

EW & WW

East Way Covers & West Way Covers

Presentation
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EW

As of Feb 2019

only

Eleven EW covers known

Seven in Archives

Four in public domain

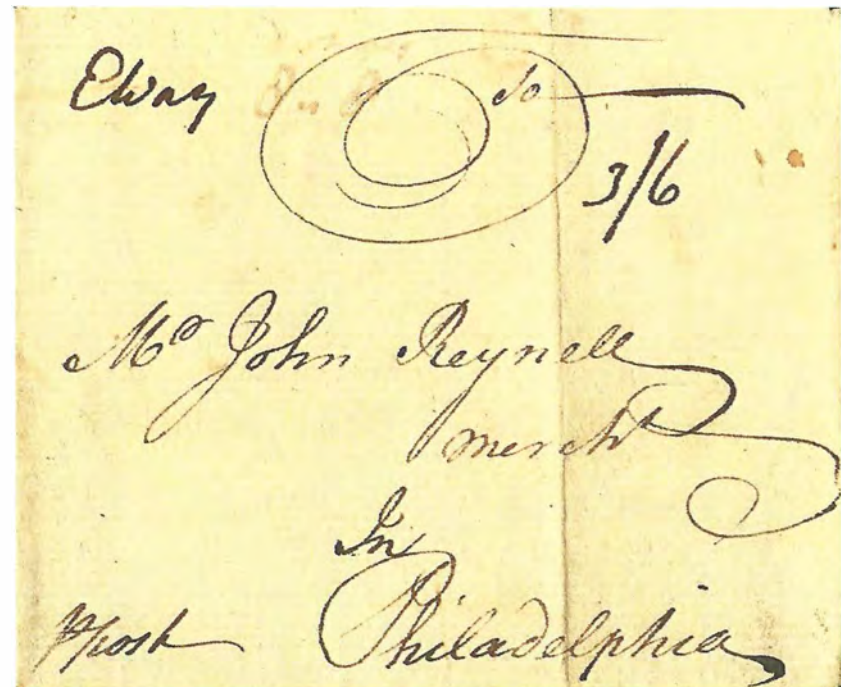
EW (East Way) New London
Westerly RI, 26 April 1757



- *EW ~ 1^{dwt} 8^{gr}*
- *NL^d 1 ~ 8*
- *2 ~ 16*
- From Elias Thompson, Westerly dateline.
- Way letter coming from the East of New London, where it was accepted and forwarded to New Haven.
- Westerly to New London: 19 Miles: 1dwt 8gr
New London to New Haven: 58 Miles: 1dwt 8g
Total: 2dwt 16 gr
- Both the EW and NL marking and their Rates are in the hand of New London Postmaster, Joseph Chew.
- Whitney Library, Jared Ingersoll Collection

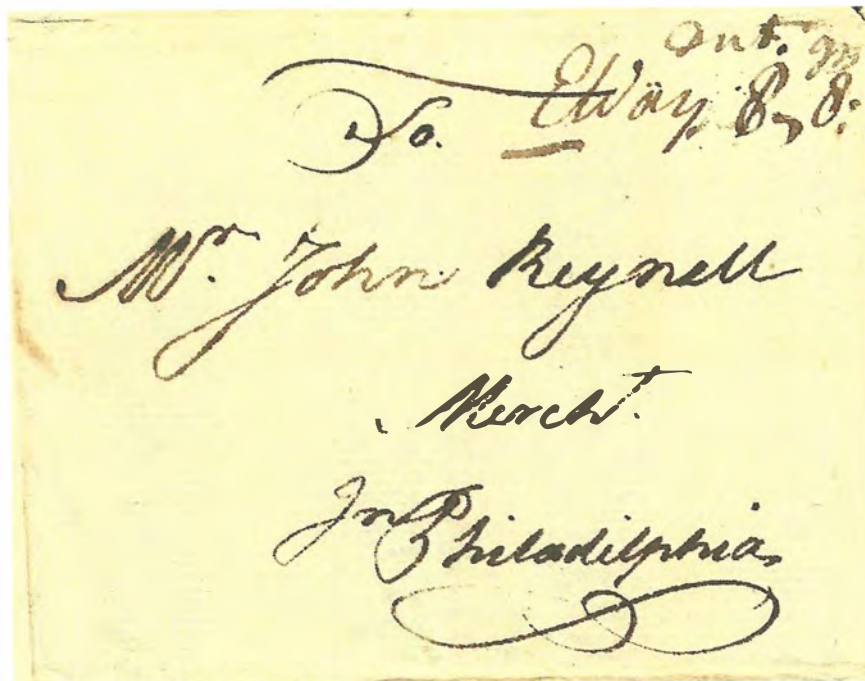
E Way (East Way) Portsmouth Portsmouth NH, 3 January 1758

