datestamp, Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TO ANOTHER COUNTRY.


The letter was carried from P.E.I. to England by private ship with 3/9 Stg postage collect. The letter is docketed as being written by James Douglas and from "St. Johns Island", the island's earlier name.

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- Lot 1378**  **1818 (Aug. 1) Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island to London, England**, folded cover, fabulous strike of the first P.E.I. datestamp, Halifax transit (AU 20 1818), red "Pd to Halifax 8", boxed "PACKET LETTER", manuscript "2/4", "6", reverse with red "G 17 SE 1818" receiver; internal hinge repair, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A SUPERB STRIKE OF P.E.I.'S FIRST HANDSTAMP AND THE RARE "PACKET LETTER".


The letter was rated 8d prepaid to Halifax, carried via Falmouth packet "Queensbury" to England, rated 2/4 Stg collect (2/2 Stg Halifax to London, 2d London post).

Realized SF 400

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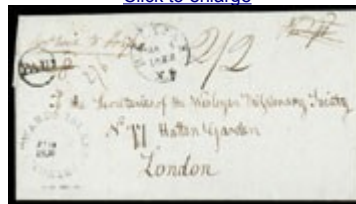
- Lot 1379**  **1833 (Apr. 12) St. Eleanors, Prince Edward Island to London, England**, folded letter postmarked double circle "POST OFFICE P.E. ISLAND." with manuscript date "17 April 33", "PAID" handstamp and manuscript "8" crossed out and replaced with manuscript "2/2", partial Halifax c.d.s., backstamped red London "G 18 MY 18 1833" c.d.s., Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter was prepaid 8d Cy from St. Eleanors, P.E.I. to Halifax, with the Post Office double circle applied at Charlottetown. It then went by Falmouth packet "Pigeon" from Halifax to England, rated 2/2 Stg collect.

Realized SF 210

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- Lot 1380**  **1835 (Dec. 14) Bedeque, Prince Edward Island to London, England**, folded letter postmarked "PRINCE EDWARDS ISLAND" circle with separate datestamp "JA 19, 1836" datestamp in center, handstamped "PAID" in circle with manuscript "8" and "Halifax, N.S., Ma 4, 1836" c.d.s., manuscript "post paid to Halifax", "Paid 10d" and "2/2", reverse with red London "B 26 MR 26 1836" c.d.s.; first page of letter missing, Very Fine.
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333


The letter has the very early use of the P.E.I. handstamp with separate date instrument (Lehr P3), prepaid 2d internal P.E.I. postage to Charlottetown, plus 8d to Halifax, total 10d prepaid, then 2/2 Stg collect via Falmouth packet "Pigeon" to England. It was delayed by the winter mail taking 80 days from Bedeque to Halifax. The letter is from William Wilson, a Methodist Missionary who discusses his travels to Newfoundland, "... travelled for miles, in small fishing boats, exposed for days together to the inclemency of the weather; and to those boisterous seas that so often spend their fury against the iron bound shores of Terra Nova".

Realized SF 270

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- Lot 1381**  **1843 (Aug. 28) London, England to Miramichi, New Brunswick**, folded letter, endorsed "per Constance", manuscript "11½" crossed out, manuscript "9", bold "Prince Edward Island / SHIP LETTER" straightline handstamp with matching "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND OC 17 1845" backstamp, additional red "CHATHAM N.E. OC 24 1843" backstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE FINEST OF FOUR REPORTED STRIKES OF THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.

The letter was carried by the brig 'Constance' as the contents states "P. Brig Constance to P.E. Island", where it received the "Prince Edward Island SHIP LETTER" handstamp, manuscript rated 11½d later changed to 9d collect to Miramichi, New Brunswick.


Provenance: **Glassco.**

Realized SF 9,000

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- Lot 1382**  **1786 (Apr. 28) Philadelphia, U.S.A. to Prince Edward Island**, folded letter, manuscript "N9", "1/8", "1N5", "2/1", manuscript "removed to the Island St. John", boxed "HALIFAX N.S. / JA 19" straightline backstamp; stains, edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

REPORTEDLY THE EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS TO P.E.I. FROM OFF-ISLAND.

The letter was carried from Philadelphia via Halifax, Nova Scotia to St. John, New Brunswick where the postmaster corrected the vague address as meaning St. Johns Island, or what would soon be renamed as Prince Edward Island.


Provenance: **J. Young.**

Realized SF 1,250

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- Lot 1383**  **1803 (Nov. 30) Philadelphia, P.A., U.S.A. to Prince Edward Island,** folded letter, manuscript addressed to one "Daniel Green in the Island of St. Johns, Nova Scotia", manuscript "W. Inland", "0/9" and "8" totaled to "1N5", reverse with manuscript "1/7", "Digby 7th June 1804" and handstamped "HALIFAX/ JUN 28" straightline; reinforced splitting, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

A VERY EARLY U.S.-P.E.I. COVER, OVER SEVEN MONTHS IN TRANSIT.

The letter was carried outside the mail from Philadelphia to Digby, N.S. where it was rated 9d to Halifax plus 8d to Prince Edward Island (the new name of Isle St. Jean or St. John's Island). Then 2d P.E.I. postage was added for a total of 1/7 Cy collect as noted on reverse.


Provenance: **J. Young.**

Realized SF 375

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- Lot 1384**  **1857 (Nov. 20) Bedeque, Prince Edward Island to Michigan Bluffs, Placer City, California,** envelope postmarked "Prince Edward Island, No 21, 1833" c.d.s. on reverse and red split-ring "BEDEQUE/ PAID/ P.E.I." on front with manuscript "paid" and "9", St. John, N.B. transit c.d.s. on reverse, docketed "rec'd Jan. 3 1858", Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

RARE 9D RATE FROM P.E.I. TO CALIFORNIA.


The letter was rated 9d or 15¢ from P.E.I. to the west coast of the U.S (over 3000 miles), carried via New York and ship via Central America, 44 days in transit.

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1385**  **1847 (Nov. 27) Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island to Paris, France**, folded letter, "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND NO 27 1847" backstamp, red "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND PAID" handstamp, "K PAID 17 DE 17 1847", "ANGL. 18 DEC 47 BOULOGNE 2-2", oval "P-D", manuscript "2/10", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

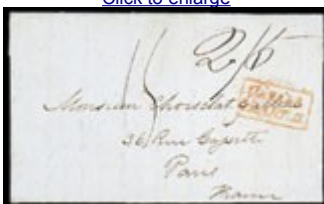
MAIL FROM P.E.I. TO FRANCE IS QUITE UNCOMMON.


The letter was carried via Cunard "Acadia" from Halifax to Liverpool via closed bag mail to London, then to France and prepaid 2/10 Stg. The rate breakdown is 2/0 Stg Canada to France as per May 9, 1843 Treasury Warrant as 1/8 Stg British packet and U.K. transit charge plus 4d Stg Colonial postage. The French charge was 10d Stg which was 5d Stg per 1/4 oz, in this case, a letter of 1/4 to 1/2 oz.

Realized SF 400

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- Lot 1386**  **1848 (Dec. 30) Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island to Paris, France**, folded letter, "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND JA 4 1849" backstamp, "BL 23 JA 23 1849", "ANGL. 24 JANV 49 BOULOGNE", manuscript "2/5", "15", red boxed "CANADA & ART. 12", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

CARRIED ON THE FIRST RESTORED RATE PERIOD SAILING, A
CONFUSED AND RARE COVER.


The letter was carried from P.E.I. via New Brunswick to Halifax, from there via Cunard "Europa" to Liverpool. The rate of 2/5 Stg is represented by 2/0 Stg P.E.I. to France plus 5d Stg within France. This Cunard sailing represents the first sailing from U.S.A. to England in the Restored Rate Period after the Retaliatory rate but it was not applicable in this case. The Canada & Art. 12 marking should have been Colonies & Art. 13 as if via Halifax and not as if via U.S.A. France rated the letter as if it was exchanged under Art. 13 as 10 decimes British debit to France, 5 decimes French internal postage for a total of 15 decimes.

Realized SF 400

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- Lot 1387**  **1858 (July 15) Plymouth, England to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island,**
folded letter postmarked small Plymouth c.d.s., black "1^s/6 Cy" handstamp, reverse with Liverpool (July 16) and Prince Edward Island (July 30) datestamps, Very Fine Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

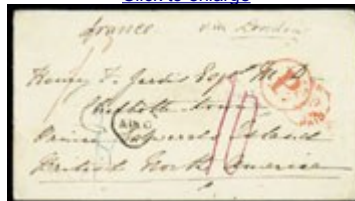
ONE OF ONLY TWO REPORTED EXAMPLES OF THE 1S/6 CY RATE HANDSTAMP USED OUTSIDE OF THE NORMAL 1851-1852 PERIOD.


The letter was carried via Cunard "Europa" via Liverpool to Halifax, and then to Charlottetown. The "1s/6 Cy" rate handstamp (Arnell E-24, Lehr P105) represents the 1/2 Stg or 1/6 P.E.I. Cy collect. Lehr reports only one use outside of the "normal" 1851-1852 period.

Realized SF 450

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- Lot 1388**  **1858 (Mar. 29) St. Petersburg, Russia to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island,**
cover postmarked "1858/ ST. PETERSBOURG/ III/ 29" in diamond on reverse, endorsed "franco via London", red circular "P.", "London DA AP 19 58 PAID" and "L AP 20 A" transits, manuscript "1d" and "10" and blue rating, backstamped red "Coeln./16 4 III/Verviers." and "Prince Edward Island MY 8 1858", Very Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

THE ONLY REPORTED STAMPLESS COVER FROM RUSSIA TO PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND IN THE PRE-1865 PERIOD.


The cover was prepaid from St. Petersburg via German States, Belgium to London, then via Nova Scotia to Charlottetown, P.E.I. with 10d British claim and 1d due Nova Scotia.

Realized SF 800

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- Lot 1389**  **1861 (Jan. 26) Auckland, New Zealand to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island**, cover postmarked red "PAID AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND" c.d.s., manuscript "5", "11d" overwritten "6", red "1^d" handstamp, "LONDON AP 18 61 PAID" transit, backstamped partial "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND MY 3 1861" c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE LATEST OF THREE COVERS FROM THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO P.E.I. IN THE COLLECTION.


The letter was prepaid 6d Stg to P.E.I. via England, with manuscript "5" and "1d" handstamp accountancy marks.

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- Lot 1390**  **1863 (June 5) St. Petersburg, Russia to Quebec, Canada**, cover postmarked St. Petersburg c.d.s. on reverse, manuscript "franco", "2" "1N4", "2", red "LONDON HZ JU 20 63 PAID" datestamp, boxed "P.D.", backstamped Quebec (Jul. 3); small tear at top, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The cover was prepaid from St. Petersburg via England to Quebec, Canada, with various accountancy marks.

Realized SF 400

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- Lot 1391**  **1793 (June 8) Fort Timiscamingue, Northern Quebec (at the time Hudson's Bay Company territory), to Barr Scotland**, folded letter, circular "GLAS / GOW", manuscript "1N4", "post paid"; soiled, fold tape repairs, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

A VERY EARLY FUR TRADE LETTER FROM HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY TERRITORY.


The letter was carried outside the post from Fort Timiscamingue (located at the east shore of Lake Timiscamingue at the narrows on route to James Bay) and carried out of the country via Hudson Bay or Lower Canada to Scotland where it was posted. The letter is from Alexander Gordon McTaggart of Dobie & Grant, fur traders and later the North West Company. His property at Lachine later became H.B.C. headquarters. The letter reads in part, "I was going to Montreal this year but I have agreed to stay another year here. I have great wages. 50 pounds a year and found in clothing and everything esle that I need keep of."

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1392**  **1801 (Apr. 7) Fort Chipewayan, Athabaska to Aberdeen, Scotland**, folded cover, manuscript rated "1N", "1N6", "1N7", oval crown "Ship Lre PORTSMOUTH", red "NO 26" bishop mark, docketing "Athabaska 7th April 1801 Letter from Jas Porter. To Alexr Porter his brother."; soiled, tape reinforcement, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM PRESENT DAY ALBERTA.

The letter was carried by North West Company Canoe Brigade across Canada via the lake and river system via Grand Portage to Montreal, and from there carried outside the post and by private ship to Britain, where it entered the mail at Portsmouth, red Edinburgh NO 26 bishop mark. The letter, written by James Porter, reads in part, "After I left Messrs Grant & Robertson which was in September 1794, engaged myself for five years as a clerk to the North West Company for a salary of 40 pounds a year which time is already compleated (sic)


at the expiration of which I engaged three years more in the same line for 100 pounds per year and 20 pounds for clothing. At the end of this contract I am as yet uncertain what I may do but it is most likely that I may stay a few years longer in this country..." James Porter drowned in the summer of 1805.

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1393  **1820 (June 10) Moose Factory, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, boxed "DOVER SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1/4", "2/8"; small faults, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was carried from Moose Factory by Hudson's Bay Company canoe brigade to York Factory, then by H.B.C. supply ship to England, entering as a ship letter at Dover, numerous ratings crossed out, finally 1/1½ Stg. The letter is written by H.B.C. chief factor Richard Hardisty.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 2,400

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Lot 1394  **1822 (Feb. 27) Forres, Scotland to New Caledonia (present day North Central British Columbia)**, folded letter, boxed "FORRES", boxed "PAID in the COUNTRY MAR 1 1822", manuscript "Paid 2/7" and "18½"; wear, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

RARE NORTH WEST COMPANY CANOE BRIGADE ACROSS CANADA AND OVER THE ROCKIES TO NEW CALEDONIA.

The letter was prepaid 2/2 Stg Falmouth packet to New York, and collect 18½¢ (11d) American and 6d Canadian postage to Montreal for a total 1/5 collect. The letter was forwarded by North West Company canoe brigade overland and across the Rocky Mountains. The letter is endorsed "Recd 31 Oct". John Stuart, fur trader and explorer was an assistant to Simon Fraser and explored much of British


Columbia, establishing several forts, and remained a prominent figure in British Columbia for several decades. He was made chief factor of New Caledonia after the merging of the North West Company and Hudson's Bay Company in 1821.

Realized SF 4,500

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- Lot 1395**  **1822 (May 5) Edinburgh, Scotland to York Factory, Rupertsland**, folded letter, black boxed "Add 1/2" and boxed "1/2" handstamps, red "MAY T 5 M 1822" datestamp, manuscript "1/1", addressed to "York Factory Hutsons bay care of... hutsons bay company, London", large dark "YF" Super scripture. "Please to forward this letter with the first ship", reverse with red "B 9 MY 1822" transit and H.B.C. endorsement "Not him that is at Berens River", Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A VERY RARE EXAMPLE OF THE SUPER SCRIPTURE "YF" APPLIED BY HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY AS A ROUTING CODE FOR DELIVERY IN CANADA.

The letter was posted to Hudson's Bay House, London where the letter was sorted and bundled for transport to Canada via Hudson's Bay Company supply ship. Being the top letter of the bundle, the cover received the super scripture "YF" which was applied to aid delivery of the appropriate bundle for each outpost. Apparently only the top letter in a bundle received the marking, making surviving examples rare.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 2,300

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- Lot 1396**  **1823 (May 28) Belfast, Ireland to New Caledonia (present day North Central British Columbia)**, folded letter, Belfast (MR 28 1823), red "PAID MAY 31 1823", red star handstamp, manuscript "Fr 9 Br 1.3", totalled "2:0", reverse with red "29 MY 1823" triangle handstamp and manuscript "Recd at I. A La Crosse 19th

Mar 1824"; wear at top, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE AND EARLY TRANSCONTINENTAL FUR TRADE COVER TO NEW CALEDONIA.


The letter was prepaid from Belfast to London and sent care of the Hudson Bay house, forwarded by Hudson's Bay Company ship to York Factory on Hudson Bay, and then by canoe express to Northern Saskatchewan where it was noted as being received at Ile a La Crosse, and then forwarded to Stuart at New Caledonia (present day British Columbia). John Stuart was a noted fur trader and explorer who spent several decades in Canada's west, and he accompanied Simon Fraser to the Pacific in 1806.

Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,800
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- Lot 1397**  **1824 (Feb. 26) Belfast, Ireland to Fort St. John, Western Caledonia (present day British Columbia)**, folded letter, manuscript "Foreign 2:7 Inland 9" totalled "3:4", "POST PAID" scroll handstamp and Dublin datestamp (FE 27 1824), addressed John Stuart "Hudson's Bay Co care of the Honble Col McKenzie of Terrebonne, Canada", manuscript docketing on reverse "Received and forwarded on the 5th Sept 1824 Terrebonne R.M.K.", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER TO WESTERN CALEDONIA.

The letter was sent from Belfast via Falmouth packet to Halifax to Roderic McKenzie of Terrebonne, forwarded to Hudson's Bay Company headquarters in Lachine, Quebec, and carried by H.B.C. canoe express via the Great Lakes, and river and lakes system, over the Rocky Mountains and delivered to Fort St. John, Western Caledonia (present day British Columbia). The letter was addressed to John Stuart, H.B.C. chief factor and explorer. Marvelous historical content including, "The French are now in possession of Spain... and restored Ferdinand to absolute power yet, only as nominal King of Spain under the protection of France", "The Greeks and Turks are still at war and the former gaining ground toward liberty", "hostilities is commenced again between us and the Algerines the particulars of which are not yet fully made public", "The Spanish settlements in America... are considered to have accomplished their separation from Spain but neither Spain nor the Holy Alliance will acknowledge their independance".


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 3,750

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- Lot 1398**  **1824 (July) (c.) Davis Strait, Canadian Arctic to Halifax, Nova Scotia**, folded letter written by Captain Sir William E Parry aboard H.M.S. *Hecla* in Davis Strait (Canadian Arctic), black "2" handstamp, manuscript "Packet 2N7 / 4½ / 2N11½", Halifax datestamp, redirected to Windsor, reverse with "AU 9 1824" datestamp; lightly stained, edge tears, Fine
Estimate SF 10,000/US\$ 8,333

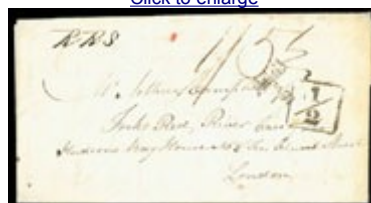
AN IMPORTANT LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SIR WILLIAM E. PARRY
WRITTEN ABOARD H.M.S. HECLA WHILE IN THE DAVIS STRAIT IN THE
CANADIAN ARCTIC DURING HIS THIRD VOYAGE OF EXPLORATION.


The letter, from one of the most prominent Arctic explorers, was carried from the Arctic to England by returning supply ship and placed in the mails in London, rated 2d Stg, and charged 2/2 Stg or 2/7 Cy for the Falmouth packet rate to Halifax, Nova Scotia. From there the cover was redirected to Windsor, Nova Scotia and rated an additional 4½d Cy for a total of 2N11½ Cy collect. The reverse has the notation "forwarded by C. Martyr who hopes he is not altogether forgotten by his friends in N.S (Nova Scotia), kindest regards to them all.". Additional docketing "Parry" at right and "Capt Parry's letter Davis Strait". The cover contains Parry's account of searching for a Northwest passage "by way of Lancaster's Sound and Prince Regent's Inlet, from which latter place we have to penetrate the ice to that part of the coast of America on which Franklin performed his late navigation".

Realized SF 18,000

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- Lot 1399**  **1826 (May 23) Stornoway, Scotland to Forks, Red River, Red River Settlement, Rupertsland**, folded letter, reverse with "STORNOWAY / 181 R", red "MAY / 2 17 M 1826", and "b 19 MY 19 1826" datestamps, manuscript "1/5½", boxed "½" and "Add^l/ ½" handstamps, large manuscript "RRS" (Red River Settlement), Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY SUPER SCRIPTURE "RRS" USED TO ASSIST ROUTING OF PACKAGES OF MAIL DESTINED FOR NORTH AMERICA.

The letter was sent from Scotland and rated 1/5½ Stg, with ½d Scottish Road tax, carried to Hudson's Bay Company headquarters in London and then carried by H.B.C. supply ship into Hudson Bay via York Factory and then overland to Forks, Red River Settlement, Rupertsland (present day Manitoba).


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 10,500

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- Lot 1400**  **1830 (Apr. 4) Mains, Tulloch, Scotland to White Falls Post (sic), Hudson's Bay Territory (present day northwest Ontario),** folded letter, manuscript "2/8½", "Add^l/ ½" handstamp, red "Packet / 3N / 1N8 / 4N8 5" totaled to "5/1", red boxed "FORWARDED" handstamp, red Quebec fleuron (JUN 23 30), reverse with boxed "GRANTOWN 12 E", Halifax fleuron (JU 9 1830) and red "APR 7 1830" datestamps; minor edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

A VERY EARLY INCOMING COVER TO THE REMOTE WILDERNESS OF PRESENT DAY NORTHERN ONTARIO.


The letter was written at Mains, Tulloch, Scotland to White Falls Post, which was actually White Dog Falls Post (located on the Hudson Bay at the mouth of White Dog River on Lake Winnipeg, north of The Dalles and Rat Portage). The letter was rated 2/8½ Stg, which includes ½d Scottish road tax, 1/1 Falmouth to Halifax rate and the balance of inland British postage. The 2/8½ was re-rated 3/0 Cy collect plus 1/8 Halifax to Quebec plus 5d Cy for a total of 5/1 Cy collect. It was carried from H.B.C. headquarters at Lachine, Quebec by canoe brigade via the Ottawa River, Lake Nipissing Georgian Bay and Lake Superior to Fort William and then by canoe to White Dog Falls Post. Illustrated in P.H.S.C. No. 91 (1997), and in "Allan Steinhart Postal Historian", p. 102.

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1401**  **1830 (Aug. 27) York Factory, Rupertsland to Dingwall, Scotland**, folded letter, light strike of red "PORTSMOUTH SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1N4", "2/1", boxed "½", reverse with red "E 23 OC 1830" and "ZE OCT 25 1830", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was carried from York Factory by Hudson's Bay Company supply ship "Prince Rupert" to England, entering as a ship letter at Portsmouth, rated a total of 2/1 Stg collect to Dingwall.

