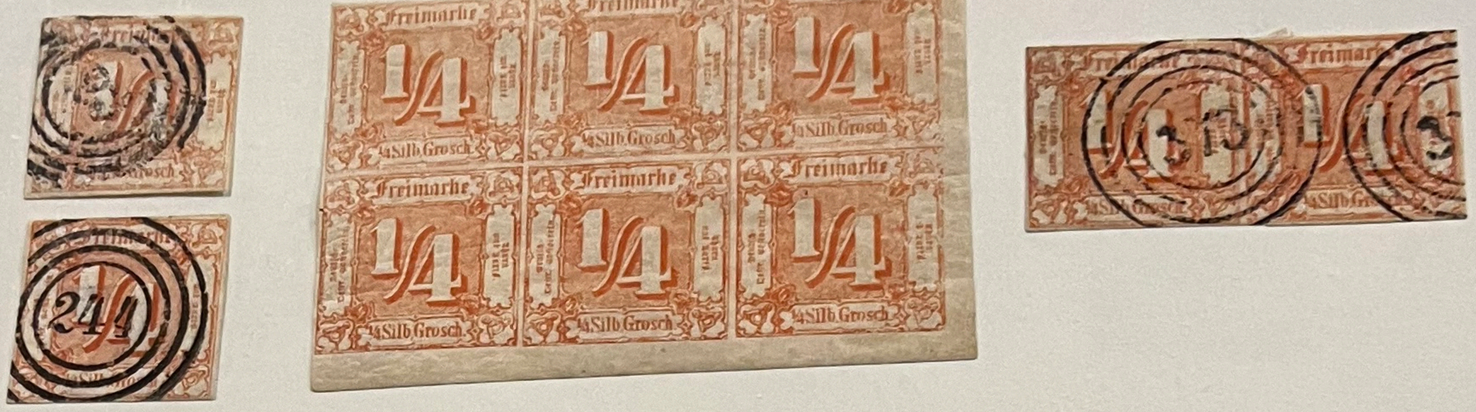
THURN and TAXIS

1859-60 issue
Northern District

The use of coloured papers was not satisfactory and it was decided to print in colour on white paper.

¼ gr.



½ gr.



1 gr.



2gr.



3gr.

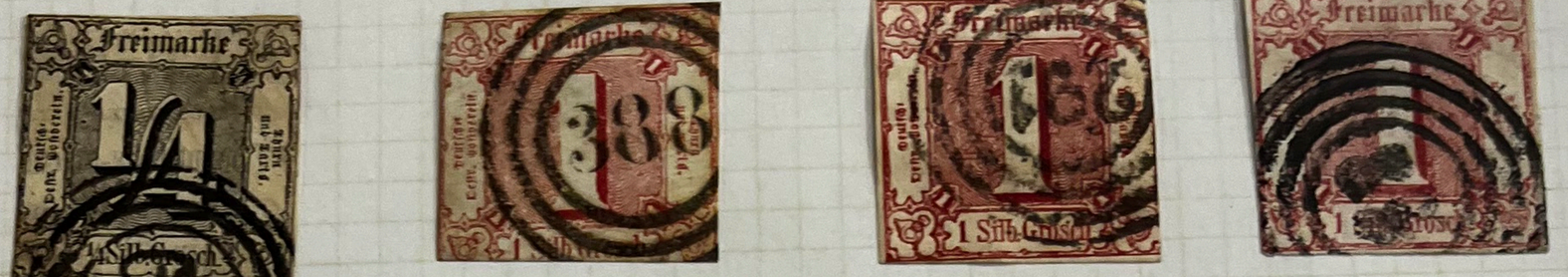


THURN and TAXIS

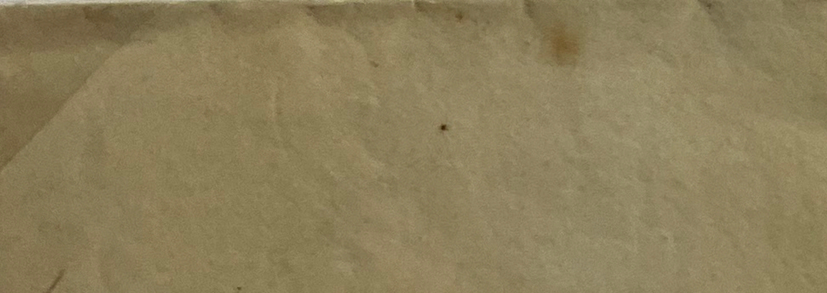
1862

The third issue which saw a change of colours consistent with the other 'States' in the Post Union.











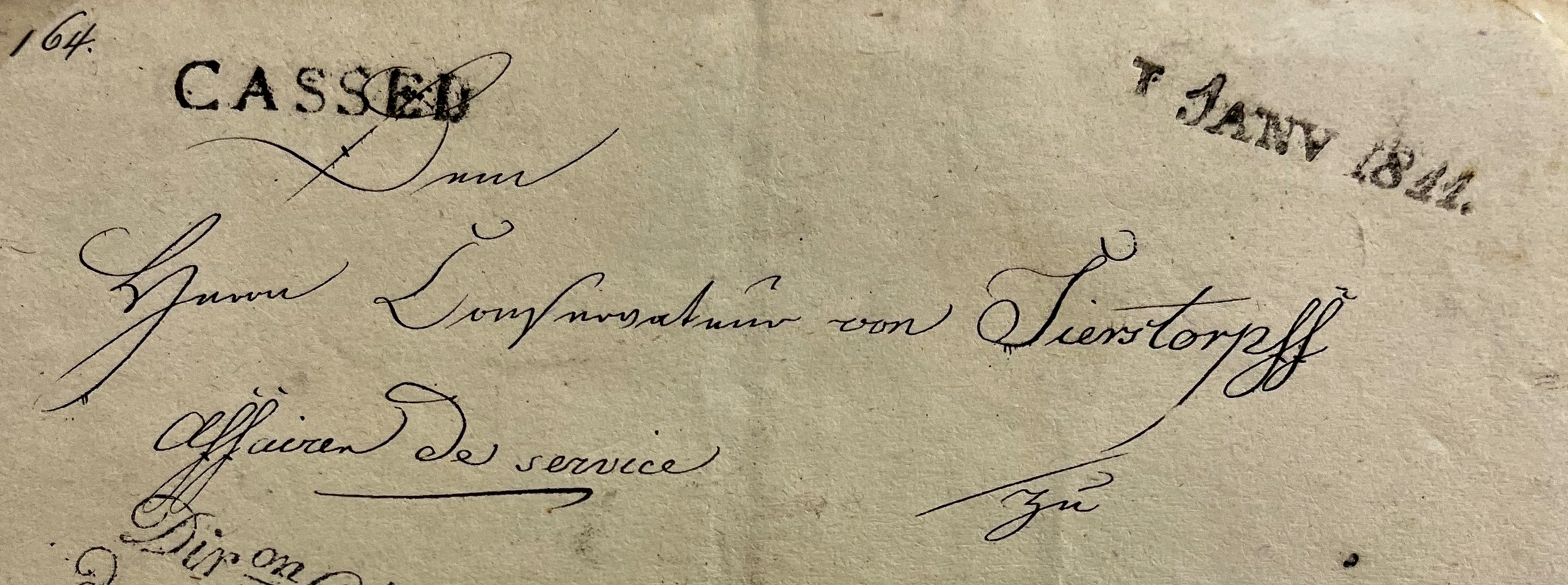
THURN and TAXIS

c1860

An envelope sent from Cassel to Hersfeld. It [illegible] with ¼ Sgr pale red and 1 Sgr pale blue stamp[illegible] 1859-61 issue which have been cancelled by th[illegible] multi-ring "14" postmark.

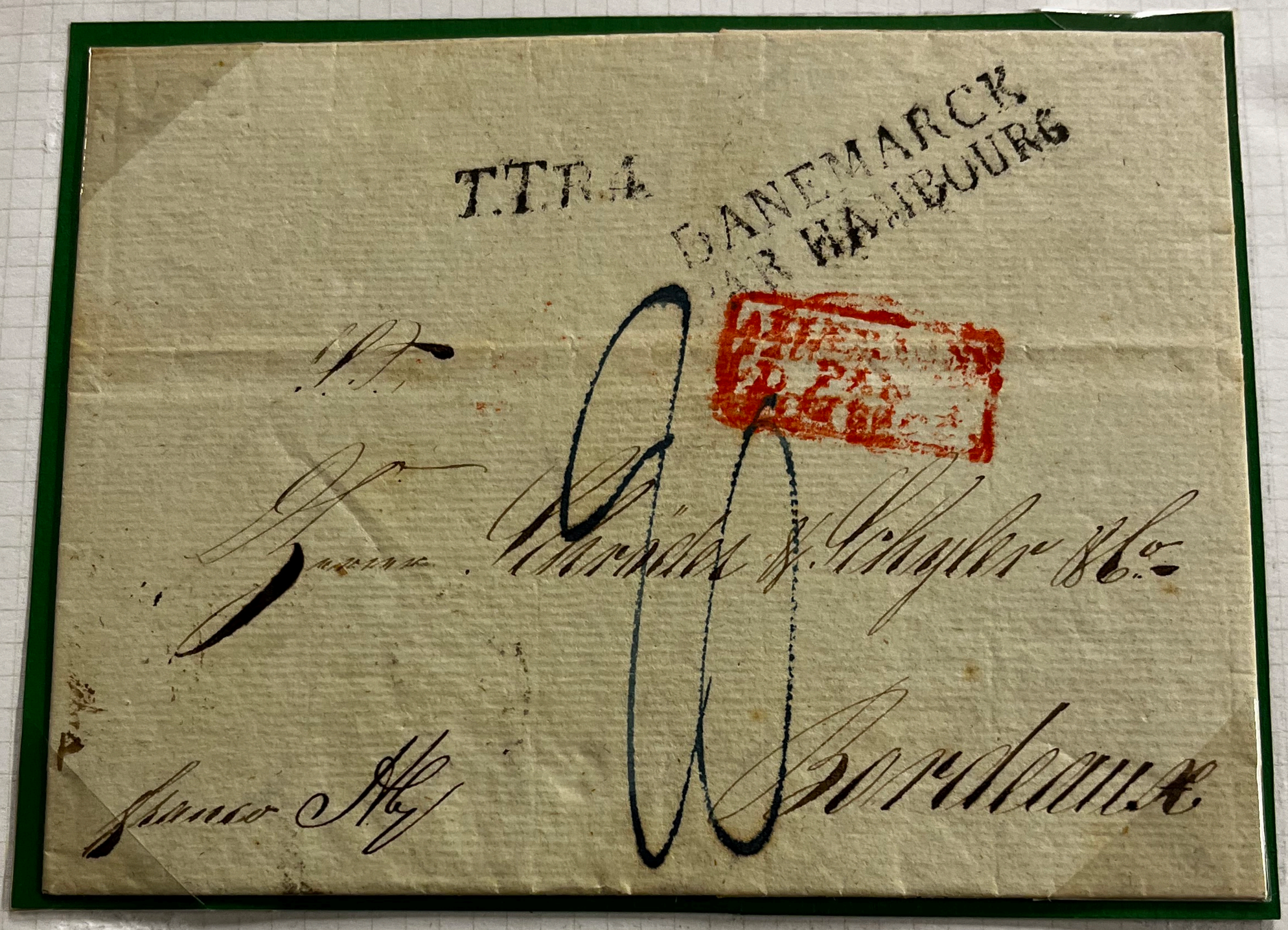


An official entire sent from Cassel, in Electoral Hesse, to Brunswick. This region was administered by France at this time as shown by the French cachet 'Director General of Lakes and Forests', on the front.

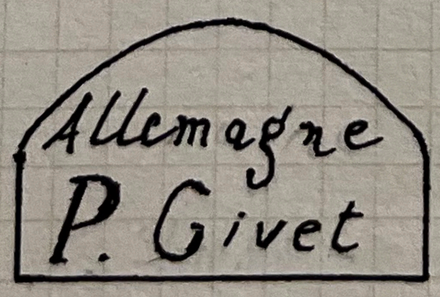


Up till 1816 the posts of this region were administered by France but agreements existed with Thurn and Taxis. The straight line postmark of Cassel is a Thurn and Taxis mark.

Entire sent from Christiansund , Norway to Bordeaux. The Thurn and Taxis organisation acted as Transit Agents. The entire was carried to Denmark, where it was probably taken by Swedish boat to Hamburg. In Hamburg, it would be handed to the Thurn and Taxis agents via the Swedish Post Office.



The mark, TTR4 and the French penetration mark(s) in red indicate the route taken. There are two marks, one on top of the other.



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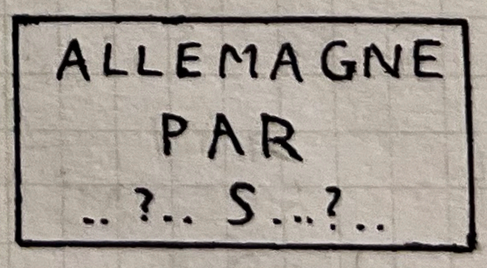


(possibly STRASBOURG) FORBA

Possibly the original mark was applied in error.

