

Sale 944

Wednesday, October 24, 2007

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Very Good (below 60): Attractive appearance, but margins or perforations cut into the design.

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Gum Categories:	MINT N.H.		NO GUM				
	Mint Never Hinged Free from any disturbance	Lightly Hinged Faint impression of a removed hinge over a small area	Hinge Mark or Remnant Prominent hinged spot with part or all of the hinge remaining	Part o.g. Approximately half or more of the gum intact	Small part o.g. Approximately less than half of the gum intact	No gum Only if issued with gum	
Catalogue Symbol:	**	*	*	*	*	(★)	
PRE-1890 ISSUES		Pre-1890 stamps in these categories trade at a premium over Scott value				Scott "No Gum" Values thru No. 218	
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Minor nicks, short edge tears, flap tears and slight reduction at one side are normal conditions for 19th century envelopes. Folded letters should be expected to have at least one file fold. Light cleaning of covers and small mends along the edges are accepted forms of conservation. Unusual covers may have a common stamp with a slight crease or tiny tear. These flaws exist in virtually all 19th century covers and are not always described. They are not grounds for return.

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Symbols and Abbreviations (see chart above for gum symbols)

\blacksquare	Block	E	Essay	pmk.	Postmark	No.	Scott Catalogue Number	
\boxtimes	Cover	P	Proof	cds	Circular Datestamp	hs	Handstamp	
FC	Fancy Cancel	TC	Trial Color Proof	var.	Variety	ms.	Manuscript	Revised 5/2006

Postal History from the Archives of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania

PREFACE

This catalogue comprises address leaves and envelopes (covers) to be sold for the benefit of the collections of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Founded in 1824 in Philadelphia, the Society is one of the oldest historical societies in the United States and holds many national treasures. The Society's building, listed on the City of Philadelphia's Register of Historical Places, houses some 600,000 printed items and over 19 million manuscript and graphic items. The Society is one of the largest family history libraries in the nation, has preeminent printed collections on Pennsylvania and regional history, and offers superb manuscript collections renowned for their strength in 17th, 18th, and 19th century history. The Society's website is www.hsp.org

None of the covers in this offering has written content; therefore, they were deemed to be of no use to researchers. Their value to collectors of postal history will be used to enhance the Society's collections.

For collectors, this sale is an unprecedented event. The sheer number of significant 17th and 18th century covers in this offering is staggering (there are hundreds of covers dated prior to 1789). Large voids in the collecting field have been filled; for example, there are important covers from the French and Indian War, and three covers related to the Whiskey Rebellion of 1794. Many new listings will be required in the *American Stampless Cover Catalog*, including Annapolis and Marlboro, Maryland, postmarks dating from 1735 (25 years earlier than previously recorded) and a Falmouth-New York Packet cover from December 1755, close to the inaugration date of this important Colonial packet service. Collectors of Pennsylvania covers will now have an opportunity to own covers addressed to William Penn in 1684 and Phineas Pemberton in 1683. If one has desired to own free franks of our Founding Fathers, here is an opportunity to choose from 32 George Washington and 18 Thomas Jefferson franks, as well as the franks of Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, John Adams and others.

Because of the nature of this material and the conditions in which it was stored and made available to the public, we wish to draw prospective bidders' attention to the following:

- Dates: Many of the covers have receipt docketing in the Quaker-date style (for example, October 24 as "10th mon: 24th"). Some of the covers dated in the first quarter prior to 1752 bear the year of the preceding year (for example, "Feb. 15th 1739" is probably 1740). We have made every effort to be accurate in quoting manuscript docketing and assigning covers to the correct year, but no lot may be returned because of an error in dating or transcription.
- **Rates:** Postage rates during the Colonial period involved complex calculations based on distance, the number of sheets, and currency conversions. We have made a special effort in this catalogue to describe the markings and interpret the rates, but no lot may be returned because of an error on our part or another differing interpretation.
- **Cropped Images:** Many address leaves have been kept unfolded. Most of the images of open address leaves in this sale catalogue have been digitally cropped to show the significant portion of the entire sheet. No item may be returned because of a fault lying outside the area pictured in the catalogue, such as a tear around the seal (although significant faults are described in the descriptive text).
- **Repairs:** Some of the early Colonial-period address leaves in the Society's archives were repaired. In some cases, a tissue-like paper was used to reinforce folds, and, in a few cases, there is discoloration. We recommend consulting with a paper restorer to have such repairs reversed, which we believe can be done very effectively.
- **Condition:** We have made every effort to describe faults and repairs which affect markings or the appearance of the address panel. However, the condition of 17th and 18th century covers is never expected to be pristine. Covers dated prior to 1800 should be expected to have toning, faults or minor repairs, and may not be returned because every detail of condition was not described.

The estimates in this sale catalogue are conservative. In many cases, we have had to assign value to something which has never been offered in the market, such as the 1684 cover to William Penn or flag-of-truce covers from the Revolutionary War. We urge everyone who wishes to bid to take full advantage of the live auction and Live Internet Bidding, and to consider bidding well above our estimate range for the truly rare or unique items.

FIRST SESSION (LOTS 2501-2649) WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007, AT 10:30 A.M.

POSTAL HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA

BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY POST AND EARLY COLONIAL PERIOD CANADA



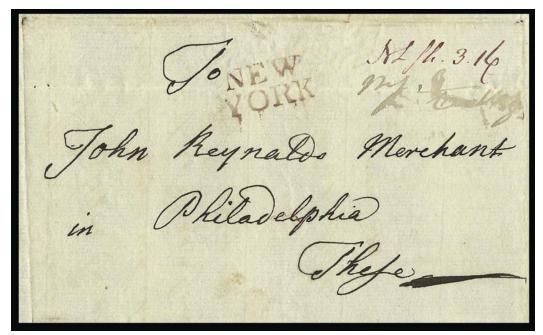
2501

(Montreal, Canada, 1768) "Montl. 6-". Manuscript postmark and "6" rate (presumably 6dwt) on folded cover addressed "To John Swift Esqr., Collector at Philadelphia", receipt docketing "John Campbell, Dated 29 Apl. 1768", paper tape repair at top, the missing piece is confined to the top panel (not the address panel), but the tape repair is affixed on the address side, this could and should be removed, essentially Very Fine, an extremely early and rare Montreal Colonial postal marking on a cover sent by John Campbell, the Earl of Loudoun and one of the Great Britain's colonial governors in North America, this was mailed between the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War, during the brief period of calm after the British Colonial post office was established at Montreal ... E. 1,000-1,500

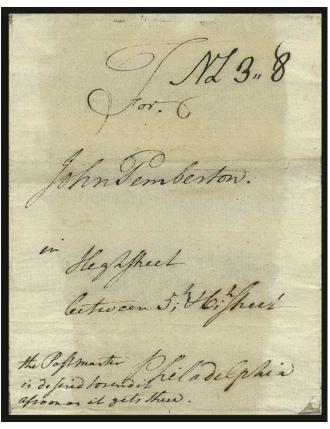
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2502



2503 ⋈ (New London, Conn., ca. 1760) "NL Sh 3.16". Red manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, reddish "NEW/YORK" two-line handstamp and manuscript "NY [+] 3 [=] 6dwt16gr" progressive rate, bottom panel removed, otherwise Very Fine and exceptionally fresh, this New London ship-letter marking is unlisted in ASCC Vol. 3, although it is similar to the listed "NL" manuscript postmarks ca. 1760 E. 750-1,000



2504 ⋈ (New London, Conn., 1769) "NL 3.8".

Manuscript postmark and 3dwt 8gr rate on folded cover to John Pemberton at street address in Philadelphia with sender's instructions "the Postmaster is desired to send it as soon as it gets there", receipt docketing "John Pemberton, New London, 6 mo 6 1769", discoloration around tissue repairs, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$750... E. 400-500

MARYLAND



2505

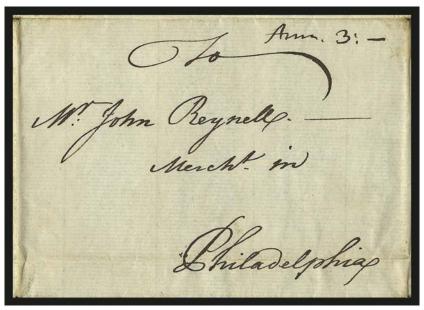
2505 ⋈ (Annapolis Md., 1735) "Annapolis 3 Dwt 16 Gr". Manuscript postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on 1735 year-dated folded cover to Daniel Flexney in Philadelphia with sender's instructions "NB Provided D.F. should be absent this to be forwarded after him to ye Place he may be bound for from sd. Place Philadelphia", route notation "P via Maryland", receipt docketing "From Sam. Midgley to DF Dated 20 of 10ber 1735", slight overall staining and wear along folds, still quite presentable

ONE OF THE EARLIEST RECORDED POSTAL MARKINGS FROM MARYLAND IN PRIVATE HANDS. AN OUTSTANDING ARTIFACT OF THE COLONIAL POSTAL SYSTEM.

E. 2,000-3,000

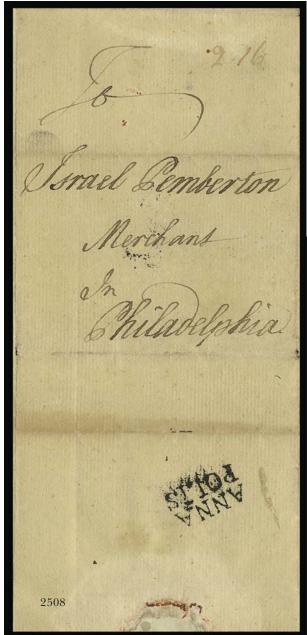


2506 ⋈ (Annapolis Md., 1753) "Ann. 3:-". Manuscript postmark and 3dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "1/3" due in local currency (3dwt=9p x 1.67 inflation factor=15p, or 1sh3p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "From Nicholas Maccuben Rece'd 30 Novr. 1753 p Post", Very Fine, extremely rare Annapolis Colonial manuscript postal marking, much earlier than the 1760 earliest date in ASCC Vol. 3 (value \$1,000), although the 1735 year-dated cover in this sale rewrites the catalog listing E. 750-1,000



2507

2507 ⋈ (Annapolis Md., 1760) "Ann 3:-". Manuscript postmark and 3dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From John Barnes junr. Recd 11th mo: 26th 1760", Very Fine, scarce Colonial marking, ASCC Vol. 3 \$1,000...... E. 500-750



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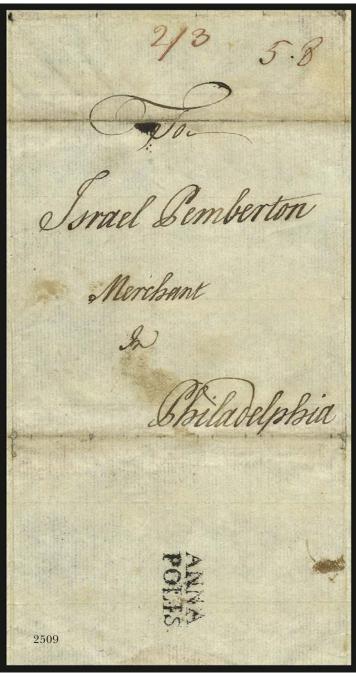
(Annapolis Md., 1767) "ANNA/POLIS". Full and clear strike of two-line handstamp on backflap of folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, red manuscript "2.16" rate (2dwt 16gr), receipt docketing "West River 12 Imo 1767 from Son Joseph", repairs around seal opening do not affect marking or address panel

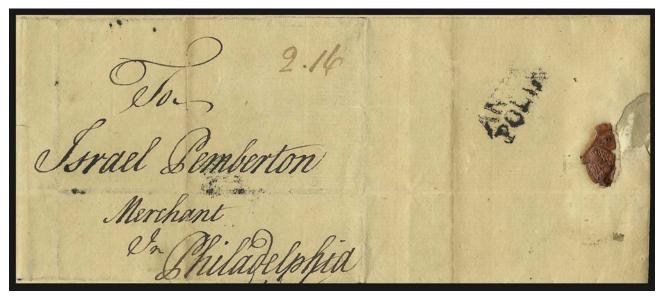
VERY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE RARE "ANNA/POLIS" STRAIGHTLINE.

ASCC Vol. 3 value \$5,000 E. 1,500-2,000

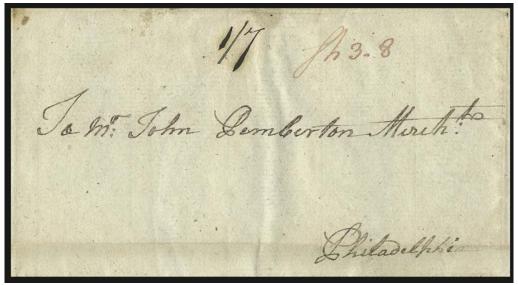
(Annapolis Md., 1767) "ANNA/POLIS". Remarkably clear strike of two-line handstamp on backflap of folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, red manuscript "5.8" double rate (5dwt 8gr, two times 2dwt 16gr rate), red "2/3" due in local currency (5dwt8gr=16p x 1.67 inflation factor=27p, or 2sh3p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "Westriver 26 9mo 1767 From Son Joseph Pemberton", tissue repairs along separated folds which are also toned, Very Fine strike and extremely rare, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$5,000....... E. 1,000-1,500

 $2509 \bowtie$





2510 ⋈ (Annapolis Md., 1767) "ANNA/POLIS". Partly clear strike of two-line handstamp on side flap of folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, red manuscript "2.16" rate (2dwt 16gr), receipt docketing "West River 24: 1mo 1767 from Son Joseph", aged toned, tissue repairs around seal do not affect marking, Fine and extremely rare, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$5,000 E. 750-1,000

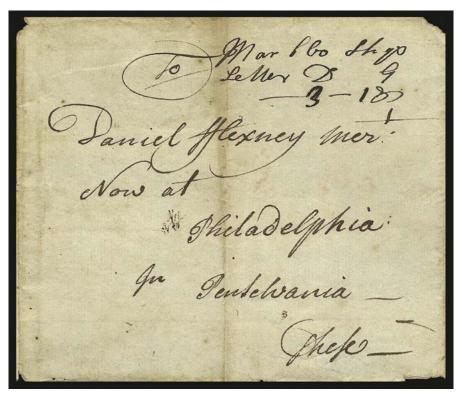


2511

2511 ⋈ (Baltimore Md., 1768) "Sh 3.8". Red manuscript ship-letter rate (3dwt 8gr, possibly 2dwt16gr postage plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, manuscript "1/7" due in local currency (3dwt8gr=10p x 1.67 inflation factor=17p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh7p), docketed "Baltimore Bay Aug. 22, 1768, From Oliver Anderson", few minor stains, otherwise fresh and Very Fine, because of the origin stated in docketing, we have assigned the manuscript ship-letter marking to Baltimore E. 200-300



OCTOBER 24, 2007



2516

2516 ⋈ (Marlboro Md., 1735) "Marlbo Ship Letter 3 D 16 G". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on 1735 year-dated folded cover to Daniel Flexney in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Wm. Henderson to DF Dated 17 of 10ber 1735", slight overall toning and wear along folds, still quite presentable

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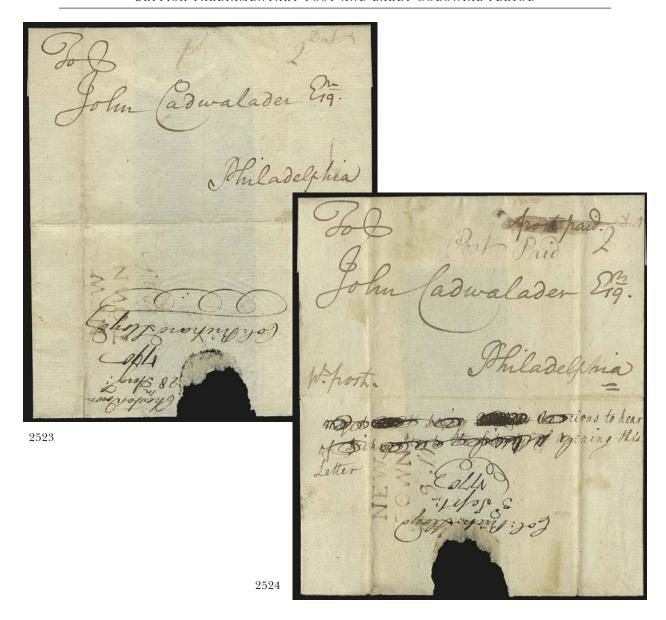
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(Marlboro Md., 1773) "Marlbro 2.16". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "J. Hepburn's Letter, 28 Octobr. 1773", lightly toned, Very Fine, rare Colonial manuscript postmark E. 750-1,000



- 2520 ⊠ **(New Town Md., 1769) "New Town 2".** Manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, receipt docketing *"Col. Richd. Lloyd, 30th April 1769"*, slight wear along file folds, Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000 E. 500-750
- 2521 ⊠ (New Town Md., 1769) "New Town 2.16". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Thos. Spry Morgan 1 May 1769", stained along right edge, small nick and tear at top, otherwise Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000...... E. 400-500
- 2522 ⋈ (New Town Md., 1769) "N Town 2". Faint reddish manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), receipt docketing "From James Holliday, Recd 10 mon 6th 1769", tiny nick at top, otherwise Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000................................ E. 500-750



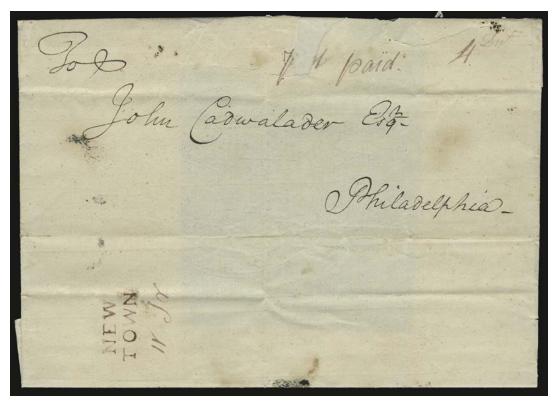
2523 (New Town Md., 1770) "NEW/TOWN". Reddish brown two-line handstamp (first type) clearly struck on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, red manuscript "28 At" (Aug. 10) date below handstamp and matching "Pd 2 dwt" rate on front, receipt docketing "Chester Town 28th Augt. 1770 Col. Richard Lloyd", slight wear along file fold

VERY FINE COVER WITH A SHARP STRIKE OF THE RARE "NEW/TOWN" BRITISH COLONIAL HANDSTAMP. THIS EARLIER VERSION DIFFERS FROM THE MARKING STRUCK IN BRIGHT RED.

Siskin reported three "documented" examples of the "NEW/TOWN" handstamp, describing his 3/19/1773 cover as the finest and latest. The cover offered here falls within the recorded date range (1770-73), but the marking is obviously struck from a different device (compare with lots 2528 and 2529). Both the Queen Anne and Talbot post offices were located across the Chesapeake Bay. For a brief period mail originating from Eastern Shore offices was postmarked at New Town on the route north to Philadelphia (see Ter Braake, pp. W-6-7). E. 1,000-1,500

2524 ⋈ (New Town Md., 1770) "NEW/TOWN". Reddish brown two-line handstamp (first type) struck on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, red manuscript "9 Sr" (Sep. 9) date below handstamp and matching "Post Paid 2 Dwt" rate on front, receipt docketing "Colo. Rich. Lloyd, 3 Sept. 1770", crossed-out note on back from someone who opened the letter

FINE COVER WITH A CLEAR STRIKE OF THE RARE "NEW/TOWN" BRITISH COLONIAL HANDSTAMP. THIS EARLIER VERSION DIFFERS FROM THE MARKING STRUCK IN BRIGHT RED.



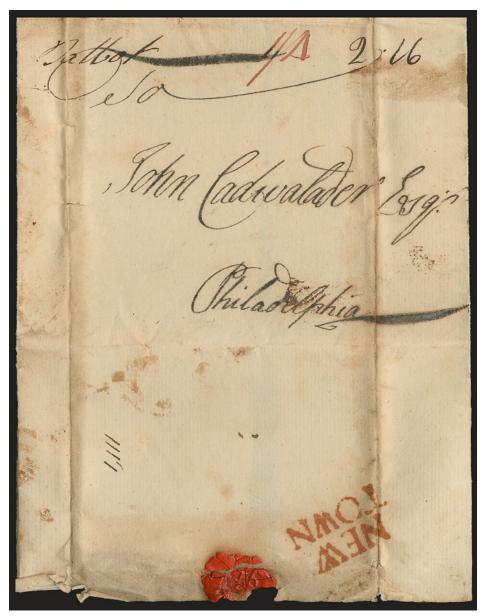
2525 ⋈ (New Town Md., ca. 1771) "NEW/TOWN". Reddish brown two-line handstamp (first type) boldly struck on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, manuscript "11 Ja" (Jan. 11) date below handstamp and matching "Post Paid 4" double rate on front, no yeardate but ca. 1771 based on other examples in this sale (lots 2523 and 2524), repaired at top where small piece missing

THE FINEST STRIKE OF THE EARLIER "NEW/TOWN" HANDSTAMP KNOWN TO US.

See note in lot 2523...... E. 500-750







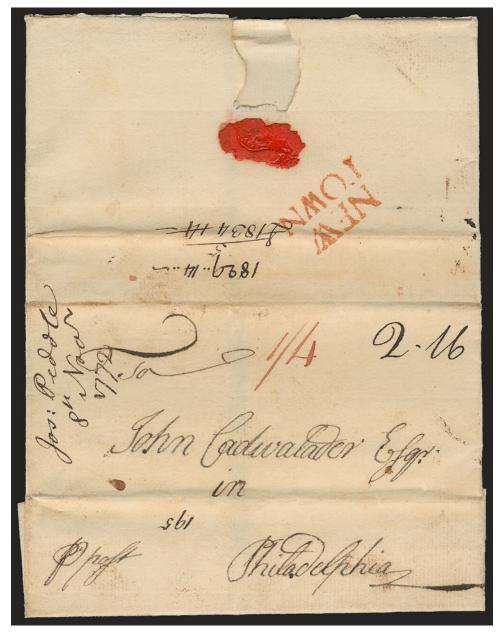
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2528 ⋈ (New Town Md., 1772) "NEW/TOWN". Red two-line handstamp boldly struck on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, originated in Talbot Md. with manuscript "Talbot" postmark and "2.16" (2dwt 16gr) rate, red manuscript "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "Joseph Peddle, 16th Novr 1772", toned along file folds (one passes thru backstamp), minor faults

VERY FINE STRIKE OF THE RARE "NEW/TOWN" BRITISH COLONIAL HANDSTAMP, APPLIED IN TRANSIT FROM TALBOT, MARYLAND, TO PHILADELPHIA.

Siskin reported three "documented" examples of the "NEW/TOWN" handstamp, describing his 3/19/1773 cover as the finest and latest. The cover offered here falls within the recorded date range (1770-73), and the strike is comparable to the Siskin example, although it obviously differs from the marking on earlier covers offered in lot 2523-2525 in this sale. The Siskin exhibit and sale catalogue did not note the presence of the "Queen Anne" manuscript postmark on his cover, although it is the listing example in the ASCC. Both the Queen Anne and Talbot post offices were located across the Chesapeake Bay. For a brief period mail originating from Eastern Shore offices was postmarked at New Town on the route north to Philadelphia (see Ter Braake, pp. W-6-7).

ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500..... E. 1,500-2,000



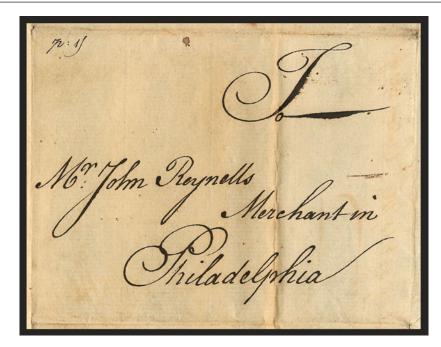
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2529 ⋈ (New Town Md., 1772) "NEW/TOWN". Red two-line handstamp perfectly struck on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, originated in Talbot Md., manuscript "2.16" (2dwt 16gr) rate, red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "Jos. Peddle, 8th Novr 1772"

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2530 ⋈ (Potomack?, Md., 1751) "p: 1/". Tiny manuscript postmark and 1sh rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, the only clue to this previously unreported postmark's origin is the receipt docketing "From Berketts & Booth, Rece'd 4 mon 26th 1751 p. Post Via Maryland", lightly toned, Very Fine, presumably the "1/" rate is 1sh (or 4dwt), if the postmark is indeed the initial "p", then perhaps this is a Potomack River marking, Calvet M. Hahn reported a 7/6/1732 advertisement for Port Tobacco Md. post office as "Potomack River"..... E. 1,000-1,500



2531



- 2532 (Sassafras Md., 1761) "Pr Post &c". Sender's routing on folded cover to James Pemberton in Philadelphia, despite "Pr Post" directive there are no postal markings, receipt docketing "Sassafras Maryland 21 February 1761 from James Loutitt", slight toning....... E. 100-150
- 2533
 (Talbot Md., 1769) "Talbot 2.16". Red manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Edward Lloyd Esq. 29d April 1769", slightly toned and worn along file folds, still Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000....... E. 500-750
- 2534 (Talbot Md., 1769) "Talbot 2.16". Red manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Edward Lloyd Esq. 23d April 1769", slightly creased along file folds, still Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000................................. E. 500-750
- 2535 ⋈ (Talbot Md., 1770) "Talbot 2.16". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, faint red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "Wye River, 20th May 1770 Wm Gough", stained and slightly worn along file folds, still Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000 E. 400-500



- 2538 (Talbot Md., ca. 1770) "Talbot 2.16 Post pd.". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, red manuscript "Paid", no yeardate but ca. 1770 based on postmark style and correspondence, lightly toned, Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000 E. 750-1,000

MASSACHUSETTS

See lot 2562 for free frank of Ellis Huske, Postmaster of Boston



- 2542 ⊠ **(Boston Mass., 1741) "B 7dwt".** Manuscript postmark and 7dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Edmd. & Jos. Quincy, Recd. 1st of Octobr. 1741 p Post", fresh and Very Fine E. 200-300

- 2545 ⋈ (Boston Mass., 1744) "B Sh 7dwt 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "via Boston", receipt docketing "Copy of Letters Recd. from D. Flexney p Capt. Chad & Via Boston 18th March 1744", lightly toned,
- 2546 (Boston Mass., 1745) "Bo Sh 7dwt 16". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to "John Kinsey, Chief Justice of the Province of Pensylvania, Philadelphia", sent from England by private ship with "via N. Engld p Skooner Benjamin" routing, receipt docketing "London 12mo. 3d 1745 From Richd. Partridge", overall toning and minor tissue repairs.......

