1883 KING ALFONSO XII ISSUE Surcharge Type "b" on 5 c.

Period after 5.













Counterfeits



Altered cancellation January cancellation
Wrong color surcharge Outside period of use



Period before .5













"1" before 5











Large comma after 5,

Small comma after 5,







Surcharge Type "b" on 5c One of two known 1883 surcharge bisects



Bisected stamp with surcharge Type "b" on 5c, one of the only two reported bisects of the 1883 surcharged stamps, used as 2½c to pay the rate for a circular mailed within the city of Matanzas.

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Surcharge Type "b" on 5c Purple oval "CORREOS 1A" marking One of two known 1883 surcharge bisects



Bisected stamp with surcharge Type "b" on 5c, one of the only two reported bisects of the 1883 surcharged stamps, used as 2½c to pay the rate for a circular mailed within the city of La Habana. The purple oval "CORREOS 1A" indicates that the letter was dispatched with the first mail of the day.

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1883 KING ALFONSO XII ISSUE Surcharges Type "b" and "c" on 5 c.



Piece from a registered cover bearing 3 type "b" and 1 type "c" 5 c. surcharged stamps all with periods following the numeral 5 of the surcharge. The piece is missing one 5 c. stamp since at the time the postage and registry fee for a single rate letter mailed within the island was 25 c. de peso. The cover displays a blue boxed CERTIF (abbreviation for "certificado") registry mark and blue CEIBA MOCHA, 4 SET 83, ISLA DE CUBA circular date stamps tying the stamps to the cover piece.

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