THURN and TAXIS

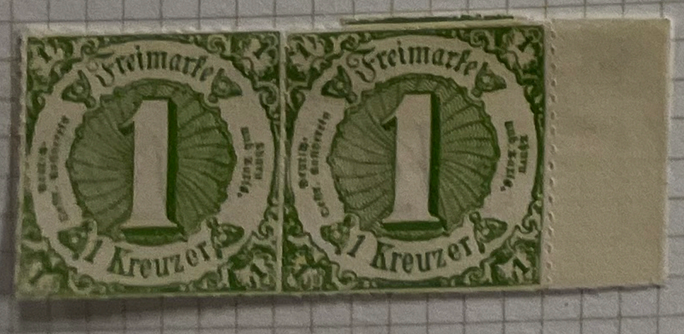
1865

Rouletted 16

tting was performed by a single line machine, after
ng, which is why well centred copies are rare.



reprinted in 1910 on thick white paper. The
eudrucke), on the reverse, easily distinguish
original.



THURN and TAXIS
1860

An entire sent from Waltershaven (postmark no. 279) to Wiesbaden. 2 Sgr. was the rate for a letter of up to 1 loth carried between 10 and 20 meile.



On the reverse there are a Transit mark of Eisenach (13 Oct.) and an Arrival mark of Wiesbaden (13 Oct.)

was used. Coloured print



















High values produced to cater for overseas mail







Forged cancellations





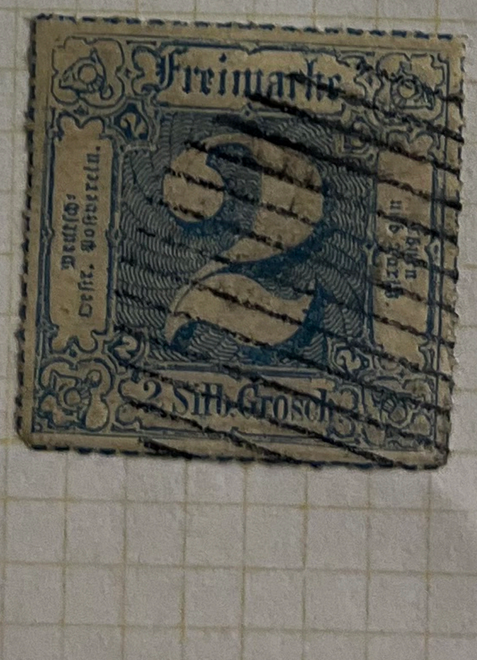



Freimarke
1/4
¼Silb.Grosch.


Freimarke
1/2
½ Silb.Grosch.


Freimarke
1
1 Silb.Grosch.


Freimarke
2
2 Silb.Grosch.


Freimarke
2
2 Silb.Grosch.


Streimarke
30
30 Kreuzer.

Freimarke 6 Kreuzer
Thurn und Taxis.
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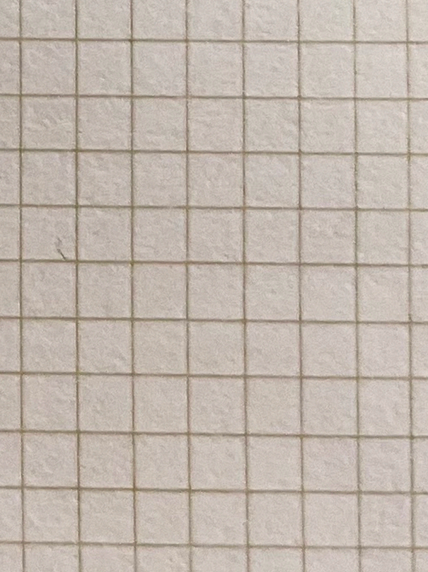
that the rouletting was in colour and was performed at the same time as the printing. The spacing between the stamps was increased to 1¼ mm. The result was more consistently well centred copies.





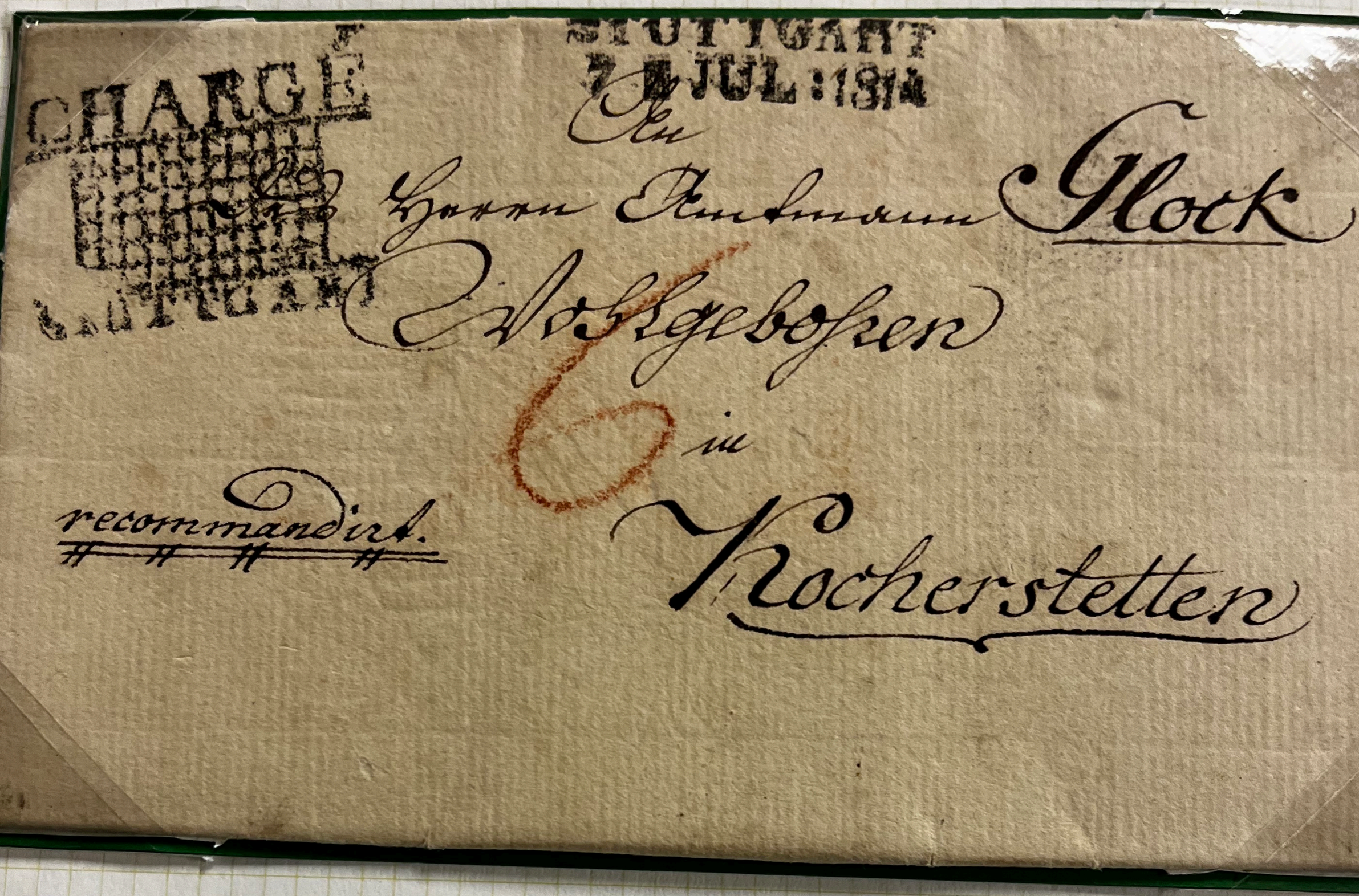








An entire sent from Stuttgart to Rochelstettin in July 1814



The entire has been registered and inscribed "recommandir
in manuscript. A "Chargé/Stuttgart" postmark has also bee
applied. This distinctive type of postmark was in use fro
1809.

WURTTEMBURG
1831

A registered entire sent from Stuttgart in May 1831.



"Stuttgart/Chargé" postmark has been applied to the fron
his distinctive type of postmark was in use from 1820. Th
s a manuscript "4" in red crayon on the reverse.

Germany respectively.

first day
of issue



1.1.72

small shield

The first series was a provisional issue. The final shape of the Imperial eagle (e.g. large shield) was decided in August 1871, however the stamps did not appear until June 1872.

1 Groschen





3 Kreuzer

large shield

equivalent postal value

Two values (2½ gr. and 9 kr.) were additionally overprinted, for clarity, in January 1874.





Small Shield







Large Shield



















Small Shield
1872
'Gulden' Currency



1 kr.



2 kr.



3 kr.



7 kr.



18 kr.

'Thaler Currency'







¼ gr.







⅓ gr.

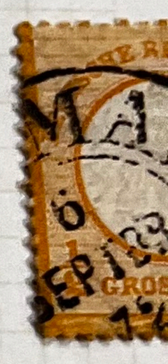
o/v





o/v





½ gr.









1 gr.

↑

postmarked 2 Jan '72







2 gr.



GERMANY

Small Shield
1872
'Thaler' Currency



5 gr.



½ and 2 gr. stamps on piece cancelled by Hamburg horseshoe.

The first issue of the German Reich stamps was a provisional issue. The final shape of the Imperial Eagle was determined by a cabinet order issued on August 3rd. 1871. Despite this, the first batch of German stamps were printed with the small shield eagle before the arrival of the amended instructions to use the large shield eagle design. The large shield eagle stamps appeared in July 1872.



GERMANY

Internal Official Stamps
1872

These Innendienst (Internal Official) stamps are sometimes wrongly referred to as 'parcel post' stamps They were intended for internal accounting purposes but can often be found used for parcel post,presumably for convenience.







Pen cancellation is more common than postmarking.

GERMANY

Large Shield
1872
'Thaler' Currency



¼ gr.



⅓ gr.



½ gr.



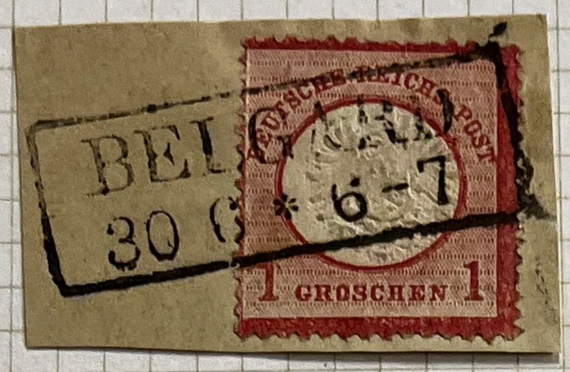


Mixed franking!

Large Shield

1872

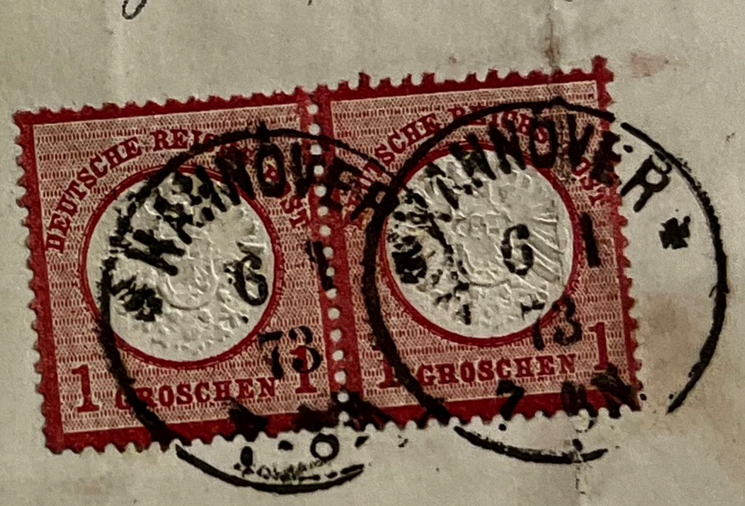
1 Groschen





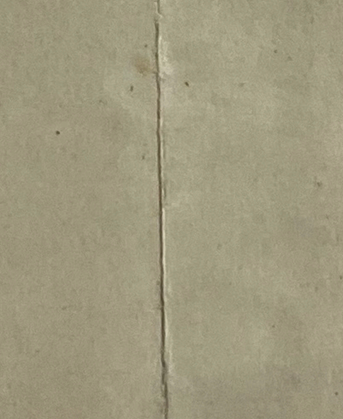
Breslau/Berlin

T.P.O.



