

Sale Name: U.S. Marshals Service Stamps Auction

LOT 3059



Seller Southern District of New York

Description

COLLECTIBLE: 1854, 2a Green (5; SG 31). Horizontal pair, large margins to in at top right from irregular cut, tied by diamond of dots cancels on mourning cover to Ruthin, Wales, sender's directive "via Southampton", red "Trichinopoly, 1856, February 1" boxed despatch datestamp (Giles 11) on back, red "INDIA PAID" crescent, Madras and London transits, Ruthin arrival datestamp FINE-VERY FINE PAIR OF THE 2-ANNAS GREEN USED ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE NEWLY REDUCED RATE, FEBRUARY 1, 1856. The reduced rate was a major rate change during the life of the 1854 Issue. It went into effect February 1, 1856. Foreign packet rates were reduced from 8a to 4a (up to ½ oz.). The additional inland postage charge was abolished for towns outside of port cities. This cover would have been rated 10a just a day prior (2a inland plus 8a packet fee). Ex Dr. Kornan.

Quantity: 1



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