

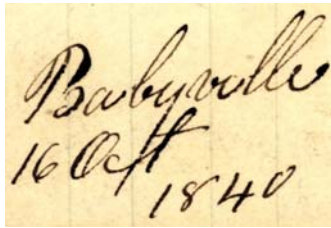
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Manuscript town postmarks and their early handstamp friends

Introduction

THIS exhibit is part of my project on Canadian postal history. Previous exhibits in this series are of pre-Confederation NS & NB (<https://www.rfrajola.com/DH/dhNSNB.pdf>), and pre-1873 Prince Edward Island (<https://www.rfrajola.com/DHPEI/DHPEI.pdf>). This particular one is the first one for Upper and Lower Canada (U & L C; Canada West and East, Ontario and Quebec). Subsequent ones will deal (separately) with early postmarks, money letters & registration, domestic & intercolonial postal history, mail with U S, mail with U K, and foreign mail (early versions of some of these are already on Richard Frajola's website). I anticipate that these will come to over one thousand pages.

Manuscript town postmarks (ms) refers to handwritten town names applied by postal clerks on covers when they don't have (or can't be bothered to find) town handstamps. These have to be distinguished from manuscript-*dated* handstamps (which are often, annoyingly, referred to as ms).



On the left is an 1840 ms for Babyville (L C) appearing at the lower left of the of the cover (the covers from which these are scanned appear in this exhibit, which is [mostly] chronological). On the right is a double circle of the same town which is manuscript-dated. Normally, the latter would *not* be included in this exhibit because it is not an ms according to my definition above; however, it appears in the exhibit because it shows the first hammer in use at Babyville (an early handstamp friend of the ms!).

Moreover, care has to be taken to make sure a marking is not just docketting (written by the recipient). In addition, I don't (generally) include advisory marks which include the town name, such as *Paid to Princeton*, or *advertised at Montreal*. On the other hand, an example such as *Paid at Middle Musquidoboit* would be included if the post office is small and there is no other marking of that town on the cover.

Most ms from about the 1830s on appear at the lower left corner of the front of the cover and at the office of origin. I suspect there were instructions to this effect, but I have never found any. Occasionally, we see the ms applied on reverse, and for an office of transit or destination. Very occasionally, it is clear that the ms was applied by the letter carrier who received it (as a way letter, and who had to deposit it at the next post office on his route).

The following are some of the references I used. A more complete bibliography will appear in the synopsis to the U & L C postal history exhibits, when I get around to them.

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Synopsis

MANUSCRIPT (ms) *town postmarks* refers to markings by postal clerks on covers in which the post office name (or its set of initials) was handwritten. This is to be distinguished from the far more common situation in which a handstamp of the office has the date or other matter written in (these are sometimes known as manuscript postmarks, but not here). They also have to be distinguished from docketting, written by the recipient on either the front or reverse of the cover.

The exhibit covers the period from the eighteenth century (where ms town postmarks are quite rare) to the early twentieth century (where they are also quite rare). The vast bulk of them appear in the middle of the nineteenth century.

We also restrict to those of Upper and Lower Canada (Canada West and East) up to Confederation and then all of Canada afterwards. For pre-1867 Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, see the postmarks section of the exhibit <https://www.rfrajola.com/DH/dhNSNB.pdf>, and for pre-1873 Prince Edward Island, see the exhibit <https://www.rfrajola.com/DHPEI/DHPEI.pdf>. There is one ms known for Newfoundland (which didn't enter Confederation until 1949), and none are known for British Columbia. Oddly, there are about ten or so known for Red River (more than for about 99% of other Canadian offices), but these go for inflated prices, so I don't have any.

Approximately 600 offices are represented by manuscripts (many of them one of a kind, often only known in provincial archives). Around 200 are shown here, which I think is pretty good.

The most common reason for the use of an ms marking was simply that the handstamp had not yet been received. With the opening of large numbers of offices in the early to middle nineteenth century, it became a logistical problem to supply offices with handstamps, particularly as the relatively early ones had to be ordered well in advance from U.K. However, as transportation and industry developed, it became possible to have the handstamps manufactured in Ottawa, and sent by train fairly quickly, often in time for the opening of the office. So as we go into the 1860s, we see that the number of offices using manuscripts drops sharply, and they become rare from the next decade on. Nonetheless, they still occur, typically in very small communities in the middle of nowhere (such as northern Ontario and rural Saskatchewan).

Another source of manuscript postmarks is damage to or loss of the current hammer. This is particularly noticeable for the double circle italic postmarks, issued in 1829 to numerous offices in U & L.C. These were manufactured in the U.K., and the very thin lettering wore easily and was often damaged. As a result, some became unusable, and the post office had to wait for either a replacement (with a different, more robust style of device) or for it to be repaired.

Occasionally, we see a hammer used more or less contemporaneously with an ms. It is impossible to be sure why this occurred, but possibly if there were only one or two items to mark, then it would be faster to just write the post office name and (usually) the date, then to find the handstamp, then the inkpad, check that the inkpad had not dried out, and handstamp the covers (and they still had to write the date in, since small offices were not normally issued handstamps with date indicia until around the 1870s).

It is important to be aware of just what handstamps had been or were to be in use around the date of the individual ms, which is why we show such in conjunction with the ms, and also provide the relevant information. It also makes it more interesting. What could be duller than page after page of town post

office markings that all look more or less the same? (Still, it's not exactly exciting.) A few offices show an alternating pattern of ms, handstamp, ms, handstamp. I will have a lot more to say about Canadian postmarks and postal history when I get around to dealing with that, likely beginning in a few months.

In almost all the examples (other than the very earliest ones), the ms was applied on the front, usually at the lower left corner, and usually by the office of origin). However, occasionally we see examples written on reverse (typically by the office of destination, and rarely in transit. Some (not many) were written by carriers being handed the mail en route and depositing it at the next post office.

The arrangement is chronological, with perturbations to allow for the handstamps.

Eighteenth century ms The principal office was Québec, and Montréal was the second office. Both used straight-line handstamps after the ms, and Québec used several different types of handstamp before and after the ms. In both cases, the ms is a single letter (Q and M), the followed by the postage (in Troy).

The literature, going way back (Holmes catalogues 1950s, but probably earlier), reports an initial K ms for Kamouraska. This always struck me as weird, because Kamouraska was insignificant compared with Québec and Montréal. When I finally saw it (in the Dubois sale), I became convinced that it was the result of someone with time on their hands. For one thing, it doesn't even look like it was done in ink, but in red pencil crayon (for non-Canadians, look up *pencil crayon* in a Canadian English dictionary).

Upper Canada was only formed in 1791, although a few post offices were opened slightly earlier. Detroit had been in British hands until 1793, and despite the US not having fulfilled the requirements of the Jay Treaty (to compensate exiled UEL for their losses), it reverted to the US (of course, does anyone really *want* Detroit?). Across the border was Sandwich (now part of Windsor), and there is a 1798 ms from there.

Nineteenth and early twentieth century ms Here we see a general pattern of slow increase in the numbers of towns using ms for the first time into the 1820s; then there is a large group in the 1830s, a somewhat smaller group in the 1840s, a really large group in the 1850s, and then a precipitous decline, so that by the 1870s, there are hardly any ms. A few 1910s examples turn up occasionally.

Early ms to around 1830 include (arranged alphabetically in this description, but mostly chronologically in the exhibit): Bath (unique), Belleville (unique), Brockville (unique), Chambly & St Ours on the same cover (unique St Ours, but 1838), Charleston, Cobourg, Cramahe (unique), Delaware, Drummondville (LC), Hamilton, Nicolet, Oznabruck, Port Hope (unique), Port Talbot, Prescott (relatively common), Queenston, Raleigh (unique), River Trent, Ste Anne de la Perade, St Catharines, St Hyacinthe and St Charles (way; same cover), St Johns (LC; relatively common), Terrebonne, Wainfleet.

Ms 1830–39: Amiens (unique), Babyville, Bedford, Brome, Buckingham, Burford (unique), Carleton, Churchville, Cornwall (relatively common), Danville, Dewittville, Drummondville (UC; unique), Dundee, East Williamsburg (unique), Fort Erie, Gentilly, Goderich (common), Guelph, Haldimand, Howard (unique), Hull, Huntingdon, Kingsey, Lachine, Lachute, Lacolle, Leeds, L'Orignal, Matilda (common), McKillop (unique), Melbourne, Mosa (relatively common), Napierville, New Carlisle (LC), Norwich, Palermo, Petite Nation, Port Robinson (unique), Portneuf, Potton, Rawdon (LC; relatively common), Rimouski, Rivière Ouelle, Simcoe, St André, St Césaire, St Denis, St Eustache, St Johns (UC; unique), Ste Martine, St Ours (unique), Stanstead (unique), Stukeley, Trois Pistoles, Van Kleek Hill (relatively common), Verchères, Vittoria (commonest ms), Wainfleet, Waterford (relatively common), William Henry, Williamsburg, Williamstown (relatively common), Yarmouth (UC; unique), Yonge, and York (Haldimand Co).

Ms 1840–49: Asphodel (unique), Beloeil, Centreville (?), Daillebout, Etobicoke (unique), Houghton, Isle Verte (common), La Beauce, Manningville, Mersea (unique), Milbrook (unique), North Williamsburg, Oshawa, Owen Sound, Oznabruck, Pike River, Port Burwell, Port Credit (unique), Port Maitland, Princeton (UC; unique), St François de la Beauce, St Jacques, St Jean Port Joli (common), St Thomas (LC), Stanbridge East, Stevensville (unique), Templeton, West Flamboro, and Windsor.

Ms 1850–59: Adare/Adair (unique), Allan Park, Allan's Corners, Allumette Island, Ange Gardien (unique), Argyle (unique), Williams (unique), Baden (CW; unique), Berwick, Black Creek (unique), Brant (unique), Carluke (unique), Chatsworth (unique), Chicoutimi, Clarendon (?), Clarendon Centre, Coboconk (unique), Devon (unique), Donegal (unique), Falkirk, Fenwick (unique), Fitch Bay, Frankville (unique), Freulton (unique), Grande Baie, Hanover (unique), Hastings, Hay (unique), Haysville (unique), Holmesville (unique), Kendall (unique), Kertch, Kingsville (unique), Knowlton, L'Anse à Giles (relatively common), Leith (unique), Lochiel, Lyn (unique), Madoc (unique), Maple (many examples known), Mara, Molesworth (unique), Mont St Hilaire, Murray Bay, North Pelham and St Johns West (double ms), Panmure (unique), Port au Persil, Proton (unique), Russelltown, South Ely, St Arsène, St Célestin, Ste Claire, St Dominique, St Edouard, St Francis/François (Yamaska), St Grégoire, St Henri, St Jean Chrysostome, St Joseph (Beauce), Ste Marie (Rouville), Telfer (unique), Témiscouata, Wallacetown (unique), Williams (unique), and Woodburne (unique).

Ms 1860–30 JUNE 1867: Agincourt (unique), Allandale Mills (unique), Barnett (unique), Belgrave (unique), Brechin (unique), Carden (unique), Charing Cross (CW; unique), Deerhurst (unique), Egypte, Glencairn (unique), Hills Green, North Ridge (unique), Oxford

Station (unique), Rochelle, St François Nord-Est, Ste Foy, and Winchelsea.

