

**To Burma via Southampton, Suez, Bombay and Calcutta**



Philadelphia, 3 May 1870

Prepaid 22 cents, retaining 2¢ for inland and 2¢ transatlantic  
Philadelphia credited 18¢ to the U.K. (9<sup>d</sup>): 6<sup>d</sup> to India, 3<sup>d</sup> onward to Burma  
London credited 1<sup>d</sup> to Burma for delivery

HAPAG Cimbria : New York 3 May, Plymouth 13 May

P&O Pera : Southampton 14 May, Alexandria 27 May

P&O Columbia : Suez 29 May, Aden 3 June, Bombay 10 June  
Overland to Calcutta, received 19 June

British India Steam Navigation Company to Rangoon, ship and date unknown

Received at Bassein (now Patheingyi) on 30 June 59 days

**The only recorded pre-GPU cover from Philadelphia to Burma**



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The Kewriga census of the U.S. bank note company issues used to foreign destinations records only three covers to Burma.

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## Expert Committee Report

Members of the American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is:

**United States, Scott No. 139, used on cover, 5/6/1870, EDU as of certificate date, genuine in all respects.**



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Date: **5/28/2004**

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