

Nov. 15th, 1850. 1 Sgr. denomination stamp was issued for the first zone letter basic rate.

FREI-MARKE(N) of The Watermark



Pos.4/6 Photo copy (80%)

Rosa, pos.3/6 with upper margin

'3' '4' '5' and '6' are inscribed for the clerk to count stamps easily.
"FREI-MARKE(N)" was inscribed as watermarks at pos. 3/7 of the paper

Shade & Watermark Shifted Varieties



Rosa
Wmk shifted to the left



Pos.2/13 with upper margin *Rosa*
Wmk shifted to the left



Rosa with the large margin of 25 mm
Wmk shifted to the right



Hellgraurot, pos.91/95, a marginal strip of five with inscription 10, Wmk shifted to the left



Rosa, a horizontal strip of five, Wmk almost centered at all the stamps

Sheet margins have several information such as row/line numbers and plate numbers.

Plate Number

Five plates of No.1, 5, 9, 13 & 14 were prepared for 1 Sgr. denomination stamp.
The name of the plate is inscribed on the right margin of the pos.80.

Platte No.5



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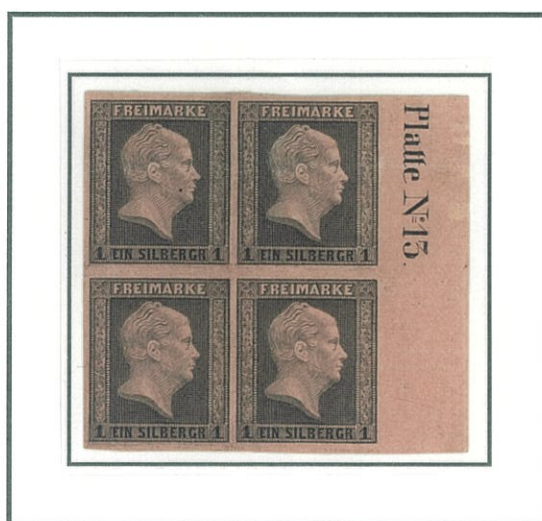
1850 Original issue pos.76/90 *rosa* **ex- Erivan Haub**

Platte No.13

Platte No.5



Pos.80 *rosa*
DIERSCHAU (325)



1850 Original issue pos.79/90 *rosa*
ex- Erivan Haub

Platte No.13



Pos.80 *rosa*
BERLIN (103)

Row 12



Pos.111 *rosa*
FALKENBURG (405)

Platte No.14



1873 Second Reprint pl.79/80

Line 10



Pos.10 *rosa* ISERLOHN (686)

Marginal Stamps on Covers

A 1 Sgr. stamp with 34 mm width right margin, tied by four ring cancellation (155) and a framed rectangle datestamp

BONN to Pötzen, 13 2



(e)



Pos.101/104, a horizontal strip of 4, tied by four ring cancellation (517)

GOERLITZ to Striegau (80 miles in distance), 20 8 (1856)

4 Sgr. (=48 Pfg.= 1½ Pfg. x 2 x 16) correctly paid for parcel accompanied letter.



Pos.61/65, a horizontal strip of 5, tied by four ring cancellation (103)

BERLIN to Schönebeck, 3 11 (1855)

5 Sgr. underpaid for the third zone letter of the second weight step, blue manuscript 1 was written on the front to charge the short amount to the recipient.

The number of blocks survives very small in comparison with the number of strips remain today.



Hellgraurot BERLIN (106)



Rosa PRÜM (1172)



Hellgraurot
MARIENBURG (1781)
ex- Boker



Rosa
JANOWICE (666)



Rosa
BERLIN (103)

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5 Sgr. Rate, Internal Registered Letter



A horizontal strip of three and a horizontal pair, tied by four ring cancellation "907"

MAGDEBURG BAHNHOF to Meerane, 17/12 (1855)

5 Sgr. correctly paid for registered third zone letter, $5 = 3 + 2$

This shade is the most uncommon of the four kinds of shade groups of this stamp. It was produced in May 1851.