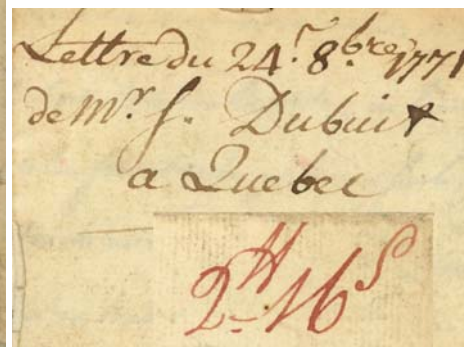
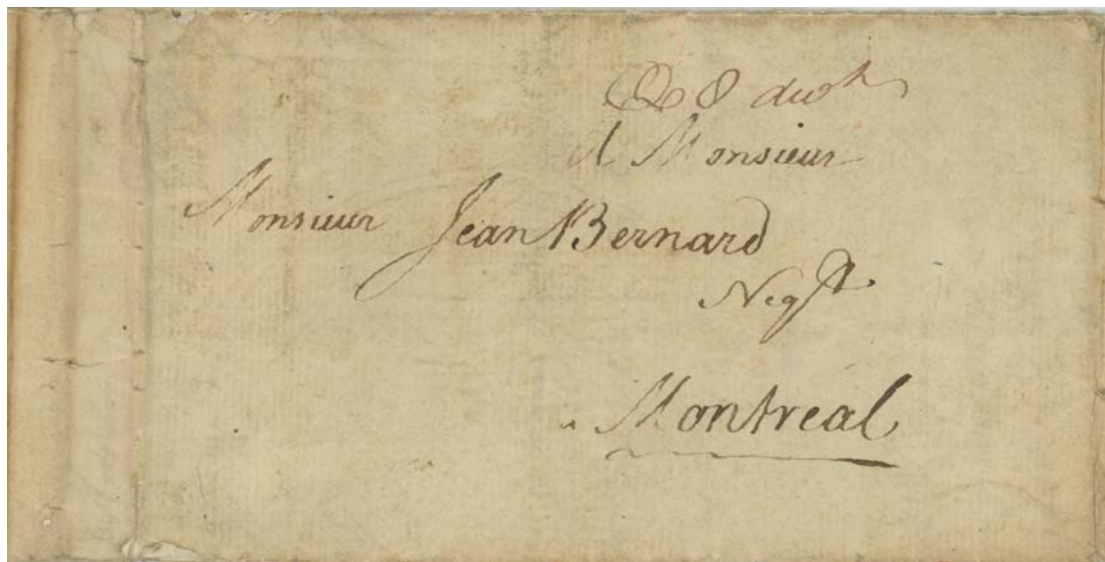
Ms 1 JULY 1867–1879: Buckshot (unique), Bumfrau (NB), Colpoy's Bay (unique), Connaught (unique), Cooper's Falls, Dawson (Ont), Dundalk Station, East Hereford, Eastman's Springs (unique), Halfway River (NS), Hampstead (unique), Keady (unique), L'Amable (unique), Maplewood (unique), Meteghan River (NS; probably unique), North Coaticook, Port Franks (unique), Ronson, Sebright (unique), Springvale (unique), Trent Bridge (unique), Ventry (relatively common), and Zealand.

Ms 1880–1899: Apohaqui? (NS), Beulah (NB), Courtice, Crieff, Dymont (unique), Glen Almond, Goldenburg (unique), Iron Bound Cove (NB), Lismore (NS; unique), Nelsonville, Norton Station (NB), Notre Dame de Lourde (Man), Oak Lake (Man), Perivale (unique), Red Bank (NB), St Herménégilde, St Luce Station (NB; but no such post office is known), St Valérien, Stone Ridge (NB), and Wabigoon.

Ms 1900 on: Belle Isle (NS), Butterson (Sask), Coral (unique), Cosby (unique), Engelfield (Sask), Gasfield, Graham (unique), Pottageville (unique), Presqu'île Point (unique), River Valley, Roundwood (unique), Timmins, and White Glen (NB).

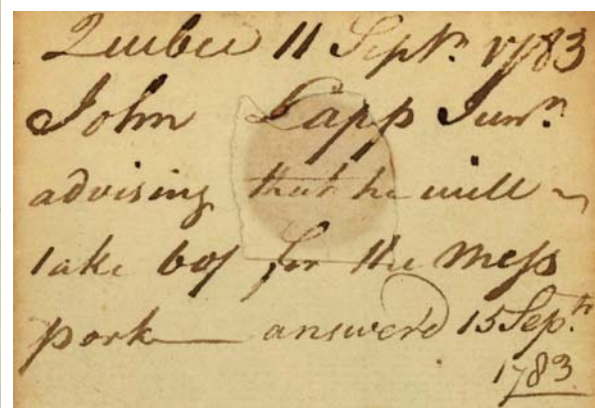
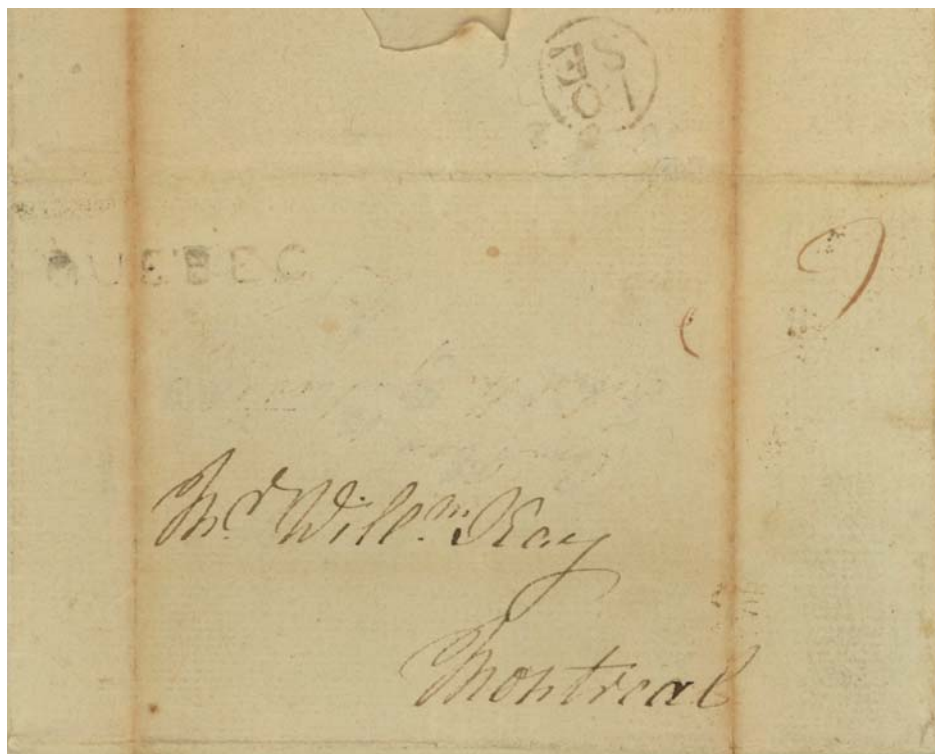
Québec Q ms and straightline

Québec had an earlier handstamp, circular with a triangle at base, known 1772–91 (see Montréal page).



Québec–Montréal, misrated (!?), 1771. Rated (on the front) Q 8 dwt which is probably supposed to mean 8 d stg (the rate between Québec and Montréal until 1851). On reverse, troy-rated 2^{dwt}. 16^g (2 pennyweight, 6 grains) equivalent to 8 d stg.

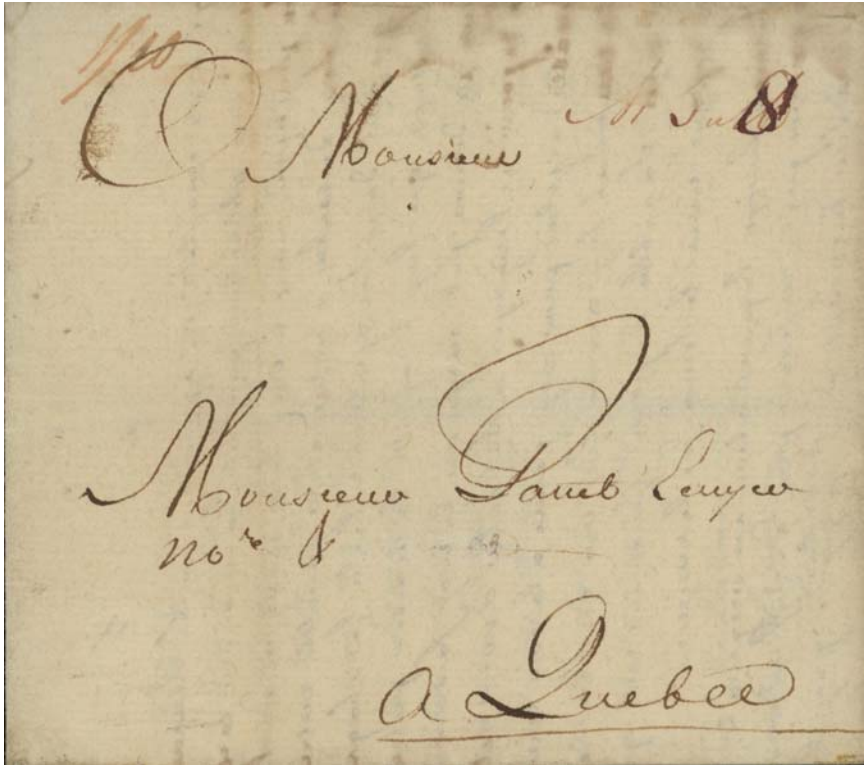
Ms Q for Québec. Only a few examples are known.



Québec–Montréal, 1783. Rated collect 9 d cy, the oldest rate (Québec–Montréal) in Canada.

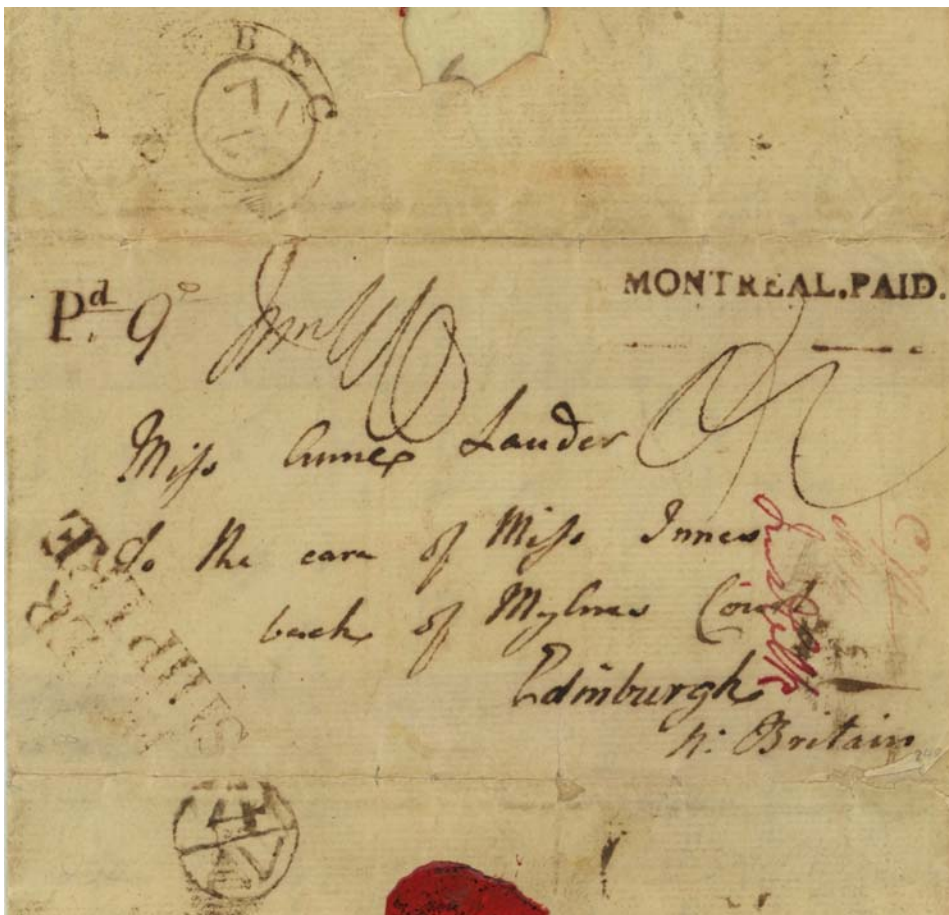
QUEBEC straightline, known 1780–92. Québec Bishop mark, known 1777–99.