- *E Way* 8^{dwt} 8^{gr} 3/6
- Received date from Colln. (Coldorn) Barrell of Portsmouth NH.
- Received at the Portsmouth Post Office, where EWay and the 8dwt 8gr rate was applied.
- From Franklin's Boston Rate chart of 1754:
 - Portsmouth to Boston: 64 miles: 1 dwt 8gr
 - Boston to Philadelphia: 292 miles: 7dwt
 - Total: 8dwt 8gr
- Pennsylvania Local Currency of 3sh/6p applied at the Philadelphia Post Office.
- 8dwt 8gr = 25p x 1.67 (inflation factor) = 42p or 3/6



- Robert A Siegel Auction Galleries; Sale 944, Lot 2680

E Way (East Way) Portsmouth
Portsmouth NH, 22 October 1760



- *E Way 8^{dwt} 8^{gr}*
- Received date from Phebe Pearne of (Pisquataqua) Portsmouth NH.
- Received at the Portsmouth Post Office, where EWay and the 8dwt 8gr rate was applied.
- From Franklin's Boston Rate chart of 1754:
 - Portsmouth to Boston: 64 miles: 1dwt 8gr
 - Boston to Philadelphia: 292 miles: 7dwt
 - Total: 8dwt 8gr
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EW (East Way) Portsmouth Portsmouth NH, 23 September 1761

$$EW = 8^{dwt} = 8^{grs} =$$

Received date: Henry Apthorp, Portsmouth NH.

TO BE SOLD
By *Henry Apthorp*,
At his Store at the North End,
S Tout Ticklinburgs, Kid Gloves,
Womens silk Shoes, Bar Lead,
Bombazine, Coffee, and
Tea by Chest or Retail, Connecticut Pot

1761-01-02 New Hampshire Gazette

Received at the Portsmouth Post Office, where
EWay and the 8dwt 8gr rate was applied.

From Franklin's Boston Rate chart of 1754:

Portsmouth to Boston: 64 miles: 1dwt 8gr

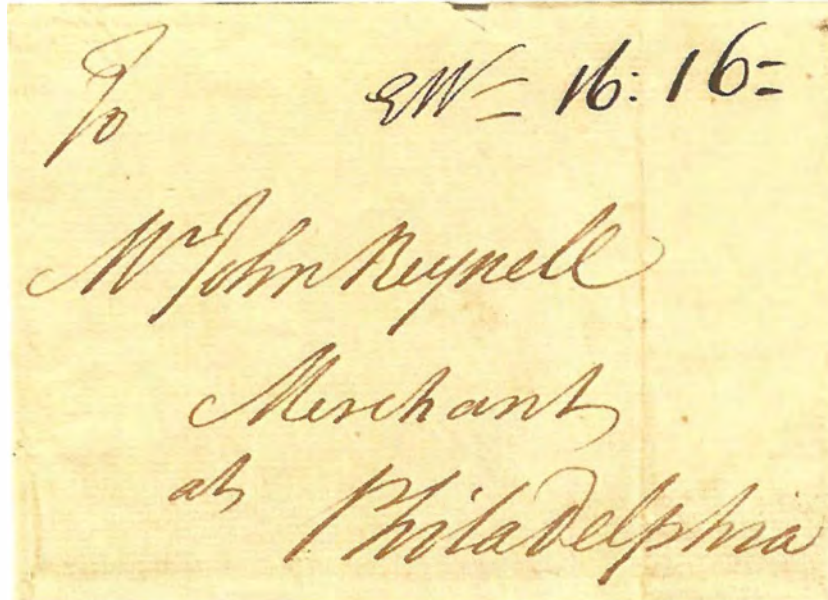
Boston to Philadelphia: 292 miles: 7dwt

Total: 8dwt 8gr

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EW = 8^{dwt} = 8^{grs}
To
W John Dwyer Esq
Merch
At Philadelphia

EW (East Way) Portsmouth Portsmouth NH, 28 July 1763



- *EW = 16: 16 =*
- Double Rate Letter.
- Received date from John Wendell of Portsmouth NH.