 E. 200-300



- 2547 ⋈ (Boston Mass., 1749) "B Sh 7dwt16". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "Via Boston", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, Recd. April 12, 1749 p Post", Very Fine E. 200-300
- 2548 ⋈ (Boston Mass., ca. 1750) "B Sh 7.16". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "P the Recovery Capt. Robinson via Boston", no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1750, Very Fine................................ E. 200-300
- 2550 (Boston Mass., 1758) "Bos Sh 7dwt 16grs". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16grs ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, forwarder's notation "Boston June 31st [sic] 1758 Rec'd and Forwarded by Sr Your most hu. servt. Nath. Barney", .receipt docketing "From John Barrell jnr., Rece'd 12 of 7 mon: 1758", small edge nick at top, slightly toned file fold, Fine, Nathaniel Barney is probably an ancestor of the prominent Quaker abolitionist of the same name............ E. 300-400



28) Franklin mark on the front of a small folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, manuscript "Way" and "4" dwt rate, red "1/10" due in local currency (4dwt=12p x 1.67 inflation factor=20p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh 10p), receipt docketing "Boston 27 12 mo. 1772 From Martha Petell", side panels slightly reduced, slightly toned, still Very Fine................................... E. 400-500

2555 ⋈ (Boston Mass., 1773) "BOSTON". Large magenta straightline handstamp and matching "30/SE" (Sep. 30) Franklin mark folded cover John Reynell in Philadelphia, manuscript "4" dwt rate, red "1/10" due in local currency (4dwt=12p x 1.67 inflation factor=20p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh 10p), receipt docketing "From Joseph Maul, rec'd 9th 10mo: 1773", lightly toned along folds, Very Fine....... E. 400-500



- (Marblehead Mass., 1759) "MH Sh 9 dwt". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and 9 dwt rate (no ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Jno. & Orlo. Stubbs, Rec'd 10mo:24:1759", slight wear along file folds, still Very Fine, an unlisted Marblehead ship-letter marking, although the ASCC Vol. 3 does list an "MHd" manuscript postmark used in 1766-67. E. 1,000-1,500
- 2559 (Salem Mass., 1759) "SaSh 8:16 dwt". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (8dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "pr Favr. Capt. Grounsil, Salem", receipt docketing "From Thos. Pattison, Rece'd 10mon:24:1759", minor toning and wear along folds, still Very Fine, an extremely rare Salem ship marking (listed but unpriced in ASCC Vol. 3) E. 750-1,000
- 2560 ☑ (Salem Mass., 1760) "SaSh 8:16 dwt". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (8dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Capt. Jno. Brown, Rec'd 6mo:4:1760", minor toning along folds, still Very Fine, an extremely rare Salem ship marking (listed but unpriced in ASCC Vol. 3)...... E. 750-1,000

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The following section of New Hampshire Colonial covers is, to our knowledge, the largest offering ever made. The rare "Piscataqua" (or "Piscadaway") postmark is represented by more than 30 covers in a variety of abbreviations, dating as early as 1740. Also offered are examples of the even-rarer "Portsmouth" postmark with the English town name. Most remarkable is the series of postmasters' franks, including that of Ellis Huske (postmaster of Boston) and Eleazer Russell, the first postmaster of Portsmouth and one of the Seacoast's celebrated historical figures. Published biographical information on Huske accompanies lot 2562. For a fascinating on-line biography of Eleazer Russell, go to http://seacoastnh.com/brewster/47.html



2562

(Portsmouth/Boston, 1747) "Free E Huske". Manuscript free frank of Ellis Huske, Postmaster of Boston, on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From John Sherburne, recd 28th Decr 1747 p Post", soiled file fold, small piece out of top clear of frank and address, otherwise Fine, a rare Colonial postmaster's frank from the same correspondence as Portsmouth N.H. franks offered in the following lots, Ellis Huske was the publisher of the Boston Post-Boy, a naval officer at Portsmouth, Chief Justice of the Province (1749-54) and postmaster of Boston (1734-55).................. E. 500-750

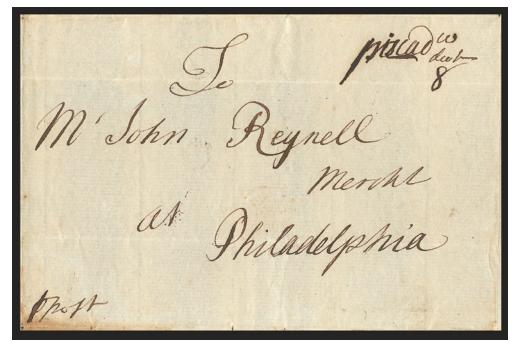


2563 ⋈

(Portsmouth N.H., 1746) "Free E Russell Junr. Post Mastr Portsmouth". Manuscript postmaster's free frank on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From John Sherburne Recd 2nd of 5th mon. 1746", minor opening tear in right edge, still Very Fine, Colonial postmasters' free franks are exceedingly rare (this form is unusual), most Portland postmarks of this period used the Piscataqua name; Eleazer Russell was the first postmaster of Portsmouth N.H. (http://www.seacoastnh.com/brewster/47.htm) E. 750-1,000



- 2565 ☑ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1749) "Post Office Portsmouth Free E Russell Junr." Manuscript postmaster's free frank on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, no date (ca. 1749), piece out of top panel and small insignificant part of address panel, otherwise Fine E. 500-750



2567 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., 1740) "Piscada. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Henry Sherburne, Recd. 13th Jany 1739", small stain at corner, otherwise Very Fine, extremely early use from Portsmouth, the "1739" docketing date is probably 1740 (prior to 1752 it was customary to use the preceding year during the first quarter), ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500...... E. 500-750



2568

2568 ☑ (Portsmouth N.H., 1740) "Pescta. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, cross-out at upper right, receipt docketing "From Henry Sherburne, Recd. 8th 1st 1739/40", minor edge tears, still Very Fine, extremely early use from Portsmouth, the "1739/40" docketing date is actually 1740 (prior to 1752 it was customary to indicate the preceding year or both during the first quarter), ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500...... E. 500-750



- 2570 (Portsmouth N.H., 1741) "Piscad. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate over another small manuscript postmark (crossed out) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Hen. Sherburne, Recd. 5th Novr. 1741", minor toning and small tear at top, still Fine, extremely early use from Portsmouth, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500....... E. 400-500
- 2571 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1741) "Piscad. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate over another small manuscript postmark (crossed out) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1741 based on postmark style, minor toning and small hole in address panel, still Fine, extremely early use from Portsmouth, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 400-500
- 2572 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1741) "Piscad. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1741 based on postmark style, small nick at top, still Fine, extremely early use from Portsmouth, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500...... E. 400-500



- 2574 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., 1743) "Pest. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Henry Sherburne, Recd. 18th May 1743 Post", dampstains and erosion at top, extremely early use from Portsmouth and an unusual postmark format, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 400-500
- 2575 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1744) "Piscata. 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1744 based on postmark and correspondence, minor toning and small tear at top, still Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 ...



2579 (Portsmouth N.H., 1748) "Piscat. 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Henry Sherburne, received April 13th 1748 p Post", faint toning, still Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 400-500

2580 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1748) "Piscat. 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1748 based on postmark style, sharp file fold and small tear at top, Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500...... E. 400-500



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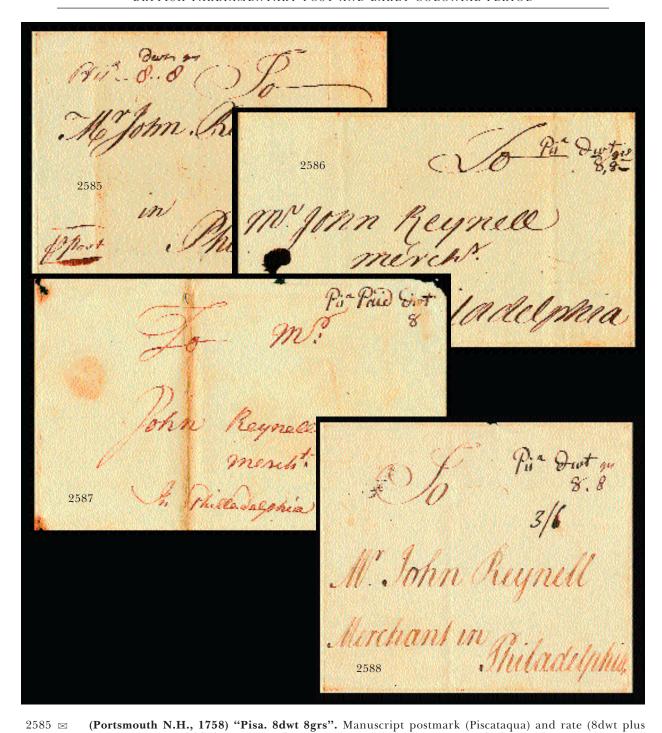
2582

(Portsmouth N.H., 1754) "Post Office Portsmo. Paid 20/". Manuscript postmark and 20sh inflation rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, additional "ld" rate presumably applied in $2582 \bowtie$ Philadelphia, pencil "1754" notation, which corresponds to the period when the inflation factor was 9 (according to Siskin; however, this 20sh rate appears to be an even higher multiple), slight wear along folds, still Very Fine, this form of postmark has never been reported...... E. 750-1,000



2583 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., 1754) "Pisa 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "3/4d" due in local currency (8dwt=24p x 1.67 inflation factor=40p, or 3sh4p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "From John Sherburne, rec'd 7th mon: 11th 1754", small piece out of flap and top edge, otherwise Fine...... E. 200-300

(Portsmouth N.H., 1758) "Pisa. 8dwt 8". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and rate (8dwt plus 8gr $2584 \bowtie$ ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "3/6" due in local currency (8dwt8gr=25p x 1.67 inflation factor=42p, or 3sh6p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "From John Moffatt, Rece'd 14 of 2d mo: 1758", minor toning, otherwise Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 300-400



	8gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Nathl. Barrell and Thos. Palmer, Rece'd 23 of 2mo. 1758", faint toning, still Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 300-400
2586 ⋈	(Portsmouth N.H., 1758) "Pisa 8dwt 8grs". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and rate (8dwt plus 8gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Jno. Sherburne, Rece'd 19 of 7mo 1758", Very Fine
2587 ⊠	(Portsmouth N.H., 1758) "Pisa Paid 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Joseph Allcock, Rece'd 28d of 8mon: 1758", dark toning along file fold, couple stain spots, otherwise Fine E. 200-300
2588 ⊠	(Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1758) "Pisa. 8dwt 8grs". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and rate (8dwt plus 8gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "3/6" due in local currency (8dwt8gr=25p x 1.67 inflation factor=42p, or 3sh6p without carrier fee), no docketing or yeardate but ca. 1758 based on postmark and correspondence, still Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500



- 2590 ⋈ (Portsmouth N.H., ca. 1758) "Pisa 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on large part of folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "3/4" due in local currency (8dwt=24p x 1.67 inflation factor=40p, or 3sh4p without carrier fee), no indication of date but ca. 1758 based on postmark style and correspondence, top panels removed and slightly toned, otherwise Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 200-300

- 2593 ☑ (Portsmouth N.H., 1759) "Paid 16dwt". Manuscript postmark and double 8dwt rate without post office name but in the same style as other Portsmouth markings of the period, on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, side panel reduced but "1759" of docketing still shows, otherwise Very Fine..

 E. 300-400



2394 ⊠	office name but in the same style as other Portsmouth markings of the period, on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Jos. Allcock, Rece'd 2mon: 6: 1760, Anser'd the 13th ditto", slightly soiled file fold, otherwise Very Fine
2595 ⊠	(Portsmouth N.H., 1760) "Pisa 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Capt. Willm. Pearne, rece'd 3mon: 5: 1760 8dwt", minor edgewear, Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 300-400
2596 ⋈	(Portsmouth N.H., 1760) "Pisa 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Saml. Moffatt, rece'd 3mon: 20: 1760", Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500
2597 ⊠	(Portsmouth N.H., 1760) "Pisa 8dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Willm. Pearne, Rece'd 3mon: 20: 1760", small tear at lower left corner, otherwise Very Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500 E. 300-400
2598 ⊠	(Portsmouth N.H., 1760) "Paid 8dwt". Manuscript postmark and 8dwt rate without post office name but in the same style as other Portsmouth markings of the period, on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Capt. Jno. Brown, Rec'd 6mon: 4: 1760", lightly toned, Very Fine. E. 300-400



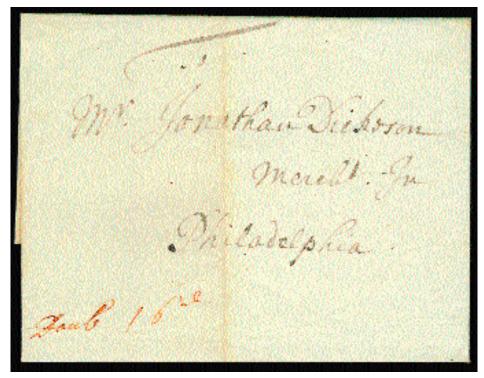
- 2599 ☑ (Portsmouth N.H., 1760) "Paid 8dwt". Manuscript postmark and 8dwt rate without post office name but in the same style as other Portsmouth markings of the period, on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Joseph Allcock, Rec'd 8mon: 6: 1760", Very Fine...... E. 300-400
- 2601 (Portsmouth N.H., 1762) "P 8 dwt". Manuscript postmark (Piscataqua) and 8dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From George Meserve, Rece'd. 1 mo: 1 1762", toned and worn along folds, still Fine, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$1,750....... E. 300-400

NEW JERSEY



- 2605 ⋈ (Brunswick N.J., 1752) "Br 2 dwt". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, carried by private ship from Cork, Ireland, with sender's "Via Amboy" routing, receipt docketing "Corke 9th mo 19th 1752 John Pemberton", tiny holes in address panel, minor tissue reinforcement, Very Fine, the routing thru Perth Amboy N.J. and 2dwt rate leave no doubt that the "Br" postmark was applied at the (New) Brunswick N.J. post office, this pre-dates the earliest reported Brunswick or New Brunswick postal markings by at least 12 years (Perth Amboy known as early as 1740) E. 1,000-1,500
- 2606 ⋈ (Perth Amboy N.J., 1745) "Am 2dwt 16grs". Manuscript postmark and rate (2dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, manuscript "p ye John & Willm., Capt. N. Budde, Q.D.C." (the John & William), receipt docketing "From Horne Mitchell & Co., recd 6 mon: 7 1745 p Post", lightly toned along folds, Very Fine, an extremely early and rare Colonial port-of-entry postal marking, this "Am" postmark of Perth Amboy is not recorded in the ASCC, although a 1740/41 "P. Amb." is listed but unpriced..... E. 1,000-1,500

NEW YORK CITY



2609

2609 (New York N.Y., 1711) "Doub 16d". Manuscript rate on April 1, 1711 folded cover to Jonathan Dickinson in Philadelphia, clearly docketed "Nyork Aprill 1, 1711, Rip Van Dam's Letter recd the 6th", later archival notation reads "Curious acct. of a Horse mentioned in a former letter", slightest bit of wear along file fold

VERY FINE. ONE OF THE FEW REPORTED COVERS BEARING A POSTAGE RATE PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE QUEEN ANNE ACT OF 1710.

The sender, Rip Van Dam (born ca. 1660, died 1749), was a prominent Colonial governor who presided over the trial of Peter Zenger. The addressee, Jonathan Dickinson, was a Quaker merchant

from Jamaica, who gained fame after he, his family and crew were shipwrecked off the Florida coast in 1696 and held captive by Indians. After their release, Dickinson and his family eventually settled in Philadelphia, where he started a branch of his lucrative trading business (source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jonathan_Dickinson).



Rip Van Dam



2610

2610

(New York N.Y., 1712) "NY PP 10d" Manuscript postmark and rate (9p plus 1p ship fee) on folded cover from Jamaica to Jonathan Dickinson in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Jama. 8br 2 1712, Christo. Feakes Letter recd Via N York 9br 20, Postpd 10" which confirms origin in Jamaica on August 2, 1712, arrival in Philadelphia on Sep. 20, and postage prepaid at 10p, sender's routing "P Hawk Gally Via New Yorke", very minor wear and toning

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY EARLY NEW YORK CITY COLONIAL POSTMARK ON MAIL FROM JAMAICA.

Jonathan Dickinson, was a Quaker merchant from Jamaica, who gained fame after he, his family and crew were shipwrecked off the Florida coast in 1696 and held captive by Indians. After their release, Dickinson and his family eventually settled in Philadelphia, where he started a branch of his trading business (source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jonathan_Dickinson).

Although the "8br" month designation in the docketing would normally be interpreted as October, the "9br" leaves no doubt that the letter was datelined in August and received in September.

The ASCC Vol. 3 values a 1711 "NY" at \$3,750 and 1719 "paid via N York 10d" at \$3,000. This form of postmark is unlisted. E. 3,000-4,000



- (New York N.Y., 1740) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16grs". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to Thomas Penn in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p Capt. Barnes via New York QDC", receipt docketing "Richd. Stockley Feby. 25, 1739", repaired tear from top into first line of address, hardly noticeable and otherwise Very Fine, the "1739" docketing date be 1740 (prior to 1752 it was customary to use the preceding year during the first quarter). E. 400-500

- 2615 ☑ (New York N.Y., 1741) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16grs". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "pr Capt. Long By yl way of New York" routing, receipt docketing "From Henton Brown, Rec'd 14 Octobr. 1741 Via New York", slight toning along folds, Very Fine E. 400-500



- 2617 (New York N.Y., 1743) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p. the Britania Via New York", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, recd. Nov. 9, 1743 Via N. York", minor toning along folds, otherwise Very Fine E. 400-500
- 2619 (New York N.Y., 1744) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16grs". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p Capt. Hilton", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland Rec'd April 18, 1744 p Post", slight toning, Very Fine

 E. 400-500



- 2622 ⋈ (New York N.Y., 1745) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Frederica 8mo 31st 1745 From Wm. Logan", additional manuscript notation "forwarded", Very Fine E. 300-400

- 2625 (New York N.Y., 1748) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Edward Wilsonn, Recd. 30 Septembr. 1748 P Post", faint toning along folds, Very Fine...... E. 300-400
- 2626 Mew York N.Y., 1749) "NY: Sh: 6dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and double rate (6dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to "John Kinsey Esqr., Chief Justice of the Province of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia", sender's routing "via Bristol", receipt docketing "London 3 mo 3d 1749 From Richd. Partridge", one side flap added, some tissue repairs and minor toning, quite presentable.........

 E. 300-400



 $2627 \bowtie$ (New York N.Y., 1749) "NY 9dwt". Manuscript postmark and triple 3dwt rate on folded cover to James Pemberton in Philadelphia, carried by ship from London to New York and posted there by a forwarder (not treated as a ship letter), "Nov 6 fordd by Yr Hn: Svt. Napy. H. Myers" and receipt docketing "London 24 6mo 1749, Letter from John Huntt", some toning and repairs, unusual usage...... (New York N.Y., 1749) "NY Sh: 6dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and double rate (6dwt $2628 \bowtie$ plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Lay & John Stevens Via York Recd. 26 Octobr. 1749", creases in panels and slightly overlapping file fold, other-(New York N.Y., 1750) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus 2629 ⋈ 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "via New York", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, Recei'd 3 mon ye 31st 1750 Via New York", Very Fine E. 300-400 (New York N.Y., 1750) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16gr". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus $2630 \bowtie$ 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p Capn. Knox Via NYork", forwarder's notation (by Hylton?) dated Sep. 15, 1750, receipt docketing "London 5mo 20th 1750 From John Huntt", toned along folds, otherwise Very Fine E. 400-500 (New York N.Y., 1751) "NY Sh: 3dwt: 16grs". Manuscript ship-letter postmark and rate (3dwt plus $2631 \bowtie$ 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Michael Alkins, Rece'd 4 mon: 26th 1751 p Post Via New York", Very Fine...... E. 300-400



- (New York N.Y., 1753) "NY 3dwt". Manuscript postmark and 3dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, forwarder's notation "New York 19th March 1753, Recd. & Forwarded by Yr. Mos hble Sr Wm Coventry", receipt docketing "From Berket & Booth, Rece'd 3 mon: 25th 1753 Via New York", Very Fine, no origin indicated but possibly from Antigua where Reynell conducted extensive trade

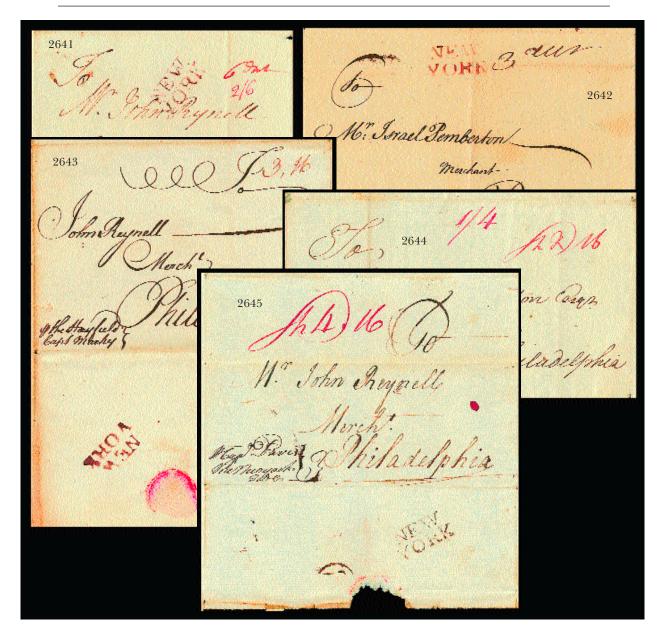
 E. 300-400
- 2634 ⋈ (New York N.Y., 1754) "NY 3dwt". Manuscript postmark and rate on folded cover to Rachel Pemberton in care of John Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Flushing 9mo 29 1754 From Catherine Payton to R Pemberton", referring to Catherine Peyton, who lived in the Quaker community in Flushing, Long Island, minor repairs, still Very Fine................................ E. 300-400
- 2636 ☑ (New York N.Y., 1755) "NY 3dwt: 16grs". Manuscript postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, carried by private ship, "p. favour of Capt. Ball" routing, receipt docketing "Rece'd 1st of 8th mo: 1755 from David Fogo via New York", light toning along folds, still Very Fine, David Fogo was a fellow merchant and probably sent this letter from Jamaica or Antigua...

 E. 300-400



- 2637 ☑ (New York N.Y., 1755) "NY 3dwt: 16". Manuscript postmark and rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p the John QDC", receipt docketing "From Stubbs & Taylor, rece'd 8th mo: 2nd 1755 Via New York", Very Fine...... E. 200-300

- 2640 ⋈ (New York N.Y., 1756) "NEW/YORK". Brownish-red two-line handstamp and red manuscript "3 dwt" rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "1/3d" due in local currency (3dwt=9p x 1.67 inflation factor=15p, or 1sh3p without carrier fee), forwarder's notation on back "Newyork the 5 decembr 1756, Received and forwarded by Sir Your Humbe. Sert. Theophilaet Bache", receipt docketing "From From Willm. Pickering, rece'd 9th of 12th mo: 1756", minor wear, Very Fine E. 400-500



- 2641 ⋈ (New York N.Y., 1757) "NEW/YORK". Brownish-black two-line handstamp and red manuscript "6 dwt" double rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "2/6" due in local currency (6dwt=18p x 1.67 inflation factor=30sh, or 2sh6p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "From Henry Tucker reced 4 mon: 21st 1757 from N. York", fresh and Very Fine................... E. 200-300
- 2642 (New York N.Y., 1759) "NEW/YORK". Brownish-red two-line handstamp and "3 dwt" rate on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "New York 5 Novr. 1759 From Joseph Allicocke", light toning, some tissue repairs on flaps, Very Fine........................ E. 200-300
- (New York N.Y., 1764) "NEW/YORK". Brownish two-line handstamp on back of folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, carried by private ship, "p. the Hayfield, Cat. Macky"" routing, manuscript "3.16" rate (3dwt plus 16gr ship fee), "1/9d" due in local currency (3dwt16gr=11p x 1.67 inflation factor=19p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh9p), receipt docketing "From Hillary & Scott, Received 7mo: 2nd 1764," minor toning along folds, Very Fine................................. E. 200-300



- (New York N.Y., 1771-72) "NEW/YORK". Two-line handstamp and "7/OC" (Oct. 7) Franklin mark on back of folded cover from Barbados to James Pemberton in Philadelphia, red manuscript "Sh 2.16" ship-letter postmark (2dwt plus 16gr ship fee), red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), sender's routing "p Cap. Montgomery Via New York", receipt docketing "Barbados Sept. 3d 1772 from Cap. Jno. Harr", repaired around edges where paper has eroded, accompanied by 1771 folded cover from Barbados to Philadelphia carried by ship captain and rated "1/6" due, toned, scarce Colonial covers from Barbados(Photo Ex) E. 500-750
- (New York N.Y., 1772) "NEW/YORK". Two-line handstamp and "23/AP" (Apr. 23) Franklin mark clearly struck on back of folded cover from England to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, carried by private ship, "p. Capt. Harvey" routing, red "Sh 2.16" rate (2dwt plus 16gr ship fee), forwarder's notation "New York 22 April 1772, Received under cover & forwarded by your Fd. Thomas Pearsall", receipt docketing "Bristol 14 Feb. 1772 from L. Couper, recd. 25th April", toned and worn along file fold, still Fine....

 F. 200-300

END OF FIRST SESSION

SECOND SESSION (LOTS 2650-3008) WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007, AT 1:30 P.M.

FALMOUTH-NEW YORK PACKET SERVICE



2650

2650

(Falmouth-New York Packet, 1755) "NEW/YORK". Remarkably bold brownish-black strike of two-line handstamp and manuscript "3dwt" rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, matching "13/DE" (Dec. 13) Bishop's mark on back, sender's "P the Packett Via N. York" routing and receipt docketing "London 12 mo. 13 1755 From John Huntt", sent from London on Dec. 13, 1755, the second month of Falmouth-New York packet service, red "P1N" prepaid 1sh packet rate, minor tissue strengthening behind folds

VERY FINE. THIS COVER WAS CARRIED ON THE SECOND PACKET SAILING FROM FALMOUTH TO NEW YORK.

According to Horowicz-Lowe (p. 13): "On 15th November 1755, the British Post Office dispatched the first regular mail packet from Falmouth to New York. From this time there were two packets sailing monthly to and from New York, and this service continued right through to the Revolutionary period with few interruptions." The "NEW/YORK" handstamp is reputed to have been applied by the agent for the Falmouth packet. This is the earliest Falmouth-New York Packet cover we have located (Horowicz-Lowe valued this marking at £250 used in 1756 versus £35 after 1757)........................ E. 2,000-3,000



- (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1756) "NEW/YORK". Clear strike of brownish-black two-line handstamp, red manuscript "P1N" prepaid 1sh packet rate, red manuscript "3dwt" rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "11/SE" (Sep. 11) Bishop's mark on back, sender's routing "Pr The Packet", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, reced 11th mon: 10th 1756 p the Packet", Very Fine, a very early Falmouth-New York packet cover (service started in November 1755), Horowicz-Lowe valued this marking at £250 used in 1756 versus £35 after 1757 E. 500-750



- 2657 ⋈ (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1757) "NY 3dw". Red manuscript postmark and 3dwt rate (N.Y. to Phila.), red manuscript "P1N" prepaid 1sh packet rate on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "1/3d" due in local currency (3dwt=9p x 1.67 inflation factor=15p, or 1sh3p without carrier fee), "8/IA" (Jan. 8) Bishop's mark and "RG" in circle on back, receipt docketing "From Mary Groth rece'd 24th of 3 mon. 1757 Via New York"", minor wear and toning along folds, still Very Fine........... E. 300-400



- 2662 ⋈ (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1757) "NEW/YORK". Clearly struck two-line handstamp and red manuscript "6 dwt" double rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, forwarder's notation "Falmouth August 17th 1757, Forwarded by thy assured Friend, Charles Peters", no packet rate (possibly carried by private ship), small piece out of flap touches notation, part of back panels (with docketing) removed, slightly toned along folds, still Fine and rare Quaker forwarding notation E. 300-400



- 2664

 (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1758) "NEW/YORK". Clear strike of brownish-black two-line hand-stamp, red manuscript "P1N" prepaid 1sh packet rate, manuscript "3dwt" rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "21/IA" (Jan. 21) Bishop's mark on back, sender's routing "P Packett", sender's instructions "if sail'd send it back to John Woodbridge, London", receipt docketing "John Edwin 1758", slightly toned folds, otherwise Very Fine E. 300-400
- (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1758) "NEW/YORK". Clear strike of reddish-black two-line handstamp, red manuscript "P2N" prepaid 2sh double packet rate, manuscript "9dwt" triple rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "8/AV" (Apr. 8) Bishop's mark on back, sender's routing "Pr Packet", receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, reced 10 of 6 mo: 1758, 20th Accott. Currant p the Packett", slight toned file folds, otherwise Very Fine E. 300-400
- 2666 ₪ (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1758) "NEW/YORK". Bold brownish two-line handstamp, red manuscript "P1N" prepaid 1sh packet rate, manuscript "3 dwt" rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "pr. Packet", "?/SE" (Sep. ?) Bishop's mark on back, receipt docketing "From Elias Bland, Rece'd 11 mon 1st 1758 p Packett", Very Fine.......

