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o	Used	E	Essay		
❑	Block	P	Proof		

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Fine	Sound in all respects. Perforated stamps will have the designs clear of the perforations; the designs of imperforate stamps will not be cut in to any significant degree.
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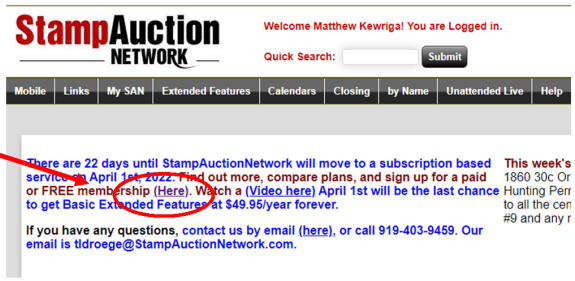
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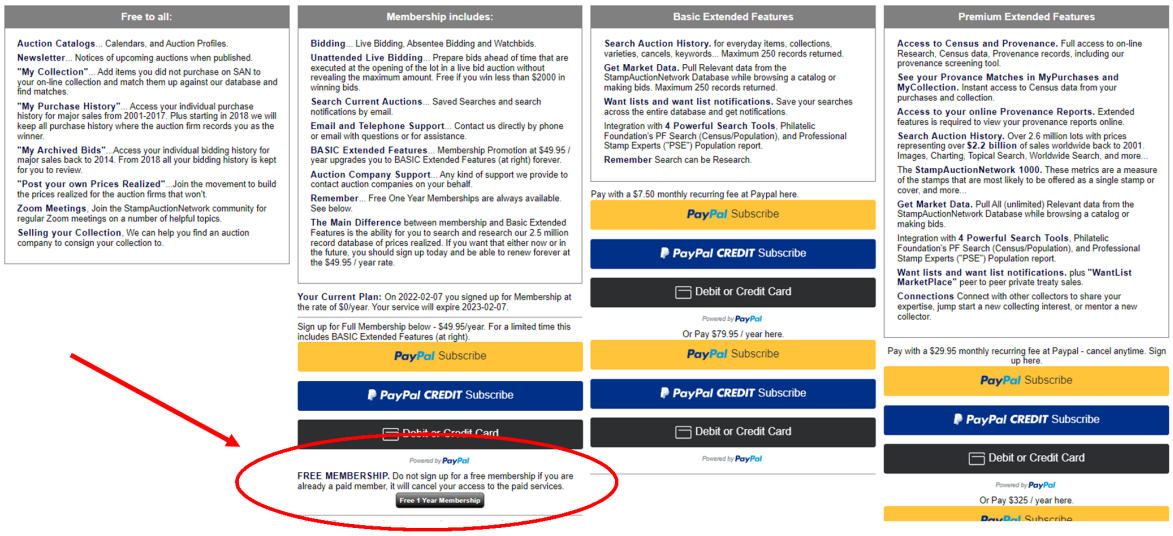
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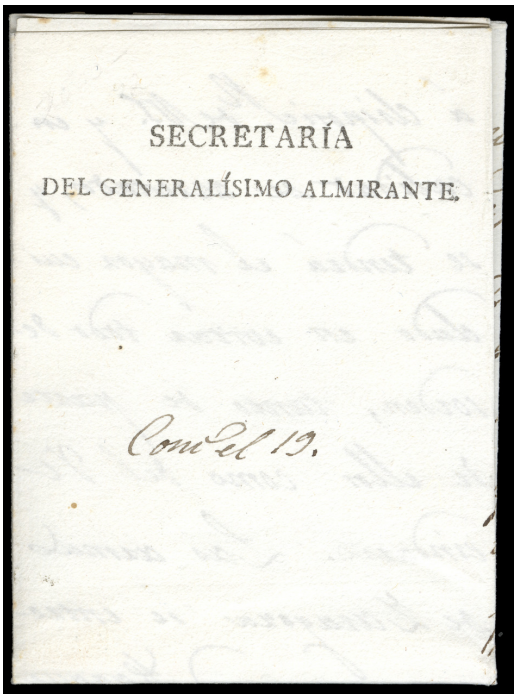
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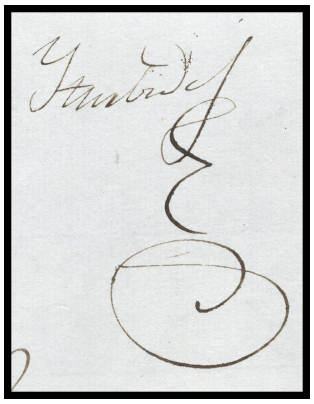
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The Omar Rodriguez Collection of Rare Colonial Covers (Part II)





Emperor Iturbide Signature

3001 ✉ **Emperor Agustin de Iturbide,** 1822 (Mexico) to Guatemala, from the head of the new post-colonial government and future Emperor Agustin de Iturbide. Dated April 13, 1822 and on his personal stationery of Generalisimo Almirante. Iturbide was crowned three months later, **Very Fine and rare,** ***Letter contains Iturbide's original signature.***
Estimate . . . . . $750 - 1,000

Guatemala had joined Mexico on January 5, 1822, although the absorption of this and other Central American countries collapsed nine months later.



3002 ✉ **(Morelia) Valladolid,** perfect full strike of oval postmark in red (Yag-Bash ML1-10) on dated November 15, 1766 folded letter to Mexico City, red large "2" rate handstamp alongside, **Extremely Fine,** a magnificent example of this "Correo Mayor" colonial handstamp, one of only three examples recorded.
Estimate . . . . . $3,000 - 4,000

Valladolid was the former name for Morelia before 1828.



3003 ✉ **(Oaxaca) Oaxaca,** fancy crown handstamp on folded letter dated April 10, 1783 from Tajimaroa to Mexico, **Extremely Fine,** originating in a tiny town in the Intendencia of Valladolid, it privately went to Oaxaca and bears its postmark, maybe 4-5 others exist with a similar design.
Estimate . . . . . $3,000 - 4,000



3004 ✉ **(Puebla) Tehuacan,** boxed handstamp on 1799 colonial certified front, oval cachet of the postmaster "Serna" at lower left, with manuscript "Certificacion Tehuacan, Salio en 22 de Agosto de 1799" certification postmark. crosshatched in the periphery to distinguish it from regular mail, rate was 9 pesos and 5 reales with sender prepaid 14r (1 peso, 6 reales), **Very Fine and choice.**
Estimate . . . . . $6,000 - 8,000

AN EXTREMELY RARE COLONIAL CERTIFICATION FRONT FROM TEHUACAN IN PUEBLA.

As per regulations that lasted until 1880's the addressee signed on the back of the cut front as proof of delivery. Then that front would be sent back to the originating office and kept for 2 years, and then destroyed. Only 8-10 such fronts exist for the 18th century This being one of the most spectacular.



3005 ✉ **(San Luis Potosi) San Luis Potosi, Correo Mayor** fancy circular handstamp on entire cover dated May 7, 1760 to Mexico City, **Very Fine and choice,** a pristine cover of striking appearance, maybe 4-5 others exist with a similar design.
Estimate . . . . . $4,000 - 6,000



3006 ✉ **(Toluca) Franca Riscos,** unrecorded fancy circular handstamp with matching "**Toluca**" oval handstamp on ca. 1760's folded letter sheet, important "Correo Mayor" usage sent to Domingo Lopez, last Postmaster of Mexico City before the mail was reverted to the Crown in 1766; minor clip rust stain at top, **Very Fine and choice,** sent under the "Correo Mayor" system under which the Post was privately owned.
Estimate . . . . . $6,000 - 8,000

Toluca at that time had only 2,100 inhabitants, M.E.P.S.I. cert states it is a Correo Mayor. Although that may be debatable, this cover is undoubtedly very rare, and one of the most attractive of the Colonial period.



3007 ✉ **(Zacatecas) Zacatecas,** red circular **Correo Mayor** handstamp (Yag-Bash unlisted) on cover dated 1760 (April 17) to Mexico, **Very Fine,** a pristine cover of striking appearance, maybe 4-5 others exist with a similar design.
Estimate . . . . . $4,000 - 6,000

The Omar Rodriguez Collection 1856 First Hidalgo Issue by District

INTRODUCTION

The first issue of México was launched on August 1st, 1856. It was printed locally in México City and bears the image of Miguel Hidalgo, the priest from the small town of Dolores who ignited the fight for Independence from Spain in 1810.

THE COLLECTION

This 1856 collection formed by Omar Rodríguez over the last 35 years is a labor of love. It contains one superb single (occasionally two) or a multiple on or off-cover of 93% of all denominations from every district from which at least one stamp has survived.

The math is simple: There were 60 district-type of places (47 formal districts and 13 towns which received direct shipments of stamps from the central supply office in Mexico City). But not all received the 6 different denominations (1/2 real, 1r, 2r (two types), 4r, 8r). Original records tell us that only 337 types were actually issued, but only 296 have been reported by collectors (as of Sept 2026). This auction includes 93% of those. Most are of exceptional quality, often with large and jumbo margins hand-picked for beauty and rarity. The covers are often pristine, come from small towns or districts, have colorful or scarce combinations.

Many of the items in this auction were part of his First and Second Issue Hidalgos exhibit which won the *2004 USA Champion of Champions*, and the *International Grand Prix in 2006 in Washington*. After these wins Omar's collection evolved into the in-depth study of the district overprints. His new philatelic objective shifted to attempt the impossible and have at least one excellent stamp or cover of each of the 296 surviving types. After having found 93% of them, his search finishes here. Since there is no repetition or bulk lots in this sale, the 260+ lots are mostly individual lots and some small group lots for the smaller value stamps.

This collection contains key district items from the four Mexico Hidalgos exhibits that have ever won the USA Champion of Champion top award: Dormer (1977), Paliafito (1987), Mazepa (2000) and Rodriguez (2004). Suffice it to say that Omar bought the Dormer's Champion of Champions exhibit intact and was a heavy bidder in the Paliafito's and Mazepa's auctions. So. he had the opportunity to select the best district items from those collections.

Most items offered here have not been in the market for decades while Omar patiently built his exhibits. He was lucky. During those 35 years several other great collections were offered for sale. Apart from Dormer, Paliafito and Mazepa jewels, his 1861 collection includes items with impeccable provenance like Koenig, Schimmer, Schatzkes, Rosenthal, Langue, Broennimann, Speaker, Bob Jones, Gross Marnat, David Pietsch, Pietro Provera, Manuel Iglesias and Richard Daffner. There are also legendary district rarities from Chapman, Larrañaga, Taylor, Wilson, Albert Quast, Richard Stevens, Ian Samuels, Boris Rubio, Heiman, Bannotti, John Bash and others. Almost all items have a MEPSI opinion.

THE FIRST ISSUE OF MEXICO

The Unique System of District Overprints

The stamps from the classic period of Mexico (1856-1884) have a distinct feature not present in any other country of the world: *The District Overprint*.

The district overprint system originated in Mexico's unsafe roads due to a politically tumultuous and deadly civil war. Postal authorities were concerned about the safety of the stamps sent out from the central printing office in Mexico City to the 47+ postal districts. Banditos could steal shipments on the roads, causing havoc because stamps were like cash. As a consequence, a unique postal system was created to protect stamp income: *Stamps were not valid for postage until they had safely arrived in the postal districts and a local overprint with the name of that district had been applied by hand to each individual stamp.* A unique security feature among classic stamps of the world.

The Two Different Colors of the 2r 1856 Issue

Originally, the issue had 5 denominations on white paper: ½r Blue, 1r Yellow, 2r Emerald, 4r Red and 8r Lilac. Omar attempted to get six stamps from each district instead because he considered the 2r Emerald wide margins (or its shades) from the first plate a different stamp than the Green narrow margins from later plates.

Each value in the set was printed in sheets of 60 (6x10). When rates doubled at the end of 1856, the 1r and 2r became more needed and larger plates with narrower margins for those two denominations were made: 1r (200 stamps) and 2r (190 stamps). While the 1r Yellow is very similar in both plates (except for the margins) the 2r changed considerably from Emerald color (and in later shades Olive and Sapphire) to Green (for the new larger plate of 190 stamps. The dramatic difference in color, margins size and scarcity (only 276,940 issued while, 1,340,214 issued of the larger plate) made him include this stamp in his hunt.

Splits: A Tool for Political Vengeance

Stamp splits in this early period were always illegal, but happened and were tolerated. They happened as the result of the politics of this era and therefore are an integral part in any Hidalgo collection.

The Conservative party, which controlled the Mexico City post office, punished the Liberal districts by not sending them enough low denomination stamps. So, they had no choice but to split higher denomination stamps. In rare cases combinations of splits or a split and a whole stamp were used to pay the rate. Although this collection focuses in *whole* stamps and *does not count splits in the 93% completion rate*, this auction has nine lots with truly exceptional splits. Among them are several combinations of a split and a whole stamp or 2 splits together.

INSIGHTS ABOUT DISTRICT OVERPRINTS

Relative rarity of District overprints.

Obviously, the size of the stamp shipments to the 47+ postal districts was based on their volume of mail. As a result, some stamps are scarcer than others. Table 1 describes the four reasons for differences in district sizes.

Table 1

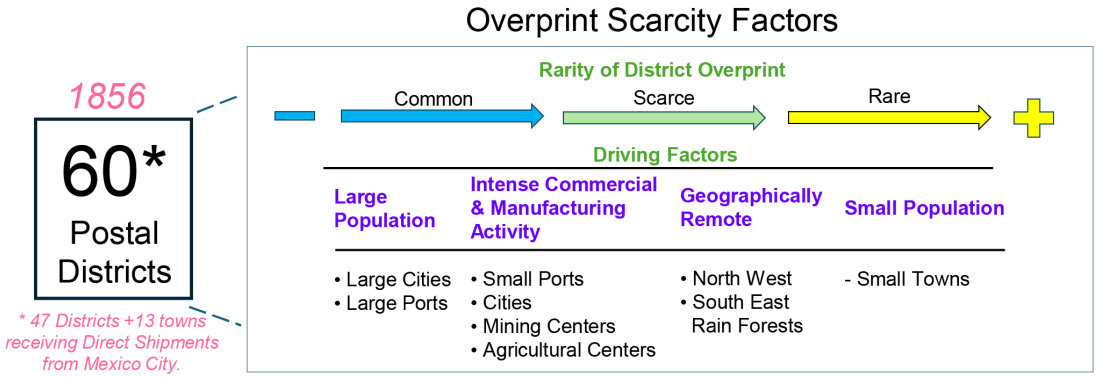


Table 1 helps classify districts as *Common, Scarce or Rare*. This is based on the size of their stamp shipments from Mexico City. Obviously, the largest cities or ports got the largest shipments, while isolated ones got less and became scarce. However, even in the Common or Scarce districts there are some rare stamps too because some denominations were not always sent to each district according to their relative size. All the *Direct Shipments* (explained below) are in the *rare* category.

The complete list of 1856 districts, the general scarcity of their stamps and the economic activity of each district can be found in Table 2, which is organized by geographic area.

Table 2

1856 Rarity Index of Districts (47) and Direct Shipments (13 towns)

Rare
Scarce
Common

Rarity of Postal Districts By Economic Region						Unoverprinted Direct Shipments
Pacific Coast	Atlantic Coast & SE	North	El Bajío (Low Lands)	México City & Vicinity	South	
Remote NW	***Large Ports***	***Mining Centers***	***Large Cities***	***Large Cities***	***Large Cities***	***Emergency Shipments***
Baja California	Tampico	Durango	Guadalajara	México City	Morelia	Aguascalientes 1856
Hermosillo	Veracruz	Zacatecas	Guanajuato		Oaxaca	Colima (1)
			Querétaro	***Agro Centers***	Puebla	Perote
Ports	***Small Ports***	***Cities***	San Luis Potosí	Toluca		Polotitlán
Acapulco	Campeche	Chihuahua			***Agro Centers***	San Felipe del Obraje
Mazatlán	Isla del Carmen	Monterrey	***Agro Centers***	***Mining Centers***	Maravatío	Villa del Valle
		Saltillo		Pachuca		Zitácuaro
Small Towns	***Gulf Inland Cities***	Victoria	Lagos	Sultepec		
Ciudad Bravos	Córdoba			Temascaltepec		***México Subs***
Colima (1)	Huejutla			Tlalpujahua		Cuautitlán
Tixtla Guerrero	Jalapa					Guadalupe Hidalgo
Yguala	Mérida			***Small Towns***		Tacubaya
	Orizaba			Apam		Tepeji del Río
				Chalco		Texcoco
	Remote Rain Forests			Cuernavaca		Tlálpam
	Chiapas			Ixtlahuaca		
	Tabasco			Lerma		
				Soyaniquilpan		
				Tula		
				Tulancingo		

(1) Without overprint only..The overprinted are from the period when it was a suboffice. Became a district by June 1858 but did not overprint its stamps until the 1861 issue

The Rare Direct Shipments

The term *Direct Shipment* is used for shipments to a small group of towns which were not districts but occasionally received stamps directly from Mexico City,because they either 1) were a suboffice of Mexico District or 2) Ran out of stamps and their own district could not supply them right away. They are extremely rare. And only the best collections have them.