PORTSMOUTH.
Last Sunday Night, between 12 and 1 o'Clock, happened
a distressing Instance of Fire, which intirely consumed the
Dwelling House of Mr. John Wendell, Merchant, in this
Town.

- 1763-04-08 New Hampshire Gazette
- Received at the Portsmouth Post Office, where EW
and the 16dwt 16gr rate was applied.
- From Franklin's Boston Rate chart of 1754:
 - Portsmouth to Boston: 64 miles: 1 dwt 8gr
 - Boston to Philadelphia: 292 miles: 7dwt
 - Sub Total: 8dwt 8gr
 - Double Rate Total: 16 dwt 16gr

- John S Olenkiewicz Collection

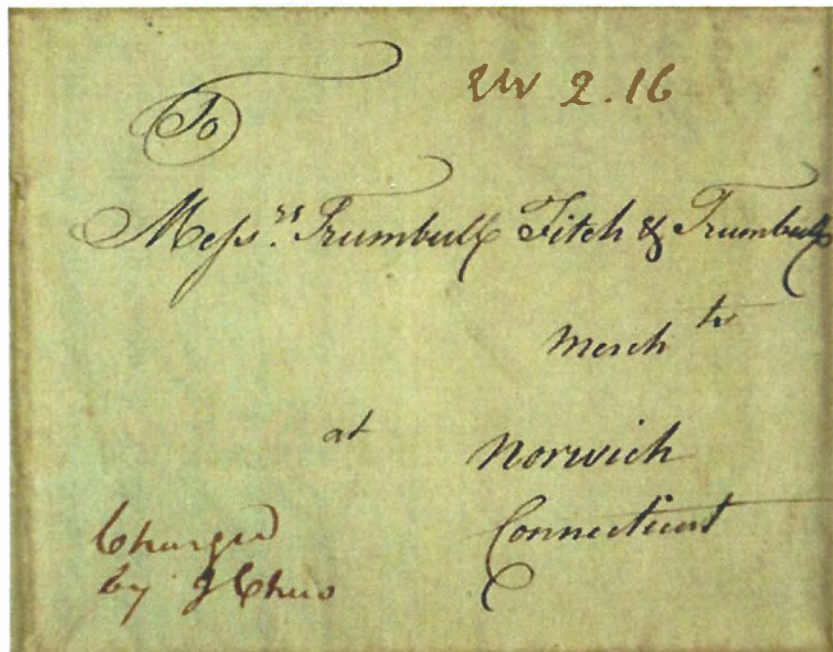
EW (East Way) New London London, 12 June 1766

EW 3..8

- Double Rate East Way Letter with ship fee.
- From Lane & Son & Fraser, London dateline.
- Cover arrived in Newport RI on 4 September 1766 aboard Ship Polly, Capt. William Gardner. The ship left Deal in early July.
- Newport to New London: 51 Miles: 1dwt 8gr
- Double Rate: 2dwt 16 gr
- Additional for Way: 16gr
- Total: 3dwt 8gr
- Letter by passed the Newport Post Office and handed to Post Rider who brought the letter to New London Post Office.
- EW 3..8 markings in magenta applied by New London Postmaster, Joseph Chew.
- Sterling Library, Nathaniel Shaw Collection



EW (East Way) New London
Boston, 26 October 1767



- ***EW 2.16***
- ***Charged***
- ***by J Chew***
- Single Rate Letter with no Way fee added.
- Letter with Boston Dateline from Ralph Inman & Thomas Apthorp.
- Boston to New London: 131 Miles; 2dwt 16gr
- Addressed to Norwich which did not have a Post Office at this time.
- EW 2dwt 16gr markings in magenta applied by New London Postmaster, Joseph Chew.
- Connecticut Historical Society, Trumbull Collection