 E. 300-400
- 2667 ⋈ (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1759) "NEW/YORK". Two-line brownish-black handstamp and manuscript rate "3dwt:16g" with "16g" crossed out on folded cover from England to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Falmouth 13th 1mo 1759 From Joseph White", soiled along folds, still Fine, the crossed-out 16gr ship fee left only the 3dwt (9p) postage due, presumably this was first rated as a ship letter, then re-rated as a prepaid packet letter................................. E. 300-400



2670

(Falmouth-New York Packet, 1760) "NEW/YORK". Reddish two-line handstamp, manuscript "3.16gr" rate (3dwt for postage from N.Y. to Phila. plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, side panel reduced into part of receipt docketing but "Capt. Jno. Brown/[m]on: 31: 1760" remains, manuscript "CH" at upper right appears to be a postmark but does not fit anything in ASCC listings, lightly toned around folds, still Very Fine, a potentially significant postal marking if further research can identify its origin (this may or may not be a packet usage)................... E. 400-500



- 2671

 (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1761) "NEW/YORK". Brown two-line handstamp, red manuscript "P2N" prepaid 2sh double packet rate, manuscript "6dwt" rate (N.Y. to Phila.) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "14/MR" (Mar. 14) Bishop's mark on back, receipt docketing "From Samuel Touchett, Recd. 5th mo: 16th 1761", trivial stain along file fold at right, otherwise Very Fine

 F. 300-400

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES



- (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1772) "NEW/YORK". Mostly clear strike of two-line handstamp on back, manuscript "1N" packet rate, red manuscript "Single Sheet 6" dwt rate (N.Y. to Phila.), red "2/8" due in local currency (6dwt=18p x 1.67 inflation factor=30p plus 2p carrier fee, or 2sh8p) on folded cover from England to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, "18/1U" (Jun. 18) Bishop's mark and "17/AV" (Aug. 17) Franklin marks on back, sender's routing "p Packet", receipt docketing "London 18th June 1772 from Fredk. Pigou jr for self & Partr., rec 20th Augt.", split along folds (easily repairable), otherwise Fine E. 200-300
- (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1772) "NEW/YORK". Bold heavily-inked strike of two-line handstamp on back, manuscript "1N" packet rate, red manuscript "Single Sheet 6" dwt rate (N.Y. to Phila.), red "2/8" due in local currency (6dwt=18p x 1.67 inflation factor=30p plus 2p carrier fee, or 2sh8p) on folded cover from England to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, "2/DE" (Dec. 2) Bishop's mark and "7/FE" (Feb. 7) Franklin marks on back, sender's routing "p Packet", receipt docketing "London Decembr 1, 1772 from Pigou & Booth", some wear and toning along folds, still Very Fine...... E. 200-300
- (Falmouth-New York Packet, 1774) "NEW-YORK". Bold heavily-inked strike of straightline handstamp on back, manuscript "Post paid 1N4" packet rate and internal GB postage, red manuscript "2" dwt rate (N.Y. to Phila.), red "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh) on folded cover from England to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, "25/AP" (Apr. 25) Bishop's mark and "6/IY" (Jul. 6) Franklin marks on back, receipt docketing "Penzance 4th mo: 1774. From Charles Graves", some wear and soiling along, still Very Fine........................ E. 200-300
- (Falmouth-New York Packet) December 1775 Suspended Service. Folded cover from Bristol, England, to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, sender's routing "P New York Pacquet QDC" but the Falmouth-New York Packets were withdrawn in September 1775 (Horowicz-Lowe, p. 14), manuscript "Inall 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p GB internal postage, manuscript "2/6" due in local currency and unusual manuscript "16d at 180 PCt" notation at bottom which must be an inflation calculation (1sh4p=16p x 180% inflation factor=28p plus 2p carrier fee, or 2sh6p), "BRISTOL" straightline and "23/DE" Bishop's mark on back, receipt docketing "Bristol 12th ₺ 20th Decb. 1775 from Lancelot Couper ₺ Co.", slight wear and toning along folds, otherwise Very Fine, a fascinating usage........................ E. 400-500
- 2677B ⋈ (Falmouth-New York Packet) December 1775 Suspended Service. Folded cover from Thirsk, England, to Robert Proud in Philadelphia, "THIRSK" straightline backstamp, "25/DE" (Dec. 25) Bishop's mark, manuscript "To pay 1N" for 1sh packet rate, manuscript "Paid 4d" and red "Post Paid" in circle for GB internal postage, receipt docketing "John Proud 12 mo 21 1775", slight wear and toning along folds, wax seal stain, otherwise Fine, the Falmouth-New York Packet was suspended in September 1775

 E. 400-500

NORTH CAROLINA



- 2679 ⋈ (Edenton N.C., 1757) "Edenton". Manuscript postmark and "21 dwt" rate on folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, manuscript "P the Robinson, Jonathan Pearson, Master", "8/9" due in local currency (21dwt=63p x 1.67 inflation factor=105p, or 8sh9p without carrier fee), pencil note indicates 1757 year date, tissue strengthening along folds covers part of address panel but easily reversible, slight toning, very early Edenton postmark and an unusually high rate...... E. 750-1,000
- 2680 ☑ (Edenton N.C., 1758) "EWay". Ms. "way" postmark and faint red "8dwt 8grs" rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, "3/6" due in local currency (8dwt8gr=25p x 1.67 inflation factor=42p, or 3sh6p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "From Colln. Barrell, Rec'd 3 of 1 mo: 1758, Answd. 5th", lightly soiled, Very Fine, an early and rare way cover via Edenton E. 500-750

- 2683 (Edenton N.C., 1763) "EW 16.16". Ms. "way" postmark and double rate (16dwt 16gr) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From John Wendell, reced 7 mon: 28 1763", slight wear along folds, otherwise Very Fine, scarce early Edenton N.C. "way" cover E. 300-400

PENNSYLVANIA

WILLIAM PENN



2684

2684 (Aug. 24) to William Penn in Pennsylvania. Folded cover addressed to "William Pen Gouverneur" in Pennsylvania, large "V" in manuscript, small initial letter crossed out (postal marking or rate?), docketed "Vanderwall 24 Aug. 1684" which might refer to Jacobus van der Walle, a resident of Frankfurt, Germany, who is cited in other references to Penn, linen backed and repaired, soiled

ALMOST CERTAINLY THE EARLIEST COVER IN PRIVATE HANDS ADDRESSED TO THE FOUNDER AND FIRST PROPRIETOR OF PENNSYLVANIA, WILLIAM PENN.

William Penn received the Charter of Pennsylvania from King Charles II in 1681. Penn's cousin was appointed deputy governor of the province in 1681, and Penn himself arrived in Pennsylvania in October 1682 (www.legis.state.pa.us/WU01/VC/visitor_info/pa_history/whole_pa_history.htm).

According to www.ushistory.org, "...a statement in the Pemberton family papers...declares that in [July] 1683 William Penn granted to Henry Waldy, of Tekonay, the right to hold a weekly post between Philadelphia and Wilmington. The Colonial Records do not mention this commission, but in that year a law was passed at Philadelphia making every justice of the peace, sheriff and constable responsible for the speedy forwarding of such letters, 'directed to or from the Governor,' as should come to hand. It is possible that this service was soon after extended to the dispatch of private letters." (www.ushistory.org/franklin/philadelphia/postoffice.htm). Another reference to this post will be found in Ter Braake (p. C-5)

There are no clearly-defined postal markings, but Waldy's post was probably operating when this letter arrived in Pennsylvania in late 1684. The enigmatic crossed-out "M" at top appears to be written in a shade of ink that differs from the address. On August 12, 1684, before this cover was sent (according to the receipt docketing), William Penn departed Pennsylvania for England (www.gwyneddfriends.org/wmpenn.htm).



2685

2685 ⋈ 1698 (Apr. 21) from Lord Bellomont to William Penn in Bristol, England. Folded cover addressed "For The honble. William Penn Esqr., Proprietor and Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania at his House in Bristoll", manuscript "6" rate and "OC/13" Bishop's mark on back, receipt docketing "Ld. Bellomont, 4m 21 .98" (Apr. 21, 1698), intact wax seal, reinforced along folds, Very Fine, Lord Bellomont was appointed Governor of New England by William III around 1696 and is best known for his part in bankrolling (and eventually arresting) the legendary pirate Captain Kidd; at the time Lord Bellomont wrote this letter from the American colonies (April 1698), Penn had returned to England E. 1,000-1,500



"A map of ye improved part of Pensilvania in America, divided into countyes, townships, and lotts/surveyed by Tho. Holme.", *mapped cira 1690, published circa 1715.*

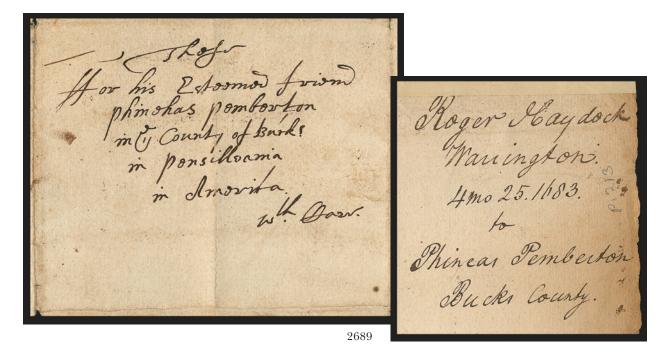
The Lionel Pincus and Princess Firyal Map Division, The New York Public Library, Astor, Lenox and Tilden Foundations. (Reproduced with permission).



- 2687 ⋈ 1702, from Lord Nottingham to William Penn in England. Folded cover addressed "For William Pen Esqr. These" and franked "Nottingham" by Lord Finch, 2nd Earl of Nottingham, docketed "Ld. Nottingham" and year-dated "1702" which correlates with Penn's presence in England, tissue repairs and discoloration, still a remarkable cover associating William Penn and the Earl of Nottingham. E. 500-750
- 2688

 1702, to William Penn in Bristol, England. Folded cover addressed "For Mr. William Pen at his House In Bristoll", "VEO" and "OC/3" handstamps, manuscript "7" rate, receipt docketing "Peterboron Oct. 3, 1702", paper backing, some soiling and wear, around this time William Penn and his wife were in England and she gave birth to their son Thomas E. 300-400

PHINEAS PEMBERTON



2689 M 1683 (Apr. 25) from Roger Haydock in England to Phineas Pemberton in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Folded cover addressed:

"These for his Esteemed friend Phineas Pemberton in ye County of Bucks in Ponsillvania in Amerika [wth. Care]"

The backflap is docketed "Roger Haydock, Warrington, 4 mo 25 1683 to Phineas Pemberton, Bucks County"

AN IMPORTANT EARLY COVER ADDRESSED TO PHINEAS PEMBERTON SOON AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN AMERICA IN SEPTEMBER 1682. PEMBERTON, ONE OF THE FIRST ENGLISH QUAKERS TO SETTLE IN PENNSYLVANIA, WAS DESCRIBED BY WILLIAM PENN AS "THE ABLEST AS WELL AS ONE OF THE BEST MEN IN THE PROVINCE."

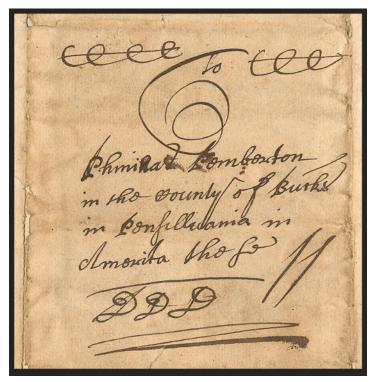
In April 1683 the well-known Quaker minister, Roger Haydock, residing at Warrington in Cheshire County, England, mailed this cover to his friend, Phineas Pemberton, shortly after Pemberton arrived in the American colonies in September 1682 (*Emigrants to Pennsylvania 1641-1819, A Partial List of the Families Who Resided in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, Prior to 1687*, p. 26). Haydock was later imprisoned for his religious activities in Lancaster, England, from December 1684 until March 1686.

The following biographical information comes from www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/Lobby/2767/pfamily.html: "Phineas Pemberton was William Penn's chief administrator in Bucks County and Falls Township's most prominent citizen. He and his father-in-law, James Harrison, and his own father Ralph Pemberton and families arrived from Bolton, Lancashire, England in 1682 on the ship SUBMIS-SION . They settled on 300 acres opposite Bordentown, NJ, on the bend of the Delaware River just below Biles Island and the 13 farms shown on the 1690 map, and just outside the tract of Pennsbury that Penn reserved for himself. He and James Harrison named it, 'Grove Place.'" (see map on. p. 58)

William Penn received the Charter of Pennsylvania from King Charles II in 1681. Penn's cousin was appointed deputy governor of the province in 1681, and Penn himself arrived in Pennsylvania in October 1682 (www.legis.state.pa.us/WU01/VC/visitor_info/pa_history/whole_pa_history.htm). According to www.ushistory.org, "...a statement in the Pemberton family papers...declares that in [July] 1683 William Penn granted to Henry Waldy, of Tekonay, the right to hold a weekly post between Philadelphia and Wilmington. The Colonial Records do not mention this commission, but in that year a law was passed at Philadelphia making every justice of the peace, sheriff and constable responsible for the speedy forwarding of such letters, 'directed to or from the Governor,' as should come to hand. It is possible that this service was soon after extended to the dispatch of private letters." (www.ushistory.org/franklin/philadelphia/postoffice.htm). Another reference to this post will be found in Ter Braake (p. C-5).

This letter probably took at least 70 days to reach an American port, which would date its arrival around mid-July 1683, coinciding with the month Waldy's post is reported to have been authorized by William Penn. There are no postal markings.

This extraordinary cover is one of the earliest pieces of mail to or from the newly-established Quaker colony of Pennsylvania. E. 7,500-10,000



2690

2690 1686 (Jun. 18) from Nathaniel Atharton in England to Phineas Pemberton in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Folded cover addressed:

"To Phineas Pemberton in the County of Bucks in Ponsillvania in Amerika these" and "DDD" talismanic inscription

The backflap is docketed "Nathaniel Atharton, Bolton, 6mo 18 1686 to Phineas Pemberton, Bucks County", minor repairs and soiling

AN EXTREMELY EARLY COVER TO PHINEAS PEMBERTON IN THE NEWLY-ESTABLISHED COLONY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

According to www.geocities.com/capitolhill/lobby/2767/lippcott.html: "On November 17, 1683, Phineas Pemberton...purchased 500 acres on the Delaware River opposite Biles (Oreclan's) Island and built a house there which he called, 'Grove Place.' Being desirous of a more comfortable home for his large household he finished one in 1687, on a part of Pennsbury, 'Penn's home,' some five miles distant and more in the interior, which he called, 'Bolton Farm'." This cover was sent with a letter from Nathaniel Atherton (Atharton) in Bolton, England, where Pemberton had lived and for which Bolton Farm was named.

There are no postal markings on this cover, but there is the possibility it was carried by the Waldy post, which is reported to have started in mid-1683..... E. 2,000-3,000



2691 ⊠ **(La** mai fold Phi

(Lancaster Pa., 1769) "La 2". Red manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Lancaster 27 2 mo. 1769 From Isaac Whitlock", there is an additional bluish-black manuscript notation (postmark or rate?) at left, tissue reinforcements on face of cover touch postmarks but these can probably be removed, otherwise Very Fine, this Lancaster Pa. Colonial postmark is extremely rare, the Siskin sale offered an example as "possibly the only example of this postmark in private hands" (realized \$4,750 hammer), the ASCC Vol. 3 list two dates priced at \$2,000 (1768) and \$1,750 (1773, the Siskin example)..... E. 1,000-1,500

2691



2692

(Lancaster Pa., 1771) "La Way Pd. 2". Red manuscript "way" postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to John Steinmetz in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "William Bells Let. Lancasr Augt. 1771", toned along folds, right panel removed, otherwise Fine, this Lancaster Pa. Colonial "way" postmark is unlisted and exceedingly rare, the Siskin sale offered the normal "La" postmark as "possibly the only example of this postmark in private hands" (realized \$4,750 hammer), the ASCC Vol. 3 list two dates priced at \$2,000 (1768) and \$1,750 (1773, the Siskin example) E. 1,000-1,500

PHILADELPHIA



- 2693 (Philadelphia to Jamaica, 1704) Privately-Carried Ship Letter. Folded cover to "Jonathan Dickinson, Mercht. In Jamaica, These" with sender's routing "p ye Mary Sam. Bicknall Msr.", receipt docketing "Philada. 28 5 mo 1704, Isaac Norris Letter p ye Mary, Saml. Bicknall Mr. recd the 18, 7 mo", Very Fine, Dickinson was a prominent merchant in Jamaica (see lots 2609-2610 for biographic note)................. E. 400-500
- (Philadelphia to Jamaica, 1708) Privately-Carried Ship Letter. Folded cover addressed "To Jonathn. Dickinson, To be left with Ezeikeil Gommersale, Mercht., In Jamaica, These" with sender's routing "p Capt Bayly", receipt docketing "Philadia 22 9ber 1708, Isaac Norris Lettr. p ye Hannah. . Bayly Commandr. who arrived Xber 9 ℰ carried to hand the 25 Decembr", small erosion spot in address, part of back panel missing, still Very Fine, see lots 2609-2610 for biographic note re Dickinson................. E. 400-500
- 2695 ⋈ (Barbados to Philadelphia, 1715) Privately-Carried Ship Letter. Folded cover from Barbados to John Dickinson in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p Capt. Fr. Merseer", receipt docketing "Barbadoes, Abell Tuder Letter Recd p Fran: Mercer, May: 16: 1715", carried privately, no postal markings, lightly toned, Fine, scarce Colonial usage, see lots 2609-2610 for biographic note re Dickinson........ E. 300-400



- (Philadelphia Pa., 1745) "Phi. paid 3dwt:8". Manuscript postmark and rate on folded cover to William Logan and James Pemberton "At Georgia, To the care of Stephen Bedon junr. mercht. in Frederica Georgia", forwarder's notation "Charlestown 12 Novr. 1745, Recd. this day & forwarded by, Your Humb. Serv. Steph Bedon Junr.", receipt docketing "Israel Pemberton, Philadelphia, 8 mo 17 1745, to James Pemberton and William Logan, Charlestown S.C., Frederica G.", slightly discolored tissue reinforcing along folds (can be reversed), soiled, otherwise Fine, extremely early Philadelphia postmark, Siskin referred to his May 1753 cover with "Phi" postmark as "one of the earliest" this precedes it by nearly eight years and is a very rare southbound usage with forwarder's notation E. 750-1,000
- 2700 ₪ (Unknown Post Office, 1753) "4d/1d". Ms. rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's talisman "These Present", receipt docketing "From Nathaniel Donnell, Rece'd 11 mo 30 1753 p Post", slight toning, otherwise Fine, no origin indicated, Nathaniel Donnell was the master of the Ship Mary and at this time was involved with Reynell's business in Antigua, his tombstone is located in York, Maine, and is pictured at http://gravematter.smugmug.com/gallery/1792003/1/89229352/Medium......

 E. 400-500

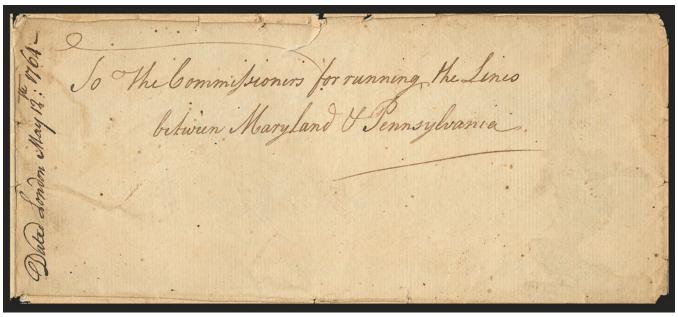


- 2702 (Bermuda to Philadelphia, 1756) Forwarder's Marking. "Bermuda 23d Octr. 1756, Forwarded by Sir, Your most Hum. Servt. Jono. Burch" forwarder's notation on back of folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, Very Fine, scarce Colonial cover from Bermuda E. 300-400
- 2703
 (Philadelphia Pa., 1765) "Phi 2". Red manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to Charles Norris in Elizabethtown N.J., Oct. 4, 1765 receipt docketing, small edge tear at top, Very Fine

 E. 300-400
- 2704 (Philadelphia Pa., 1768) "PHILA/DELPHIA". Red two-line handstamp across back of folded cover to Joseph Pemberton in West River Md., red manuscript "Way 2.16" rate and manuscript "Postage 1/2" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p, or 1sh2p without carrier fee), receipt docketing "Philada. 8th: 10: mo 1768 from father Israel Pemberton", Very Fine scarce way usage, the use of the word "Postage" in Colonial-era postmarks is very unusual E. 400-500

- 2707 (Reading Pa. Stage, 1761) "p Stage Waggon". Sender's routing on folded cover to James Pemberton in Philadelphia, no postal markings, receipt docketing "Reading June 16, 1761 from James Read", slightly toned, some discolored tissue repairs at top right (probably reversible)...... E. 200-300

THE TANGENT LINE



2709



A Plan of the West Line or Parallel of Latitude, which is the Boundary between the Provinces of Maryland and Pennsylvania, *Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, 1768*.

Maryland State Archives, SC 1424-1-447. (Reproduced with permission).

RHODE ISLAND



2710

2710 (Newport R.I., 1741) "RI 7dwt 16grs". Manuscript postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "pr Captin Storey: va: of Boston" with Boston overwritten by "Rhode Island", forwarder's notation on flap "forwarded by Ralph Inman", receipt docketing "From Matthias Aspden, Recd 7th Octob. 1741 Via Boston", some staining and erosion along folds

AN EARLY AND VERY RARE COLONIAL SHIP-LETTER USAGE INTO NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, WITH THE "RI" MANUSCRIPT POSTMARK AND RATE REFLECTING SHIP CAPTAIN'S FEE.

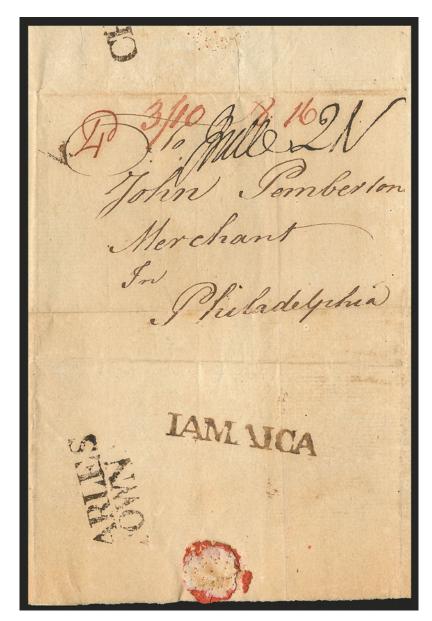
The earliest reported Rhode Island cover in private hands is datelined July 30, 1714, and bears the "R 4d/5d" postmark and way rate (Siskin sale, lot 22). This 1741 cover is still quite early and is the only one known to us with the rate incorporating the ship captain's fee (Siskin reported his 1749 cover as the second earliest Rhode Island cover) E. 2,000-3,000



- (Newport R.I., 1748) "R 7.16". Manuscript postmark and rate (7dwt plus 16gr ship fee) on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "p Capt. Richards Via N.York", receipt docketing "From David Barclay and Son received Jany. 28, 1748 via N. York", Barclay and Sons was a large trading firm in London, Very Fine, an extremely early and rare Newport R.I. Colonial postmark, although the route notations indicate New York as the port of transit, the "R" postmark and 7dwt postage rate confirm this entered the mails at Newport R.I................... E. 1,000-1,500

- 2714 (Providence R.I., 1758) "Pro: 7dwt". Manuscript postmark and 7dwt rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "From Nathl. Barrell & Thos. Palmer rece'd 30 of 3 mo: 1758", minor toning, otherwise Fine, very scarce, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$1,250....... E. 500-750

SOUTH CAROLINA



2715

(Charleston S.C., 1772) "CHARLES/TOWN". Clear strike of two-line handstamp over flaps of folded cover from Jamaica to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, bold "IAMAICA" straightline handstamp on back, manuscript rates are "Inall 2N" (2sh), red manuscript "4d", lighter red manuscript "8.16" (8dwt 16gr, or 2sh2p) and matching "3/10" due in local currency (8dwt16gr=26p x 1.67 inflation factor=44p plus 2p carrier fee, or 3sh10p), receipt docketing "Jamaica 18th 1st mo 1772 From Morde. Yarnall Jr." (Mordecai Yarnall was a Philadelphia merchant), one side panel partly restored, the address panel and upper and lower flaps with postal markings are intact

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE COLONIAL COVER CARRIED BY PACKET BETWEEN JAMAICA AND CHARLESTON.

According to Horowicz-Lowe: "In 1764 the Falmouth-West Indies packets extended their sailings to call at Pensacola, St. Augustine and Charles Town. This service was separated from that of the West Indies from 7th September 1768, and a monthly service in both directions provided." The rate from Jamaica to Charleston was 4p (1dwt 8gr), and the rate from Charleston to Philadelphia was 1sh8p (6dwt 16gr for 700-800 miles) for a total of 2sh (8dwt), as stated in the "Inall 2N" marking applied at Charleston. The additional 16gr (2p) reflected in the Philadelphia "8.16" due marking is presumably a ship-letter fee. The 3sh10p due in local currency includes an additional 2p for carrier delivery.

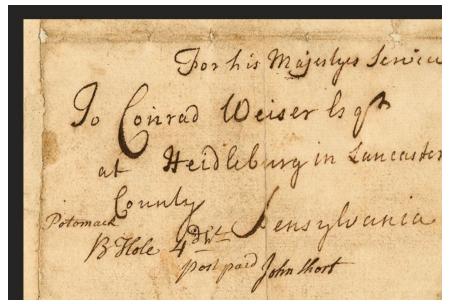
E. 2,000-3,000



2716

2716 ⋈ (Charleston S.C., ca. 1779) "CHARLES/TOWN S.C./Aug. 23". Exceptionally clear strike of circular datestamp on back of folded cover addressed in French to "Monsieur Bradford, Printing Office in Philadelphia", manuscript "28" rate in pence (equivalent to 9dwt8gr, double the 4dwt16gr 500-600 mile rate from Charleston to Philadelphia), top panel removed (not affecting appearance), tissue reinforcement, Very Fine, this rare marking is the only circular datestamp used during the Colonial period and the first circular datestamp used by the United Colonies, this example is undated, but the ASCC Vol. 3 lists 12/24/1778 as earliest and 3/23/1780 as latest, Philadelphia was occupied by the British from 9/26/1777 to 6/18/1778, Charleston from 5/12/1780 to 12/14/1782; therefore, this August date is probably 1779 (or, if 1778, earlier than the ASCC listing).... E. 750-1,000

VIRGINIA



9717

2717 (Boyd's Hole Va., 1744) "Potomack, B Hole 4dwt Post paid John Short". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt rate on folded cover addressed "To Conrad Weiser Esqr. at Heidelberg in Lancaster County, Pensylvania" with sender's endorsement "For his Majesty's Service", receipt docketing in Weiser's hand appears to read "Connell La. 1744 Aug." (pencil "30" added to date), mounted on backing paper, some soiling and tears

THE FIRST AND ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THIS BOYD'S HOLE POSTMARK ON A COVER ADDRESSED TO CONRAD WEISER, A MAJOR FIGURE IN BUILDING THE COLONIAL FRONTIER THROUGH TREATIES HE NEGOTIATED WITH THE NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES.

