

Posta Europe

Registered Mail.



April 17, 1864: Cover from Kafer-Zayat to Alexandria sent registered with manuscript rate of “3” piastres in blue crayon at top and red “A” denoting Alexandria as addressed entirely in Arabic. Struck on despatch with Type V “Posta Europea-Kafer Zayat” in blue and framed “Per Consegna” registration handstamp. Type VIAlexandria “Posta Europea-Alessandria” arrival datestamp.¹

Framed registration handstamps reading “Per Consegna” were introduced, copied from the then current cancellations used by the Tuscany Post Office.

Smith: “All registered letters are rare”.²

Illustrated in ‘Posta Europea’ by Ambassador Luca Biolato on page 554.

*The sole recorded example
of registered Posta Europea mail from Kafer-Zayat.*

¹.Signed A. Diena.

². Smith ‘Egypt Stamps & Postal History’ page 18.

³. Ex collection Ambassador Biolato.