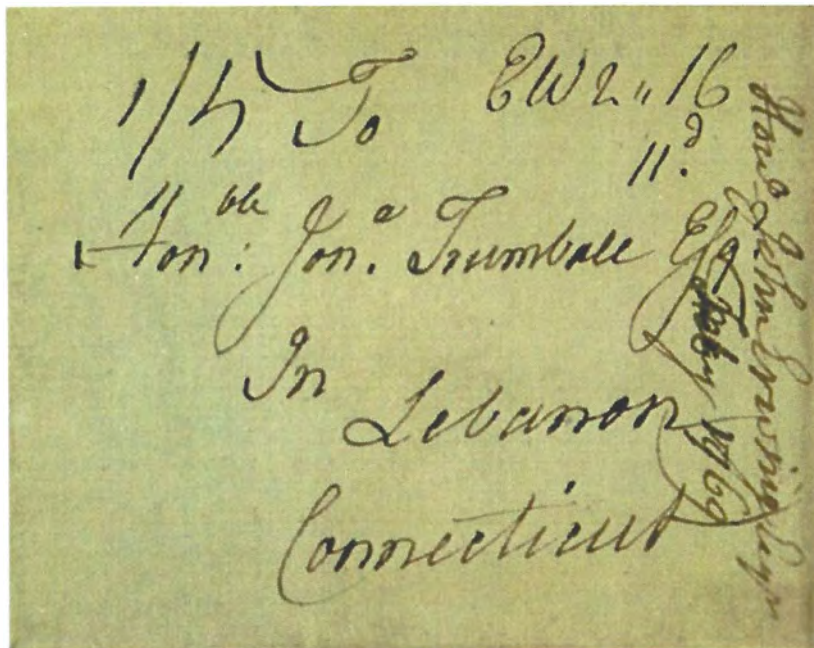
EW (East Way) New London
Boston, 4 July 1768

- ***EW 2.16***
- Single Rate Letter with no Way fee added.
- Letter with Boston dateline from William Miller.
- Boston to New London: 131 Miles; 2dwt 16gr
- EW 2dwt 16gr markings in magenta applied by New London Postmaster, Joseph Chew.

EW 2.16
To
Mr
Nathaniel Shaw
Murch
New London

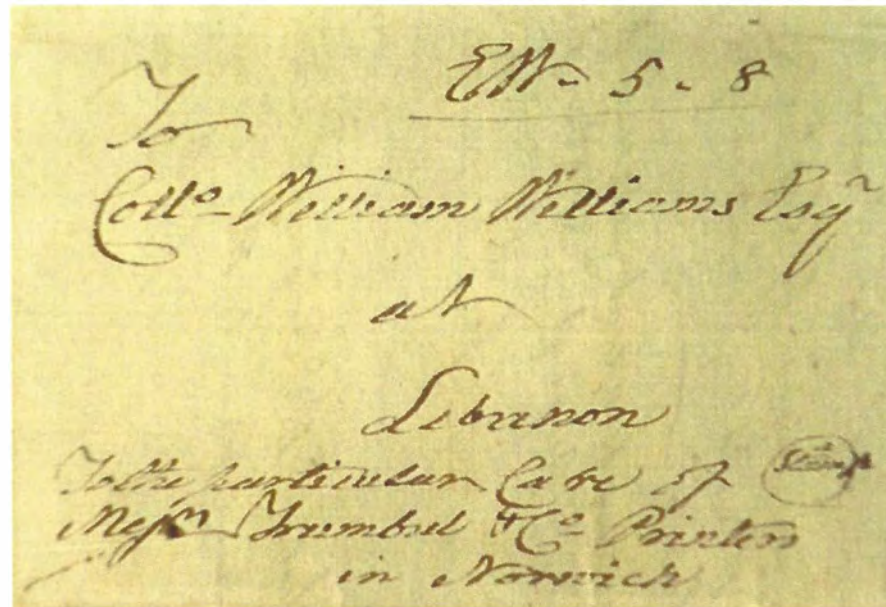
- Sterling Library, Nathaniel Shaw Collection

EW (East Way) Boston Boston, 9 February 1769



- *EW 2-16*
- *1/5* *11^d*
- Received date from John Erving of Boston.
- Received at the Boston Post Office, where *EW* and the 2dwt 16gr rate was applied.
- Boston to New London: 131 Miles; 2dwt 16gr
- After being received at the New London Post Office, an private post carried the letter to Lebanon.
- Connecticut Currency equivelant: 2:16 = 11^d
- Delivery from New London to Lebanon: 6^d
- Total rate for delivery from Boston to Lebanon: 17^d
- Connecticut Currency of 17 pence = 1sh/5pence
- Connecticut Historical Society, Trumbull Collection

EW (East Way) Portsmouth
Portsmouth NH, 15 January 1774



EW ~ 5 ~ 8

- Double rate East Way cover.
- Dateline from John Wendell of Portsmouth NH.
- Received at the Portsmouth Post Office, where EW and the 5dwt 8gr rate was applied.
- Portsmouth to New London: 194 miles: 2 dwt 16gr
- Double rate an additional: 2 dwt 16gr
- Total: 5dwt 8gr

Connecticut Historical Society, Williams Papers.