Montréal **M** ms and third hammer



Montréal–Québec, troy and currency rating, 1774. Rated **5 dwt, 8** grains (double the usual 2.16 M–Q) equivalent to **1/10** cy (upper left); after 1775, 8 d stg converted to 9 d cy (rather than 11 as here).

Ms **M** indicating Montréal.



Longueil (Montréal)–Edinburgh, 1777.

Pd. 9^d cy, Montréal to Québec. Incoming ship letter, 1 d (1711–84), inland according to the route Dover to London (3 d), London–Edinburgh (6d), makes 10 d stg due. The squiggly marking upper left may be (*stuff*) *N10*. The marking at right was erroneous, and struck through.

MONTREAL PAID. Four strikes known, all in 1777, only one used abroad.

QUEBEC triangle enclosing Bishop mark (7 IV for 7 June); known 1772–91.

4 AV London Bishop mark, 4 August (1777)

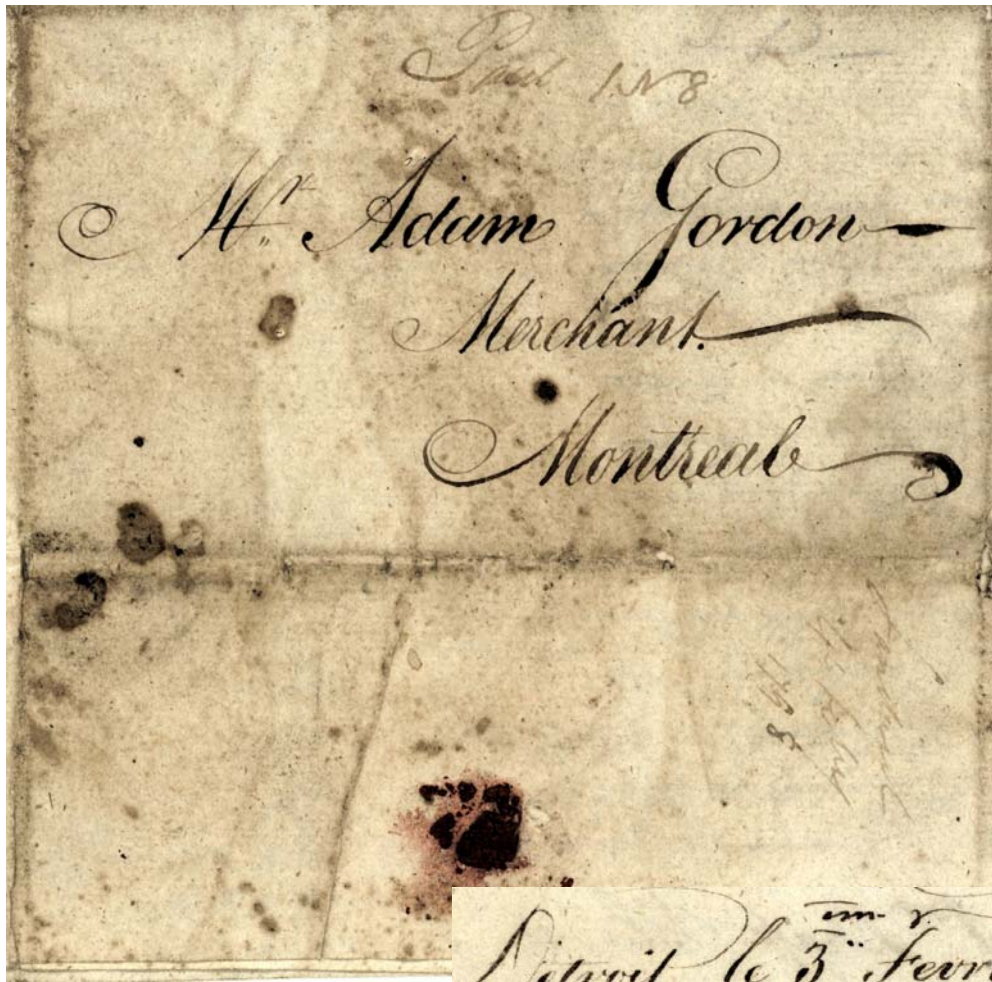
Two-line **DOVER SHIP LRE**, Robertson S3 (1771–98).

Longueil June 1st 1777

Earlier Montréal straightlines: **M.2:16** and the mark here without **PAID** (both known 1774 only).

Sandwich UC manuscripts, earliest and latest

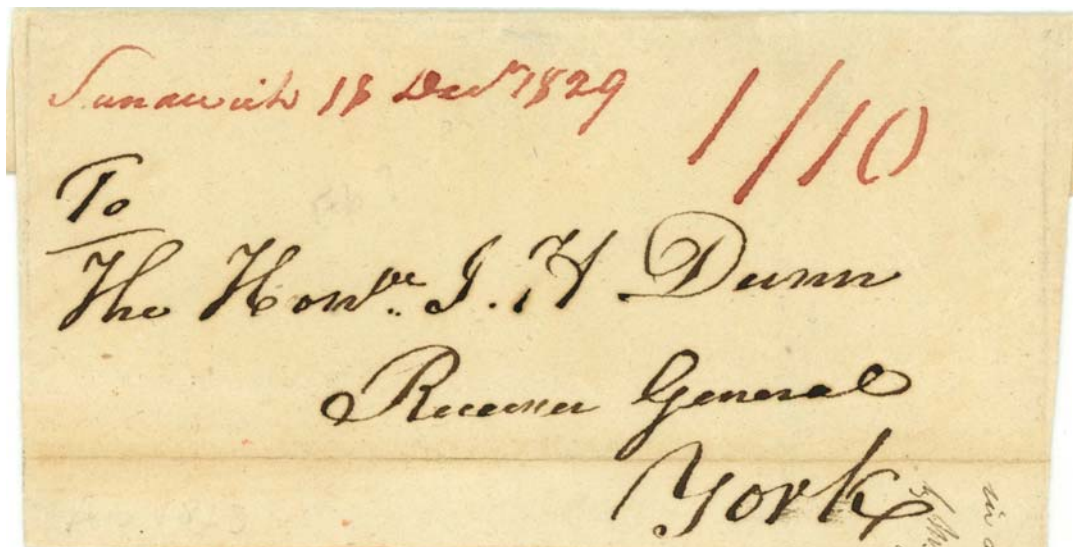
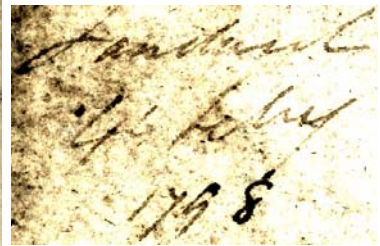
Essex Co, U.C. Post office opened 1789. First two hammers straightlines (1802–09 and 1816).



Detroit to Montréal, through Sandwich (later, part of Windsor), 1798. Rated *Paid 1/8* cy, 501–600 miles. Probably carried across the border privately (no U.S. marks). Detroit had reverted to U.S. control in 1793, despite some terms of the Jay Treaty not having been fulfilled by the U.S.

The sender, Joseph Campeau (born 1777), was a fur trader and slave owner living in Detroit. The letter, written in French, contains a request for a boat and trade goods.

Faint ms *Sandwich 4 February 1798* (on reverse of cover, that is, at lower right of image), earliest reported.

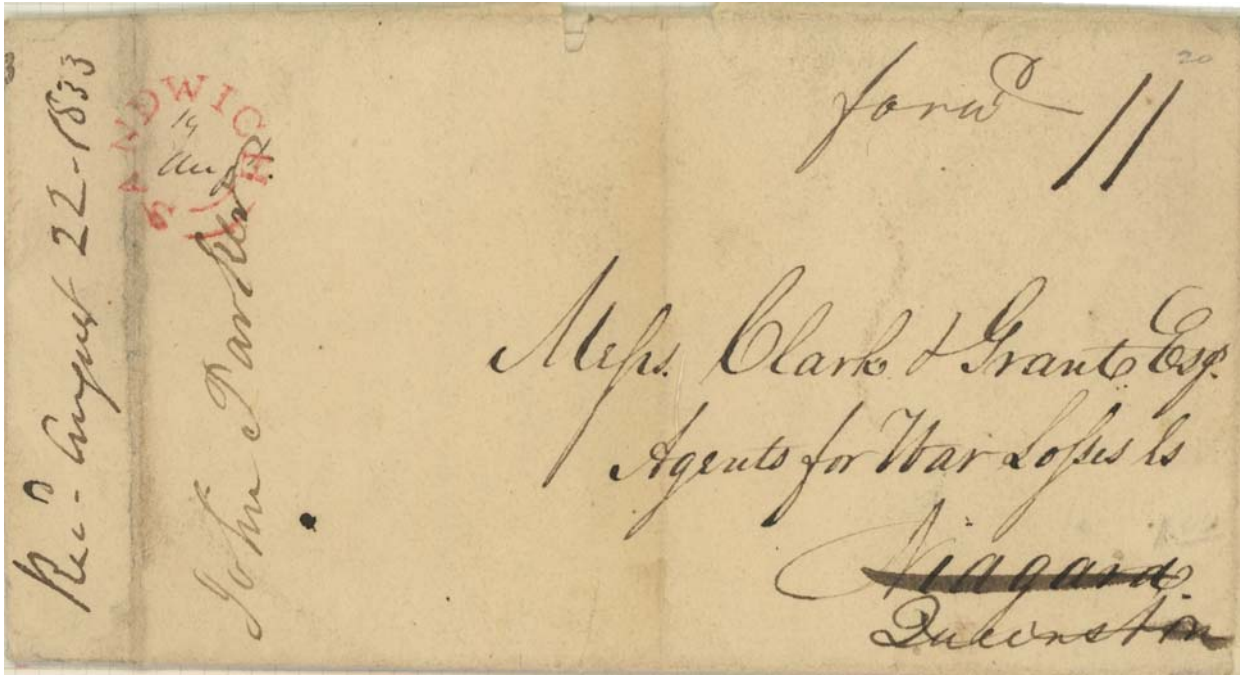


Sandwich–York, 1829. Rated double 11 d currency collect, 201–300 miles.

