

FEBRUARY 1, 1854

5-CUARTOS

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Gooding #1F7. Issued in red-brown. Letter and numbers at top are of even size. The 'F' of 'FRANCO' is very far from left margin and the 's' in 'Cs' is away from the right margin. A crude forgery. Known with a bogus circular cancel, showing a mirror image of '5' in the centre.

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Gooding #1F8. A rather crude forgery on very thin paper in soft blue. The top horizontal line of the '5' in '1854' is omitted, causing it to resemble a '3'. 'FRANCO' is too far from the left margin. The '5' in '5 Cs' is crude and also resembles a '3'; and the 'C' is broken at the bottom with no upward curve.

Provenance - Carl Walske Collection



Gooding #1F9. Very crude forgery issued in yellow-orange. Lettering on top margin is small, in particular the 'C' and 'O' of 'CORREOS'. The '5' of '1854' is much smaller than the other numbers. The coronets on the crown are over-inked. Known used with bogus Large Squared Dotted cancellation.