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EXPERT COMMITTEE

No. 0379286
1/15/02

We have examined the enclosed item, of which a photograph is attached, and *described by the applicant* as follows:

Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

<u>Cat. No.</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Denom.</u>	<u>Color</u>
26	1857	3¢	dull red

Scott's unless otherwise specified.

SINGLE, "PAID" IN GRID CANCEL, ON COVER WITH
ADVERTISEMENT FOR FIREWORKS, ADDRESSED TO
NEW BEDFORD MASS, RED BOSTON TOWN CANCEL,
NEW BEDFORD 1860 RECEIVING BACKSTAMP.

AND WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT:

IT IS A GENUINE USAGE, THE STAMP WITH TWO PULLED
PERFORATIONS AT BOTTOM LEFT. * * * * *



[Signature]
For The Expert Committee
Chairman

Photocopies of this Certificate are not valid.

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