

## The Second Issue of King Leopold I – the “Medallions”

The Third “Medallions” – Unwatermarked Paper – Plate I “Small Medallion” – 10 cent Stamp

As the all 10 cent stamps the third issue was mostly for local regular postage less than 10 grams and short distance, less than 30 km. The Thick paper variety.



"1" Nameche  
Bureau distribution

"4" Anvers

"66" Jodoigne  
Bureau perception  
Thick paper

"48" Genappe

"78" Malines



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Throughout the era of the third "Medallions" series the 10 cent was primarily used to pay the postal fees for light weight letters (less than 10 grams) for a distance of less than 30 km. Any deviation from these limits raised the postage price to 20 cent or more.



*A letter from Roux (# 160) to Charleroy, November 3, 1859.*

*The letter is correctly franked with 10 cent brown stamp from plate 1.*

*On the back side an arrival CDS from Charleroy from the same day after about a two hours.*



*A letter from Liege (# 73) to Gand, December 12, 1859.*

*On the back an arrival CDS of the next day and "5" in circle postal batch mark.*

*Correctly franked by a pair of 10 cent brown stamp from plate I, for distance about 150 km.*