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1402**  **1830 (Oct. 9) Fort Vancouver (present day Washington state, U.S.A.) to London, England**, folded letter, dateline "Fort Vancouver, Columbia River October 9th 1830", stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1N7", reverse with red "E 18 AP 1831" datestamp; edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE AND EARLY TRANSCONTINENTAL FUR TRADE COVER FROM NEW CALEDONIA BY A WELL-TRAVELED SECOND MATE.


The letter is datelined "Fort Vancouver Columbia River, October 9th 1830" and was carried from the Columbia River District of Rupertsland which is now part of present day Washington state, U.S.A. by canoe brigade express via the Columbia and Peace Rivers, over the Rocky Mountains and via the Saskatchewan River, the Manitoba Lakes and various rivers to York Factory on Hudson's Bay. From there it was carried by Hudson's Bay company ship to England where it was received as a ship letter at Deal and rated 1/7 Stg collect to London. The letter was written by Robert Young, who was second mate of the Hudson's Bay Company supply ship "Dryad". He describes his voyage from the Falkland Islands, via Magellan Strait, Easter Island and the Sandwich Islands over a period of seven months to Fort Vancouver, and mentions some exploration of the Columbia District. Fort Vancouver was the primary Hudson's Bay Company fort on the west coast of America at the time.

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1403**  **1831 (Sep. 12) Rupert's House, Rupertsland to Cheapside, England**, folded letter, stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER" handstamp, manuscript "1N4", reverse with "G 14 NO 1831" datestamp; central toning, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

A RARE COVER FROM THE EAST SIDE OF JAMES BAY, AS MUCH OF THE ACTIVITY IN THE NORTH, AND HUDSON BAY OCCURRED ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE BAY.

The letter was written by Hudson's Bay Company Chief Factor Richard Hardisty from Rupert's House and routed via Moose Factory via the Moose Factory H.B.C. annual supply ship to England where it entered the mails at Deal as a ship letter, and rated 1/4 Stg collect to Cheapside. Rupert's House was founded in 1668 and traded hands between the French and British repeatedly until the British gained full control, and the outpost was incorporated into the Hudson's Bay Company. The store at Rupert's House was the H.B.C.'s oldest trading post.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 2,900

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- Lot 1404**  **1832 (Feb. 14) Musselburg, Scotland to Moose River, Hudson's Bay Company Territories**, folded letter, manuscript "1/2½" with "Add^l ½" handstamp, manuscript "MR" and "Recd 8th Jan 1832", reverse with "MUSSELBURG/PENNY POST" and red "B 18 FE 18 1832" handstamps, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY GLYPH "MR" FOR MOOSE RIVER.

The letter was rated 1/2½ Stg internal British postage to Hudson's Bay Company Headquarters, London, then placed in the H.B.C. mails and marked with the superscript "MR" to indicate Moose River and carried by H.B.C. supply ship to


Moose River Post on James Bay. The glyphs were apparently placed on the top letter of a bundle to aid in sorting and delivery once the mail reached North America. The letter is from Alexander Stewart to his son John Stewart. Stewart was chief factor of Moose River or Moose Factory district, and was formerly at Fort Des Prairies, Lesser Slave Lake, Athabasca district, Columbia district, present at capture of Fort Astoria, and involved in other locations. He travelled to the Columbia with James Keith and Alex Henry the younger.

Realized SF 2,000

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- Lot 1405**  **1832 (Feb. 21) Musselburgh, Scotland to Fort Albany, Hudson's Bay Company territory**, folded letter, manuscript "1/2½", handstamped clear "Add^l/ ½" with manuscript glyph "MR", reverse with bold "MUSSELBUROW/ PENNY POST" straightline and red datestamps "FEB 23 ZM 1832" and "B 25 FE 25 1832", docketed "Redd. 8th Jun 1832", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917


The letter was rated 1/2½ Stg internal postage to London, sent to Hudson's Bay Company headquarters, carried by H.B.C. supply ship to Moose River post, James Bay, Hudson Bay and forwarded to Fort Albany or held for Stewart's arrival. The H.B.C. glyph, "MR" (for Moose River). The letter is to Alexander Stewart, Chief Factor H.B.C. in charge of Moose River District which included Fort Albany at the mouth of the Albany River on the west side of James Bay. Stewart served in Columbia District, was present when Fort Astoria was captured, Lesser Slave Lake, Inion, Fort William etc.

Realized SF 2,000

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- Lot 1406**  **1832 (July 16) "St. Boniface de La Riviere Rouge", Rupertsland (present day Manitoba) to Lyon, France**, folded letter, manuscript "par le Harve", red "Montreal OC 16" with matching "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "6", "18¾", "10", boxed "PAYS D'OUTREMER" handstamp, "LE HARVE 21 NO 1832" datestamp, reverse with "Lyon 25 Nov 1832" reciever, Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500


The letter was written by Bishop Provencher, the first Bishop of the West at what is now present day St. Boniface, Manitoba. The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe brigade to Lachine, Quebec and placed in the mails at Montreal, rated 6d to the border, and 18¾¢ to New York. From New York the letter was carried by ship and entered the French mails at Le Harve as a ship letter, rated 10 decimes collect. The letter contains much details on the mail system to the West, the Indians, and the Red River Settlement.

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1407**  **1837 (Feb. 27) Fort St. James, Western Caledonia (present day British Columbia) to London, England**, folded letter, stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript rated "2/8", docketed "recd by WS 25 Oct 1837", red "25 OC 1837" backstamp; edge wear and tape repair, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER FROM WESTERN CALEDONIA.


The letter is from Peter Skene Ogden, noted explorer and fur trader. The letter was carried over the Rocky Mountains, overland by canoe express to York Factory on Hudson Bay, then H.B.C. supply ship to England, entering as a ship letter at Deal, rated 2/8 Stg collect to London.

Realized SF 9,000

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- Lot 1408**  **1837 (Mar. 15) Fort Simpson, Rupertsland (present day North West Territory) to London, England**, folded letter, addressed "John Stuart En Route" and redirected "Hudson's Bay House London", stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1/4", docketed "recd W.S. 25 Oct. 1837", reverse with "F 25 OC 1837", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER FROM THE PRESENT DAY NORTH WEST TERRITORY INTERIOR TO ANOTHER COUNTRY.

The letter was written by Robert Campbell from Fort Simpson at the MacKenzie and Liard rivers in present day North-west Territories and addressed to John Stuart, noted fur trader, explorer and chief factor, as simply "en route". The letter was carried by canoe brigade overland to York Factory on Hudson's Bay and then by Company supply ship to England where it entered the British mail system as a ship letter at Deal, and delivered to London, 1/4 Stg collect. Robert Campbell was a fur trader and explorer who discovered the source of the Yukon River and he writes in this letter, "At this place and Fort de Liard provisions have not been for some years past so plenty... Mr Bell had by accounts 31st Jan. furs in store to the value of about L 3000-- Fort Norman much the same as last, Fort de Liard is on the increase... we have but very few rats this year but martens, beaver and lynx are better and more valuable...the Marten Lake Indians who have the last two years visited us pretty regular and... have brought us about 1500 martens... you are already aware of the disasters... Mr. Hutchinson and party... back from the west branch last summer as they had commenced thier voyage for Dease's Lake... I have volunteered my services for the expedition going to re-establish in that quarter... I am to start with my party latter end of this month to Fort de Liard and to proceed from there as early as the state of navigation will permit..."


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 7,000

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- Lot 1409**  **1837 (Apr. 6) Fort Resolution, Rupertsland (present day North West Territory) to London, England**, folded letter, boxed stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1N4", manuscript "care of Jas Hargrave Esq York Factory", manuscript "Finchchurch St. Hudsons Bay House", docketed "rec'd by W.S. 25 Oct. 1837", reverse with "G 25 OC 1837" transit datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE SECOND EARLIEST REPORTED COVER FROM THE PRESENT DAY NORTH WEST TERRITORY INTERIOR TO ANOTHER COUNTRY.

The letter was written by Alexander R. McLeod from Fort Resolution, which was the Hudson's Bay Company post on the south shore of Great Slave Lake near the mouth of the Slave River in the MacKenzie District. The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express via the lakes and rivers of the west, overland to York Factory, and from there by Company ship to England, received as a ship letter at Deal, and the address further refined as Hudson's Bay House. The

letter reads in part, "I had the honour of a private communication from his Excellency... setting forth certain reasons for not appointing me to a more extended charge... my intention of settling in Canada rather than any part of the N.west... after retiring from the Indian trade... Mr T. Simpson... accompanies Mr Dease on a survey of the N.West coast...". Simpson and Dease were in charge of the 1836-9 Arctic expedition.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 2,700

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- Lot 1410**  **1837 (Apr. 22) Fort Colville (Columbia River), Rupertsland (present day Washington State) to York Factory, Rupertsland**, folded letter addressed to John Stuart Chief Factor H. B. Co. York Factory, crossed out and addressed to Hudson's Bay House, London, manuscript "1/4", boxed "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "rec 25 Oct 1837", reverse with red "F 25 OC 1837" c.d.s., Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

A RARE FORT COLVILLE FUR TRADE AND EXPLORER LETTER FROM SAMUEL BLACK.

The letter is written by noted fur trader and explorer SAMUEL BLACK and was from Fort Colville up the Columbia River, over the Rocky Mountains and via the river and lake systems to York Factory on Hudson Bay by H.B.C. canoe brigade express, redirected to London, England, carried by H.B.C. supply ship to England, entering at Deal as a ship letter and rated 1/4 Stg collect to London.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 3,500

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- Lot 1411**  **1837 (May 22) Edmonton House, Rupertsland to Norway House, redirected to London, England**, folded letter, boxed "DEAL SHIP LETTER" handstamp,

manuscript rated "1N4", reverse with "E 25 OC 25 1837", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

THE SECOND EARLIEST COVER FROM PRESENT DAY ALBERTA IN
PRIVATE HANDS.

The letter is from John Edward Harriott, fur trader and explorer, who writes, "Our returns are much better this year. Messrs Finlayson and McLean have just arrived from the west side and Mr. Douglas since from Lesser Slave Lake, the latter place has turned out between twenty and eighty packs... lynx... extensive naval establishment they have to maintain, the steamboat itself will require a good many beaver to clear cost and expenses... my Rocky Mountain House... have clear profit of L 1300..."


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 6,750

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Lot 1412  **1837 (Aug. 1) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Lyon, France**, folded letter endorsed manuscript "par New York & Le Havre", postmarked red Montreal datestamp (OC 21 1837 LC) with two matching "PAID" handstamps, manuscript "4½", "18¾", "10", "BUREAU MARITIME 15 NOV 1837 HAVRE", boxed "PAYS D'OUTREMER / PAR LE HAVRE", reverse with "LYON 19 NOV 1837" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

RED RIVER MAIL IS SCARCE, ESPECIALLY TO FRANCE.


The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express and fur trade brigade to Montreal, L.C. where it entered the mail, prepaid 4½d to the border and 18¾¢ U.S. to New York, carried by private ship to France entering at Le Havre as a ship letter, rated 10 decimes collect to Lyon. The letter, written in French, is from Bishop Joseph Provencher (1787-1853).

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1413**  **1838 (Aug. 12) Fort Garry, Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, boxed "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1/4", reverse with bold double ring "D 18 OC 1838" transit, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to York Facotry on Hudson Bay and then by H.B.C. supply ship to England where it entered the mails at Deal as a ship letter; rated 1/4 Stg collect. The letter is written by James Ballenden, a future H.B.C. chief factor.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1414**  **1837 (Aug. 13) Cumberland House, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER" handstamp, manuscript "1N4", manuscript "rec'd W.S. 25 Oct 1837", reverse with "E 25 OC 1837", Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

REPORTEDLY THE EARLIEST COVER FROM PRESENT DAY SASKATCHEWAN IN PRIVATE HANDS.


The letter was carried from Cumberland House to York Factory by H.B.C. canoe brigades and then by private ship to England where it entered the mails at Deal as a ship letter; and rated 1/4 Stg collect to London. The letter is from Charles Ross (Hudson's Bay Company fur trader) who writes, "I am suddenly and unexpectedly ordered off from this place, and I am once more about to recross the Mountains. My destination is the Columbia and then I may perhaps be at peace but in the meanwhile the length and difficulties of the journey with my numerous friends and under all the circumstances sufficiently annoying... send me out via Columbia, a gross of steel pens..."

Realized SF 2,400

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- Lot 1415**  **1837 (Aug. 25) Moose Factory, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1N2", "recd 19 Oct 1837", reverse with boxed "SHIP LETTER/DOVER" handstamp and red "G 19 OC 1837" transit datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

FEW COVERS FROM MOOSE FACTORY, ON JAMES BAY, EXIST.

The letter was written by Hudson's Bay Company Chief Factor George Keith to John Stuart, H.B.C. London, and was carried by the Moose Factory H.B.C. annual supply ship back to England where it entered the mails and was rated "1/2" Sg collect.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 2,600

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- Lot 1416**  **1838 (Aug. 27) Norway House, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1/4", boxed "DEAL/ SHIP LETTER" handstamp, backstamped red "D 18 OC 18 1838" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried from Norway House (located at the north end of Lake Winnipeg) via Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to York Factory, then by H.B.C. supply ship to England where it entered the mails as a ship letter and was rated 1/4 Stg collect to London. The letter is from Chief Factor Donald Ross to John Stuart at H.B.C. House.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1417**  **1837 (Sep. 16) York Factory, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, addressed to "John Stuart" and manuscript "recd by WS 25 Octr 1837", stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER", manuscript "1N7", reverse with red "D 25 OC 1837" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter is written by John Ballenden, Hudson's Bay Company chief factor at York Factory to John Stuart (fur trader, explorer, chief factor) and was carried by Hudson's Bay Company supply ship back to England where it entered the mails as a Deal Ship Letter and was rated 1/7 Stg collect to London.

Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1418**  **1838 (July 10) Forks, Red River Settlement (Rupertsland) to London, England**, folded letter, stepped "DEAL SHIP LETTER" handstamp, manuscript "1N7", Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

The letter was written by Alexander Christie, Governor of Assiniboia and was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe brigades and Bay Company ships via York Factory on Hudson's Bay back to England where it entered the mails at Deal and was rated 1/7 Stg collect to London.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

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- Lot 1419**  **1838 (Dec. 18) Fort Confidence, Great Bear Lake, North West Territory to London, England**, folded letter, manuscript "1N4", readdressed "Forres NB" in red manuscript, reverse with "H 15 OC 1839" datestamp; small stain, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

AN AMAZING LETTER FROM PETER DEASE ON HIS 1838 ARCTIC EXPEDITION.


The letter was written by Peter Dease, arctic explorer, on his 1838 expedition and was carried via Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to York Factory and from there via H.B.C. supply ship to England, rated 1/4 Stg collect and redirected to Forres, Scotland. In the letter, which is to John Stuart at H.B.C headquarters in London, Dease remarks on his own "difference in my right which is much impaired" which may have resulted from his "Caledonia Travels", refers to Captain Backs (Bachs) expedition in the Terror and the imminent danger they were in during most of the season. He speaks of his summer expedition which due to severe winter ice and high winds caused much blocking resulting in "pedestrian excursions" to find openings. They finally abandoned hope of proceeding and considered it advisable to return the following summer.

He refers to "Rolfs (?) Pillar", "Kendals River", "Dismal Lakes" and "Bloody fall-... where we still found a memento of the horrid massacre described by Hearne to which he was an unwilling spectator".

Realized SF 12,500
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- Lot 1420**  **1839 (Mar. 12) Fort Okanagan, Rupertsland (present day Washington state U.S.A.) to London, England**, folded cover, London crossed out and manuscript "Forres, NB", manuscript "2/8", reverse with boxed "SHIP LETTER BRIGHTON" and red 1839 transit, Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

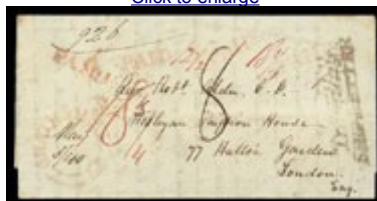
A RARE FORT OKANAGAN LETTER FROM FUR TRADER AND EXPLORER SAMUEL BLACK.


The letter is written by noted fur trade and explorer Samuel Black and was carried up the Columbia River, over the Rocky Mountains and via the river and lake systems to York Factory on Hudson Bay by H.B.C. canoe brigade express, then from York Factory via H.B.C. supply ship to England, entering as a ship letter, redirected from London to Scotland and rated 2/8 Stg collect.

Realized SF 2,400

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Lot 1421  **1840 (Apr. 29) "En route to Norway House, Rupertsland" to London, England,** folded letter, red "CHATHAM L.C." (May 5 1840), four red "PAID" handstamps, manuscript "7", "18¾" (twice), "12½" and "8", mostly clear "TORQUAY/SHIP LETTER" handstamp, reverse with "G 3 JU 3 1840"; contents not complete, Fine Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN IMPORTANT LETTER FROM JAMES EVANS, MISSIONARY, EN ROUTE TO NORWAY HOUSE. ALSO, THE FIRST REPORTED FREIGHT MONEY COVER RECEIVED VIA TORQUAY.

The letter was favored by messenger to Chatham, L.C. and paid 7d to the border, 18¾¢ U.S. to New York, and 12½¢ U.S. FREIGHT MONEY fee for private sailing ship to Torquay, receiving the ship letter handstamp (Robertson S-I first year of use). This is the first reported freight money cover via Torquay as previous sailing ship freight money covers were sent via Liverpool. The letter is from James Evans (1801-1846), missionary teacher, linguist, who on April 7 1840 was appointed Superintendant of Missions to Indians in North West Hudson's Bay lands. He writes in part "We should then occupy all the ground abouve Sault Ste. marie... I am taking with me one of our native young men who will act as teacher and intertreter... that when we can procure nativer interpreters and converted men I consider it very important to engage and employ them... Mr Peter Jacobs at present occuppies Rainy Lake post. shall make my way to Norway House will all sepped... address my letters to Norway House care of Wm. Nourse esq S.S. Marie..." James Evans invented and developed an Ojibwa syllabary and Cree-Algonkian syllabary as well as translated a number of books into Cree. He was accompanied on his trip by Henry Bird Steinhauer and Peter Jacobs and describes them as skillful native preachers as well.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,900

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- Lot 1422**  **1840 (Dec. 7) Lac La Pluie, North West Ontario to London, England**, folded letter postmarked double circle "Lachine, LC" with manuscript "21 April 1841" date, manuscript "via Halifax & Steam packet" and "Sterling 1/2", docketed "16 MY 16 1841" on reverse, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was written from Lac La Pluie (present day Fort Francis, Ontario, then nominally Ontario but under Hudson's Bay Company Territory control), carried via H.B.C. canoe brigade to Lachine, C.E. and then via Cunard "Columbia" from Halifax to Liverpool rated 1/2 Stg collect. The writer, William Mason of the Wesleyan Missionary, states "The priest has done all in his power to persuade the Indians (of Alexander, Rat Portage & Lac La Pluie forts) that 'theirs' is the only true religion - They have the powerful example of the whites who dance, curse and swear & gamble both Sundays & weekdays, what can we expect from the poor ignorant heathen, the wild, untutored sons and daughters of the forest. May God in mercy hasten the time when so great a curse to this land shall be removed and when we shall cease to hear the cry 'The Christian no better than we...'".


Provenance: **de Volpi, Nickle.**

Realized SF 1,700

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- Lot 1423**  **1844 (Aug 23) York Factory, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter, endorsed "private", partial boxed "RAMSGATE/SHIP LETTER" straightline and red "X" in circle handstamps, manuscript "8", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter is from York Factory, Rupertsland, carried via H.B.C. supply ship "Prince Rupert" to England, entering the mails as a ship letter at Ramsgate, rated 8d Stg. The letter is from James Hargrave, H.B.C. chief factor.

Realized SF 1,150

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- Lot 1424**  **1844 (May 17) Fort Francis, Rainy Lake, North-Western Ontario (Hudson's Bay Company lands) to London, England**, folded letter, boxed "RAMSGATE SHIP LETTER", manuscript "8", reverse with red "JQ 16 OC 1844" c.d.s., Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

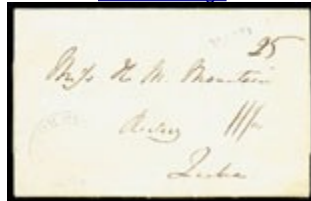
VERY LITTLE MAIL IS RECORDED FROM FORT FRANCIS DURING THIS PERIOD.


The letter was carried via Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to York Factory, then H.B.C. supply ship "Prince Rupert" to England, entering as a ship letter, rated 8d Stg collect to London. The letter is from Peter Jacob, an Ojibway Indian Methodist missionary.

Realized SF 600

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- Lot 1425**  **1844 (June 8) Fort William, Rupertsland to Quebec, Canada via the U.S.** folded letter postmarked blue "SAULT DE STE. MARIE JUL 11 Mich" c.d.s. and matching "PAID" handstamp with manuscript "25", also manuscript "11½", backstamped red Quebec c.d.s., Jul. 24; slight splitting of internal folds, otherwise Very Fine. *The letter was prepaid 25¢ U.S. postage to the border at Lake Champlain, N.Y.- V.T. then 11½d Cy collect from the border to Quebec*
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500


The letter is written by George Jehoshaphat Mountain, Anglican Bishop of Quebec, on his journey to the Red River Settlements. Fort William was a Hudson's Bay Company minor post and the letter was carried by canoe to Sault Ste. Marie, which was the nearest post office. The letter reads in part, "About 1500 miles from Quebec... leave our large canoe here and take two small ones on account of the number of portages... leave the Ottawa at Mattawa... up the Mattawa River...by Lake Nipissing and French River to Lake Huron...to Sault Ste Marie above which we enter Lake Superior...to Fort William...Rainy Lake, Lake of the Woods...Lake Winnipeg...Red River... The Indians... are a very dirty, squalid set of people..."

Realized SF 1,200

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- Lot 1426**  **1844 (July 17) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Marlborough, England**, folded letter, boxed "RAMSGATE/ SHIP LETTER" and manuscript "8", backstamped London (Oct. 16) and Marlborough (Oct. 17); extensive fold separation repairs, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter is from Red River Settlement, carried by H.B.C. canoe express to York Factory on Hudson Bay, then via H.B.C. supply ship "Prince Rupert" to England, entering the mails as a ship letter at Ramsgate, rated 8d Stg. The lengthy cross-written letter was written by Mrs. A. Cowley, the wife of missionary Abraham Cowley, a pioneer clergyman and missionary of the Church of England.

