

GB POSTED IN MARSEILLE

The introduction of adhesives by Great Britain continued, for a number years, to be regarded as something which the occasional Britain travelling abroad saw as universal gift to the world, and that GB adhesives were thus valid for postage to Britain from anywhere else. This traveler from Ireland visiting Marseille doubtless knew that the rate to France from Britain was 4d, and assumed that he (or she) could send a letter home for the same amount.



Marseille to Celbridge, Co. Kildare, Ireland. Pre-payment attempted with four GB 1856 1d rose-reds 'cancelled' by Marseilles cds for 26th April 1857, treated as unpaid, 8 decimes charge raised. Verso: Marseille-Paris rail transit 27th Apr, London transit 29 Apr, Celbridge arrival 30th April.



Marseille to Bridge of Allen, Scotland, 1881 1d lilac clearly treated (but not marked) as Pacquebot, cancelled
Marseille cds 14th Feb 1900

Written on board ship en route Gibraltar to Marseille, and posted in Marseille, the writer of this postcard had clearly worked out that the card would be faster going via the overland route to Britain:

GIBRALTAR 13th Feb 1900.
Dear Jean. Lovely weather since leaving Gibraltar today sailed along the Spanish Coast. Very beautiful we will get into Marseilles tomorrow instead of Thursday. The weather has been so fine. This may reach you almost as soon as the letter from Gibraltar.
Mother

"This may reach you almost as soon as the letter from Gibraltar...."

Tous les

Correspondence

Jersey, 20th Nov

St. Peter

Patrice de Vaire

Boite mobile

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uncancelled
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FOR INLAND POSTAGE ONLY this Space
may now be used for Communication.

The ADDRESS OF
WRITTEN HERE.

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