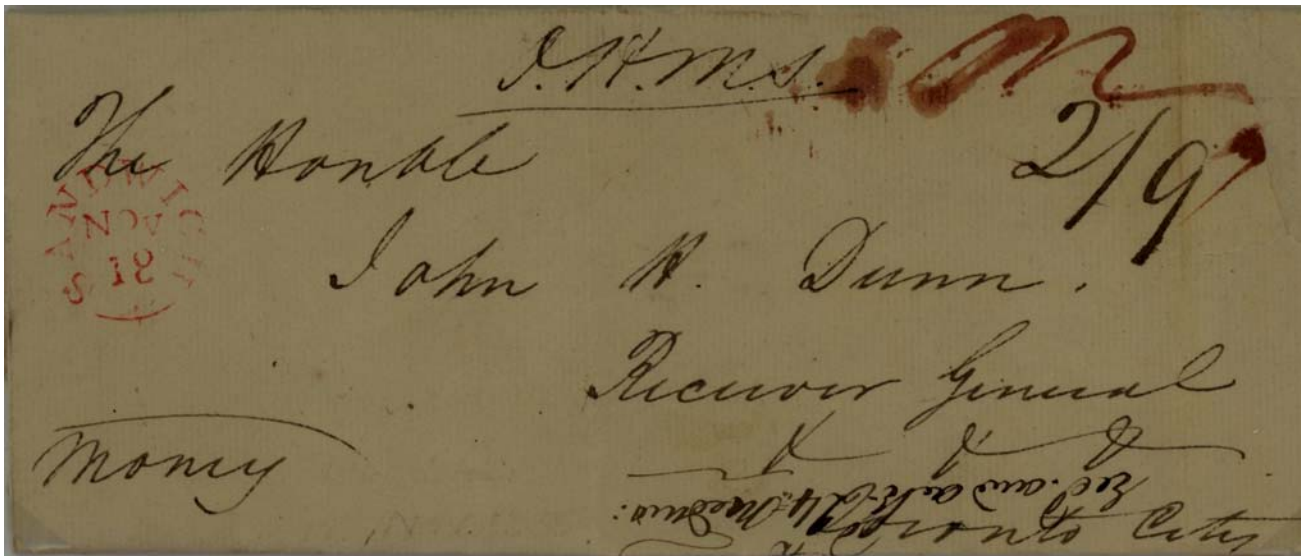
Manuscripts known 1798–1829 (this is the latest), with straightlines in use intermittently.

Sandwich, third hammer

SANDWICH 1829-type, known 1830–41, typeset-dated 1835 & 1837.



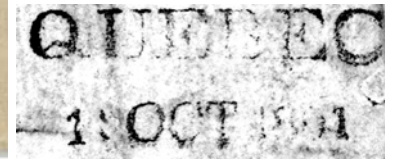
Sandwich—Niagara, forwarded to Queenston, 1833. Rated 201–300 miles (Queenston was within 300 miles of Sandwich, so there was no additional charge).



Sandwich—Toronto, triple, money letter, 1835. Large Toronto *M* at upper right.

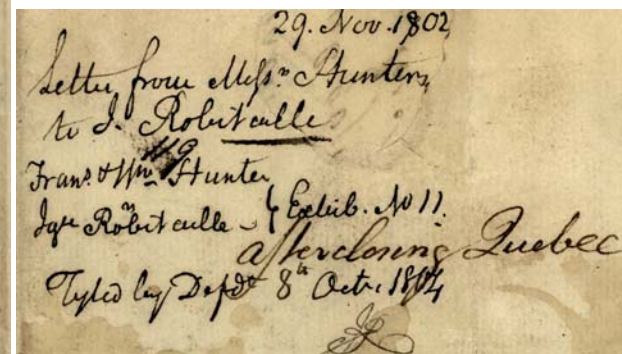
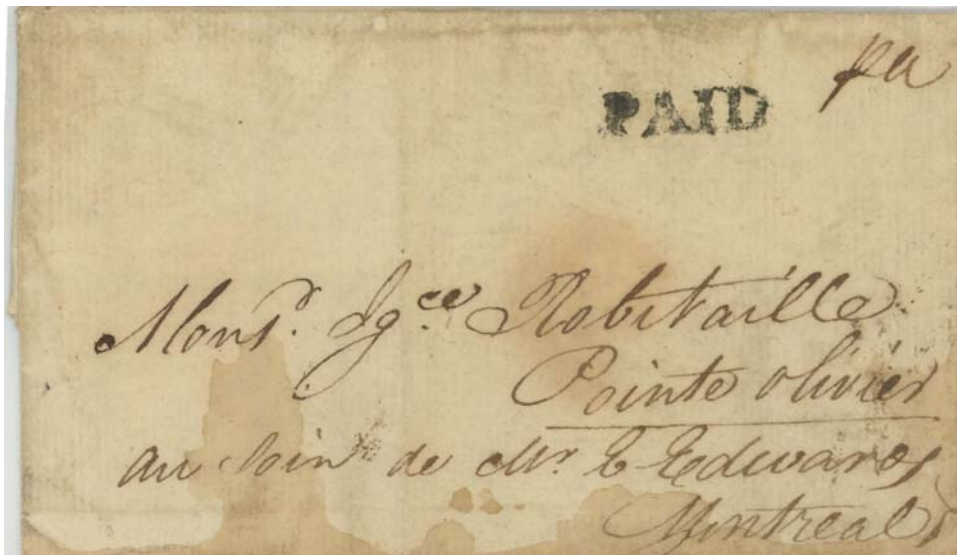
Rated 2/9 cy, triple collect 201–300 miles. Ms OHMS in this period means that was to be put in the mail, that is, was not carried privately, nor that it was exempt from postage.

Québec straightline and late Québec ms



Québec–Montréal, unovigintuple, 1801. Rated collect *5 1/4 oz* *15/7 cy*. Single rate is 8 d stg, and $21 \times 8 \text{ d} = 168 \text{ d stg}$; this converted to $187 \text{ d cy} = 15/7 \text{ cy}$. In these early days, conversion occurred after multiplication. (Later, it would have been $21 \times 9 \text{ d cy} = 15/9$).

Straightline Q U É B E C, with several dating variations, known 1799–1809.

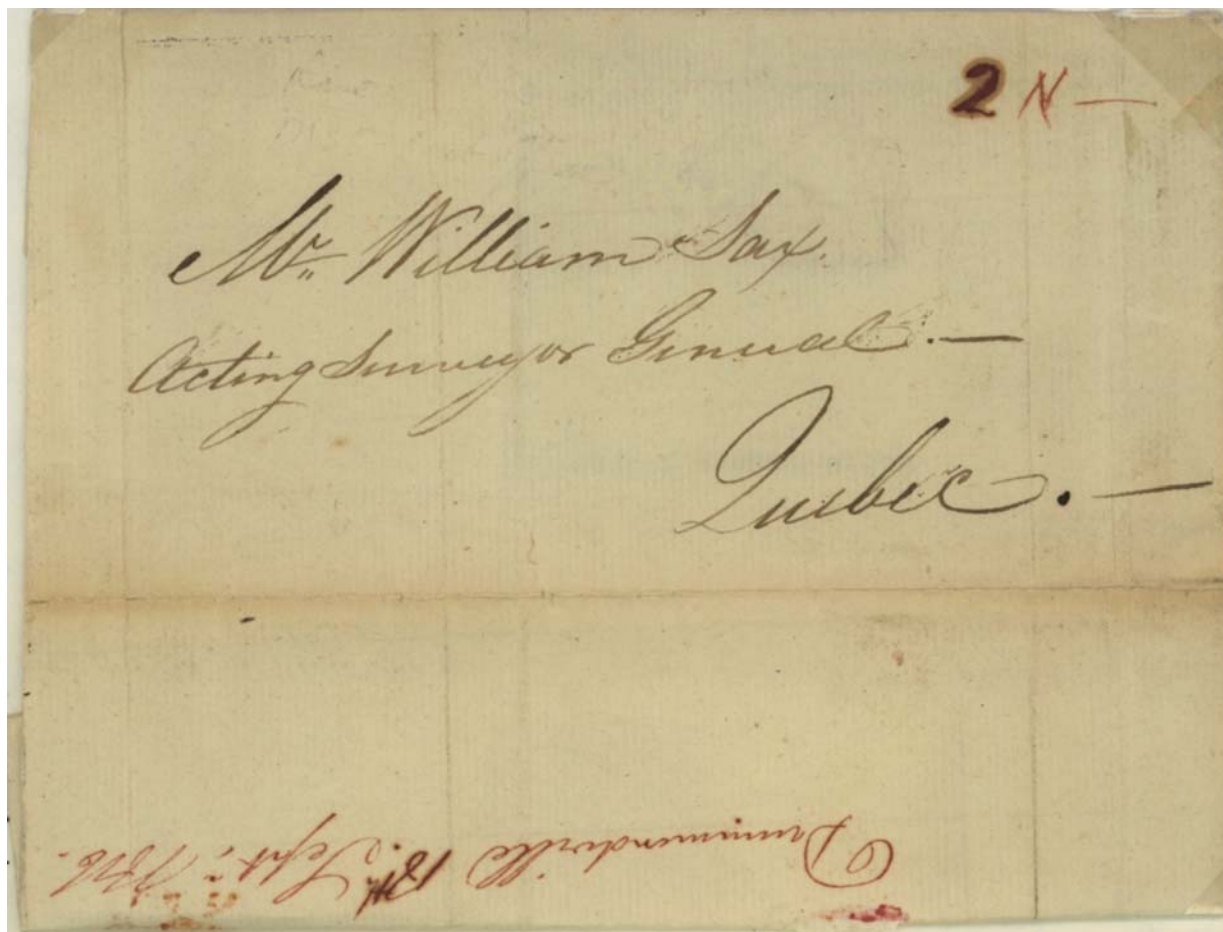


Québec–Montréal, 1802. Rated **PAID** followed by a squiggle, which should be 9. Marked on reverse, *after closing Québec*

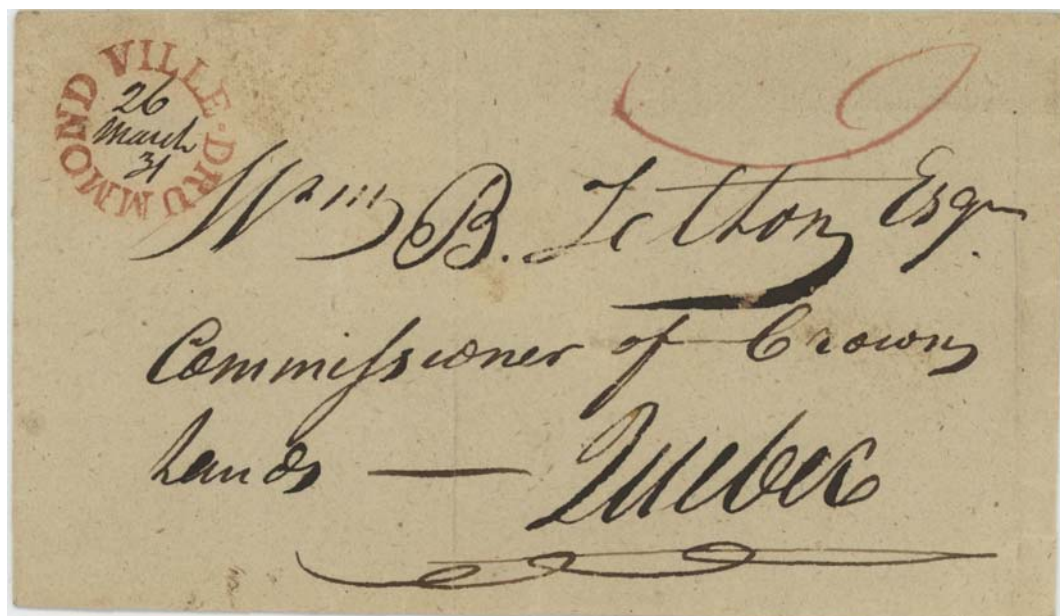
After closing is the equivalent of *too late* (for the day's or week's mailing). Instead of using the Québec straightline, the postmaster just wrote Québec, since he had to write *after closing* anyway.

Drummondville LC ms and second hammer

Drummondville (Drummond Co, LC), post office opened 1816. Drummondville also used a (rare) straightline, 1819–29. Not to be confused with Drummondville, UC (Welland Co, 1830 to some time before 1883)



Drummondville—Québec, 18 September 1816. Rated 2/- d cy; during the period ca 1810–21, some postamsters overcharged, pocketing the difference (later claimed to be a perquisite of office!). The distance in road mileage likely being 200–300 miles, the rate was double 11 d or 11½ d, with an excess charge of 2 d or 1 d.