Realized SF 525

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- Lot 1427**  **1844 (July 18) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Fairford, England**, folded letter, boxed "RAMSGATER SHIP LETTER", manuscript "8", reverse with "Fairford Oct 16, 1844" and red "16 OCT 1844" c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833


The letter was carried via Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to York Factory, then H.B.C. supply ship "Prince Rupert" to England, entering as a ship letter, rated 8d Stg collect to London.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1428  **1845 (July 6) Whale Fish Island, Davis Strait to England**, folded letter, inside dateline "Wale Fish islands Sunday July 6th 1845", addressed simply "Miss Kate Shingleton"; small faults, Fine
Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

AN OUTSTANDING LETTER FROM SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S LAST VOYAGE OF EXPLORATION.


The letter was written at Whale Fish Island in the Davis Strait which is located between Baffin Island and Greenland. The writer, William Rhodes, was a petty officer on the H.M.S. 'Terror' during Sir John Franklin's last voyage of exploration. The letter was carried privately by the returning supply vessel which had transferred her cargo to the 'Terror' and 'Erebus'. The supply ship returned to England with a packet of letters from Franklin and the crew. This was the last communication from the expedition. The letter reads in part, "We arrived off these islands last Wednesday but did not get into the harbour until Friday morning for we could not find the harbour... We have had a very rough passage out... We are going to discharge the transport in this harbour and then she leaves us and makes her way home. We have just got half of our way or that is to say half as far as we shall be able to get this summer. We have had lots of broken ice with some very large burs such as a mile round... I think you will not hear from me any more until we arrive home... P.S. We are all very happy in the ship. We have good officers in her and that makes us comfortable. After we have cleared the transport we have 3 years stock in store".

Sir John Franklin (1786-1847) was an English explorer and British Rear Admiral who proved the existence of a Northwest Passage (a water route from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean through Canada). In 1819 to 1822, Franklin surveyed part of the northwestern Canadian coast east of the Coppermine River. On a second expedition, from 1825 to 1827, Franklin explored the North American coast from the mouth of the Mackenzie River, in northwestern Canada, westward to Point Beechey (Alaska). In 1845, the third and final expedition in which he lost his life, Franklin sailed from England with two ships and 128 men to Canada in search of a Northwest Passage. All members of the expedition perished when both ships became trapped in ice. The last sighting occurred on July 26, 1845 by whaling ships, which did not take any letters, but later filed an official report.

Realized SF 13,000
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- Lot 1429**  **1845 (Aug. 11) Yukon River Headwaters, North West Territory to Westray, Orkney, Scotland**, folded cover, endorsed "R.C. 11th Augt 1845", "via Boston & Liverpool p Steamer", red Lacine, L.C. datestamp (28th Oct 1845), manuscript "1/2", reverse with boxed "Kirkwall 22 Nov 1845" datestamp; wear, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A RARE COVER FROM ROBERT CAMPBELL, EXPLORER, ON HIS ARCTIC EXPEDITION.


The cover was sent by Robert Cambell, explorer, somewhere near the Pelly or Yukon Rivers head waters on his expedition in the Yukon, carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to Lachine, L.C. and then by normal postal routes via Boston and Liverpool to Orkney, Scotland, rated 1/2 Stg collect.

Realized SF 4,250

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- Lot 1430**  **1846 (Sept. 14) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to London, England,** folded letter postmarked blue "SAULT STE. MARIE OCT 10 Mich" c.d.s. and matching "PAID" and "10" handstamps, manuscript "via Boston pr Royal Mail Steamer" and "1/", backstamped red London "BC 16 NO 16 1846" c.d.s., docketing reads "received 16 Nov. 1846., G. Simpson, Red River 14 Sep. 1846.", first page of content removed, signature intact, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan where it entered the mails, rated 10¢ paid to Boston, via Cunard "Caledonia" to Liverpool, then London, rated 1/0 Stg collect. The letter is from Sir George Simpson, Governor of Hudson's Bay Company.

Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,500

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- Lot 1431** ✉ **1848 (June 23) Norway House, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded letter postmarked red "Montreal, L.C. c.d.s. JY 27, 1848" c.d.s., manuscript "2/4" rate, backstamped red "AE 16 AU 16 1848" datestamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried by Hudson's Bay Company canoe express to Montreal where it entered the mails, rated 2/4 Stg collect as a double rate letter to London via Cunard steamer and the U.S. The letter is to Mrs. Beardmore, wife of an H.B.C. employee.

Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 750

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- Lot 1432** ✉ **1849 (Aug. 9) Beaver Harbour (Fort Rupert), Vancouver Island to London, England**, folded letter endorsed "per Coy Ship to England", red "SHIP LETTER" straightline, manuscript "8", docketed "Rec'd in London this day 17 Apr 1850 JB", backstamped London (Sep. 17), Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

AN "AROUND THE CAPE" COVER FROM THE REMOTE NORTHERN TIP OF VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Beaver Harbour was located at the top end of Vancouver Island. The letter is written by a Hudson's Bay Co. clerk, and is carried by H.B.C. ship around Cape Horn to England, enters the mails as a ship letter and is rated 8d Stg collect, a manuscript date Apr. 17 1850 indicates a travel time of 8 months and 8 days. The contents mentions various Indian tribes, the Chilcots, Nootkas and Bella-Bellas, and much about Indian ways, tools, weapons and clothing. It reads in part, "I am now on the Nor West Coast among the most fierce and savage Indians on the American continent."

Realized SF 9,000

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- Lot 1433**  **1850 (June 25) Norway House, Rupertsland to London, England**, folded cover, very fine strike of red "LACHINE LC AU 3 1850", manuscript "1/2", reverse with red "18 AU 1850" c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

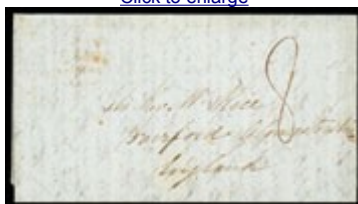
The letter was carried by Hudson's Company canoe brigade to Lachine and then by Cunard steamer to London, rated 1/2 Stg collect. The letter was from William Mason, a pioneer missionary.


Provenance: **de Volpi.**

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- Lot 1434**  **1851 (Dec. 30) Fairford, Rupertsland (present day Manitoba), to Fairford, England**, folded letter, manuscript "8", reverse with "SHIP LETTER" straightline, blue double arc "Fairford OC 26 1852", and red "26 OC 1852", Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was carried via Hudson's Bay Company canoe brigade to York Factory on Hudson Bay, then by H.B.C. supply ship to England, entering at Deal, rated 8d Stg collect. The letter is from Rev. Abraham Cowley, a pioneer missionary in Western Canada.

Provenance: **de Volpi.**

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1435** ✉ **1852 (Feb. 22) Berthier, L.C. to Pembina, Minnesota, U.S.A.** folded letter postmarked blue "BERTHIER FE 22 1852 L.C." c.d.s. and matching "6d", red "CANADA" arc plus "SAINT PAUL 29 MAR Min. Ter." c.d.s. and matching handstamp "5" next to manuscript "ford", below is a black "10" handstamp totaled in manuscript to "15", reverse with Montreal datestamp (FE 23 1852), Very Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was rated 6d Cy or 10¢ U.S. postage collect to St. Paul, Minnesota and forwarded to Pembina, Minnesota Territory (now North Dakota) via the monthly winter mails by dog team and toboggan, rated 15¢ collect. The letter is from Ann Kittson to Norman Kittson (1814-1888), fur trader, merchant and steamboat owner, who joined the American Fur Company and established his post at Pembina.

Realized SF 1,050

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- Lot 1436** ✉ **1852 (May 9) York Factory, Rupertsland to London, England,** folded cover, "SHIP LETTER" handstamp, manuscript "8", reverse with red "26 OC 1852" c.d.s., Fine Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried from York Factory by Hudson's Bay Company supply ship to England, entering as a ship letter; rated 8d Stg collect to London. The letter was from William Mason, a pioneer missionary.

Realized SF 575

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- Lot 1437** ✉ **1853 (Mar. 11) Stornoway, Scotland to Red River Colony, Rupertsland, via Pembina,** mourning envelope postmarked partial boxed "Stornoway 11 53" with "BR. PACKET 1 APR 24 BOSTON" c.d.s. and "5" rate stamp, green "19/ CENTS", manuscript "29", reverse with Liverpool (MR 19 1853) and **Saint Paul Minn Ter.** (30 Apr) datestamps. *Illustrated in Risvold* Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

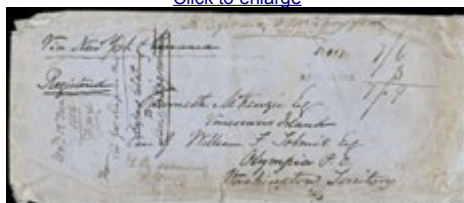
The cover was sent via Cunard "Niagara" via Liverpool and Boston, rated 24¢ packet letter rate, 19¢ credit to Britain. It then went (as addressed) to St. Paul, Minn. where the "St. Paul" was changed to "Pembina", and traveled across the border to Red River. The redirection added 5¢ making the total due 29¢ U.S. The letter is addressed to Mrs. Donald Ross, widow of H.B.C. Chief Factor.


Provenance: **Salzer.**

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1438**  **1856 (Oct. 10) Lachine, C.E. to Vancouver Island via Olympia, Washington Territory, U.S.A.** large envelope postmarked faint blue Lachine c.d.s., manuscript "7/6" and "3", totaled to "7/9", handstamped "PAID", "REGISTERED", manuscript "via New York & Panama", addressed to "Kenneth McKenzie, Vancouver Island, care of William F Tolmie Esq. Olympia P.O., Washington Territory, U/S", docketed "from Sir George Simpson" etc, reverse with Montreal datestamp; extensive cover wear, at least partly caused by thick original contents, Fine. *Rated 10-times the 9d Cy rate for over 3000 miles to the west coast plus 3d registration to the U.S., for a total of 7/9 Cy collect*
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

BELIEVED THE EARLIEST, AND PERHAPS THE HIGHEST RATED REGISTERED USAGE TO THE WEST COAST.


The letter was routed via New York, Panama, San Francisco and Olympia, W.T., then forwarded to Vancouver Island before the establishment of a post office there. The letter is from Beren's at Hudson's Bay House London with a covering letter from Sir George Simpson, Governor of H.B.C. at Lachine, to Kenneth McKenzie, superintendent of the Puget's Sound Agricultural Co's four farms near Victoria, owned by H.B.C. The registration system commenced by a treaty on Oct. 1 1856 and this is a very early example of registered mail to the west coast.

Realized SF 1,600

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- Lot 1439**  **1856 (Nov.) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Toronto, C.W.** envelope postmarked manuscript "Pembina, Nov 15th" and "10 cts" with "6" handstamp, docketing "Dec 23d 1856 In this Papa's death", reverse with Toronto datestamp (Dec 23); extra ink at bottom, Very Fine, *Illustrated in Risvold, page 242*
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

*The letter was paid 1d or 2¢ Carrier Fee from Red River Settlement to Pembina, entered the mails and was rated 10¢ or 6d Cy collect to Toronto. It is from Alexander Ross to James Ross and notifies him of the death of William Ross, their father and **Postmaster of Red River Settlement**. Pembina, N.D. was part of Minnesota Territory at this time.*


Provenance: de Volpi.

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- Lot 1440**  **1858 (Apr. 9) Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Victoria Island, Nova Scotia**, folded letter, 22mm manuscript circle with manuscript "Red River 13 My 1858" and matching "Paid 10 cents", manuscript "Pembina May 15 / 58" postmark, red arc "U. STATES", backstamps include "St. John New Brunswick JU 14 1858"; aging, Fine
Estimate SF 10,000/US\$ 8,333

THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE SMALL RED RIVER CIRCLE.

The letter was carried from Red River to the border and entered via Pembina, rated 10¢ through the United States to Victoria Island, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The letter entered at Pembina two days after Minnesota became a state. The rate was 1d prepaid in cash from Red River to Pembina, then 10¢ U.S. rate to Nova Scotia. At present this is the only recorded report of any Red River postmark between the death of Donald Ross in April or May 1856 and Canada's assumption of postal services at Red River in 1870. The letter is from a farmer at Red River, John McDonald, to his brother, and reads in part, "Since the arrival of the soldiers here the price of produce is increasing... the expectation of the Red River people is that this place will be united to Canada soon and monopoly of the Hudson Bay Company will soon be finished. The government of Canada already granted 5000


pounds to make a road between Lake Superior and the Red River. Commissioners are surveying the land last winter. A vessel from Quebec with full cargo to the upper end of Lake Superior will come without unloading her... here is no doubt merchants and settlers will emigrate to the Red River..."

Realized SF 55,000

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- Lot 1441**  **1859 (Nov.) Victoria, Vancouver Island to London, England**, envelope postmarked "VICTORIA, V.I. / POST / OFFICE" oval, red "SAN FRANCISCO CAL NOV 5 1859 Paid", "6", and "LONDON AK DE 19 59 PAID" handstamps, manuscript "58" crossed out and rewritten "58", docketing at left, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,000

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- Lot 1442**  **1861 (Feb.) Victoria, Vancouver Island to Clais, France**, cover postmarked two strikes oval "POST OFFICE (coat of arms) VICTORIA V.I.", one obliterating a "PAID" handstamp, "SAN FRANCISCO CAL MAR 1 1861" and "NEW YORK 12 MAR 30" c.d.s.s., "15" and "8" rate handstamps, "ET UNIS SERV AM D 15 AVRIL 61 HARVE" octagonal datestamp, backstamped three French c.d.s.s.; edge faults, Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

A RARE COLONIAL BRITISH COLUMBIA COVER TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.


The letter was carried by ship to San Francisco, then by ships to New York, then carried by Harve Steam Navigation Co "Arago", leaving New York March 30, 1861 and arriving at Harve April 15 1861. The cover was rated 8 decimes collect, with the '15' applied in San Francisco which reiterates the single letter rate under the U.S.-French Convention of April 1, 1857. The New York 12¢ debit to France is for the internal U.S. postage plus transatlantic service.

Realized SF 7,000

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- Lot 1443**  **1861 (June) Hope, British Columbia to Penrith, England**, orange cover franked with a 2½d dull rose, perf 14 tied by oval grid "3", "SAN FRANCISCO CAL JUL 2" c.d.s. with manuscript "1/ 2½" and "2/5", reverse with "BZ London AU 9 61" and "D Penrith AU 9 61" datestamps; upper right corner reattached, overall age wear, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667


The stamp prepaid the 2½d internal British Columbia postage. The letter was incorrectly rated the 1/2½ letter rate via San Francisco then re-rated 2/5 Stg collect as a double letter rate from the west coast of America (equivalent to 58¢ U.S.). It was carried from New York by the Inman line "City of Washington" to Liverpool, then to Penrith.

Realized SF 2,700

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- Lot 1444**  **1863 (undated) Great Slave Lake, North West Territory (present day Alberta) to Le Mans, France**, cover endorsed "France (voie d'Angleterre)", postmarked on reverse red "SHIP LETTER C OC 10 63 LONDON" (Robertson S-133), boxed "GB/ 1^F 60^C", "ANGL AMB CALAIS 11 OCT 63" c.d.s. and "8" handstamp, backstamped Paris and Le Mans (Oct. 12). **The envelope was then turned inside out**, and addressed to "Lac Des Esclaves, Riviere Mc Kenzie" (Rupertsland) and apparently reused to the sender, though there are no postal markings for the return usage, as it would have been carried outside the mails, Fine and most intriguing
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

AN INCREDIBLE TURNED COVER FROM CANADA'S REMOTE WILDERNESS TO FRANCE AND BACK AGAIN.

The cover was sent by Vital Justin Grandin, Bishop of Satala, carried by Hudson's Bay Co. canoe express to York Factory, Hudson's Bay and then by H.B.C. supply ship to England where it entered as a ship letter, and was sent through the post to


*France with French-Anglo accountancy handstamp. The envelope was then apparently turned inside out, addressed to Satala and carried a reply back to him outside the mail. Alternatively, the envelope could have been used to deliver a letter to Grandin **before**, being turned and used to France. The bishop served St. Boniface for the Southern section of Mackenzie District, Rupertsland (N.W.T.), oblate father, later bishop of St. Albert (Edmonton, Alberta) and in 1855 established a mission at Isle a La Crosse.*

Realized SF 3,250

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- Lot 1445**  **Rupertsland Group, 1850 - 1858**, interesting selection consisting of 1850 Norway House, Rupertsland to Aberdeen, Scotland via H.B.C. canoe express to York Factory and H.B.C. supply ship to England, historical letter from Donald Ross, Chief Factor regarding politics in Western Canada, Oregon and description of fur trade in the west; 1852 Norway House, Rupertsland to Montreal, paid 3d at Red River and carried via Canadian route to Sault Ste Marie, Michigan and U.S. route, rated 10¢ collect; 1854 Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to Toronto, manuscript "Pembina M. Ty April 19/ 54", 1d or 2¢ carrier fee paid in cash to transport to Pembina, 10¢ collect via U.S.A., ex de Volpi; 1856 Red River Settlement, Rupertsland to England, prepaid "PAID 24" via St. Paul M.T.; 1858 Lower Fort Garry, Rupertsland to Kilman, Scotland, "prepaid 24¢", "Pembina July 15 56" circled, "3", generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

Realized SF 4,250

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Lot 1446



1810 (July 16) Algiers, Regency of Algiers (Algeria) to Halifax, Nova Scotia folded letter postmarked blue "LISBON AU 20 1810 F" rimless c.d.s., manuscript "3N" and "5/".

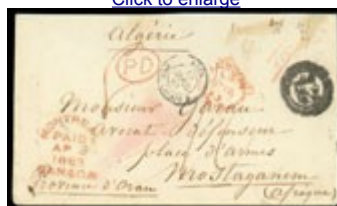
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from the British consulate at Algiers, part of the Ottoman Empire under Turkish Pasha nominally, by Lisbon-Falmouth packet (Robertson FP 7, first year of use), to Falmouth, rated 3/ collect, then via Falmouth packet "Lord Hobart" to Halifax, rated 5/ collect.

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1447



1863 (Apr. 3) Montreal, C.E. to Mostaganem, Algeria, cover postmarked black "Montreal PM AP 3 63 LC" datestamp obliterated by 4-ring "21", red "Montreal PAID AP 3 1863 CANADA" rimless tombstone, red crayon "17", "LONDON LW AP 18 63" and "ANGL. 19 AVRIL 63 AMB CALAIS B" c.d.s.s., red manuscript "8" and "10", backstamped "PARIS 19 AVRIL 63", "PARIS A LYON 19 AVRIL 63" and "MOSTAGANEM 20 AVRIL 63 ALGERIE" c.d.s.s., Fine

Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 203 IN ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The letter was originally datestamped in black indicating the letter wasn't prepaid so the 4 Ring "21" obliterated the datestamp and it was restruck in red. The letter was prepaid the 17¢ rate via Canadian steamer or via Halifax but this letter was sent via New York and should have been rated 22¢ to cover the additional 5¢ fee for routing via New York. The cover was sent per Cunard steamer "Asia" (93rd voyage) from New York to Queenstown via closed bag mail, and then forwarded through France to Algeria. The manuscript "8"d Stg and "10"d Cy correspond to the 17¢ (albiet incorrect) rating.

Realized SF 1,400

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Lot 1448



1861 (May 27) Antigua to Toronto, Canada, cover postmarked "C ANTIGUA MY 27 61" c.d.s. on reverse, bold strike of red "PAID AT ANTIGUA" crowned circle on front along with manuscript "4" and "UNPAID 5" handstamp, backstamped St Thomas (May 26), Quebec (Jun. 26), and Toronto (Jun. 28), Very Fine and choice
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 254 IN ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The letter was posted from Antigua via St. Thomas, Danish West Indies and Bermuda via Cunard packet "Merlin", to Halifax and then overland to Toronto. The letter was rated UNPAID 5¢ at Toronto for Canadian and provincial postage from Halifax during an unusual period between 1859 and 1861 when the interprovincial unpaid rate was 5¢ yet the domestic (Canadian) unpaid rate was 7¢.

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1449



Antigua covers, three covers: 1850 Antigua to Toronto, U.C. via Bermuda, 1855 Antigua to Toronto, C.W. via Jamaica and 1859 Antigua to Westport, Nova Scotia via D.W.I., Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1450



1855 (Jan. 9) St. Thomas, U.C. to Deloraine, Tasmania (Australia), cover postmarked red St. Thomas c.d.s. with matching red "PAID" handstamp and manuscript "1/8" and "2/- Cy" crossed out and re-rated "1/2" and "1/5", endorsed "via England", red "Paid 1855 31 JA 31" London c.d.s., reverse with London, U.C. transit c.d.s (Jan. 9) and red diamond "SHIP LETTER - INWARDS FREE/ 18 MY 18/ 1855", Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF ONLY A FEW CANADA PENCE PERIOD COVERS RECORDED TO TASMANIA.

The letter was sent from St. Thomas, prepaid via England to Deloraine, Tasmania, apparently during the withdraw of P. & O. service and sent via the Long Sea Route (around the Cape of Good Hope).

Realized SF 2,500

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Lot 1451



1856 (June 11) St. Thomas, U.C. to Launceston, Tasmania, envelope postmarked "ST. THOMAS JUN 11 1856 U.C." c.d.s. with manuscript "1/8 = 2/.", manuscript and handstamp "PAID", red "PAID 30 JU 30 1856" tombstone, reverse with London, U.C. and Hamilton, U.C. transit datestamps and red "SHIP LETTER INWARD FREE 19 SP 19 1856" diamond; light staining on flap, Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

TASMANIA IS A RARE DESTINATION FOR CANADIAN MAIL AND THIS IS ONE OF ONLY TWO SUCH COVERS IN THE COLLECTION.

The letter was carried via Cunard "Niagara" via Boston to Liverpool, then by Black Ball line Liverpool sailing clipper "Morning Light" to Melbourne and by local ship from Melbourne to Hobart and onwards to Launceston. The cover was prepaid 1/8 Stg or 2/0 Cy which was in error as it should have been 1/2 Stg (8d Canada to England, 6d England to Tasmania). This cover was carried during the period of withdrawal of P. & O. Australia service and instead travelled by sailing packet.