The role of Conrad Weiser in American Colonial history is summed up in a website dedicated to his life: "Conrad Weiser's historical contributions to Pennsylvania simply cannot be overlooked. Weiser was predominantly responsible for negotiating every major treaty between the colonial settlers in Pennsylvania and the Iroquois Nations from 1731 until 1758. In addition to serving as one of the most knowledgeable and successful liaisons between the Indian and the colonists, Weiser was chiefly responsible for both the settlement of the town of Reading and the establishment of Berks County. Finally, in 1755, Weiser organized a local militia to quell Indian uprisings during the American phase of the Seven Years' War, and was appointed Colonel of the First Battalion of the Pennsylvania Regiment a year later." (www.conradweiserhomestead.org/history.htm). This cover reached Weiser shortly after he negotiated the Treaty of Lancaster in mid-1744.

Boyd's Hole is located on the Potomac River in King George County, Virginia. We were unable to locate any information about John Short or this postal marking, which is unrecorded in the ASCC and other sources...... E. 2,000-3,000



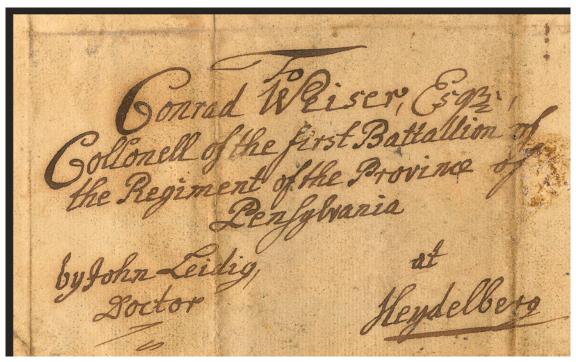
- 2720 (Petersburg-Richmond-Williamsburg Va., ca. 1767) "Petersburg 1.8 [+] Richd T 2.16 [=] 4 dwts [+] F'Burg .16/ [=] 4.16". Progressive rating from three different post offices on folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, undated but probably ca. 1767 based on others in the correspondence, tissue strengthening along edges and slight overall toning, still Fine E. 750-1,000
- 2721 ⊠ (Richmond Va., 1767) "R. Town 4". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt rate with additional red "[+] 4 [=] 8" applied on arrival on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Petersburgh 21st 2 Mo. 1767 from Edw. Stabler with a bill for £100 Sterling in part of his bond", which may explain the double rate, top panels removed, age toned and a bit fragile, rare...... E. 300-400



- 2724 ☑ (Richmond Va., 1771) "Richmond". Manuscript postmark and "8" dwt double rate on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, red "3/6" due in local currency (8dwt=24p x 1.67 inflation factor=40p plus 2p carrier fee, or 3sh6p), receipt docketing "Petersburgh 2 9mo. 1771 From Edw. Stabler [etc.]", faint toning, small piece of tissue strengthening, Very Fine, earlier than the ASCC listing

 E. 500-750
- 2725 ⋈ (Williamsburg Va., 1745) "Wms/burg 4dwt16grs". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's routing "via Virginia", side panel reduced but part of docketing is still intact ("Bland 1745"), slightly worn along folds, otherwise Very Fine, unusual format for this Colonial Williamsburg postmark, ASCC Vol. 3 value \$1,500........................ E. 500-750

FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR



2728

2728

1757 (Oct.) to Conrad Weiser. Folded cover addressed "To Conrad Weiser, Esqr., Collonell of the first Batallion of the Regiment of the Province of Pennsylvania at Heydelberg, by John Leidig Doctor", receipt docketing is difficult to transcribe but includes the date "Ocr. 1757", overall toning and faint stains

AN EXTRAORDINARY POSTAL ARTIFACT OF THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR, ADDRESSED TO CONRAD WEISER AS COLONEL IN CHARGE OF THE FIRST BATTALION OF PENNSYLVANIA REGIMENTS, FORMED IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE PENN'S CREEK MASSACRE TO PROTECT THE PENNSYLVANIA FRONTIER SETTLEMENTS BETWEEN THE DELAWARE AND SUSQUEHANNA RIVERS.

As British and French interests in North America collided, and soon after Braddock's defeat in the Battle of Monongahela in July 1755, Native American war parties attacked pioneer settlements along the Pennsylvania frontier. The "Penn's Creek Massacre" in October 1755 wiped out 25 families and completely destroyed the settlement. In response to attacks by the Delawares and Shawnees, the Pennsylvania Regiments were organized, and Conrad Weiser was appointed Lieutenant Colonel in command of the 1st Battalion on May 5, 1756. He resigned his commission in January 1758. This cover is addressed to Lt. Col. Weiser during his period of command......



Conrad Weiser
Courtesy of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania

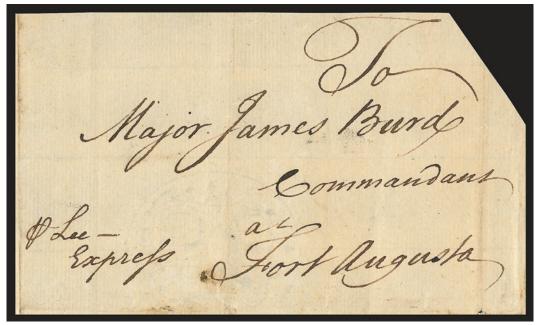


2729

 $2729 \bowtie$ (Fort Augusta, Pennsylvania Frontier, 1757) Conrad Weiser to Maj. James Burd. Folded cover endorsed "On his Majesties Service" and addressed to "Major James Burd, Commandant att Fort Augusta" with directive "Express by James English", receipt docketing "Conrad Wieser, Easton 13th Oct. Recd 13th Do Answerd 15th Do 1757", bottom panels removed, paper affixed to top panels (over docketing), otherwise Fine, a rare French and Indian War express cover from Conrad Weiser to James Burd at Fort Augusta, according to Wikipedia: "[Burd] was commissioned a Major at Fort Augusta (at present-day Sunbury, Pennsylvania) in 1756, and on December 8, 1756, after the resignation of Lt. Col. William Clapham, he took command of the fort. Under his command the fort's construction was completed, as well as the Provincial Road between the fort and Tulpehocken, the location of Conrad Weiser's homestead (near present-day Reading). In 1758, Burd was promoted to Colonel. He went with General John Forbes on the Duquesne Expedition under Colonel Henry Bouquet, and 360 of the 400-man garrison participated in the Expedition, leaving 40 men at Fort Augusta. During that campaign, Burd contributed to the construction of Fort Ligonier. After the fall of Fort Duquesne, Burd was sent to the Erie area, where he supervised the construction of roads and fortifications, including the erection, with Joseph Shippen, of Fort Burd on the Monongahela River, which served as a depot for river transport to Fort Pitt. He returned to Fort Augusta in 1760, where he remained until the dissolution of the Pennsylvania Regiment." E. 750-1,000

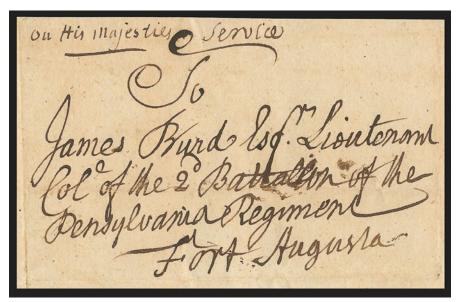


"Officers' Quarters at Fort Augusta", pencil drawing by Mary A. Burd
Courtesy of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania



2730

2730 ⋈ (Fort Augusta, Pennsylvania Frontier, 1757) Joseph Shippen to Maj. James Burd. Folded cover addressed "To Major James Burd, Commandant at Fort Augusta" with directive "P Lee — Express", receipt docketing "Joseph Shippen, Harris 25th Oct. Recd. 11 Nov. 1757"", reduced panels (top right corner of address panel clipped away), paper affixed to bottom panels (over docketing), otherwise Fine, a rare French and Indian War express cover from Joseph Shippen to James Burd at Fort Augusta E. 500-750



2731

2731 (Fort Augusta, Pennsylvania Frontier, 1758) Edward Shippen to Lt. Col. James Burd. Folded cover endorsed "On His Majesties Service" and addressed "To James Burd Esqr. Lieutenant Colo. of the 2d Battallion of the Pensylvania Regiment, Fort Augusta", receipt docketing "Edward Shippen, Lancaster, 7th May 1758", top panels removed, paper affixed to bottom panels, Fine, this cover was sent to Col. Burd a few months before he departed on the July-November 1758 expedition against Fort Duquesne....... E. 750-1,000

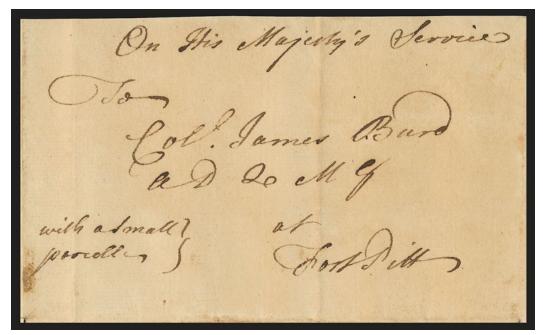


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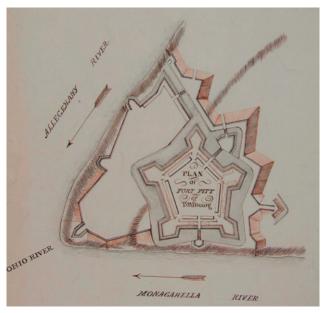


2733

(Pennsylvania Frontier, ca. 1758) to Henry Bouquet. Folded cover endorsed "On his Majesty's Service" and addressed "To Colonel Henry Bouquet, Commanding The Forces at Loyal Hennon" (Fort Ligonier?), top panels removed, toned, pencil note "1758", Bouquet was a Swiss mercenary recruited by the British during the French and Indian War to train and command troops made up largely of German immigrants in Pennsylvania, in 1758 he was made second in command under Brigadier-General John Forbes in the campaign to capture Fort Duquesne and drive the French out of the western frontier (see www.phmc.state.pa.us/ppet/bouquet/page2.asp?secid=31)...... E. 750-1,000



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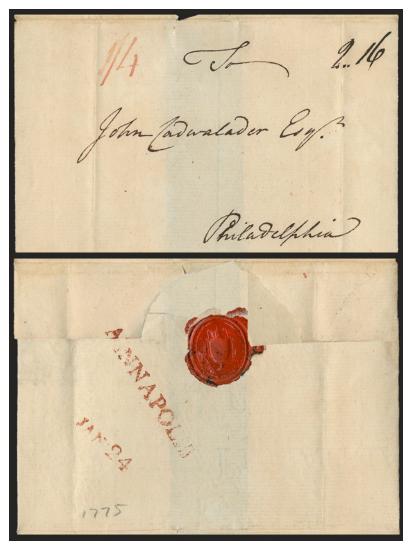


"Plan of Fort Pitt or Pittsbourg", pen-and-ink sketch Courtesy of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania

REVOLUTIONARY WAR

1774-75 TRANSITIONAL PERIOD AND CONGRESSIONAL POST

Beginning in the early months of 1774 and continuing until the first Congressional Post was created in July 1775, various efforts were made to create posts that were independent of the Parliamentary Post. The best-known of these is William Goddard's Constitutional Post. One of the catalysts for breaking away from the Parliamentary Post was the provincial leaders' concern that Loyalists in the post office were opening mail to provide intelligence to British authorities. Scholars continue to analyze markings and rates to identify independent posts during the transitional period. The examples offered here have distinctive features which indicate they were mailed (or might have been mailed) through the independent American postal system.



2735 front and back

2735 ⋈ (Annapolis Md., 1775) "ANNAPOLIS". Red straightline handstamp with separate "JAN 24" straightline datestamp on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, manuscript "2.16" (2dwt 16gr) rate and red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), lettersheet has "ProPatria" watermark, pencil notation "1775"

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE ANNAPOLIS STRAIGHTLINE MARKING, INTRODUCED DURING THE TRANSITION AWAY FROM THE BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY POST.

From early 1774 until late 1775 various post offices ceased operating as part of the British Parliamentary postal system and introduced new markings. The pencil notation is accurate (as confirmed by the nearly identical cover in lot 2736), which makes this one of the two earliest recorded examples of the red "ANNAPOLIS" straightline (the ASCC reports an example dated Aug. 18, 1775).

ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500..... E. 1,500-2,000



(Annapolis Md., 1775) "ANNAPOLIS". Red straightline handstamp with separate "JAN 24" straightline datestamp on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, manuscript "2.16" (2dwt 16gr) rate and red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "Rich. Bn. Lloyd, 17th Jany. 1775, Patuxent, Letters ℰc", part of backflap missing (not affecting markings or docketing), lightly toned file folds

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE ANNAPOLIS STRAIGHTLINE MARKING, INTRODUCED DURING THE TRANSITION AWAY FROM THE BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY POST.

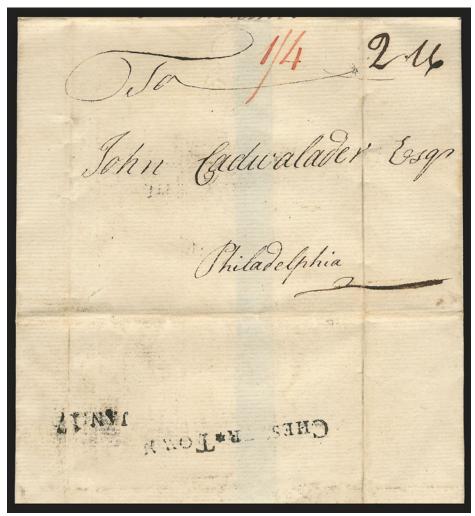
From early 1774 until late 1775 various post offices ceased operating as part of the British Parliamentary postal system and introduced new markings. The 1775 year-dated docketing makes this the earliest recorded example of the red "ANNAPOLIS" straightline (the ASCC reports an example dated Aug. 18, 1775). The sender, Richard Lloyd, of Kent, Maryland, was a signer to the "Declaration of the Association of the Freemen of Maryland" in July 1775. The "Patuxent" in the docketing refers to the Patuxent River in Maryland.

ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,500..... E. 1,500-2,000



2737 ⋈ (Baltimore Md., ca. 1774) "BALTI-MORE". Straightline handstamp and

separate "MAR: 21" datestamp clearly struck on backflap of folded cover to Joseph Pemberton in Philadelphia, manuscript "2.16" rate (2dwt 16gr), "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), no docketing or yeardate (ca. 1774), soiled, still Fine, a very scarce Baltimore straightline associated with Goddard's Constitutional Post (ASCC Vol. 3 value \$1,500) E. 500-750



2738

2738 ⋈ (Chester Town Md., 1775) "CHESTER*TOWN". Straightline handstamp with full spelling of "Town", separate "JAN:17" straightline datestamp on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, manuscript "2.16" (2dwt 16gr) rate and red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), receipt docketing "Joseph Peddle, 17th Jany. 1775, Queen Anne", file folds

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE EXAMPLE OF THE "CHESTER*TOWN" STRAIGHTLINE, INTRODUCED DURING THE TRANSITION FROM THE BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM TO THE CONGRESSIONAL POST.



2739 (Chester Town Md., 1775) "CHESTER*T JUNE 20". Lightly-struck straightline datestamp with "T" for "Town" on back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, manuscript "N6"

Congressional Post 6p rate (equivalent to 2dwt), red "1/" due in local currency (6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee), receipt docketing "James Holliday, 18th June 1775", file folds, top panel removed

FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE "CHESTER*T" STRAIGHTLINE, INTRODUCED DURING THE TRANSITION AWAY FROM THE BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM, WITH THE 6-PENCE CONGRESSIONAL POST RATE IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO THE RESOLUTION OF JULY 26, 1775, WHICH OFFICIALLY CREATED THE CONGRESSIONAL POST.

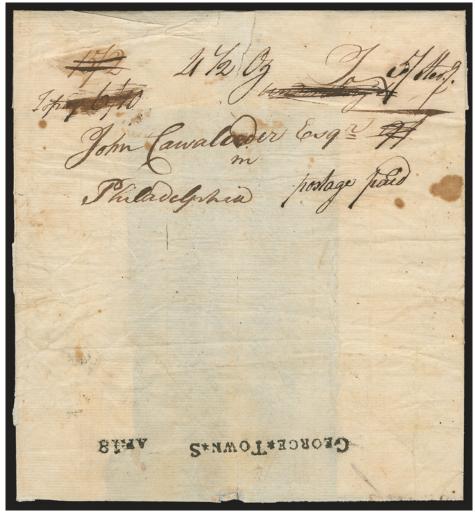
This cover pre-dates the Siskin cover with the same ASCC-listed "CHESTER*T SEPT 19" straightline, which was described as the only recorded example (Sep. 19, 1775). The Congressional Post was formed by the Resolution of July 26, 1775, so this cover represents an early use of the new marking and anticipatory use of the 6p rate, prior to the official creation of the Congressional Post.......

E. 750-1,000



2740

2740 ⋈ (Chester Town Md., 1776) "Chester Town 4". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, "1/10" due in local currency (4dwt=12p x 1.67 inflation factor=20p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh10p), receipt docketing "James Holliday, 15th Feb 9 1776", condition problems but worth expert restoration because this is a previously unrecorded Congressional Post-period manuscript postmark E. 300-400



2741

2741 (Georgetown Md., 1775) "GEORGE*TOWN*S AP:18". Separate town and date straightlines perfectly struck across back of folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, with a complex series of manuscript rate markings for an extremely heavy piece of mail which was underpaid at origin (explained below), repaired tear at top of address panel, slightly creased, displays beautifully when opened

A FASCINATING COVER, COMBINING THE EXTREMELY RARE GEORGETOWN, MARYLAND, STRAIGHTLINE WITH A REMARKABLE SERIES OF RATE MARKINGS. TRULY A UNIQUE REVOLUTIONARY WAR PERIOD COVER.

Although the "GEORGE*TOWN*S" straightline is listed in the *American Stampless Cover Catalog* under South Carolina, it is generally accepted that the marking was used at Georgetown, Maryland, during the transition from the British Parliamentary Post system to the Congressional Post. On that basis, the basic rate from Georgetown to Philadelphia in 1775 would have been 2dwt (or 6p) for a distance of 60-100 miles. When this cover was weighed at Georgetown, it was marked "4½ Oz", but rated "5/ Sterg. postage paid" in error. A ½-ounce letter should have been prepaid at 18x the 2dwt rate (36dwt=108p, or 9sh). Evidently, the mistake was caught by the Philadelphia post office, which marked the letter "underchargd 4/-" and noted the correct "9/" rate. The red "15/2" at upper left indicates the total amount of postage due in local currency if the letter had arrived without any prepayment (36dwt=108p x 1.67 inflation factor=180p plus 2p carrier fee, or 15sh2p). However, the "To pay 6/10" represents the difference between the total postage charge and the prepaid amount (5sh=20dwt=60p x 1.67 inflation factor=100p; therefore 182p - 100p=82p, or 6sh10p more to pay). After these calculations, all but the original rate markings were then crossed out!

Siskin reported two covers with this straightline marking, excluding this cover. His weaker strike on an ordinary 2dwt cover realized \$3,250 hammer...... E. 2,000-3,000



2742

2742 ☑ (Georgetown Md., 1775) "Geo Town 2". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on small folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia, red "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), receipt docketing "Henry [name?] 10th Jany. 1775", lightly soiled, Very Fine, mailed about two weeks later than the similar cover in Siskin collection (lot 124), which was described as the earliest known George Town Md. postmark................................. E. 750-1,000



2743

2743 ⋈ (Shrewsbury Md, 1774) "7d Postage Due to Yr. Humb. Servt. to Command, Alexr. Anderson". Unusual notation (possibly a postmark) on folded cover to John Cadwalader n Shrewsbury Md., receipt docketing "Joseph Peddle, 17 July 1774", one file fold toned, otherwise Fine, 7p postage is 3dwt8gr without inflation factor...... E. 300-400

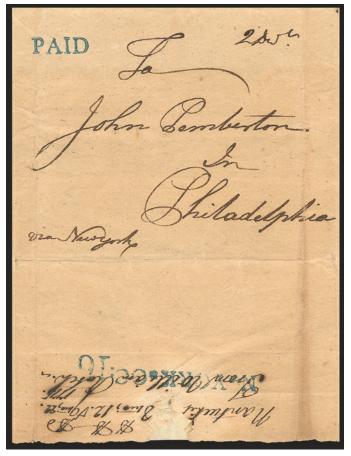


2744

2744 ⋈ (Princeton N.J., ca. 1775) "PRINCE*TON". Mostly bold strikes of separate town and "JUNE 17" straightlines on back of folded cover to Daniel Clymer in Philadelphia, manuscript "N-/8" 8-pence Congressional Post rate, red "1/4" due in local currency (8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), no yeardate but this marking was used in 1775, the entire cover has been expertly silked, some wear along folds and small tear at top

A FINE-APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE RARE "PRINCE*TON" STRAIGHTLINE USED WITH THE 8-PENCE CONGRESSIONAL POST RATE. AN OUTSTANDING COVER FROM THE 1774-1775 TRANSITIONAL PERIOD.

Very few examples of the "PRINCE*TON" straightline are known. It was first used during the transitional Congressional Post period (ASCC earliest date 7/5/1775, latest 9/11/1775). This cover with the 8p Congressional Post rate is especially desirable. ASCC Vol. 3 value \$2,000. E. 1,000-1,500

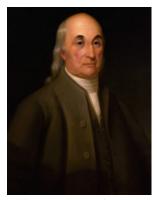


2746

2746 ⋈ (Nantucket Island to New York City, 1775) "N*YORK*OC:10". Clear strike of greenish-blue straightline on back with matching "PAID" handstamp and manuscript "2dwt" rate on front of folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, originating from William Rotch on Nantucket Island, sender's routing "via New York", receipt docketing "Nantucket 8th mo 12th & 9th mo 22d 1775, From William Rotch", parts of side panels removed and overall toning

AN IMPORTANT 1775 REVOLUTIONARY WAR PERIOD COVER FROM WILLIAM ROTCH, THE PREEMINENT WHALING MERCHANT ON NANTUCKET ISLAND, TO JAMES PEMBERTON IN PHILADELPHIA VIA THE CONGRESSIONAL POST IN NEW YORK CITY.

In 1775 the community leaders on Nantucket Island attempted to steer a course of neutrality in the war against England, hoping to maintain the whaling industry which was so vital to its local economy. Nantucketers justified their position with their Quaker beliefs. Colonists on the mainland were suspicious of the islanders and regarded their professed "neutrality", "pacificism" and "special status" with England as traitorous. On May 23, 1775, one hundred



William Rotch, Sr. (1734-1828) Courtesy of the New Bedford Whaling Museum. (Reproduced with permission).

"special status" with England as traitorous. On May 23, 1775, one hundred provincial soldiers landed on the island and commandeered supplies and whaleboats. Between May and July 1775, the Continental Congress put Nantucket under embargo out of concern that the British would obtain supplies and aid from Nantucketers.

This cover carried letters written by William Rotch in August and September 1775 to John Pemberton, a prominent Quaker merchant in Philadelphia. Rotch is arguably the most important figure in the 18th century whaling industry. In August 1775, Rotch had been called to appear before a committee of the Provincial Congress to defend his actions in refusing to surrender a supply of bayonets he obtained from the estate of a Boston merchant. He argued that his Quaker beliefs precluded him from turning over instruments "used for the destruction of mankind." Also at this time Rotch was actively petitioning the British ministry for the return of five of his ships seized by the British in September 1775. Rotch later became involved in various efforts to revive Nantucketers' whaling business, which had been decimated by the war (source: Leviathan: The History of Whaling in America, Eric Jay Dolin).



2747 front and back

2747 (New York N.Y., 1776) "N:YORK*MAY*20". Clear strike of greenish-blue Congressional Post straight-line (all in upper case) across backflaps of folded cover to James & Drinker in Philadelphia, "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), receipt docketing "Second River 20th May 1776 from Benja. Booth", expertly repaired tear thru marking (barely visible), otherwise Very Fine, the distinctive greenish-blue ink was used by the New York post office in 1775 and 1776 after the introduction of markings for the newly-created Constitutional Post...... E. 1,000-1,500



2748 ⋈

(New York N.Y., 1775) "N YORK DEC 6". Red straightline datestamp on back of folded cover to Israel Pemberton, manuscript "N6" Congressional Post rate and red manuscript "1/-" due in local currency (6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), pencil 1775 archival date, Very Fine, Siskin reported four examples of Congressional rates (per Resolution of July 26, 1775), this cover follows the September 1775 resolution adopting the 1765 British rates (to be expressed in pennyweights and grams), but clearly the "N6" is a six-pence Congressional rate (this cover and the June 1775 cover in lot 2749 are nearly identical)..... E. 750-1,000



- (New York N.Y., 1775) "N YORK JU: 6". Red straightline datestamp on back of folded cover to James & Drinker, manuscript "N6" Congressional Post rate and red manuscript "1/-" due in local currency (6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), receipt docketing "New York 28th June 1775 from Benja. Booth", Very Fine, Siskin reported four examples of Congressional rates (per Resolution of July 26, 1775), this cover and lot 2748 in this sale are nearly identical............................... E. 750-1,000
- (New York N.Y., 1776) "N*York, Aug:24". Greenish-blue strike of the Congressional Post straightline in upper/lower case across backflaps of folded cover endorsed "On public service" to "Richard Peters Esq., Secretary to the Board of War & Ordinance, Philadelphia" with "P Post" routing, manuscript "2" dwt rate and "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), receipt docketing "Letter from Wm Palfrey, 24th Augt. 1776", neatly strengthened fold, Very Fine, the distinctive greenish-blue ink was used by the New York post office in 1775 and 1776 after introduction of markings for the newly-created Constitutional Post, this is an exceptionally fine example on a war-correspondence cover from the magic year 1776 E. 500-750
- (Philadelphia Pa., 1776) "PHILA. AUG. 2". Straightline datestamp across backflaps of folded cover to "Col. John Dickinson of the Pennsylvania Militia at Elizabethtown", manuscript "2" dwt rate and "1/-" due in local currency (2dwt=6p x 1.67 inflation factor=10p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh), pencil note "From Charles Thomson" indicates the sender was the secretary of the Continental Congress, side panels reattached and entire cover has been silked, Very Fine appearance, in August 1776 Col. Dickinson led a company of Philadelphia militia into New Jersey to help defend against British attack ... E. 400-500

The following series of covers shows how mail from England to British-occupied New York City was routed to cities which the British did not occupy or control. All of the covers are addressed to John Reynell, a well-known Philadelphia merchant. The first was posted in September 1775, the month in which the Falmouth-New York Packet service was suspended. The next three covers were entrusted to Samuel Shoemaker, whose loyalty to the Crown ruined him in his home city of Philadelphia.