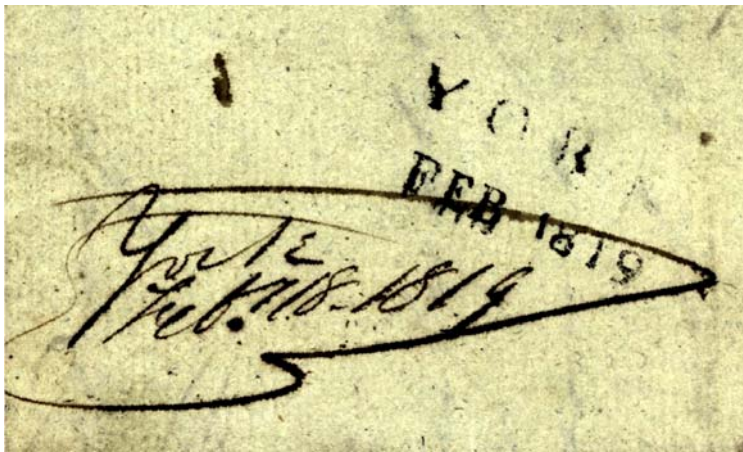
Drummondville—Québec, 1831. Rated 9 cy; now evidently the road mileage was 101–200 miles. 1829-type, known 1829–49. That's a good strike.

York ms and first hammer

York U C (York County), post office opened 1798; became Toronto 1834. Ms known 1798–1800. Straightline known 1803–23.

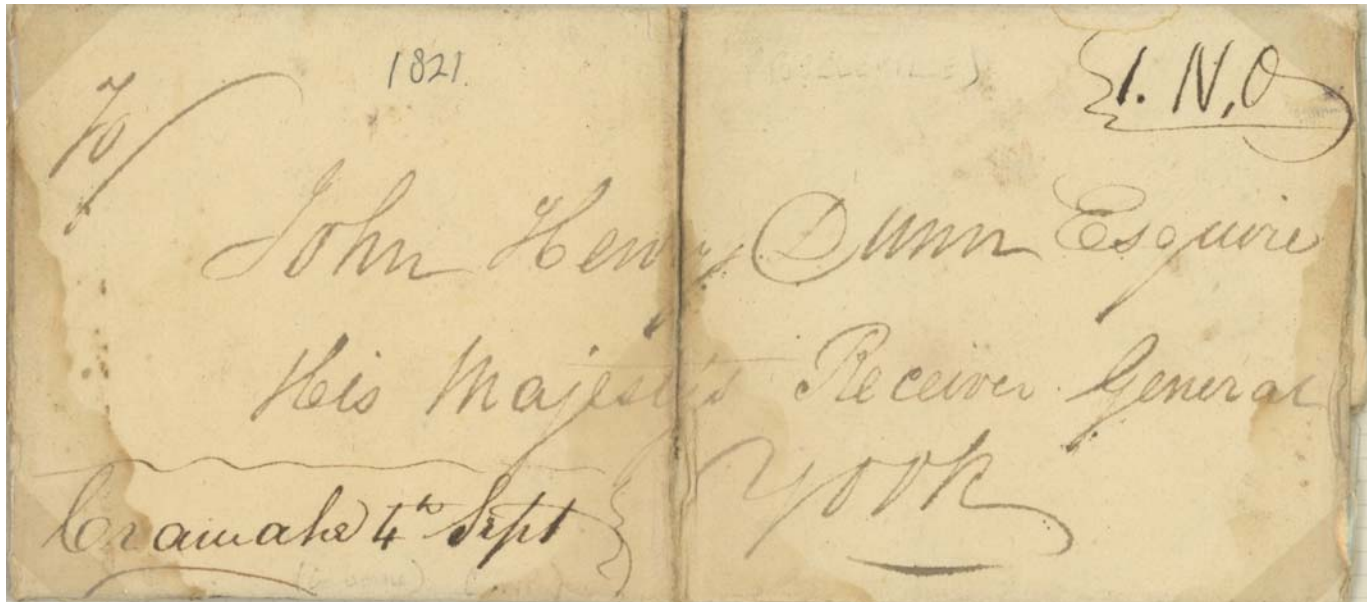


York–Sandwich, 1819. Straightline Y O R K and ms York (presumably at different times; the manuscript appears to be in the same handwriting and ink as *Free*). Rated *free*.



Cramahe UC ms; only postmark known

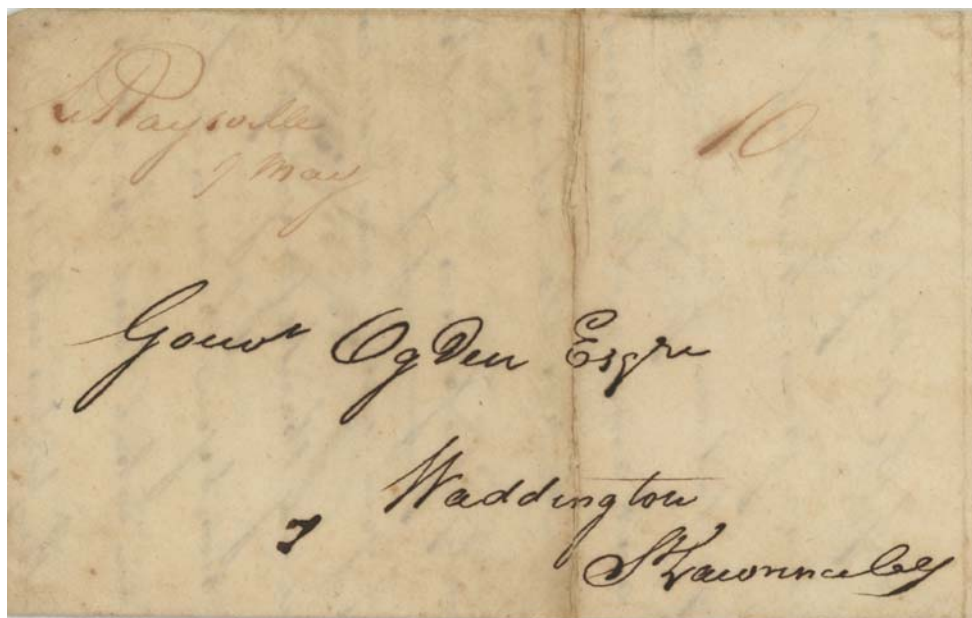
Northumberland Co, uc. Post office open 1820–29, when it became Colborne. There are no handstamps, and this is the only ms, thus the **only** postmark known from this office.



Cramahe U C—York, 4 September 1821. Rated collect 1/0 cy, 1 d deliberate overcharge (1810–21), 201–300 miles.

Ms Le Raysville, deliberate overcharge, lcenv00

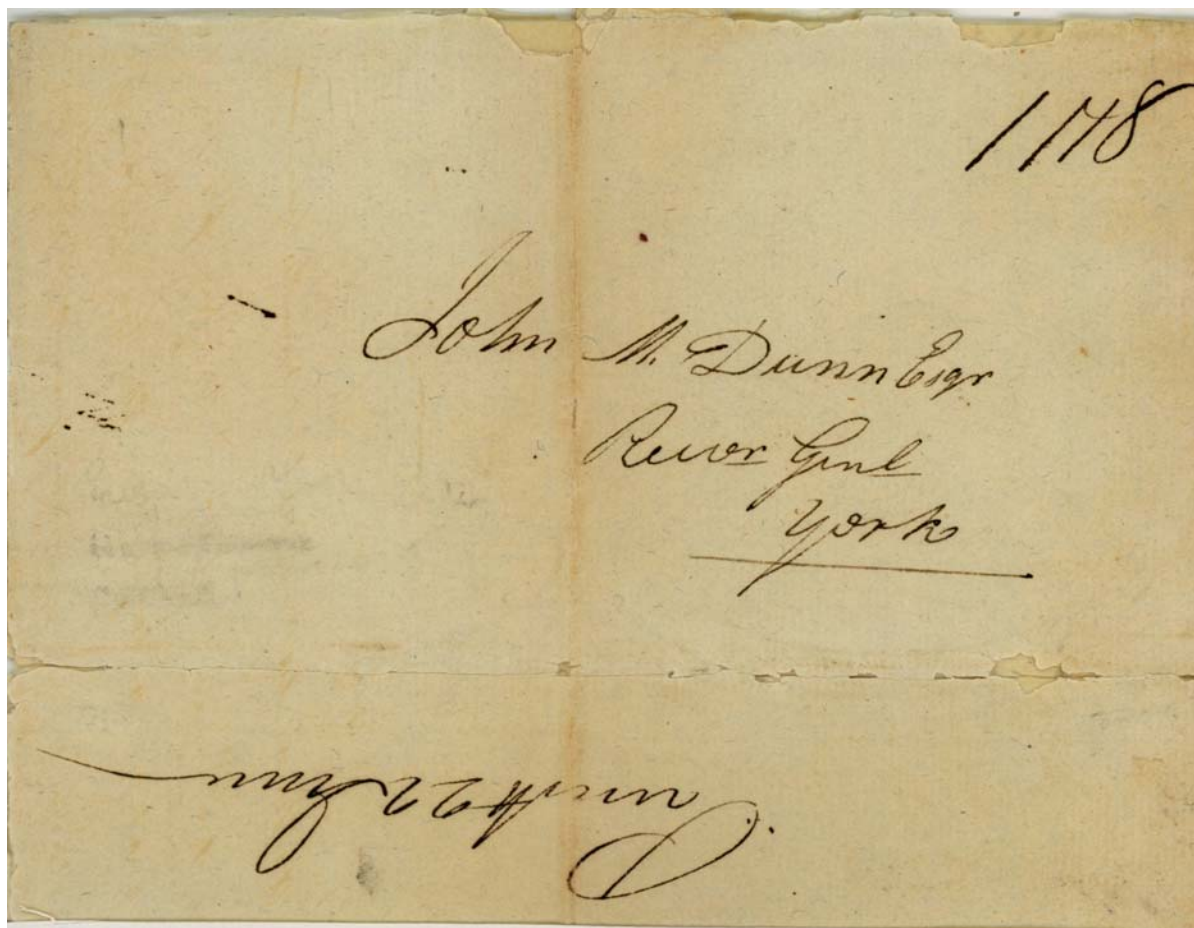
Hmm, this is probably US.



Le Raysville—Waddington, U S, 1821?. Rated red (prepaid) 10 d cy to the cross-border exchange; overcharged 1 d (typical during 1810–21—postmaster pocketed the difference).