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1452



1853 (May 14) Melbourne, Victoria (Australia) to Halifax, Nova Scotia, letter franked with Victoria 3d half-length, left margin copy, tied by "I/V" obliterator, postmarked on reverse red "SHIP LETTER (crown) MY 21 1853 MELBOURNE" rimless oval, front with green Liverpool "L AU 20 A" and manuscript "p Harbringer via Southampton" and "1N6" replaced with "2/2", backstamped Halifax "H AU 30 1853 N.S.", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The stamp prepaid the 3d local rate. The letter was carried by the "Harbringer" via Southampton, then Cunard "Europa" via Liverpool and Halifax. It was rated 2/2 Stg collect, the currency equivalent is not shown.

Realized SF 450

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Lot 1453



1853 (Oct. 5) Melbourne, Victoria (Australia) to Perth, U.C. folded letter franked with Victoria 3d half-length, large margins to cut in, tied by "I/V" obliterator, postmarked "MELBOURNE/ (crown)/ OC 20 A/ 1854/ VICTORIA" rimless oval and Liverpool "L/ JA 8/ A", manuscript "1N8" replaced with "2/0½", backstamped London "BD 7 JA 7 1854" and "Perth, U.C., Feb 6, 1854" c.d.s.s, sealed tear at top centre.
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The stamp prepaid the 3d local rate. The cover was routed via closed bag mail from Melbourne to London, and from Liverpool to Canada. It was carried by local packet to Singapore, Penang or Galle, Ceylon, by P. & O. steamer to Suez, overland to Alexandria, P. & O. steamer "Indus" to Southampton, London and Liverpool, then Cunard "Asia" to New York and Canada. The cover was rated 1/8 Stg or 2/0½ Cy collect.

Realized SF 400

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Lot 1454



1854 (Feb. 20) Melbourne, Victoria (Australia) to Chippawa, C.W. cover franked with **strip of three 1d Victoria half-length**, faults due to application over edge of cover, tied by "/V" obliterations, postmarked "MELBOURNE/ (crown)/ FE 20 A/ 1854/ VICTORIA" rimless oval and Liverpool "L/ MY 25/ C", manuscript "1N8", "2/0½", reverse with "IX MY 25 1854", "CHIPPAWA JU 10 1854 U.C." c.d.s.s; few edge tears, flap missing, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The stamps prepaid the 3d local rate. The cover was rated 1/0 Stg collect to England and 8d Stg to Canada, totaling 1/8 Stg or 2/0½ Cy collect, the rate being in effect from March 1854 to Oct. 1 1854. The letter was carried by P. & O. Steamer "Singapore" (to Singapore and Galle) or P & O steamer "Bombay" (to Galle direct), then by the "Bombay" to Suez, overland to Alexandria, P. & O. steamer "Ripon" to Southampton, overland to London, then Liverpool, Cunard "Niagara" to Boston, then to Canada. The letter was carried by closed bag mail between Melbourne and London, and then again from Liverpool to Canada.

Realized SF 4,500

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Lot 1455



1856 (Jan. 5) Castlemaine, Victoria to Sandwich, C.W. Victoria #1 3d blue vertical pair, large margins 3 sides, cut into at top, small scissor separation between stamps at right, top stamp with corner crease in design, tied by "IV" obliterator, manuscript "1/", "1/5", reverse with "BOX PAID AT CASTLEMAIN", "5/1/56", "MELBOURNE A JA *8 1856 VICTORIA", "SANDWICH AP 27 1856 U.C.". Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was prepaid 6d outward postage, 1/5 Cy collect in Canada and 1/0 Stg accountancy. The letter was carried in period of Crimean War when there was no P. & O. Australian service. The cover was carried to Singapore, Penang or Galle, then via P. & O. "Cadiz" (Singapore, Penage, Galle) or "Bentwick" (Galle, Aden, Suez), overland to Alexandria, P. & O. "Euxine" to Southampton, then to London, Liverpool, Cunard "Arabia" to Boston, closed bag mail to Canada, 1/5 Cy collect in Sandwich, U.C.

Realized SF 1,200

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Lot 1456



1845 (Feb. 16) Perth, Western Australia to Montreal, Canada, folded letter edged with black mourning bands, octagonal crown handstamp "GENERAL POST OFFICE PERTH", red oval "SHIP LETTER WESTERN AUSTRALIA PAID", red oval "INDIA", oval "L MY 16 H", manuscript "p Champion", "By Overland mail via Southamton", manuscript "10½", "2/2", "2/5", "1/" handstamp, Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

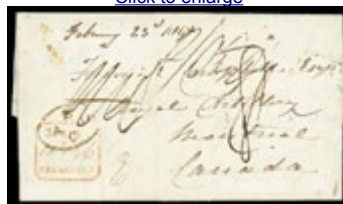
ONE OF VERY FEW STAMPLESS COVERS FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA TO CANADA.

The letter was carried as an outward ship letter via 'Champion' to England rated 10d outwards ship letter (10½d), with the red oval "India" handstamp rated as an India letter instead of ship letter, 1/0 Stg collect, 1/2 Stg via Cunard 'Cambria' to Canada, 2/5 Cy collect.

Realized SF 1,800

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Lot 1457



1846 (July 9) Perth, Western Australia to Montreal, Canada, folded letter, red octagonal "PAID FREEMANTLE" with manuscript "10/7/46", manuscript "6d", oval "L JA 10 C", manuscript "8", "1N10", "2/0½", reverse with red "SHIP LETTER" straightline and "BY 9 JA 1847" transit, Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ONE OF VERY FEW STAMPLESS COVERS FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA TO CANADA.

The letter was paid by ship to England, then Cunard "Cambria" via Liverpool and Boston to Montreal, rated 8d Stg inwards ship letter in England, 1/2 Stg to Canada or 1/10 collect, 2/0 ½ Cy. The letter to an officer in the Royal Artillery in garrison at Montreal reads "Your letter of the 29th October I only received in this out of the world place on the 8th June".

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1458



Australian States covers, four covers consisting of 1853 Adelaide, South Australia to Woodstock, C.W., 1854 Melbourne, Victoria to Quebec, C.E, 1854 Melbourne, Victoria to Brantford, C.W. and 1854 Ballart, Victoria to Cornwall, C.W., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 1,200

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Lot 1459



1815 (Jan. 16) Trieste, Austria to Halifax, Nova Scotia, folded letter, manuscript "p Elk Capt Ritchie", "Starnes & Co." and red "8½", reverse with handstamped "POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER/ LONDON/ (crown)/ 6 MY 6/ 1815" and manuscript "Liverpool 8 May 1815 / Recd & forwarded by Your mo. Obt. Servt. / Thos. & Will. Earle & Co.", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE ORIGIN FOR A POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER.

The letter was carried outside the post or undercover from Trieste to Liverpool forwarding agent (unrecorded in Lowe and 6 years earlier than T. & W. Earle & Co handstamp), and second forwarding agent "Starnes & Co.". Treated as a post paid withdrawn ship letter; the letter was rated one-third of the 2/2 Stg packet rate from London to Halifax at 8½d Stg.

Realized SF 900

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Lot 1460



1846 (Oct. 7) Vienna, Austria to Halifax, Nova Scotia, folded letter, manuscript "p Halifax Steamer 19 October", red "PAID L.S. 19 OC 19 1846", "H No 6 1846 N.S.", Fine

Estimate SF 300/US\$ 250

The letter was carried outside the post from Vienna to London, England, and then via Cunard "Britannia" via Liverpool and Halifax, rated 1/0 Stg prepaid.

Realized SF 160

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Lot 1461



1850 (Feb. 5) Vienna, Austria to Halifax, Nova Scotia, folded letter, "Wein 6 2 1850", "CC 11 FE 11 1850", "L FE 12 A", "H MR 8 1850 N.S.", manuscript "via England", manuscript "7/8", "1/8", Fine

Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried from Vienna to England, then via Cunard "Canada" via Liverpool and Halifax, rated 7/8 and 1/8 Stg collect.

Realized SF 300

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Lot 1462



Austria to Canada, small assortment of four covers consisting of 1820 Trieste via France and England to Halifax; 1823 Trieste via France and England to Halifax, Nova Scotia; 1830 Trieste via France, England and U.S.A. to Halifax, Nova Scotia; 1853 Como, Lombardy-Venetia (Austria) to Montreal, Canada via France, England and U.S.A., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 725

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Lot 1463



1795 (Apr. 15) Nassau, Bahamas to London, England, folded letter with front leaf only, "HALIFAX N: SCOTIA JUL 17 95" double enclosed semi-circle backstamp, manuscript "1/-", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried outside the post from Bahamas to Halifax, Nova Scotia and posted there, carried via Falmouth packet "Sandwich" rated 1/0 Stg collect in London with AU 11 B 95 backstamp receiver and notation "Recd Aug 14".

Provenance: **V.G. Greene.**

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1464

1862 (Dec. 11) Barbados to Westport, Nova Scotia, folded letter datelined Barbados with red oval "FORWARDED BY G.W. SMITH & CO ST. THOMAS W.I." handstamp on reverse along with "ST. THOMAS DE 22 1862" c.d.s., "PAID AT ST. THOMAS" red crowned circle on front, endorsed "p Mail via Halifax" and "Brig Edith Ann, Jan 19th 1863", red manuscript "8" and "CTS/ 10" handstamp, backstamped "WESTPORT BRIER ISLAND, N.S. JA 6 1863"; edge toning, small tear at top, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was favored from Barbados to G.W. Smith & Co., forwarding agents in St. Thomas, D.W.I. Who posted the letter at the double 4d intercolonial sea rate to Halifax, where it was rated 10¢ double internal Nova Scotia postage collect.

Realized SF 1,300

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**Lot 1465**

Barbados covers, six covers: 1843 Barbados to Toronto, U.C, 1845 Barbados to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, 1846 Barbados to St. John, New Brunswick, 1850 Barbados to Toronto, C.W., 1859 Barbados to Westport, Nova Scotia and 1862 Barbados to Westport, Nova Scotia, attractive and Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 500

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Lot 1466

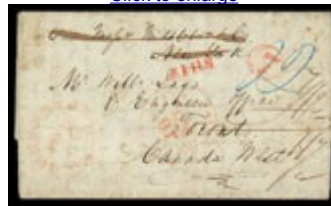


Belgium to Canada covers, three different Belgium to Canada covers including 1855 via Collins line "Pacific", 1855 Cunard "Africa", and 1863 Allan line "North American" overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

Realized SF 375

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Lot 1467



1846 (Nov. 26) Hamilton, Bermuda to Toronto, C.W. folded letter, manuscript "care of Messrs Middleton & Co New York", red "SHIP", circular "7", manuscript "12", "7", "4½" totalled "11½", New York ship datestamp and Queenston, U.C. datestamp; slight soiling, Fine
Estimate SF 200/US\$ 167

The letter was carried from Bermuda to New York via private ship to a forwarding agent, received a 7½ incoming ship letter (2¢ ship plus 5¢ postage) and re-rated 12¢ (2¢ ship plus 10¢ postage for over 300 miles to Lewiston), converted to 7d Ct plus 4½d Cy across the lake to Toronto, totalling 11½d Cy collect.

Realized SF 105

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Lot 1468



1865 (Dec. 29) Pernambuco, Brazil to Harbour Grace, Newfoundland

letter postmarked "CORREO 30 12 65 PERNAMBUCO" c.d.s. with manuscript "Per Estremadure", "FR./ 2^F 96^C" handstamp (Salles #3093), manuscript "1/", "1", "2" and "28" rates, "BRESIL 30 DEC 65 ESTRAMADURE" French packet octagon datestamp and "HARBOR GRACE FE 18 1866" receiver, backstamped "ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND FE 12 1866", Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried per Ligne de Bresil to Bordeaux, France, via closed bag mail to St. John's via Calais, London, Liverpool and Halifax via Cunard "Africa", rated 28¢ collect with 1/0, 2 and 1 rate/accountancy manuscript marks. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "FR 2^F 96^C" was applied under Article #34 on unpaid letters from Brazil to and through France by French packet.

Realized SF 1,400

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Lot 1469



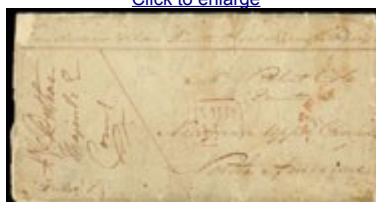
1836 (June 8) Demerara, British Guiana to Quebec, Canada, folded letter, red "NEW YORK AUG 26", "SHIP", "MONTREAL AU 30 1836", manuscript "20 3/4", "2/1", docketing, Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried outside the post from Demerara to New York, rated 20¾¢ U.S (2¢ ship, 18¾¢ U.S. postage), 2/1 Cy collect at Quebec via Montreal. The letter reads in part, "I wrote last to you from Nevis by a vessel for Halifax... the Headquarters left St. Kitts the first of last month. had a very pleasant passage down of 12 days on board of H.M.S. Racehorse."

Realized SF 425

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Lot 1470



1840 (Mar. 20) Grahmstown, Cape Colony to Niagara, U.C. folded letter endorsed "From Andrew Wilson Private Royal Sappers and Miners", countersigned, manuscript "Paid 1d", red "PAID/ 1^d" handstamp; small cover faults, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter had the 1d Soldier's Concession rate prepaid and was carried from Cape Colony to Niagara, U.C.

Realized SF 2,200

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Lot 1471



1849 (June 2) Quebec, L.C. to Columbo, Ceylon, cover with red "QUEBEC JU 2 1849" c.d.s and matching crown "PAID AT QUEBEC, L.C.", manuscript rated "2/2" and "2/5", red "C PAID 19 JU 19 1843" transit, "July 30" receipt docketing, Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

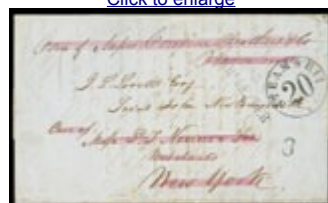
THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS FROM CANADA TO CEYLON.

The letter was rated 2/2 Stg or 2/5 Cy prepaid and carried via Cunard steamer "Caledonia" to Liverpool, London, then Southampton, P. & O. steamer "Ripon" to Alexandria, Egypt via Gibraltar and Malta, then "Bentinck" from Suez to Aden and Galle, Ceylon.

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1472



1851 (Sept. 1) Constitucion, Chile to St. John, New Brunswick, folded letter manuscript "Care of Messr Corwine Brothers & Co. Panama", crossed out, manuscript "Care of Messr. P. T. Nevires & Son Merchants, New York", "STEAMSHIP/ 20" handstamp, "ST. JOHN N.B. SHIP LETTER" straightline and small "3", backstamped "ST JOHN N.B. NO 8 1851" c.d.s., Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE ORIGIN FOR CANADIAN STAMPLESS MAIL, AND A PREVIOUSLY UNRECORDED RATE HANDSTAMP.

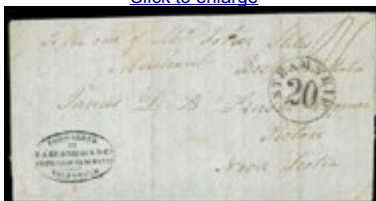
The letter was sent from Constitucion, Chile by Panama forwarding agent, to New York forwarding agent, 20¢ postage, a St. John, N.B. ship letter handstamp, and 3d

collect in New Brunswick. The small "3" is unrecorded in Jephcott, Greene and Young.

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1473



1852 (Nov. 26) Valparaiso, Chile to Pictou, Nova Scotia, folded letter with very fine strike of oval "FORWARDED BY RICHARDSON & CO. MISSION MERCHANTS VALPARAISO" and New York "STEAMSHIP 20" handstamps, manuscript "to the care of Mr John Stiles Merchant Boston U States", manuscript "2/", backstamped St. Andrews (Jan. 4), St. John (Jan. 5) and Pictou (Jan. 12) c.d.s.s., Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was forwarded by Chilean and Boston forwarding agents, rated 20¢ U.S. postage as incoming ship letter, forwarded overland via St. Andrews, and St. John, N.B., rated 2/0 Cy collect.

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1474



1857 (Feb. 21) Toronto, C.W. to Shanghai, China, cover with red Toronto Paid datestamp and matching red "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "1/2", "1/5", endorsed "per Cunard Steamer to Liverpool", reverse with "HONG KONG 29 AP 1857" double-arc datestamp; slight edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

REPORTEDLY THE ONLY STAMPLESS COVER FROM CANADA TO CHINA.

The letter was carried from Toronto to England via Cunard via Boston and closed bag mail prepaid 1/2 Stg. From England the cover missed the sailing of "Indus" from Southampton, and was sent overland to Marseilles, then P. & O. Steamers "Valetta" to Alexandria, overland to Suez, "Hindustan" to Galle, Ceylon and "Pekin" to Hong Kong, "Formosa" to Shanghai, rated from England 1/0 Stg to

Shanghai and 5d French transit, total 1/ Stg collect.

Realized SF 13,000

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Lot 1475



1862 (Feb. 4) Cienfuegos, Cuba to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, folded letter, red oval "FORWARDED BY MOSES TAYLOR & CO. NEW YORK", "U. STATES 6", New York datestamp (FE 13 10), large "4" handstamp, Harbor Grace datestamp (MR 14 1862), blue crayon "3", Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was favored from Cuba to New York via forwarding agent, then entering the mails, sent via Halifax, 4d Stg Ocean Postage, plus 3d collect to Harbor Grace.

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1476



Cuba covers to or from Canada, six covers including 1856 Matanzas to Montreal with oval forwarding handstamp "Daniel Curtis & Co/ New York"; 1864 Kingston, C.W. to Havana, Cuba, paid 40¢; 1862 Havana to Quebec with "STEAM SHIP" handstamp; 1862 Matanzas to Toronto with circular "N.YORK. STEAMSHIP", 15 handstamp; 1838 Havana to London, England via Halifax, N.S.; 1853 Remadios, Cuba to Granville, N.S., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 625

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Lot 1477



Danish West Indies covers, nine covers: 1835 St. Thomas to Quebec, L.C., 1840 St. Thomas to Montreal, L.C., 1840 St. Croix to Montreal, L.C., 1858 St. Croix to South Zorro, C.W., 1859 St. Thomas to Brantford, C.W., 1859 Christiansted to South Zorro, C.W., 1859 St. Thomas to Kennebunk, Maine via Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1860 St. Thomas to New York via Halifax, Nova Scotia and 1860 Christianstad to South Zorro, C.W., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 900

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Lot 1478



1864 (June 20) Quebec, L.C. to Copenhagen, Denmark, envelope postmarked "PAID QUEBEC JU 20 1864" with matching "PAID" handstamp and manuscript "1/5", oval "PD", manuscript "2" and "4½", "LONDON LZ JY 2 64 PAID" c.d.s., backstamped Hamburg (Jul. 4, two different) and Copenhagen (Jul. 5); small edge tear at top, still Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE ONLY REPORTED STAMPLESS COVER FROM CANADA TO DENMARK. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 220 IN ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The cover was rated 1/5 Stg or approximately 36¢ which represents the 29¢ per half ounce rate plus 5¢ for passage via U.S. on the Cunard "China" departing Boston on June 22, carried to London and then Hamburg, likely by way of Ostend, Belgium. The cover is rated "2" for the Hamburg claim, and 4½ amount due Hamburg for transit and Danish postage.

Realized SF 5,500

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Lot 1479



1831 (Aug. 11) Oburnburg, Bavaria to Waterloo, U.C. folded letter postmarked "WISSEMBOURG" straightline and black "12 Aout 1831" in circle, faint New York datestamp, manuscript "27", green "Queenston, U.C." (1831 Oct 14) and green two line handstamp "American Postage/ British do.", manuscript "1/4½", "9", totalled "2/1½", reverse with manuscript "10"; stain, aging, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A SCARCE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN FOR MAIL TO CANADA.

The letter was favored from Oburnburg, Bavaria to Wissembourg, France prepaid 10 decimes, where posted paid to Le Harve, via private ship to New York and 27¢ U.S. postage collect (2¢ ship plus 25¢ to border), converted to 1/4½ Cy, plus 9d to Waterloo, U.C. for a total 2/1½ Cy collect.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1480



1832 (Jan. 13) Oburnburg, Bavaria to Waterloo, U.C. folded letter, black oval "1D." and boxed "P.P." handstamps, manuscript "inconnu", black "WISSEMBOURG" datestamp (17 JAN 1832), faint New York datestamp, red manuscript "27", green "Queenston, U.C. 1832 MAR 12" and green, two-line handstamp "American Postage / British do.", manuscript "1/4½" "9", totalled "2/1½"; edge wear, hinge repair at top, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A MUCH-TRAVELLED, COMPLICATED COVER THAT VISITED TWO WATERLOOS IN ONE JOURNEY.

From the same correspondence as the 1831 Bavaria letter, this one was missent to Waterloo, Belgium and eventually forwarded properly via Wissembourg, France, private ship to New York, 27¢ U.S. postage (2¢ ship plus 25¢ to the border), converted to 1/4½ plus 9d to Waterloo, U.C. for a total of 2/1½ Cy collect.

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1481



1863 (Nov. 23) Johanngorgenstadt, Saxony to St. John, New Brunswick

"Johanngorgenstadt 23 XI 63", "Schwartlenbourg Bahnh. 23 XI 63 4", "Hamburg 24 XI 12-1", "Hamburg Packet Nov 28 12", "NY 15 Hamb Pkt Dec 21 or U.S. 22 Notes", "London EC JA 27 64", "St. John FE 22 1864 NB", "HELD FOR POSTAGE" handstamp, numerous rates including "2", "46", "8", "1/0", "1/6", "2", slight edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

A DOUBLE TRANSATLANTIC UNPAID COVER VIA TWO LINES.

The letter was carried from Saxony via Hamburg American line "Bavaria" to New York, marked held for postage and returned to Hamburg and then via London or direct unpaid; finally carried via Cunard "Canada" via Liverpool and Halifax, N.S.

Realized SF 850

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Lot 1482



1846 (Feb. 2) Montreal, L.C. to Tübingen, Württemberg (Germany)

letter, two red strikes of Montreal Paid tombstone, endorsed "pr New York & Harve de Grace", manuscript "Paid through Yr T.D.H.", "4½", "10", red "Outre mer Le Harve 28 Fevr 46" transit, "48/6", "54", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

AN UNCOMMON DESTINATION FOR CANADIAN STAMPLESS MAIL.