22·5 mm





21·5 mm

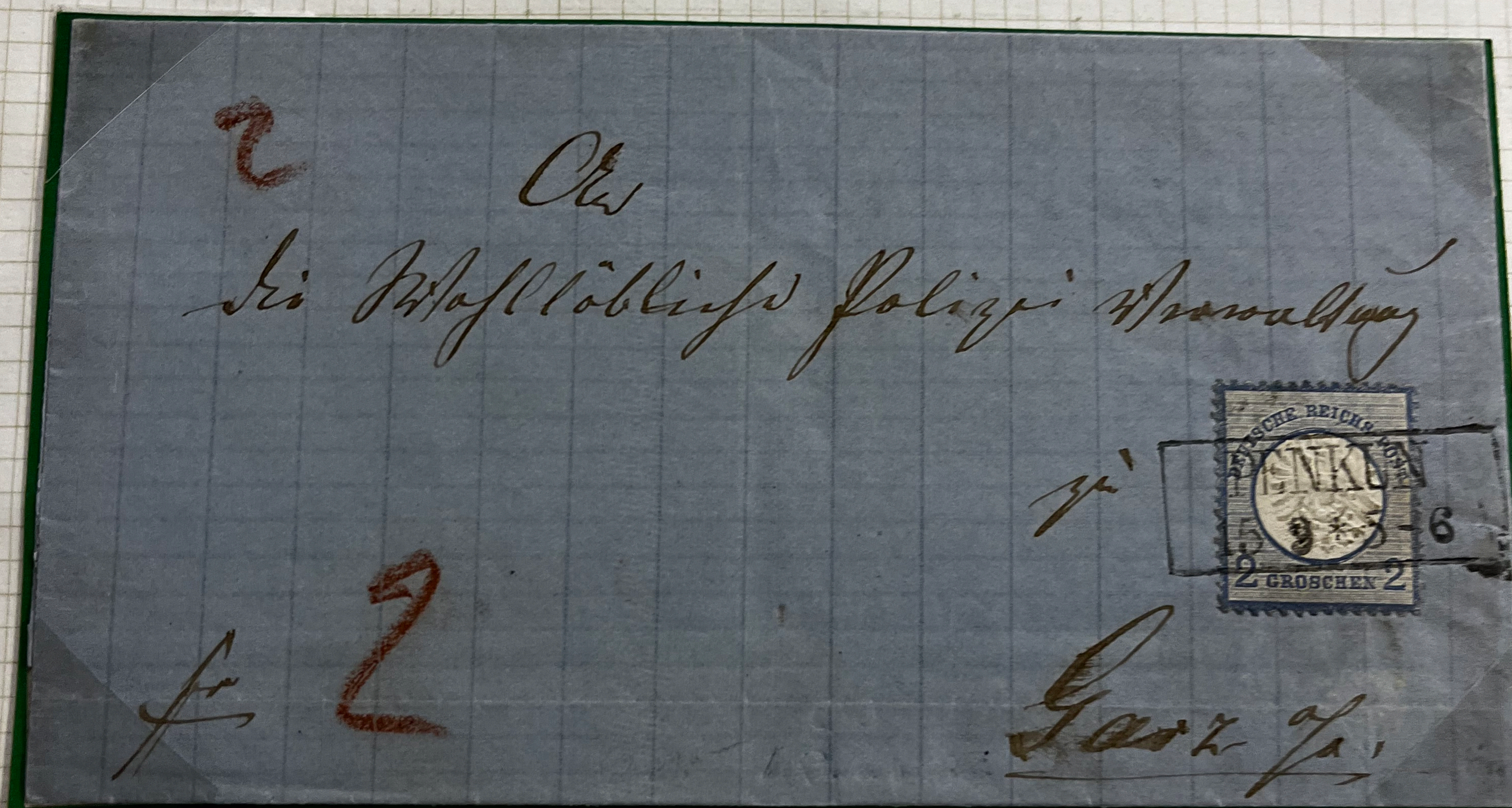
— normal size —

short

2 Groschen



Frankfurt/Coeln T.P.O



22·5 mm

normal size

21·5 mm

short

Large Shield
1872
'Gulden' Currency



1 kr.

---yellow green---

blue green



2 kr.



3 kr.



7 kr.



9 kr.

------chestnut----

deep brown

Large Shield
1872
'Thaler' Currency Issue



----chestnut----



deep brown





The 2½ groschen and 9 kreuzer stamps were overprinted with the value in large figures to avoid confusion.







2½ gr.







horseshoe pmk.



½



Danzig pmk.



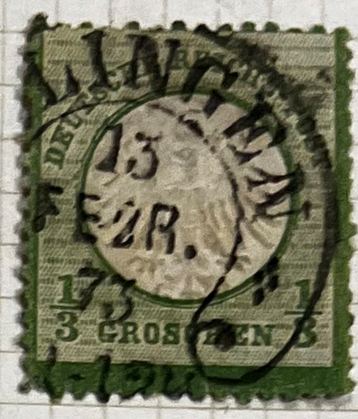


9 kr.

Mar. '74-early use







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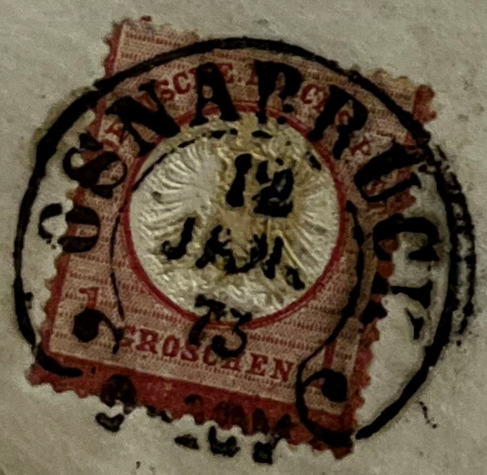




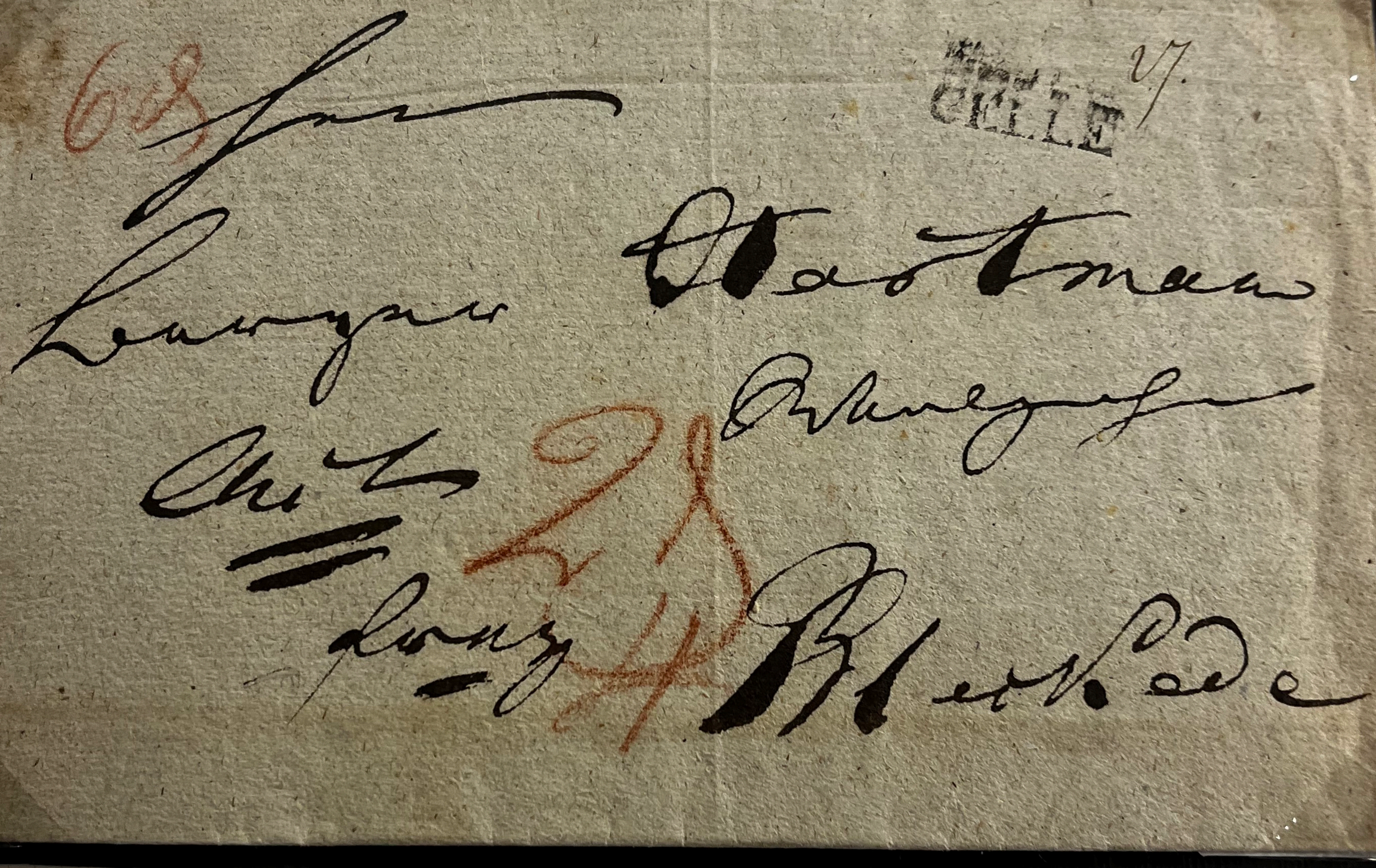




HANNOVER

c 1800?

A registered? entire sent from Celle to Bleckede. Charges of 4 groschen for postage and 2 groschen for registration? have been made.



The manuscript 27 (top right) is possibly the post office registration number.?

PRUSSIA
1856

An entire sent from Cologne to London in April 1856. The entire is franked with three 2Sgr black/blue and one 1Sgr black/rose stamps of the 1850-56 issue.



The large "P" in a circle handstamp indicates that postage has been paid to the destination. This postmark is probably associated with the Cologne-Verviers TPO.

PRUSSIA

1850-56 Issue

Examples of the 3 sgr. rate paid by 2 + 1 sgr(upper) and a single 3 sgr.(lower).





PRUSSIA

1861

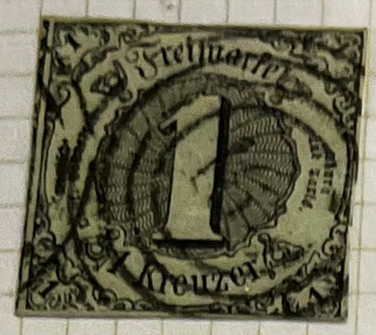
Entire sent from Berlin to Libau and franked with a pair of 3 sgr. orange-yellow of the 1858 issue. 6 sgr. was the rate for a double weight letter carried over 20 meile.

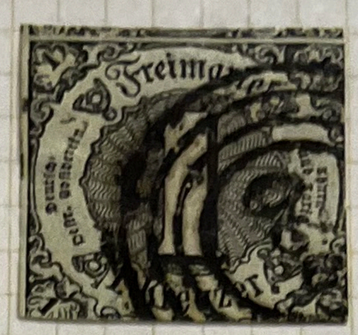


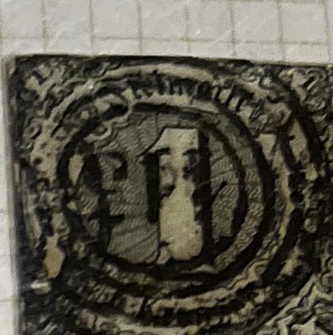
THURN and TAXIS
1852-58
SOUTHERN DISTRICT

1 kr.

pale green

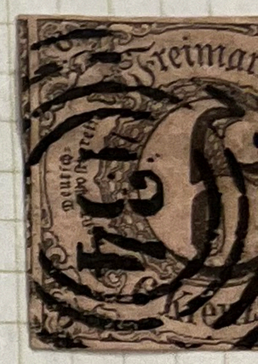




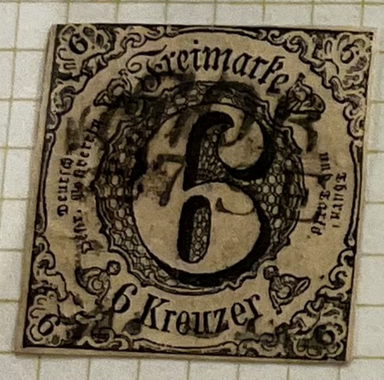


pale bluish green



6 kr.








9 kr.









SAXONY

1863-67

Embossed Coat of Arms







orange yellow





deep yellow

















yellow brown

—— brown ——

PRUSSIA

Aachen TPO/Accountancy Postmarks

This postmark was applied at Aachen to indicate the country of origin. There are three types and it is found struck in red from 1851 and blue from 1868.

1862



1870



PRUSSIA
1867

An entire sent from Hamburg to Sougeres in France in December 1867. It is franked with a pair of 2 sgr ultramarine stamps and a 6 pf orange stamp of the 1861-65 issue.