 $2753 \bowtie$ (New York N.Y., 1778) British Occupation of New York City. Folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, forwarder's notation "N. York 31 Octo: 1778 Forwardd by Thy affectiont Kinsman, S. Shoemaker", "EXETER" straightline handstamp on back and red manuscript "P 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p internal GB postage, receipt docketing "From Mary Groth, recd 11 month 1778", minor wear and toning, Fine, received in New York during British occupation and forwarded to Philadelphia was not occupied at this Samuel Shoemaker, according to time) by http://www.philaantiques.com/exhibit/2006.html: "Shoemaker was a successful businessman, propertyowner, and local politician. He was also loyal to the Crown, which would cost him dearly. When the British army under General Howe occupied Philadelphia in the winter of 1777-78, Shoemaker and others sent spies behind the American lines to collect information. For this, the Pennsylvania Assembly, in 1778, declared him guilty of treason, and confiscated all of his property, including Laurel Hill. The years that followed were difficult for the family. Samuel Shoemaker fled to New York and later to England, taking Edward with him, and Rebecca spent several years trying to reclaim her house, which was sold in 1782 to Major James Parr." E. 500-750



- 2754 ☑ (New York N.Y., 1779) British Occupation of New York City. Folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's directive "To the Care of Saml. Shoemaker, New York", "EXETER" straightline handstamp and red manuscript "P 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p internal GB postage, to the right is a small squiggle which could be a postmark, receipt docketing "From Mary Groth, Rec'd 5 of 11 mo: 1779", minor wear and toning, Fine, evidently received in New York during British occupation and forwarded to Philadelphia (which was not occupied at this time) E. 400-500
- (Trenton N.J., 1781) "Tren-1-8". Manuscript postmark and 1dwt 8gr rate on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's directive "To the Care of Saml. Shoemaker, New York", "EXETER" straightline handstamp and red manuscript "P 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p internal GB postage, manuscript "Pd 2d Str.", receipt docketing "From Mary Groth, Rec'd 14 of 4 mo: 1781, also another dated 3d of 8 mo: 1780", minor age stains, otherwise Fine, a remarkable usage, at this time New York City was occupied by the British (but Philadelphia was not), evidently this was sent by ship from England to Samuel Shoemaker in New York City, then privately carried to Trenton N.J. where it entered the mails to Philadelphia........................ E. 1,000-1,500

REVOLUTIONARY WAR—MILITARY CORRESPONDENCE

William Irvine (1741-1804)
by James Reid Lambdin,
copy after Robert Edge Pine,
ca.1788
Courtesy of
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania,
Atwater Kent Museum of Philadelphia



2756

William Irvine. Folded cover endorsed "Public Service" and addressed to "The Honorable William Irvine Esqr., Brigadier General in the armies of the United States, Carlisle" with instructions on back "Colonel Grier will be so obliging and send this Letter immediately to General Irvine. Mentges", strengthened along folds, bottom panel removed, scarce war-period usage (Irvine was appointed Brigadier-General May 12, 1779)..... E. 400-500



- 2758

 William Irvine. Folded cover addressed to "Brigadier General William Irvine at Camp" with sender's directive "Honored by Captn. Vanderhorst", no date but Irvine was made Brigadier-General on May 12, 1779, Very Fine military usage E. 300-400
- 2760

 William Irvine. Folded cover addressed to "The Honble Brigadier General Irvine, Fort Pitt" with "War Office, Virginia" endorsement, undated but ca. 1782 based on Irvine's rank and location, backflap and edge of address panel at top left repaired, silked, Fine appearance.......

 E. 300-400



Anthony Wayne (1745-1796) Reproduced from Appleton's biographies



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Anthony Wayne Eoghi,
Colonel Commandant
Fabored by: I Siconderogas

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 "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Folded cover addressed "To Colonel Anthony Wayne at Ticonderoga" with directive "Favor'd by pr the Reverence Mr. Jones", pencil notation "Aug. 25/76 Abm. Robinson", paper reinforcements and repairs to flaps, otherwise Fine, Colonel Wayne and his battalion joined the Pennsylvania brigade in the Spring of 1776 to reinforce the Canadian expedition which ultimately failed....... E. 400-500
- "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Folded cover addressed "To Anthony Wayne, Esqr., Colonel Commandant at Ticonderoga" with "On Public Service" endorsement and directive "Favored by Col. Baldwin", receipt docketing "20th Feby. 1777 Major Measam" referring to George Measam, Commissary General of Clothing, faint toning, Very Fine, sent to Wayne in the month he was promoted to Brigadier-General and a few months before he left his difficult command post at Fort Ticonderoga to join Washington at Morristown.

 E. 400-500



- 2763 ☑ "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Folded cover addressed "To General Anthy. Wayne at Camp", receipt docketing "2nd June 1778 Col. Robinson", sender's directive "P Henry" (courier's name), minor tissue strengthening behind folds, slightly worn file fold touches signature, sent to General "Mad" Anthony Wayne at Washington's camp at Valley Forge, on June 15 the British evacuated Philadelphia, and shortly after General Wayne participated in the indecisive Battle of Monmouth between Washington's and Lee's armies E. 300-400
- 2765

 "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Folded cover addressed "To Honble. Brigadier Genl. Wayne, Comg in New Jersey" and endorsed "War Office", receipt docketing "15th Decr 1780 from The War Office" which places this correspondence in the month that troops under Wayne's command mutinied over grievances about pay and terms of service, reinforced folds, top panels removed and slightly reduced, Fine E. 200-300

FLAG-OF-TRUCE MAIL



2766

2766 Elag-of-Truce Cover to Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Thomas Bradford Esqr., Commissary of Prisoners, Philadelphia" with "p Flag" (flag of truce) endorsement, paper affixed to top panel, Very Fine, rare Revolutionary War flag-of-truce cover to the Deputy Commissary of Prisoners................................ E. 750-1,000



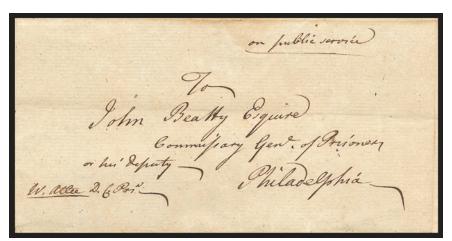
2767

COMMISSARY OF PRISONERS



2768

John Beatty. New Jersey delegate to Continental Congress (1784-85); entered the Continental Army in 1775 and promoted to Major; captured at the surrender of Fort Washington; after his exchange was appointed Commissary General of Prisoners with the rank of Colonel on May 28, 1778, resigned March 31, 1780; "Jno. Beatty" endorsement as Commissary General of Prisoners and "Public Service" on folded cover addressed in his hand to "Thomas Bradford, Dy. Comy. Prisoners, Philadelphia", slightly toned along folds, paper across bottom panel and reinforcing along folds, still Very Fine, rare Revolutionary War cover from the Commissary General of Prisoners to his deputy........ E. 500-750



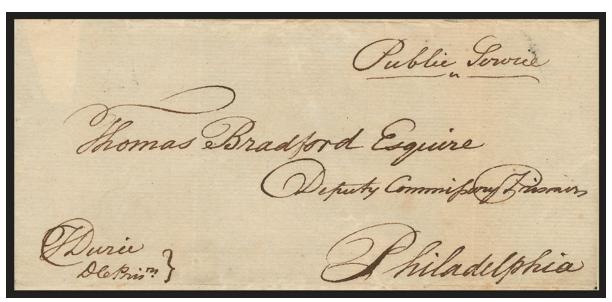
2769

John Beatty. Folded cover addressed "To John Beatty Esquire, Commissary Genl. of Prisoners or deputy, Philadelphia" with "W. Allee D.C.Prisr" and "on public service" endorsements, receipt docketing "Wm. Atlee Esqr. Feby 27th 1778", paper affixed to bottom panel, slightly reduced, Very Fine, Beatty became Commissary General of Prisoners after Elias Boudinot resigned due to health problems in 1777, at this point (Feb. 1778) the Americans held thousands of British prisoners from Burgoyne's army, according to http://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/usgenweb/pa/york/history/gibson/windsor-prison.txt: "When Gen. Burgoyne surrendered to Gen. Gates at Saratoga in October, 1777, his soldiers were imprisoned at different places. Many of them were sent to Lancaster, and in February, 1778, they were brought to York County. At a session of the Executive Council at Lancaster, February 12, 1778, W. A. Atlee, commissary of prisoners, informed the council 'that there were a number of British prisoners now to be removed to York, and that Capt. Long, with a company of York County militia on their way home, their term of service having expired that day; but they would conduct the prisoners to York if they were allowed rations and pay for the time." E. 500-750



2770

2770
Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Thomas Bradford Esquire, Commissary Prisoners, Philadelphia" with sender's directive "favd by Captn. Welsh" and endorsed "John Adam, D.C. Prisrs.", paper across bottom, slightly reduced, still Very Fine, John Adam (also "Adams") was the Deputy Commissary of Prisoners at Elizabethtown N.J. E. 400-500



2771

2771

Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Thomas Bradford Esquire, Deputy Commissary of Prisoners, Philadelphia" with "Public Service" and "J. Durie DC Prisn." endorsements, slightly reduced, paper affixed to bottom panel, Fine, scarce correspondence between Deputy Commissaries of Prisoners during the Revolutionary War E. 400-500

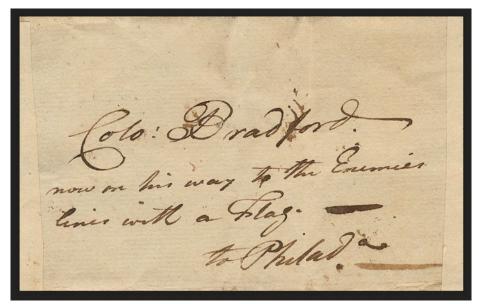


2772

■ Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Thomas Bradford Esqr., Commissary of Prisnr. at Philadelphia" with "Jos. Holmes D.C.G. of P. for Virginia" and "On Public Service" endorsements, no date, paper affixed to bottom panel, slightly toned, still Very Fine, Joseph Holmes was the Deputy Commissary of Prisoners for Virginia, this possibly dates from January 1781 when Holmes corresponded with Bradford regarding prisoners captured at the Battle of the Cowpens E. 500-750



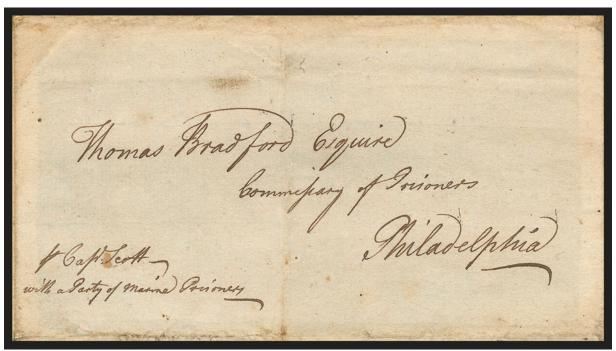
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■ Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Colo. Bradford, now on his way to the Enemies lines with a Flag to Philada.", receipt docketing "Col. Adam Hubley, May 27, 1778", paper affixed over folds, Fine, a very unusual and rare reference to flag-of-truce activity by the Deputy Commissary of Prisoners................................. E. 500-750



2775



2776



2777

2777 ₪ **Thomas Bradford.** Folded cover addressed to "Thomas Bradford Esq., Commissary Prisoners, Philadelphia" with sender's directive "Pr. Polly Flagg", toned at right, paper affixed to bottom panel, Fine................................. E. 300-400



2778 ☑ Thomas Bradford. Folded cover addressed to "Thos. Bradford Esqr., Commissary of Prisnr. Philadelphia", clearly struck "BALTIMORE,/FEBRUARY 27" two-line datestamp, manuscript "4" dwt rate, no date (ca. 1781), paper reinforcements along folds, slight toning, otherwise Very Fine, the 4dwt rate corresponds to the February 1781 rates at double the 1775 rates...... E. 400-500



2779



2780

Abraham Skinner. "A. Skinner CGP" and "On public service" endorsements on folded cover addressed in his hand to "Thomas Bradford Esquire, D. Comy. Prisoners, Philadelphia", no date, with paper affixed to bottom panel and reinforced along folds, minor soiling, Fine, Abraham Skinner succeeded John Beatty as Commissary General of Prisoners in March 1780, covers with this endorsement are extremely rare, (for more information, go to www.earlyamerica.com/review/2002 summer fall/pows.htm)...... E. 500-750



2781

Abraham Skinner. "A. Skinner, Com. Gen. Pris." endorsement as Commissary General of Prisoners and "public service" on folded cover addressed in his hand to "The Hon. Brigr. Genl. Wayne at Camp near Morris Town", receipt docketing "28th Decr. 1780 from Major Skinner Commg. Prisoners", neatly reinforced folds, Very Fine, Major Abraham Skinner succeeded John Beatty as Deputy Commissary General of Prisoners in March 1780

E. 500-750

BRITISH COMMISSARY OF PRISONERS



2782

Thomas Brad ford Esquire Commissary of Prisoners

Philadelphia

On This Majestes Service

2784

Cap. W. H. H. Sarjeant

Commissary of Prisoners

at Havana

- 2783 ☑ "Commissary of Prisoners, Bahama Islands". Ms. endorsement with "On His Majesty's Service" on folded cover addressed "To Capt. W. H. Sarjeant, Commander of Ship Columbia of South Carolina at Havana", paper taped over folds (reversible), a fascinating Revolutionary War cover from the British Commissary of Prisoners in the Bahamas...... E. 500-750
- Prince of Wales' American Regiment. Folded cover addressed to "To Thomas Bradford Esquire, Commissary of Prisoners, Philadelphia" with endorsement "p Capt. Lyman of y. Prince of Wales' Regt.", paper affixed to bottom panel, Very Fine, extremely rare postal reference to the Prince of Wales' American Regiment, a group of Loyalist troops commanded by Monfort Browne, Governor of the Island of New Providence (Bahamas), for a fascinating history of this regiment, see www.royalprovincial.com/Military/rhist/pwar/pwarhist.htm E. 500-750

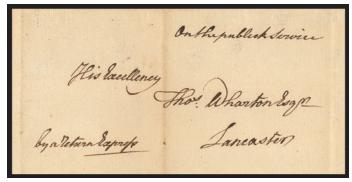
MILITARY HOSPITALS



2785 (Purveyor General of Military Hospitals, 1778) "BALTIMORE/SEPTEMBER 9". Two-line date-stamp on back of folded cover to "Dr. J. Potts, Purveyor General of the Military Hospitals, Philadelphia", manuscript "4" dwt rate, 1778 pencil archival note, slight toning remains after expert cleaning, Very Fine appearance, scarce war-period usage.................. E. 200-300

Continental Army Hospitals. Two folded covers, one addressed to the Deputy Director General of Military Hospitals, Middle Department, at Reading Pa. with "favd. by Doctr. Cutting, Apothecary General", other to Jonathan Potts, Director of the General Hospital, Northern Department, at Fort George or Ticonderoga, neither dated, minor faults or repairs, Fine, covers to or from Revolutionary War military hospitals are rarely seen; Dr. Jonathan Potts was appointed in April 1777 the Medical Director General of the Northern Department, and joined the army at Albany, in November 1777 he returned to Reading, having been furloughed, and was appointed by Congress the Director General of the hospitals of the Middle Department (reference: Physician of the American Revolution: Jonathan Potts by Richard L. Blanco), for detailed history of military hospitals during the Revolutionary War, go to http://history.amedd.army.mil/booksdocs/rev/gillett1/..................................(Photo Ex) E. 300-400

MILITARY EXPRESS



(Pennsylvania Military Express, 1777) "by a return Express". Sender's directive on folded cover addressed to "His Excellency Thos. Wharton Esqr., Lancaster" with "On the publick service" endorsement, receipt docketing "1777 Decr. 22d from Major General John Armstrong", small repair in flap opening, Very Fine, John Armstrong was originally commissioned as a Brigadier-General in the Continental Army (1776) and helped to defend Charleston S.C. against British attack, but he resigned in 1777 and joined the Pennsylvania militia as a Major-General, taking part in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown; Armstrong also served as a Pennsylvania delegate to the Continental Congress (1778-80, 1787-88); the addressee, Thomas Wharton, was the President of the Pennsylvania Executive Council (analogous to Governor); in September 1777 he and other state government representatives evacuated Philadelphia in the face of invading British forces; it is in this context that the militia's express rider carried this communication from Major-General Armstrong to Pennsylvania President Wharton in Lancaster................. E. 1,000-1,500

1775-82 PERIOD AND 1782-92 CONFEDERATION POST



- 2788 (Middletown Conn., 1784) "Middletown 4". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt rate on folded cover to John Chaloner in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Middletown Oc 23 1784 N. Hubbard", wax seal stain at top, still Very Fine, scarce Confederation Post marking, ASCC Vol. 1 value \$900...... E. 400-500
- 2789 (Baltimore Md., 1788-89) Straightline Handstamps. Two folded covers to Mathew Carey in Philadelphia, 1788 with "BALTIMORE MARCH 23" and 1789 with large slanted "BALTIMORE" and manuscript "Feb. 8th" date, latter with sender's instructions "To be delivered with Speed" (slightly reduced at bottom into this line), Very Fine(Photo Ex) E. 300-400
- 2790 (Chester Town Md., 1783) "Chester Town 2". Manuscript postmark and 2dwt rate on folded cover to Josias and Samuel Coates at Second Street in Philadelphia, tiny manuscript "8d" due, receipt docketing "John Galloway, June 20. 83", toned file folds, otherwise Fine, a rare and previously unrecorded Confederation Post marking...... E. 400-500





- 2794 ⋈ (Maryland, 1784) "By his Excy's The Govrs. Boat". Sender's manuscript route instructions on folded cover addressed to Gen. John Cadwalader in Annapolis Md., receipt docketing "Letter, Edwd. Tilghman, 26 Novr. 1784", repaired opening tear at top, otherwise Very Fine, Edward Tilghman was a prominent Maryland attorney and friend of John Paca (Governor of Maryland 1782-85), this route notation is very rare and unusual................................ E. 300-400



- 2796 ⋈ (Newburyport Mass., 1783) "NP—4.16". Manuscript postmark and 4dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to Samuel Coates in Philadelphia, receipt docketing ""From William Wyce, 20 Decr. 1783", worn and toned at left, still Fine, scarce Confederation Post postmark, ASCC Vol. 1 value \$800...... E. 200-300



- 2802 ⋈ (Philadelphia Pa., 1776) "Way 2.16". Red manuscript "way" postmark and 2dwt 16gr rate on folded cover to John Pemberton in Philadelphia, red "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh4p), sender's routing "p favour of John Blaney", side panels removed but "1776" remains from docketing, otherwise Fine.................. E. 200-300



forwarder's notation "Rcd. Philada. Sepr. 20th 1785 under cover and forwarded by your Friend, Step. Collins", receipt docketing "From Henry Chapman on Mr. Pallew's affair, Sep. 17, 1785", slightly toned, otherwise Very Fine, Philadelphia usually did not apply a town marking during this period E. 300-400 $2806 \boxtimes$ (Philadelphia Pa., ca. 1786) "PAID*". Bold straightline handstamp with "II/JA" (Jan. 11) Franklin mark and manuscript "Way 2" dwt rate on folded cover to General Cadwalader in Kent County Md. with sender's instructions "to be left at Stewart's Tavern", small opening tear and nick at top, otherwise Fine, no yeardate but postmarked during period when Philadelphia did not usually apply a town marking..... E. 300-400 (Philadelphia Pa.) "Way 2.16". Ms. "way" postmark and 2dwt16gr rate on folded cover to James $2807 \boxtimes$ Willson in Philadelphia, "1/4" due in local currency (2dwt16gr=8p x 1.67 inflation factor=14p plus 2p, or 1sh4p with carrier fee), reinforcements and flap repair, Very Fine E. 200-300 (Philadelphia Pa., 1784) "Way 4". Manuscript "way" postmark and 4dwt rate on folded cover to John $2808 \bowtie$ Chaloner in Philadelphia, "1/10" due in local currency (4dwt=12p x 1.67 inflation factor=20p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh10p), receipt docketing "Hartford Oct. 17, 1784, Jere. Wadsworth", referring to Jeremiah Wadsworth (Conn. delegate to Continental Congress), toning along folds evident only on back, Very Fine E. 300-400 2809 ⋈ (Virginia, 1780) "Post Paid 94". Manuscript 94dwt 20-times inflation factor (4dwt16gr=14p x 20 inflation factor=280p plus 2d way fee, or 94dwt) on folded cover to Dr. Thomas Parke in Philadelphia, originated in Virginia based on receipt docketing "Ez: Edwards Virginia, 13th March 1780", adhesive stains from tissue repairs, otherwise Fine, very scarce, Siskin reported only four 20x rate covers (although others are known) E. 400-500



- 2810 ⋈ (Alexandria Va., 1787) "ALEX, NOV 12". Bold straightline datestamp and manuscript "6.16" double rate (6dwt 16gr) on folded cover to Josiah and Samual Coates in Philadelphia, "3/" due in local currency (6dwt16gr=20p x 1.67 inflation factor=34p plus 2p carrier fee, or 3sh), receipt docketing "From William Harshorn, received 15th novemr. 1787", toned file fold, otherwise Very Fine, scarce Confederation Post marking, earlier than the ASCC EDU (valued at \$400)...... E. 200-300

- (Williamsburg Va., 1776) "Wmsburg 4". Red manuscript postmark and 4dwt rate on folded cover to John Cadwalader in Philadelphia with "from Patrick Henry Esqr." on second line, red "1/10" due in local currency (4dwt=12p x 1.67 inflation factor=20p plus 2p carrier fee, or 1sh10p), receipt docketing "Mr. Patrick Henry's Letter" and trace of 1776 year date at edge where reduced, torn at top left, toned file folds and some splitting, still presentable, Patrick Henry ("Give me liberty or give me death!") was in Williamsburg in 1776 when he was elected first post-colonial Governor of Virginia E. 300-400
- (Williamsburg Va., ca. 1790) "WILLIAMS,B,G, APR 16". Straightline datestamp and "Paid" hand-stamp with manuscript "3" dwt rate on folded cover to "The Honble. James Wilson, one of the Judges of the supreme court of the United States Philadelphia", red "1/" at upper left (its meaning is unclear since this was prepaid 3dwt), no yeardate but the straightline was used in 1790 and Wilson was appointed by George Washington as an Associate Justice to the newly-formed Supreme Court in 1789, skillfully cleaned, Very Fine appearance, unusual and scarce early postal reference to the Supreme Court.......

 E. 300-400

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE FROM 1792



- 2815 (Florence Ala., 1828) "Steam Boat Friendship". Ms. name-of-boat marking and "Florence Alabama. April 14" double-line circular datestamp, day and "25" rate in manuscript on folded cover to Huntsville Ala., pencil note "1828", Very Fine, unlisted Tennessee River steamboat marking.................................. E. 150-200
- (Hartford Conn., 1794) "HART*D OCT 12". Straightline datestamp on ca. 1794 folded cover originating in Philadelphia with "2/OC" Franklin mark (no town marking as usual in this period) and manuscript "20" for 250-350 mile rate to James Wilson in Hartford, forwarded between Hartford, Boston and New York City with three additional rates and total postage of "65" cents, we have trouble tracing the route, but the trip ended in Boston, top panel restored, toned and worn along edges (skillfully reinforced), otherwise Fine, a remarkable cover E. 300-400
- 2817 ⋈ (Delaware River, 1804) "Appoquinimink Packet". Sender's manuscript routing on folded cover addressed to Archibald McCall in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "1804 July 5, R. K. Hatch, Meadows, recd July 10th, ansd 23d", left side panels removed, sharp file fold, otherwise Very Fine, a rare postal reference to packets operating on the Appoquinimink River E. 300-400
- 2819 (Apalachicola, Florida Terr., 1837) "Apalachicola F.Ty. Apr. 11" Lightly struck circular datestamp on folded cover to Philadelphia wth "Express Mail from Augusta" sender's routing, manuscript "25" rate corrected to "75" express rate, 1837 receipt docketing, Very Fine, very scarce U.S. Express Mail usage from Florida Territory (ASCC value for Apalachicola is \$350.00)



2820 ⋈ (Fort Wilkinson Ga., 1805) "Ft. Wilkinson, 14 July 1805". Manuscript postmark and "Free" on folded cover to Secretary of Way Henry Dearborn at Washington D.C., right side panels removed and lightly soiled, otherwise Very Fine, scarce military postmark from this short-lived garrison (1797-1806; post office 1798-1805), listed in ASCC Vol. 1 at \$600...... E. 400-500 2821 ⋈ (Savannah Ga., 1796) "P Georgia Packet". Ms. sender's routing on folded cover to Mathew Carey in Philadelphia, no date but archival note "Savannah 1796", minor faults along folds, Fine, a scarce early reference to regular waterway mail service between Philadelphia and Georgia...... E. 200-300 2822 ⋈ (Lexington Ky.) "LEX. K. Aug' 6." Straightline datestamp boldly struck with red manuscript "50" rate on folded cover to Thomas Clifford & Son in Philadelphia, very slightly toned, Very Fine, ASCC value \$200.... (Buffalo N.Y., 1848) "Buffalo N.Y. Paid 3". Blue integral-rate handstamp (without date) on 1848 2823 ⋈ printed circular for Sprague & Wardwell's Oil Manufactory with illustration of sperm whale fighting off whalers, to Irvine Pa., Extremely Fine....... E. 150-200 (Briceland Crossroads Pa.) "BRICELAND X R. RA.APL.28". Straightline datestamp with "X" 2824 ⋈ (Cross) on its side, manuscript "Double Paid 37½" rate on folded cover to David Paul Brown in Philadelphia, minor edge toning, still Very Fine, scarce..... E. 150-200 (Lancaster Pa., 1804) "By negro Farmer Teller". Sender's manuscript routing on folded cover to 2825 ⋈ "Major Thomas McKean junr. At the Governor's, In Philadelphia", part of receipt docketing intact indicates 1804 yeardate from Lancaster Pa., file folds and minor toning, small flap repair, Fine, a scarce and early reference to use of an African-American farm worker to carry mail (presumably a

slave) E. 200-300



- 2826

 Noblestown Pa. Stencil town handstamp with serrated circle and manuscript "Feb. 23" date on folded cover to David Paul Brown in Philadelphia, manuscript "18¾" rate, slight edgewear, Very Fine, very rare E. 200-300
- Noblestown Pa. Stencil town handstamp with serrated circle and manuscript "June 1st" date on folded cover to David Paul Brown in Philadelphia, manuscript "18¾" rate, Extremely Fine, very rare..........
- 2828 (Philadelphia Pa., 1797) to "Hugh Morton's Tavern". "2/SE" and "PAID" handstamps (no townmark as usual for Philadelphia in this period) on folded cover with remarkable address to "Henry S. Drinker, to be left on the Road between Bristol and Trenton Falls near the 26 mile Stone at Hugh Morton's Tavern", receipt docketing "Philad. 9 mo 2 1797 HD to ED", Very Fine, a fascinating cover E. 200-300
- 2830

 "March 16th 1809 Williamsport Pa." Manuscript postmark inside handstamped circle with manuscript "17" rate on folded cover to Philadelphia, Very Fine, rare E. 150-200

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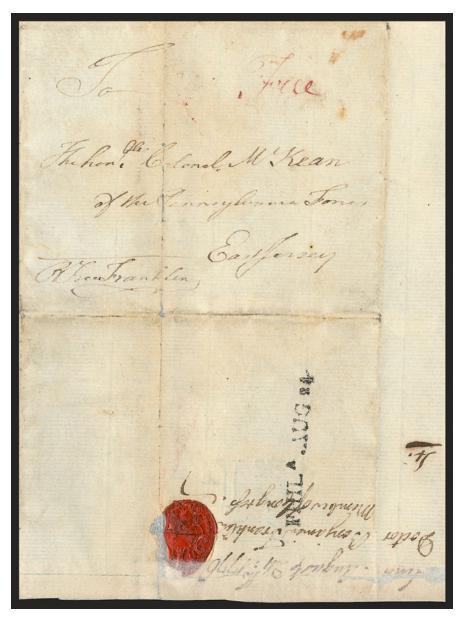
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FREE FRANKS AND RELATED COVERS SIGNERS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



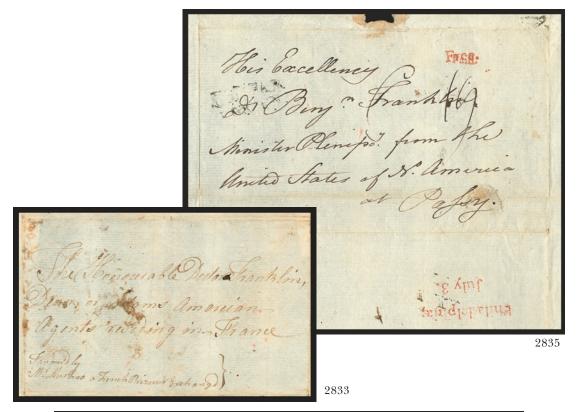
2832

Benjamin Franklin. Free frank "B Free Franklin" as Continental Postmaster General and delegate to Second Continental Congress on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Thomas McKean of the Pennsylvania Forces in "East Jersey" (Perth Amboy N.J.), clear strike of "PHILA. AUG. 24" (1776) straightline datestamp, red manuscript "Free", receipt docketing "August 24th 1776, Doctor Franklin, Member of Congress", skillfully strengthened along folds and small repairs

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE "B. FREE FRANKLIN" FRANK AS POSTMASTER GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL POST AND DELEGATE TO THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, USED SHORTLY AFTER FRANKLIN SIGNED THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

On July 26, 1775, the Continental Congress established the position of Postmaster General of the United Colonies and appointed Benjamin Franklin to the post. One year later, the Declaration of Independence was signed. This cover was sent by Franklin in August 1776 after he signed the Declaration and before he left Philadelphia in October 1776 on his historic trip to France. Examples of Franklin's signature as Continental Postmaster General and delegate to the Continental Congress are extremely rare in any form. This cover is addressed in Franklin's hand to Thomas McKean, who later signed the Declaration and served as President of the Continental Congress (7/10/1781 to 11/4/1781)......