Collectors consider them as additional "districts". More about these Direct Shipments and a number of lots with them are in a special section at the end of the catalogue.

Occasionally a few stamps missed the overprint by mistake. Those are not *Direct Shipments* and have only modest premiums over the regularly overprinted stamps.

This auction has 17 lots from Direct Shipments and many more from rare districts, including: Ciudad Bravos, Cuautitlán, Guadalupe Hidalgo (unique pair), Isla del Carmen, Ixtlahuaca, Lerma, Perote, Polotitlán (on cover), San Felipe del Obraje (on cover), Saltillo (4r only three known), Sultepec, Soyaniquipilpam (1/2r, 2r Emerald), Temascaltepec, Tepeji, Texcoco, Tixtla Guerrero, Tlalpujahua, and Yguala.

Needed to Complete the 1856 Set: 296 Stamps

Table 3 shows the breakdown, by district, of the stamps issued in each district. As it was explained earlier, only 296 types have survived (in white cells) while 41 others (yellow cells) had never been seen or reported by the core district specialists in the survey.

Table 3

District	Scott #1 Medio Real (60)	#2 1R Yellow (60 & 200)	#3 2r Emerald 1st Plate (60)	#3 2r Green Plates II, III (60 &190)	#4 4r Red (60)	#5 8r Lilac (60)
Acapulco	2,940	2,520	1,020	1,900	420	420
Aguascalientes (2, 7)	60	400		380		60
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Ápam	12,300	11,400	2,220		300	840
Baja California	360	240	120		120	60
Campeche	4,440	9,483	1,020	8,479	1,314	528
Chalco	12,075	10,712	2,150		295	745
Chiapas	7,088	5,040	2,040	950	592	782
Chihuahua	7,920	11,740	6,540	12,350	2,648	1,080
Ciudad Bravos	2,940	2,520	1,020		180	420
Colima (5)	650	3,912		2,878	300	300
Córdoba	5,980	9,820	4,020	6,460	1,070	600
Cuautitlán (3)	1,126	2,350	240	2,340	304	184
Cuernavaca	10,924	19,220	2,520	8,000	1,202	910
Durango	10,234	33,376	8,040	26,837	1,955	1,034
Guadalajara	61,083	119,500	28,140	102,862	10,160	7,420
Guadalupe Hidalgo (3, 6)	337	215	110		10	13
Guanajuato	51,389	79,414	13,140	73,833	6,800	3,520
Hermosillo	6,060	13,040	3,540	6,080	1,800	1,260
Huejutla	2,940	7,020	2,520	2,850	780	600
Isla del Carmen	399	595	1,260		240	180
Ixtlahuaca	518	1,405	120	1,766	139	80
Jalapa	26,660	36,990	11,040	34,640	2,840	1,970
Lagos	8,630	17,100	6,000	14,140	1,800	900
Lerma	1,428	3,829	600	1,900	120	60
Maravatío	5,447	8,290	4,080	5,037	799	379
Mazatlán	22,747	44,625	23,640	19,179	5,460	5,243
Mérida	16,380	19,340	6,060	8,850	3,540	2,084
México City	112,399	226,422	11,160	414,346	44,996	23,909
Monterrey	7,260	12,740	2,040	13,300	1,200	1,080
Morelia	21,389	46,683	20,580	43,462	7,964	2,924
Oaxaca	27,496	23,881	4,140	28,770	4,490	2,080
Orizaba	15,546	29,223	2,040	38,030	1,645	976
Pachuca	18,647	30,683	2,220	9,974	1,369	951
Perote (2, 7)	300	800				
Polotitlán (2, 7)	189	360		146		
Puebla	56,830	123,805	11,040	93,073	5,107	2,261
Querétaro	28,544	77,611	8,040	78,309	4,815	3,144
Saltillo	3,677	13,520	5,640	2,580	180	420
San Felipe del Obraje (2, 7)	240	600		190		
San Luis Potosí	25,268	66,981	10,140	66,267	3,959	3,352
Soyaniquilpam	820	2,087	120	1,893	146	51
Sultepec	720	600	240	1,140	240	124
Tabasco	5,899	11,247	4,020	3,437	1,800	1,500
Tacubaya (3)	428	224	120	385	120	60
Tampico	22,920	30,480	10,080	17,100	2,100	1,560
Temascaltepec	1,560	3,760	720	3,420	300	180
Tepeji del Río (3)	561	498	120	190	101	58
Texcoco (3, 7)	50	949		468	119	62
Tixtla Guerrero (C Bravos)	2,600	1,700		6,460	780	600
Tlálpam (3, 6)	368	241	120		120	60
Tlalpujahua	1,000	3,160	240	4,380	540	163
Toluca	28,571	25,227	2,940	10,681	821	1,142
Tula	4,584	6,055	1,020	2,950	617	470
Tulancingo (4)	12,700	11,800	3,240	-	400	890
Veracruz	45,304	117,635	22,140	106,816	15,309	9,458
Victoria	5,708	9,165	3,540	3,764	600	770
Villa del Valle (2, 7)	120	200		190		
Yguala	120	800		760	60	
Zacatecas	41,317	50,895	20,040	45,832	7,628	6,188
Zacatecas Manuscript Overprint						
Zitácuaro (2, 7)	120	200		190	60	
Sent, net of returns	**776,310**	**1,404,328**	**276,940**	**1,340,214**	**152,774**	**96,105**
Sent (as per Celis Cano)	825,573	1,424,275	276,940	1,352,833	157,189	100,784

1856 Hidalgo 1st Issue of Mexico
Issued and Surviving Stamps by District
Updated Sept 2026

	If blank=Not Issued
# issued	If white= Copies survived
# issued	Issued but not reported up to 2026
	Issued (quantity unknown) and survived

NOTES
1 Sources: Celis Cano's "Sellos Postales de Mexico". First Plates (#3): Mark Banchik's "Handbook of Classic Mexico" (2022). Samuel Chapman "The Postage Stamps of Mexico 1856-1868". Catalogue numbers: "Scott Catalogue"
2 Direct Shipments,without overprint or overprinted MEXICO.
3 Mexico suboffices with or without Mexico overprint: Cuautitlán, Guadalupe Hidalgo, Tacubaya, Tepejidel Rio, Texcoco, Tlálpam.Cuautitlán. was the only with its own overprint. Exists both with or without it
4 Full district but ususally stamps are not overpinted
5 Only unoverprinted. Received direct shipments and became district in 1858 but did not overprint until sometime in the 1861 issue
6 To qualify as a Direct Shipment, 1r and 2r from this town should have a) no overprint AND be from the FIRST PLATE (wide setting 60 stamps). These are: a) Guadalupe Hidalgo (#21-1856) and b)Tlálpam(#53-1856).
7 To qualify as a Direct Shipment, 1r and 2r from this town should have a) no overprint AND be from be LATER PLATES (narrow): Texcoco (1859-on), Aguascalientes (1858), Zitácuaro (1859), Villa del Valle (1858), Polotitlán (1860, 1861), San Felipe del Obraje(1858, 1859), 1r Perote (1859)

Has anyone ever owned a complete set?

No. No one has ever owned a complete set. And it is unlikely that anyone ever will as many of these stamps are unique. The real challenge for the collector is to get a high degree of completion.

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This collection being auctioned has an extraordinary level of completion. It includes 274 of the 296 types of stamps known to exist, or 93%. It is undoubtedly one of the most complete specialized district collections ever formed. A rare opportunity to acquire rare high-quality stamps and pristine covers which have not been in the market in decades.

2r Red, Trial Color Plate Proof on Wove



3008 P **1856, First Issue, 2r Red, Trial Color Plate Proof on Wove,** no gum, full to huge margins and a sharp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine,** an extremely rare plate one proof, with fewer than seven known to exist including a pair, *ex-Mazepa*; with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3P** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

Acapulco District

3009 ✉ **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** wide margins, tied by Acapulco straight line handstamp (Schatzkes 1) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Mazatlan, **Very Fine,** very few covers from this district.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

3010 o **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** straight line Acapulco cancel (Schatzkes 1), wide margins, **Extremely Fine** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3011 o **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** Acapulco straight line cancel (Schatzkes 1), ample to huge margins, **Extremely Fine,** only 420 sent and probably less than 10 known (N.F. $700); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

A similar one sold for $850 hammer in our Iglesias 2024 sale (lot 5).



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Ex 3014



3012 ✉ **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** large margins, in combination with **Acapulco, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on folded letter datelined "Acapulco, Octubre 12/58" to Tepic, both tied by **Colima** oval handstamp (Schatzkes 178); cover with some minor age spots, **Very Fine,** only 420 4r issues sent, most likely the only 4r from that district on cover (N.F. $775 for singles off cover); with 2010 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

Paid 6r for 1¼ ounce beyond 16 leagues. It traveled by ship and was canceled in Colima in transit to Tepic.



3013 o **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** smaller single straight line Acapulco cancel (Schatzkes 2 var.), clear to huge margins showing portions of plate line at edge of right margin, **Very Fine and choice,** only 420 sent and probably 6-7 known; with 1957 R.P.S.L. & 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $1,000 - 1,500

3014 o **Acapulco, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of eight stamps with attractive cancels; includes large margin ½r pair and piece with 1r (Mexico district) and 2r (Acapulco) with Diligencias de Mexico cancel, probably unique use of an Acapulco stamp through the stagecoach service, **generally F.-V.F. or better** (N.F. $585), *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **1-3** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

Apam District



3015 **/* **Apam, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** blue district overprints, block of 30 (half of the sheet from plate 1), o.g., some hinged remnants in corners, most stamps never hinged, central vertical and horizontal folds between stamps, small stain spot at bottom and margin at upper right, **otherwise Very Fine,** a remarkable large mint multiple; with 2015 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

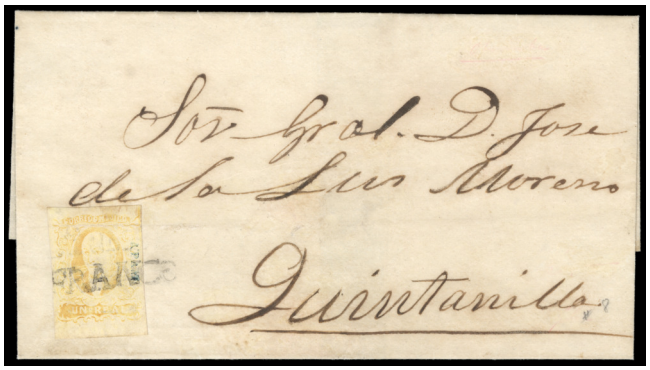
3016 o **Apam, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** group of two postally used singles; one canceled **Chignahuapam** (Schatzkes 30, very rare) and another in **Otumba** (Schatzkes 34, on piece and without overprint), **Very Fine**; Chignahuapam use with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2, 2c**. . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

Another Chignahuapam use was sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $240 hammer (lot 12).

3017 ✉ **Apam, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** wide margins, tied by **Franco** handstamp (Schatzkes 37) with faint "Otumba" above "Franco", on folded letter sheet to Quintanilla paying 1r for less than ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues First Rate; cover with horizontal file fold affecting stamp, **Very Fine,** sent to a tiny town in Ramos Arizpe, Saltillo, any postally used cover from this district is scarce; with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



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3018 ✉ **Apam, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** black district overprint at top, stamp with full plate line in left margin, tied by "Franco, Mexico, Nov 24, 1858" cds on folded letter sheet to Mineral del Monte, **used out of district**; unnoticeable sealed cover tear at top, **otherwise Very Fine,** any postally used cover from this district is scarce; signed J.K. Bash, with 2021 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

3019 o **Apam, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** blue district overprint, negative circular Apam remainder cancel (Schatzkes 24), bright and fresh with full margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 300 were sent (N.F. $250); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3020 o **(Apam), 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, without District Overprint,** 2 singles, joined together forming a complete Otumba oval remainder cancel (Schatzkes 36), **Very Fine and attractive,** only 840 were sent (N.F. $300).
Scott No. **5b** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

Campeche District

3021 o **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal strip of 4, each with fancy mute cancel (Schatzkes 58), light creases between stamps, **Fine** (N.F. $360 for singles).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3022 o **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** red district overprint, fancy red mute cancel (Schatzkes 58), **Very Fine** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3023 o **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** two black district overprints, socked-on-the-nose "¼" cancel (Schatzkes 59), **Very Fine** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3024 ▲ **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Five Singles,** each with margins all round, in combination with **Campeche, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) all with red district overprints, on judiciary wrapper piece with each canceled by red fancy mute handstamp (Schatzkes 58) mostly tying stamps together, **Very Fine and rare** (N.F. $3,015); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $7,500 - 10,000

A REMARKABLE AND ATTRACTIVE HIGH VALUE 1856 HIDALGO FRANKING FROM CAMPECHE.

It paid a 41r franking. Extremely high franking with very rare stamps. Only 528 8r issues were sent. A single off-cover of this stamp with such cancel sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $1,600. This would suggest $8,000 for these five.



3025 ✉ **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** in combination with **Campeche, 1856, 2r green** (3) on folded letter datelined "Veracruz, Juli 6, 1859" to Puebla, with manuscript "**pr. Extrando**" for Extraordinario express service (double the rate) for 1 ounce beyond 16 leagues, stamps tied by Veracruz cds (Schatzkes 1757A), **Very Fine,** an uncommon out-of-district usage (N.F. $615 for singles off cover), *ex-Rosenthal*.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

A single off cover of this 8r stamp from this district sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $1,600 hammer (lot 19).



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3026 o **Campeche, 1856, First Issue, 2r-4r Hidalgo Issues,** two singles; includes 2r emerald (only 1,020 sent) and with a red overprint and Campeche boxed date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 57), and 4r with fancy mute cancel (Schatzkes 58) and black overprint, **nearly Very Fine** (N.F. $300).
Scott No. **3b, 4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

Chalco District

3027 o **Chalco, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal strip of 4, boxed **Xonocatepec** cancels (Schatzkes 98), horizontal wrinkle and crease between left pair, **Fine** (N.F. $240 for singles).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3028 ▲ **Chalco, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** tied on piece by neat red boxed **Xonocatepec** cancel (Schatzkes 98, 40 points), **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3029 ✉ **Chalco, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** in combination with **Chalco, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) both with full margins, slightly overlapping on 1858 folded letter sheet to Puebla, tied by oval **Yautepec** cancel (Schatzkes 110), **Very Fine,** first issue usages from Chalco are extremely scarce, franking paid 3r for ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b, 2** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3030 o **Chalco, 1856, First Issue, ½r & 2r Hidalgo Issues,** two singles from the small town of **Totolpam** with a rare cancel (Schatzkes 108, 100 points), 2r is the scarce emerald shade, **Very Fine,** the 2r was sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $240 hammer (lot 23); the 2r with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1, 3b** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

Chiapas District

3031 ✉ **Chiapas, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by bold dark blue **San Cristobal** circular cancel (Schatzkes 113) on 1859 folded letter sheet to Tuxtla; file fold affecting stamp, **F.-V.F. appearance.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3032 (✉) **Chiapas, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald, Two Singles,** mostly large to huge margins, tied together by **San Bartolome** handstamp (Schatzkes 118AA, 40 points) on cover front to Tuxtla, paying 4r for ¾ ounces beyond 16 leagues (N.F. $400 for singles off cover); with 2015 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Although 2,040 were sent, very few are known. In our 2025 Daffner auction a similar cover with one stamp sold for $400 hammer (lot 1211).