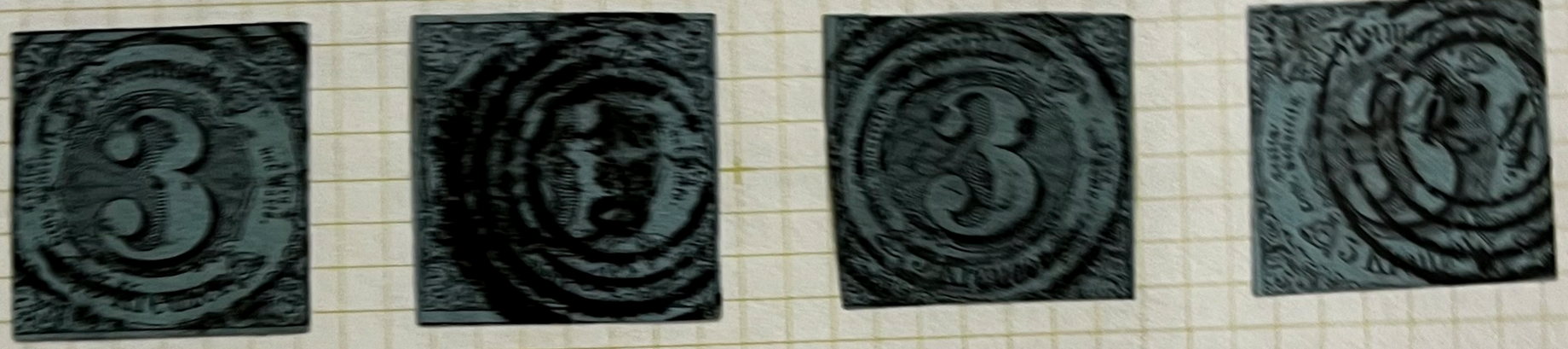


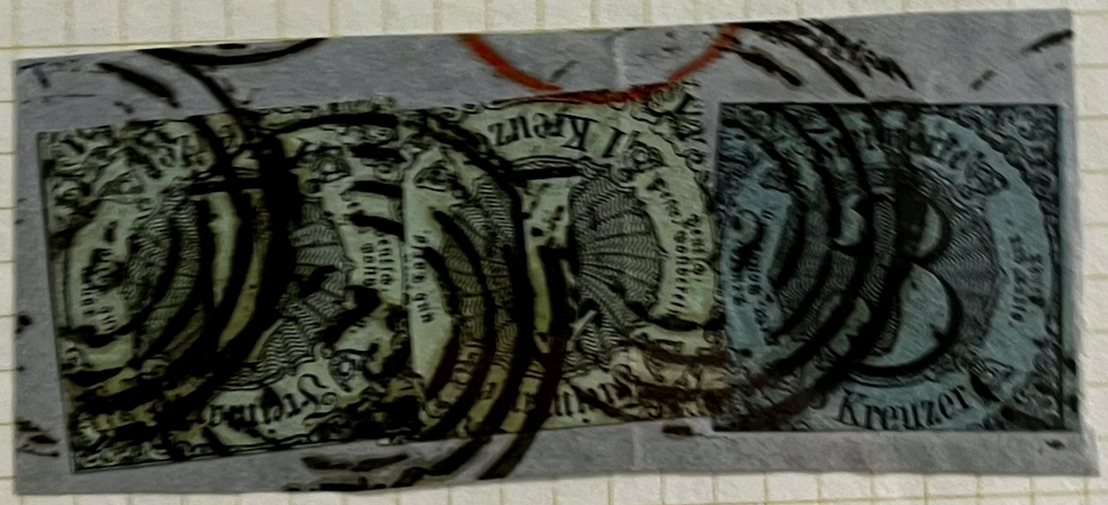
There is a blue double circle Thurn and Taxis French entry postmark of Forbach on the front. The "PD" cachet signifies that postage has been paid to the destination.

3 Kreuzer
1852 dark blue

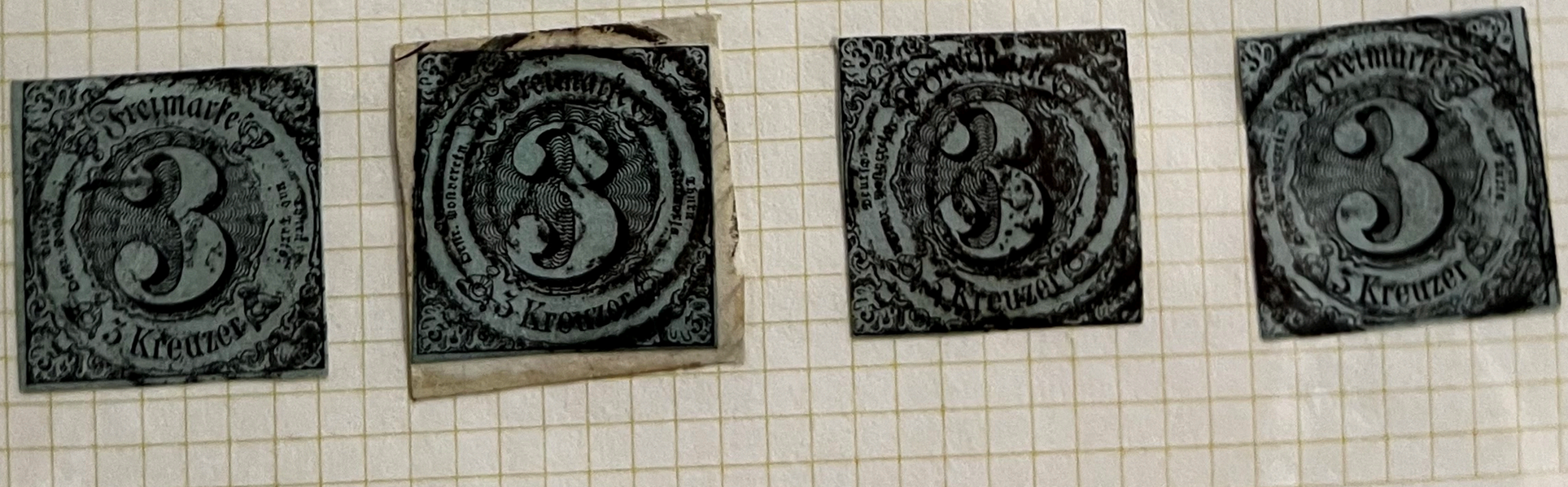


The dark blue of the 1852 printing proved to be too dark and the colour was changed to a lighter dull blue in 1853.





The colour was changed again in 1858 to grey blue.



1856. It is franked with
dark blue stamps of the 1852-58 issue.



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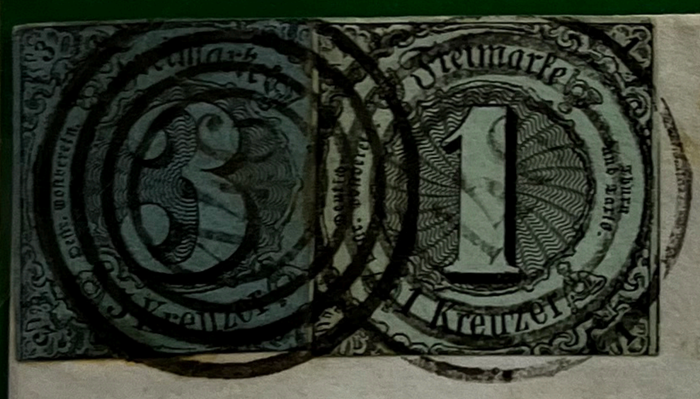

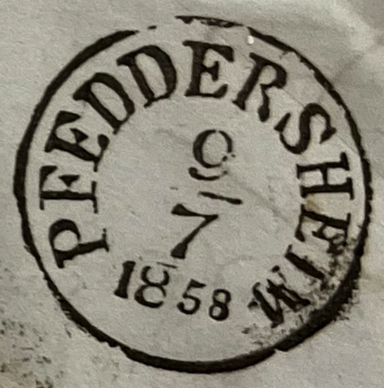

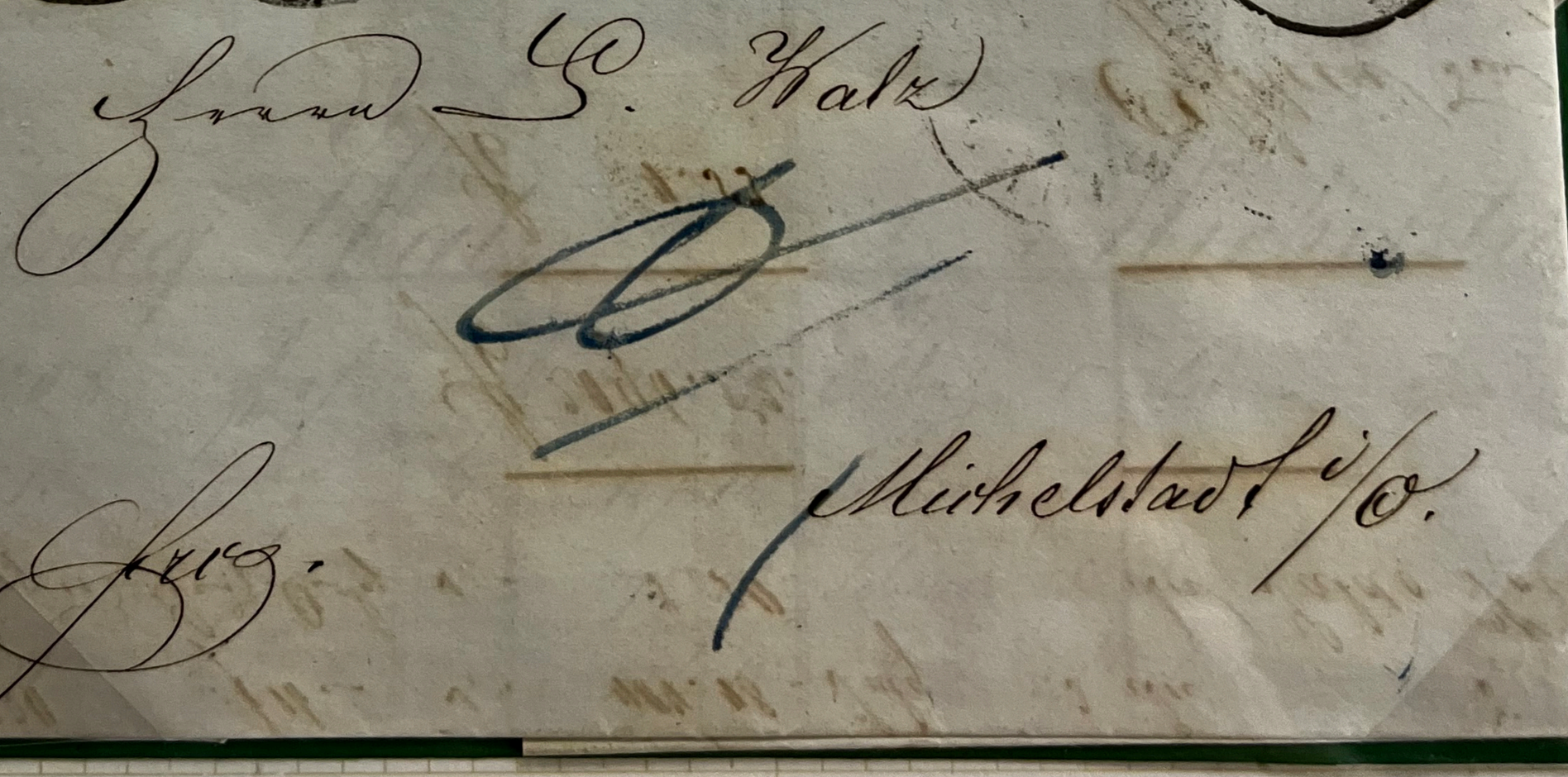

THURN and TAXIS
1856

An outer lettersheet sent from Worms to Kehl in September 1856. It is franked with a pair of 3 kr dark blue stamps of the 1852-58 issue.



There is a double circle Kehl arrival postmark dated 8 September on the reverse.

An outer lettersheet sent from Reichelsheim t[illegible]uffel
in March 1859. It is franked with five (two ver[illegible]cal pai
and a single) 1 kr pale green stamps of th[illegible]852-58 issu



There is a double circle Darmstadt transit postmark date
4 March on the reverse.

November 1866 and
stamps of the 1862-63 issue. The are Mainz
Stranraer arrival postmarks on the reverse



1866

A cover sent from Wiesbaden to Stranraer in February 1866. The cover is franked with a pair of the 9Kr bistre stamp of the 1865 rouletted issue. There are Mainz/Coln TPO and Stranraer arrival postmarks on the reverse.



THURN and TAXIS
1861

An entire sent from Mainz to Regensburg [illegible] 1861. The entire is franked with a strip of three [illegible] 3Kr pale blue stamp of the 1859-60 issue.



There is a Regensburg arrival postmark on the reverse.

THURN and TAXIS
1864

An entire sent from Frankfurt to Paris in October 1864. The entire is franked with a pair of 6Kr pale blue stamps of the 1862-63 issue.



There is a French entry postmark (Tour-T / Forbach) on the front and a Paris arrival postmark on the reverse.

An outer lettersheet sent from Weimar to [illegible] in February 1860. It is franked with a 1/2 sgr black [illegible]ale bluish green stamp of the 1852-58 issue.



There is an Apolda transit postmark and Jena two line arrival postmark dated 14 February on the reverse.

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An outer letter sheet sent from Lichtenau to Cassel in Octob 1860. It is franked with a pair and a single 1/4 sgr black on red-brown stamps of the 1852-58 issue.



There is a double circle Cassel arrival postmark of 13 Octo and two distribution postmarks of 12 and 13 October on the

THURN and TAXIS

1860

An envelope sent from Bischhausen to Cassel [illegible] 1860. It is franked with a 1 sgr black on grey-blue sta[illegible] of the 1852-58 issue.



There is a double circle Cassel arrival postmark and a distribut[illegible] postmark both dated 15 March on the reverse.