E. 20,000-30,000





- 2833
 Benjamin Franklin. Folded cover addressed to "The Honourable Doctor Franklin, Dean or Adams, American Agents residing in France" with significant sender's directive "Favor'd by Mr. Mushro, a French Prisoner Exchangd", receipt docketing "Prisoners Request, Pembroke in St. Wales Jany 29 '80", minor staining and repairs to backflaps E. 500-750
- 2834
 Benjamin Franklin. Large part of folded cover (front and one flap) addressed in French to Benjamin Franklin as "Comissaire Gl. de Treize Provinces Libre du Nort Amera." at Voltaire's home in Paris, "MARSEILLE" straighttline and manuscript "18" rate, Franklin and Voltaire were close friends, and Franklin was a houseguest at times during his stay in France...... E. 300-400

JOHN HANCOCK



2836

John Hancock. Signer of Declaration of Independence, delegate from Massachusetts, free frank "Congress Philada. John Hancock" as President of Second Continental Congress on folded cover endorsed "On Publick Service" and addressed in his hand "To James Milligan Esqr., Commissioner for Adjusting the Publick Accounts in the Northern Department at Philadelphia", receipt docketing "Instructions from The Honorable John Hancock, President of Congress, August 16th 1776", small stain spot along top fold

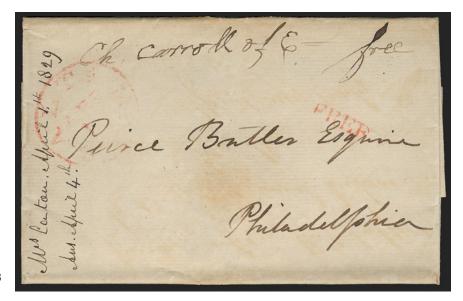
EXTREMELY FINE. A RARE JOHN HANCOCK FREE FRANK AS PRESIDENT OF THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS IN SESSION AT PHILADELPHIA, WHERE THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WAS SIGNED ONLY WEEKS EARLIER.

Although the final draft of the Declaration of Independence was signed by several delegates on July 4, 1776, the majority of delegates did not sign until August 2, and some even later than that. Word of the Declaration reached England about one week before John Hancock sent this communication to James Milligan, who served as a comptroller in the newly-formed United States government...... E. 4,000-5,000

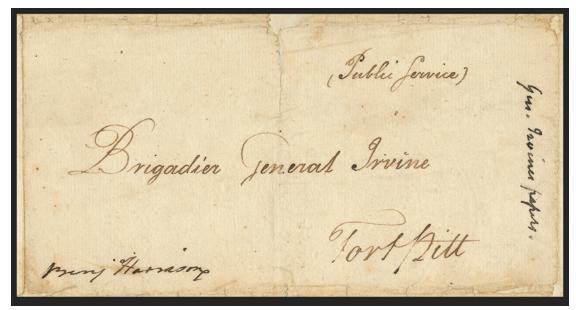


2837

John Hancock. Folded cover addressed "To The Honorable John Hancock Esqr., President of Congress", receipt docketing "Letter from Richd Dalham DPMG requesting to be supplied with Money, November 10, 1776", Very Fine, Hancock was President of the Continental Congress from May 1775 to October 1777, Richard Dallam was Deputy Paymaster General of the Flying Camp from July to October 1776............................... E. 500-750



2838 ☑ Charles Carroll. Signer of Declaration of Independence, delegate from Maryland (Continental Congresses of 1777-77), free frank "Ch Carroll of C free" (Charles Carroll of Carrollton) in his infirm hand on folded cover to Pierce Butler in Philadelphia, red "Balte. Md. Apr. 1" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, receipt docketing "Mrs. Canton, April 1st 1829, Ans. April 4th", Very Fine, as the last living Signer, the distinguished Senator Carroll was the beneficiary of an Act of Congress in 1828 giving him free-franking privileges for life (which lasted until 1832) E. 1,000-1,500

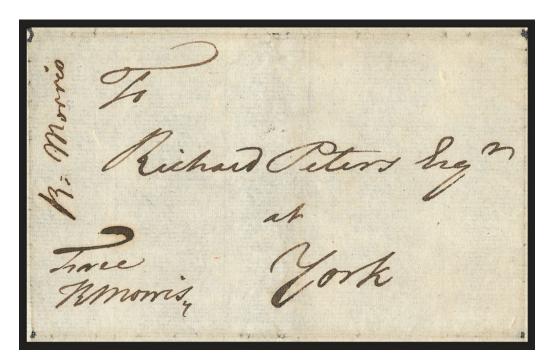


2839

Benjamin Harrison. Signer of the Declaration of Independence, elected to Virginia House of Burgesses (1764), Virginia delegate to the Continental Congress (1774-77), re-elected to House of Burgesses (1777), selected as Speaker (1778), Governor of Virginia (1782-84, 1791), father of William Henry Harrison and great-grandfather of Benjamin Harrison, free frank "Benj Harrison" on folded cover addressed in another hand to Brigadier-General William Irvine at Fort Pitt, "Public Service" endorsement, docketed "Gen. Irvines papers" without date but Irvine was promoted to Brigadier-General in 1779 and given command of Fort Pitt in the March 1782, therefore this likely dates from Harrison's term as Governor of Virginia, backed with paper, some wear and eroded spots along folds, but the franking signature and writing are bold and the cover is very presentable

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE FREE FRANK OF BENJAMIN HARRISON, SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND PATRIARCH OF TWO FUTURE PRESIDENTS.

Although Benjamin Harrison served his country and state in several offices, his franking signature is extremely rare. The ASCC lists Harrison without a value...... E. 2,000-3,000



Robert Morris. Signer of the Declaration of Independence, delegate from Pennsylvania $2840 \bowtie$ (Continental Congress of 1776-78), Superintendent of Finance (1781-84), known as the "financier of the Revolution" and Senator (1789-95), free frank "Free R. Morris" as delegate to the Continental Congress on folded cover addressed in his hand to Richard Peters at York Pa., receipt docketing "Dec. 1777 Mr. Smith as Secy to the Bd War", minor edgewear, Very Fine, very scarce Revolutionary War period free frank, Richard Peters was the Secretary of the Board of War at this time E. 1,000-1,500



2841

Robert Morris. Signer of the Declaration of Independence, delegate from Pennsylvania $2841 \bowtie$ (Continental Congress of 1776-78), Superintendent of Finance (1781-84), known as the "financier of the Revolution" and Senator (1789-95), free frank "Free R. Morris" as U.S. Senator on folded cover addressed in another hand to Henry Drinker in Philadelphia, lightly struck "N-York Aug. 24" straightline and "Free" handstamp, 1789 docketing on flap, toned file folds, otherwise Fine, bold franking signature of this prominent Signer.... E. 750-1,000



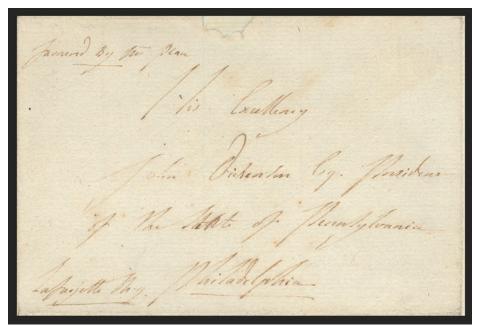
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 Caesar A. Rodney. Signer of the Declaration of Independence from Delaware, free frank "Free C. A. Rodney" on folded cover addressed in his hand to George Read in New Castle Del., Very Fine E. 150-200

FREE FRANKS—REVOLUTIONARY WAR FIGURES



- 2845 Alexander Colden. Loyalist during Revolutionary War, free frank "Free Alexr. Colden" and "On his Majesty's Service" endorsement on folded cover to Richard Peters in Philadelphia, part of docketing is intact ("4 Septr. Mr. Colden") but no year date, reinforced folds, Fine....... E. 400-500
- David Grier. Folded cover addressed to "Lt. Col. David Grier or Officer Commanding the 7th Penna. Regiment, American Camp" with sender's directive "favd by Mr. McCollam", some wear and foxing, otherwise Fine, Grier was commissioned as Lieutenant Colonel of the 7th Battalion on the Jan. 12, 1777, he was wounded in the Battle of Paoli in September 1777 E. 300-400



2848

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■ Marquis de Lafayette. Revolutionary War hero from France, free frank "Lafayette M.g."

(Major-General) on folded cover addressed in his hand to "His Excellency John Dickinson Esq. President of the State of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia" with "favored by" notation (name illegible), intact red wax seal, no date, backing paper, repaired around opening on flap (extends slightly over top edge)

VERY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE'S FREE FRANK WITH HIS RANK AS MAJOR-GENERAL IN THE AMERICAN ARMY.

John Dickinson was the governor of Pennsylvania from 1782 to 1785, which narrows the timeframe of this undated cover. Lafayette was in the United States and France during this period, and it is possible this privately-carried cover originated in either country.

E. 1,500-2,000



- William Moore. Pennsylvania Council of Safety (1776) and Board of War (1777), Pennsylvania's Supreme Executive Council (Vice President 1779-81, President 1781-82), free frank "Wm. Moore" as Pennsylvania State President on folded cover addressed to "Honble Brigadier General William Irvine at Fort Pitt" with "on publick service" endorsement, file fold and small flap repair, Very Fine, Brigadier-General Irvine was given command of Fort Pitt in the March 1782 until the end of the war................ E. 400-500

FREE FRANKS—PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES GEORGE WASHINGTON TO GENERAL "MAD" ANTHONY WAYNE



2852

George Washington. Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand to "The Honble. Brigadr. Genl. Wayne at Tyconderoga" with "On public service" endorsement, receipt docketing "12th April 1777, Genl. Washington" and an additional notation "Recal from Tyconderoga", folds reinforced with paper, file fold slightly affect first letter of signature, couple other small erosion spots

A FINE AND RARE WASHINGTON FREE FRANK AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO "MAD" ANTHONY WAYNE AT TICONDEROGA IN APRIL 1777.

According to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission website: "In the spring of 1776 Wayne and his battalion went with the Pennsylvania brigade to reinforce the Canadian expedition, through which Congress had hoped to gain another colony for the American cause. By his personal bravery and leadership Wayne held his troops together to cover the retreat of the American army after the defeat at Three Rivers on the St. Lawrence. Congress abandoned the effort to win Canada, and Wayne was placed in command of Fort Ticonderoga. Here he had for the first time the thankless task of maintaining discipline among troops from various states who were disinclined to follow the orders of a Pennsylvania commander. Commanding Fort Ticonderoga was not as enjoyable as his childhood game of fighting for it. In February, 1777, he was made a brigadier general, and in April he left Ticonderoga to join Washington at Morristown, New Jersey, and take command of the Pennsylvania Line." (www.phmc.state.pa.us/ppet/wayne/page2.asp?secid=31). The cover offered here contained Washington's orders to depart Fort Ticonderoga and return to Pennsylvania. ... E. 4,000-5,000



2853
George Washington. Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand "To Brig. Genl. Wayne [?] near Peekskill" with "On public service" endorsement, receipt docketing "28th Novr. 1778 Genl. Washington", some grime, the signature and writing are clear

A FINE COVER FRANKED AND SENT BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO "MAD" ANTHONY WAYNE IN NOVEMBER 1778.

In November-December 1778, Washington moved his army to the second Middlebrook encampment. Brigadier-General Wayne was marching to King's Ferry at the time this cover was sent from Washington's camp. E. 2,000-3,000



2854

2854 © George Washington. Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand to "Brigr. Genl. Wayne at Fort Montgomery" with "Public service" endorsement, receipt docketing "5th July 1779 from Genl. Washington", silked to reinforce wear along folds and minor repairs to back panels and edges, the signature is bold and completely sound

FINE APPEARANCE. FRANKED BY COMMANDING GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON AND SENT TO "MAD" ANTHONY WAYNE IN JULY 1779 JUST TEN DAYS BEFORE HIS LEGENDARY EXPLOITS AT STONY POINT.

On July 15, 1779, General "Mad" Anthony Wayne led a nighttime assault on the British fort at Stony Point on the Hudson River. The Americans took the fort, which gave an important boost to morale at a low point in the war. Congress awarded him a medal for the victory, and in November 1779 the North Carolina General Assembly honored Brigadier-General Wayne with a county in his name................... E. 3,000-4,000



2855

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George Washington. Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand "To Brigr. General Wayne, commanding Light Infantry" with "On public service" endorsement, receipt docketing "5th Novr. 1779 from Genl. Washington", folded reinforced with paper, some faint stains and file fold slightly affect last letters of signature

VERY FINE. A RARE GEORGE WASHINGTON FREE FRANK SENT AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO "MAD" ANTHONY WAYNE IN NOVEMBER 1779.

In November 1779 Washington's army set up camp at Morristown N.J. and braced themselves for an unusually severe winter. The shortage of supplies, including blankets, prompted Washington to inform Congress, "Nothing can be more injurious or discouraging, than our having only four thousand nine hundred Blankets to distribute to the whole Army, and so many other Articles in but little better proportion." (www.revwar75.com/library/rees/blanketts.htm).

At this time, "Mad" Anthony Wayne was enjoying widespread popularity after his July 1779 victory at Stony Point. In November 1779 the North Carolina General Assembly honored Brigadier-General Wayne with a county in his name...... E. 4,000-5,000

GEORGE WASHINGTON TO GENERAL WILLIAM IRVINE



2856

2856 ⋈ **George Washington.** Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand to "Brigadier General Irvine, Fort Pitt", no date (ca. 1782), neatly reinforced along folds

VERY FINE. A WONDERFULLY BOLD FRANKING SIGNATURE BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO BRIGADIER-GENERAL WILLIAM IRVINE AT FORT PITT.

William Irvine was promoted to Brigadier-General on May 12, 1779. On March 8, 1782, upon Washington's recommendation, Irvine was given command of Fort Pitt until the end of the war.

E. 3,000-4,000



2857

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN ATTRACTIVE WASHINGTON FRANK AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO BRIGADIER-GENERAL IRVINE.

William Irvine was promoted to Brigadier-General on May 12, 1779. He was probably in Philadelphia periodically before taking command of Fort Pitt in March 1782..... E. 2,000-3,000



2858

FINE. A RARE COVER FRANKED BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY TO BRIGADIER-GENERAL IRVINE ON THE WESTERN FRONTIER.

William Irvine was promoted to Brigadier-General on May 12, 1779. On March 8, 1782, upon Washington's recommendation, Irvine was given command of Fort Pitt until the end of the war..... E. 1,500-2,000



2859

2859 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "G. Washington" on defective folded cover to Brigadier-General Irvine at Fort Pitt, torn and foxed, part of back is missing, the signature is bold, a scarce Revolutionary War cover which could be restored to more presentable appearance...... E. 1,000-1,500



George Washington. Free frank "G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to "The Honble Genl. Irvine, In Congress, New York", "ALEX, JAN 14" straightline, edge tears and small piece missing at top, the signature is bold and the cover could be restored to Very Fine appearance, William Irvine was a delegate to the Continental Congress of 1787-88, while in New York in this capacity he sat for his portrait by Robert Edge Pine, the English artist (the copy by James Reid Lambdin, ca. 1788, is shown on page 91, courtesy of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania)..... E. 1,500-2,000



2861

George Washington. Free frank "G. Washington" on defective folded cover to Brigadier-General Irvine at Fort Pitt, literally in pieces but the signature is clear and mostly salvageable E. 500-750

2862 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "G. Washington" on defective folded cover to Brigadier-General Irvine at Cranes Mills, creased, torn and piece missing, the signature is clear and salvageable E. 500-750

GEORGE WASHINGTON TO JAMES WILSON (SIGNER)



2863

2863
George Washington. Free frank "G Washington" as Commanding General of the Continental Army on folded cover addressed in another hand "To James Willson Esqr. Carlisle", receipt docketing "G. Washington Jany 23d 1778", silked, flap repair and small tears

FINE. FRANKED BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY FROM WINTER CAMP AT VALLEY FORGE.

James Wilson (1742-98) was a signer of the Declaration of Independence, Pennsylvania delegate to the Continental Congress, delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1787, and one of the six original justices appointed by George Washington to the United States Supreme Court in 1789 (www.bioguide.congress.gov)....................... E. 1,500-2,000

GEORGE WASHINGTON TO CLEMENT BIDDLE

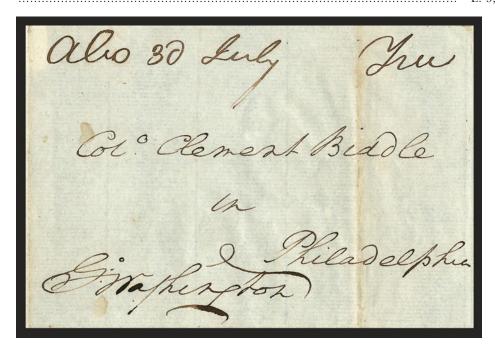


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George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, "ALEX, MARCH 3" straightline handstamp, 1788 receipt docketing, file folds (one thru signature), faint waterstain at bottom right, repaired opening in backflap

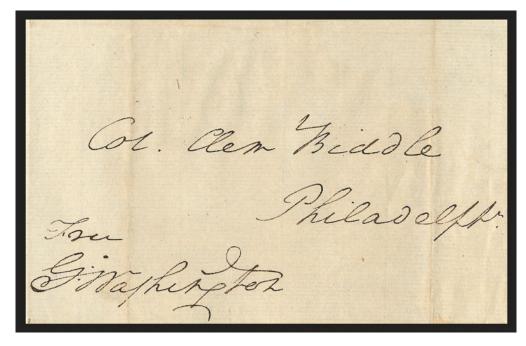
VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE GEORGE WASHINGTON FREE FRANK WITH FULL SIGNATURE AND ALEXANDRIA STRAIGHTLINE.



2865

2865 George Washington. Free frank "G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, manuscript "Alex. 30 July" postmark and "Free", no date (ca. 1786 from Mount Vernon), file fold clear of signature, reinforced fold at upper left

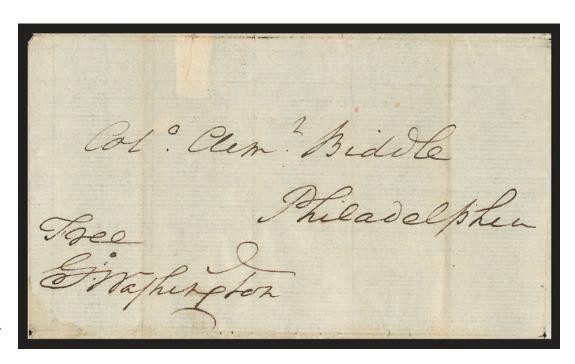
VERY FINE. A REMARKABLY FRESH COVER WITH WASHINGTON'S FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE.



2866
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "General Washington, Mount Vernon, June 21st 1786", light file folds (one thru signature)

VERY FINE. A CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE COVER FRANKED AND ADDRESSED BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AT MOUNT VERNON.

Following his service in the war and prior to his election as first President, Washington resided at his estate in Mount Vernon...... E. 3,000-4,000

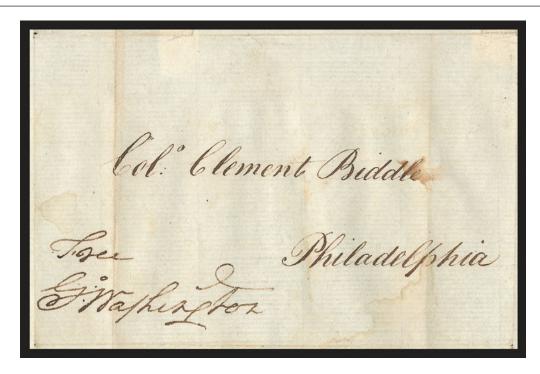


2867

2867
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, no date, light file folds (one thru signature), small faint waterstain clear of signature sealed tear at top

VERY FINE. A SHARP AND DARK EXAMPLE OF WASHINGTON'S FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE ON A COVER ADDRESSED BY HIM FROM MOUNT VERNON.

Although undated, this was sent from Mount Vernon ca. 1786..... E. 3,000-4,000



2868 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "Free G. Washington" on folded cover to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Genl. Washington, Mount Vernon, 15 March 1789", sealed tears in backflap, file folds (one thru signature), faint waterstain at right away from signature

VERY FINE. GEORGE WASHINGTON FRANKED THIS COVER AT MOUNT VERNON IN THE MONTH PRIOR TO HIS PRESIDENCY.

Washington's first term as the nation's first President began in April 1789...... E. 3,000-4,000



2869

2869
 George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, no date, paper reinforcements along folds and edgewear

A VERY FINE COVER WITH WASHINGTON'S FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE.



2870 © George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "His Excellency George Washington, Mount Vernon, May 22d 1786" and notation on another panel "Mrs. Tuexburry at Mr. Turner down town", small repair in opening of backflap, light file folds (one thru signature)

VERY FINE. A BOLD AND ATTRACTIVE EXAMPLE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON'S FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE.

Following his service in the war and prior to his election as first President, Washington resided at his estate in Mount Vernon. E. 3,000-4,000

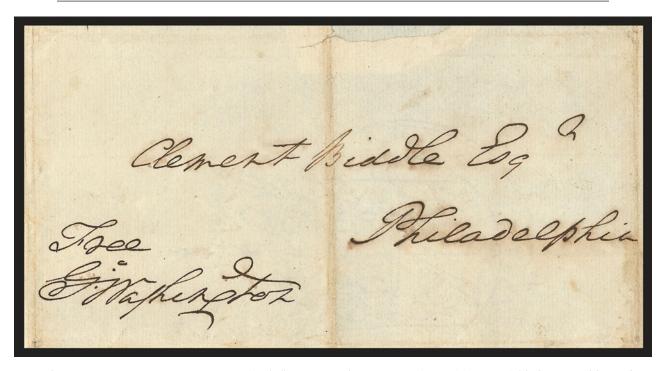


2871

2871
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, no date, light waterstain, file folds (one thru signature), sealed tears in flap and top edge of address panel

A FINE COVER WITH WASHINGTON'S BOLD FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE AND ADDRESSED IN HIS HAND.

Although undated, this was probably sent from Mount Vernon ca. 1786...... E. 2,500-3,500



2872
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "General Washington, Mount Vernon, August 17th 1785", toned file fold at center and minor waterstains all clear of signature, repair in top panel and edge of address panel

A FINE COVER WITH WONDERFULLY BOLD FULL FRANKING SIGNATURE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON.

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E. 2,000-3,000

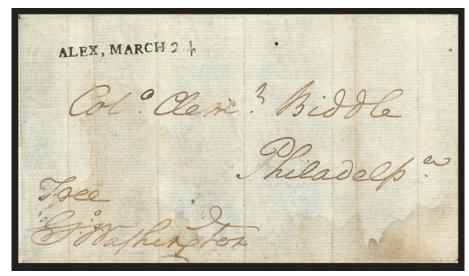


2873

2873
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, manuscript "Alex. 23 Jany." postmark and "Free", no date (ca. 1786 from Mount Vernon), waterstains in franking area but the signature is still bold

A FINE WASHINGTON FREE-FRANKED COVER FROM MOUNT VERNON.

Although undated, this was mailed from Mount Vernon and entered the Alexandria Va. post office. E. 2,000-2,500



2874
George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, "ALEX, MARCH 24" straightline handstamp, 1788 receipt docketing, file folds (one thru signature), faint waterstains in and around signature, repaired opening in backflap

A FINE WASHINGTON FREE FRANK COVER WITH FULL SIGNATURE AND ALEXANDRIA STRAIGHTLINE.

This cover was sent from Mount Vernon and entered the Alexandria Va. post office.....

E. 2,500-3,500



- 2875
 George Washington. Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, no date (ca. 1786 from Mount Vernon), repaired and some stains, still a bold franking signature and presentable cover E. 1,500-2,000
- 2876 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, no date (ca. 1786 from Mount Vernon), waterstains, still a bold franking signature and presentable cover...... E. 1,500-2,000



- 2879 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "Free G. Washington" as private citizen on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, "ALEX, DEC 3" straightline (the "E" of "Dec" barely shows, creating a prophetic "D.C." effect in the year that the Continental Congress voted to create a Federal city, but years before Virginia ceded Alexandria to the new District of Columbia), faint waterstains, file folds (one thru signature), otherwise Fine E. 1,500-2,000
- 2880 ☑ **George Washington.** Free frank "Free G. Washington" **as ex-President** on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, "Alex. Va. Nov. 25" circular datestamp, no year date but the earliest reported example of this marking is 1799, slightly stained file folds (one thru signature), repaired opening tears in backflaps and address panel

VERY FINE. A SCARCE GEORGE WASHINGTON FREE FRANK AS EX-PRESIDENT.

Washington had franking privileges as ex-President from March 4, 1797, until his death on December 14, 1799. If, in fact, the circular datestamp on this cover was not introduced until 1799, then this November 25 cover was franked by Washington weeks before his death...... E. 2,000-2,500



2881
George Washington. Free frank "President U.S." as President on folded cover to Clement Biddle in Philadelphia, "New-York *march 7" straightline and "Free" handstamp, no yeardate, small repair around opening in backflap and tiny area at top of address panel

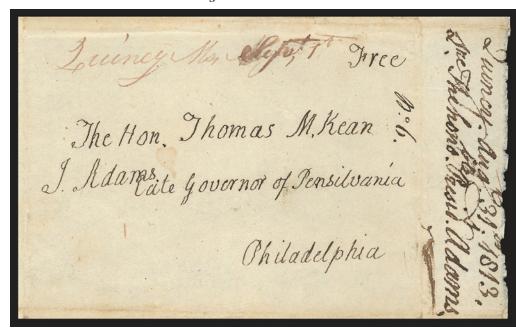
VERY FINE. A REMARKABLY CHOICE EXAMPLE OF WASHINGTON'S "PRESIDENT U.S." FRANK.

Washington is the only President to use this form of free frank without a signature.....

E. 2,000-3,000



JOHN ADAMS



2884

2884

■ John Adam. Free frank as ex-President "J. Adams" and "Free" on folded cover addressed in his shaky hand to Thomas McKean as "late Governor", "Quincy Ms. Sept. 1" manuscript postmark, 1813 receipt docketing

VERY FINE EXAMPLE OF JOHN ADAMS'S FREE FRANK AS EX-PRESIDENT TO FELLOW SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, THOMAS McKEAN.

