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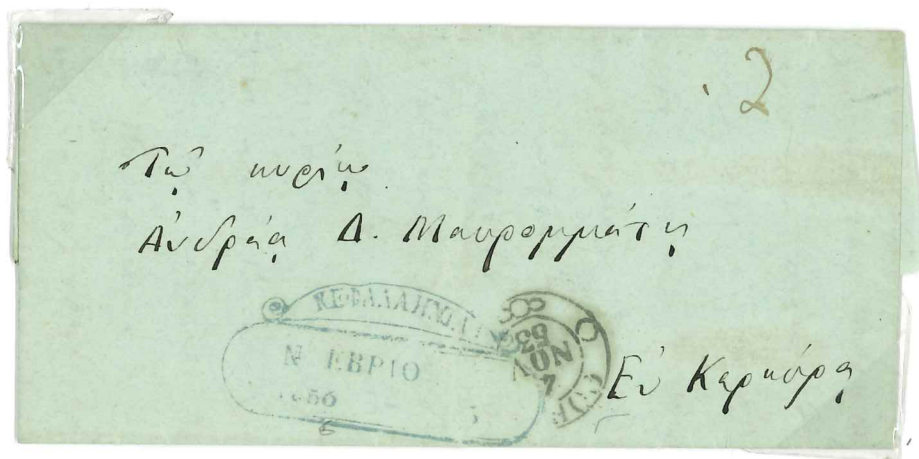
1853 ENTIRE LETTER CEPHALONIA TO CORFU:

Upper right corner red MS "2", for 2d Cephalonia to Corfu postage (per May 21, 1845 Postal Tariff, Z. p.151).

Blue Cephalonia scroll despatch mark 3 November 1853, ERROR SHOWN IN ZAPHIRIOU p.211 (MONTH IN ITALIAN, SCROLL IN GREEK).

Corfu button cancel Type A (Z. p. 205) arrival mark 4 November 1853.

(Destination Kerkyra is on Corfu.)



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1858 ENTIRE LETTER SANTA MAURA TO CORFU:

Double circle Posta Pagata prepayment mark Type A (Z. p.214) with MS red "1" for 1d Santa Maura to Corfu postage (per July 27, 1857 Law, Z. p.162).

Blue Santa Maura scroll Type C (Z. p.208) 30 May 1858 despatch mark.

Corfu button Type B-Vc (Z. p.205) 31 May arrival mark.

The address is in Greek. The letter, shown below, is in Italian. It informs the recipient that Penelope is convalescing.

*St. Maura  
Pregiatissimo Mio Signore*

*Le scrivo queste poche  
informazioni circa la salute della  
sua Penelope. Essa si ritrova in  
convalescenza e nel complesso sta  
meglio.*

*Yours truly  
G. Pinnara*





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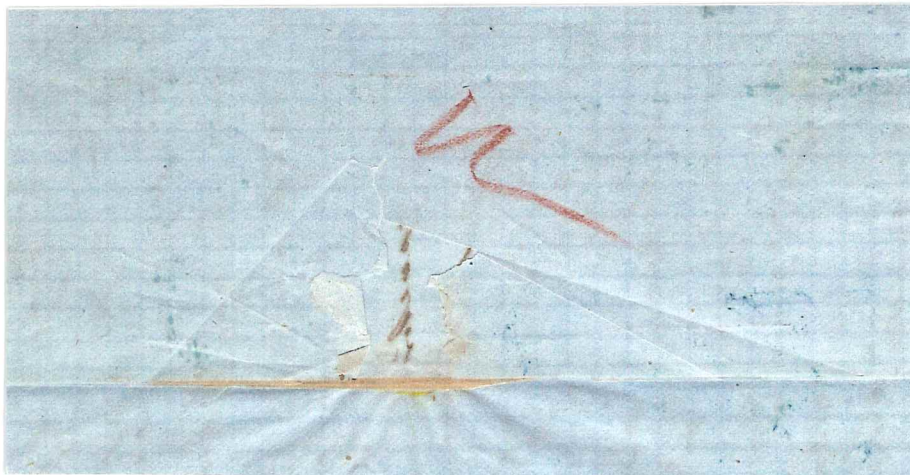
1862 FOLDED LETTER ZACYNTHOS TO CEPHALONIA

Blue circular Zacynthos Type A (Z. p.206) 23 December 1862  
despatch mark.

To right, blue oval Δ Π mark (Z. p.214) with red MS "1" for 1d  
Ionian postage prepaid (per Cumming p. 40).