1859

An envelope sent from Eschwegen to Cassel in November 1859. It is franked with a 1 sgr black on grey-blue and 1/4 sgr black on red brown stamps of the 1852-58 issue.



There is a double circle Cassel arrival msrk dated 30 Novem[illegible] a distribution mark dated 1 December on the reverse.

An uprated 2gr. postal envelope sent from Cassel to Hersfeld in February 1863. It is additionally franked with a ¼ gr. stamp of the 1859-60 issue to make up the 2¼ gr. charge rate.



THURN and TAXIS

1862

An envelope sent from Gotha to Bern in June 1862. It is franked with 2 Sgr rose and 3 Sgr brown-red stamps of the 1859-61 issue which have been cancelled by the Gotha multi-ring "273" postmark.



There are Frankurt am Main Bahnhof and Basel transit postmarks dated 29 June on the reverse. There is also a Bern arrival postmark dated 30 June.

THURN and TAXIS

1862

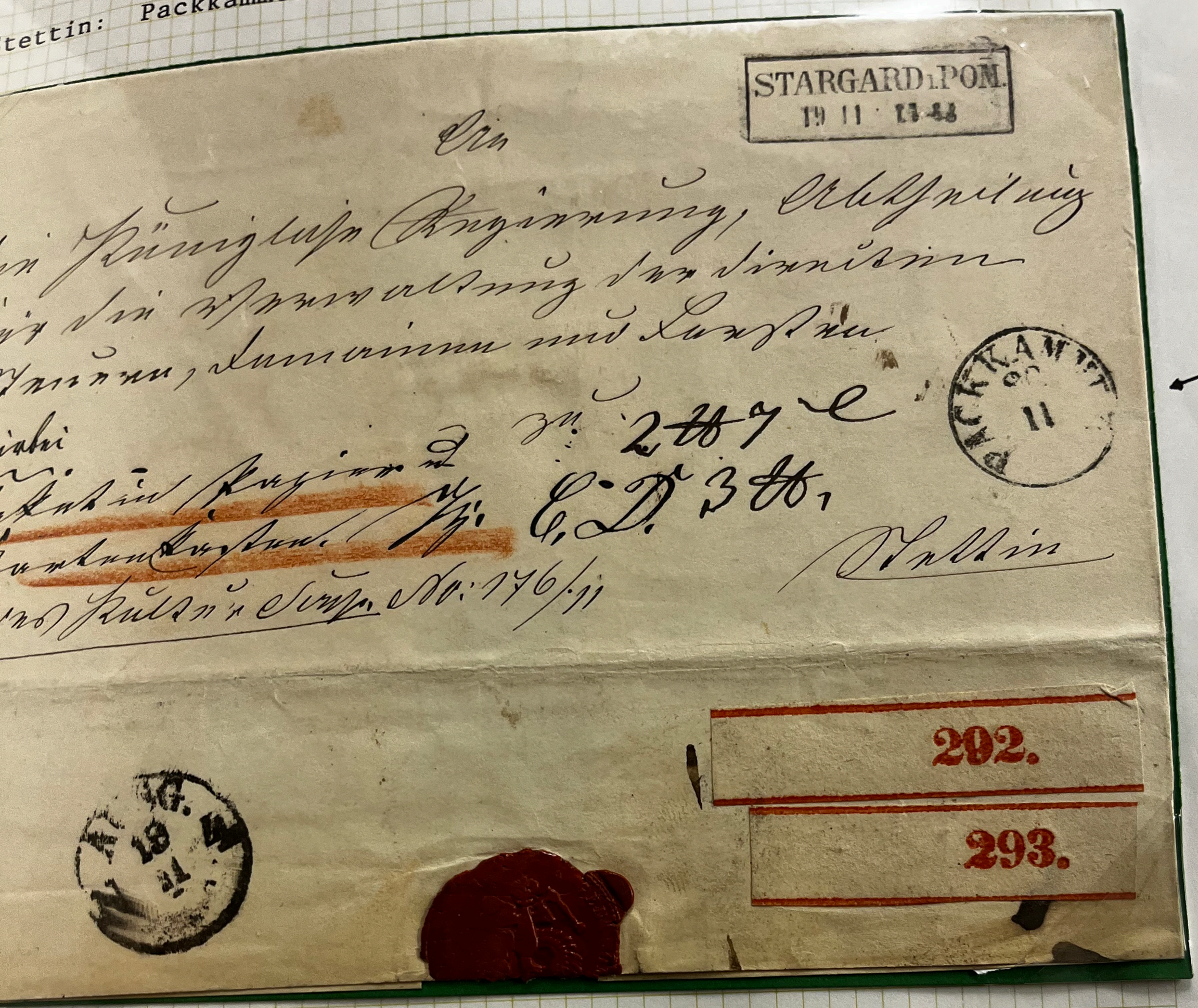
An envelope sent from Hamburg to Barcelona in April 1862. It is franked with a strip of three 3 Sgr brown-red stamps of the 1859-61 issue which have been cancelled by the Hamburg multi-ring "300" postmark.



There is a Hamburg T&T postmark dated 23 April and a T&T Vallencennes French entry postmark dated 25 April on the front. The red "PP" mark indicates that postage has been part paid. The "8R" (8 Reales) mark indicates the postage due at the destination.

On the reverse are two postmarks: an Espana La Junquera mark dated 27 April and a Barcelona arrival mark also dated 27 April.

tettin: Packkammer (Parcel Room) postmark.



ketbegleitbrief (letter accompanying a parcel) sent from
gard to Stettin (c.1850). The letter accompanies two
els (registration labels 292 and 293).

Ausgabe (Distribution) postmark is dated 19 Nov. when
letter was delivered to the recipient. The Packkammer
mark is dated 20 Nov. and shows when the parcels were
ected from the post office.

PRUSSIA

Parcel Post
1861

A paketbegleitbrief sent from Berlin to Naumberg. The weight is noted as 14 pfund 10 loth and it has been allocated the number 'HK 7264' in the addressor's register. The Naumberg parcel postmark has been used as an arrival mark and the mark 'AUSGABE 17 12 No 2' would have been applied when the parcel was collected from the post office.



1 on the reverse ?

H
Naumburg ..

PRUSSIA

GENERAL REVENUE STAMPS

The 20 and 30 M. values of the 1877 issue on document.



Zum Uebergabevertrage ju der Dorfstelle Nr. 1 in Tenstedt vom 20. September 1804 und mehrere

Tenstedt, den 20ten September 1804 und mehrere

Königlich Hannoversches Amt

Harms.

Kauf-Vertrag.

Zwischen dem Ökonomen Herrn Wilhelm Wig
und dem Herrn Rittmeister a. D. Johann
Christoph Brandis hierselbst als Käu
ist nachstehender

Kauf-Vertrag

wodurch

§. I

WURTTEMBURG
Postschein

1835

Ein Packet Secretaire Wanieck. in
Ulm
an Herrn Secretaire Wanieck. in
Stuttgart
Gewicht 16 Loth 8 Qu.
Fl. Kr.
Franco 16 32 8½
Bestellgebühr — 9
Schein-Taxe — 9
Mengen den 20. Jan. 1835.
Königl. Würtb. Postamt.
T. Pfaltzgraff

1859

Gewicht	
Pfd.	Loth.
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Ein Packet an Herrn Leinenfabrikant in Ulm

mit Werth 1212 fl.

— in Worten zwölfhundert zwölf Gulden

ist heute unterzeichneter Stelle zur Beförderung übergeben, und darüber dieser sechs Mo

gültige Schein ertheilt worden.

Mengen den 28 Nov 1859 K. Württ. Fahr-Post-Expedi

Scheintaxe: ..... zwei kr.
Franko: fl. kr.

Ausgefertigt von
Hanfmann

K. WÜRTTEMB. POST-DIRECTION

PRUSSIA
Postschein
1850

Daß am heutigen Tage

Gegenstand	L
Inhalt	21 ½ 21 ½ Lth
Zeichen und Gewicht	3 Pfd
Adressat	Groeser
Bestim=mungs=Ort	Berlin

zur Beförderung mit der Post richtig eingeliefert worden, wird hierdurch von Amts wegen bescheiniget.

Minden, den 27ten März 18

Königl. Preuß. Post=Annahme=Expedition.

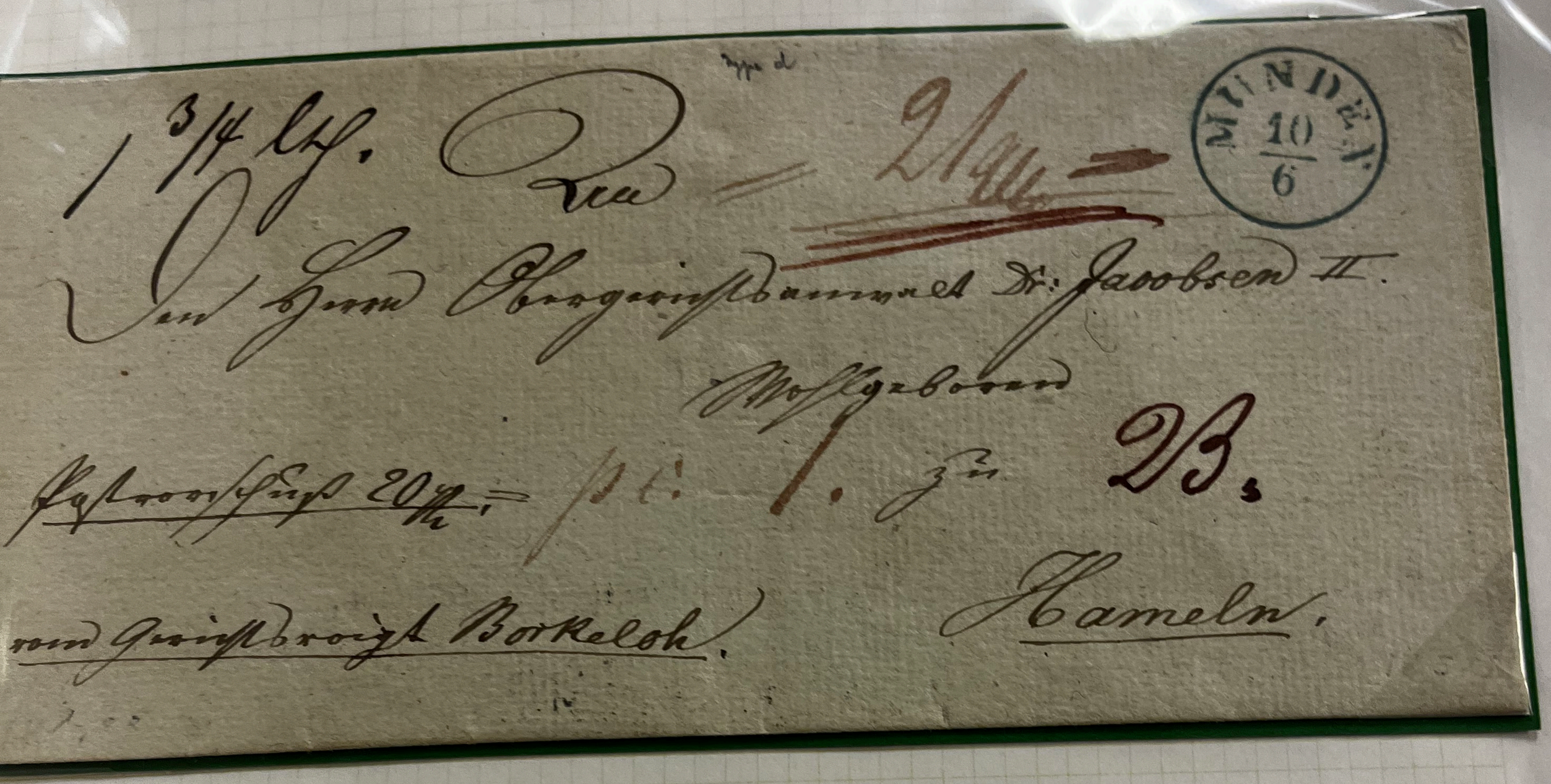
Wagner

Vorstehende Namens-Unterschrift bescheinigt

Hartung
Ex. Landrathsamt

Money Letter

An entire sent from MUNDEN to HAMELN in 1852. Postage
a money letter enclosing 20 sgr..



The weight is given at the top left as 1 loth and the charge made (2 sgr.) is marked at the right.

