

Lima, March 1st, 1883

Extract from PREVOST & CO.'s letter Original filed in their packet

We duly received your favor of 10th Nov. last, which we had, so far delayed replying to, in the hope of being at last able to report some favorable solution of the unfortunate international deadlock which prevents the carrying through of the unexecuted portion of the order for bank notes and the settlement of your accounts with the P.O. Department. Our expectations of any such solution have, however, hitherto proved groundless, and what is worse, there seems to be, as yet, no early prospect of its being reached. We very much regret this state of affairs, and, more so, the fact of its being entirely beyond our control to find a remedy therefor.

We can only hope for an early change in our present surroundings and you may rest assured that we shall not only inform you without delay of any favorable turn that may show itself, but that we shall not fail to make the best use thereof in behalf of your interest.

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We have taken due cognizance of the tenor of the letter which you sent us and which had been addressed to you hence by a party in the staff of the Chilian army of occupation, inquiring for the price of Postage Stamps. We have deemed it unnecessary to take any steps in the matter in the belief that the subject has not been thought of again by the writer and that it may be considered as dropped."

Lima, October 13th, 1863

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POSTAGE STAMPS The Chilian authorities who are on the eve of evacuating this city and Callao, prior to the installation of the Government of General Iglesias, have, on our representation, handed over to us, as your agents, all the Peruvian Postage Stamps which they had siezed^d on various occasions, prior to and during the time of their occupation. We enclose a statement giving the exact amounts and denominations thus received by us. You will observe therefrom that a portion thereof have been countersigned, for intended use by the Chilian authorities whilst in occupation, but, as they only observe this course during the first months and they have since been using exclusively their own postage stamps, the result has been that about one half of what we have received is stamped in this manner, the balance, say about the other half, is in perfect order and exactly as it left your premises. We have given a receipt to the effect that we have received so many packages, said to contain so many stamps, said to be partly countersigned and partly not so, but no exact inventory of the contents of the packages was taken as the time and trouble evolved, would have been very great and it did not seem to us to be of any great importance to insist on this point. Our object in taking possession of these stamps is towards facilitating our action in recovering the amounts due by the Peruvian Post Office Department, especially so as we know that General Iglesias will very likely name another

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Postmaster instead of our friend Senor Munoz. We cannot exactly say, as yet how we shall conduct this point, but you can rely on our doing what circumstances may suggest as being most appropriate. We know that the department has no stock of stamps whatever and that they will have to come to us for supplies the moment they take charge. Our idea is to supply them by installments in exchange of partial payments corresponding thereto and although it may happen that they may feel a repugnance to use the portion of stamps countersigned by the Chilians, we have no doubt that they will see the wisdom of using off all those that are intact before they go to the expense of giving new orders. In addition to the stock which has been delivered to us as aforesaid, we hold 3 cases deposited in Guayaquil where we had them landed at the time of their being sent out, in order to avoid their capture and where they have been lying ever since. We shall also make the necessary arrangements in regard to them and give you due advice.

In referring to the statement enclosed, we should further add that it also evidently comprises many of the stamps captured on board the
the value of which was paid by your underwriters. As these should now really belong to the latter and not to you, and as neither we nor the authorities who made the delivery, could identify them, owing to contents of all the original packages having been mixed up beyond the possibility of identification, we should like to hear from you how we are to act in this con-

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nection with the understanding that, if your instructions are given us by return mail, there will be time to allow of our being guided thereby before we have reached a final settlement with the Post Office Department. Meanwhile, although always giving preference to your own interests above anything else, in any such settlement, we shall endeavor not to part with all the stock we hold, without collecting, in addition to your direct indebtedness, the amount of the captured invoice, originally \$3056.50 exclusive of interest.

Statement of Peruvian postage stamps (partly stamped with Chilean official seal and partly without such stamp) returned by the Chilean Authorities in Lima to the Undersigned.

1 centavo	2 centavos	5 centavos	10 centavos	20 centavos	50 centavos	1. Sol.	Recapitulation	
449,800.	949,800.	200,000	250,000	1,400	75,000	35,000	1. Centavo	2,825,799.
500,000.	350,000.	156,398	32,468	350,000	14,650	7,580	2. "	1,602,558.
299,800.	1,006.	2,691	271	44,800	400	350	5. "	959,140.
1850,000.	1,799.	31	2	10,000	96,600	241	10. "	854,918.
250,000	24,200.	551	49	347	49,800	400	20. "	442,638.
42,000.	100,000	528	79,700	56,091	518		50. "	241,630.
2,094.	173,753	5,047	1,000		956		1. Sol	43,571
11,500.	1,800	1,207	250,000		419			
5,912		400	75,000		3,277			
4,161.		449,800	49,800					
100,000.		100,000	45,700					
119,195.		2,999	25,000					
11,642.		5,212	4,300					
24,461.		4,476	22,818					
115.		29,800	18,810					
20.								
4,104.								
49,997.								
44,800.								
50,000.								
1,800.								
2,825,799	1,602,558	959,140.	854,918	442,638	241,630	43,571	Total.	6,970,054

Lima 13th October 1883.

Provoat & Co
Agents,

To the American Bank Note Co
New York



Hemos recibido de la Comisaria del
Ejército Expedicionario de Chile, como
representantes de la Compañia Americana
de Billetes de Banco de Nueva York
56 paquetes lacrados y 13 paquetes abiertos
en un total de sesenta y nueve paquetes,
 los que por sus respectivos rotulos co-
 ntenen la cantidad de tres
millones doscientos cincuenta y siete
mil cuatrocientos estampillos de correo
de los tipos siguientes:

De 1 centavo	249.300.
• 2. centavos	999.900.
• 5 —	507.800.
• 10 —	<u>1.499.900.</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>3.257.400.</u>

Lima 19 de Octubre 1883.

Paquet & Co

Lima, Dec. 13, 1893

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POSTAGE STAMPS We have so far been unable to make a recovery from the
Post Office on account of the indebtedness, meanwhile we keep the stamps
returned by the Chilian Authorities.