EW (East Way) Boston

Boston, 28 February 1774

- *EW* *fh* 2-16 ~
- **BOSTON**
- EW Ship Letter datelined Cadiz Spain, 29 November 1773, arrived in Salem/Marblehead aboard the Schooner Tabby.

Custom House, Port of Salem & Marblehead, Feb 28.
INWARD ENTRIES, _____ From
Schooner Tabby, Rofs, Cadiz

- 1774-03-01 Essex Gazette
- Put into the Boston Post Office where its large BOSTON (43.5mm x7.5mm) townmark and 28 February, Franklin dater were applied.
- Boston to Newport: 80 Miles: 2dwt
- Ship fee: 16gr
Total: 2dwt 16gr
- Connecticut Historical Society, Trumbull Collection



WW

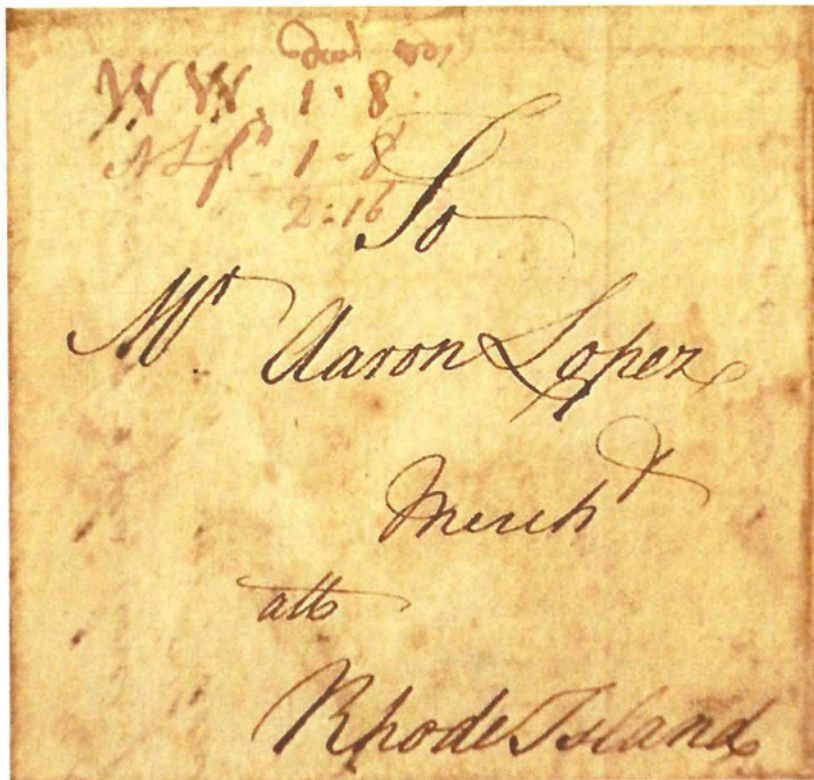
As of Feb. 2019

only three WW Covers known

One in Archives

Two in private hands

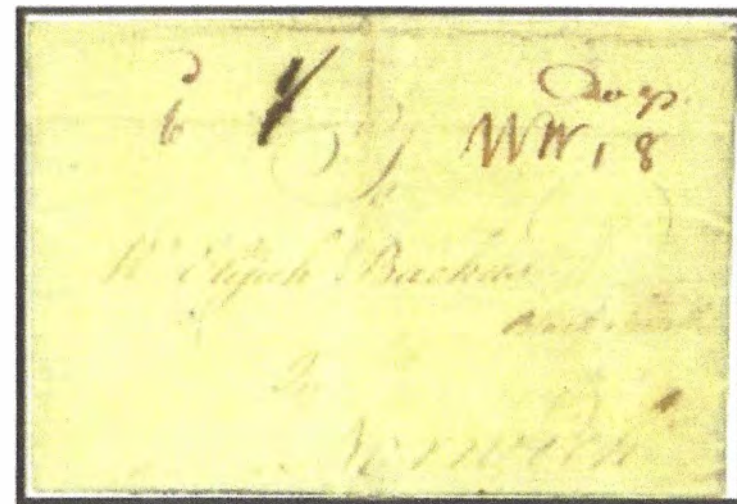
WW (West Way) New London Stanford, 1 March 1756