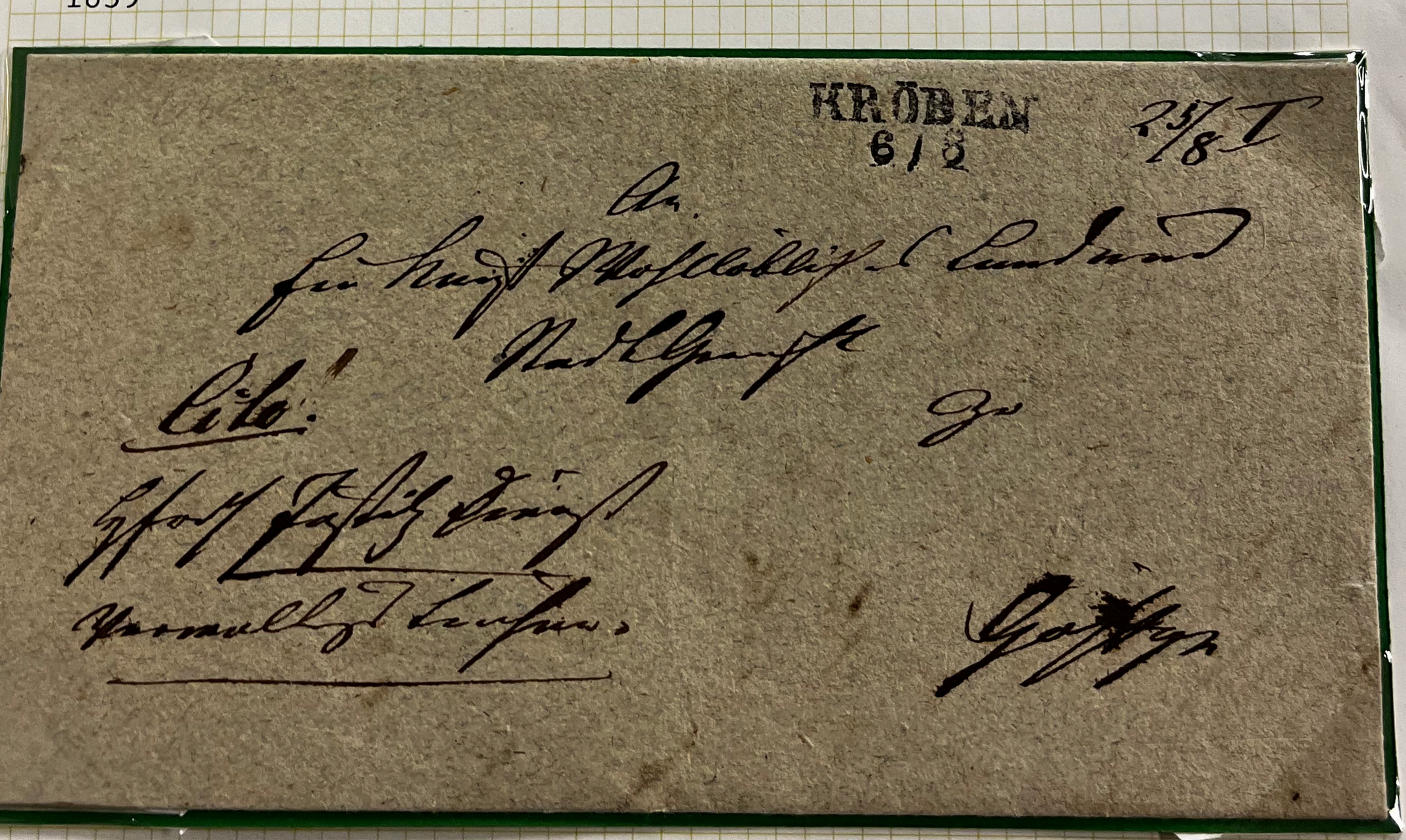
PRUSSIA
Express Letters

During the 19th. century express letters were commonly inscribed "Cito", the Latin for "rapid".

c. 1840

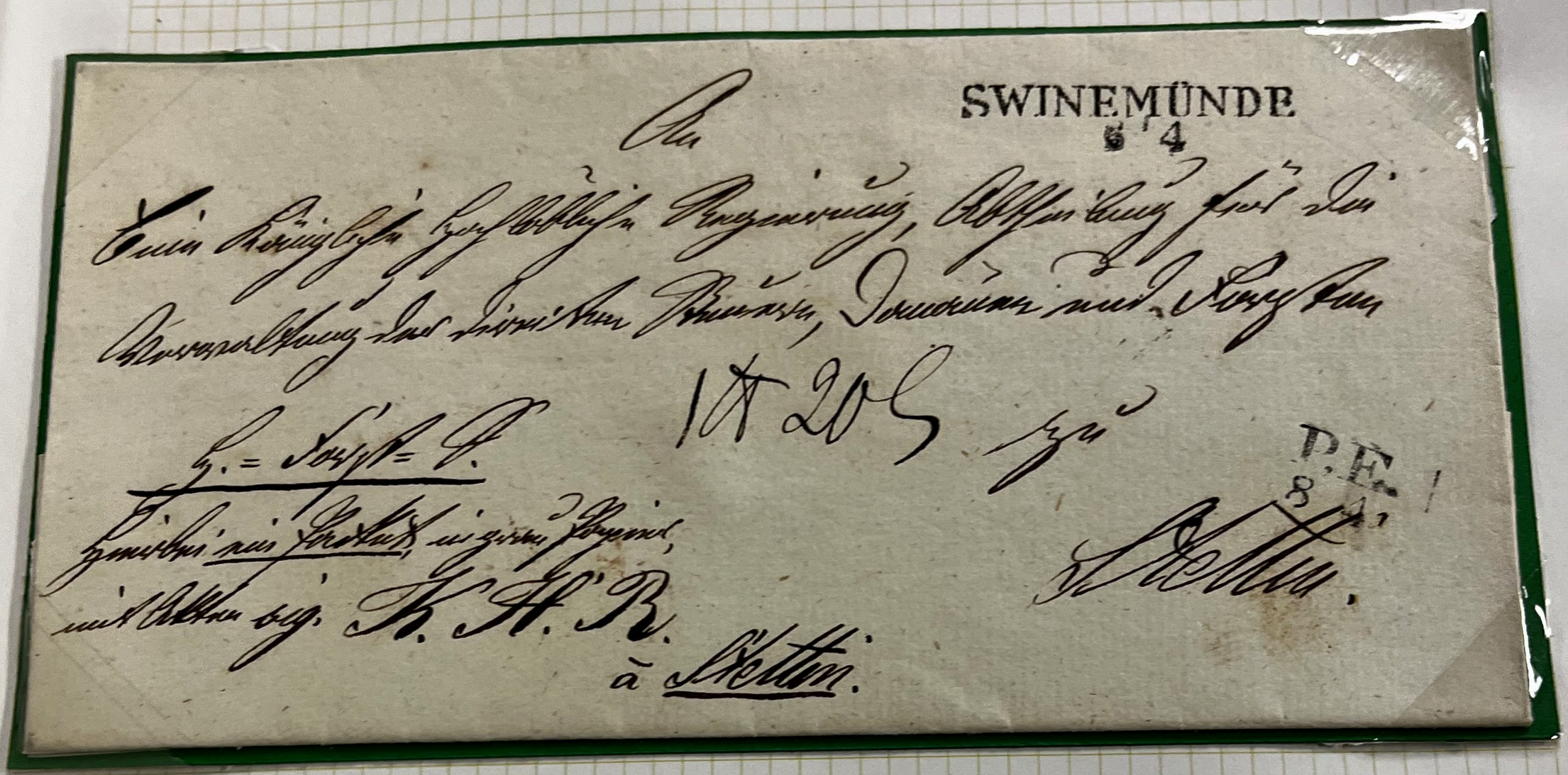


1839



PRUSSIA
Postal Markings 1815-1850

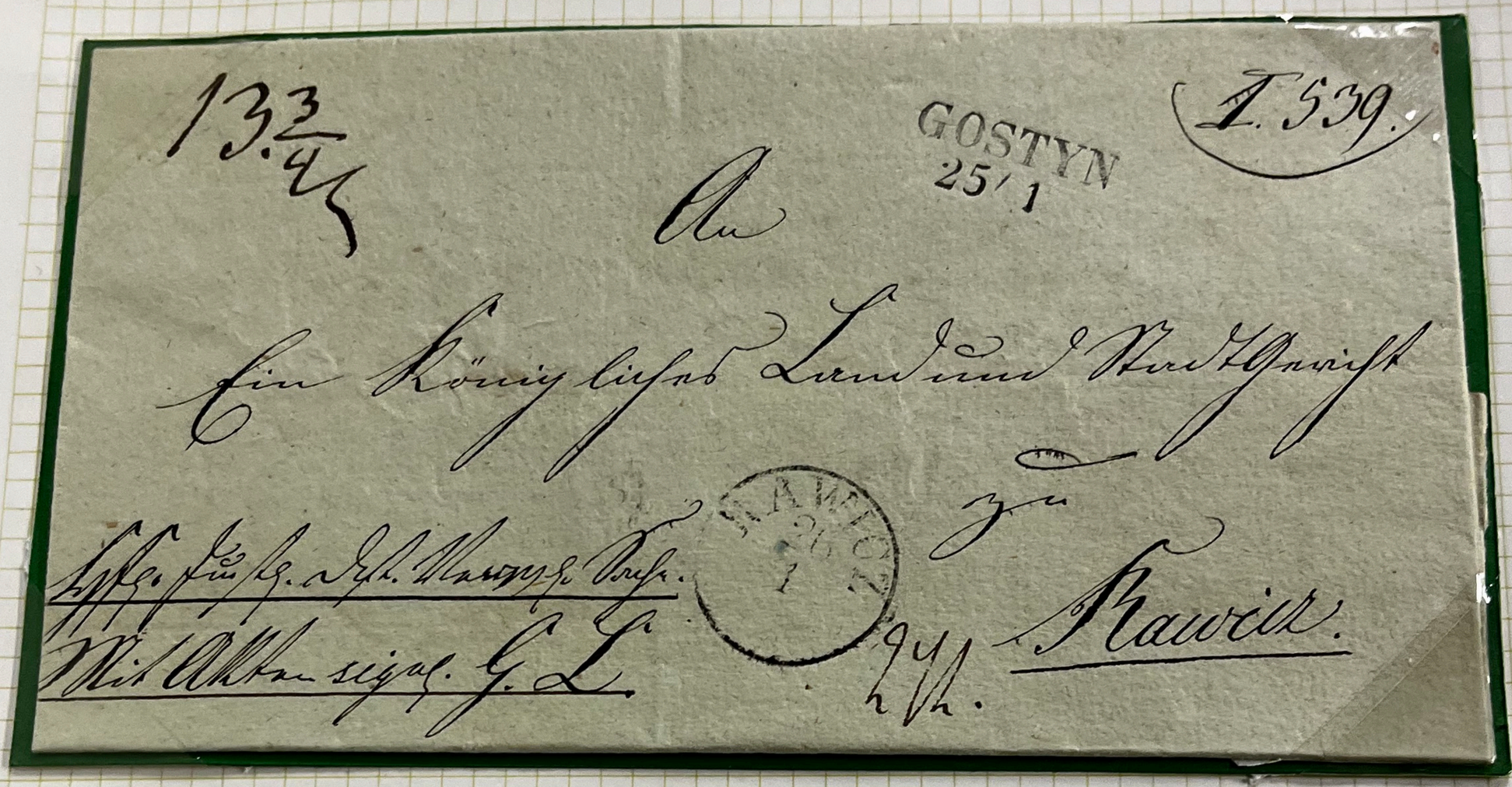
SWINEMÜNDE
Two Line (Town and Date) 4mm letters 1825 ->

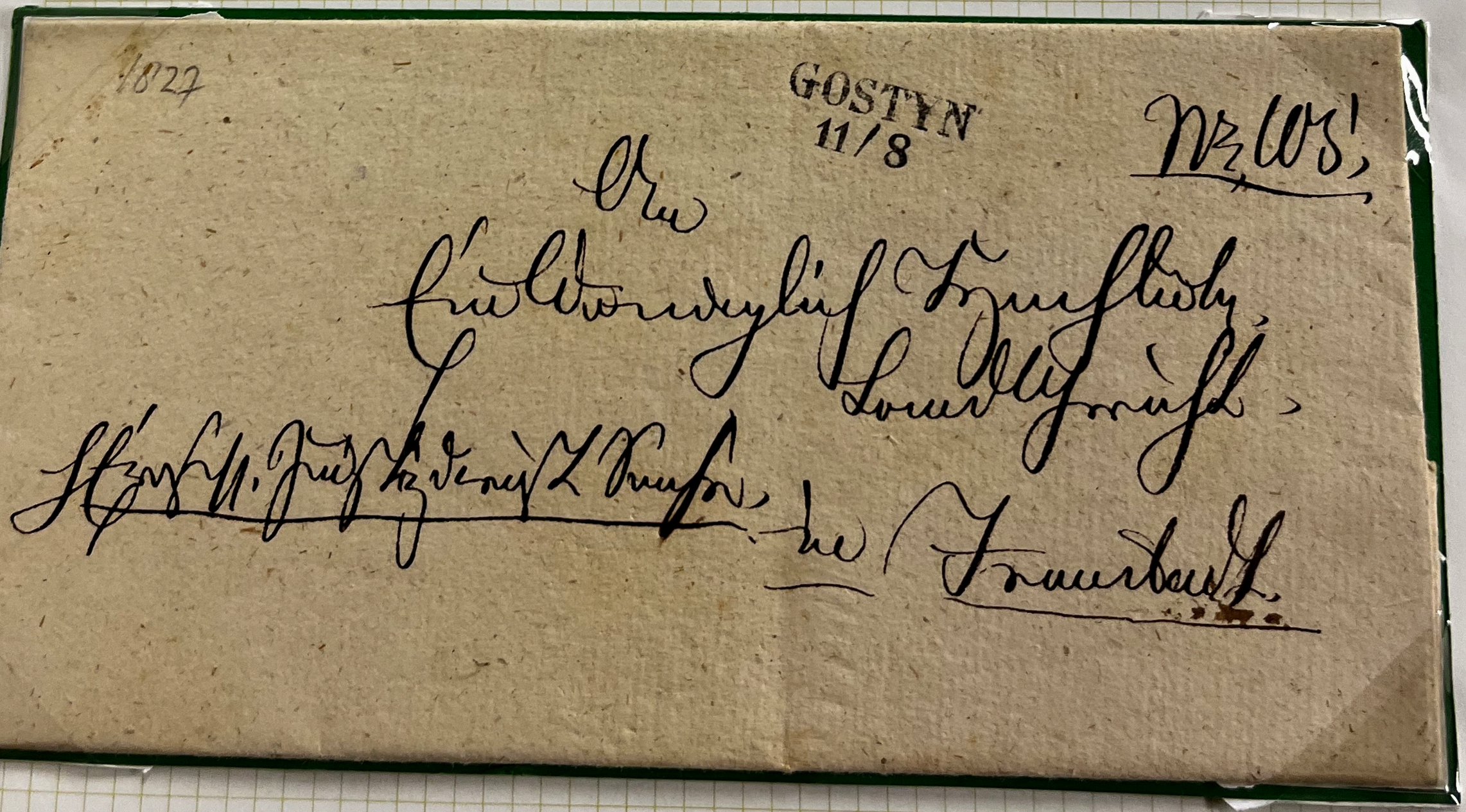


An unregistered paketbegleitbrief sent from Swinemunde to Stettin.