The letter originated somewhere in Upper Canada, possibly Berlin or London as it was sent to a forwarding agent in Montreal where it was posted to New York prepaid 4½d plus 10¢ U.S. postage, then by private ship to France, via Le Havre, Thurn & Taxis, to Wurtemberg, 48/6, 54 kreuzer collect.

Realized SF 550

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Lot 1483



1854 (May 9) St. Remi, L.C. to Reutlingen, Württemberg (Germany)

letter, red St. Remi, L.C. datestamp, manuscript "1/4", "1", "58/6", crossed out manuscript "3", red boxed "CANADA & ART. 12.", "AMBL (AM.2) CALAIS" (30 MAI 54) transit, reverse with Montreal (May 9) and English "1854 MY 29" transits, Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from St. Remi, L.C. by closed bag via New York via Cunard "Africa" to Liverpool, then London, Calais, Thurn & Taxis to Wurtemberg. Carried under Article 12, the letter was rated 3/0 collect in Canada, later confirmed with 58/6 or 64 kr or 1F4 collect.

Realized SF 675

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Lot 1484



1855 (July 21) Phillipsburg, C.W. to Geisslingen, Württemberg (Germany)

envelope postmarked purple Phillipsburg c.d.s., handstamped "ANGL. 14 AOUT 44 AMB. CALAIS A" and red boxed "CANADA &c. ART. 12.", manuscript "1/4", "58/6" and "1f4", backstamped New Hamburg, U.C., London, and Wurttemberg datestamps; reduced slightly at both ends, Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was rated 1/4 Cy collect to England, carried by the Cunard "Canada" via closed bag mail from Boston to London via Liverpool. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "Canada &c. Art. 12" (Salles #3005) was applied between Jan. 1, 1846 and Dec. 31, 1855 on unpaid mails from Canada. The letter was rated 58/6, totalling 64 kr, or 1f4 collect.

Realized SF 600

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Lot 1485



1856 (Dec. 10) St. Remi, L. C. to Reutlingen, Württemberg (Germany)

cover postmarked St. Remi c.d.s., red boxed "CANADA/ ART - 19" and "ANGL. AMB CALAIS 30 DEC 56" c.d.s., manuscript "14/6" and "20", backstamped London, Paris, Stuttgart and Reutlingen (Jan. 1), Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The cover was carried from St. Remi via Cunard steamer "Arabia" via closed bag via Montreal, Boston, U.S.A. and Liverpool, England and then via France, rated "14/6" for a total of 20 kreuzer collect. The Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "CANADA ART - 19" was only used during 1856. In France or Thurn & Taxis, the letter was rated as if it originated in Britain rather than Canada at 14 kr. French debit to Thurn & Taxis, 3 kr Thurn & Taxis transit, 3 kr. internal Wurtemberg, total 20 kr due.

Realized SF 450

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Lot 1486



1857 (Mar. 3) St. Remi, L.C. to Reutlingen, Württemberg (Germany)

cover postmarked St. Remi c.d.s., "GB/ 2^F 40^C" handstamp (Salles #3041) and "ANGL. 17 MARS 57 AMB. CALAIS B" handstamps, manuscript "1/8", "15/6", "21", backstamped Montreal, London, Stuttgart and Reutlingen, Very Fine.
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was carried via Allan line "Indian" from Portland to Liverpool in closed bag mail to London, then via Calais, Baden, to Wurtemberg. Originally rated 1/8 in Canada, the letter received the Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "GB 2F 40C", which under Article #35 was in force from Jan. 1 1857 until Dec. 31, 1857 on unpaid letters from Canada to France direct or via Halifax. The letter was exchanged at the 50¢ per 7.5 gram rate as an unpaid letter from England IN ERROR and should have been exchanged at the 1F20¢ per 7.5 gram rate under the Jan. 1 1857 Franco-Baden Convention. Rated 15kr French debit to Baden, 3kr Baden transit and 3kr Wurtemberg internal for a total of 15/6 Kr or 21 Kreuzer collect.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1487



1860 (Feb. 8) Exeter, U.C. to Freudenstadt, Württemberg (Germany)
postmarked Exeter c.d.s., red "PAID" handstamp and manuscript "19 ct", endorsed "Per Canadian Packet via Quebec", red circular "PD", "LONDON 8Y MR 1 60 PAID" and "ANGL. MB. CALAIS 1 MARS 60" transit c.d.s.s., six different backstamps including Freudenstadt (Mar. 4), Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 211 OF ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The cover was prepaid 19¢ from Exeter to Wurttemberg via Allan line steamer via England and France.

Realized SF 1,350

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Lot 1488



Canada to Württemberg, 1850-1857, five covers including 1857 Toronto to Baligen; 1855 New Germany, C.W. to Rutenburg; 1853 Berlin, C.W. to Hierlingen; 1853 Waterloo, C.W. to Nagold and 1850 Guelph, U.C. to Freudenstadt, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1489



Covers to or from Canada and Württemberg, group of eight assorted cover including 1848 Waterloo, U.C. to Württemberg, 1836 Clinton, U.C. to Wellsheim Bey Stuttgart, 1853 Quebec, L.C. to Rottenburg, 1856 Preston, U.C. to Beningen by Neckar by Ludwigsburg, 1859 Waterloo, C.W. to Brackenheim, two covers 1859 and 1860 Wurtemmberg to Canada via England, both uncalled for and returned to sender and 1862 Berlin, C.W. to Konigsburg, desirable and generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1490



Canada to or from German States, 1846-1865, selection of 8 covers consisting of 1857 Baden to Kingston; 1860 Hamburg to Montreal; 1862 Edenkoben, Bavaria to Hamilton; 1865 Edenkoben, Bavaria to Hamilton; 1857 Johanngrogstadt, Saxony to St John, N.B.; 1857 Prussia to Kingston, C.W.; 1846 Dresden, Saxony to Montreal and 1850 Guelph, C.W. to Freudenstadt, Württemberg, generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 725

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Lot 1491



1805 (June 22) Quebec, L.C. to Gibraltar, folded letter, manuscript "2/4", "paid 2/4", "Pd 2s/4d", Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

A RARE AND EARLY DESTINATION FOR CANADIAN MAIL.

The letter was favored to England by M. de Salaberry to a London Forwarding Agent, and then to Hugh McDonell, a Canadian Officer in the Royal Canadian Volunteers, a British Line Regiment raised in Canada to garrison at Gibraltar. De Salaberry would later become a hero of the War of 1812.

Realized SF 675

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Lot 1492



1816 (Sept. 18) Gibraltar to Fredericton, New Brunswick, folded letter, manuscript "11", red "2/2", red "Paid 14 MR 1817", two 30 mm chisel disinfection slits; edge wear, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A VERY RARE EXAMPLE OF DISINFECTED MAIL TO CANADA.

The letter was carried via England and 2/2 Stg Falmouth packet "Princess Elizabeth", paid to Halifax with the balance of postage collect (11d). Insightful contents include, "As there is a mail going to England I cannot let it go without writing... You must not expect to hear regularly from this, as it is only when the Governor choses to order a mail to be sent that we have an opportunity".

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1493

1841 (Nov. 11) Gibraltar to Blueberry, Nova Scotia, folded letter edged with black mourning bands, red double circle "SHIP LETTER (crown) HALIFAX. N.S.", Halifax, N.S. datestamp (Jan. 17 1842), manuscript "11½"; small stain, Fine Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

AN EXCEPTIONAL STRIKE OF THIS RARE HALIFAX SHIP LETTER HANDSTAMP.

The letter was carried from Gibraltar to Halifax by private ship where it entered the mails receiving the Ship Letter Halifax handstamp and rated 11½d collect to Blue Berry, N.S.

Provenance: **Greene.**

Realized SF 1,600

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**Lot 1494**

Gibraltar covers, two covers: 1816 Gibraltar to Fredericton, New Brunswick, letter from an artillery officer reads in part, "Lord Exmouth's fleet arrived here from England a few days ago and sailed yesterday against the Algerians. He is determined to knock the town (Algiers) about their ears. I am afraid he is taking the bull by the horns for the place is extremely strong... 1200 pieces of cannon... immense wall, Lord Ex's fleet consists of seven sail of the line and eleven frigates and small vessels. The Dutch fleet consisting of five large frigates has also joined him. There are a thousand marines on board, part of a troop of rockets, and a company of sappers and miners under Major Gossel of the Engineers." and 1839 Gibraltar to Digby, Nova Scotia, generally Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 850

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Lot 1495



1768 (Aug. 8) Montreal, Canada to Amsterdam, Holland, folded letter, red crayon "14" rate, reverse with manuscript "36" and "Londres le 4 Novre 1768, sous couvert"); age toning, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

THE EARLIEST RECORDED COVER TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY OTHER THAN GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE OR THE U.S.A.

The letter was carried from Montreal to London via private ship to a forwarding agent who directed the letter to Holland. The postage was then collected in Holland with rates of 14 and 36.

Provenance: **Wellburn, Gems of Canadian Philately Capex '96.**

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1496



1795 (July 10) Amsterdam, Holland to Newburyport, Massachusetts letter, manuscript "Opened at Halifax", red manuscript "20", "by the Olive Branch / Capt. Provoost"; stain, Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

ONE OF TWO SUCH CENSORED COVERS REPORTED.

The letter was carried by private ship during the Anglo-French War, and the letter was censored at Halifax, where the ship was either forced to enter, or voluntary entered the port, and subject to censorship of the mails.

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1497



1850 (Mar. 2) Montreal, L.C. to Madras, India, cover postmarked red Montreal Paid tombstone, manuscript endorsement via Cox & Co Army Agents, London, crossed out, manuscript "Prepaid to England", manuscript "via Marseilles" crossed out, manuscript "via Southampton", "1/2", "2/", "2/8", "Missent to", reverse with "HONG KONG 8 MY 1850", boxed "Madras /1850 June 26/Due (manuscript) 15A", and red boxed "G.P.O./1850 JU 26" date stamps; faded, Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

THE ONLY SUCH EARLY "MISSSENT TO" MARKING RECORDED BY THE HONG KONG STUDY CIRCLE. THE COVER IS ONE OF TWO OR THREE STAMPLESS COVERS KNOWN FROM CANADA TO HONG KONG, ALBEIT, IN THIS CASE, ACCIDENTALLY.

The letter was sent from Montreal to forwarding agents in London, and intended for Madras, India, the letter was missent to Hong Kong, prepaid 1/2 to England, 2- and finally 2/8 to Madras where 15 annas was collected from the recipient. The red manuscript "Missent to" reading vertically at left is the only recorded early marking of its kind.

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1498



1833 (Mar. 6) Calcutta, India to Guelph, U.C. folded letter postmarked "Calcutta GPO MA 7" on reverse, red "BOSTON AU 17 MS" c.d.s. with matching partial "(SH)IP" handstamp, green "QUEENSTON AUG 21 U. Can^a", manuscript "1/4 1/2", "9", "2/1 1/2", red "27", Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was carried from Calcutta as an outwards ship letter with no Indian postage shown, via private ship to Boston, rated 27¢ U.S. collect (2¢ ship + 25¢ postage) to Lewiston, Queenston exchange, 27¢ converted to 1/4 1/2 Ct plus 9d to Guelph for a total of 2/1 1/2 Cy collect.

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Lot 1499



1844 (Oct. 18) Dum Dum, India to London, C.W. folded letter, "DUM DUM" backstamp with manuscript "21 Oct 1844" date, manuscript "From Gunner Felix Hamill No 3718 5th Compy 3rd Battn Artillery", countersigned, manuscript "2", oval "L DE 10 H", one strike of "1s/4 Currency", two strikes of "2d½ Currency", Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN UNUSUAL USE OF THE 2D½ CURRENCY HANDSTAMP ON AN INCOMING SOLDIER LETTER TO CANADA.

The cover was rated 1d Soldier's Concession rate plus an additional 1d or 2d Stg, 2½d Currency collect, carried on the Cunard "Cambria" maiden voyage. The letter reads in part, "...150 of us set sail from Gravesend for Bengal, we arrived at Calcutta in 3 months and a half..."

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1500



1846 (Apr. 6) North Williamsburg, U.C. to Camp Kurrachie, Scinde, India green folded letter, red North Williamsburg, U.C. datestamp, manuscript date "7th Apr. 1846", manuscript "Paid 1d", red "PAID" handstamp, "Q PAID 15 MY 15 1846", reverse with Montreal L.C. datestamp (AP 9 1846) and Bombay/Free (1846 June 26), addressed to "No. 1550 Josiah Ker Private H.M. 86th Regt of Foot, Camp Kerrachie"; tape staining from reinforced folds, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE SOLDIER'S CONCESSION RATE COVER TO A SOLDIER AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIRST SIKH WAR.

The cover is prepaid the 1d Soldier's Concession rate from North Williamsburg, U.C. to Camp Kurrachie, India, carried via closed bag mail from Montreal, via Cunard "Caledonia" from Halifax to Liverpool, then P. & O. steamer "Achilles" from Southampton to Alexandria, overland to Suez and then P. & O. steamer "Precursor" from Suez via Aden to India. The letter is to a Canadian soldier serving in the British Army in India and is from his father, who writes, "...news from India, that the Army of the North were after fighting a desperate engagement with the

Sihks, the most warlike of all the other tribes... Your commander Napier has marched with you and several other corps to the attack on the interior of their country...". Written as the First Sikh war was concluded, the Treaty of Lahore gave the Kashmir to the British, and British soldiers became an occupying force. Ker had been involved in several of the important battles of the First Sikh War. A rare soldier's concession rate cover to a soldier at the conclusion of the first Sikh War. Mail to a soldier, especially to India is rare.

Realized SF 2,700

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Lot 1501



1846 (Feb. 10) Camp Roree, India to North Williamsburg, C.W. folded letter, endorsed "From No. 1550 Josiah Ker, Pvt. H.M.S. 86th Regiment", countersigned, manuscript "per steamer via Southampton", red oval "INDIA", inverted "2" handstamp, manuscript "2½", oval "L AP 8 C", reverse with North Williamsburg receiver, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

AN INCREDIBLE FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF THE FIRST SIKH WAR.

The letter was sent as an UNPAID Soldier's Concession rate cover from India via P. & O. steamer "Precursor" via Madras and Suez, then "Oriental" via Alexandria and Southampton, overland to Liverpool via London, then Cunard "Cambria" to Halifax, overland via Quebec to North Williamsburg, C.W. The cover was rated 2d Stg or 2½ Cy collect as the 1d Soldier Concession rate plus 1d penalty unpaid, with an unusual use of the British "2" handstamp. The letter is from a Canadian soldier serving in the British army at Camp Roree, a town in Sind, India on the left bank of the Indus River, Punjab East. Writing to his mother, he states, "The Regt. marched from Kurrachee on the 29th Dec... Command of Sir Charles Napier for Ferozapore... about 4 months march... Sir Charles addressed us in a most warlike manner... the Bombay Army was to be formed at this camp... Brigade seventeen thousand men... European regiments... 2nd Bengal European Regt., 17th and 86th Regt... 31 days from HQ of Army at Ferozapore... The Sheiks (Sikhs) crossed the river and attacked the army and were driven back... the brigade charged the sheiks and drove them from their guns... 91 guns captured..." etc.

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1502



1851 (Aug. 2) Camp Poonah, India to Winchester, C.W. folded letter, endorsed "From No. 1550 Josiah Ker, Private H.M.^s 86th Royal Regiment", countersigned with manuscript "Per Steamer via Southampton", "2" handstamp with "1/2" added beside in manuscript, reverse with Bombay, London, Montreal and Williamsburg West datestamps, Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

The letter was sent as an unpaid 2d Soldier's Letter rate, carried by ship from Bombay to Galle, Ceylon, then P. & O. steamer "Oriental" to Suez, overland to Alexandria, P. & O. steamer "Indus" to Southampton, to London, then Liverpool, Cunard "Africa" via closed bag via New York to Montreal, then Winchester.

Realized SF 450

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Lot 1503



India covers to or from Canada, group of seven covers: 1834 Dum Dum to St. Andrews, U.C., 1836 Calcutta to Puslinch, U.C. with red "FORWARDED BY NEW YORK GOODHUE & CO", 1838 Calcutta to Puslinch, U.C. with similar Goodhue & Co handstamp, 1843 Madras to Ancaster, U.C. with "Forwarded by Scott, Bell & Co London" handstamp, 1844 Bhooj Kutch to Kettleby, U.C. and 1857 2 covers from Meerut to Halifax, Nova Scotia, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

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Lot 1504



1842 (Nov. 24) Montreal, L.C. to Corfu, Ionian Islands, folded letter, "MONTREAL NO 24 1842 L.C." c.d.s., two "PAID" handstamps, manuscript "1/2", "1/4", "A PAID 30 DE 30 1842", "PAID CT 30 DE 30 1842" (two strikes), address crossed out and manuscript "Corfu via Falmouth" with manuscript "1/-" added, **markings in red**, oval "FORWARDED BY/ MESS^{RS}./ COUTTS & C" reverse, Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was prepaid from Montreal to England 1/2 Stg or 1/4 Cy and carried via "Columbia" to London forwarding agent Coutts & Co., who prepaid 1/- Stg to Corfu, Ionian Islands.

Realized SF 700

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Lot 1505



1843 (Aug. 15) Brockville, U.C. to Ionian Islands, folded letter, red Brockville c.d.s., red "FREE" straightline crossed out, "PAID" handstamp over boxed "VIA FALMOUTH", red manuscript "2½" and "2/2½" crossed out, "2.0", "10", totaled "2/10 3/2 Cy", endorsed "p Halifax" and "via France", reverse with Quebec (8.17) and England (9.14) transits; tiny edge tear, otherwise Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

THE FINEST OF TWO RECORDED STAMPLESS COVERS FROM CANADA TO IONIAN ISLANDS, THE OTHER WITH ADDRESS SCRATCHED OUT.

The letter was sent to Sir John Colborne, Lord Seaton, former Governor General of Canada during the 1837-1838 Rebellion, originally free franked and then postage paid outside the country, via Halifax and France. The letter is written by William Morris (Legislative Assembly for Lanark, Legislative Council for Upper Canada, President of Executive Council) who writes, "When Loyalty to their governor and attachment to British principles and British supremacy enabled the inhabitants of Canada under your Lordship's guidance to vanquish the enemies of their peace and to suppress wanton and wicked rebellion little did they dream that they should ever see the day when the promoters of that diabolical attempt were to be invited back to the country, and when such men as Baldwin, Hinks, Parker, Lafontaine, Morin, etc, etc were to fill the highest offices of the government."

Realized SF 1,900

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Lot 1506



1846 (Jan. 22) Corfu, Ionian Islands to Montreal, Canada, cover with crown handstamp "PAID AT CORFU" (23 Jan 46), red "PAID 16 FEB 16 1846", oval "L FE 17 C", endorsed "Via Southampton", manuscript "Prepaid", "3", "2/2"; refolded at top, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE ONLY RECORDED STAMPLESS COVER FROM IONIAN ISLANDS TO CANADA AND THE ONLY KNOWN USE OF THE PAID AT CORFU CROWN TO NORTH AMERICA.

The letter was posted with a Corfu crown circle, carried via London, England and Liverpool via Cunard "Hibernia" to Montreal via closed bag through Boston, rated 2/2 Stg prepaid with "3" accountancy handstamp.

Realized SF 2,500

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Lot 1507



1857 (Feb. 21) Zante, Ionian Islands to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland letter, blue Zante (21 Feb), oval firm handstamp, "L MR 3 C", "Harbor Grace MR 31 1857" and "FC 3 MR 1857" backstamps, manuscript "3" "4", "1N5", "3/9" and blue boxed "6 1/4", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

ONE OF ONLY TWO RECORDED STAMPLESS COVERS FROM IONIAN ISLANDS TO NEWFOUNDLAND.

The letter was carried from Zante via Austria, Prussia, Belgium and England to Newfoundland with a total of 1/8½ Newfoundland money collect (1/8 plus ½d Local charge or exchange).

Realized SF 3,000

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Lot 1508



1778 (Aug. 31) Beauport, Quebec, Canada to Spanish Town, Jamaica
letter, manuscript "per favor of Capt Aikins of the 'Hero'", "KING/ STON"
straightline backstamp, manuscript "7½", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE CANADIAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR ERA COVER TO A COUNTRY
OTHER THAN ENGLAND.

The letter was carried via Captain Aitkins to Kingston where it received the Kingston, Jamaica straightline (Foster T1 - 7 strikes), rated 7½d inland postage collect, endorsed "received 13 Dec 1778". The writer speaks of the difficulty in finding a suitable ship having waited "almost a twelve month", mentions loyalists going north to Canada and south to the Caribbean as a result of the American Revolutionary War.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1509



1815 (Dec. 27) Spanishtown, Jamaica to St. John, New Brunswick, folded letter
datelined "Spa. Town", postmarked double oval "Ship Letter (crown) HALIFAX"
and "HALIFAX/ MA 15/ 1816" c.d.s. with manuscript "10" rate, Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was carried outside the post from Jamaica to Halifax where it entered as a ship letter and was rated 1d ship letter fee plus 9d postage, totaling 10d Cy collect.

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Lot 1510



1835 (Mar. 13) Fort Augusta, Jamaica to Montreal, L.C. folded letter, manuscript "via New York", "18 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", "1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", red "NEW YORK MAY 1", reverse with manuscript "6", "Care of Buchanan Dennistoun & Co New York", matching red boxed "NEW - YORK. FORWARDED BY / BUCHANAN DENNISTOUN & Co.", Fine

Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

AN PREVIOUSLY UNREPORTED FORWARDING AGENT HANDSTAMP.

The letter was carried by private sailing vessel outside the post from Jamaica to New York, receiving the forwarding agent handstamp (unreported in Rowe), rated 6¢ on the reverse as an local ship letter, paid by the forwarding agent, then 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢ collect to border, then 6d to Montreal, totalling 1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cy collect.

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Lot 1511



1836 (Apr. 14) Halliday, U.C. to May Hill, Jamaica, folded cover, manuscript "favd by Mr. Phillips", circular "KINGSTON SHIP LETTER", manuscript "3", Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 300/US\$ 250

The letter was carried by Mr. Phillips to Kingston, Jamaica (MY 24 1836), with Kingston Ship Letter (Foster S-2), rated 3d Stg local ship letter rate collect.