3033 o **Chiapas, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** San Cristobal manuscript cancel (Schatzkes 118A) and portion of merchant handstamp, large margins, **Extremely Fine,** only 592 were sent (N.F. $450); with 1994 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3034 ▲ **Chiapas, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** on piece with **Chiapas, 1856, 4r red + 1r yellow** (4, 2) tied by blue circular **Comitan** handstamps (Schatzkes 120), one with manuscript date in center; 8r with small pinhole at left center, **Very Fine,** only 592 4r and 782 8r were sent (N.F. $1,730 for singles); with 1997 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale a single of the 8r sold for $2,700 hammer (lot 29).



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3035 o **Chiapas, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** bold fancy **Chiapa de Corzo** oval cancel (Schatzkes 119), **Very Fine and choice,** only 782 sent (N.F. $1,250), *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale, another sold for $2,700 hammer (lot 29).

Chihuahua District



3036 ✉ **Chihuahua, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination **Chihuahua, 1856, 1r yellow + 2r emerald** (2, 3b) on 1857 folded letter to Parral, tied by red boxed Chihuahua date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 136), paying the unusual 7r rate for 1½ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive,** a very rare three color franking (N.F. $700 for singles off cover); with 2021 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3037 o **Chihuahua, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** out-of-district usage with two different Mexico cancels (Schatzkes 817 & 837), **Very Fine,** extremely scarce (N.F. $2,500), *ex-Rosenthal & Albert Quast*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

Ciudad Bravos District



3038 ▲ **Ciudad Bravos, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** 2 singles, tied on piece by bold Ciudad Bravos boxed date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 42), **F.-V.F.,** an extremely rare multiple stamp usage, although 2,520 stamps were issued, less than 10 singles are recorded (N.F. 4,000 for singles); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3039 o **Ciudad Bravos, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** neat Ciudad Bravos boxed date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 42), **Very Fine,** although 2,520 stamps were issued, less than 10 singles are recorded (N.F. $2,000); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3040 o **(Ciudad Bravos), 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald, without District Overprint,** plate 1, position 36, straight line Yguala cancel (Schatzkes 1846) probably from the direct shipment to C. Bravos, large to huge margins showing plate line in right margin, **Extremely Fine,** the direct shipment is surely the case as Tixtla did not receive any emeralds, although 1,020 were sent, less than five are known (N.F. $2,250); with 2012 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3f** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

An on cover example sold at Spink in 2024 for $5,000 hammer (November, lot 16).

Cordova District

3041 o **Cordova, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** boxed **Huatusco** cancel (Schatzkes 196), **Very Fine,** only 1,070 sent, very few sent to small suboffices like this (N.F. $500).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

In our December 2025 sale a similar stamp from the main office sold for $250 hammer (lot 1489). This is far more scarce.



3042 o **Cordova, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** circular **Veracruz date stamp out-of-district** cancel (Schatzkes 1749), **F.-V.F.,** only 600 sent and very low survival rate, maybe 3-4 known.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

This rare high value sold for $2,100 hammer in our April 2025 sale (lot 1219).

3043 o **Cordova, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group with three items; two ½r singles with rare cancels, Cordova Maltese cross (Schatzkes 186) and Coscomatepec oval (Schatzkes 192) tying on piece, and a ½r+1r+2r three color franking on piece tied together by fancy Cordova oval (Schatzkes 184), **Very Fine.** *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **1-3** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

Cuernavaca District

3044 o **Cuernavaca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal strip of 4, **Mexico out-of-district** cancels, wide margins, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $240 for singles).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



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Ex 3043



Ex 3050

3045 o **Cuernavaca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** light cancel, full margins, **Very Fine,** a very elusive and seldom offered stamp, although 2,520 were sent (N.F. $100).
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

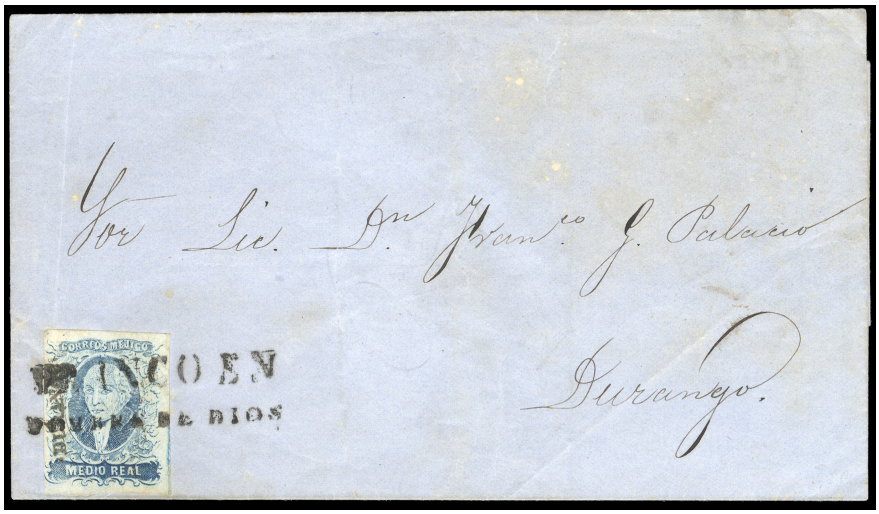
3046 o **Cuernavaca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Mexico town out-of-district** cancel, **Very Fine** (N.F. $300); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3047 o **Cuernavaca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Mexico Diligencias stagecoach out-of-district** cancel (Schatzkes 830), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $300).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3048 o **Cuernavaca, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** neat **Mexico town out-of-district** cancel, large margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 910 sent (N.F. $850); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Durango District



3049 ✉ **Durango, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** tied by two-line **Nombre de Dios** handstamp (Schatzkes 277, 30 points) on folded letter sheet to Durango, paying First Rate of ½r for less than ½ ounce within 30 leagues, **Very Fine,** all covers with only one medio are rare because they either paid printed matter rate or first rate to nearby towns (only four months in 1856).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

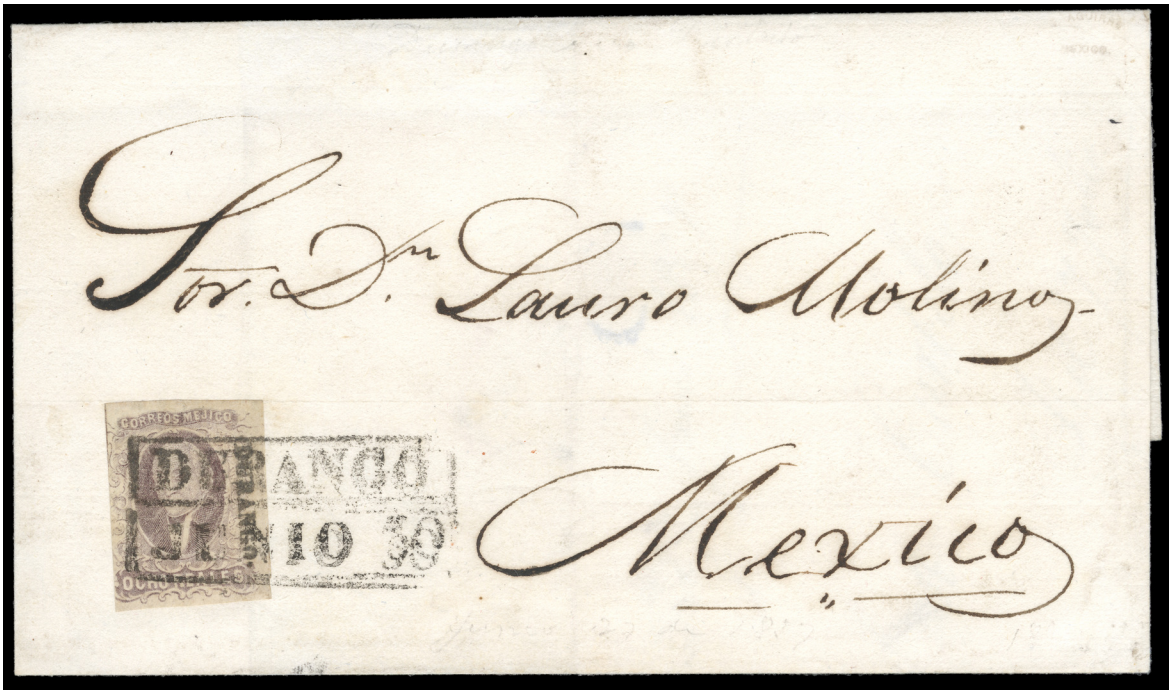
3050 o/✉ **Durango, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** group of two items; pair with complete strike of oval **Mineral del Oro** cancel (Schatzkes 278), and cover with two singles on cover from **Nazas** (Schatzkes 274) to Guadalajara dated 1858, **Very Fine,** this is a small agricultural town and covers are scarce, *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3051 ✉ **Durango, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Durango, 1856, 1r yellow + 2r yellow green** (2, 3) slightly overlapping on 1857 folded letter sheet to Mexico, all tied together by Durango box date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 234), paying the unusual 7r rate for 1½ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3052 ✉ **Durango, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Two Singles,** left stamp with plate line at bottom, in combination with **Durango, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) on 1859 folded letter to Zacatecas, tied by Durango boxed date stamps (Schatzkes 234), paying the unusual 9r rate for 2 ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive** (N.F. $705 for singles off cover).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3053 ✉ **Durango, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** tied by Durango boxed date stamp on 1857 folded letter sheet from Hacienda de Santa Catarina to Mexico, **Very Fine,** only 1,034 sent and is especially rare on cover (N.F. $2,500 for single off cover), *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

In our Iglesias sale in 2024 two singles off cover sold for $1,100 and $5,250 hammer.

Guadalajara District



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3054 ▲ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal strip of 4, boxed **Cocula** cancels (Schatzkes 368), wide margins, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3055 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** solo use on two covers; one tied by **Arandas** handstamp (Schatzkes 319, 25 points) 1857 folded letter sheet to Guadalajara (clearly underpaid), and another tied by **Etzatlan** straight line (Schatzkes 338, 25 points) on 1856 folded letter to Guadalajara paying the first rate for less than ½ ounce within 30 leagues, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3056 o **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, ½r-1r Hidalgo Issues,** group of two items: ½r single with blue boxed **Tequila** cancel (Schatzkes 358), and 1r pair with virtually complete strike of the rare **Barca** oval cancel (Schatzkes 325, 30 points), **Very Fine,** *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **1-2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3057 ▲ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** horizontal pair, tied on piece by bold **fancy Ixtla del Rio** cancel (Schatzkes 429), **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3058 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Horizontal Pair,** tied by neat **Hostotipaquillo** handstamps (Schatzkes 427, 10/3 points) on folded letter sheet to Guadalajara, paying 2r for less than ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

In our 2024 Iglesias sale a 2r on piece from this town was sold in $280 hammer (lot 92).



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3059 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Horizontal Pair,** canceled by double boxed **Ayo el Chico** handstamp (Schatzkes 323, 20/2 points) on folded letter sheet to Guadalajara, paying 2r for less than ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** an attractive usage from this tiny town; with 2011 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

Quite an uncommon cancel for anyone who appreciates and enjoys Mexican albures (double entendre language).

3060 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by neat strike of the scarce oval **Ciudad Guzman** handstamp (Schatzkes 344, 40 points) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Sayula, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3061 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by oval **Tala** handstamp (Schatzkes 357 without "Franco" handstamp) on folded letter sheet to Guadalajara, paying First Rate 1r for less than ½ ounce beyond 30 leagues, **Very Fine,** a scarce usage from this tiny town.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3062 o **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** position 1 showing plate lines at left and top, complete strike of **red Mascota spiral mute** cancel (Schatzkes 389, 30 points), **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3063 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, Four Singles,** slightly overlapping on 1857 folded letter to Guadalajara, tied by red **Tepic** box cancels (Schatzkes 409), **Very Fine,** any 8r postage is uncommon, let alone with only 2r stamps.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3064 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** in combination with **Guadalajara, 1856, ½r blue + 1r yellow** (1, 2) on Dec 13, 1856 folded letter sheet to Guadalajara, tied by two strikes of red boxed **Tepic** handstamp (Schatzkes 408, 200 points), paying 3½r First Rate for 1¼ ounce beyond 30 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive,** a rare 3-color franking from Guadalajara and probably unique from this district; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3065 o **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** red **fancy Cuale mute** cancel (Schatzkes 377), mostly large margins, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3066 ✉ **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Quadrisect,** lower left portion of stamp, in combination with **Guadalajara, 1856, 4r red, horizontal bisect** (4a) lower portion of stamp, both with striking rich color and tied by neat bold strike of circular **Tecolotlan** handstamp (Schatzkes 399) on 1859 folded letter to Guadalajara, paying 3r for ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Extremely Fine,** combination of splits are extremely rare, this combination being most likely unique on cover; with 1993 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4b** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000



3067 (✉) **Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** clear to large margins, in combination with **Guadalajara, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on certified front to Tepic, tied by "Guadalajara, 15 Dbre, 1857" cds's (Schatzkes 297), with scarce boxed certification date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 296A, 50/2 points), fancy mute handstamps at edges one additionally tying 8r, paying the unusual 10r rate for 2¼ ounces beyond 16 leagues; front with sealed tear at bottom, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2011 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

A SPECTACULAR AND RARE 1856 HIDALGO COMBINATION USAGE ON CERTIFICATION FRONT FROM GUADALAJARA.

The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. Then that front would be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. It was customary to apply postmarks on the periphery to make them more evident to the postal employees.

Guanajuato District



3068 ✉ **Guanajuato, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Two Blocks of Four,** both canceled by grid handstamps (Schatzkes 500A) and tied by oval **Leon** date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 500) on 1861 folded letter to Guadalajara, paying 4r for ¾ ounce beyond 16 leagues; horizontal file fold affecting both blocks, **otherwise Very Fine,** a rarity of the issue and among the largest multiple usages of the ½r on cover; with 2023 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000



3069 ✉ **Guanajuato, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** tied by **Guanajuato 2r Coin cancel** (Schatzkes 478) on fresh 1859 folded letter to Leon, cancel was applied by using a two reales coin and inking it, **Very Fine and unusual,** only three recorded, all from the same location used a few days apart; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3070 ✉ **Guanajuato, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Vertical Bisect,** right portion of stamp with district overprint, in combination with **Guanajuato, 1856, ½r blue, horizontal pair** (1) on 1858 folded entire letter to Mexico City, all tied by two strikes of oval Guanajuato handstamp (Schatzkes 472) with left strike tying over bisect split cut, paying 3r for ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** any combination of a whole stamp or a split and another split is very rare, *ex-Quast*; with 2015 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4a** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000



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3071 ✉ **Guanajuato, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Vertical Bisect,** right portion of stamp with district overprint, tied by socked-on-the-nose strike of Guanajuato cds (Schatzkes 476) on folded letter sheet to Queretaro, **Extremely Fine**; with 2002 Basel & 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **4a** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3072 ✉ **(Guanajuato), 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Vertical Bisect,** left portion of stamp tied by Guanajuato oval handstamp (Schatzkes 472) on folded letter sheet to Mexico City, reverse with "**Devuelto**" in oval return handstamp, **Very Fine,** a very uncommon auxiliary handstamp; with 1987 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4a** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

Hermosillo District



3073 ✉ **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Strip of Three and Single,** all tied by Hermosillo two-line handstamps (Schatzkes 541) on 1857 folded letter to Guaymas, **Very Fine** (N.F. $300 for singles off cover); with 2007 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3074 ✉ **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Strip of Four,** wide margins, canceled by two strikes of very rare negative boxed **Rayon** handstamp (Schatzkes 548AA, 100/3 points!) on folded letter sheet to Hermosillo redirected to Alamos, **Very Fine** (N.F. $300 as singles off cover); with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3075 ✉ **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Vertical Strip of Three,** rich color, canceled by two strikes of Hermosillo two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 541) on 1860 folded letter sheet to Guaymas; cover with light stain at left, **still Very Fine**; with 1991 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

3076 (✉) **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald, Horizontal Pair and Single,** huge margins, canceled by bold strikes of Guaymas handstamps (Schatzkes 546) on cover front to Mazatlan, with **manuscript "pr. Sureste" ship endorsement**, paying 6r for 1¾ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** any multiple of this shade is quite scarce; with 2023 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3077 o **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** light red **Guaymas** two line cancel (Schatzkes 546), mostly large margins, light horizontal crease in bottom margin well away from stamp design, **Very Fine** (N.F. $400); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3078 o **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** light Hermosillo straight line cancel (Schatzkes 541), **Very Fine** (N.F. $400); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



3079 o **Hermosillo, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** manuscript and red **Guaymas** two line cancel (Schatzkes 546), full margins, couple small thins, **Very Fine appearance,** 1,260 sent but less than five are known (N.F. $2,500); with 1990 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

None were in our 2024 Iglesias sale and in our 2025 Daffner sale one sold for $4,500 hammer (lot 1243).