The Largest Multiple of This Shade



(e)

Feuerrot
BERLIN (103)

The Second Largest Multiple of This Shade on Cover



(e)

Feuerrot
A horizontal pair, tied by four ring cancellation "103"
BERLIN to Leipzig, Saxony, 22 9
DOPV second zone letter.



Feuerrot
BEYENBURG
Four ring cancellation "122" twice

1 Sgr. denomination stamp was issued for local letter rate as well as the first zone letter basic rate.

Early Usage with A Manuscript Paid Amount in Red



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Tied by four ring cancellation "103"

BERLIN local letter to Bessel straÙe

It was usual to note the paid amount in red on the cover front only in the first few month

6 Sgr. Third Zone Weight Letter



A horizontal strip of six tied by four ring cancellation "424" with a double ring cds beside
FRANKFURT/ODER to Langenbielau nowadays in Poland, 21 12
6 Sgr. correctly paid for third zone weight letter, $6 = 3 \times 2$

Rosa



BERLIN (103)

(e)

1 Sgr. denomination stamp was also used for a various kinds of rates by multiple frankings.

14 Sgr. Rate, Insured Letter with 900 Thaler Value Declaration



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Rosa, decuple franking including a vertical strip of six with a horizontal pair of 2 Sgr., tied by numeral "5", ANNAUS to Coesfeld, 25 1 (1859)

14 Sgr. correctly paid for a value declared letter up to 900 Th. $14 = 2 + 1.5 \times 8$

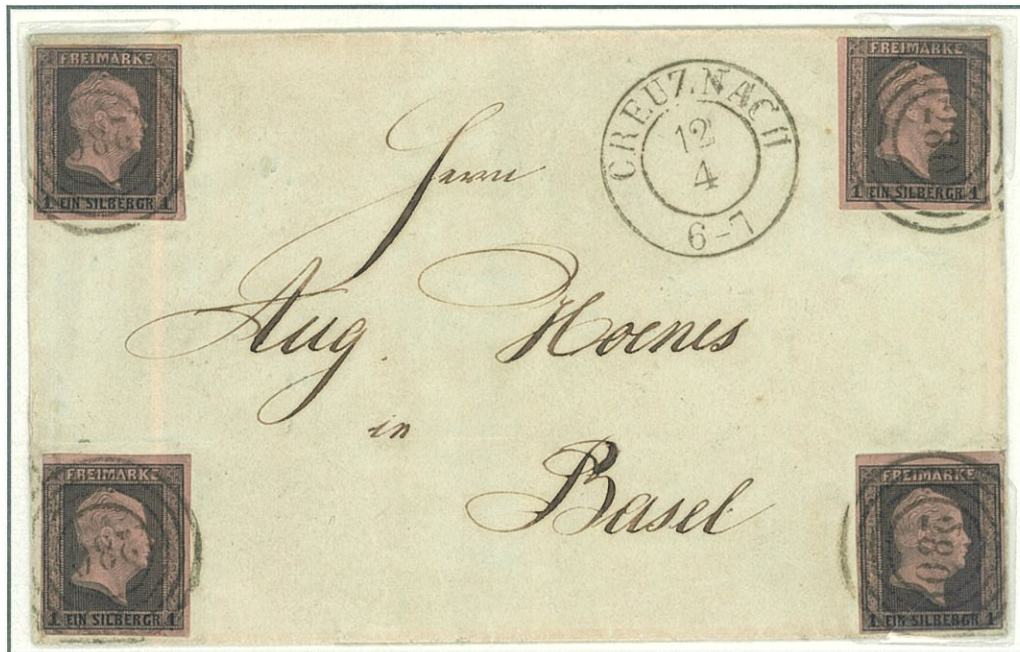
5 Sgr. Rate, Single Weight Letter to the Netherlands



