

MISCELLANEOUS

III. SHIP LETTERS

As outlined in **CHAPTER I**, there are three known types of Ship Letter marks. Of the three, the most common is **SP.3** of which there are 20 known examples; there are only three of Type **SP.1** and two of the more recently discovered **SP.2**.

SP.1 'TRINIDAD/SHIP LETTER'

1. 19 April 1848, entire from New Haven and backstamped 'Trinidad/MY (date illegible)/1848'; it was probably charged four pence. (**PLATE 1**)
2. January 1856, from Calcutta arrived in Trinidad on 12 May.



3. 3 November 1863, from St. Pierre (Martinique) to Carupano, Venezuela. The letter was struck with the datestamp of Fort-de-France on 3 November and one of Trinidad on 6 November; according to a handwritten note on the inside, this letter was finally delivered on 11 November.