Huejutla District



3080 o **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair showing portion of plate line at bottom, two strikes of light brownish **fancy Ciudad de Valles cancel** (Schatzkes 581, 150 points!), large margins, right stamp with minute thin and tiny tear, **otherwise Very Fine,** certificate states cancel is faded, however we believe this type of brownish ink used in Valles tends to be light in its nature; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

In our 2024 Iglesias sale a 1r with this cancel sold for $325 hammer (lot 117). This is a pair of a far rarer stamp bearing not one, but two cancels. Less than a handful known from this tiny town. This has not been in the market for 30 years.

3081 ✉ **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Horizontal Pair,** showing plate line in right margin, tied by neat Tuxpan oval handstamp (Schatzkes 578) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Veracruz, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3082 ✉ **Huejutla & Guadalajara, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** two folded letters; Huejutla canceled in Tuxpan and a Guadalajara canceled in the tiny town of Zapotlanejo; Huejutla stamp and cover toned, **Fine,** just the Huejutla alone is N.F. $150 as a single off cover, *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3083 o **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** neat blue **Tamiahua** oval cancel (Schatzkes 567, 120 points), large margins and choice centering, tiny thin in top margin well away from design, **still Extremely Fine and attractive,** a lovely and scarce color cancellation.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3084 o **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** rare **Chicontepec** in oval cancel (Schatzkes unlisted), full margins, vertical crease in left margin, **otherwise Very Fine,** less than a handful of this Chicontepec cancel are known from this tiny town.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



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3085 o **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** circular **Santa Ana de Tamaulipas out-of-district** (Tampico) date stamp cancels (Schatzkes 1585), large margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 780 sent and mostly known unused (N.F. $700); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

3086 (*) **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** no gum, bright and fresh, **Very Fine,** in our 2024 Iglesias sale one like this was sold for $850 hammer (N.F. $2,500 for used); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3087 o **Huejutla, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** circular Santa Anna de circular **Tamaulipas out-of-district** date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1585), **F.-V.F.,** maybe 3-4 are known used, a rarity of the issue (N.F. $2,500); with 2005 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

In our 2005 Daffner sale a similar example sold for $4,500 hammer (lot 1245).

Isla del Carmen District



3088 o **Isla Del Carmen, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** with early readable district overprint, manuscript cancels (Schatzkes 587A, 50 points), **Very Fine,** only 399 sent and less than a handful are known to exist (N.F. $3,500); with 2016 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

Another was sold without district overprint in our 2024 Iglesias auction for $4,750 hammer (lot 125).



3089 o/✉ **Isla Del Carmen, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** blue district overprint, blue straight line Carmen cancels (Schatzkes 585, 50 points), large oversized well balanced margins, small scissor separation cut in bottom left margin well away from design (not mention in cert.), **Extremely Fine and attractive,** only 595 sent and few used survivors, *ex-Erich Koenig*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

A 1r Isla del Carmen has not been offered in auction for many years and only a handful are known to exist. Our very complete 2024 Iglesias auction did not have one and this example has not been in the market for 30 years. The N.F. value does not reflect its real scarcity. Similar 1861 Isla del Carmen rarities (1r, 2r) were sold in our Rodriguez 2024 auction for $5,000 & $5,500 hammer (lots 3113, 3112).

Ixtlahuaca District



3090 o **Ixtlahuaca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** manuscript "X" cancel (Schatzkes 590A), wide margins with overprint completely in top margin, **Very Fine and choice,** only 518 sent, in our 2025 Daffner sale two singles on piece sold for $7,000 hammer (lot 1248) (N.F. $3,000); with 1983 & 2013 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

3091 o **(Ixtlahuaca), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint, manuscript "Franco Ixtlahuaca"** cancel (Schatzkes 594A, 100 points), rich color, **Fine,** a very rare manuscript cancellation (N.F. $800); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3092 o **Ixtlahuaca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** bold boxed Ixtlahuaca cancel (Schatzkes 592), deep color, trivial minute margin tear at bottom, **Very Fine and attractive,** in our 2024 Iglesias sale another one sold for $3,000 hammer (lot 127); with 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500



3093 o **Ixtlahuaca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** bold Ixtlahuaca "Franco En" straight line cancel (Schatzkes 590, 50 points), faint stain at lower right, **otherwise Very Fine,** very rare and possibly unique in the emerald shade, only 120 sent; with 2005 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

In our 2024 Iglesias sale the 2r Green (far more in this shade were issued) sold for $3,000 hammer (lot 127).

Jalapa District

3094 ✉ **Jalapa, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Strip of Four,** tied by neat Jalapa circular date stamp cancels (Schatzkes 596) on 1861 folded letter sheet to Puebla; central vertical file fold affecting second stamp in strip, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3095 o **Jalapa, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** horizontal strip of 3, three neat strikes of **Tesiutlan** cancel (Schatzkes 636, 30 points) in unusual and attractive arrangement, full margins and striking rich color, **Very Fine and attractive,** a striking multiple, illustrated in color section of Schatzkes *The Cancellations of Mexico 1856-1874*, *ex-Paliafito*.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3096 o **Jalapa, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** neat boxed Jalapa date stamp cancels (Schatzkes 595), wide well balanced margins and rich color, **Very Fine and choice,** although 1,970 were sent, they are seldom found used (N.F. $1,100); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3097 o **Jalapa, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** horizontal pair, straight line **Papantla** cancels (Schatzkes 623), vertical crease, **F.-V.F. appearance,** although 1,970 sent, few have survived (N.F. $2,200); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Lagos District

3098 ✉ **Lagos, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Horizontal Pair,** full margins, just tied by oval **San Juan de los Lagos** oval handstamp (Schatzkes 675) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Guadalajara, **fresh and Very Fine.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150



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3099 ▲ **Lagos, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, Vertical Bisect,** right portion of stamp with district overprint, in combination with **Lagos, 1856, 2r yellow green, horizontal strip of six** (3) on piece, tied by neat oval Lagos cancels (Schatzkes 659) paying an unusual 11r rate, **Very Fine and choice,** an extremely rare combination, most likely unique, *ex-Koenig*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3c** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

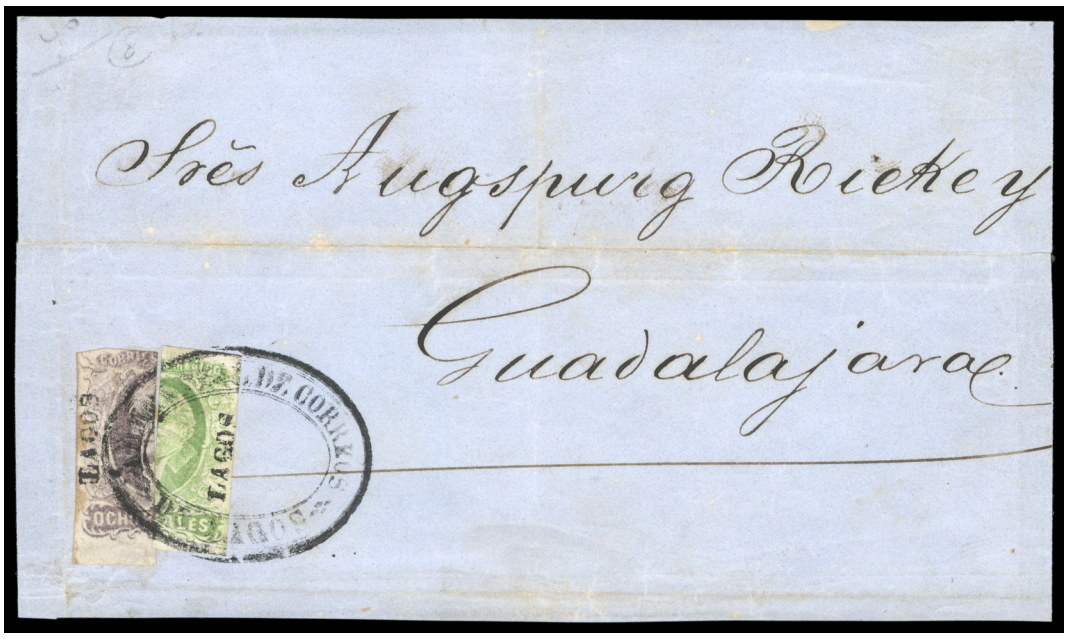
3100 ✉ **(Lagos), 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald, without District Overprint,** tied by scarce **Encarnacion** oval handstamp (Schatzkes 671, 50 points) on folded letter sheet to Guadalajara; horizontal file fold affecting stamp, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **3f** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3101 o **Lagos, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** oval **San Juan de los Lagos** cancel (Schatzkes 675), wide margins, **Very Fine,** one sold in our 2025 Daffner sale for $550 hammer (lot 1252) (N.F. $400); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3102 o **Lagos, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** socked-on-the-nose oval **San Juan de los Lagos** cancel (Schatzkes 675) leaving portrait unobscured, **Very Fine and attractive,** although 900 were sent, only four are known, a bit undervalued in Follansbee (N.F. $1,200); with 2002 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500



3103 (✉) **Lagos, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Vertical Bisect,** left portion of stamp with district overprint, in combination with **Lagos, 1856, 2r yellow green, vertical bisect** (3c) right portion stamp with district overprint, both tied by oval Lagos handstamp (Schatzkes 659) on cover front to Guadalajara, paying 5r rate for 1 ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** a remarkable and most likely unique bisect combination usage, *ex-Rosenthal*; signed J.K. Bash, with 2002 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5e** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

This front is believed unique because; 1) Only 900 eight reales were sent but just four singles are known, 2) Only eight covers with this kind of bisect are known from all the districts combined, and 3) There are very few combinations of splits or a split and a full stamp. There is another combination like this but on a small piece (ex-Mazepa) which sold in our January sale #126 for $1,600 hammer (lot 1518) with this example being a full front.



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Lerma District



3104 o **Lerma, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, without District Overprint,** horizontal pair, central fancy circular **Tenacingo** cancel (Schatzkes 709, 50 points), wide margins and rich deep color, separation crease between stamps, **Very Fine,** an attractive and scarce multiple (N.F. $1,800); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate for strip.
Scott No. **1b** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

In our 2025 Daffner sale a single sold for $700 hammer (lot 1253) and in the Iglesias 2024 sale another sold for $900 hammer (lot 135).

3105 o **Lerma, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** full neat Lerma cancel (Schatzkes 702) with some cancel wash below, **Very Fine** (N.F. $400); with 1976 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3106 o **(Lerma), 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald, without District Overprint,** rare **Malinalco** straight line date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 706, 150 points), **Very Fine** (N.F. $550 for normal shade), emerald is far more scarce as only 600 were sent; with 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3f** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

In our Daffner 2025 sale a similar one from Tenancingo sold for $800 hammer (lot 1257).

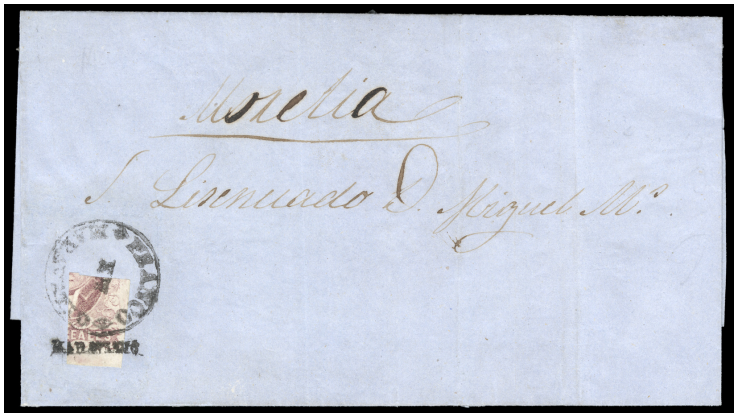
Maravatio District

3107 o **Maravatio, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** scarce **Zitacuaro mute "O"** cancels (Schatzkes 731AA, 100 points) struck four times producing a spiral pattern, wide margins, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3108 **/*□ **Maravatio, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** block of 4, o.g., hinged at top, bottom stamps never hinged, bright and fresh, horizontal fold between stamps, **Very Fine** (N.F. $175).
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150



3109 o **Maravatio, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** circular Maravatio cancel (Schatzkes 712), clear to mostly large margins, **Very Fine and choice,** scarce, with only 799 sent (N.F. $800); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3110 ✉ **Maravatio, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Quadrisect,** lower left portion of stamp **tied by district overprint and circular Maravatio handstamp** (Schatzkes 712) on 1859 folded letter sheet to Morelia, **Very Fine,** the overprint was applied after the quadrisect was placed on the cover, one of two such splits recorded in the census from this district, the other is on piece; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5d** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

Mazatlan District



3111 ✉ **Mazatlan, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** in combination with **Mazatlan, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Mazatlan, tied by red fancy boxed **Sinaloa** handstamp (Schatzkes 781), paying 2½r most likely an overpayment of the ½r rate as in this period such rate did not exist, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2021 M.E.P.S.I. certificate stating "genuine although not a valid rate and possibly a postal fraud".
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3112 ✉ **Mazatlan, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Irregular Block of Four,** showing partial plate line at upper right, each canceled by **Panuco manuscript mute oval** (always at a 45% angle) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Mazatlan, **Very Fine,** a unique block from a small town and a very rare mute oval cancel from Panuco, with **only four examples recorded**; with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Schatzkes appears to record this cancel under Mazatlan as number 743, although it is now known as being from Panuco.

