

Sale Name: U.S. Marshals Service Stamps Auction

LOT 3052



Seller Southern District of New York

Description

COLLECTIBLE: 1854, 4a Red & Blue, 2nd Printing, Head Die II, Frame Die I (6D; SG 19). Cut to shape, margins to touching, tied by manuscript "Stamped" and light strike of "C/1" dotted diamond cancel with lightly struck red Madras March 1856 boxed despatch on folded cover to New York City, United States, sender's directive "via Southampton", red "INDIA PAID" crescent, London transit and "N. York Am. Pkt. 21 May (date)" 21c debit datestamp VERY FINE AND RARE USE OF THE 4-ANNAS LITHOGRAPH FROM THE SECOND PRINTING ON COVER TO THE UNITED STATES. VERY FEW 4-ANNAS COVERS ARE KNOWN TO THIS DESTINATION. Covers to the United States bearing the Lithograph stamps are very rare. We estimate around a dozen covers exist. The sender had a choice whether to send mail westbound via Marseilles or Southampton, or eastbound via private ships across the Pacific. As most mail is addressed to the eastern seaboard, the westbound route was the more frequent choice. With 1991 Heddergott Certificate.

Quantity: 1



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