Prescott UC ms

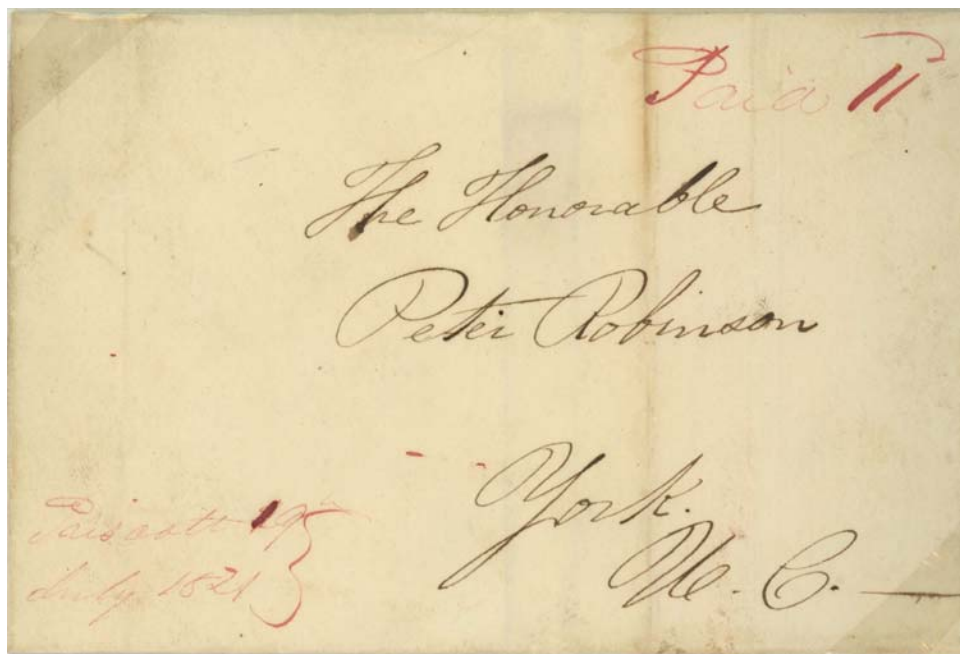
Post office (Grenville Co), opened 1800. Ms are known 1821–40, and are relatively common (with respect to other manuscript town postmarks). A straightline is known 1819, and the double circle with inverted U C is known in 1829.



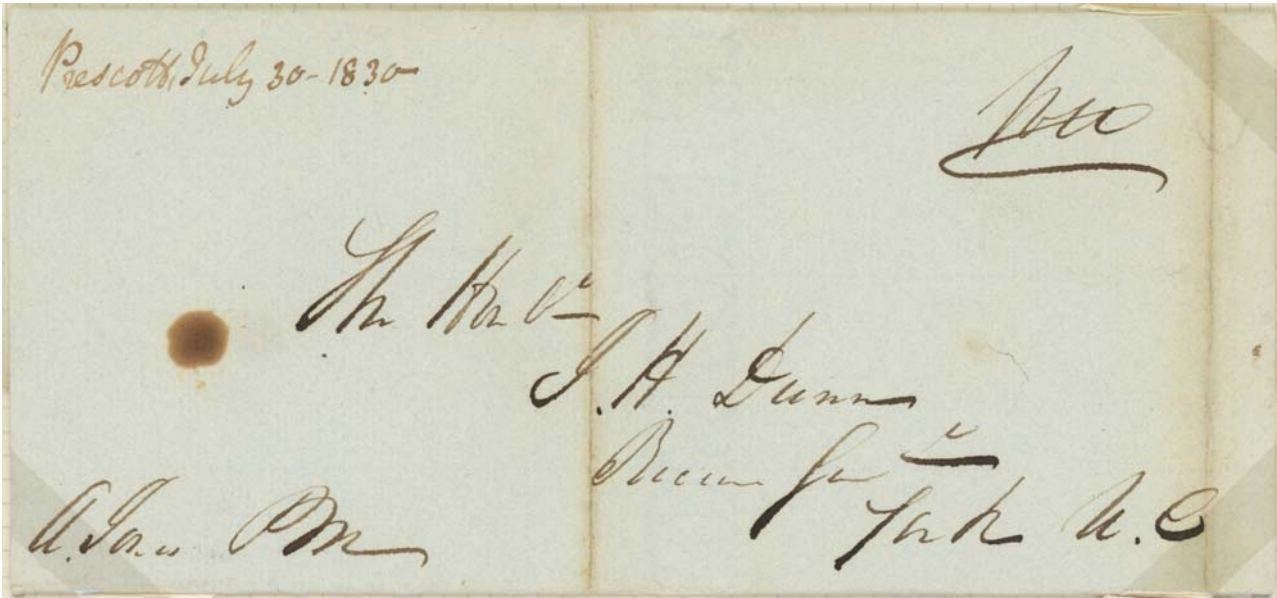
W. J. Raymond enclosing a
Draft of Mr. Billing
for £25 Currency.
Recd. 27th June 1821.
Docketing

Pre-money letter, Prescott–York, 22 June 1821. Letter contained £25 cy. Rated $1/8$ cy collect (not prepaid), double 201–300 mile rate—but misrated: should have been double 11 d cy, that is, $1/10$ cy.

Earliest reported manuscript datestamp Prescott.



Prescott–York, 19 July 1821. Rated *Paid 11^d* cy, 201–300 miles.



Prescott—York, 30 July 1830. Free.

More Prescott, ms and second hammer

Prescott (Grenville Co, UC), post office opened 1800. Straightline (rare) known 1819; crude double circle (with inverted UC) known 1829.



Prescott–Niagara Falls, 9 December 1836. Rated collect ^o4½ cy, under 60 miles.

Ms known 1821–40.



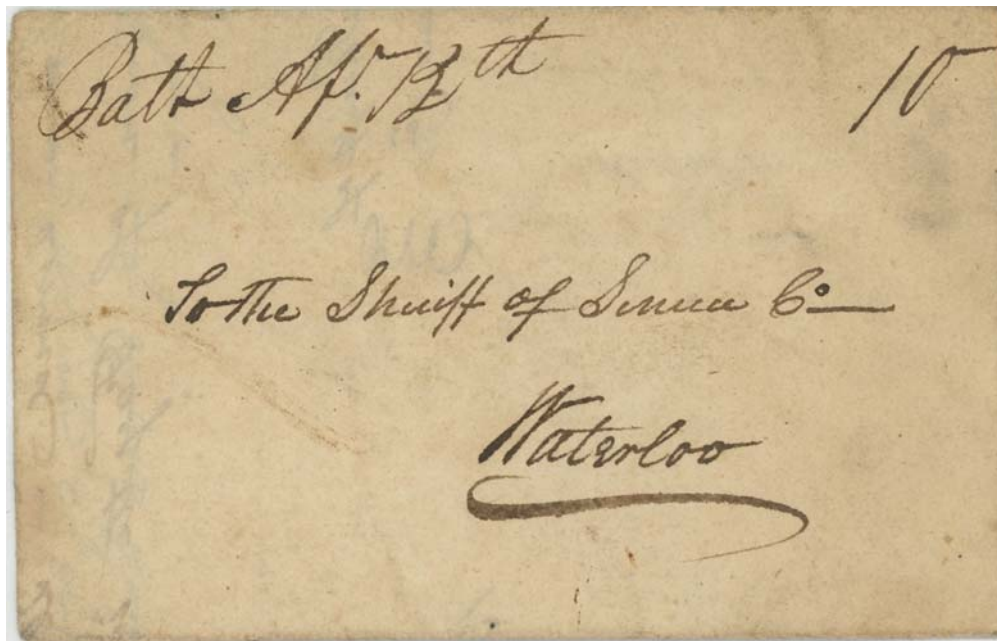
Prescott–Augusta, 1840. Rated collect *Free*.

Double circle, known 1837–42, seldom typeset-dated as here. .

A circular, balance sheet an report on the steamboat *William IV*; the postmaster was also agent for the corporation operating it.

Bath UC ms & second hammer

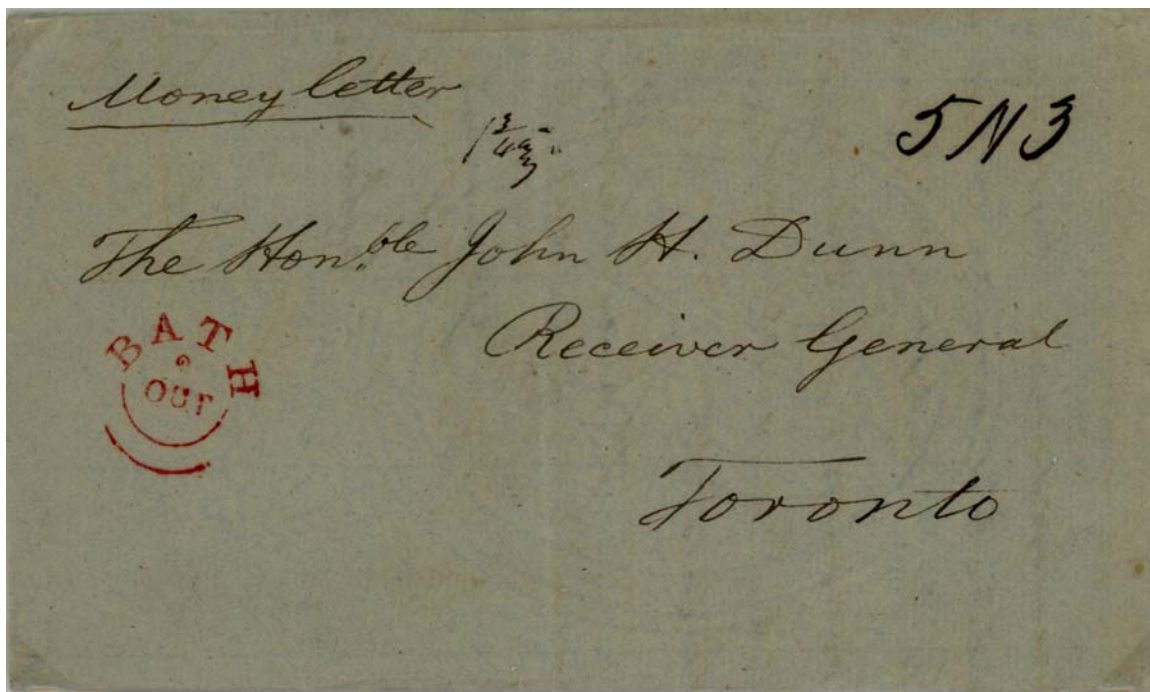
Lennox Co, U C. Post office opened 1819. First hammer a straightline known 1819–22; second hammer (1829-type) known 1829–47.



Bath 12. Apr. 1821

Bath (U C)–Waterloo (U C), 12 April (1821). Rated collect 10 d cy, made up of 9 d cy for 61–100 miles, plus the illegal extra penny (pocketed by postmasters) frequently occurring 1810–21.

Only reported ms.

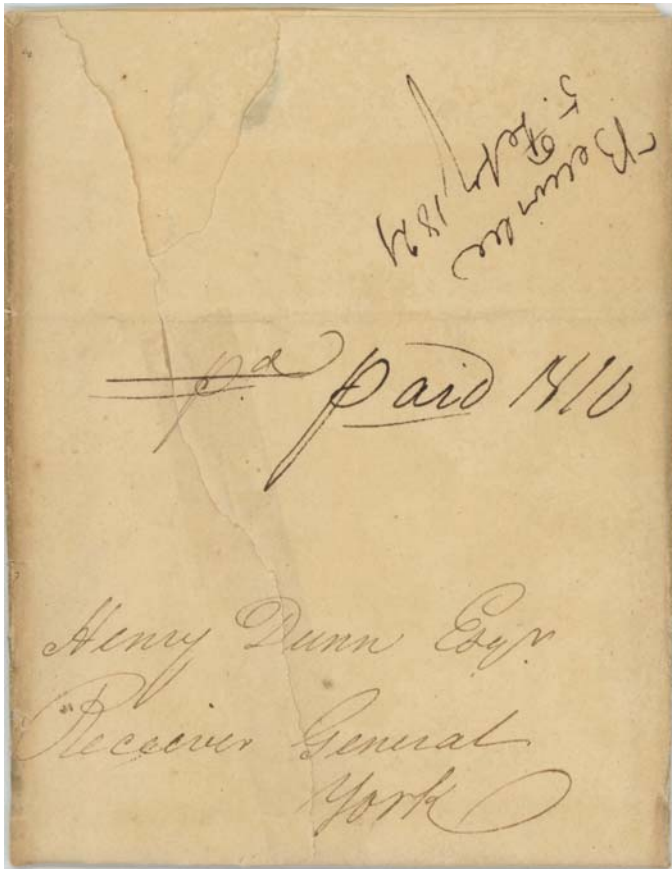


Bath–Toronto, septuple, money letter, 1834. Rated $5/3$ cy, 7×9 d, collect for 101–200 miles. Rates above an ounce were per quarter ounce, here $1\frac{3}{4}$ oz.

