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DESCRIPTION

1841 1d Red-brown Plate 32 lettered DL on piece obliterated by a Blue 'PyP No. 15' Handsworth Penny Post mark and Black Maltese Cross.

OBSERVATIONS

Comparison with the letter positions on the registration sheets confirms that the stamp is from Plate 32, which was registered on 7 Feb. 1843. The stamp is obliterated by a Blue 'PyP No. 15' Handsworth Penny Post mark and Black Maltese Cross.

The shape and colour of the PyP mark is consistent with examples in the Phillips Collection in The Postal Museum.

SOURCES

Stanley Gibbons, *Great Britain Specialised Catalogue*, Vol. 1, 16th edn, 2011.

CONCLUSION

In my opinion, the item is an 1841 1d Red-brown Plate 32 lettered DL on piece obliterated by a Blue 'PyP No. 15' Handsworth Penny Post mark and Black Maltese Cross, and is genuine. SG Spec. BS21wc.

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Digitally enhanced image of the piece showing the PyP obliteration more clearly.