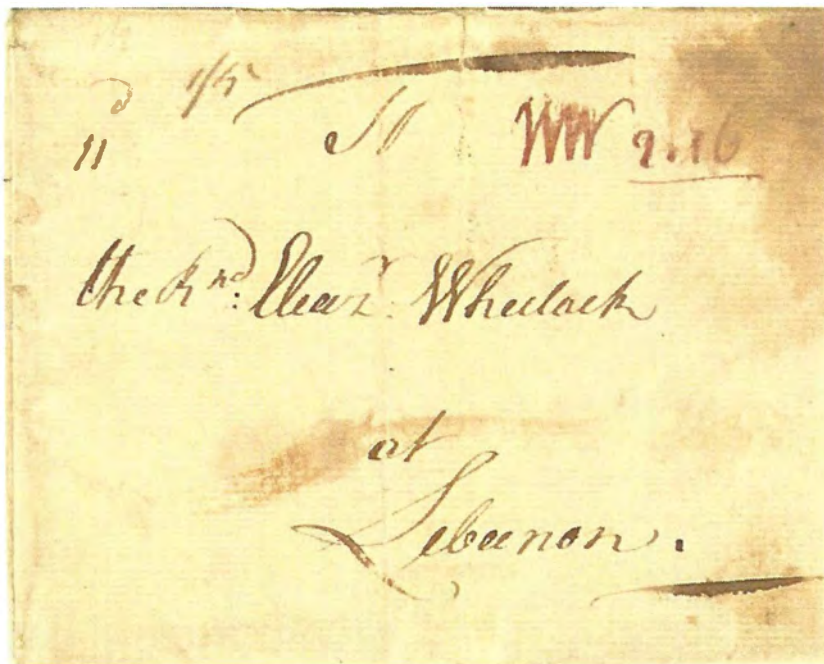
- *dwt gr*
- *WW 1, 8,*
- *NL^{fd} 1=8*
- *2=16*
- From Abraham T Abraham, Stanford dateline.
- Way letter coming from the East of New London, where it was accepted and forwarded to Newport.
- Stanford to New London: 98 Miles: 1dwt 8gr
- New London to Newport: 58 Miles: 1dwt 8gr
- Total: 2dwt 16 gr
- The WW was rated at arrival and the NLfd marking later in time. The magenta color has only been seen in use from the New London Post Office.
- Newport Historical Society, Aaron Lopez Collection

WW (West Way) New London
Lyme CT, 16 December 1765

- *6^d* *11* *dot as* *WW 18*
- Lyme dateline.
- Received at the New London Post Office, where the WW and the 1dwt 8gr rate were applied.
- Lyme to New London: 14 Miles; 1dwt 8gr
- The letter after being received at the New London Post Office, was carried by private post to Norwich.
- Connecticut Currency equivalent (1dwt 8gr): *6^d*
- Delivery from New London to Norwich: *6^d*
Total rate: Lyme to Norwich: *12^d*
- Connecticut Currency of 12 pence = 1sh.
- Richard C. Fragola Inc. Auction # 39 lot 237
- Siegel Sale 1090 Lot 1993



WW (West Way) New London
New Haven, 18 August 1766



- $\frac{1}{5}$ **WW 2.16**
11^d
- New Haven dateline from Jared Ingersoll.
- Double Rate Cover.
- Received at the New London Post Office, where the WW and the 2dwt 16gr rate were applied.
- New Haven to New London: 60 Miles; 1dwt 8gr
- After being received at the New London Post Office, an private post carried the letter to Lebanon.
- Connecticut Currency equivalent: 2:16 = 11^d
- Delivery from New London to Lebanon: 6^d
- Total rate: from New Haven to Lebanon: 17^d
- Connecticut Currency of 17 pence = 1sh/5pence
- John S Olenkiewicz Collection