3113 (✉) **Mazatlan, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** in combination with **Mazatlan, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on cover front to Mazatlan, stamps tied together by perfect bold strike of **Panuco** straight line handstamp (Schatzkes 773, 50 points), paying 3r for ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine**; with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



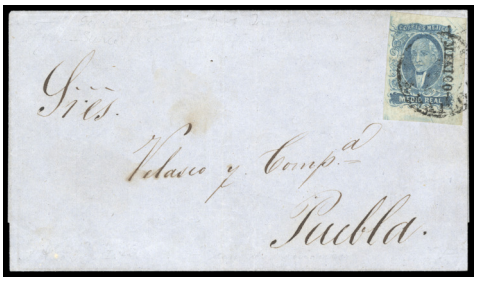
3114 ✉ **Mazatlan, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** ample to mostly huge margins, tied by partial red boxed Mazatlan date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 739) on cover to **London, England**, manuscript "Pr W.I. Mail, via Vera Cruz" routing endorsement at top, reverse with "Vera Cruz, Ja 4, 1857" British Agency transit cds with manuscript "2/6" rating on front, red London entry and receiving backstamps, forwarded locally; cover with couple tears at top not mentioned on cert., **otherwise Very Fine,** a very rare foreign destination usage from Mazatlan; signed A. Diena, with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000



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3115 (✉) **Mazatlan, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** wide margins and double district overprint, in combination with **Mazatlan, 1856, ½r blue, horizontal strip of four** (1) showing portion of plate line at top, on cover front to Durango, all canceled by mute "0" handstamps (Schatzkes 742) with matching boxed Mazatlan date stamp (Schatzkes 739) below, paying 6r for 1¼ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

Merida District

3116 */o **Merida, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of eight single stamps; four ½r blue (one unused, others from Merida and Sisal), 1r yellow (Sisal), 2r emerald and two 2r green, **generally F.-V.F. or better** (N.F. $640), *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **1-3, 3b** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



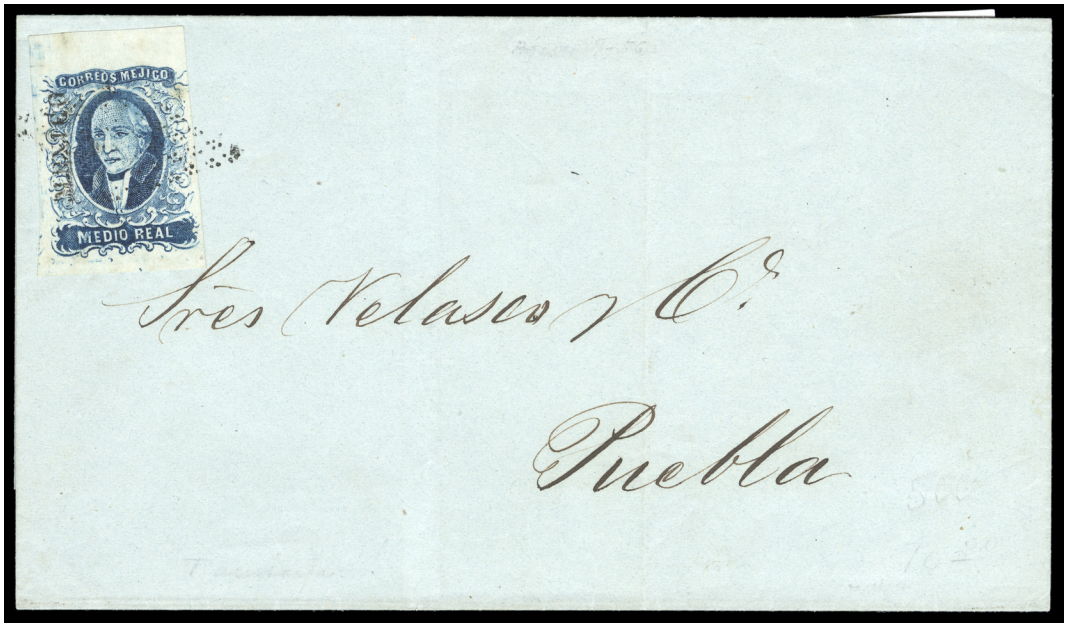
3117 ✉ **Merida, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** ample to large margins, tied by bold sharp strike of **Sisal** straight line handstamp (Schatzkes 802, 60 points) on 1858 folded letter to Merida, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** very few covers have survived from this district due to the climate, especially from smaller towns.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3118 ▲ **Merida, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Horizontal Strip of Three,** on Judicial piece (writing on reverse) in combination with **Merida, 1856, 2r emerald + 4r red** (3b, 4), 2r with huge margins and full plate line at left, each with manuscript "X" cancel (Schatzkes 790A), paying a 30r high rate franking, **Very Fine** (N.F. $8,085 for singles), *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $6,000 - 8,000

An extraordinary item not in the market for 25 years. Ex-Mazepa which was sold by Regency in 2000 for $6,900 hammer (lot 5289).

Mexico District



3119 ✉ **Mexico 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** ample to huge margins, tied by Mexico fancy mute lozenge of dots handstamp (Schatzkes 826) on folded letter sheet docketed August 9, 1856 used **during the first eight days of service**, paying first rate for less than ½ ounce within 30 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** this dotted rhomboid was the first Mexico cancellation device, *ex-F. Sharp*; with 1982 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3120 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** scarce district overprint with name between two arrows, mostly huge margins and showing plate scratches at upper right and bottom, tied by Mexico cds on 1856 folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying first rate for less than ½ ounce within 30 leagues, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3121 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Five Horizontal Pairs,** rich deep color, all tied by Mexico cds's on 1859 folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying 5r for 1 ounce beyond 16 leagues; light vertical file fold affecting one stamp, **still Very Fine and attractive,** one of the largest ½r multiple usages on cover.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $1,000 - 1,500



3122 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** in combination with **Mexico, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) pre-use tear at top, tied by "Mexico, Feb 28, 1861" cds on folded letter to **Paris, France**, reverse with "Vera Cruz, Mr 3, 1861" British Agency transit cds, boxed "G.B./1F60c" accountancy handstamp and Calais entry postmark, "24" decimes rate handstamp applied on arrival, red London transit backstamp, **Very Fine,** an attractive maritime usage to Paris.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3123 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** showing plate lines at top and right, tied by Mexico cds on folded letter to **Madrid, Spain**, datelined March 30th, 1859, two strikes of "0" handstamp indicating no payment in Havana, blue "4R" inland rate handstamp applied upon arrival and additionally tying stamp, reverse with "Madrid, Jun 5, 59" receiving cds, **Very Fine and choice,** a lovely first issue usage to Spain, *ex-Rosenthal*; with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3124 (✉) **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Mexico, 1856, 1r yellow + 2r yellow green** (2, 3) on certified front to Durango, all tied by Mexico dotted lozenge handstamps (Schatzkes 826), matching certification boxed date stamp (Schatzkes 837) dated Sept 6, 1856, with red oval Loteria official eagle cachet handstamp alongside, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

A STUNNING THREE COLOR CERTIFIED LOTTERY FRONT.

Paid 7r First rate for 7½ ounces beyond 30 leagues. This was a discounted rate for lotteries: 8r certification flat fee + 20r for weight x 25% special discounted rate. The regulation for certified covers or wrappers was that on receipt the front were cut out and signed by the addressee on the back as proof of receipt. That front would then be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. This is a very early one with the first cancel used in the country, the rhomboid of dots. Although there are several other certified fronts from the Lottery, this is probably the best as it is tricolor an is dated just a month after the issue was released.



3125 (✉) **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** tied by Mexico cds on large certified front to Aguascalientes dated Dec. 10, 1856 (Dec 10), with matching Mexico boxed certification date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 837) and red oval Loteria official eagle cachet handstamp, manuscript Lagos transit below boxed date stamp; some soiling, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

This was a discounted rate for lotteries: 8r certification flat fee + 8r for weight x 25% special discounted rate. The regulation for certified covers or wrappers was that on receipt their front were cut and signed by the addressee on the back as proof of receipt. That front would then be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them.



3126 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Mexico, 1856, ½r blue** (1) on folded letter sheet to **New York City**, tied together by Mexico mute "0" handstamp (Schatzkes 821B), entered the U.S. mails with "Mobile, Ala., Oct 20" cds with matching "10" in circle due handstamp, docketed "October 4-27, 1856" sending and receiving dates, paying 4½r for 1½ ounces beyond 30 leagues, **Very Fine,** very few covers known with this rate, *ex-Rosenthal*; with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate. Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3127 (✉) **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Horizontal Strip of Five,** margins huge to touching, in combination with **Mexico, 1856, 1r yellow, two singles** (2) on large certified front to Mazatlan, all tied by Mexico cds's, matching boxed Mexico certification date stamp (Schatzkes 837) with "30 de Dic de 1857" date, official Lottery eagle cachet handstamp, oval Guanajuato transit date stamp (Schatzkes 472) as well as manuscript "Lagos, Enero 9 de 1858" transit postmark, paying the unusual 22r rate (8r flat rate for less than 1/2 ounce +14r for additional weight at a 25% discounted rate for lotteries); front folds with one between stamps in strip, right stamp in strip with couple small tears at top, **otherwise Very Fine** (N.F. $2,500 for used 4r strip of 4 off cover); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $10,000 - 15,000

A REMARKABLE LARGE MULTIPLE OF THE 1856 4R HIDALGO ISSUE FROM MEXICO - A KEY RARITY OF THE 1861 HIDALGO ISSUE.

The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. That front would then be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. It was customary to apply postmarks on the periphery to make them more evident to the postal employees. In our 2024 Rodriguez sale similar ones from the 1861 issue sold for $11,500 & 12,500 hammer (lots 3202 & 3204).

3128 o **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** faint district name, **postal fraud** usage with Diligencias de Puebla cancel (Schatzkes 1148A) on top of a Mexico cancel, **Very Fine,** Puebla diligencias cancel is scarce; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3129 ✉ **Mexico, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** in combination with **Mexico, 1856, 2r yellow green + 4r red** (3, 4) on 1859 folded letter sheet to Veracruz, all tied by Mexico cds's, paying 14r for 3¼ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive,** a lovely high value three color franking, one of the largest combinations on cover, *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

Monterrey District

3130 ✉ **Monterrey, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Block of Four,** canceled by Monterrey boxed date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 860) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Parras, **Very Fine** (N.F. $300 for off cover).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3131 ✉ **Monterrey, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Monterrey, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Nava, tied by Monterrey boxed date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 860), with oval official "Gobierno De Nuevo Leon" cachet handstamp, paying the unusual 6r rate for 1¼ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** an exceptional official cover usage (N.F. $708 for off cover), *ex-Mazepa*; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000



3132 ▲ **Monterrey, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** on piece in combination with **Monterrey, 1856, 4r red** (4) both with ample to mostly huge margins, tied by Monterrey boxed date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 860), **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $3,200); with 1998 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

Both the 4r and 8r from this district are extremely difficult to find, let alone with such jumbo margins, Maybe 3-5 of each exist. These piece is undoubtedly the finest of both values.

Morelia District

3133 ✉ **Morelia, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** in combination with **Morelia, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) on 1856 folded letter to Mexico City, tied by oval Colima handstamp (Schatzkes 928) and paying 1½r First rate for ½ ounce beyond 30 leagues; cover with some docketing at bottom, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3134 ✉ **Morelia, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Two Singles,** tied by oval **Ario** handstamp (Schatzkes 917) with manuscript "Junio 1, 58" date below, on folded letter sheet to Morelia, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

3135 ✉ **Morelia, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** large margins, with light oval cancel at upper left prior to being affixed to cover, used out-of-district and tied by Guadalajara merchant's cachet handstamp on 1859 folded letter sheet to Sayula, **Very Fine,** a very interesting **postal fraud**, with a previous cancellation clearly applied prior to this usage.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3136 ✉ **Morelia, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** neatly tied by oval Ario handstamp (Schatzkes 917) with manuscript "Julio 8 de 58" date below, on folded letter sheet to Morelia, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

3137 ✉ **Morelia, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** two four margin Colima stamps during Morelia district period; includes Colima oval (Schatzkes 928) and a mute unrecorded cancel (we know it's from Colima due the existence of a cover), **Very Fine** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

Oaxaca District

3138 ✉ **Oaxaca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Strip of 4,** tied by two brownish strikes of **Tlaxiaco** boxed handstamp (Schatzkes 1081) on 1860 folded letter to Puebla, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



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3139 ✉ **Oaxaca, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** full margins and bright shade, on first rate Oct. 28, 1856 datelined folded letter to **Penacastello, Spain**, tied by Oaxaca boxed date stamp (Schatzkes 1023) and paying 1r to the port of Veracruz for less than ½ ounce beyond 30 leagues, blue "Havana, Nov 11" transit cds, large initial blue "4R" due handstamp applied upon arrival with blue "2Rs" corrected rate handstamp applied over; central cover file fold, **Very Fine,** illustrated in Schimmer-Heath *Mexican Maritime Mail* (page 183), sold for $4,500 hammer in Cherrystone Feb 2008 sale (lot 525), *ex-Rosenthal*; with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

LESS THAN THIRTY MARITIME COVERS KNOWN OF THE ENTIRE ISSUE - THIS IS THE ONLY ONE KNOWN FROM OAXACA.

3140 o **Oaxaca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** bold oval **Cuicatlan** cancel (Schatzkes unlisted), **Very Fine,** an extremely rare unlisted postmark, two examples of this postmark is known including on a 4r value from the Larranaga sale III catalog.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3141 ✉ **Oaxaca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** in combination with **Oaxaca, 1856, ½ blue + 1r yellow** on large certified front to Mexico City, all tied together by neat boxed Oaxaca date stamp (Schatzkes 1023) with matching unlisted certification boxed date stamp with manuscript "27 de Dic de 1856" date, additional Oaxaca two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 1025) at bottom corners, paying the unusual 3½r rate for 1½ ounces; front with some soiling, **otherwise Very Fine**; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.

Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $10,000 - 15,000

AN EXTREMELY RARE THREE COLOR 1856 HIDALGO ISSUE FRANKING ON CERTIFICATION FRONT FROM OAXACA.

The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. That front would then be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. It was customary to apply postmarks on the periphery to make them more evident to the postal employees. These rare items appear rarely in the market, In our 2024 Rodriguez sale similar ones from 1861 issue sold for $11,500 & 12,500 hammer (lots 3202 & 3204).



3142 ✉ **Oaxaca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Oaxaca, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) on 1857 folded letter to Tehuantepec, tied by boxed Oaxaca date stamp (Schatzkes 1023) and paying 5r for 1 ounce beyond 16 leagues; small cover tear at top, **Very Fine** (N.F. $125 for off cover) however another 4r off cover from this district sold in our Iglesias sale for $375 hammer (lot 171).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

Orizava District

3143 ✉ **Orizava, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** ample to mostly large margins, tied by boxed Orizava date stamp (Schatzkes 1023) on folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying 4r for ¾ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine** (N.F. $150 for off cover).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3144 (✉) **Orizava, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Two Singles,** both with large to huge margins, in combination with **Orizava, 1856, 4r red** (4) on certification front to Puebla, tied by bold boxed Orizava date stamps (Schatzkes 1090) with matching unlisted Orizava certification date stamp with manuscript "24 de Agosto de 1857" date, paying 20r for flat registration 8r rate and 2¾ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine** (N.F. $1,350 for off cover); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

A WONDERFUL RARITY AND AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF MEXICAN PHILATELY.

A similar 8r single off cover from this district sold in our Iglesias 2024 sale for $1,700 hammer (lot 173), which is $3,400 just for those stamps alone.



3145 ✉ **Orizava, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** showing plate line in bottom margin, in combination with **Orizava, 1856, 4r red** (4), large margins and slightly overlapping on 1858 folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying 12r for 2¾ ounces beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** most likely unique franking for a non-registered cover, only 976 sent (N.F. $750 for off cover), *ex-Rosenthal*; with 1986 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

A similar off cover 8r from this district sold in our Iglesias 2024 sale for $1,700 hammer (lot 173).

Pachuca District

3146 o **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** showing **dramatic inverted offset on reverse**, paint red **Mineral del Monte** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1131), **F.-V.F. and unusual**; with 2006 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



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3147 o❐ **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** block of 4, two-line Pachuca cancels (Schatzkes 1117), **Very Fine,** blocks are very scarce in this denomination because there were other stamps that could be used for this payment (N.F. $1,150); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

3148 ✉ **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** rich color, tied by bright red **Mineral del Monte** two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 1131) on fresh 1859 folded letter to Mexico City, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3149 ✉ **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 1r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of six stamps from small towns; includes huge margin 1r pair with boxed **Mineral del Chico** cancel (Schatzkes 1129), four 2r green in shades with **Actopan** (1123), **Zacualtipan** (1138, 50 points) and **Atotonilco** (1126), **F.-V.F. with mostly better.**
Scott No. **2-3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3150 o **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** showing plate line at edge of top margin, indistinct red cancel, rich color, **Very Fine** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

3151 o **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** vertical pair showing plate line in top margin, **Atotonilco** two-line cancels (Schatzkes 1126), large to huge margins, **Extremely Fine,** a very scarce multiple usage (N.F. $400 for singles); with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

3152 o **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** two-line **Atotonilco** cancel (Schatzkes 1126), **Very Fine,** only 951 sent (N.F. $650); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

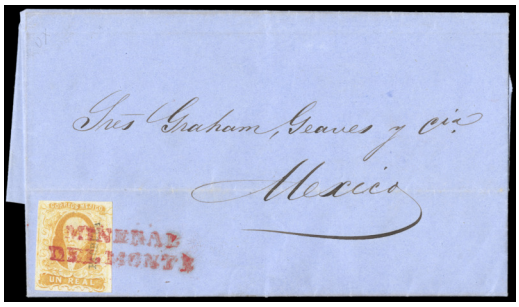
In our 2025 Daffner sale, another from Actopan sold for $525 hammer (lot 1287).