PRUSSIA
Postal Markings 1815-1850

GOSTYN
Two Line (Town and Date) 4mm letters 1825 ->
paketbegleitbrief

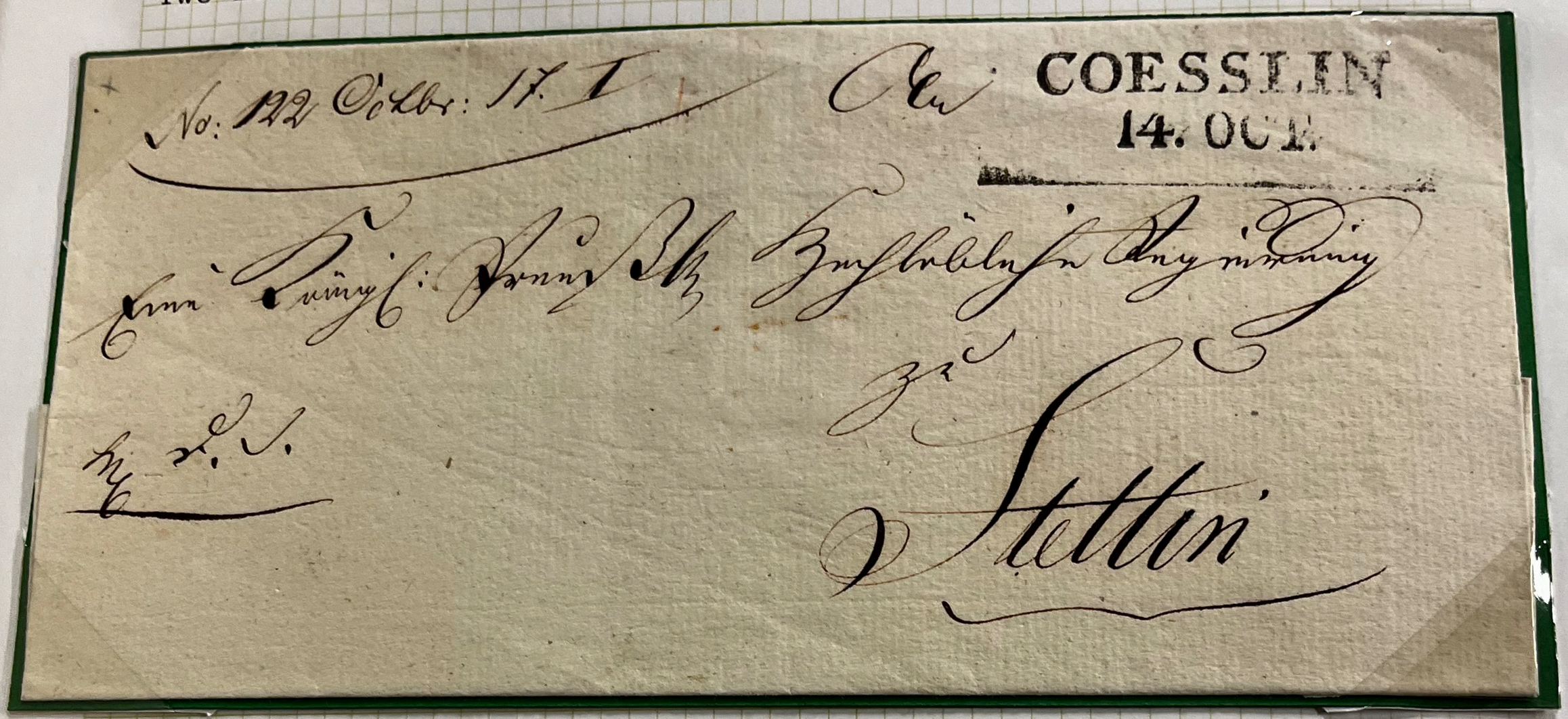




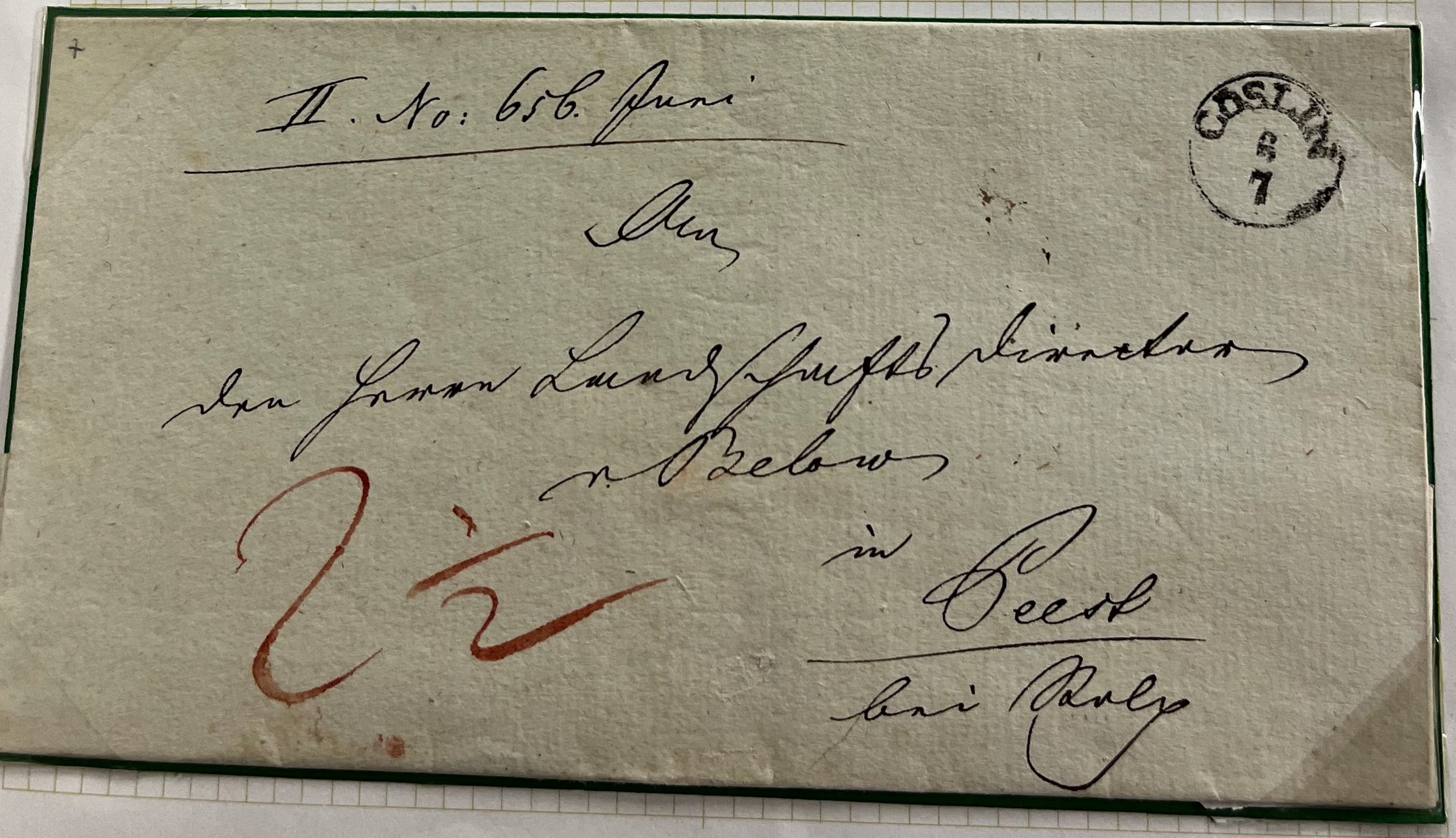
PRUSSIA
Postal Markings 1815-1850

COESLIN

Two Line (town and date) 5mm letters 1817 ->



Single Circle (CÖSLIN) 18mm diameter 1830 ->



journey was by mail coach. ★ WP

Via Marseilles per Overland Mail

Messrs

Mackillop, Stewart & Co

PP.

Paid. 41

Calcutta

BREMEN. TH. & TX. 8 7 1858 5-6N

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The overland Route to India



(Courtesy : Illustrated London News)