Thomas McKean retired as Governor of Pennsylvania in 1812. This cover from one Founding Father to another was sent a year after McKean's retirement...... E. 1,500-2,000

THOMAS JEFFERSON



2885

2885 ⋈ Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, clearly struck red "Washn. City Jun. 20" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, arithmetic notation in Jefferson's hand, clean file fold at bottom

EXTREMELY FINE. A MAGNIFICENT COVER WITH THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

Benjamin Smith Barton (1766-1815) was trained as a physician, but is better known as the first professional naturalist in the U.S. He authored the first textbook on botany written in the U.S. ...

E. 3,000-4,000



2886

2886 ☑ **Thomas Jefferson.** Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." **as President** on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, absolutely perfect strike of brownish-red "Washington City Dec. 22" circular datestamp with ornament, manuscript "Free", lightly toned file fold, reinforced opening slit on backflap

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE THOMAS JEFFERSON FREE FRANK AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

This is the most desirable form of Jefferson's free frank, because it includes the executive office designation. It is scarce in this exceptional condition...... E. 3,000-4,000



2887

2887 ☑ **Thomas Jefferson.** Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." **as President** on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, perfect bold strike of wine-red "Washington City Nov. 21" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, docketed "Received November 23d 1805", slightly toned file fold at bottom

VERY FINE. ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FREE-FRANKED COVERS EXTANT.

See biographical note in lot 2885..... E. 3,000-4,000



2888 Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, clear strike of brownish "Washn. City Dec. 27" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, docketed "Received December 30th, 1803, Answered", tiny hole and slightly toned file fold at bottom

VERY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL COVER WITH JEFFERSON'S SHARPLY-DEFINED PRESIDENTIAL FRANKING SIGNATURE.

See biographical note in lot 2885 E. 2,500-3,500

2889 ☑ **Thomas Jefferson.** Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." **as President** on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, bold strike of wine-red "Washington City Jan. 11" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, slightly toned (a bit darker along file fold at bottom)

VERY FINE. EXCEPTIONALLY BOLD JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FRANKING SIGNATURE AND WASHINGTON D.C. POSTAL MARKINGS.

See biographical note in lot 2885 E. 2,500-3,500

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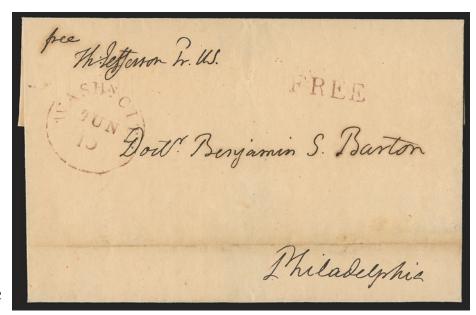
Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to James Pemberton in Philadelphia, brownish "Washington City Jun. 21" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1808 receipt docketing, sharp folds clear of signature VERY FINE. AN IMMACULATELY PRESERVED COVER BEARING THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRESIDENTIAL FRANKING SIGNATURE.

James Pemberton was a member of the prominent Philadelphia Quaker family and active in business and political circles. E. 3,000-4,000



2891 Max Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Lewis Tousard in Philadelphia, wine-red "Washn. City Jul. 1" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, paper watermarked "1801", skillfully reinforced along worn folds and short sealed tear at bottom

A FINE COVER FRANKED AND ADDRESSED BY PRESIDENT JEFFERSON TO THE FRENCH MILITARY SCHOLAR, LOUIS DE TOUSARD.



2892

2892 Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, clearly struck red "Washn. City Jun. 15" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, docketed "Received June 15th 1805", slightly toned (a bit darker along file fold at bottom)

VERY FINE. A MOST ATTRACTIVE COVER WITH BOLD JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

See biographical note in lot 2885 E. 2,500-3,500



2893
Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson" as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to John Dickinson in Wilmington Del. clear strike of brownish "Wash. City Jun. 22" circular datestamp with matching "Free" handstamp, neatly docketed, expertly silked

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. A BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE OF THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

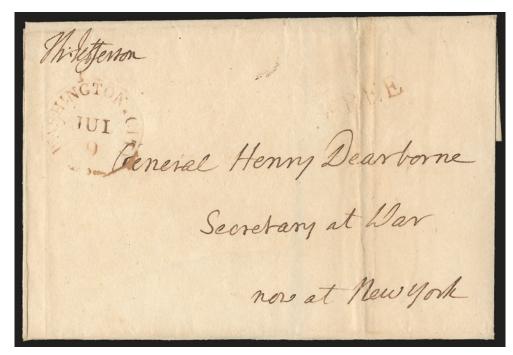


2894

2894 Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson" as newly-elected President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Governor Thomas McKean in Philadelphia, wine-red "Wash. City Jul. 27" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1801 receipt docketing, slightly toned file folds (one thru signature)

FINE. A BOLD JEFFERSON FRANKING SIGNATURE APPLIED DURING THE FIRST MONTHS OF HIS PRESIDENCY.

Jefferson's presidential franks usually include the title "Pr. U.S." after his name. It is unclear to us why some have the title, and others do not. E. 2,000-3,000



2895

2895 ⋈ Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "Th. Jefferson" as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to General Henry Dearborne, Secretary of War, "now at New York", brownish-red "Washington City Jul. 9" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1807 receipt docketing, slightly worn file fold away from signature

> VERY FINE. A DESIRABLE EXAMPLE OF JEFFERSON'S PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK ON A COVER ADDRESSED BY HIM TO SECRETARY OF WAR HENRY DEARBORN.

> Henry Dearborn was appointed Secretary of War in Jefferson's cabinet, serving from 1801 to 1809. He became collector of the port of Boston for three years during Madison's first presidential term, but he left that post to rejoin the U.S. Army as a senior major general during the War of 1812.

> At this time Jefferson was corresponding with his Secretary of War about the British blockade of Norfolk and imminent danger of war. A letter from Jefferson, written two days earlier, reflects the sense of danger: "Blows may be hourly possible. In this state of things I am sure your own feelings will anticipate the public judgment, that your presence here cannot be dispensed with. There is nobody here who can supply your knowledge of the resources for land co-operation, & the means for bringing them into activity. Still, I would wish you would stay long enough at N York to settle with the V. P. & Colo. Williams, the plan of defence for that place; & I am in hopes you will also see Fulton's experiments tried, & see how far his means may enter into your plan. But as soon as that is done, should matters remain in their present critical state, I think the public interest and safety would suffer by your absence from us." (source: www.oll.libertyfund.org) E. 2,500-3,500

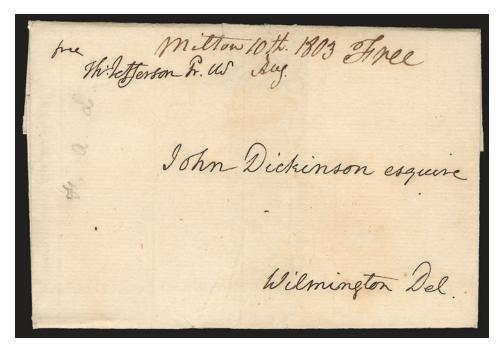


2896

Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson" as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to John Dickinson in Wilmington Del. clear strike of brownish-red "Washn. City Dec. 21" circular datestamp with matching "Free" handstamp, neatly docketed "The President 1802", piece out of backflap and tiny tear at top

VERY FINE. AN ATTRACTIVE SHARPLY-DEFINED JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

See biographical note in lot 2893..... E. 2,000-3,000



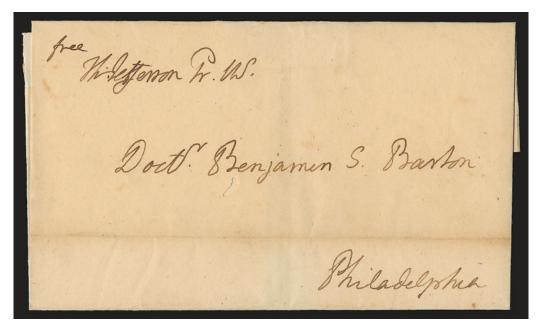
2897

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Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to John Dickinson in Wilmington Del., manuscript "Milton 10th Aug. 1803 Free" postmark, few tiny sealed edge tears at top into postmark but clear of signature

VERY FINE. A BOLD JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FRANKING SIGNATURE ON A COVER WHICH ENTERED THE MAILS AT MILTON, VIRGINIA.

Milton is located on the Rivanna River near Charlottesville and Monticello. Its post office was an entry point for mail from Jefferson's estate...... E. 2,000-3,000



2898 ☑ **Thomas Jefferson.** Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." **as President** on folded cover addressed in his hand to Dr. Benjamin S. Barton in Philadelphia, docketed "Received Sepr. 28th 1807", small hole in address panel away from writing, slightly toned file fold

VERY FINE. A BOLD EXAMPLE OF THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

See biographical note in lot 2885.... E. 1,500-2,000



2899

2899 ⋈ Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Governor Thomas McKean ("McKain" sic) in Philadelphia, brownish-red "Washn. City Jun. 14" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1802 receipt docketing, slightly toned file folds (one thru signature)

FINE. A SHARP AND BOLD JEFFERSON PRESIDENTIAL FREE FRANK.

Thomas McKean, three-term Governor of Pennsylvania, was an ally and supporter of Thomas Jefferson. In 1802 he was a strong supporter of the Democratic-Republicans. A few years later he changed his support to the Federalists...... E. 1,500-2,000



2900 Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Governor Thomas McKean in Philadelphia, "Charle. Va. Apr. 12" Charlottesville Va. circular datestamp, 1824 receipt docketing, reinforced along folds and repaired tear well clear of signature

A FINE EXAMPLE OF JEFFERSON'S FRANKING SIGNATURE FROM THE SAGE OF MONTICELLO'S TWILIGHT YEARS.

One year after Jefferson franked this cover to his friend and political ally, Thomas McKean, the former president realized one of his great achievements with the opening of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville in 1825. He died on July 4, 1826. E. 1,500-2,000

- 2901

 Thomas Jefferson. Free frank "free Th. Jefferson Pr. U.S." as President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Robert Patterson, director of the U.S. Mint in Philadelphia, brownish "Washington City Oct. 17" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1806 receipt docketing noting contents "on advance of salary to A.E. and on small coins", dark toning along file fold thru signature, still Fine and presentable, an interesting association between Jefferson and American numismatics E. 1,000-1,500



2903 ⊠	James Madison. Free frank "Dept. of State James Madison" as Secretary of State on folded cover addressed in his hand to Elbridge Gerry in Cambridge, brownish "Washn. City Dec. 23" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, receipt docketing "Washington Letter, James Madison Esq., 22d Decr 1801", some skillful and delicate reinforcing along file fold, Extremely Fine, a very desirable example of this Founding Father's free frank
2904 ⋈	James Madison. Free frank "James Madison" as Secretary of State on folded cover addressed to Governor of Pennsylvania, brownish-red "Washington City Apr. 27" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, 1807 receipt docketing, toned along file folds (thru signature), otherwise Fine
2905 ⋈	James Madison. Free frank "Free James Madison" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Nicholas Biddle in Philadelphia, no date or postal markings but clearly a late franking, tissue reinforcing along folds and splits, Very Fine
2906 ⋈	James Madison. Free frank "Free James Madison" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Nicholas Biddle in Philadelphia, manuscript "Orange CH Va. May 6" postmark, no year date, reinforcing along folds and repaired tear at top into postmark but well clear of signature, otherwise Very Fine
2907 ⋈	James Madison. Free frank "Free James Madison" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Professor Dunglison at University of Virginia, no postal markings, receipt docketing "President Madison June 1831", reinforced folds, sharp file fold clear of signature, Very Fine E. 300-400



- James Madison. Free frank "Free James Madison" as ex-President in an extremely shaky hand on front only addressed in Dolley Madison's hand to her brother-in-law Richard Cutts in Washington D.C., red "Orange-CH Va. Aug. 12" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, no year date but judging from the signature and the datestamp (ASCC start date 1835), this is a very late frank from Montpelier (ca. 1835)..... E. 200-300
- 2909 ☑ **James Madison.** Free frank "Free James Madison" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Roberts Vaux in Philadelphia, manuscript "Orange CH Va. Feby 23rd" postmark, no year date, large tear clear of signature, otherwise Fine................................ E. 200-300
- 2911

 James Monroe. Free frank "James Monroe" on folded cover addressed in his hand to Charles Ingersoll in Philadelphia, brownish "Washn. City Aug. 11" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, file fold clear of signature, Very Fine, no year date but probably a presidential frank based on datestamp type

 E. 400-500
- 2912

 James Monroe. Free frank "James Monroe" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Charles Ingersoll in Philadelphia, red "New-York Jun. 13" circular datestamp and matching "Free", 1828 receipt docketing, small tear into signature, otherwise Very Fine E. 300-400
- James Monroe. Free frank "James Monroe" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Samuel Smith, President of the Bank of the United States, in Washington D.C., manuscript "Aldie May 6" postmark and "Free", no year date, fresh and Extremely Fine E. 300-400



- 2914

 James Monroe. Free frank "James Monroe" as ex-President on folded cover addressed in his hand to Thomas Swann in Washington D.C., manuscript "Aldie Jany. 2" postmark and "Free", 1827 receipt docketing, light file folds, Very Fine E. 400-500
- John Quincy Adams. Free frank "J. Q. Adams" as Secretary of State on folded cover to Callender Irvine in Philadelphia, manuscript "Department of State" endorsement, clear "Washn. City May 24" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, small tear at top, Very Fine E. 300-400
- John Quincy Adams. Free frank "J. Q. Adams" as Secretary of State on folded cover to Richard Peters Jr. in Philadelphia, manuscript "Department of State" endorsement, partly readable "Washn. City Apr. 2" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, part of back panels cut away, paper reinforcements and small repairs, presentable and Fine appearance............................... E. 150-200
- 2918

 Martin Van Buren. Free frank "Free M. Van Buren" as U.S. Senator from New York on folded cover addressed in his hand to newspaper activist Valentine Best in Danville Pa., bold "Kinderhook N.Y. Sep. 21" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, 1842 receipt docketing, Very Fine ...

 E. 200-300



Martin Van Buren. Bold free frank "Free M. Van Buren" on folded cover addressed in his hand to William Chew in Philadelphia, red "Albany N.Y. Oct. 21" circular datestamp, no year date, Very Fine 2921 ⋈ Martin Van Buren. Free frank "Free M. Van Buren" as ex-President on cover addressed in his hand to Maj. Charles Biddle in Philadelphia, "Stuyvesant N.J. Jun. 3" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, no year date, Extremely Fine..... Martin Van Buren. Bold free frank "Free M. Van Buren" as U.S. Senator from New York on folded 2922 ⋈ cover addressed in his hand to Robert Vaux in Philadelphia, red "Albany Oct. 7" circular datestamp, overall toning, otherwise Very Fine E. 200-300 Martin Van Buren. Bold free frank "Free M. Van Buren" as U.S. Senator from New York on folded 2923 ⋈ cover addressed in his hand to R. S. Peters in Philadelphia, red "Albany Jun. 7" circular datestamp, 1828 receipt docketing, top panels removed, Very Fine appearance E. 200-300 2924 ⋈ William Henry Harrison. Free frank "Free Willm. H. Harrison" as U.S. Congressman from Ohio (1816-19) on folded cover to Cadwallader Irvine in Philadelphia, Feb. 8, 1817 receipt docketing, small tears at top, one affecting "Free", otherwise Fine E. 200-300 **John Tyler.** Free frank "J. Tyler" as President on cover addressed to Nicholas Biddle in Andalusia Pa., red "Washington City D.C. Nov. 26" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, intact wax $2925 \bowtie$ seal, Extremely Fine E. 300-400



- John Tyler. Free frank "Free J Tyler USS" as U.S. Senator from Virginia on folded cover to the cashier of the United States Bank in Washington D.C., bold "Gloucester C.H. Va. Nov. 22" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, 134 receipt docketing, eradication stains around addressee's name may have been done at the time, otherwise Fine.................................. E. 200-300



James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. (ca. 1836) on folded $2931 \bowtie$ $2932 \bowtie$ James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Wm. N. Irvine in Gettysburg Pa., red "Lancaster Pa. Oct. 2" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, Very Fine E. 200-300 James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. on folded cover 2933 ⋈ addressed in his hand to Col. William N. Irvine in Gettysburg Pa., red "Washington City D.C. Feb. 21" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, tiny pencil "1839" year date, Very Fine....... E. 300-400 2934 ⋈ James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. (ca. 1836) on folded cover addressed in his hand to Richard Vaux in Philadelphia, partly clear red "Washington City D.C. Feb. 2" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, wax seal stain, otherwise Very Fine James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. on folded cover $2935 \bowtie$ addressed in his hand to Dr. G. A Irvine in Warren Pa., red "Washington City D.C. Dec. 18" circular datestamp and "Free" handstamp, Very Fine..... E. 200-300 2936 ⋈ James Buchanan. Free frank "Free James Buchanan" as U.S. Senator from Penn. (ca. 1839) on folded cover addressed in his hand to Col. Wm. N. Irvine in Gettysburg Pa., partly readable red "Washington City D.C. Dec. 23" circular datestamp and faint "Free" handstamp, tiny tears at ends of file fold, still Very Fine E. 200-300



- 2937 ☑ **Ulysses S. Grant.** Free frank "U.S. Grant" **as President** on Executive Mansion imprint cover addressed in his hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, neat "Washington Free D.C. Apr. 13" circular datestamp (pencil 1873 docketing), faint edge toning, Very Fine, most official mail was signed by his secretary, here he crossed out the "Secretary" designation to indicate that he had signed it....... E. 750-1,000
- 2938 ☑ **Ulysses S. Grant.** Free frank "U.S. Grant" **as President** on Executive Mansion imprint cover addressed in his hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, neat "Washington Free D.C. Apr. 15" circular datestamp (pencil 1873 docketing), faint edge toning, Very Fine, most official mail was signed by his secretary, here he crossed out the "Secretary" designation to indicate that he had signed it....... E. 750-1,000
- 2939 ☑ **Ulysses S. Grant.** Free frank "U.S. Grant" **as President** on Executive Mansion imprint cover addressed in his hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, neat "Washington Free D.C. Nov. 1" circular datestamp, minor paper clip stain, Very Fine, most official mail was signed by his secretary, here he crossed out the "Secretary" designation to indicate that he had signed it E. 750-1,000



- 2940 ⊠ **Ulysses S. Grant.** Free frank "U.S. Grant" **as President** on "Executive" imprint cover addressed in his hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, faint railroad route agent's circular datestamp, ink smear over signature and toned, presentable E. 200-300
- 2941 ⊠ **Ulysses S. Grant.** Free frank "U.S. Grant" **as President** on cover addressed in his hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, "Long Branch N.J. Jul. 6" circular datestamp, one side flap removed and small tear at top E. 300-400
- 2942 ☑ Ulysses S. Grant. Four covers addressed in Grant's hand to the Hon. A. E. Borie in Philadelphia, two "President of the United States" and two "Executive Mansion" imprints, three with secretaries' franks and Washington D.C. or Long Branch N.J. datestamps, one unfranked and sent outside the mails to Borie as "Sec. of the Navy" with pencil note "June 25 '69", this is the last day of Borie's brief term as Grant's Secretary of the Navy, a fifth cover to Borie with "War Department" imprint franked by Secretary of War Belknap, Washington D.C. datestamp, minor edge faults, still Very Fine..... E. 200-300

FRANKS OF OTHER HISTORICAL FIGURES



- 2943 Aaron Burr. Free frank "Free A. Burr" as U.S. Senator from New York on folded cover addressed in his hand to Henry Drinker in Philadelphia, faint red New York straightline and "Free" handstamps, Mar. 9, 1797 receipt docketing small stain, light vertical file fold, fresh and Very Fine

 E. 400-500
- John C. Calhoun. Representative and Senator from North Carolina, defender of the South, slavery and states' rights, Secretary of War under Monroe and Vice President under Adams and Jackson, free frank "J. C. Calhoun" as Secretary of War on undated folded cover to Callender Irvine in Philadelphia, manuscript "War Dept." endorsement, brownish "Washn. City Feb. 21" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, Very Fine................................ E. 200-300
- 2945 ⋈ Henry Clay. Free frank "Free H. Clay" on folded cover to L. P. W. Balch in Frederick Md., red "Washington City D.C. Dec. 13" circular datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, undated, reinforced folds, Very Fine...... E. 150-200
- 2946

 Charles Dickens. Bold signature on small cover addressed in his hand to the Royal Theater in London, Great Britain 1841 1p Red tied by Maltese Cross, "Ramsgate SE 5 1842" backstamp, red receiving datestamp, Very Fine E. 200-300
- John Taylor Gilman. New Hampshire delegate to Continental Congress (1782-83), Governor of New Hampshire (1794-1805 and 1813-16), free frank "J. T. Gilman" on folded cover addressed in his hand to William Irvine in Philadelphia, red "NEW YORK * August * 16" straightline, Very Fine, no yeardate indicated according to the ASCC the New York straightline was applied in red in 1790, but Gilman was a delegate in 1782 and 1783 when New York City was occupied by the British, so it is unclear to us when he would have had franking privileges ca. 1790.......................... E. 200-300



2948



2949

2949 Alexander Hamilton. Free frank "A Hamilton" as Secretary of the Treasury on folded cover to Samuel R. Gerry, Collector of Customs at Marblehead Mass., with "Treasury Departmt." endorsement and routing "Boston Mail", two strikes of "25/AP" Franklin mark and "Free" handstamp, no year date but ca. 1791, neat file folds, Extremely Fine, a choice example of Hamilton's free frank................................ E. 1,000-1,500



- 2950 **Edward Hand.** Free frank "Free Edwd. Hand" on folded cover addressed in his hand to John Dickinson "in Council" at Philadelphia, no date but almost certainly war-period from Brigadier-General Hand to Dickinson as a delegate to the Continental Congress, Very Fine, E. 300-400
- 2951

 Ebenezer Hazard. Free frank "Free Eben Hazard" as Postmaster General on folded cover addressed in his hand to Matthew Carey in Philadelphia, lightly struck "NEW-YORK.Jan:7" straightline and "Free", 1788 receipt docketing, Very Fine, Hazard's frank is extremely scarce....... E. 1,000-1,500



- John Jay. President of the Continental Congress (1778-79), delegate from New York (1774-77, 1778-79), Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Secretary of State under Washington, first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, free frank "John Jay" as Minister Abroad in Spain (at St. Ildefonso) on folded cover to Thomas McKean as President of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Lre. Octr 2d 1781, Excly. John Jay Esqre.", reinforced wear along folds and slight edge toning, otherwise Fine, franked by Jay while he was in Spain to negotiate a peace treaty with Great Britain....... E. 500-750

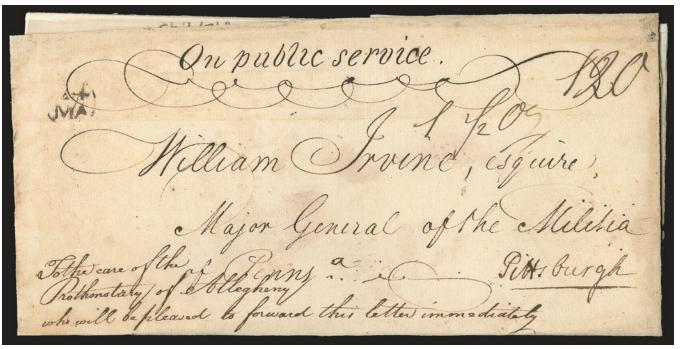
- 2957 Arthur St. Clair. President of the Continental Congress (1787-88), delegate from Pennsylvania (1785-87), first commander-in-chief of the U.S. military and the first Governor of the Northwest Territory (1791), free frank "Majr. Genl. St. Clair" on folded cover addressed in his hand to General Irvine at Carlisle Pa., no date, small mends along fold, Very Fine........................ E. 750-1,000



- Winfield Scott. Two covers, each with free frank "Free. Winfield Scott, Major Genl." and addressed in his hand, red Washington D.C. datestamps and "Free", one to General W. N. Irvine at Gettysburg Pa. (Aug. 31), other to W. A. Irvine "Son of the late Genl. C. Irvine", no yeardates but ca. 1850, formed has small stain, latter has backflap removed, both a bit worn, yet presentable and scarce.................................(Photo Ex) E. 200-300

- 2963 ☑ **Daniel Webster.** Free frank as U.S. Senator "Danl. Webster U.S. Senate" on folded cover addressed to R. L. Coet in New York City, red "Washington City D.C. Free Feb. 26" datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, slightly toned file fold, Very Fine............................... E. 200-300

WHISKEY REBELLION OF 1794



2965

Whiskey Rebellion of 1794. Folded cover addressed to "William Irvine, Esquire, Major General of the Militia of Pennsa., Pittsburgh", endorsed "On public service" with sender's directions "To the care of the Prothonotary of Allegheny who will be pleased to forward this letter immediately", "14/MA" (Mar. 14) Franklin mark applied in Philadelphia (without town marking, as usual for Philadelphia from 1783 to 1798), despite "Public Service" endorsement this was rated "1½ oz. 120" (six times 20c rate for 250-350 miles), silked, some wear and light stains

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE EXAMPLE OF MILITARY CORRESPONDENCE RELATED TO THE WHISKEY REBELLION OF 1794.

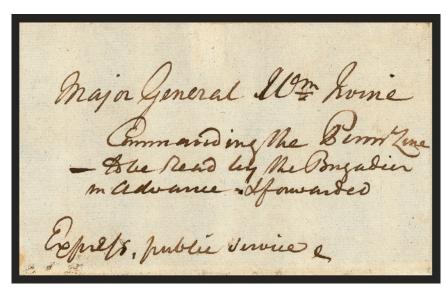
In July and August 1794 a group of "Whiskey Boys" in Western Pennsylvania attacked Federal tax collectors and looted the mails in rebellion against the Federal excise tax on distilled spirits. After efforts to reach a peaceful resolution failed, President Washington led a military response to quash the rebellion, which is considered the first real display of the Federal government's authority. William Irvine was commissioned as Major General in command of the Pennsylvania militia. This letter was sent to him in that capacity in March 1795 (there is no year date on the cover itself)........................ E. 1,000-1,500



Whiskey Rebellion of 1794. Folded cover addressed to "Major General William Irvine at Pittsburgh", endorsed "On public service" with sender's directions "To the particular care of James Brison, esqr., who is requested to forward it to Genl. Irvine on his route to Presu'-isle" "14/IV" (Jun. 20) Franklin mark applied in Philadelphia (without town marking, as usual for Philadelphia from 1783 to 1798), despite "Public Service" endorsement this was rated "20" (cents) rate for 250-350 miles, tissue reinforcement along folds

VERY FINE. ANOTHER EXTREMELY RARE COVER TO MAJOR-GENERAL IRVINE, COMMANDER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MILITIA SENT TO SUPPRESS THE WHISKEY REBELLION OF 1794.

In 1794 William Irvine was commissioned as Major General in command of the Pennsylvania militia. This letter was sent to him in that capacity in June 1795 (there is no year date on the cover itself). Fort Presque Isle was built in 1753 in present-day Erie, Pennsylvania..... E. 1,000-1,500



2967

2967

Whiskey Rebellion of 1794. Folded cover addressed to "Major General Wm. Irvine, Commanding the Penn. Line — to be read by the Brigadier in Advance & forwarded", endorsed "Express. public service", reinforced along folds

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE MILITARY EXPRESS COVER TO MAJOR GENERAL IRVINE DURING THE WHISKEY REBELLION OF 1794.