Other red MS marks not identified: on reverse, red "3", or is it "1/2",  
for ship's fee? Interesting red mark on front.

Faint blue Cephalonia Type E (Z. p.209) arrival mark, date illegible.



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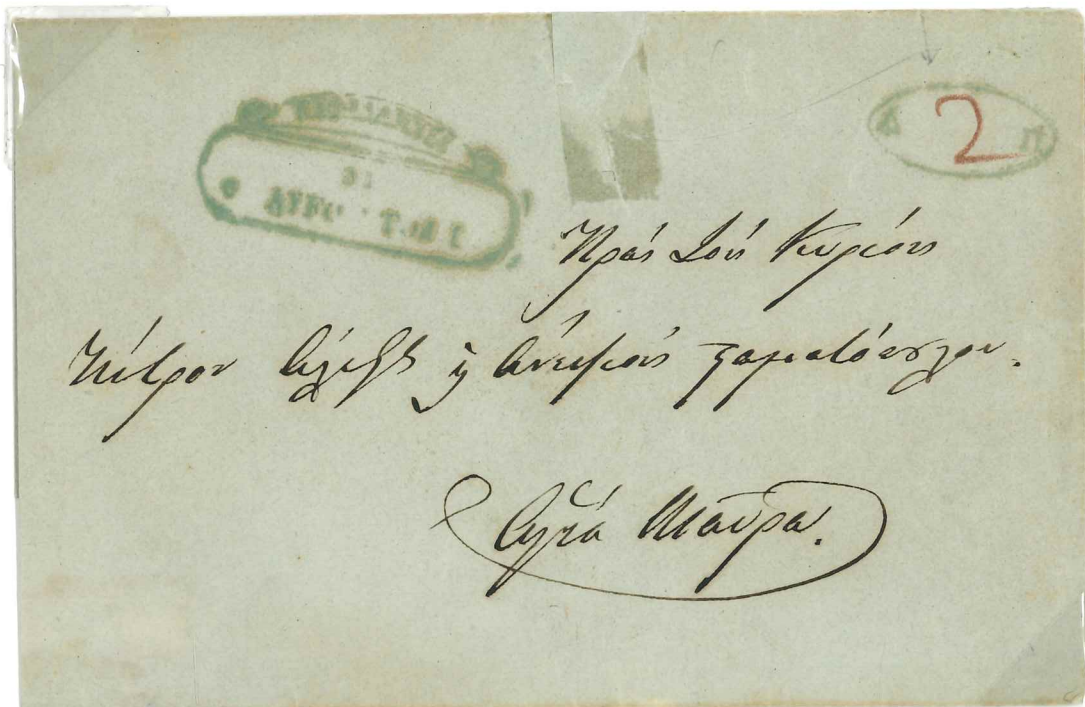
1861 FOLDED LETTER CEPHALONIA TO SANTA MAURA

Smudged blue-green scroll Cephalonia Type E (Z. p.209) despatch mark, dated 1861..

To right, blue oval Δ Π mark (Z. p.214) with red MS "2" for 2d Ionian postage exceeding ½ oz., prepaid (per 1857 Tariff, Cumming p. 40).

Blue Lefkas (Santa Maura) Type C (Z. p.206) 22 April 1861 arrival mark, on reverse.

Red MS "1" for 1d delivery to recipient (?), on reverse.



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1861 FOLDED LETTER CEPHALONIA TO SANTA MAURA

Smudged blue-green scroll Cephalonia Type C (? see Z. p.206) despatch mark, dated November 1861.

To right, blue oval Δ Π mark (Z. p.214, see below) with red MS "1" for 1d Ionian postage prepaid, (Per 1857 Tariff, Cumming p. 40).

Blue Lefkas (Santa Maura) Type C (Z. p.206) 7 November 1861 arrival mark, on reverse.

Red MS "1" for 1d delivery to recipient, on reverse.



"Δ Π" stands for *ικαιωμα πληρωμενο (dikaioma pleramenon)*, meaning duty paid.

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1864 FOLDED LETTER ZACYNTHOS TO CEPHALONIA

Blue circular Zacynthos Type A (Z. p.206) 4 March 1864 despatch mark, DATE INVERTED.

To right, blue oval Δ Π mark (Z. p.214) with red MS "1" for 1d Ionian postage prepaid (per Cumming p. 40).

Faint Cephalonia Type D (Z. p.209) March arrival mark.



On May 2, 1864, six weeks after this letter was received, the British departed and the Ionian Islands became part of Greece.