1829-type BATH is known typeset-dated 1834–36.

Belleville UC ms

On reverse. Hastings Co, U.C. Post office opened 1817. First hammer, 1829-type, known 1829–39.

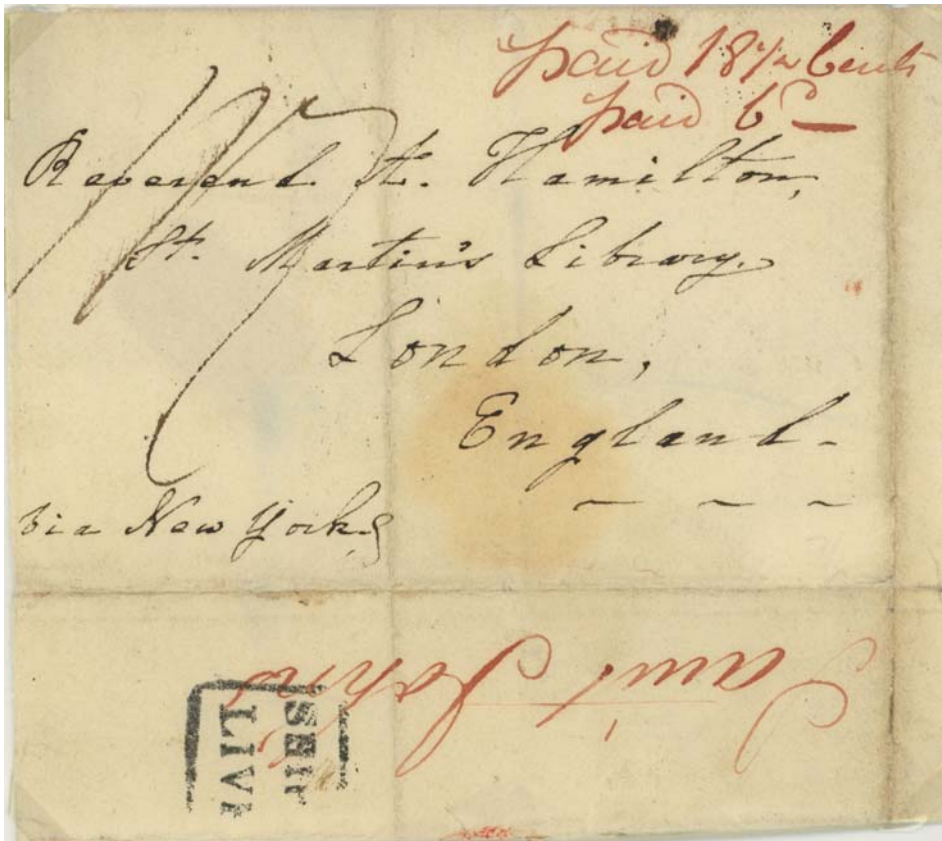


Belleville (U C)–York, 5 February 1821. Rated collect N10 d cy, made up of 9 d cy for 61–100 miles, plus the illegal extra penny (pocketed by postmasters), frequently occurring, 1810–21.

Only reported ms.

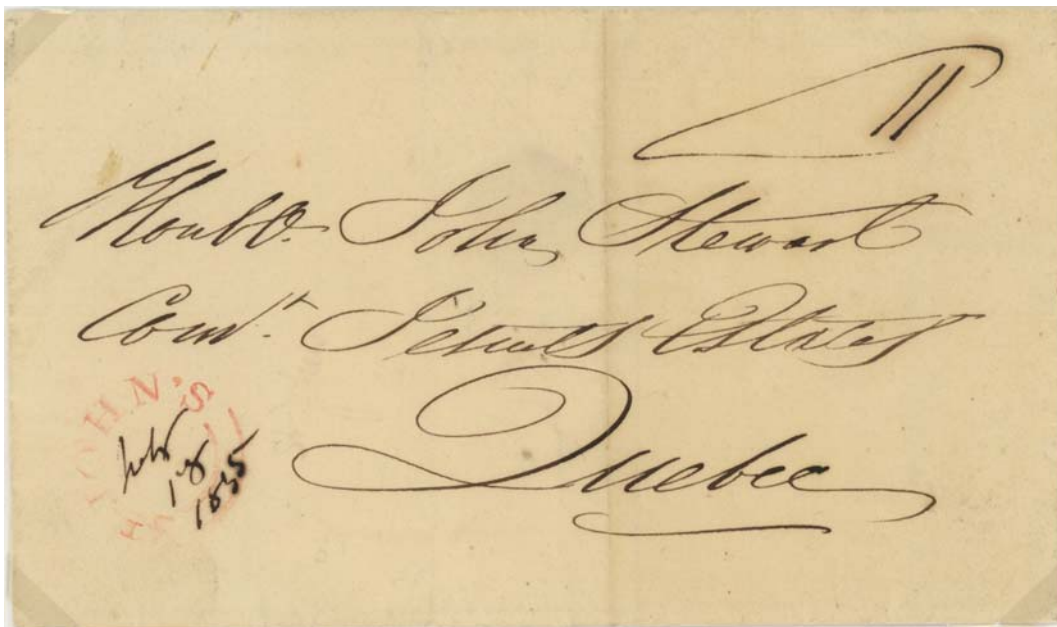
St Johns LC ms and second hammer

St Jean Co, L.C. Post office opened 1812. Not to be confused with a million other St John and St Jean in Québec, or Saint John NB, or St John's NF, or St Johns & St Johns West (Welland Co) U.C. A straightline is known 1819–21.



Saint Johns–London, (1 January 1828). Rated *paid 6^d*, special rate to the border exchange point; *paid 18½ Cents*, U.S. rate (under 400 miles) from the exchange point to New York; and charged in U.K. 1/7 stg, made up from 8 d incoming ship letter fee and 11 d internal rate Liverpool–London. The Liverpool ship letter handstamp is intact.

St Johns ms is known 1821–28, always in red, undated, and on reverse.

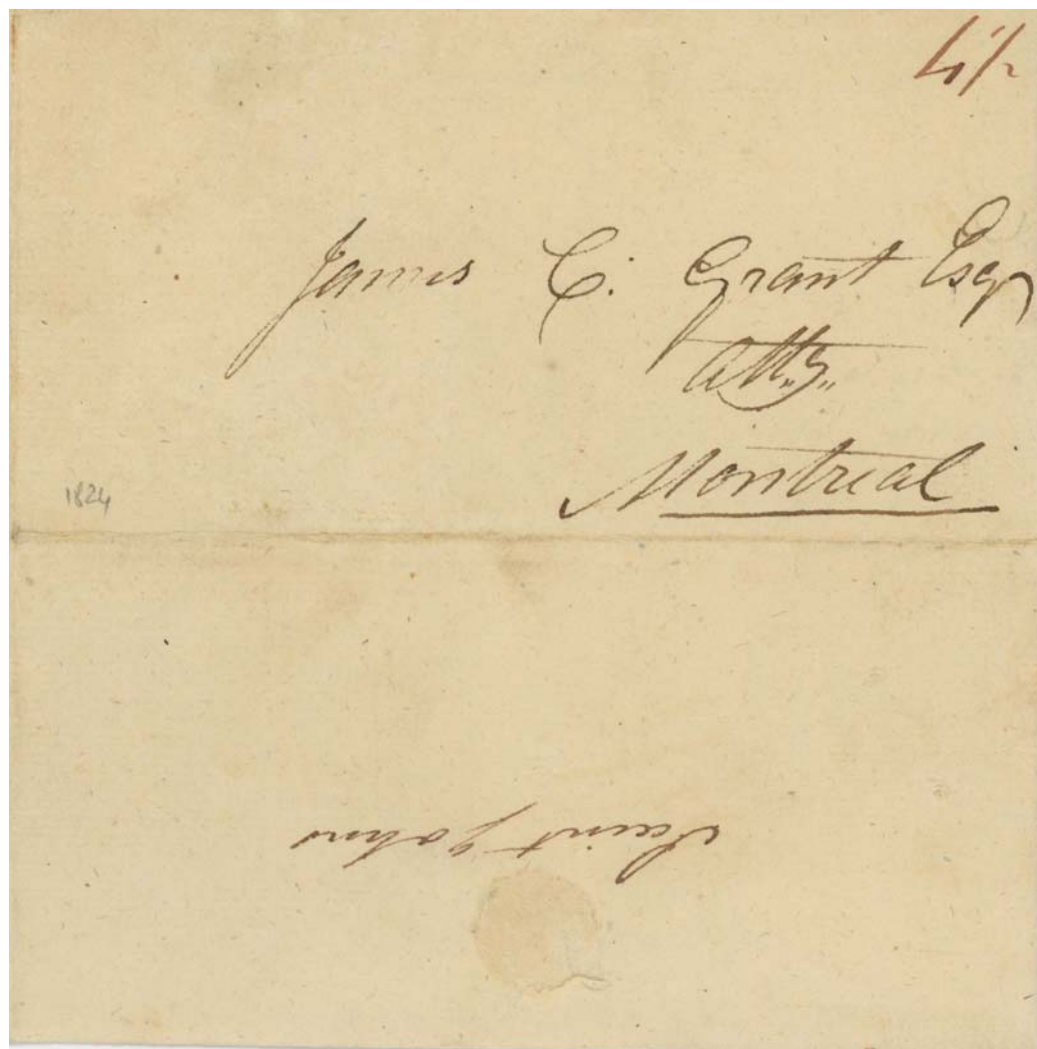


St John's–Québec, 1835. Rated collect 11 d, 201–300 miles.

ST JOHN'S 1829-type, reported 1830–38.

St Johns LC ms

Post office opened 1812 (St Jean Co). First hammer, straightline, 1819–21; second hammer, 1829-type, known 1829–39.