See biographical note in lot 2965 E. 1,000-1,500

UNITED STATES STAMPS ON COVER



- New York N.Y., 5c Black, "ACM" Initials (9X1). Large margins to ample at right, scissors cut in lower left margin well clear of design, tied by criss-crossed blue manuscript cancel, red "New-York 10 Cts. 20 Nov." integral-rate circular datestamp and matching "Paid" in arc on folded cover to Philadelphia, receipt docketing "Jamaica S.I. Nov. 18th 1845", soiled file fold and slight toning, otherwise Fine, scarce use of New York provisional on a cover originating from Staten Island 650.00

- 2971

 3c 1851-57 Issue Covers (10, 11, 25, 26). Approximately 50 covers incl. four No. 10's and two No. 25's, a few No. 11's with hat manufacturer's blue cameo corner cards (not illustrated), a few four-margin soakers, our estimate reflects minimum retail value for a half-dozen better covers

 Not illustrated E. 200-300
- 2973 ⋈ 3c Dull Red (11). Huge margins to slightly in on two sides, tied by "New-York Nov. 25" circular datestamp on blue folded cover to Irvine Pa., curiously postmarked on arrival with blue "Irvine/Dec. 30/Pa" double-line octagon datestamp and matching "Free" handstamp, 1853 docketing, file folds, stamp has small tear and faint gum toning, otherwise Fine, unusual markings.

 E. 150-200
- Beardless Lincoln and "Yours truly, A. Lincoln" Campaign Design. Three-quarter portrait with Childs imprint and unlisted signature style on buff cover to Solsville N.Y., 3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26) with manuscript "X" cancel and matching "Kildare Wis. Oct. 27/1860" manuscript postmark, trivial edge stain at upper right, Very Fine, the Lincoln Campaign book lists a similar design with Lincoln signature, but this "Your truly, A. Lincoln" facsimile is not listed and is an exact reproduction of Lincoln's signature (we had to look closely to be sure it was not an autograph)......... E. 500-750



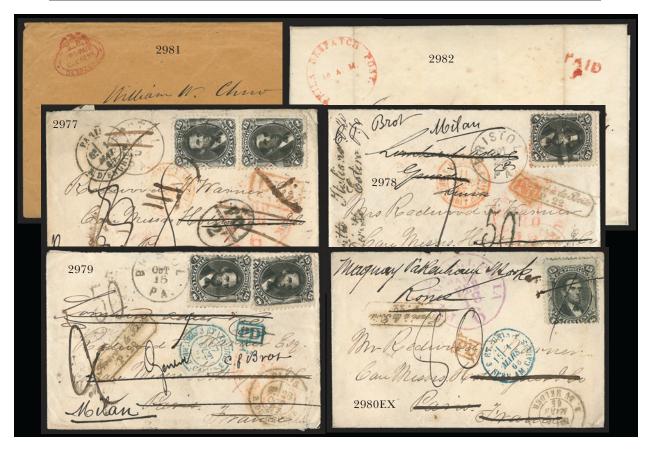
3c Dull Red, Ty. II (26). Rich color, tied by "Alexandria Va. Jul. 23, 1861" double-circle date-stamp on multicolored patriotic cover depicting American Eagle destroying Confederate Flag and 13 Secessionist Serpents, with Union Flag and Andrew Jackson in background, to Philadelphia street address, imprint on back "The destruction of the Snake of South Carolina, Nullification and Secession, and all her progeny by the National Bird. To portray the ultimate overthrow of the evil power, which strikes at the life of the National Government, is the object of this cut" and Harback & Sons copyright notice, reduced at right trimming away part of stamp

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE USED EXAMPLE OF THIS SPECTACULAR UNION PATRIOTIC "SNAKE OF SOUTH CAROLINA" DESIGN.



2976

2976 ⋈ 15c Black (77). Wide straddle-pane margin at left, lightly tied on small cover to Paris, France, forwarded to another city address with France 10c Napoleon, affixed over 15c and tied by dotted star cancel, red "Philadelphia 3 Jun. 7" credit datestamp, red Havre octagonal datestamp (Jun. 22, 1867), red "Trouve a la Boite" (Found in the Box) framed handstamp, Paris circular datestamp, blue "Achemine Par Hottinguer & Cie. de Paris" forwarder's oval backstamp, Very Fine, scarce combination of treaty rate and French 10-centime rate................................ E. 1,000-1,500



- 2977 ⋈ 15c Black (77). Vertical pair, cancelled by circle of wedges cancel, "Bristol Pa. Apr. 15" (1867) circular datestamp on small cover to Paris, France, forwarded to London, Engand, red "New York Paid 6 Apr. 16" credit datestamp, red Calais transit, red "P.D." framed handstamp, red "Trouve a la Boite" (Found in the Box) handstamp, unusual sequence of transits on front and back (Paris and London) incl. "FR/2F" oval accountancy handstamp and manuscript due rates, blue "Achemine Par Hottinguer & Cie. de Paris" forwarder's oval backstamp, Very Fine................................ E. 400-500
- 2978

 15c Black (77). Crossroads cancel and "Bristol Pa. Oct. 28" (1867) circular datestamp on small cover to Paris, France, forwarded to Geneva, Switzerland, and again to Milan, Italy, red "New York Paid 12 Oct. 30" credit datestamp, red Calais transit, red "PD" framed handstamp, "Trouve a la Boite" (Found in the Box) handstamp, wonderful sequence of transit markings on front and back (Paris, Geneva and Milan) incl. "Diritti Italiano/Diritto Estero" two-line handstamp and "50" centimes due handstamp for forwarding postage, blue "Achemine Par Hottinguer & Cie. de Paris" forwarder's oval backstamp, Very Fine, the 15c Lincoln is rarely found on covers with such character............................... E. 300-400
- 2979
 15c Black (77). Two, circle of wedges cancel and tied by "Bristol Pa. Oct. 15" (1867) circular datestamp on small cover to Paris, France, forwarded to Geneva, Switzerland, and again to Milan, Italy, red "New York Paid 24 Oct. 16" credit datestamp, blue Calais transit, blue "PD" framed handstamp, "Trouve a la Boite" (Found in the Box) handstamp, sequence of transit markings on front and back (Paris, Geneva and Milan), "50" centimes due handstamp for forwarding postage, blue "Achemine Par Hottinguer & Cie. de Paris" forwarder's oval backstamp, small piece out of one 15c, otherwise Fine....

 E. 200-300

CARRIERS, LOCALS AND EXPRESSES

- 2981

 U.S.P.O. Despatch/Pre-Paid/One Cent. Double-oval handstamp with eagle struck in red on brown cover to local street address, no other markings, wrinkles and faint toned spot at center, otherwise Very Fine, rare see Scott footnote under "Envelopes" on p. 434 of U.S. Specialized catalogue

 E. 400-500



small adhesives, also incl. one 15L3 tragedy (half of stamp peeled off) and one entire, mostly Fine...... $2984 \bowtie$ (Photo Ex) E. 300-400 $2985 \bowtie$ "Cape Island Express 208 Chestnut". Blue manuscript express company marking and "5" rate on folded cover to Peter McCall at Philadelphia street address, no yeardate but pencil notation on back refers to Pacific Squadron in San Francisco (ca. 1849), Extremely Fine, this unlisted Cape Island Express may be related to Moore's Express (at another address), which operated between Philadelphia and Cape May N.J. (see lot 2986) E. 400-500 "Moore's Express". Ms. route marking on folded cover originating with "Williamsport Pa. Jul. 14" $2986 \bowtie$ (1848) circular datestamp, "Paid" and manuscript "5", to Peter McCall in Philadelphia, forwarded to Columbia House hotel on Cape Island (the forwarding address and "Moores Express" in the same hand), receipt docketing on back, Very Fine, Moore's Express is listed in ASCC Vol. 2 as operating a daily express between Philadelphia and Cape May N.J. (the only recorded label on cover is dated 1849) $2987 \bowtie$ FORWARDED BY/THE/UNITED STATES & CALIFORNIA/EXPRESS COMPANY. Blurry strike of four-line handstamp in red on ca. 1851 blue folded cover to "Capt. S. M. Sage of Ship John N. Gossler, care of Messrs. Garwood Forst & Co., San Francisco, Calafornia", with interesting notation "37 cts. Paid in fill Morclay & Ball for A B Miller & Co., P Booz", receipt docketing "Devereaux Ap 24", right side panels removed, minor edge faults, accompanied by a second cover from the same correspondence which was sent by mail, blue "Philada. Pa. Jun. 12" circular datestamp, matching "40" rate handstamp and red "Paid" in frame, 1851 receipt docketing (the rate was reduced to only 6c prepaid on July 1, 1851), Very Fine, very few examples of the express marking are known(Photo Ex) E. 500-750 Sanitary Fair Stamps. Five different incl. Nos. WV2, WV11-13 and WV14, all unused and affixed to 2988 (*) pieces, accompanied by a pass to the Great Central Fair, Fine-Very Fine, the WV2 (cat. \$700.00) is Great Central Fair, Philadelphia, 30c Black (WV13). Faults, uncancelled but appropriately used on $2989 \boxtimes$ cover addressed to an attendee of the "Central Fair", scarce E. 300-400

FOREIGN COVERS



- 2990 © GREAT BRITAIN, 1840, 1p Black (1; SG 2). Two tied by Maltese Cross cancels on separate folded covers, one with "Calne JA 20" datestamp and docketed "Marquis of Lansdown" to Peirce Butler in London, other on bright orange cover, small faults, Fine.......(Photo Ex) E. 200-300
- 2992
 ROMAN STATES, 1852, 6b Black on Gray Blue, 8b Black (7, 9). Four 8b and single 6b, varying margins and small faults, tied by multiple strikes of "Roma 23 Mag. 54" double-circle datestamp on May 1854 small mourning cover addressed in blue to Philadelphia Pa., red French transit datestamp, "P.D." framed handstamp, New York 5c debit datestamp, Fine and colorful usage E. 300-400
- 2993
 ITALY, 1866, 40c Carmine, 21 Vermilion (31, 33). Both stamps tied by "12" in dotted grid cancel on cover to Philadelphia Pa., "Firenze 7 Set. 66" circular datestamp and "P.D.", red transits and "18" credit handstamp, Very Fine, scarce 2-lire franking, Sassone T22 on cover 3,500 euros E. 750-1,000



2995

NEW BRUNSWICK, The Miramichi Fire of 1825. Legal-size folded cover addressed "To Messrs. Robert Ralston, Roberts Vaux, John Goodman, S. Humphreys, John Sargeant & others. Citizens of Philadelphia" with sender's endorsement at lower left "Major General Sir Howard Douglas, Baronet" and lengthy plea for assistance at top "This Letter being on the Subject of the late Conflagration in New Brunswick, the different Postmasters are solicited to forward it free of Postage", manuscript postmark applied at origin "H.M.P. P.M." and "Free" at upper right, upon arrival at the Robbinston Me. cross-border exchange office, the plea evidently fell on deaf ears for the letter was marked in red manuscript "Robbinston Jany. 20", "11/4 oz." and "\$1.25" postage due (5x 25c rate), the word "Free" was crossed out for good measure, receipt docketing "recd. 2 Feby 1826", pencil docketing on back "Fire at New Brunswick Gov. Douglas", a few wrinkles around edges

VERY FINE. A TRULY REMARKABLE POSTAL HISTORY ARTIFACT, BEING THE OFFICIAL PLEA FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE GOVERNOR OF NEW BRUNSWICK TO THE CITIZENS OF PHILADELPHIA AFTER THE GREAT MIRAMICHI FIRE OF 1825.

The three-line plea penned on this cover on behalf of Governor Douglas barely touches the surface of the desperation he and his countrymen felt in the aftermath of the calamitous Miramichi fire of 1825. Although the exact loss of life and property has been debated by scholars, the devastation has been documented in numerous eyewitness accounts. Hundreds of homes burned to the ground. At least 150 and as many as 300 lives were lost. Cattle, livestock, forest and other essential components of the economy were destroyed. (For more information, go to http://www3.bc.sympatico.ca/charlotte_taylor/Folder1/Miramichi_Fire_of_1825.htm).

E. 1,500-2,000

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES

GROUP LOTS

 $2996 \boxtimes$ 1746-1840's Private Ship Mail to Philadelphia. 18 folded covers, all carried by private ship, several with sender's ship-name endorsements, five with scarce "4" rate handstamp, three with red "6" in circle handstamp, one 1791 from St. Croix with tiny "2d" manuscript rate, others did not enter mails, minor faults, Pennsylvania Postal Markings. Approximately 150 folded covers, mostly early to mid-1800's selected for 2997 ⋈ unusual styles of circles and straightlines, rate markings, etc., lots of red and blue strikes, generally Very Fine, worth careful examination E. 500-750 Colonial Manuscript Postmarks. Five covers with manuscript town postmarks incl. "R 7dwt" (Newport R.I.), "Pisa. 8dwt" (Piscataqua, or Portsmouth N.H.), "Richmond 4" (Va.), "New Town 2" (Md.), and 2998 ⋈ "Talbot 2.16 + 2.16/5.8" (Md.), the Richmond and Newport covers are toned but presentable, the other have serious faults, plus a "tragedy" cover with part of red "MARLBOROUGH" straightline (1772) with large piece missing incl. part of handstamp, good lot for the student of Colonial postal history ... E. 750-1,000 2999 ⋈ 18th and 19th Century Covers. More than 100 folded covers dating from Colonial period through the early 1800's, a fascinating array of usages with most to or from Philadelphia, loaded with scarce markings incl. red "PHILA/DELPHIA" two-line handstamp, different straightlines ca. 1790's incl. Albany, Baltimore, Boston, Charleston, New York, Richmond, Salem, etc., a few from England with ship-letter markings, mixed condition, many Very Fine covers and clear strikes throughout, all original correspondences with the potential to yield many key items E. 5,000-7,500 3000 ⋈ Better Stampless Covers. Approximately 50 covers picked from archival correspondences, a fascinating and eclectic group including Mexican War, hotel and transatlantic mail forwarders, Philadelphia "R" (several, incl. one with Trenton N.J. "15" rate handstamp), "Steam" and "Ship", Hudson River Mail, railroads, all clean and Very Fine, at least half the covers in this lot have \$100 to \$200 individual retail value....... E. 1,000-1,500 3001 ⋈ Stampless Covers. 90 folded covers with wide range of markings from different states, all from archival correspondences, some manuscripts, we note territorials, small-town offices, ovals, green circular datestamp, etc., we removed \$200+ covers but there are still many \$75 to \$150 covers remaining in this group, worth careful examination and an aggressive bid...... E. 500-750 $3002 \bowtie$ Military-Related Covers. Approximately 25 covers, most are Civil War usages incl. Official Business cover to Major Gen. Cadwalader commanding forces at Corinth Miss., covers signed by Maj. Gens. McLellan and N. P. Banks and Gen. B. Roberts, some earlier incl. Henry Dearborn free frank on War Dept. Indian Agency cover, mixed condition, but some of the better items are Very Fine, a valuable group ... E. 750-1,000 3003 ⋈ Chew Correspondence — St. Petersburg, Russia. More than 100 covers (many folded, some large size) from the Chew papers, 1830's and 1840's, most to or from William Chew, U.S. Charges d'Affaires in St. Petersburg, Russia, several categories of transit incl. some sent from St. Petersburg to Germantown Pa. via London or Paris U.S. consulates with forwarding notations and U.S. postal markings, some sent via Washington D.C. with State or War Department franking signatures, the covers to Chew in St. Petersburg are sent by diplomatic pouch but several entered mails at Hamburg, Germany, almost all are docketed to confirm origin, of particular note is a cover to St. Petersburg with a three-line backstamp which reads "AJAX STEAM" on the second line, also incl. some unrelated U.S. consulate covers, file folds and some faults to be expected in this raw correspondence, a treasure trove for the specialist in State Department and E. 2.000-3.000 3004 ⋈ Irvine Correspondence — U.S. 42nd Infantry Regiment. 30 folded covers, most addressed to members of the Irvine family as officers in the U.S. Army incl. quite a few to Colonel William Irvine as commander of the 42nd Regt. during War of 1812, many with franking signatures incl. Secretary of War J. Armstrong, minor faults, a clean and fascinating archival lot. Stampless Trans-Atlantic and Ship Mail. Approximately 80 covers with transatlantic rate and inbound 3005 ⋈ ship-letter markings, some early ship covers incl. 1807 with Charleston "Ship" and London "Ship-Letter" crown-circle, 1809 from Honduras, early manuscript "M. head 20½" (Marblehead Mass.), manuscript "Beverly Ms. July 22, 1809 Forwardd. Ship 22" from San Sebastian, another 1807 Beverly ship marking from India, many colorful US-GB treaty rate covers, generally Very Fine, a wonderful and clean lot worth careful examination E. 1,000-1,500 3006 ⋈ Covers. Approximately 60 better and unusual covers picked from various archival correspondences, very diverse group incl. No. 1 on cover (cut in), No. 10 with red Louisville & Cincinnati Mail Line circular datestamp (stamp cut in and creased but a beautiful cover), No. 26 tied by "New-York Ship" datestamp, Cambridge Mass. Skull and Eagle cancels, Bank Note Issues, advertising covers, telegraph company imprints, etc., mixed condition, many Fine or better, the ideal lot for the mail auction or eBay seller E. 750-1,000 3007 ⋈ Balances of Various Correspondences. A few hundred covers ranging from routine to borderline lotworthy, we looked once and removed anything exciting, but this is raw correspondence which could yield some value for the cover-hunter withe more time and patience..... E. 300-400 3008 ⋈ Foreign Covers. Approximately 200 picked from archival correspondences, includes British free franks, Great Britain and better France (incl. pair of 80c Napoleon with private perfs), generally Fine E. 500-750

END OF SALE — THANK YOU

EVOLUTION OF AMERICAN POSTAL SYSTEM TO 1792

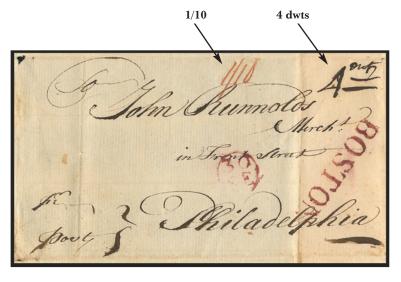
The following chronology traces the evolution of the postal system in North America, ending in 1792 when Congress established the U.S. Post Office (most of the information is quoted from *The Colonial Posts in The United States of America 1606-1783* and *Boston Postal Markings to 1890*).

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PENNYWEIGHT/STERLING CONVERSION TABLE

The table below provides an easy reference to pennyweight (dwt/gr) rates and their equivalents in Sterling (shillings and pence), as often marked on covers prior to 1792 (when rates were first marked in U.S. dollars and cents). The three columns at right provide inflation conversions for Philadelphia, including a column for the additional 2p carrier fee.

Pennyweight (dwt)/Grains (gr) [1dwt=24gr]	Pennyweight equivalent in pence (p/d) [1dwt=3p]	Shillings/pence [1sh=12p]	INFLATION FACE Pence x 1.67 inflation factor		ELPHIA +2p Carrier Fee
0.8	1p	1р	N/A	N/A	N/A
0.16	2p	2p	N/A	N/A	N/A
1.0	3р	3р	5p	5p	7p
1.8	4p	4p	7p	7p	9p
1.16	5p	5p	8p	8p	10p
2.0	6р	6р	10p	10p	1/-
2.8	7p	7p	12p	1/-	1/2
2.16	8p	8p	14p	1/2	1/4
3.0	9p	9p	15p	1/3	1/5
3.8	10p	10p	17p	1/5	1/7
3.16	11p	11p	18p	1/6	1/8
4.0	12p	1/-	20p	1/8	1/10
4.8	13p	1/1	22p	1/10	2/-
4.16	14p	1/2	23p	1/11	2/1
5.0	15p	1/3	25p	2/1	2/3
5.8	16p	1/4	27p	2/3	2/5
5.16	17p	1/5	28p	2/4	2/6
6.0	18p	1/6	30p	2/6	2/8
6.8	19p	1/7	32p	2/8	2/10
6.16	20p	1/8	34p	2/10	3/-
7.0	21p	1/9	35p	2/11	3/1
7.8	22p	1/10	37p	3/1	3/3
7.16	23p	1/11	39p	3/3	3/5
8.0	24p	2/-	40p	3/4	3/6
8.8	25p	2/1	42p	3/6	3/8
8.16	26p	2/2	44p	3/8	3/10



The cover shown here is a good example of Colonial-period markings and rates. The "4dwts" at upper right was applied at origin (Boston 1773). 4dwt is the equivalent of 12p, or one shilling (1/-), the 300-400 mile rate from Boston to Philadelphia. The "1/10" was applied by the Philadelphia post office to indicate a total of 1sh10p was due from the addressee. To arrive at this amount, the 4dwt postage was converted to local currency at the rate of 1.67; therefore, 12p x 1.67=20p (1/8). The 2p carrier fee was added to the converted postage, for a total of 22p (1/10).

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Lot#	Realized	Lot#	Realized	Lot#	Realized	Lot#	Realized	Lot#	Realized
2501	2,600	2537	750	2573	2,000	2609	8,000	2645	400
2502	600	2538	800	2574	200	2610	8,000	2646	350
2503	1,800	2539	600	2575	800	2611	350	2647	160
2504	450	2540	150	2576	250	2612	350	2648	425
2505	8,000	2541	325	2577	400	2613	325	2649	6,250
2506	2,200	2542	750	2578	300	2614	375	2650	7,500
2507	800	2543	450	2579	950	2615	350	2651	950
2508	5,500	2544	325	2580	450	2616	450	2652	550
2509	5,250	2545	200	2581	1,700	2617	550	2653	800
2510	1,200	2546	550	2582	3,500	2618	800	2654	300
2511	450	2547	300	2583	170	2619	400	2655	5,000
2512	2,200	2548	450	2584	550	2620	275	2656	2,200
2513	225	2549	160	2585	525	2621	250	2657	450
2514	550	2550	200	2586	550	2622	275	2658	500
2515	160	2551	700	2587	180	2623	325	2659	425
2516	8,000	2552	190	2588	900	2624	250	2660	350
2517	850	2553	160	2589	550	2625	275	2661	350
2518	1,300	2554	1,400	2590	300	2626	325	2662	325
2519	275	2555	1,900	2591	400	2627	300	2663	600
2520	1,500	2556	5,500	2592	300	2628	250	2664	300
2521	225	2557	1,700	2593	150	2629	275	2665	550
2522	275	2558	1,500	2594	425	2630	300	2666	275
2523	1,600	2559	1,500	2595	350	2631	225	2667	225
2524	1,600	2560	750	2596	275	2632	275	2668	225
2525	1,800	2561	2,000	2597	225	2633	375	2669	300
2526	275	2562	1,600	2598	150	2634	250	2670	550
2527	275	2563	2,500	2599	150	2635	160	2671	225
2528	2,600	2564	2,400	2600	400	2636	275	2672	300
2529	5,000	2565	750	2601	325	2637	180	2673	350
2530	500	2566	800	2602	275	2638	750	2674	190
2531	1,100	2567	2,200	2603	400	2639	2,500	2675	180
2532	80	2568	1,400	2604	600	2640	950	2676	200
2533	275	2569	500	2605	3,250	2641	900	2677	170
2534	400	2570	500	2606	5,500	2642	160	2677A	1,400
2535	275	2571	350	2607	650	2643	500	2677B	1,200
2536	225	2572	250	2608	1,700	2644	250	2678	5,000

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2679	3,500	2715	16,500	2751	1,300	2787	750	2823	450
2680	1,200	2716	17,000	2752	950	2788	1,400	2824	800
2681	1,200	2717	4,750	2753	1,300	2789	2,000	2825	750
2682	1,100	2718	500	2754	3,750	2790	400	2826	1,200
2683	650	2719	550	2755	2,100	2791	1,100	2827	4,000
2684	40,000	2720	2,200	2756	350	2792	2,600	2828	3,500
2685	12,500	2721	950	2757	200	2793	800	2829	1,700
2686	700	2722	2,600	2758	170	2794	275	2830	600
2687	550	2723	950	2759	180	2795	250	2831	2,100
2688	600	2724	3,500	2760	850	2796	160	2832	42,500
2689	10,000	2725	1,100	2761	1,500	2797	325	2833	750
2690	5,500	2726	950	2762	1,900	2798	900	2834	4,000
2691	6,000	2727	1,500	2763	550	2799	1,200	2835	23,000
2692	5,750	2728	3,250	2764	1,300	2800	170	2836	10,500
2693	550	2729	2,200	2765	500	2801	2,300	2837	950
2694	300	2730	275	2766	4,250	2802	200	2838	1,700
2695	325	2731	800	2767	1,300	2803	225	2839	4,500
2696	1,600	2732	500	2768	800	2804	225	2840	2,800
2697	4,250	2733	550	2769	500	2805	2,500	2841	2,100
2698	4,750	2734	4,250	2770	700	2806	1,200	2844	1,000
2699	425	2735	8,000	2771	2,000	2807	120	2845	550
2700	375	2736	8,000	2772	500	2808	375	2846	250
2701	100	2737	750	2773	500	2809	1,200	2847	2,700
2702	2,000	2738	7,000	2774	2,800	2810	325	2848	4,250
2703	250	2739	1,900	2775	500	2811	750	2849	475
2704	2,000	2740	375	2776	650	2812	1,000	2850	1,100
2705	900	2741	15,000	2777	325	2813	600	2851	225
2706	2,100	2742	750	2778	1,200	2814	550	2852	16,500
2707	1,700	2743	300	2779	275	2815	350	2853	6,500
2708	1,500	2744	9,000	2780	350	2816	750	2854	5,750
2709	800	2745	2,300	2781	1,100	2817	600	2855	7,000
2710	5,000	2746	6,250	2782	1,700	2818	2,000	2856	16,500
2711	2,000	2747	4,500	2783	1,100	2819	2,000	2857	5,000
2712	850	2748	3,000	2784	800	2820	425	2858	5,500
2713	275	2749	3,000	2785	1,000	2821	275	2859	5,750
2714	5,000	2750	2,100	2786	300	2822	170	2860	5,750

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Lot#	Realized								
2861	3,500	2897	5,000	2933	300	2969	325	3005	2,400
2862	3,500	2898	5,750	2934	275	2970	800	3006	2,000
2863	8,500	2899	4,500	2935	300	2971	475	3007	1,300
2864	16,500	2900	3,750	2936	275	2972	225	3008	3,000
2865	11,500	2901	4,250	2937	1,300	2973	110		·
2866	8,000	2902	4,750	2938	1,600	2974	2,900		
2867	8,500	2903	4,750	2939	1,600	2975	3,750		
2868	8,000	2904	500	2940	850	2976	1,700		
2869	6,000	2905	800	2941	1,000	2977	475		
2870	7,000	2906	600	2942	850	2978	500		
2871	5,750	2907	550	2943	900	2979	350		
2872	7,500	2908	550	2944	550	2980	1,000		
2873	5,500	2909	550	2945	375	2981	275		
2874	5,750	2910	550	2946	1,200	2982	225		
2875	5,500	2911	650	2947	700	2983	425		
2876	5,750	2912	550	2948	2,100	2984	375		
2877	5,000	2913	700	2949	7,500	2985	800		
2878	5,500	2914	500	2950	550	2986	400		
2879	5,000	2915	500	2951	4,000	2987	400		
2880	5,750	2916	325	2952	400	2988	300		
2881	15,500	2917	650	2953	5,500	2989	275		
2882	5,750	2918	900	2954	850	2990	250		
2883	10,500	2919	900	2955	300	2991	750		
2884	2,700	2920	850	2956	800	2992	350		
2885	6,250	2921	450	2957	650	2993	1,500		
2886	6,500	2922	325	2958	140	2994	750		
2887	8,500	2923	325	2959	120	2995	4,500		
2888	8,000	2924	1,400	2960	500	2996	2,100		
2889	6,250	2925	1,500	2961	1,100	2997	3,750		
2890	6,250	2926	325	2962	150	2998	1,700		
2891	6,500	2927	1,300	2963	650	2999	14,000		
2892	5,750	2928	900	2964	6,750	3000	3,000		
2893	5,000	2929	750	2965	8,500	3001	3,250		
2894	4,500		1,600	2966	6,250	3002	1,200		
2895	4,500	2931	325	2967	1,200	3003	2,100		
2896	4,000	2932	375	2968	375	3004	1,600		