Rosa, quintuple franking, tied by numeral "906"
MAGDEBURG to Amsterdam / the Netherlands, 26 8 (1855)
5 Sgr. correctly paid for surface letter to the Netherlands

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4 Sgr. Rate, Single Weight Letter to Switzerland



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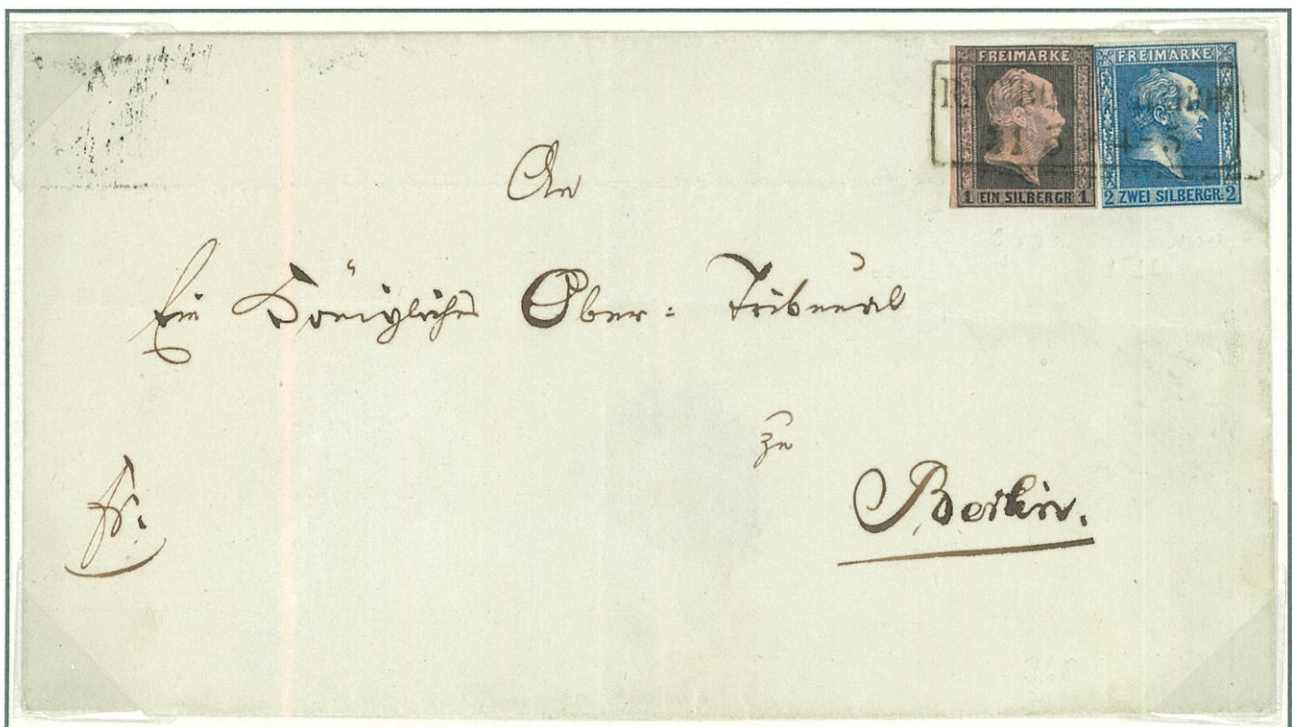
Rosa, quadruple franking at all four corners, tied by numeral "280"

CREUZNACH to Basel / Switzerland, 12 4 (1855)

4 Sgr. correctly paid for surface letter to Basel, 3 for DOPV 3rd zone, and 1 for RAYON I zone in Switzerland.

ex- Alfred Schmidt

Mixed-Franking with The Third Issue



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Mixed-franked with a 2 Sgr. of the third issue, tied by framed rectangle datestamp

RATIBOR BAHNHOF to Berlin, 31 5

3 Sgr. correctly paid for the third zone letter

Nov. 15th, 1850. 2 Sgr. denomination stamp was issued for the second zone letter basic rate.

