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1866 (June 11th): Envelope addressed to Arthur Raby, Her British Majesty's Consul in Jeddah, franked by Great Britain 1865-67 6d. lilac, plate 5, lettered GG (SG 97), tied by 'Bath-53' duplex. The cover was sent care of the British Consul in Suez and struck with British P.O. single circle datestamp in blue (June 19th) and mailed via the Egyptian Post Office with 1866 1 piastre claret (SG 4) poorly tied at right with cover also struck with 'Poste Vice-Reali Egiziane - Suez' datestamp at left (June 24th) in black. Reverse with docketing of receipt (June 27th). The 1pi. paid the internal 'Port-to-Port' rate between Suez and Jeddah. Whilst the 1pi. is poorly tied, I have recorded three similar covers (dated on despatch April 10th, ex Gougas; June 4th, ex Byam and June 26th 1866, ex Carmichael & Todd) showing an identical franking.

The cover is, in my opinion, genuine in all respects.

Photo overleaf.

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Comment !

12th September 2011.

Ex collection Samir A. Fikry.