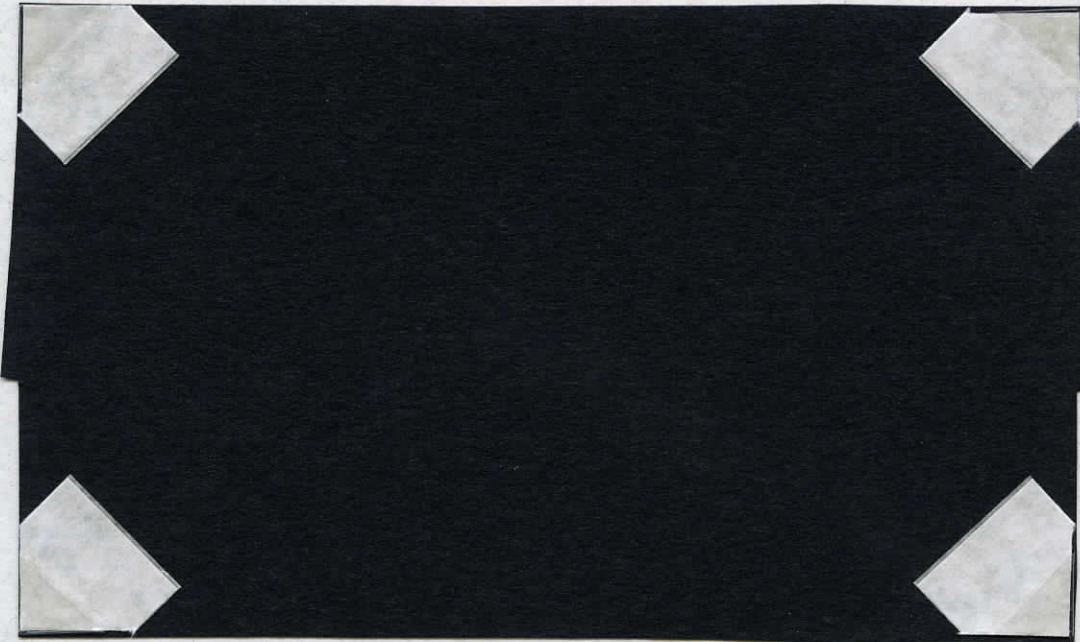


**Mauritius**  
Under British Rule  
**1859**



The 4d Overseas Letter Rate  
Port Louis to Dinan, France

1859 October 12th : Entire Letter, (verso) struck with the double circle 'GPO/MAURITIUS' despatch d/stamp for 'OC-12-1859'.



E. L. franked with a cut horizontal pair of (1859 March) Q.V. 2d blue Lapirot issues/Worn Impression/positions 9 & 10, struck and tied with the 'Target of 5 concentric circles', showing usage of the 4d rate indicating a weight upto ½ ounce which is the correct postal rates from the Government Gazette of 1st May, 1858, which shows rates to be used on and after 6th May, 1859.

On (recto) blue oval cachet 'CHARLES DANIEL & Cie/PORT LOUIS/TLE MAURICE' and handstruck '8' decimes charge in black (due on arrival in France, with 8 decime = 7½ grams) under the revised Anglo-French Postal Convention of 1856, and red French 'PAYS ETR. V. SUEZ. AMB/4 NOV 59' transit c.d.s.

On (verso) various French receiving c.d.s.