Realized SF 350

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Lot 1512



Jamaica to Canada covers, 1837-1853, group of 11 cover including 1852 St. James via St. Thomas, Bermuda, Halifax; 1850 and 1852 via N.Y. and "STEAMSHIP" and "20" handstamp; 1853 via N.Y. with "STEAMSHIP 10" in circle; 1842 via Ship Letter crown Halifax; 1840 via private ship to N.Y., then overland; 1840 via private ship to N.Y., then overland; 1851 via St. Thomas, Bermuda, Halifax, Boston then overland; 1851 similar to previous cover; 1847 via Britain then Cunard "Cambria"; 1837 via private ship to Baltimore, then overland, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 550

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Lot 1513



Jamaica to or from Canada, forwarding agent covers, eight covers including 1811 to New Brunswick with manuscript forwarding agent; 1820 to New Brunswick, Commercial Rooms Kingston backstamp; 1826 to Nova Scotia with Commercial Rooms Kingston backstamp; 1841 to Nova Scotia with Ayman & Co N.Y. forwarding backstamp; 1843 Nova Scotia to Jamaica and 1853 Jamaica to Newfoundland with Ayman & Co New York forwarding agent handstamp, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 625

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Lot 1514



1854 (Aug. 23) Como, Lombardy-Venetia (Italy) to Montreal, Canada

letter postmarked black (23/8) and red (25/8) Como c.d.s.s, endorsed "Via Brema" and "Per Liverpool Mail Pakets, red "DOPO LA/ PARTENZA" and "FRANCA" straightlines, oval "PD." and red "15." handstamps, "N. YORK U.S. PKT. SEP 29 PAID" transit, manuscript "Mailand 27/8", manuscript "6³/₄", backstamped Frankfurt (Aug. 26), Bremen (Aug. 31) and Montreal (Sep. 30), Fine Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried from Como, Lombardi-Venetia, prepaid via Milan, Frankfurt, Bremen and New York.

Realized SF 1,350

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Lot 1515



1847 (Jan. 11) Penang, Malaya to Shipton, L.C. cover with boxed "PENANG / 18 / BEARING." with manuscript date, "I MR 7 C", circular "1s/ 4Cy" handstamp, manuscript "2/2", reverse with Melbourne (Apr 29) and Richmond (Apr 30) transits, Very Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

REPORTEDLY THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF STAMPLESS MAIL TO CANADA FROM PENANG.

The letter was carried from Penang via P & O steamer "Lady Mary Wood" to Galle, "Hindustan" to Suez, overland to Alexandria, Egypt, then "Ripon" to Southampton, overland to London and Liverpool, closed bag mail via Cunard "Cambria" via Boston and Montreal, charged 2/2 Stg collect.

Provenance: **Arnell.**

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1516



1848 (Dec. 13) Fort St. Elmo, Malta to Kingston, C.W. folded letter, manuscript "From Gunner & Driver John Thompson Catn Tylee's Company 3 Battalion Royal Artillery", countersigned, red manuscript "1", Malta datestamp (De 13 1848), red "PAID OM 25 DEC 25 1848", "L DE 26 B", endorsed "via Southampton", Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A VERY RARE ORIGIN FOR CANADIAN MAIL, ESPECIALLY SO AS A SOLDIER'S CONCESSION LETTER.

The cover was carried on P. & O. steamer 'Indus' to Southampton, then Cunarder 'America' from Liverpool to Halifax and finally Kingston. The letter was prepaid the 1d solidier rate and was sent overland from Halifax, via Quebec, at the 1d rate as there is no U.S. transit rate paid.

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1517



1862 (Apr. 17) Toronto, C.W. to Mauritius, envelope postmarked red "TORONTO CW 17 APR 62 PAID" c.d.s. with matching "PAID" and manuscript "23", handstamped red "4^d½" and "LONDON NO MY 3 62 PAID" c.d.s., backstamped "MAURITIUS, C, JU 21, 62" c.d.s.; tape-sealed tear at top, Fine. *Illustrated in Arken* Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

ONE OF THREE STAMPLESS COVERS RECORDED TO MAURITIUS.

The letter was prepaid 23¢ and carried via Allan line "Hibernian" via Portland to London, then by P. & O. Steamer from Southampton to Alexandria, Egypt, overland to Suez, P. & O. steamer to Aden and then a special P. & O. steamer to Mauritius. The 4½d accountancy mark represents the amount due to Mauritius for the steamer service.

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1518



1864 (Nov. 30) Toronto, C.W. to Mauritius, cover postmarked red Toronto c.d.s. and matching "PAID" handstamp, manuscript "23" in red and in pencil, endorsed "via Southampton & Aden", red London Paid (DE 15 64) c.d.s., red "4" handstamp and crayon "6", backstamped "MAURITIUS B JA 24 65", Very Fine
Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

ONE OF THREE RECORDED STAMPLESS COVERS TO MAURITIUS. THERE ARE NO OTHER RECORDED STAMPED OR STAMPLESS PRE-UPU RATE COVERS TO MAURITIUS. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 265 IN ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The letter was prepaid the 23¢ rate and carried on the Allan line "Nova Scotian" from Portland, Maine Dec. 3 to England, with red manuscript 6d credit to the U.K. The letter was carried by P. & O. steamer from Southampton to Alexandria, Egypt, then overland to Suez, Egypt, then regular P. & O. steamer to Aden, and finally via a special P. & O. steamer from Aden to Mauritius with the corresponding 4½d accountancy mark.

Realized SF 2,100

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Lot 1519



1856 (Oct. 31) St. John's, Newfoundland to Auckland, New Zealand envelope postmarked red "ST. JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND PAID OC 31 1856" datestamp, manuscript "1", "2", "1/", "Auckland FE 25 1856", manuscript "Paid", Extremely Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The cover was carried from St. John's, Newfoundland prepaid to London at 1/0 Stg, with 1d Stg credit to Newfoundland, then postage collect in New Zealand.

Provenance: **Pratt.**

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1520



1859 (Jun. 24) Auckland, New Zealand to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, cover postmarked "Auckland, New Zealand" c.d.s. on reverse, red crowned circle "PAID AT AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND", manuscript "5", "6" and handstamp red "1", red "LONDON SP 19 59 PAID" and black "L SP 20 A", backstamped "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND OC 8 1859" c.d.s.; slightly soiled Fine Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE EARLIEST OF THREE COVERS FROM THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO P.E.I. IN THE COLLECTION.

The letter was prepaid 6d Stg and routed via England to Charlottetown, P.E.I., with manuscript "5" and "1" handstamp accountancy marks. The only one of the trio of known covers from New Zealand with a crown handstamp.

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1521



1859 (Aug. 16) Shediac, New Brunswick to Tredestrand, Norway, cover postmarked red Shediac c.d.s., manuscript "1/", "1/10". "2/5 Cy", "6", red "BRITISH/ 5^d/ CLAIM" and oval "P" handstamps, London PAID (SP 5 59), "Franco" straightline; faded at lower left; four different backstamps including Hamburg (Sep. 8); discolored a bit at lower left, Fine Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was prepaid from Shediac 2/5 Cy, carried via Cunard packet to England where the British claim of 5d was changed to 1/10 Stg due to Britian.

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1522



1859 (Nov. 9) Auckland, New Zealand to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, cover postmarked red "PAID AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND" c.d.s., manuscript "5", "6" and "1", "LONDON FE 9 60 PAID", backstamped partial "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND" c.d.s.; edge flaws, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE SECOND OF THREE COVERS FROM THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO P.E.I. IN THE COLLECTION.

The letter was prepaid 6d Stg to P.E.I. via England, with manuscript "5" and "1" accountancy notations.

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Lot 1523



1860 (May 5) Tredestrand, Norway to Shediac, New Brunswick, cover postmarked Tredestrand c.d.s., fancy "HAMBURG 7 MAY 1860" handstamp, manuscript "23", "15", black "38" handstamp, "N. YORK HAMB. PKT. MAY 26" c.d.s., oval "UNITED/ STATES", blue manuscript "1/0 1/2" and red "6", backstamped Hamburg, St. John and Richibucto (May 30), Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

The letter was prepaid from Tredestrand to Hamburg, sent via German packet to New York. An oval United States treaty handstamp was applied as a cross-border marking and the cover rated 1/0 1/2 Cy collect in Shediac, New Brunswick.

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1524

1865 (Oct. 12) Quebec, L.C. to Christiania, Norway, cover handstamped "FREE" and franked "Henry Morgan, Quebec 1865, Oct. 12", then red "PAID", "QUEBEC OC 13 65 L.C." and red "PAID OC 13 1865 QUEBEC L.C." c.d.s.s., manuscript "1/8", red "LONDON PAID 26 OC 65", oval "PD", red manuscript "7½", blue "AU ENGLAND PER AACHEN FRANCO 3 27 10 B" transit, blue manuscript "64¼" and red "CHRISTIANIA BYPOST" receiver (Nov. 3), backstamped Sandosund and Lubeck, "Provincial Secretary's Office, Canada" imprint on flap, Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

ONLY ONE REPORTED DECIMAL ERA STAMPED COVER EXISTS, AND THIS IS REPORTEDLY THE ONLY STAMPLESS COVER OF THE SAME ERA TO NORWAY. ILLUSTRATED ON PAGE 225 IN ARFKEN'S "CANADA'S DECIMAL ERA".

The cover was originally free franked by Henry Morgan and later prepaid the 1/8 Stg rate via Allan line "Belgian" to Liverpool, via London and Aachen to Lubeck, Germany, via Sandosund, Sweden to Christiania (now Oslo, Norway). The prepayment of 1/8 Stg is 42¢ which represents a slight overpayment of the earliest mention of the 40¢ rate to Norway in the 1863 Canadian postal guide.

Realized SF 2,100

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**Lot 1525**

Papal States covers to or from Canada, selection of five covers: 1840 Rome to Montreal, L.C., 1843 Rome to Quebec, C.E., 1848 Rome to Kingston, U.C., 1864 Rome to Boucherville, Quebec with Anglo-French handstamp "FR 3F 76C" (Salles #3094) and 1864 Rome to Boucherville, Quebec with similar handstamp "FR 3F 76C", generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 2,700

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Lot 1526



1847 (May 26) Montreal, L.C. to Madeira Islands (Portugal), folded letter, bold red Montreal datestamp (MY 28 1847), London PAID transit (16 Jun 1847), originally addressed to London "care of John Hartman", crossed out, updated to Madeira and endorsed "per West Indies Mail Steamer", manuscript "1/2", "3/8", blue "240" handstamp, Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The letter was prepaid via a London forwarding agent, carried via Cunard "Britannia", and the forwarding agent crossed his name off and forwarded the letter to Madeira where it ws rated 240 reis due.

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Lot 1527

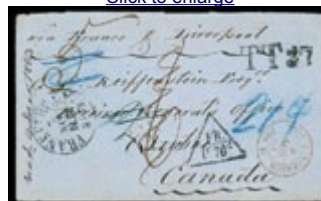


Canada to Madeira Islands, 1842-1854, 4 covers including 1851 Montreal via Cunard "Niagara"; 1854 Montreal via Collins "Atlantic"; 1846 Montreal via West Indies; 1842 Fredericton, N.B via Cunarder, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1528



1863 (Nov. 7) Frankfort, Prussia to Quebec, Canada, small cover with

postmarked Frankfurt c.d.s., manuscript "via France & Liverpool", "TT37" handstamp, red "TOUR T FORBACH AMB D 8 NOV 63" French transit c.d.s., triangular "FR./ 1^F 76^C", manuscript "2", "6", "5" and "21¢", backstamped London (Nov. 10) and Quebec (Dec. 4); small tear at top and flap, Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

The cover was carried from Frankfort, Prussia via France and England with Thurn & Taxis - French Postal convention handstamp "TT37", and Anglo-French accountancy handstamp "FR 1^F 76^C". The cover was carried by Allan line steamer "America", a chartered Cunard steamer.

Realized SF 550

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Lot 1529



1855 (Oct. 21) St. Andrews, New Brunswick to Crimea, Russia, cover postmarked on reverse St. Andrews c.d.s., handstamped red "BRITISH/ 5 CLAIM", manuscript addressed "via Army Agent Cox & Co, London", crossed out, manuscript "British Army, Crimea", blue "Charing Cross" straightline, octagonal "L NO 20 A", reverse with St. John and London c.d.s.s.; edge faults, Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

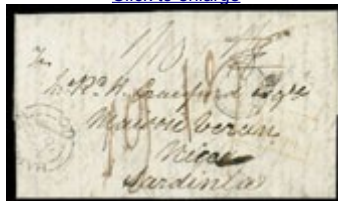
REPORTEDLY THE UNIQUE PAID COVER FROM NEW BRUNSWICK TO THE CRIMEA DURING THE WAR.

The letter is written to an officer in the Crimea via Army Agent Cox & Co. London, with a scarce usage of the British 4d claim accountancy handstamp. The letter is likely to a New Brunswicker serving in the Imperial Army in the Crimea.

Realized SF 1,900

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Lot 1530



1856 (Apr. 23) Hamilton, U.C. to Nice, Sardinia, folded letter edged with black mourning bands, Hamilton datestamp (Apr 26), "ETATS-UNIS PAQ. BRIT. 13 MAI 56 A. CALAIS K", red boxed "CANADA & ART. 19", manuscript "1/8", "1/10", "19", "17", reverse with "TK 13 MY 13 1856", "PARIS 14 MAI 56", "NICE

15 MAI 56", Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

SARDINIA IS AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE DESTINATION FOR CANADIAN STAMPLESS MAIL.

The letter was rated 1/8, changed to 1/10 collect in Canada, rated 17 decimes in France, re-rated 19 decimes in France (1F72 French debit to Sardinia, 18¢ internal Sardinian postage). The letter was carried under Article 19 effective Jan 1 1856 - Dec 31, 1856.

Realized SF 4,500
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Lot 1531



1865 (Jan. 19) Trapani, Sicily to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, folded cover, "Trapani 19 Gen 65", "Palermo 20 Gen 25", "Torino 25 Gen 65", "Milano - Como 25 Gen 65", "28/1/6/5 N", "St. John's Newfoundland Fe 21 1865", boxed "PD", red "FRANCO BOLLO INSUFFICIENTE", manuscript "10", "1/0", "Cr 20" and "9"; partly missing at cover loss, Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was marked paid and crossed out, marked insufficiently prepaid, carried via Cunard "Europa" via Liverpool and Halifax, then by Cunard branch line steamer to St. John's and finally Harbor Grace. The letter was rated "10", then 1/0 Stg in Newfoundland.

Realized SF 2,200
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Lot 1532



1784 (Apr. 30) Benicarlo, Spain to Philadelphia, U.S. folded letter, red manuscript "Postage to Montreal 8d Stg", "forwd 4:16", and total "7:", reverse with Quebec triangle at base handstamp; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

A RARE USE OF CANADA AS A TRANSIT POINT FOR SPANISH -

AMERICAN MAILS.

The letter was carried by private ship from Spain to Quebec where it entered the mails, rated 8d Stg (in lieu of the usual 9d Cy), forwarded to Philadelphia and rated 4:16, for a total of 7 dwts collect.

Realized SF 1,300

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Lot 1533



1793 (Jan. 23) Barcelona, Spain to Montreal, Quebec, folded letter, enclosed Quebec double semi-circles backstamp with "26 AV" bishop mark on reverse, red manuscript "9"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

The letter was carried by private ship outside the post and placed in the mails at Quebec, rated 9d collect.

Realized SF 1,250

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Lot 1534



1842 (Nov. 14) on board Steamer "Acadia very short of Halifax" to Cadiz, Spain, folded letter, red manuscript "4/4", boxed "PAID AT LIVERPOOL", manuscript "21R", reverse with "Received & forwarded by / J. H. Butler, Liverpool, Dec 3 / 42" and red "Liverpool DE 3 1842 K" datestamp, Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

The letter was written aboard a ship just outside of Halifax, carried outside the mail to England and sent by a forwarding agent, prepaid 4/4 Stg and rated 21 reals collect at Cadiz, Spain.

Realized SF 180

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Lot 1535



1845 (Oct. 22) Alicante, Spain to "S. Jaun de Terranova" (St. John's Newfoundland), folded cover, red Alicante (22 Oct 1845), manuscript "1/3", "2/6", oval "L MR 17 H", red "7R" handstamp, backstamps include "Habana Islad Cuba 1846" datestamp, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

A RARE MISSENT, TRIPLE TRANSATLANTIC COVER.

The letter was missent to Cuba, likely due to the "S Juan" in the address, returned to Spain and forwarded via France, Britain and Nova Scotia to St. John's, Newfoundland.

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1536



Covers to or from Canada and Spain, four covers which include an 1842 Madrid to East Hawkesbury, L.C., 1850 Cadiz to Quebec with "Forwarded by Darthez Brothers London", 1850 Bilbao to St. John's, Newfoundland and 1860 Valencia to Arichat, Nova Scotia favored to Newfoundland where posted to N.S., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,400

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Lot 1537



St. Kitts covers to or from Canada, three covers: 1835 St. Kitts to Quebec, Canada, 1844 St. Christopher (St. Kitts) to St. John, New Brunswick with "Forwarded by I.F. Peniston & Co. St. Thomas" handstamp and 1858 St. Kitts to Westport, Nova Scotia, attractive and generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 300

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Lot 1538



1789 (Nov. 15) Niagara, Canada to Yverdon, Switzerland, folded letter with manuscript "18" and "8" rates and a "CALAIS" straightline handstamp, reverse with manuscript "pr address of Y. hble servt D. Y"; Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

The letter was carried outside the mails or under cover to a forwarding agent at Calais, France, where it was endorsed and placed in the mails, rated 18 sols for a double letter to Basle, converted to 0.8 livres or the equivalent of 23 sols collect. The letter reads in part, "There is nothing worth seeing except the great falls of Niagara which is certainly a most tremendous sight, to see a river about 3 miles wide fall perpendicular for about 176 feet ...".

Realized SF 750

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Lot 1539



1854 (Sept. 25) Pointe aux Trembles, Montreal, Canada to Geneva, Switzerland, envelope postmarked Pointe-aux-Tremble rimless c.d.s., handstamped red boxed "CANAD &c ART. 12" and "ANGL. 17 OCT 54 2 CALAIS 2", manuscript "150", backstamped Montreal, London and Geneva, Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

The letter was carried by the Cunard "Arabia" via New York and Liverpool, via closed bag mail to London, rated 150 rappen collect under Anglo-French Article 12 and Franco-Swiss Convention of July 1 1850.

Realized SF 625

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Lot 1540



Covers to or from Switzerland and Canada, group of five covers comprising 1852 Bern to Prescott, C.W., 1854 South Easthope, C.W. to Frutigen, 1856 Marysburgh, C.W. to Geneva, 1858 Port Sarnia, U.C. to Hochentrins and 1860 Berlin, C.W. to Frutigen, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 400

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Lot 1541



Switzerland, 7 covers to or from Canada 1820-1852, includes 1833 St. Therise,

L.C. to Einsiedeln; 1820 Interlaken to Lunenburg, N.S.; 1851 Bern to Prescott, C.W.; 1852 Bern to Prescott, C.W.; 1838 Kingston, U.C. to Schaffhausen; 1850 South Easthope, C.W. to Frutigen and 1844 Galt, U.C. to Zurich, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

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Lot 1542



1847 (Feb. 18) Quebec, L.C. to Florence, Tuscany (Italy), folded letter, Quebec datestamp, Paid at Quebec crown handstamp, red London Paid (17 Mar 1847), oval "PF", several additional handstamp, manuscript "1/2", "1/4", "Paid 3", "12", "10", etc., reverse with London and Firenze (26 Mar 1847) transits; light toning, Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

TUSCANY IS AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE DESTINATION FOR CANADIAN STAMPLESS MAIL.

The letter was prepaid 1/2 Stg 1/ Cy from Quebec via Cunard "Cambria" via closed mails through U.S.A. to a London forwarding agent, then via France and Sardinia to Tuscany. From England the cover was prepaid 10d to Sardinian border, 12 crazie Sardinian postage and internal Tuscany postage collect.

Realized SF 625

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Lot 1543



1851 (Nov. 18) Guelph, U.C. to Caracas, Venezuela, folded letter, "GUELPH" c.d.s., manuscript "via Halifax", "4½" / 3" totaled "7½", "4d", two "PAID" handstamps, "CORREO DE VENEZUELA GUAYRA DEBE" handstamp, and large black "2", reverse with Hamilton, Montreal, Quebec, St. Thomas (D.W.I.), datestamps, Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

THE ONLY REPORTED STAMPLESS COVER FROM CANADA TO VENEZUELA.

The letter was prepaid the 3d Cy interprovincial letter rate to Halifax, then 4d St or 4½d Cy British Intercolonial sea rate to the British post office at St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, with the 7½d Cy being prepaid. From St. Thomas, the cover was carried to La Guayra and rated "2" collect to Caracas.