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3153 o **Pachuca, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** showing plate line in left margin, red **Mineral del Monte** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1131), full margins, **Very Fine,** only 951 sent (N.F. $650); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

In our 2025 Daffner sale, another from Actopan sold for $525 hammer (lot 1287).

Puebla District

3154 o **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair, two-line **Tepeyehualco** cancel (Schatzkes 1242, 30 points), large to huge margins, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3155 o **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair, straight line **Nopalucan** cancel (Schatzkes 1219, 25 points) with manuscript cancel below, ample to mostly large margins, deep color, right stamp with couple thins, **otherwise Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3156 ✉ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Pair,** wide margins and deep color, tied by bold oval **Tecamachalco** handstamp (Schatzkes 1228) on 1858 folded letter to Puebla, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** an attractive usage from this small town.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



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3157 ✉ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Pair,** wide margins, neatly tied by two-line **Matamoros** handstamp (Schatzkes 1215) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice,** an attractive usage from this small town.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3158 ✉ **(Puebla), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by bold **Tepeaca** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1238) on folded letter sheet to Puebla; horizontal file fold affecting stamp, **otherwise Very Fine,** a seldom seen small town usage.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3159 o **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** position 54 showing **misplaced entry of extra value tablet in the top margin**, plate line in right margin, straight line **Acatzingo** cancel (Schatzkes 1169), ample to mostly huge margins, **Extremely Fine and choice** (N.F. $190); with 2015 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3160 ✉ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** clear to huge margins, tied by neat two-line Puebla handstamp (Schatzkes 1154) on 1858 maritime folded letter to **New York City** from the Lanman & Kemp correspondence, with manuscript "Por el Tennessee" ship endorsement at top, entered the U.S. mails with "New Orleans, La., May 10, 1858" cds, with circular "Steamship 10" handstamp applied upon arrival in New York, with stamp paying 4r for less than ¾ ounce beyond 16 leagues to the port of Veracruz, **Very Fine and scarce,** *ex-Rosenthal*; with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3161 ✉ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Horizontal Pair,** in combination with **Puebla, 1856, ½r blue, horizontal pair** (1) slightly overlapping on 1860 certified folded letter sheet to Mexico City, tied by large Puebla certification date stamp (Schatzkes 1164, 60 points), matching "Franco" handstamp (1147A) and fancy circular monogram handstamps at corners (1153A), with stamps paying the unusual 17r rate (8r flat rate + 9r for 2 ounces beyond 16 leagues), **Very Fine**; with 2007 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

This is exceptional as it is a full letter and not a front, so it escaped the process. The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. Then that front would be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. It was customary to apply postmarks on the periphery to make them more evident to the postal employees.



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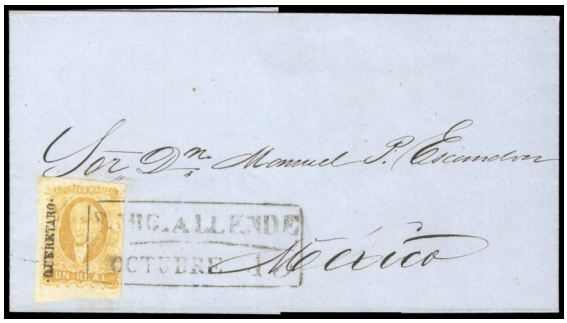
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3162 ▲ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Vertical Bisect,** left portion of stamp with district overprint, tied on piece by two-line Puebla date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1153) and **British boxed "G.B./1F30c" accountancy** cancel, **Very Fine,** only nine covers and six pieces exist with this type of bisect among all the districts, as per the census, this is likely the only one maritime; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5e** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

3163 ✉ **Puebla, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r & 8r Hidalgo Issues,** group of six stamps; includes ½r with San Agustin del Palmar cancel (Schatzkes 1223), 1r pair with Tecamachalco (1228), 2r emerald jumbo margins, 2r yellow green & 8r, **Very Fine overall,** *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **1-3, 3b, 5** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

Queretaro District

3164 ✉ **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** ample to mostly huge margins, tied by boxed **San Miguel Allende** date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 1277) on 1856 folded letter to Guanajuato, paying First rate within 30 leagues, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3165 ✉ **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Strip of Four,** wide margins, canceled by boxed **San Miguel de Allende** date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 1277) on 1858 folded letter to Mexico City; slight crease in third stamp in strip, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3166 o **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** four strikes of unrecorded **tiny straight-line Acambaro** (smaller than a district name), **Very Fine and unusual,** in our 2024 Iglesias auction, a 2r with one of these cancels sold for $400 hammer (lot 192).
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3167 ✉ **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 1r & 2r Hidalgo Issues,** single of each on cover & front to Mexico City; 1r on pristine First rate cover dated 1856 (Oct 15) from **San Miguel de Allende** (Schatzkes 1277), and 2r on cover front from **San Luis de la Paz** (Schatzkes 1324), **Very Fine,** *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **2, 3** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



3168 o **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** neat **fancy Yuriria Pundaro wreath** cancel (Schatzkes 1347, 80 points), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice,** in our 2024 Iglesias sale another one from the same town with a similar cancel sold for $300 hammer (lot 194); with 2006 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3169 o **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** bold negative oval **Acambaro** cancel (Schatzkes 1273), **Very Fine,** any high denomination stamp from a small town is rare, as most of the stamps were used in the head office, this is very scarce.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3170 ✉ **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** in combination with **Queretaro, 1856, ½r blue, horizontal pair + 2r yellow green** (1, 3) on 1861 folded letter sheet to Mexico City, canceled by oval Queretaro handstamp (Schatzkes 1264), paying the unusual 7r rate for 1½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** an attractive three color franking; with 2023 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3171 o **Queretaro, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** boxed certification and oval cancels of Queretaro (Schatzkes 1262A & 1264), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice,** very scarce and seldom offered and undervalued in Follansbee (N.F. $500), *ex-Groth-Marnat*; with 1987 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Saltillo District

3172 o/✉ **Saltillo, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of two used stamps and cover; ½r blue, 1r yellow pair on entire cover from Parras dated 1857 (Feb 7) and 2r blue green, **Very Fine** (N.F. $166 for singles off cover).
Scott No. **1, 2, 3a** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3173 ▲ **Saltillo, 1856, First Issue, 2r Olive Green,** on piece tied by boxed **Parras** date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1414), ample to mostly huge margins, **Extremely Fine,** sold in our Feb. 2024 sale for $375 hammer (lot 201); with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3 var.** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



3174 o **Saltillo, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** oval Saltillo date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1355), ample to mostly huge margins, **Extremely Fine,** only 180 sent and only four are known (N.F. $5,000); with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $7,500 - 10,000

CERTAINLY ONE, IF NOT THE FINEST USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1856 4R HIDALGO ISSUE FROM SALTILLO - A GREAT FIRST ISSUE RARITY.

3175 (*) **Saltillo, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** no gum, clear to large well balanced margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 420 issued (N.F. $600 for used); with 1996 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

San Luis Potosi District

3176 ✉ **San Luis Potosi, 1856, First Issue, 1r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of two singles; 1r with fancy Rio Verde ornamental cancel (Schatzkes 1527) and jumbo margin 2r emerald with S.L.P. circular date stamp (Schatzkes 1443), **overall Very Fine.**
Scott No. **2, 3b** . . . . . Estimate $75 - 100

3177 ▲ **San Luis Potosi, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, Horizontal Bisect,** upper portion of stamp, in combination with **San Luis Potosi, 1856, 4r red** (4) on piece, tied by neat oval San Luis Potosi cancel (Schatzkes 1446), **Very Fine,** the only such bisect from this district according to the split census; with 1989 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3c** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3178 o **San Luis Potosi, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** bold Certificado and unrecorded negative circular "R" and mute dotted cancels, mostly huge margins, thin, **Extremely Fine appearance**; with 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

A similar stamp (without the "R") was sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $1,050 hammer (lot 221).



3179 (✉) **San Luis Potosi, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** large to huge margins, in combination with **San Luis Potosi, 1856, 2r yellow green** (3) on large lottery certified front to Mexico City, tied by circular San Luis Potosi date stamp (Schatzkes 1443) with matching unlisted Certification date stamp with manuscript "26 de Enero 1858" date, fancy circular monogram handstamps (Schatzkes 1454) at edges and corners, paying the unusual 10r rate for lotteries (8r flat rate and 2r for 1¾ ounces beyond 16 leagues) with the discounted rate of 25% of regular rate, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $7,500 - 10,000

A REMARKABLE AND RARE 1856 HIDALGO ISSUE USAGE ON CERTIFICATION FRONT FROM SAN LUIS POTOSI.

The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. That front would then be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them. It was customary to apply postmarks on the periphery to make them more evident to the postal employees. These rare items appear rarely in the market, In our 2024 Rodriguez sale similar ones from 1861 issue sold for $11,500 & 12,500 hammer (lots 3202 & 3204).



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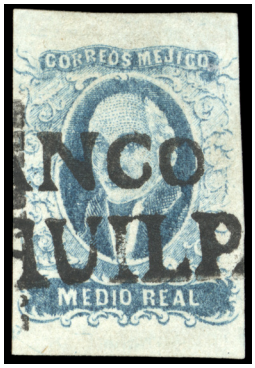


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Soyaniquilpan District



3180 o **Soyaniquilpan, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** neat bold **Soyaniquilpam** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1547), clear to large well balanced margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 820 sent, only a strip of four unoverprinted and less than a handful of singles are known; with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

This stamp was bought in our April 2025 sale for $2,900 hammer (lot 1296).

3181 o **(Soyaniquilpan), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** neat Soyaniquilpam cancel (Schatzkes 1547), **Very Fine and attractive** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3182 ✉ **Soyaniquilpan, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by neat Soyaniquilpam two line handstamp (Schatzkes 1547) on folded letter sheet to Mexico City, reverse with 1859 receiving cds, **Very Fine** (N.F. $200 for off cover); with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3183 ✉ **Soyaniquilpan, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** ample to huge margins, uncancelled on 1857 folded letter to Mexico City, with **impression of the Soyaniquilpan district overprint alongside stamp**, **Very Fine,** only 120 sent and this maybe a unique 2r emerald on cover (N.F. $800 for off cover, greatly undervalued given the very small quantity issued and that is seldom offered); with 1998 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

Sultepec District



3184 o **Sultepec, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair, fancy **Zacualpan** cancel (Schatzkes 1553AA - 150 points), clear to ample margins, deep color, **otherwise Very Fine,** an extremely rare ½r multiple from Sultepec, only 720 sent (N.F. $5,000 for singles); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale two singles were sold for $2,400 and $2,700 hammer each (lots 231 and 232).



3185 o **Sultepec, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** ornate **Franco Zacualpan** cancel (Schatzkes 1553AA - 150 points), margins all around, trivial paper remnants on reverse, **Very Fine, an Attractive Example of This Rarity,** only 600 sent (N.F. $1,200), *ex-Fayolle & Iglesias*; with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale this single was sold for $3,250 hammer (lot 233).



3186 ▲ **Sultepec, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** tied on piece by ornate **Franco Zacualpan** cancel (Schatzkes 1553AA - 150 points), margins all around, **Very Fine,** only 240 sent (N.F. $2,500); with 1996 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale a single from Sultepec sold for $3,750 hammer (lot 234).

Tabasco District

3187 ▲ **Tabasco, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** tied on piece by oval Tabasco date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1554), **F.-V.F.** (N.F. $250); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3188 ✉ **Tabasco, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, Diagonal Bisect,** lower left portion of stamp tied by Tabasco oval date stamp (Schatzkes 1554) on 1859 folded letter to Veracruz; vertical file fold affecting stamp, **Very Fine appearance,** a very scarce district for splits with only 5 in the census; signed J.K. Bash, with 1977 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4a** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

Diagonal bisects are very scarce on this issue.

3189 o **Tabasco, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** light oval Tabasco cancel (Schatzkes 1554), bit in at top and bottom, **Fine,** in our 2024 Iglesias sale another was sold for $1,050 hammer (lot 237) (N.F. $600); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Tampico District



3190 ✉ **Tampico, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by neat bold circular Santa Anna de Tamaulipas date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 1585) on dated Sep. 7, 1857 maritime folded letter sheet to Veracruz but placed in the mails on October 2nd, with red **"Paid At Tampico" crown circle** handstamp alongside, red manuscript "1/" rating at upper left, reverse with matching "Tampico, Oc 2, 1857" British Agency cds, paying 1r local rate because it was sent through the British Agency; cover with minor edge nicks at edges, **Very Fine,** *ex-Backal & Rosenthal*; with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

In the best collection ever of maritime Mexico mail sold by Cherrystone in Feb 2008, there were only three 1856 covers with stamps that had this postmark. They sold between $5,250-$8,500 hammer (lots 585, 588 & 590). This is one of the three.

3191 ✉ **Tampico, 1856, First Issue, 2r Green, Horizontal Pair,** tied by Santa Anna de Tamaulipas cds (Schatzkes 1585) on 1857 folded letter to San Luis Potosi; some cover wrinkling, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



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3192 o **Tampico, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** rejoined horizontal pair, circular Santa Anna de Tamaulipas date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1585), ample to huge margins, horizontal crease in top margin well away from design, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $250); with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



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3193 o **Tampico, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** circular Santa Anna de Tamaulipas date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1585), ample to mostly large margins, **Very Fine and choice,** another from a small town was sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $800 (lot 248) (N.F. $500); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

3194 o **Tampico, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** boxed **Tula de Tamaulipas out-of-district** cancel (Schatzkes 1839), **Very Fine,** another from a small town was sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $800 hammer (lot 248) (N.F. $500); with 1998 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Temascaltepec District

3195 ✉ **Temascaltepec, 1856, First Issue, ½r-1r Hidalgo Issues,** group of three used stamps; ½r with **Tejupilco** straight line (Schatzkes 1613) and 1r pair without overprint with **Temascaltepec** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1610, 40 points), **F.-V.F. or better** (N.F. $500); ½r with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1, 2c**. . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



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3196 ✉ **Temascaltepec, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, Horizontal Pair,** just tied by **Temascaltepec** two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 1610, 40 points) on 1859 folded letter to Taxco, **Very Fine,** only two covers from this district are known with this value and probably the only one with the overprints; with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3197 o **Temascaltepec, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** bold straight line **Tejupilco** cancel (Schatzkes 1613), huge margins all around, **an Extremely Fine jumbo,** an extraordinary stamp with the overprint, only 720 sent; with 1998 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

In Spink's Dec 2023, another without the overprint (less desirable) sold for $460 hammer (lot 20098) and in our 2025 Daffner sale one with the overprint sold for $900 hammer (lot 1309).



3198 o **Temascaltepec, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** small portion of **Tejupico** straight line cancel (Schatzkes 1613), mostly large margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 300 sent (N.F. $1,000); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3199 ✉ **(Temascaltepec), 1856, First Issue, 4r Red, without District Overprint,** in combination with **(Temascaltepec) 1856, 1r yellow, without district overprint** (2c) slightly overlapping on 1857 folded letter to Mexico City, tied by straight line Temascaltepec handstamp (Schatzkes 1609, 30 points); cover edge wear and small tear at left, **F.-V.F.,** only 300 4r issues sent (N.F. $1,075 for singles off cover); with 2023 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4c** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF THE 1856 4R HIDALGO ISSUE ON COVER FROM THE TEMASCALTEPEC DISTRICT.

Tixtla Guerrero District

3200 o **Tixtla Guerrero, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** oval **Diligencias de Cuernavaca out-of-district** cancel (Schatzkes 214), **F.-V.F.** (N.F. $400); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3201 o **Tixtla Guerrero, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** two stamps; one with scarce boxed Tixtla Guerrero cancel (Schatzkes 1631, 60 points), other with circular Cuernavaca date stamp out-of-district cancel (Schatzkes 218), **F.-V.F.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3202 o **Tixtla Guerrero, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** boxed **Ciudad Bravos** date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 42), mostly large to huge margins, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $800); with 2006 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

From the original C. Bravos shipment of 1,020 sent to Tixtla when that city became the head of the district replacing C. Bravos. Tixtla never received any Emeralds directly. So this stamp is very rare.

