10¢ 1855 - Earliest use in Calif.

Stamps left N.Y. May 21st (Monday) - Reached S.F. on "Sonora" on Saturday June 16, 1855.

From Alta Calif. S.F. June (Saturday) 16 - 1855. "The Steamer Sonora which arrived on Saturday (June 9th?) brought to (P.M.) Weller a lot of U. S. 10d postage stamps. This will be found of great convenience, and will avoid the pasting over of a letter with red (3¢) and blue (1¢) stamps, which in some instances nearly covered the superscription" Furnished Sep. 1936 by W. R. Parker.