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1544



Anglo-French Accountancy related covers, 13 covers with various Anglo-French accountancy handstamps "GB 1F 60C" (Salles #3050) on 1857 to Württemberg, 1858 to France (2), 1857 to France (2); "GB 2F __" (Salles #3047) on 1858 to France (3), 1859 to France, 1863 to France; "GB 2F 40C" (Salles #3041) on 1857 to France; "GB 2F 62C" (Salles #3048) on 1858 to France, 1856 to France, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 2,500

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Lot 1545

"By Canadian Packet" handstamps, eight covers with "BY CANADIAN PACKET", 1857 "AMERICAN MAIL" arc; 3 St. John's, Newfoundland Paid crown circle covers; 1851 Halifax octagonal ship letter; 1846 "AMERICAN / BRITISH" handstamp on crossborder cover; 1829 "U.S. POST / FERRIAGE" handstamp on crossborder cover, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,350

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**Lot 1546**

British America, group of 14 covers including 1831 Bahamas; 1836 British Guiana; 1827 Belize, British Honduras; 1840 Demerarra; 1851 Grenada to Nova Scotia; 1820 Jamaica; 1834 Jamaica; 1840 Jamaica; 1836 Nevis; 1860 St. Lucia; 1850 Trinidad to U.S.A. via Halifax, N.S.; 1838 Halifax, N.S. to Bermuda; 1840 Halifax to Bermuda; 1849 England to Bermuda via Halifax and Barbados, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1547

British Columbia, 10 covers consisting of 1863 "POST OFFICE / PAID / VICTORIA VANCOUVER ISLAND" blue oval on cover via San Francisco to Leeds, England (edge tears); 1860 Victoria to London, England with manuscript "Over Land", "VICTORIA V.I. POST OFFICE" oval handstamp (2 strikes), via San Francisco; 1860 Victoria to Edinburgh, Scotland with crown "POST OFFICE VICTORIA V.I." via San Francisco with "OVERLAND" handstamp; undated blue oval Post Office Paid Victoria Vancouver Island to San Francisco; 1861 Portland, M.E. to Hope, B.C., 15¢ rate; 1863 Brockville, C.W. to Victoria paid 25¢ single rate; 1859 to 1860 three examples of England to Victoria at 1/2½ Stg rate, generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 2,400

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**Lot 1548**

Civil War Patriotics. five covers including 1861 Michigan to Ontario, U.C. with 1776 flag; 1862 Portsmouth Grove, R.I. to Welland, C.W. with "Why don't you take it" dogs; 1862 Washington to Welland, C.W. "The Union For Ever and Ever; 1863 West Point, Iowa to Addison, C.W. Drummer with flag and 1861 Rolling Prairie, Indiana to Jordan, C.W. with flag, few cover faults, otherwise Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1549



Crimea War related covers, nine covers related to the withdrawal of Cunard service due to the Crimean war, including 1854 last sailings of the "Africa" and "Niagara" before the withdrawal of service; 1854 Havre line "Union"; 1855 Collins line "Atlantic"(2), "Baltic"(2); 1856 Cunard "Asia" overpaid via N.Y. after resumption of service, etc., overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 300

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Lot 1550



Exchange Surcharge, Five covers: 1843, two covers from England to Canada with 2.5% Exchange Surcharge; 1842, Jamaica to Newmarket, U.C. with 2.5% Exchange Surcharge; Canada to the U.S. with 2.5% Exchange Surcharge; Canada to U.S.A. just after the removal of Exchange Surcharge, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1551



Exchange Surcharge, A collection of 27 covers dealing with the exchange surcharge on United States postage collected in Canada in order to offset the banking costs and exchange rate of remitting the U.S. postage collected to the U.S. Post Office. The 6% exchange rate was in effect from Mar. 1, 1842 until May 16, 1842, a very short time. Of the 6% exchange surcharge covers there are 7 examples including U.S. to Canada (1@ 1d), England to Canada (3@ 1d), Jamaica to Canada (1@ 1d), Ireland to Canada (1@ 1d), and one at 1d but fee not shown but presumed collected. The exchange rate was reduced to 2.5% and was in effect from May 17, 1842 until Dec. 27, 1843. Of the 2.5% exchange surcharge covers, there are 14 examples broken down by the origin of mail and the total fee expressed: U.S. to Canada (4@ 1/2d, 1@ 1d); England to Canada (3@ 1/2d, 3@ 1d), Scotland to Canada (1@ 1d, 1@ 1 1/2d), Jamaica to Canada (1@ 1/2d), Canada to U.S.A (1@ 1/2d). In addition there are three covers as illustrative examples of the rates before implementation from U.S., Jamaica and England, and one after the exchange surcharge was cancelled shown from Jamaica. There are two covers from Canada to U.S.A. showing an overcharge of the exchange surcharge, generally F-VF. The period of use and difficulty identifying exchange surcharge covers make them a fascinating area of study and suitable for a one frame exhibit. Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

Realized SF 4,000

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Lot 1552

Eastern Express covers from the East Coast, small selection of six covers containing 1844 Boston to London, England with red oval "Harnden's Package Express & Foreign/ Letter Office No. 8 Court St Boston" via Halifax; 1851 St. John, N.B. to Philadelphia with "St. John, N.B. Eastport and Boston Favor's Express Boston 10 Court Sq" in red; 1852 St. John, N.B. to New York with similar Favor's express Boston handstamp, "STEAM" as well; 1856 "US Express Mail N. York" on New York to N.S.; 1857 "US EXPRESS MAIL BOSTON" on Boston to Nova Scotia; 1854 New York to Annapolis with "US EXPRESS MAIL N. YORK", generally F-VF
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 525

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**Lot 1553**

Forwarding Agent 1783-1862, group of 13 covers consisting of 1783 London, England to Montreal, Canada, "Geo O. Allsop"; 1799 England to Kingston, U.C., "Will. W. Doude"; 1804 London, England to York, U.C., "Capt Dennison"; 1818 London, England to Montreal, L.C., "Y. Obt. S. G.M."; 1821 Quebec, L.C. to Champlain, New York, "Rec'd & forwarded by your most obt. Servt James Woolwich"; 1827 Lubec, Maine, U.S.A. to Miramichi, New Brunswick, manuscript "McKenzie & Tisdale"; 1827 Quebec, Canada to Madeira Islands, red oval "FORWARDED BY R. GILLESPIE & W. MCLEOD NEW YORK" backstamp, and second "received forwarded by Y. M. O. S. Pr. H & Co."; 1832 Bristol, England to York, U.C., reverse with oval "FORWARDED BY / MASTERS & MARKOE / NEW YORK" handstamp; 1833 London, England to Montreal, Canada, endorsed "Recd at Miramichi 25th & forwarded 26th Decr 1833 by Joseph Cunard & Co."; 1838 Toronto, U.C. to Boston, U.S.A., "care of the British consul Boston", "Received & forwarded the 2d March 1838 by your Lordship's respectful servant / Jean Langevin"; 1862 West Indies to Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, reverse with red oval "FORWARDED BY Y.O. Sts T.C. KINNEAR & Co."; 1801 New York, U.S.A. to Quebec, Canada, "Forwd by YR o St / B. Hart", generally Fine to Very Fine. These covers would represent a solid start for this interesting area.
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,100

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Lot 1554



Forwarding Agents 1801-1858, group of 14 covers consisting of 1801 JJ. Astor / Wm. Sanders New York, two similar covers; 1814 G. Moffat, Montreal, unrecorded in Rowe; 1815 Boorman and Johnston, New York; 1821 Stanton, Fiske & Luisholz, Boston; 1827 G.L. DeBlois, Boston, unreported in Rowe; 1829 Robinson & Brooking, St. John's Newfoundland handstamp; 1834 Bunscomb Brothers, New York handstamp; 1835 P. Duff, St. John, New Brunswick, reporting copy; 1836 R. Hutton, New York; 1837 Goodhue & Co, New York on India to Canada cover; 1854 Moses Taylor & Co, New York handstamp; 1859 T. Brooking & Co London, handstamp, pair of G.B. 1d reds; 1858 T. Brooking & Co London, handstamp, pair of G.B. 1d reds. Usages on covers from England, Newfoundland, Portugal, India, Canada, U.S.A., etc., generally Fine to Very Fine. A nice addition to an existing collection or an excellent way to start this collecting area. Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 2,400

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Lot 1555



France to Canada 1821-1865, 20 covers, Cunard, Collins, Ocean

line, Falmouth packet, private vessels, fully paid, partly paid with a wide range of markings, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1556



France to or from Canada, 80 covers, a massive representative showing of the complexity of Canada/France mails including the Colonies and Article, and Canada and Article handstamps, ratings, routings, accountancy handstamps, various ships employed in carrying the mails. With extensive examples from both outgoing and incoming mails, this group provides an advanced framework with which to build a captivating exhibit, overall Fine to Very Fine. The complexities of the Canada/France mails is the perfect match for a collector wishing to start a new area that is both challenging and widely available

Estimate SF 7,500/US\$ 6,250

Realized SF 5,500

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Lot 1557



Freight Money collection. Collection of 17 Freight Money covers including 12 examples paying the 12½¢ Freight money fee: 1839

Raleigh, U.C. to London; 1839 Guelph, U.C. to Coleorton;
Loughborough, U.C. to London; 1839 Darlington, U.C. to London;
1839 Chatham, U.C. to Edinburgh; 1839 Drummondville, U.C. to
Edinburgh; 1839 Chambly, L.C. to Chesterfield; 1839 Vittoria, U.C.
to Scotland; 1840 Clarendon, L.C. to Newcastleton; 1840 Carradoc,
U.C. to Edinburgh; 1840 Drummondville, U.C. to Bannockburn; 1840
St. Johns, L.C. to Edinburgh; four examples paying the 25c Freight
Money fee including 1839 Quebec, L.C. to Falkirk; 1840 London,
U.C. to Kilman; 1840 St. Thomas, U.C. to Fenton Barns; 1843
Montreal, L.C. to London; plus 1839 Montreal, L.C. to Irvine (this
one without freight money charge shown), generally F-VF
Estimate SF 6,000/US\$ 5,000

Realized SF 3,750

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Lot 1558



Latin America to or from Canada, seven covers from 1841 to 1864
consisting of 1841 Valpariso, Chile to Quebec; 1850 Havana, Cuba to
St. John's Newfoundland with Robert and Williams New York
forwarding agent handstamp; 1856 Havana, Cuba to Montreal,
Canada printed circular 2½d Cy handstamp; 1864 Havana, Cuba to
Kingston, C.W. with "J. Edwd Whitman / Hababa" forwarding agent
handstamp; 1850 Panama City, Panama (Columbia) to St. Catherines,
C.W. with "PANAMA", "30" and "STEAMSHIP" handstamps; 1851
Panama to Truro, Nova Scotia; 1857 Callao, Peru to Chippawa, C.W.
"on board S.S. Bolivia" of the P.S.N.C. via Panama, 15¢ collect (9d
Cy), overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 1,350

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Lot 1559



New Brunswick, 11 covers and highlights include 1854 W.O. Prince William with "NEW BK 1d CLAIM"; 1808 Dorchester, N.B. with circular Falmouth Packet Lre; 1855 Liverpool to Fredericton; 1854 Irvine, Scotland to St. John; 1845 St. John to New York with three line "RETURNED/FOR/POSTAGE", generally Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1560



New Brunswick / Nova Scotia covers to or from England, 11 covers consisting of 5 Nova Scotia covers including 1790 Sydney, Cape Breton to Orkney Islands; 1818 Halifax, N.S. to Bath, England with ship letter crown Halifax; 1820 Yarmouth, N.S. to London with two ship letter crowns; 1833 Liverpool, England to Halifax, N.S. sent in error to Halifax, England; 1835 Halifax, N.S. to Dublin with green "America F", oval "Postage Not Paid"; 6 New Brunswick covers including 1788 London, England to New Brunswick; 1789 Fredericton, N.B. to London from Samuel Cooke, missionary "I have baptized white children and infants 31, black infants 2, black adult 1, marriages 13, burials 4"; 1796 London, England to St. John, N.B.; 1843 St. John, N.B. to London, England with oval "T.C. Kinnear & Co" forwarding agent handstamp; 1855 Big River of Bathurst, N.B. to London, England with British 5d Claim handstamp and 1863 Aberdeen to Norton, N.B. with 25 Cents collect handstamp, attractive and overall F-VF

Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1561



Newfoundland 1822-1865, desirable group of 17 covers which includes 1826 St. John's to Philadelphia; 1822 Trinity to Nantes, France with "Colonies / Par Bordeaux" ship letter handstamp; 1832 St. John's to Oporto, Portugal; 1844 St. John's to Bilbao, Spain; 1850 Malaga, Spain to St. John's; 1852 Bahia, Brazil to Harbor Grace; 1853 Fleur de Lys, French Coast, Newfoundland to St. Papoul, France; 1857 St. John's to Madrid, Spain; 1858 St. John's to Oporto; 1858 Pernambuco, Brazil to Harbor Grace; 1858 St. John's to Madrid, Spain; 1861 St. John's to Oporto, Portugal; 1862 Harbor Grace to Newburyport, Mass, 6½d Stg packet rate from interior to U.S.A.; 1864 St. John's to Oporto, Portugal with "Barra de Porto"; 1865 St. John's to Oporto, Portugal, 4 page printed news journal "The Newfoundland Commercial Journal"; 1865 St. John's, Porto Rico to Harbor Briton, Newfoundland, printed matter 2d collect handstamp, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 4,500

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Lot 1562

Newfoundland, 1786-1819, 17 covers consisting of 1786 Fleur De Llis, French Coast, Newfoundland to St. Brieux, France; 1784 Newfoundland to London; 186 St. John's to Rothsay, Scotland, Portsmouth Ship Lre; 1786 St. John's to Rothsay a similar cover with Portsmouth Ship Lre; 1787 Harbor Grace to London, Ship Lre Bristol; 1791 Harbor Grace to London with Bristol Ship Lre; 1792 Bonavista to London, Pool Ship Lre; 1801 Harbor Grace to London, Pool Ship Lre; 1806 St. John's to Dartmouth, England, Ship letter crown Portsmouth; 1806 St. John's to Dartmouth, Ship Letter crown Falmouth; 1810 St. John's to London, Ship letter crown Plymouth via H.M.S. Antelope 50 gun war ship, flag ship of the Squadron at St. John's; 1817 St. John's to London; 1817 Trinity to Darlton, England; 1818 St. John's to London, Whitehaven Ship Letter (a very early use, 21 years before Robertson's S-2 earliest); 1819 St. John's to London, Cowes Ship Lres; 1819 St. John's to Bonam, Scotland, Greenock Ship Letter; 1815 Trinity to Newburyport, Mass with Ship 14¢ rate including 50% War surcharge, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

Realized SF 6,250

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**Lot 1563**

Newfoundland, 1811 - 1850, 8 covers, mail to England includes 1811 Bonavista, 1813 Carbonear, 1813 St. John's, 1814 St. John's, 1845 St. John's, 1848 St. John's; 1815 Bonavista to New Bedford, Mass to New London, Conn as a ship letter, "Sh 20³/₄" which is 12¹/₂¢ postage plus 50% War surcharge plus 2¢ ship fee; 1850 New York to St. John's, printed circular rated 3¢ U.S. circular rate to the border, 1/4 collect to St. John's, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1564



Newfoundland, 1841 - 1865, ten covers including 1841 Burin to London with "NEWFOUNDLAND" datestamp (scarce clear strike); 1845 St. John's to London with "NEWFOUNDLAND" datestamp (scarce, clear strike); 1852 Porto Rico to Harbor Britain; 1853 Seville, Spain to St. John's; 1854 Hamilton, Bermuda to Bonavista; 1857 Brazil to Harbor Grace; 1857 Barbados to Harbor Grace; 1858 Pernambuco, Brazil to Harbor Grace; 1862 Bahia, Brazil to Harbor Grace; 1865 Bahia, Brazil to Harbor Grace, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 2,200

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Lot 1565



Newfoundlandm, 1823-1858, desirable selection of 16 consisting of 1823 Fermeuse, Newfoundland to Tweedhill, England, Ship Letter Greenock, Forwarded by Robinson & Brooking St. Johns agent handstamp; 1831 Harbor Grace to Poole, forwarding agent "care of Messrs Gosse, Pack & Fryer, Carbonear" unreported in Rowe; 1834 Port de Grave to London, Gravesend Ship Letter' 1839 St. John's to London, Bristol England forwarding endorsement by C.P. Bennett unreported in Rowe; 1840 Kings Cove to Coldstream, Scotland, Cove Ship Letter; 1845 Harbor Grace to Dublin, via Barbados and Spain; 1846 St. John's to London, St. John's Paid crown circle; 1847 Port De Grace to London, Ship Letter Newfoundland; 1845 St. John's to London, Ship Letter Newfoundland; 1848 St. John's to London,

Greenock Ship Letter; 1850 St. John's to London, earliest use of St. John's Newfoundland Paid handstamp (FE 16 1850); 1852 Brigus to London; 1853 Harbor Britain to Dartmouth, England; 1855 St. John's to Teignmouth, letter re: seal fishery; 1858 St. John's to Amherst, Mass and 1858 St. John's to Teignmouth, first possible use of Liverpool Br. Packet handstamp (Robertson P-16a) on mail from Newfoundland, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 8,500

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Lot 1566



Newfoundland to Spain, 1857-1858, four covers including three from St. John's to Madrid, one from St. John's to Santander, all of the covers prepaid to the Franco-Spanish border and exchanged under the Anglo-Spanish Postal Convention of Jan. 1 1857, with the rates and route available only until October 1858, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1567



Northern Ontario, two covers via Cunard "Canada" and "Europa" to Sault Ste Marie, C.W., the most northwesterly post office at the time;

one letter, from Dugald MacTavish to William MacTavish reads in part, "We have just got a letter from York Factory dated 29 Nov postmarked Sault Ste Marie 27 March... Your station is more tedious than I would have considered... Mr. Colville to make such arrangements for our relief as he shall concur...", generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1568



Covers to or from Nova Scotia, seven covers and highlights include 1838 Sydney, C.B. to London during mistaken 1/0 Stg rate interpretation; 1824 British soldier garrisoned at Halifax; 1850 small Halifax tombstone and 1840 Halifax to Ireland, return maiden voyage of Britannia, generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1569



Prince Edward Island, 1829-1858, group of nine covers - 1829 Charlottetown to London, "POST OFFICE P.E. ISLAND" handstamp; 1834 Charlottetown to London pair of duplicate letters by two

different routes; 1840 Winsloe, Barton, P.E.I. to Marlborough, England, "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND" datestamp with manuscript date; 1840 Liverpool to St. Ellinors, P.E.I., maiden voyage of Britannia, rated 1/0 Stg, the only voyage at this rate, later ones at 1/2 Stg; 1844 London to Charlottetown; 1855 Lot 30 Smelt Creek, West River, P.E.I. to Aberdeen, Scotland, letter reads "Do not pay any letter you send me for fear of any one calling for it and neglecting to give it to me"; 1855 Charlottetown to Bath, U.K. redirected to Paris, France; 1858 Plymouth, England to Charlottetown, "9" handstamp (Lehr P106), rare, attractive and Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 6,250

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Lot 1570



Pioneer Steamers Era, 1838-1840, 11 pioneer steamers including British Queen (4), President, Royal William (2), Great Western (2), Liverpool, Caledonia, and one late U.S. sailing packet example in 1839, generally Fine to Very Fine. A great start or addition for this intriguing specialty.
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 1,350

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Lot 1571

Official / Post Office mail, Four covers: 1835 from Sir Francis Freeling, London to Quebec regarding the incorporation of N.B. and N.S. posts; 1851 Legislative Assembly oval; 1846 letter to the U.S. with "On Post Office Business" handstamp, letter re postage due; 1840 Stayner free franked letter regarding freight money, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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**Lot 1572**

Printed Letters/Forms G.B. to Canada, 1830-1856, group of seven including 1845 War Office; 1830 Royal Hospital, Chelsea; 1856 Quarter Master General's Office; 1844 Royal Hospital Chelsea; 1845 Paymaster General's Office; 1844 Admiralty "Sidney Herber" to a naval vessel on Lake Huron, very unusual; 1843 War Office, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 350/US\$ 292

Realized SF 450

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**Lot 1573**

Quebec to or from England, 10 covers which include 1787 Montreal

to Glasgow; 1793 London, England to Montreal; 1793 Montreal to London, England with Dover Ship Lre; 1795 Woolwich, England to Montreal; 18081 Paisley, Scotland to Montreal; 1801 Dublin, Ireland to Montreal with Halifax straightline and crown ship letter handstamp; 1804 Appin, Scotland to Montreal, Halifax straightline; 1815 Liverpool to Montreal letter re ship damaged and wintering in Canada; 1817 Liverpool to Montreal, non contract sailing ship "Alexandria" and 1842 Montreal to Irvine, Scotland via Cunard "Columbia" which broke shaft en route and proceeded under sail back to England, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 525

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Lot 1574



Quebec to or from England, interesting group of 18 covers including 1791 Bristol, England to Quebec; 1789 London to Quebec; 1792 Quebec to Edinburgh; 1793 London to Three Rivers; 1795 Quebec to Andover, England; 1797 Quebec to London; 1798 Quebec to London; 1799 Quebec to London; 1800 Quebec to Greenock; 1801 Quebec to Greenock; 1801 London to Quebec; 1807 Quebec to Edinburgh; 1813 Quebec to London; 1815 Quebec to Glasgow; 1821 Rawdon, L.C. to London; 1823 Liverpool to Stanstead, L.C; 1857 Quebec to London; 1857 Quebec to Dungannon, Ireland. Includes a variety of ship letter crown handstamps (Quebec, Greenock, London, Halifax), Ship letter straightlines (Dover Ship Lre, Ship Lre, Gravesend Ship Lre) etc., generally Fine to Very Fine. Please Inspect.
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,700

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Lot 1575



Rate Handstamps, eight covers, highlights include 1856 Belleville to London, "PAID 8", "PAID 8d Stg", "10d Cy"; 1856 Port Hope to London "PAID 8d Stg"; 1864 "8d Stg Paid 10d Cy " handstamp, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 750

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Lot 1576



Rate handstamps to or from Canada, 1854-1866, group of covers including 1854 Sunderland, England to Dorchester, U.C. with "1d" accountancy unreported in Arnell; 1855 Liverpool to Cornwallis, N.S. with reporting copies of "1/8" and "2/6" handstamps; 1855 London to Halifax, N.S. with "1/3", "1/8", "10d" in red, "10d" in black, a beauty; 1857 Ireland Isle, Bermuda to Toronto with "7½d Cy" used to indicated 4d Stg or 4½d Cy port to port rate plus 3d Cy interprovincial rate, the only known strike of this handstamp used to pay this rate; 1862 Toronto to Manchester with "1/-" unrecorded use on Allan line "Nova Scotian"; 1862 Toronto to Ballymore, Ireland with stylized "1s~"; 1863 Liverpool to Montreal with "29" unrecorded at Montreal; 1866 Toronto to Peoples, Scotland with "PAID 6d Stg" in red; 1856 "8d Stg 10d Cy", generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,000

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Lot 1577



Registered/Money Letter covers to or from Canada, 1844 - 1864, 18 covers including 2 Money Letters to U.S.A (1847, 1851); 3 registered to U.S.A (1856, 1856, 1858); two Money Letters to England (1847, 1855); two registered to England (1859, 1864); two registered to Scotland (both 1858); two registered to Ireland (1858, 1862); five registered / money letters from England to Canada (1844, 1847(2), 1851, 1864), generally Fine to Very Fine Money Letters and registered covers other than domestic uses are rare and this grouping represents a unique opportunity to acquire a large portion of the known examples.

Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

Realized SF 8,000

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Lot 1578



Retaliatory Period related covers, three covers including 1848 Halifax, N.S. to Boston 1/ Stg prepaid via Cunard and 24¢ collect, retaliatory rate; 1848 Halifax, N.S. to New York prepaid 1/0 Stg, 24¢ U.S. collect, retaliatory rate and 1848 Halifax, N.S. to New York via Robbinstown, ME avoiding the retaliatory rate, generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 550

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Lot 1579



Ship letters to or from Canada, nice group of eight covers including 1785 (Feb. 2) London, England to Montreal, Canada; 1801 (Jan. 2) London, England to Quebec, Canada; 1801 Quebec, Canada to London, England, manuscript "By His M. Ship Assistance"; 1816 Halifax, Nova Scotia to London, England; 1842 Quebec, Canada to London, England; 1850 (California, Central or South America or West Indies) to St. John, New Brunswick, black "30" and "STEAM SHIP"; 1856 (July 15) Glasgow, Scotland to Dundas, C.W; 1857 Quebec, L.C. to Clonbela, Birr, Ireland, "AMERICAN MAIL DE 21 1857" handstamp, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 550

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Lot 1580



Group of 22 Ship Letter handstamps, includes 1793 London generic SHIP LRE; 1800 Ship Lre crown Plymouth; 1800 Ship Lre crown Portsmouth; 1800 Ship Letter crown (town unclear); 1800 Post paid Ship Lre crown London; 1801 Ship Letter crown Quebec and Ship crown Letter on same cover; 1801 Ship Letter crown Portsmouth; 1801 Ship Letter crown Quebec and Ship Lre crown

Liverpool on same cover; 1801 Ship Letter crown Quebec; 1801 Ship Letter crown Quebec; 1802 Ship Letter crown Quebec; 1802 Quebec crown and Skibereen Ship Letr on same cover; 1803 Ship Letter crown Quebec and Ship Lre Greenock on same cover; 1809 Ship Letter crown London; 1810 Ship Letter crown Liverpool; 1810 Ship Letter crown Plymouth; 1811 Ship Letter crown Quebec and Ship Letter crown Deal on same cover; 1816 Quebec crown; 1820 Cove Ship Letter and two strikes of crown Ship Letter Dublin on same cover; 1823 Halifax crown and Liverpool India Letter and two strikes of Liverpool Ship Letter on same cover; 1835 Ship Letter crown Halifax; 1854 octagonal Ship Letter Halifax N.S., generally Fine to Very Fine. A valuable array of markings, suitable as a nucleus for a Ship Letter handstamp collection
Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

Realized SF 2,200

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Lot 1581



Stamps on Cover, Great Britain, four G.B. franked covers including 1864 GB #33 1d Aylesbury to Toronto, "INSUFFICIENTLY PREPAID" handstamp; 1852 1/ cut to shape Woolwich to New York, redirected to Niagara, C.W.; 1854 Hamilton to England, redirected with G.B. 1d red; 1847 Belfast, Ireland to Quebec G.B. 1d imperforate tied by "466" grid, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 500

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Lot 1582



Stamps on cover, Great Britain, six covers including 1859 1d to Picton, C.W., shortpaid, 29¢ due; 1864 6d to Beachville, C.W., UNPAID 5 due; 1857 6d to Montreal; 1860 6d, pair 4d via Vanderbilt line on its last full two voyage sailing, most unusual routing; 1863 6d via Galway "Anglia"; 1860 St. John's Newfoundland via Brooking and Co forwarding agent to London where posted with 1d., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 800

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Lot 1583



Straightline Cancels of Canada, 24 covers including 1785 Montreal; 1799 Quebec; 1802 Halifax; 1803 St. John, N.B.; 1804 Niagara; 1804 St. John, N.B.; 1807 Sandwich, U.C.; 1809 Quebec; 1816 Dundas; 1816 Berthier; 1817 Sandwich, U.C.; 1817 York; 1817 Sandwich; 1818 York, U.C.; 1821 Brockville; 1822 Perth; 1822 Williamsburg, U.C.; 1823 Lancaster; 1823 Stanstead; 1825 Gananoque; 1826 St. Johns, N.B.; 1828 Queenston, U.C.; 1828 Cornwall; 1844 Windsow, C.W., overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

Realized SF 2,900

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The image displays three historical letters, each with a distinct postmark and handwritten address. The top-left letter is dated '1840' and features a circular postmark from 'LONDON'. The top-right letter is dated '1840' and features a circular postmark from 'GLASGOW'. The bottom letter is dated '1840' and features a circular postmark from 'GLASGOW'.

Top-Left Letter:
 Postmark: LONDON
 Address: Mr. J. P. PATER, Esq.,
 10, St. James's Place,
 London, W.

Top-Right Letter:
 Postmark: GLASGOW
 Address: Mr. J. P. PATER, Esq.,
 10, St. James's Place,
 London, W.

Bottom Letter:
 Postmark: GLASGOW
 Address: Mr. J. P. PATER, Esq.,
 10, St. James's Place,
 London, W.

Realized SF 325
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Canada to or from England, 14 covers to or from present day Ontario (in various forms as Upper Canada, Canada West) including 1800 London, England to Fort George, U.C.; 1813 Kingston, U.C. to London during War of 1812; 1838 Toronto to London, England, letter mentions Caroline affair during Upper Canada rebellion, "excitement on the American frontier...by the destruction of a steamer called the Caroline... an infuriated people..."; 1839 Kingston, U.C. to London from surgeon from HMS Niagara letter reads in part, "soliciting my promotion to rank of surgeon... I was present as acting surgeon during the action with the American Brigands near Prescott... the sole medical charge of the many severely wounded on that occasion..."; 1840 London to Puslinch, U.C. via pioneer steamer British Queen; 1843 Toronto to Halifax, England; 1843 Kingston, U.C. to Dublin with oval "AMERICA L" (2 similar covers); 1852 Gananoque, CW to Edinburgh "MORE TO PAY"; 1854 Brighton to Raleigh, U.C. with 1/4 rate handstamp unreported in blue; 1857 Chatham to Burton on Water, England with "BY CANADIAN PACKET"; 1857 Barrie, CW to Ecclefechan, Scotland with "PAID 8d Stg 10d Cy" handstamp;

1859 Sandy Ford, Scotland to Waterdown, C.W. with reporting copy of "1/5" handstamp used at Hamilton; 1863 Dunnville, C.W. to Glasgow with reporting copy of "1/" handstamp on Allan line "Norwegian", generally Fine to Very Fine. If Ontario postal history is your specialty, this group would be a welcome addition.
Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 1,700

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Lot 1586

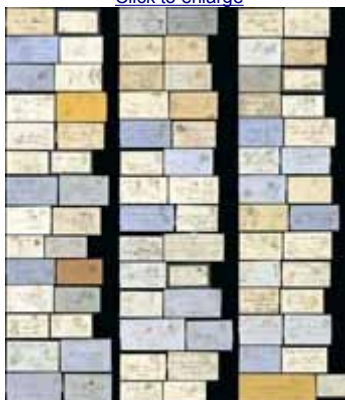


Transatlantic - 12½¢ Rate, 4 covers showing the 12½¢ Allan line rate with "PAID" handstamp, manuscript 12½; "PAID 6" handstamp; "PAID 6d Stg" handstamp and finally "PAID 6d Stg" and "7½Cy" handstamps, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 400/US\$ 333

Realized SF 290

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Lot 1587



Transatlantic -- Rate Handstamps, 84 covers, the balance of the collection of rate and accountancy handstamps including numerous variations of 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7 1/2, 8, 10, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 25, 29 and combination handstamps such as "8 PAID 10", "8d Stg paid 10d Cy", "PAID 8d Stg", etc., generally Fine to Very Fine

Estimate SF 4,000/US\$ 3,333

Realized SF 3,500

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Lot 1588



Transatlantic 1801-1852, 24 covers including "Cambria" second voyage; "Columbia" maiden voyage; "Europa" 2nd voyage; "Britannia" 2nd voyage and other interesting transatlantic routes, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 675

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Lot 1589



Transatlantic 1838-1859, 34 covers, numerous last voyages before withdrawal of Cunard service due to Crimean war; pioneer steamer "Royal William"; Collins line during Crimea; "Britannia" maiden voyage (3 covers); Pioneer steamer "President" maiden voyage; 1854 first sailing via Cunard at 8d Stg 10d Cy rate via Cunard "America"; 1840 Cunard "Acadia" first sailing at 1/0 Stg rate; 1854 first sailing from England with closed bag mail, earliest possible use of "10" rate handstamp; Allan line "North American" maiden voyage; "Arabia" maiden voyage; 1848 suspension of closed mails via U.S.; 1859 Cunard "Europa" first voyage at mandatory prepaid rate of 8d Stg;

1851 Collins line "Arctic" to Canada, unusual to Canada at this time; numerous other Collins line "Crimean war" era covers., generally Fine to Very Fine. A selection of firsts, odd and the unusual that will appeal to the advanced transatlantic collector
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

Realized SF 2,700

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Lot 1590



Transatlantic 1816-1865, group of 41 covers including free, shortpaid, numerous Cunarder interest, unusual rates and routing, includes Scotland and Ireland as well as England as destinations, generally Fine to Very Fine. An excellent basis for expansion.
Estimate SF 3,000/US\$ 2,500

Realized SF 1,600

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Lot 1591



Transatlantic 1808-1855, 12 covers including ship letters (Liverpool, Weymouth, Romney, Greenock, Portsmouth), "Conveyed By United States Packet", "Paid At St. John's Newfoundland" crown circle; an 1838 letter reads in part, "Public affairs are in a confused state at present in this province and we are fully expecting to go to war with our Yankee neighbours immediately and are fully confident of beating

them. The Indians are flocking in in great numbers to our side and we are all ready for them. I was marching against the rebel McKenzie but we came too late to join the fight so were marched home again. In case of a general war I shall be able to get a commission in my cousin Colonel MacDonell's regiment as all of us must go it will be better to be an officer than a common soldier..."; an 1820 letter written from His majesty's Sloop Bellette on Halifax Station and mentions, "have been actively employed for these last six months cruising after smugglers, chiefly in boats along the coast, but without success as yet"; 1840 reads, " the boundary question as also that of Mr. McLeod now in confinement for being concerned in the burning of the Caroline steamer, have caused great excitement in this place and every loyal subject is now ready to shoulder arms and the musket when called upon. The militia are drafted last week, both Wm. and I are volunteers, he in the artillery and I in calvary... left you **alone and unprotected from the assaults of rebels and assassins...**"; 1846 description of St. John's Newfoundland fire; another letter carried by "Unicorn"; another letter describes a horrific boiler explosion on a steamer with much loss of life, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 2,200

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Lot 1592



United States from Canada, 1823-1860, seven covers, highlights include Ferriage, Paid at Quebec crowns, Lewiston, N.Y. straightline, quadruple rates etc., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 325

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Lot 1593



United States from Canada, Four covers: 1798 St. John, NB to Springfield, Mass with "BOSTON" straightline; 1847 Montreal to N.Y. with "S.B. thro" manuscript and red circular "U. STATES Postage PAID."; 1821 Kingston, U.C. to Rochester, New York with Sacket's Harbor datestamp and Ship 20½¢ across the lake; 1822 York, U.C. to New York, N.Y. with 2d Ferriage, and deliberate overcharge of inland postage, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1594



United States with Canadian straightlines, four covers including 1832 Hallowell, U.C. to Ireland with "BRITISH POSTAGE PAID / U. STATES DO. PAID"; two 1844 and one 1845 crossborder covers with Windsor, C.W. straightlines, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 475

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Lot 1595



United States, group of five covers consisting of 1853 Temperance cover (corner fault); 1850 Trinidad to U.S.A. via Halifax, N.S.; 1854 Bladensburg, MD to Spezia, Sardinia, missent to Newfoundland, returned to Nova Scotia and correctly forwarded; 1852 Philadelphia to St. John, N.B. with Blood's Despatch 1¢; 1847 Oakland, U.C. to New York, NY with red oval "Swarts B Post Office N.Y. Chatham Square"; 1855 Prescott, U.C. to Ogdensburg, N.Y. paying special 1d cross border rate, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 1,150

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Lot 1596



United States Paid markings, 1829-1847, 5 covers including 1829 Ballston, N.Y. to Niagara Falls with "AMERICAN POSTAGE / FERRIAGE / FORWARD" handstamp; 1830 New York to York, U.C. with "American Postage / British do. do"; 1831 England to Vittoria, U.C. with "American Postage / British do."; 1833 Lanark, Scotland to Head of Lake Simcoe, U.C. with "American Postage / British do" in green; 1847 Montreal to New York with red "U.STATES Postage PAID", generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1597



United States, 18 covers and highlights include 1850 Montreal to Fort Meade, FL; 1845 Philadelphia to Brockville, C.W.; 1831 Niagara Paid buckle to Ireland via U.S.A.; 1852 Lowell, M.S. to P.E.I.; 1794 Halifax to N.Y.; 1855 Montreal with "PAID DRAWER 14 VJ & CO" and other interesting or selected covers, generally Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1598



Canada to U.S.A. covers, an interesting mix of 22 covers including 1792 St. John, N.B. to Springfield, Mass; 1792 St. John, N.B. to Springfield Mass, "Sh 14" ship very early statehood period; 1815 Montreal to Middlebury, V.T. 15¢ collect incl. 50% War surcharge; 1815 Montreal to New York carried outside the post, posted in New York as drop letter, 1½¢ (1¢ plus 1/2¢ 50% War surcharge); 1818 St. Georges Mills, L.C. to Champlain, N.Y. with Whitehall straightline and "B" for boat; 1818 York, U.C. to New York; 1821 Brockville, U.C. straightline to Burlington, V.T.; 1827 Montreal, L.C. to Champlin, N.Y. outside the post by Lake Champlain steamboat to Plattsburgh, Ship handstamp 8¢ rate; 1828 Miramichi, N.B. to Lubec, Maine reporting copy McKenzie & Tisdale forwarding agent, manuscript Ship 8¢ rate; 1839 Hallowell, U.C. to Cornish Flat, N.H. with British Postage Paid / U.States Do Paid" straightline; 1839 Niagara, U.C. to Albany, N.Y. with 2d ferriage, etc.; 1847 St. John,

C.E. to Franklin Furnace, P.A., "STEAMBOAT" handstamp, 12¢ collect via Troy, N.Y. with improper addition of 2¢ steamboat charge to postage charge; 1848 St. John, N.B. to New York likely by Gunnison & Co. Express on Steamer Admiral, two SHIP handstamps, mistakenly rated for ship letter by non-contract vessel 1848 Halifax, N.S. to New York maiden voyage of Niagara; 1851 Toronto to Philadelphia via Rochester 7¢ collect CROSS LAKE, "STEAMBOAT" handstamp, 1852 Peterboro to Schenectady, Legislative council; 1854 Sherbrooke, C.E. to Portland, M.E., St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad cancel; 1856 St. John, N.B. to Philadelphia "Colonial Express Mail St. John N.B. Oct 13" via SS Adelaide or SS Governor; 1856 Toronto, C.W. to New York, blue Legislative Assembly; 1859 Toronto to Rensselaer Falls, N.Y., Legislative Assembly; 1860 Toronto PAID 15 handstamp to Boston; 1860 Loughboro, C.W. to Schenectady, N.Y., U.S. advertising cover mailed from Canada and 1862 Galt, C.W. to Philadelphia, generally Fine to Very Fine. A wonderful group with many unusual covers. Estimate SF 1,500/US\$ 1,250

Realized SF 2,700

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Lot 1599



U.S.A. to or from Canada 1804-1853, 10 covers including 1821 Sangerties, N.Y. manuscript; 1844 Rockford, ILL. to Gosfield; 1832 Buffalo, N.Y. to Kettle Creek, U.C.; 1853 Boston to Montreal 1d Cy for circular; 1839 Buffalo, N.Y. to Niagara, U.C. including 2d special adjoining P.O. rate; 1830 Rochester, N.Y. to Ancaster with "British Postage" straightline; 1804 New York to Quebec; 1831 Cincinnati, Ohio to Queenston, U.C.; 1833 Fredonia, N.Y. to Brantford, U.C.; 1815 Boston to Quebec, L.C. with Montreal straightline and 50% War surcharge, generally Fine to Very Fine Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 650

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Lot 1600



United States to Canada, varied group of 19 covers which include 1786 Boston to Quebec to John Coffin (business man and important American Revolutionary War hero), 1786 Boston to Quebec, 1799 Philadelphia to Quebec, 1801 New York to Montreal to Henry Symes regarding furs, 1802 New York to Montreal, 1804 Albany to Quebec to John Neilson (publisher of Quebec Gazette), War of 1812 held letter origin unknown to York, held till after the War, 1815 Philadelphia to Charlotteville, 1817 Glastenbury, N.Y. to Brockville, U.C. with deliberate overcharge of postage, 1818 New York to Montreal letter re travel by stage coach, sleighs on Lake Champlain, a counterfeit \$5 bill, 1828 Ballston, N.Y. to Niagara Falls, U.C., 1830 Boston to Miramichi, New Brunswick, ship letter, straightline etc., 1831 Little Britain, P.A. to Shediac, N.B., 1851 New York to Napanee, C.W. odd use of two treaty "U. States" handstamps, one at N.Y., one at Rochester; 1853 Marysville, California to Picton, C.W. missent to Pictou, N.S. 15¢ rate, 1853 Grass Valley, California to Truro, N.S., 15¢ rate, 1854 Baldwinville, Mass to Huntingville, L.C. with St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad transit cancel, 1856 Atlantic and St. L. RR to Montreal; 1854 Louisville, K.Y. to Montreal prices current at 2¢ rate and 1861 St. Louis, M.O. to Hamilton, C.W. Mephram and Bros. advertising cover, generally Fine to Very Fine. Excellent assortment including several California covers. Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 850

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Lot 1601

United States, California, three covers including 1853 Nevada City to Bloomfield, C.W., 1860 Longbar to Middle Musquodoboit, N.S.; 1855 Marysville to Picton, C.W. missent to Pictou, N.S., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 600/US\$ 500

Realized SF 375

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**Lot 1602**

United States, Exchange Markings, group of 6 covers includes 1832 "U.S.P. Paid. 25¢" straightline; 1832 "U.S.P. Paid. 25¢" straightline; 1847 circular "U. STATES POSTAGE PAID"; 1847 circular "U. STATES POSTAGE PAID"; 1837 "U S POSTAGE" handstamp; 1832 "U.S.P. Paid 25", generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,500

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**Lot 1603**

United States, Ferriage Rates, four covers including 1840 Booneville, N.Y. to Brockville, U.C., manuscript "12½", "2" with 2d FERRIAGE; 1837 Toronto, U.C. to London, England, "PAID 9 & 25" handstamp, 7d internal, 2d FERRIAGE, 25¢ U.S.; 1829 Bergen, New

York to East Gwillimbury, U.C., red "AMERICAN POSTAGE / FERRIAGE / FORWARDED" handstamp with manuscript "2" and "9" totalled "11"; 1832 Albany, New York to St. Thomas or Kettle Creek, U.C., "British Postage" handstamp, manuscript "18¾", "11" (9d BNA postage plus 2d FERRIAGE), generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 1,000/US\$ 833

Realized SF 1,500

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Lot 1604



Worldwide to or from Canada, 12 covers including 1857 from St. Pierre; 1856 from Malta; 1864 to Norway; 1863 to Portugal; 1860 from St. Pierre to Newfoundland via France; 1802 to France; 1852 from California; 1855 to Portugal; 1855 to Saxony; 1838 from Weisbaden, Nassau; 1840 from Bavaria; 1853 from St. Pierre to U.S.A. via Halifax and ca 1815-1819 Brunswick, Brunswick to Canada, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 2,600

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Lot 1605



Worldwide to or from Canada, desirable group of 21 cover including 1863 from Bohemia; 1856 to Prussia; 1831 and 1832 to

Portugal; 1846, 1856, 1857, and 1859 to India; 1862 from Italy; 1856 to Württemberg; 1841 to Cuba; 1838 to Switzerland; 1835 to Barbados; 1853 to Netherlands; 1854 to Sweden; 1865 to Belgium; 1863 to Norway and 1834 to Colombia (Venezuela), generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 7,500

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Lot 1606



Worldwide to or from Canada, 15 covers including 1857 Halifax ship letter; 1822 Montreal ship letter; 1846 to U.S.A. with D.L.O. cancel; 1851 Cobourg to New York; 1852 two PKT LETTER LIVERPOOL early uses; 1847 Wellington, U.C. double circle 4½ to Collinsville, NY 5¢ collect; 1856 saw advertising corner crease and 1846 Detained for postage, etc., generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 750/US\$ 625

Realized SF 475

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Lot 1607



Worldwide to or from Canada, 11 covers, 1852 New Orleans to Scotland missent to New Brunswick (should be N.B. — North Britain); 1866 Melbourne, Australia to Toronto, free franked; 1852

France to St. Pierre via Halifax; 1847 France to St. Pierre, via Halifax; 1850 Spain to Newfoundland; 1863 to France and back to Canada; 1850 to Switzerland; 1837 Trieste to Nova Scotia; 1834 to Württemberg; 1853 New York to France via Cunarder outside U.S.A (ie Canada); 1844 to Switzerland, generally Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,300

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Lot 1608



Worldwide to or from Canada, group of eight covers comprising 1826 two covers from Quebec to India; 1840 Cunard "Caledonia" maiden voyage; 1853 Cunard "Arabia" maiden voyage; 1840 Cunard "Acadia" maiden voyage; 1855 "NEW - BK 1d CLAIM", 1843 reporting copy of "1s 4d Cy" handstamp in red; 1839 France to New Brunswick, overall Fine to Very Fine
Estimate SF 2,000/US\$ 1,667

Realized SF 1,050

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Lot 1609



Balance of the Canada to or from England collection, 53 covers, 1811-1851, a wide range of interest including Falmouth packets, Cunard steamers, forwarding agents, ship letter crown cancels,

pioneer steamers, etc., overall Fine to Very Fine. An excellent cross sample that would be a wonderful foundation for a transatlantic collection

Estimate SF 3,500/US\$ 2,917

Realized SF 1,900

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