3203 o **Tixtla Guerrero, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** showing partial plate line at left, straight line **Yguala** cancel (Schatzkes 1641), **nearly Very Fine,** only 780 issued but most were not used, less than 5 known in used condition (N.F. $400); with 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

The last one in auction in 2024 sold for $500 hammer in 2024 in our Iglesias sale (lot 262).



3204 * **Tixtla Guerrero, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** o.g., **fresh and F.-V.F.,** only 600 sent but most were not used (N.F. $1,500 for used), *ex-Gross-Marant*; with 1997 & 2006 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

This was bought in N.F. auction in 2005 for $1,900 hammer (lot #306).

Tlalpujahua District

3205 o **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair from first plate, straight line **Angangueo** cancel (Schatzkes 1650), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $800); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

3206 o **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** group of three stamps; pair canceled with straight line **Angangueo** (Schatzkes 1650) and large margin single with **Tlalpujahua manuscript "X"** cancel (Schatzkes 1649C, 50 points), **Very Fine** (N.F. $210).
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

3207 ✉ **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** tied by Tlalpujahua two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 1649) on folded letter sheet to Mexico City, **Very Fine,** very few covers from this district.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



3208 o **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** neat **Tlalpujahua manuscript cross hatch** cancel (Schatzkes 1649A, 50 points), bright true emerald shade, **Very Fine,** only 240 sent so it is very rare as only a handful are known; with 1996 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

N.F. undervalues this stamp. Although they are common in Green (large plate of which 3,160 were issued), the Emerald from the first plate is very scarce.



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3209 o **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** bold straight line **Angangueo** cancel (Schatzkes 1650), **Very Fine,** in our 2024 Iglesias sale a single sold for $700 hammer (lot 266), only 540 sent (N.F. $450).
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

One of the Great Rarities of Mexico



3210 o **Tlalpujahua, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** neat two-line Tlalpujahua cancel (Schatzkes 1649), margins ample to slightly in at upper right, **nearly Very Fine,** only 163 were sent and three are known (two used and one unused) (N.F. $8,000), *ex-Rosenthal*; with 1986 & 2002 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $10,000 - 15,000

THE ONLY KNOWN 1856 8R HIDALGO ISSUE USED WITHIN THE TLALPUJAHUA DISTRICT.

In our 2024 Iglesias sale a single used out-of-district sold for $14,000 hammer (lot 268). The only unused was sold in Oct 2003 for $7,300 hammer and then in Spink in Dec 2024 for $7,000 hammer (lot 64).

Toluca District

3211 o **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** rejoined horizontal pair, **oval "Gratis" cancel from the Toluca Diligencias office** (Schatzkes 1663), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3212 o **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair, detailed strike of **oval Diligencias de Toluca illustrated stagecoach** cancel (Schatzkes 1664, 300 points), wide margins, **Extremely Fine,** one of the most attractive cancel of classic Mexico.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

3213 o **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal pair, two-line **Temascaltepec** cancels (Schatzkes 1680), ample to mostly huge margins, crease between stamps, **Very Fine and choice,** *ex-Larranaga, Albert Quast & Paliafito*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3214 o **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** horizontal strip of 3, two strikes of straight line **Tejupilco** cancel (Schatzkes 1679A), **Very Fine,** *ex-Larranaga, Albert Quast & Paliafito*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3215 ✉ **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by oval "Gratis" handstamp from the Toluca Diligencias stagecoach company, on folded letter sheet to Mexico, paying 1r for less than ½ ounce within 16 leagues; cover with horizontal file fold affecting stamp, **Very Fine appearance.**
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

This sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $475 hammer (lot 271). Another sold in our 2025 Daffner sale for the same (lot 1323).

3216 ✉ **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** tied by boxed Toluca date stamp handstamp (Schatzkes 1667) on 1857 folded letter sheet to Aguascalientes, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

3217 o **Toluca, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** indistinct cancel, bit in on two sides, **Fine,** extremely elusive stamp, only 821 were sent and none had been offered in auction in many years until recently; with 2024 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Tula District

3218 ✉ **Tula, 1856, First Issue, ½r-1r Hidalgo Issues,** two items: single ½r oval Zimapan cancel (Schatzkes 1710, 25 points), and 1r (creased) on 1858 cover with two-line Tula (Schatzkes 1690) to Mexico City, while the rate should have been 2r (distance between the two cities is 18 leagues) there seemed to exist a special discount for several cities nearby Mexico City, **F.-V.F.** (N.F. $240 for off cover).
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3219 o **Tula, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** position 48 showing small portion of **re-entry of the value tablet in bottom margin**, manuscript "X" cancel, mostly huge margins, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $300); with photocopy of 2015 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3220 o **Tula, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** small portion of large boxed **Zimapan** cancel (Schatzkes 1709, 75/3 points), full even margins, **Very Fine,** only 1,020 2r issues sent (N.F. $150).
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



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3221 o **Tula, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** two-line Tula cancel (Schatzkes 1690), wide margins, **Very Fine,** in our 2025 Daffner sale one out-of-district usage sold for $1,500 hammer (lot #2328) (N.F. $900); with 1998 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

Tulancingo District

3222 o **Tulancingo, 1856, First Issue, ½r-1r Hidalgo Issues,** group of eight stamps; ½r with boxed **Tulancingo** (Schatzkes 1714), 1r pairs with **Huauchinango** two types (1722 & 1723), **Tulancingo** (1714) and a single with manuscript "X", **F.-V.F. or better** (N.F. $200).
Scott No. **1-2** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

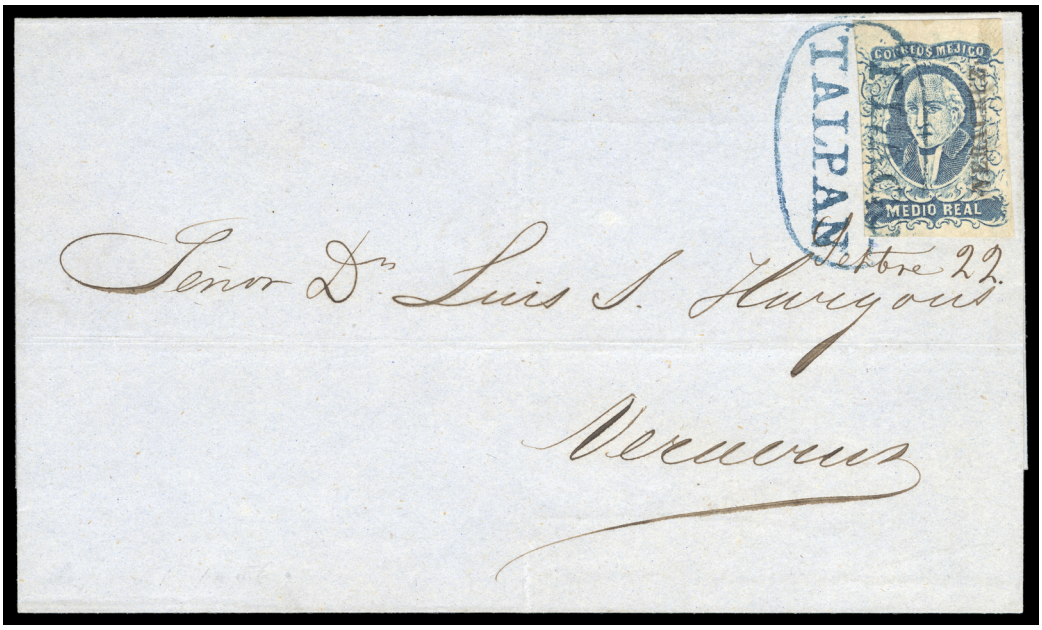
3223 o **Tulancingo, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** two singles; each with different Tulancingo cancel (Schatzkes 1714 & 1715), **Very Fine** (N.F. $250).
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3224 o **Tulancingo, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** boxed **Huauchinango** cancel (Schatzkes 1722), wide margins, **Very Fine and choice,** only 400 sent (N.F. $900); with 1986 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

In our 2025 Daffner sale, another sold for $1,700 hammer (lot 1329).

Vera Cruz District



3225 ✉ **Veracruz, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** tied by **blue oval Tlacotalpam** handstamp (Schatzkes 1803) with manuscript "Setbre 22" date below, on fresh 1856 folded letter sheet to Veracruz, paying first rate for ½ ounce within 30 leagues, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

A similar cover sold in our Iglesias auction in $550 hammer (lot #280).

3226 ✉ **Veracruz, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Vertical Strip of Three,** tied by oval "Veracruz, Dicbre 14, 1858" date stamps (Schatzkes 1744) on folded letter sheet to Puebla, paying the unusual 1½r first rate for ½ ounce beyond 30 leagues, placed in the mails **the last day of the first rate**, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



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3227 ✉ **Veracruz, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by circular Veracruz date stamp (Schatzkes 1749) on maritime folded letter sheet to **Paris, France**, with manuscript "voie d'Angletere" endorsement at top, reverse with bold "Vera Cruz, Mr 6, 1857" British Agency cds and red London transit, front with boxed "G.B./1F60c" accountancy handstamp and "8" decimes due handstamp, receiving backstamp; cover with small tear at bottom and horizontal file fold affecting stamp, **F.-V.F.**; with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

3228 ✉ **Veracruz, 1856, First Issue, 1r-2r & 8r Hidalgo Issues,** group of five stamps; 1r pair with **Tlaxiyocan** (Schatzkes 1806), 2r yellow green with **Cosamaloapan** (1779), 2r emerald with large to mostly huge margins and 8r with Veracruz date stamp, **Very Fine overall.**
Scott No. **2, 3, 5** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

Victoria District

3229 o **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** horizontal pair, oval **Santa Barbara** cancel (Schatzkes 1822, 30 points) with manuscript "Mayo 7" below, large to huge margins, light crease between stamps, **Extremely Fine,** a very uncommon pair from a very small town, *ex-Robert Jones, Hammer $260 (NF Auction, November 1995)*.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3230 o **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** three singles; cancels include red boxed Tula (Schatzkes 1839), scarce blue boxed Jaumave (Schatzkes 1829, 60 points) and oval Victoria (Schatzkes 1816), **Very Fine,** *Please visit our website for additional images*.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3231 o **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald,** blue oval **Jaumave** cancel (Schatzkes 1829), ample to large margins, bright emerald shade, **Very Fine,** *ex-Robert Jones*.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3232 o **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** boxed **Tula de Tamaulipas** cancel (Schatzkes 1839), full margins, **Very Fine,** only 600 sent, in our 2024 Iglesias sale another one was sold for $900 hammer (lot 298) (N.F. $800); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

3233 * **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** part o.g., mostly huge margins, vertical crease along edge of left margin, **Very Fine and choice,** only 770 sent (N.F. $300); with 2017 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350



3234 ▲ **Victoria, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** tied on piece by **Escandon** cancel (Schatzkes 1825, 75 points), **F.-V.F.,** probably unique used as per Follansbee notation (N.F. $3,500); with 2016 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

The best Victoria district collection formed by Robert Jones and sold in 1995 did not have any used 8 reales. Let alone form this small town.

Yguala District



3235 o **Yguala, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, without District Overprint,** Yguala negative oval cancel (Schatzkes 221C, 50 points), **F.-V.F.,** N.F. prices this stamp with overprint ($3,500) and states that without overprint it could also be a Tixtla Guerrero, none were in the Iglesias auction or have been offered in other major name auctions in many years; with 2003 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1b** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000



3236 o **Yguala, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** exceptional sharp strike of **fancy oval Yguala** cancel (Yag-Bash CV40), full margins, **Very Fine and choice with stunning cancellation,** only 760 issued with very few survivors and rare cancellation unlisted in Schatzkes (N.F. $2,500), *ex-Gammon*; with 2012 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $2,500 - 3,500

NF reported that this stamp was sold before in 2008 for $2,100, and he said it was perhaps the best of the 1856 Ygualas in existence.

Zacatecas District



3237 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, manuscript district overprint**, boxed **Aguacalientes** date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1928), **nearly Very Fine** (N.F. $2,500); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

In November 1858 conservatives occupied Zacatecas and the postmaster had to flee to Aguascalientes. He took with him unused stamps but not the overprinting device, and applied a manuscript overprint instead. They are very scarce. There are 14 known, but eight of them are part of two strips of four leaving only 6 singles. This stamp was missing in the Manuel Iglesias almost complete collection.

3238 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** rejoined horizontal pair, complete central numeral "9" cancel, **F.-V.F.,** an unrecorded cancellation.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3239 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Pair,** ample to mostly huge margins, in combination with **Zacatecas, 1856, 1r yellow, horizontal pair** (2) on 1858 folded letter sheet to Zacatecas, tied by boxed **Nieves** date stamp handstamps (Schatzkes 1896), paying 3r for ½ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **fresh and Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

3240 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Two Singles,** in combination **Zacatecas, 1856, 1r yellow** (2) on fresh 1857 folded letter to San Luis Potosi, tied by boxed **Aguascalientes** date stamp (Schatzkes 1928), **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3241 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** mostly huge margins, affixed by wax seal and tied by straight line **Huejucar** handstamp (Schatzkes 1875, 80 points) on 1857 folded letter to Guadalajara, **Very Fine,** a scarce cancel from this tiny town.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3242 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow,** tied by neat straight line **Nieves** handstamp (Schatzkes 1894) on 1856 folded letter sheet to Zacatecas, **Very Fine,** attractive early rate from a small town.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3243 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, manuscript district name**, diagonally reading upward left to right, horizontal pair, boxed Zacatecas date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1851) used in 1858, **Very Fine,** the only recorded pair (N.F. $300 for singles).
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

An unusual pair because almost all of the 1858 Manuscript overprint stamps were used from Aguascalientes.

3244 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green,** tied by complete well struck oval **Rincon de Romos** handstamp (Schatzkes 1902) with manuscript "Setiembre 18 de 1857" date below name, on folded letter to Guanajuato, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **3** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

3245 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** neat bold **Huejucar** cancel (Schatzkes 1875, 80 points), **Very Fine,** this is a small farming town, probably unique with this cancel.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $250 - 350

3246 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** tied by **fancy Zacatecas cross ribbon oval** handstamp (Schatzkes 1854C, 75 points) on folded letter sheet to Aguascalientes, with "Agencia General de Tabaco" cachet handstamp alongside, paying double rate for ¾ ounce beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

This district produced the most splits of 4r and 8r stamps due to scarcity of low denomination stamps. So compete stamps used are every hard to come by, especially on such an attractive cover.

3247 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** double district overprint, boxed **Aguascalientes** date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1928), **nearly Very Fine** (N.F. $300); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300



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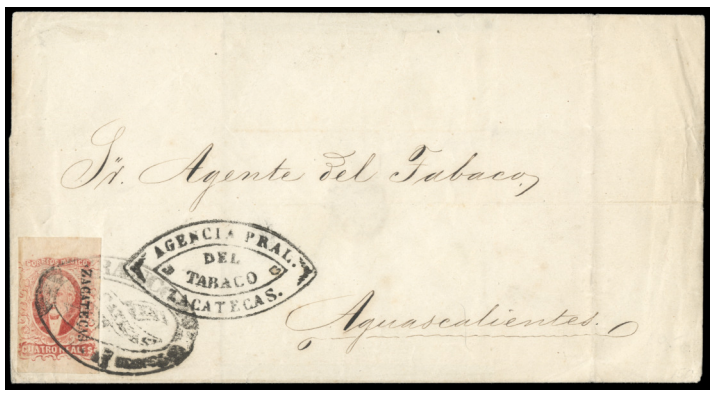
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3248 (✉) **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac,** in combination with **Zacatecas, 1856, ½r blue + 4r red, vertical bisect** (1, 4a) 4r right portion of stamp with district overprint, tied by boxed Zacatecas date stamp (Schatzkes 1851) on certified front to Mexico City, with boxed Zacatecas certification "23 Abril de 1858" date stamp (Schatzkes unlisted), bold oval official Lottery eagle cachet handstamp and mute "8" handstamps along edges, paying the unusual 10½r rate beyond 16 leagues, **Very Fine,** spectacular and very rare, most likely one of two known certified fronts using a bisect, the position of the bisect in between the other two stamps is extremely uncommon; with 2007 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5** . . . . . Estimate $7,500 - 10,000

Lotteries paid a discounted 25% of normal rate, which would have been 42r (34r for 8 1/4 ounces +8r flat registration fee). The regulations for certified mail from Colonial times to 1880's required that the front of the cover or wrapper were cut in receipt by the addressee who would sign the back as proof of receipt. Then that front would be sent back to the office of origin and kept for 2 years, then destroyed. That is why there are so few of them.