Watermark On Margin

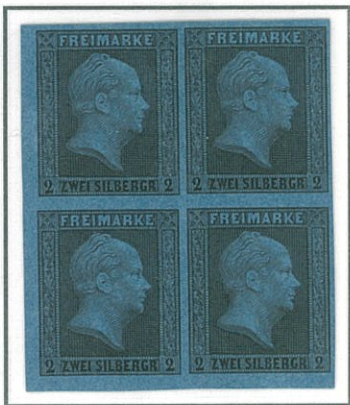
Pos. 134/145 with 17 mm lower margin having wmk. inscribed upside down (KOENIGL.) PREUSS



(125%)

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- Shade Varieties -



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Graublau
Pos.131/142

ex- Erivan Haub



(e)

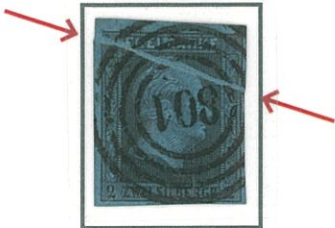
Blau



(e)

Grauultramarin

Printed on Pre-
folded Paper



LANGENSALZA (801)



(e)

ANKLAM (31)



BALZ(67)

Against the regulation
that each stamp must be
centrally struck one by one.

Plate numbers were printed at the right of the pos. 70/80 of sheets

Plate Number

Three plates of No.2, 6 & 12 were prepared for 2 Sgr. denomination stamp.
The name of the plate is inscribed on the right margin of the pos.80.

Platte No.6



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1864 First Reprint 3 Sgr. pos.79/90

Platte No.2



(e)

Reconstructed vertical pair of pos.70/80
FRANKFURT a.O. (424) + BROMBERG (191)

Platte No.6 of the 1850 Original Stamp Only One Known



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1 Sgr. stamped envelope uprated by a right marginal stamp tied by numeral "374"

ELBING to Stettin, 4 11

3 Sgr. correctly paid for a third zone letter

The stamp has about 5mm margin and it shows only a part of the inscription of "Platte No 6",
however, this is **the only known marginal Plate no.6 of the 1850 original stamp**

The Largest Multiple

Only Two Known and This is the Unique Postal Usage



Irregular shaped block of eight tied by four ring cancellation

BERLIN BAHNPOST(105)

Only Two Bloks of Eight Known including Usages of Internal Charges of the Postal Administration

ex- Burrus, Romanow, Boker

Block of Four on Cover Only Two Examples Recorded



(e)

A block of four uprating 1852 7 Sgr. stamped envelope, tied by numeral "1000" with a framed double lines datestamp

NEIDENBURG to Berlin, 13 12

15 Sgr. correctly paid for an insured letter with 300 Talern

ex- Erivan Haub

Only two covers franking a strip of five are recorded for 2 Sgr. denomination stamp.

SORAU (1414)



(e)

3 %₁₀ loth →



(40%)

A horizontal strip of five tied by four ring cancellation (562)

GÜTERSLOH to Duisburg, 9 1

10 Sgr. correctly paid for second zone registered letter of the fourth weight step, $10 = 4 * 2 + 2$



Nenuple franking on piece, MAGDEBURG (1103)

(e)

International mails were uncommon in 1850's, even if the destinations are European continental countries.

7 Sgr. Rate, Single Weight Letter to England

A horizontal strip of three franked with two 1/2 Sgr. tied by four ring cancellation "1" with a single ring c.d.s., a red circled P. and a single ring PAID c.d.s. in red beside

Aachen to London / GB, 14 7 (1856)

7 Sgr. correctly paid for a single surface letter to GB, which was valid after Aug. 1st, 1852. This also included the Belgian transit fee.



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5 Sgr. Rate, Single Weight Letter to Denmark



Upgrading 3 Sgr. stamped envelope, tied by four ring cancellation "103" twice.

