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1d. Plate 119

4d. Plate 11

1869

On reverse:

BPO

Constantinople

17.11.1869

A civilian British P.O. was opened in Pera, Constantinople 1857 after the Crimean War. The P.O. never achieved the same prominence as the Austrian and French P.O. which both were supported by a more developed shipping-network in the Levant. The British P.O. used British stamps which were cancelled "C". Above a letter to Scotland from Constantinople 26 March 1862 with 6d. postage. Below a letter to Malta 17 Nov. 1869 with 5d. Postage.





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