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Ex 3251



3249 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 8r Red Lilac, Horizontal Bisect,** upper portion of stamp with huge margins around, tied by boxed **Fresnillo** date stamp hand drawn (Schatzkes 1867) on 1858 folded letter sheet to Zacatecas, paying 4r for 1 ounce within 16 leagues, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $900); with 1994 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **5e** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

Only nine covers exist with this type of bisect among all the districts, as per the census. Eric Koening collection which had the largest holding of splits ever (300+) only had one cover with this type of split. This copy has not been for sale in the last 30 years.

3250 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r-2r Hidalgo Issues,** group of five used singles canceled in small towns; three ½r with **Angostadero** (Schatzkes 1855, 25 points), **Tlaltenango** (1919, 25 points), **Calvillo** (1857AA, 80 points), large margin 1r with **Rincon de Romos** (1902, 60 points), and 2r olive green on piece with **Aguascalientes** (1928), **Very Fine overall.**
Scott No. **1-3** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

3251 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r-4r Hidalgo Issues,** group of 6 including two 1r pairs; 1r pair with Rio Grande straight line (Schatzkes 1905), 2r with Sombrerete straight line (Schatzkes 1912), 1r with Aguascalientes "A" rhomboid (Schatzkes 1929), 1r pair with boxed Villanueva without boxed date below (Schatzkes 1924 var.) and ½r Tlaltenango box handstamp (Schatzkes 1919), **Very Fine** (N.F. $185).
Scott No. **1/4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

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Direct Shipments by Mexico Central Office

Mexico District Suboffices

The term Direct Shipment is used for those sent by the Mexico Central Supply office to a small group of towns which were not districts but occasionally received stamps directly from Mexico City because either 1) they were suboffices or tiny towns under the postal control of Mexico City (like Cuautitlan, Guadalupe Hidalgo o Tepeji del Río) or 2) due to an emergency request when their district head office had run out of stamps (like San Felipe del Obraje or Polotitlán).

All stamps from Direct Shipments are rare because their issued quantities were very small. Since they were not districts they either don't bear any overprint (except for Cuautitlán),or do have a Mexico overprint but are canceled in these towns. Collectors consider them as additional "districts".

Occasionally a few stamps missed the overprint by mistake. Those are not Direct Shipments and have only modest premiums over the regularly overprinted stamps. Only the Direct Shipments documented as such by Samuel Chapman from the old records he found and published in 1926 count as such.



3252 o **(Cuautitlan), 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue with Mexico District Overprint,** neat oval **Cuautitlan** cancel (Schatzkes 199), **Very Fine,** as suboffice of Mexico City district, Cuautitlan received stamps as a direct shipment sometimes unoverprinted and others with the Mexico overprint, 1,126 stamps sent, a beautiful and rare stamp (N.F. $3,000); with 2005 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale another from a different town sold for $4,500 hammer.



3253 o **(Cuautitlan), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint,** very rare bold **Zumpango de la Laguna** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 212, 200 points), remarkable large to huge margins, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a beautiful and rare stamp with a well stuck cancel (N.F. $700 from a normal size town); with 1976 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

In our 2024 Iglesias sale, another with a fuzzy cancel sold for $850 hammer. This one is exceptional with a very rare small town cancellation.



3254 o **(Cuautitlan), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint,** horizontal pair, near complete strike of bold oval Cuautitlan cancel (Schatzkes 198), **Very Fine,** Cuautitlan was a suboffice of Mexico City district and received unoverprinted or Mexico district stamps as a direct shipment (N.F. $1,400); with 1999 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

A strip of three sold in our 2024 Iglesias sale for $6,250 hammer (Lot 39).



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3255 o **(Cuautitlan), 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, without District Overprint,** oval **Tepotzotlan** cancel (Schatzkes 209), **F.-V.F.**; signed Aguirre, with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate stating they are unable to give an opinion on this cancel, **sold as is**.
Scott No. **3d** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

A ½r Hidalgo (1) w this cancel sold for $4,500 in our sale of the Manuel Iglesias (Feb. 2025, Lot 38).



3256 ▲ **(Cuautitlan), 1856, First Issue, 2r Blue Green, without District Overprint,** tied on piece by bold oval Cuautitlan cancel (Schatzkes 198), **Very Fine and attractive** (N.F. $1,200); signed J.K. Bash, with 2001 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3e** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

Other two inferior copies with fuzzy cancels sold in our recent name sales; 2025 Daffner for $2,900 hammer (lot 1223) and 2024 Iglesias for $1,700 hammer (lot 42).

A Stunning Gem of Mexican Philately



3257 o **(Guadalupe Hidalgo), 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue with Mexico District Overprint,** used in **Guadalupe Hidalgo** attributable to the direct shipment, horizontal pair, two strikes of boxed **Guadalupe Hidalgo** cancel (Schatzkes 465), large margins all around, **Extremely Fine and choice,** only 337 sent, not offered for sale as a single item in decades (N.F. $10,000 for singles); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $7,500 - 10,000

A SPECTACULAR 1856 ½R HIDALGO PAIR USED FROM GUADALUPE HIDALGO - A GREAT 1856 FIRST ISSUE RARITY.

This cancel is often faked. There are only four singles and this pair is M.E.P.S.I. certified. Guadalupe Hidalgo was a suboffice of Mexico City district and received Mexico District stamps as a direct shipment.



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3258 o **(Tepeji Del Rio), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow with Mexico District Overprint,** red **Tepeji del Rio** two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1617), **F.-V.F.,** Tepeji was a suboffice of Mexico City district and received unoverprinted or Mexico District stamps as a direct shipment, only 498 sent (N.F. $1,000); with 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

3259 o **(Tepeji Del Rio), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint,** red Tepeji del Rio two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1617), small thin, **F.-V.F. and scarce,** from direct shipment, only 498 sent (N.F. $350); with 2026 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3260 (✉) **(Tepeji Del Rio), 1856, First Issue, 2r Emerald with Mexico District Overprint,** tied by red Tepeji del Rio two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 1617) on cover front to Mexico; some front stains, **otherwise Very Fine,** only 120 sent (N.F. $500 for off cover), *ex-Liera*; with 1973 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3b** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

The central office in Mexico sent unoverprinted stamps directly to this town (which were used that way since this town was not a district or had the overprint device).

3261 o **(Tepeji Del Rio), 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, without District Overprint,** red Tepeji del Rio two-line cancel (Schatzkes 1617), full margins, **Very Fine,** Tepeji was a suboffice of Mexico City district and received unoverprinted or Mexico District stamps as a direct shipment, only 190 sent (N.F. $500); with 2016 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3d** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Suboffices of Other Districts



3262 o **(Perote), 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, without District Overprint,** boxed **Perote** cancel (630), ample to large margins, cert. mentions slight toning at edges which we find no evidence of, **Very Fine and choice,** the lack of the overprint means it is likely from the Direct Shipment (300 stamps) sent directly by the central supply office in Mexico to this suboffice as an emergency in February of 1859 (N.F. $2,000); with 2025 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1b** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

Any stamp from a Direct Shipment is rare. They are from small towns which were not the district head office. Those stamps are either unoverprinted or have a Mexico District overprint. These were small shipments to 1) assist a suboffice temporarily with a small emergency supply of stamps if its own district could not or 2) supply the suboffices of Mexico City district.



3263 o **(Polotitlan), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint,** neat oval Polotitlan date stamp cancel (Schatzkes 1145), wide margins, horizontal crease in bottom margin not mention on certificate, **otherwise Very Fine,** from the direct shipments of February 1860-1861 of 360 stamps (N.F. $1,000); with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $600 - 800

Any stamp from a Direct Shipment is rare. They are from small towns which were not the district head office. Those stamps are either unoverprinted or have a Mexico District overprint. These were small shipments to 1) assist a suboffice temporarily with a small emergency supply of stamps if its own district could not or 2) supply the suboffices of Mexico City district.



3264 ✉ **(Polotitlan), 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, without District Overprint,** clear to large margins and bright shade, tied by oval Polotitlan handstamp (Schatzkes 1145) on fresh folded letter sheet to Mexico City; cover with small sealed tear at bottom, **Very Fine and choice** (N.F. $2,500 for off cover); with 1983 P.F. & 2000 M.E.P.S.I. certificates.
Scott No. **3d** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

A UNIQUE ON COVER USAGE OF THE 1856 2R HIDALGO ISSUE FROM POLOTITLAN.

Singles off cover has been sold in our recent sales; 2025 Daffner sale for $3,500 hammer (lot 1290) and Iglesias sale for $1,800 hammer (lot 180).



3265 o **(San Felipe Del Obraje), 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, without District Overprint,** neat San Felipe del Obraje two line cancel (Schatzkes 291A), margins large to just touching at right, **Very Fine,** from direct shipments of August 1858 and January 1859 of 240 stamps sent, the central office in Mexico sent unoverprinted stamps directly (and used that way since this town was not a district or have the overprint device) (N.F. $3,000), *ex-Mazepa*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1b** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

Any stamp from a Direct Shipment is rare. They are from small towns which were not the district head office. Those stamps are either unoverprinted or have a Mexico District overprint. These were small shipments to 1) assist a suboffice temporarily with a small emergency supply of stamps if its own district could not or 2) supply the suboffices of Mexico City district.



3266 ✉ **(San Felipe Del Obraje), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow with Mexico District Overprint, Horizontal Pair,** with manuscript cancel "Diciembre 12 de 1860" on entire folded letter with a date of December 12, 1860 and sent from Hacienda Toshi **in San Felipe del Obraje** to Mexico, most likely from the direct shipments to this town of Aug 1858 and Jan 1859 with 600 stamps sent, letter discusses business issues of San Felipe del Obraje; light cover staining, **F.-V.F.,** all usages from Mexico district sub-offices are rare and there are no manuscript cancels items from Mexico City itself (N.F. $850 for off cover without overprint); with 2017 M.E.P.S.I. certificate which does not attribute it to a direct shipment.
Scott No. **2** . . . . . Estimate $1,500 - 2,000

Any stamp from a Direct Shipment is rare. They are from small towns which were not the district head office. Those stamps are either unoverprinted or have a Mexico District overprint. These were small shipments to 1) assist a suboffice temporarily with a small emergency supply of stamps if its own district could not or 2) supply the suboffices of Mexico City district.



3267 ✉ **(San Felipe Del Obraje), 1856, First Issue, 2r Yellow Green, without District Overprint,** large margins, tied by bold **San Felipe del Obraje** two-line handstamp (Schatzkes 291A) on 1859 folded letter to Mexico City, **Very Fine,** only 190 stamps sent from the direct shipment of January 1859, the central office in Mexico sent unoverprinted stamps directly to this town (which were used that way since this town was not a district or have the overprint device) (N.F. $1,250 for off cover), *ex-Liera*; with 1973 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **3d** . . . . . Estimate $5,000 - 7,500

Any stamp from a Direct Shipment is rare. They are from small towns which were not the district head office. Those stamps are either unoverprinted or have a Mexico District overprint. These were small shipments to 1) assist a suboffice temporarily with a small emergency supply of stamps if its own district could not or 2) supply the suboffices of Mexico City district.



3268 o **(Texcoco), 1856, First Issue, 1r Yellow, without District Overprint,** bold boxed Texcoco cancel (Schatzkes 1623A, 50 points), light horizontal crease, **Very Fine appearance,** Texcoco was a suboffice of Mexico City district and received unoverprinted or Mexico District stamps as a direct shipment (N.F. $1,000); with 1980 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **2c** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

In our 2025 Daffner sale another sold for $1,050 hammer (lot 1315).

Provisional Usages in 1861-1864

The term Provisional Usages is used for the very few stamps which were used after the issue had been demonetized in April 20, 1861 when the second issue was launched. The printing of that issue was made with the same plates, but with mosrly black ink on colored papers. These stamps were leftovers sold and used as an emergency until the new stamps arrived to the postal offices. This happened very occasionally as most of the leftovers from the issue were sent back to be accounted for and to be burned by the Mexico Central supply office. However, in Aguascalientes and Zacatecas it happened systematically. The rarest of the values are included in the lots below.



3269 o **Aguascalientes, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue,** with short "**Aguascaltes**" overprint **used provisionally in 1864**, mute "0" cancel (Schatzkes 12), **Very Fine** (N.F. unpriced, $4,000 for the 4r); with 2020 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

THE UNIQUE 1856 ½R HIDALGO ISSUE USED PROVISIONALLY FROM AGUASCALIENTES.

Aguascalientes was a suboffice of Zacatecas until 1861, then it became an independent district and used two different overprints during the 1861 issue. The later one is all caps "Aguascaltes" in 1864. When the postmaster ran out of stamps, he applied it on a small group of 1856 remainders, mostly 2r green stamps. This is the only ½r known.



3270 o **Aguascalientes, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** with short "**Aguascaltes**" overprint **used provisionally in 1864**, light mute "0" cancel (Schatzkes 12), margin to just touching at sides, **still Very Fine,** Follansbee states that there only three or four examples of the 4r provisional known (N.F. $4,000), *ex-Mazepa*; with 1995 M.E.P.S.I. certificate.
Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $4,000 - 6,000

Aguascalientes was a suboffice of Zacatecas until 1861, then it became an independent district and used two different overprints during the 1861 issue. The later one is all caps "Aguascaltes" in 1864. When the postmaster ran out of stamps, he applied it on a small group of 1856 remainders, mostly 2r green stamps.



3271 ✉ **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, ½r Blue, Horizontal Pair and Two Singles, provisionally used** on folded letter datelined "Mayo 14 de 1861" to Hacienda del Carro, stamps tied by boxed **Fresnillo** date stamp (Schatzkes 1867); horizontal file fold affecting pair, **otherwise Extremely Fine,** very scarce.
Scott No. **1** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Since the 1856 issue had been demonetized in April 1, 1861, these stamps were used in a provisional capacity.



3272 o **Zacatecas, 1856, First Issue, 4r Red,** with **Manuscript Overprint used Provisionally in 1864**, two strikes of mute "0" cancel (Schatzkes 1849A), full margins mostly huge, horizontal crease in top margin close to edge and well away from design and overprint, **still Very Fine and choice,** with only three examples recorded (N.F. $6,000); with 2008 M.E.P.S.I. certificate. Scott No. **4** . . . . . Estimate $10,000 - 15,000

A STUNNING ITEM OF GREAT BEAUTY AND ONE OF THE TOP RARITIES OF THE 1856 HIDALGO ISSUE.

In November 1858 conservatives occupied Zacatecas and the postmaster had to flee to Aguascalientes. He took with him unused stamps but not the overprinting device and applied a manuscript overprint instead. In our 2024 Iglesias sale, another with different cancel was sold for $14,000 hammer (lot 321).

Balance of the 1856 Collection



Ex 3273

3273 o/✉ **1856, First Issue, ½r-4r Hidalgo Issue Balance,** of the exhibit Group of 90 superb and attractive stamps, hand-picked for a Gold Medal exhibit, 5 covers and one cover front with the balance of the Gold Medal Exhibit; with 18 districts including Chihuahua, Cordova, Cuernavaca, Durango, Guadalajara, Guanajuato, Huejutla, Jalapa, Monterrey, Morelia, Maravatio, Oaxaca, Orizaba, Queretaro, Tabasco, Tampico, Toluca and Victoria, most have margins all around and are premium, with various small towns included are Parral, Cordoba, Yztla, Cuencame, Nazas, Ahuacatlan, Linares, Ozulama, Tantoyuca, Atzatlan, Papantla, Zitacuaro, Maravatio, Cotija, Colima, Miahuatlan, Teotitlan, Dolores, San Juan Bautista, Magiscatzin, Otumba, Tejupilco, Toluca. Tula, etc.; an amazing opportunity to find so many top of the line stamps without repetition. Scott No. **1-4** . . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000

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