BERLIN to Viborg / Denmark, then redirected to Randers, 13 7 1857

5 Sgr. correctly paid for letter to Denmark, 3 for Prussian third zone rate, and 2 for Danish letter of the distance more than 10 miles.

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5 1/2 Sgr. Rate, Triple Color Franking to Paris

Double franked with 1/2 Sgr. and 1 Sgr. tied by four ring cancellation "903" with a black double ring c.d.s., a red handstamp P.D. and a French blue double ring c.d.s. beside.

LYCK to Paris / France, and then redirected within France to Clichy, 10/7 (1856)

5.5 Sgr. correctly paid for a letter to France, 3 for internal third zone letter, and 2 1/2 for French share



19 Sgr. Rate, Parcel Accompanied Letter



Octuple franking including a horizontal strip of five and three, with a 3 Sgr. tied by numeral "765"
CROMBACH to Aachen, 22 10

19 Sgr.=228 Pfg.= 1½ Pfg. x 5 x 7 - 0.5 Pfg) was underpaid by 0.5 Pfg. for parcel accompanied letter.

26 Sgr. Money Order up to 1300 Thaler



Septuple franked with two 1 Sgr. and three 3 Sgr. to uprate 1 Sgr. stamped envelope, tid by numeral (448)

FRIEDLAND in Märkisch (nowadays Mirosławiec in Poland) to Berlin, 5 10

26 Sgr. correctly paid for the second zone money order up to 1300 Th. after July 1st, 1853, $26 = 2 \cdot 13$

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13 Sgr. Rate, Surface Letter to New York



(e)

A horizontal strip of three franked with a horizontal pair of 3 Sgr. and a 1 Sgr. tied by four ring "517" and a red Aachen datestamp
GÖRLITZ to San Francisco / USA via Aachen and New York 29 8 (1853 or 1854)
13 Sgr. correctly paid for surface letter to the USA after Dec. 15th, 1852

8 ¾ Sgr. Winter Rate, Letter to Norway via Land Route



A horizontal strip of four franked with ½ Sgr. and 1 Sgr. tied by four ring cancellation "1439"
STETTIN BAHNHOF to Christiansund / Norway, via Svinesund, Sweden, 15 3 1856
9 ½ Sgr. overpaid for a letter to Norway via land in winter,
2 for prussia, 6 ¾ for Danish, Sweden and Norway

Mixed-Frankings with The Second Issue

Franked with $\frac{1}{2}$ Sgr. and 1857 1 Sgr., tied by four ring cancellation "1"

AACHEN BAHNHOF to Bordeaux /
France, via Paris, 8 12 (1858)

$3\frac{1}{2}$ Sgr. correctly paid for letter to
France from the place near the border,
1 for the first zone and $2\frac{1}{2}$ for French
share.



Franked with 4 Pfg. and 1857 3 Sgr.
tied by four ring cancellation "1"
with a double ring c.d.s. beside

AACHEN to Bologna / Papal state,
via Austria, 18 12 (1857)

$5\frac{1}{3}$ Sgr. for surface letter to papal
state, 3 for DOPV third zone and $2\frac{1}{4}$
for Italian share.

Manuscript " $2\frac{1}{4}$ " sgr, in blue, which
was equal to 6 KrCM, showed the
Papal share.

4 Pfg. stamp, which was equal to $\frac{1}{3}$ Sgr.
was usually franked for the purpose as
there were no $\frac{1}{4}$ Sgr. = 3 Pfg. stamp
until 1862.

Muster ohne Werth →
= Sample of No Value

$2\frac{1}{2}$ Loth →

Double franked with double 1857
1 Sgr., tied by four ring "24" double,
and framed cds double.

ALTENA to Berlin, 7 5 (1859)

6 Sgr. correctly paid for the third
zone sample of no value of the
second weight step, $6 = 3 \times 2$

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