Crossing the Isthmus of Suez



linker Rand



Viererblöcke



Zwischensteg paar



5 III



Unterrand



rechter Rand

4 III b

R.1 und R.2 aus 60-er Bogen







Unterrand
zwischen zwei Paaren

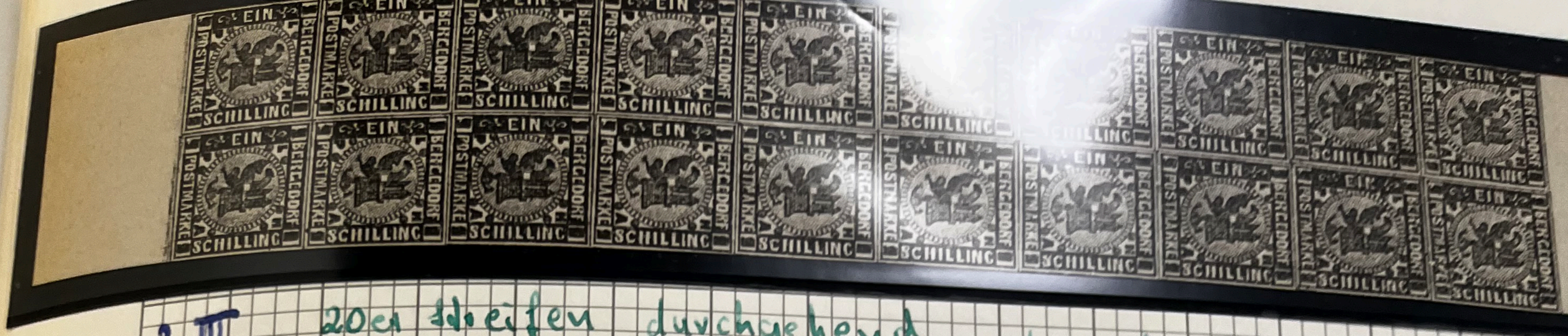


Oberrand
4-er-Blöcke



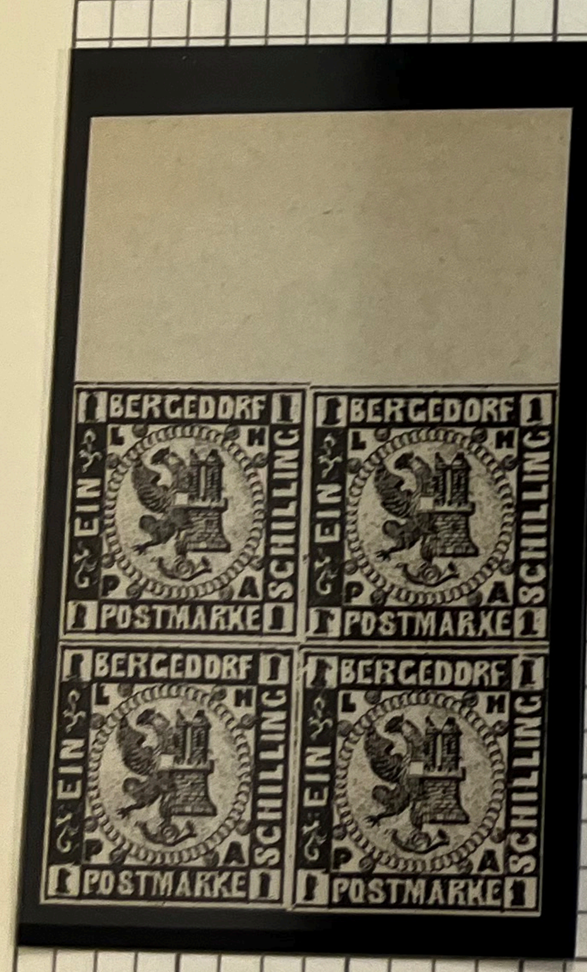
rechter Rand

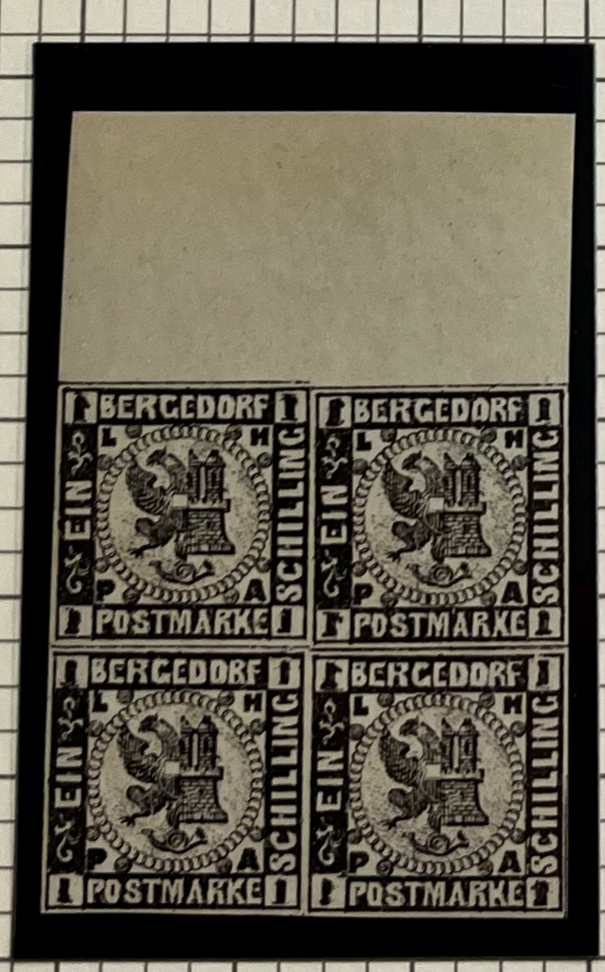
rechter Eckrand der Block



2 III 20er Streifen durchgehend senkrecht

2 IV mit Gummierung









Oberrand 4-Block

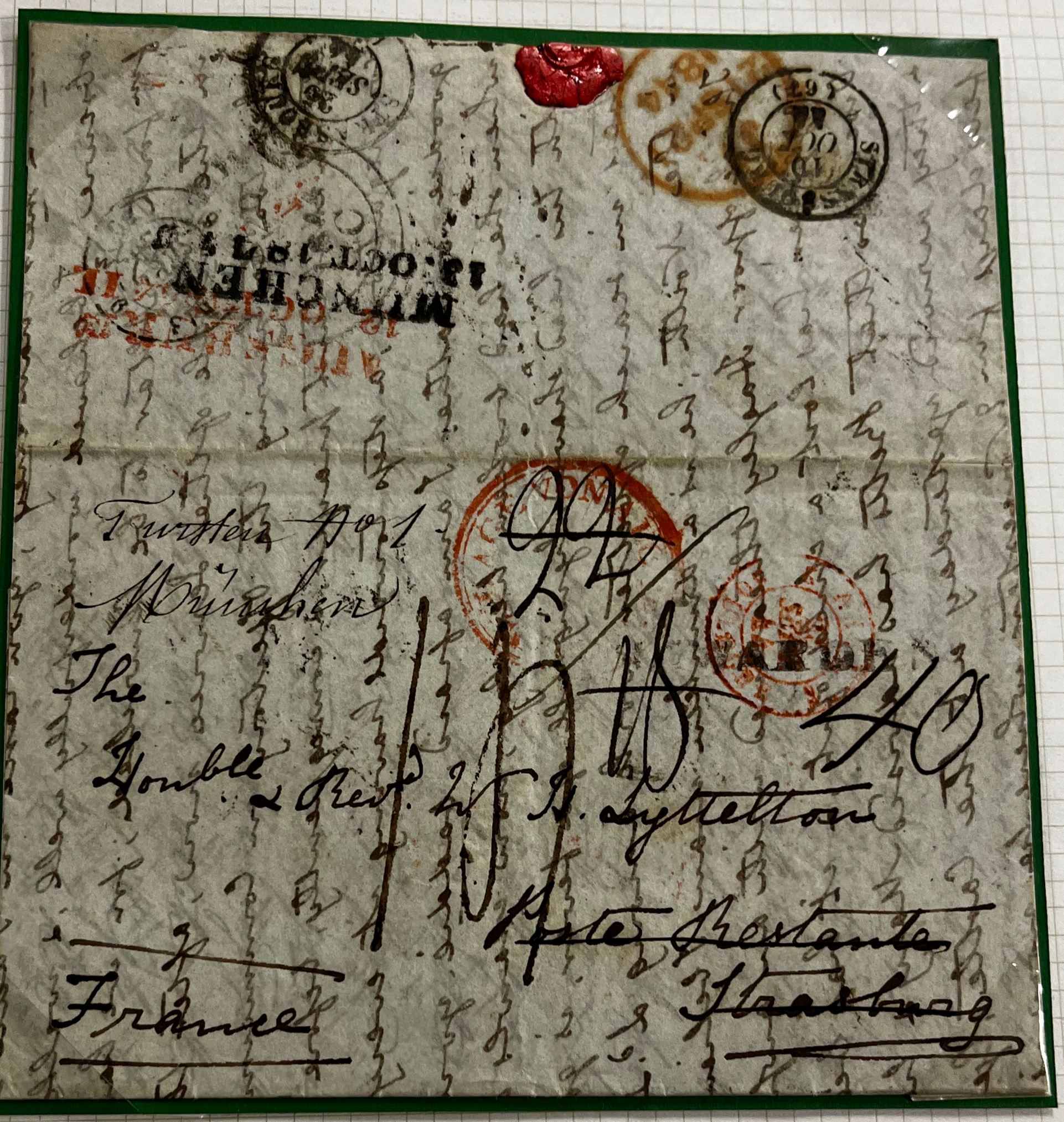
Oberrand Viererblock

Zwischensteg-Paar waagerecht

Eckrand

1844

An entire sent from HAWARDEN (England) to STRASBOURG (France) and redirected to MUNICH.



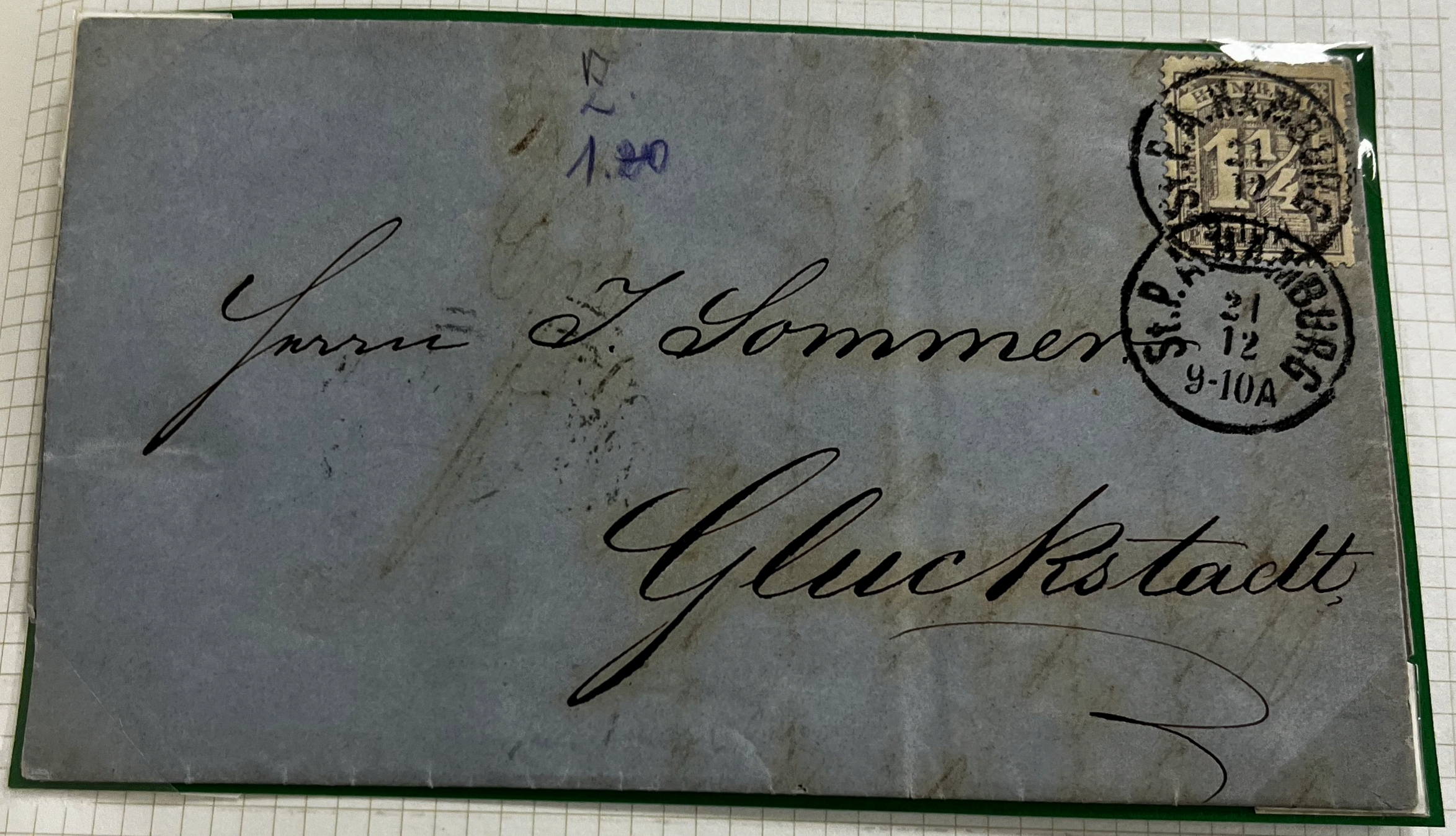
The large circular postmark struck in red on the front reads 'AUSLAGE VON AUGSBURG' and is a form of accountancy mark. It was in use from 1815 to 1850.

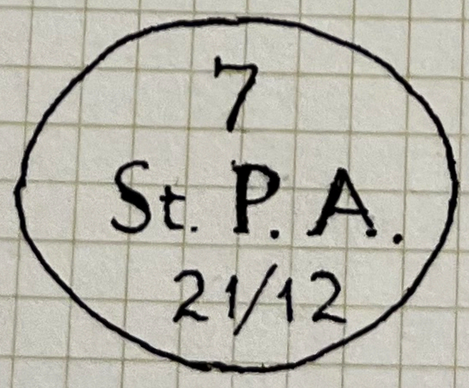
HAMBURG

1865

1½ Schilling Lithographed

An entire sent from Hamburg to Gluckstadt in Schleswig-Holstein. During the German Danish war, Hamburg took over the Danish post office in the city. The 1½ sch. stamp was produced to cover the 4 skilling Danish rate to Schleswig-Holstein.





The letter box marking, shown above, is on the reverse. The mark was applied at the Hamburg main post office. The number 7 denotes the collection (seven per day).

HAMBURG

1¼ Schilling Lithographed Unwatermarked Reprints

Enormous numbers of reprints were produced by Julius Goldner, a Hamburg stamp dealer, between 1873 and 1896. They occur imperf. and perf. 11½ and 13½ in many colours and shades.

Imperf.



Perf. 11½



Perf. 13½



The original perforating machine of Adler was used for this reprint.

The rough perforation is due to the age of the machine which was installed in 1856.

HAMBURG
1864

Two new values were made necessary during the German-Danish war during which the City Councillors of Hamburg took over the Danish Post Office and staffed it with specially recruited officials together with some of the regular Hamburg Postal Clerks.

Previously the postal rate for a single franked letter of 1 Loth weight to anywhere in the Kingdom of Denmark, including Schleswig Holstein and the Danish Postal Administration in Hamburg, had been 4 Skilling Danish. The equivalent value in Hamburg Schilling courant was 1¼.



bluish grey



blue



dull lilac

In March 1864 the rate for a letter to Denmark was raised to 2½ Schilling.



HAMBURG

1861

An entire sent from Hamburg to Mittenwald (Bavaria). The Thurn and Taxis Post Office in Hamburg handled all mail to and from Bavaria.



This type of postmark was used between 185(3?) and 1867. It was used almost exclusively as a letter mark and not for cancelling stamps.

HELIGOLAND

'1873' Issue

Berlin
Reprint



Incorrect
Head Die 2

Berlin
Reprint



Incorrect
Head Die 2

Error

amburg
eprint



Incorrect
Head Die 2
and perf. 14

Berlin
Reprint

rrect Head
ie 1 but wrong
ype of paper



Berlin
Reprint
Incorrect
Head Die 2





Hamburg Reprints
(perf 14)





1878
Postal Wrappers

Original cutouts



Forgeries (Lithographed by Julius Goldner in 1892)