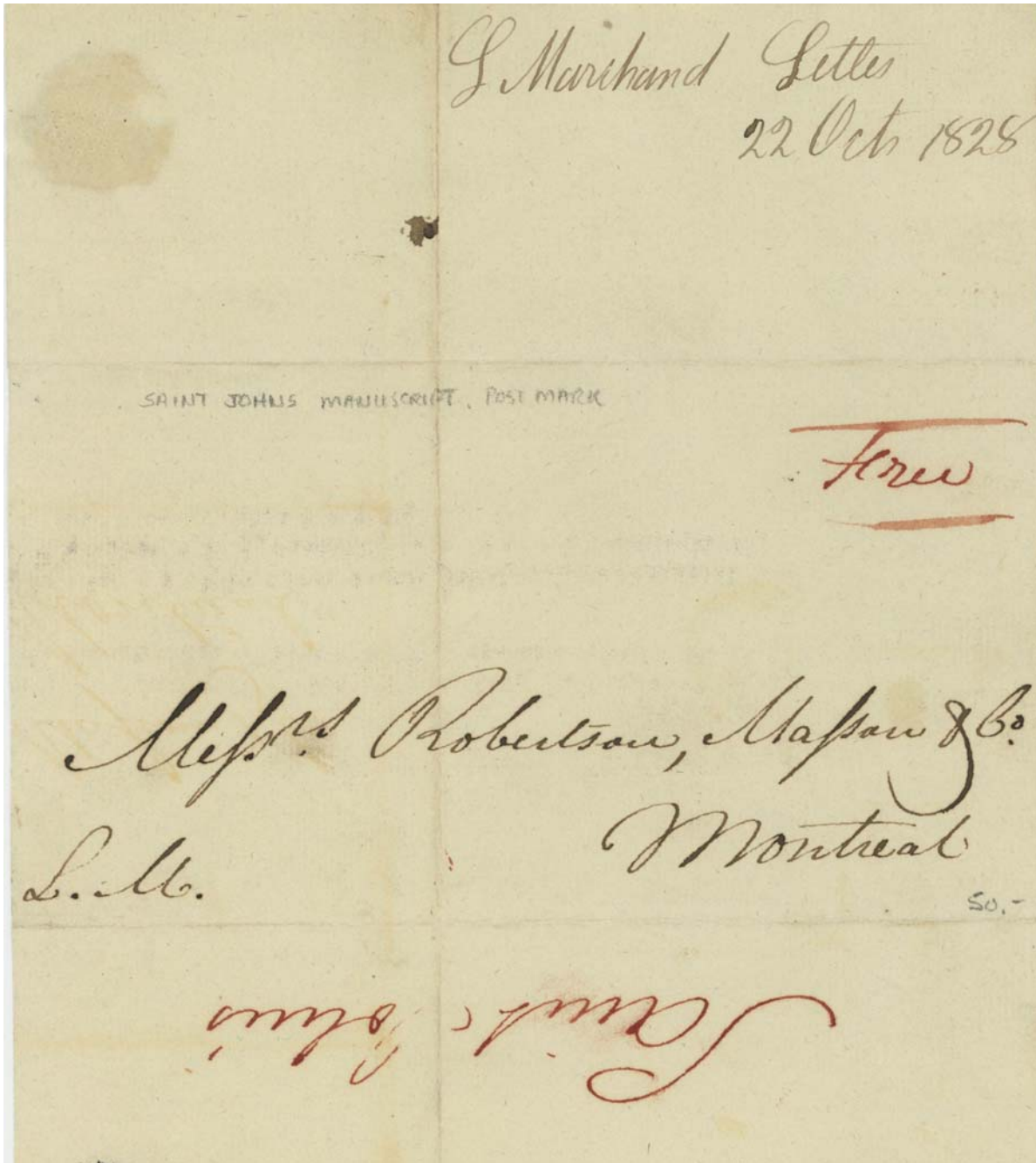


St Johns (St Jean Co, LC)–Montréal, 18 May 1824. Rated 4½ d cy, 61–101 miles, which is how we know which St Johns is referred to, in this case, also known as St John's East.

One of very few undated ms. The rate mark is in the same ink as the ms.

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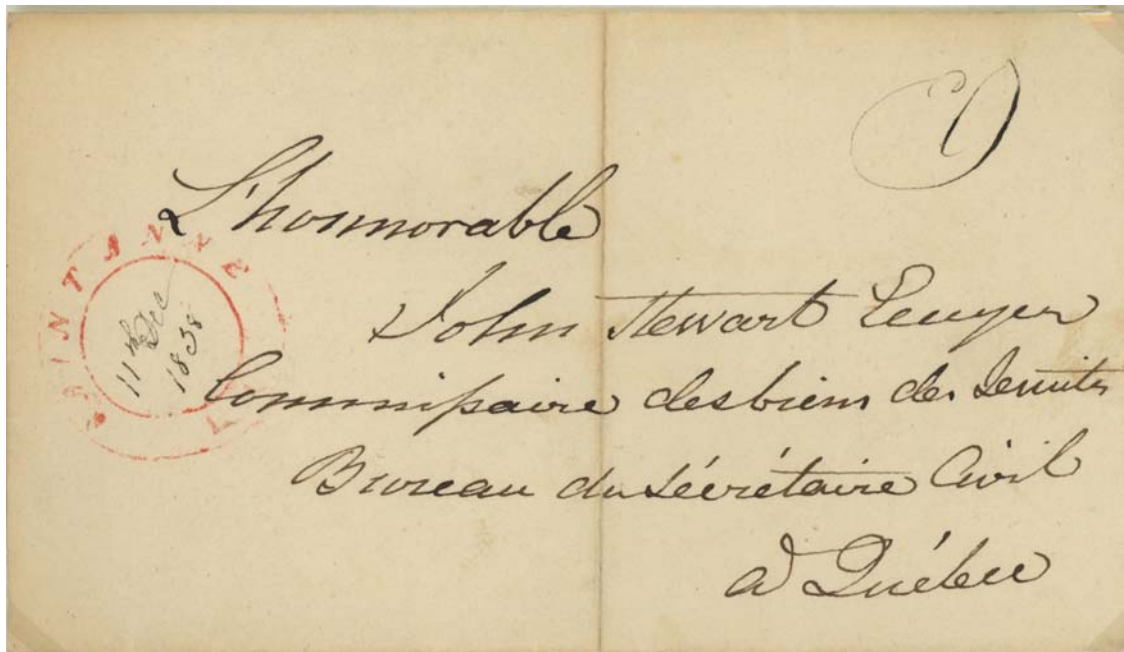
Saint Johns–Montréal, (22 October 1828). *Free*.

Ste Anne LC ms and first hammer

St Anne (de la Perade), Champlain County, LC. Post office opened 1820.



St Anne (de la Perade; Champlain Co, LC)–Québec, 27 February 1822. Despite the postmaster being French-speaking (*fv* for *février*), the office name was written in English (*St*, rather than *Ste*). Rated *12* d cy, possibly deliberate overcharge of the 201–300 mile rate.

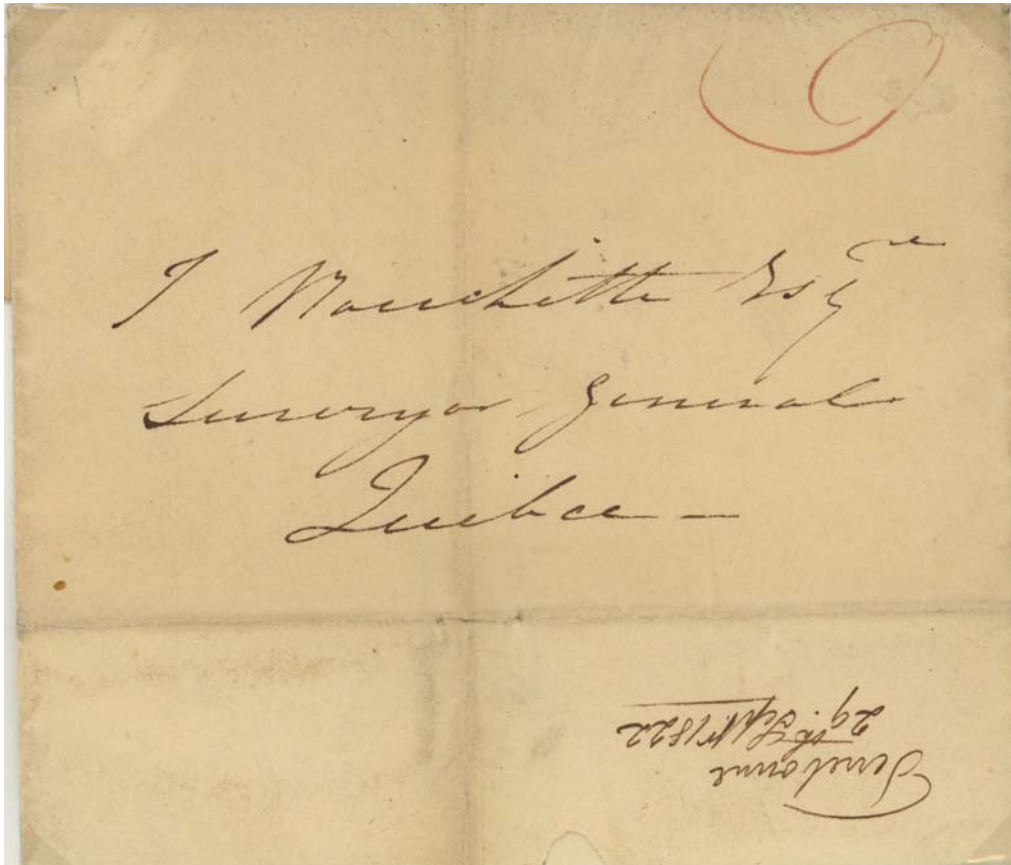


St Anne–Québec, 1838. Rated collect *9* d cy, 101–200 mile rate; possibly the road mileage decreased in the 16-year interval.

First hammer, double circle italic, written *SAINT ANNE*, known 1831–39.

Terrebonne LC ms and second hammer hammer

Terrebonne (Terrebonne Co, LC), post office opened 1820. Straightline (rare), known 1826.



Terrebonne—Québec, 29 October 1822. Rated 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.
Ms known 1822–28.



Terrebonne—Québec, forwarded to Kingston, 1841. Rated collect 9 d, 101–200 miles, Terrebonne to Québec; then **FORWARDED** to Kingston, and charged an additional 1/2, 301–400 miles.
1829-type reported 1830–56.

Chambly LC ms and 1829-type

Chambly LC (Chambly Co), opened 1816. First two hammers were straightlines, known from 1820.



August 5th 1825

Middletown (CT)–Stanstead (LC), via Chambly, 1825. **PAID** 18³/₄¢ (US rate to the border); then charged 9 d cy (101–200 miles) to destination. Evidently, the Stanstead exchange was not used (or there would have been no additional charge), but it was sent via Chambly.

via Chambly, hence a transit ms, which is very unusual.

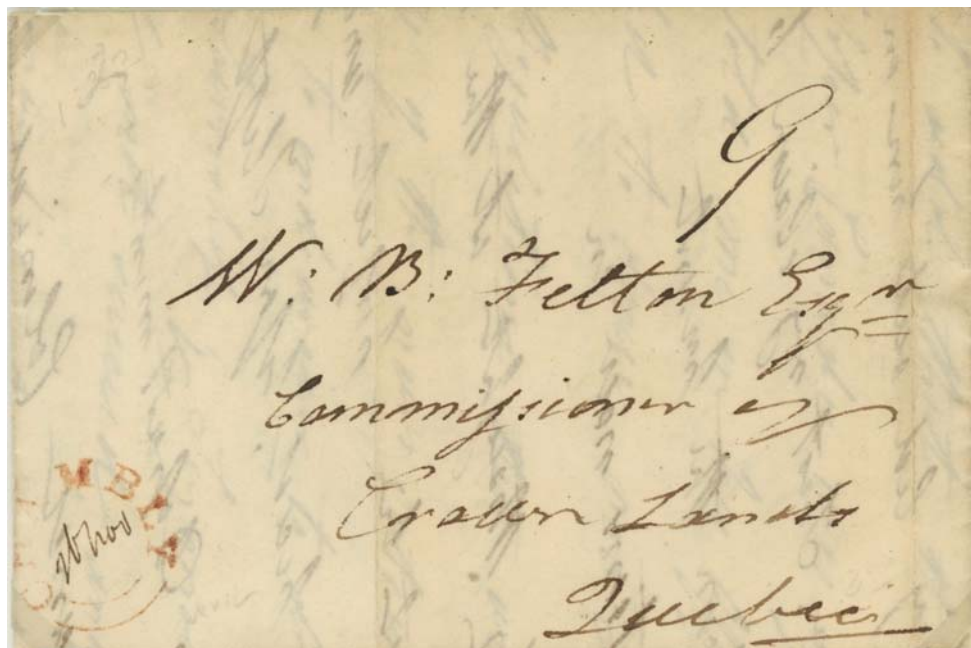


Double ms, St Ours (Richelieu Co, LC)–Stanstead, via Chambly, 10 May 1838. Ms **Chambly**, 12 May 1830, only reported example. Ms St Ours, only reported ms, post office opened 1827. With typical LC misuse of the word **Forwarded**.

Rated Paid 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.

Chambly 1829-type

Third hammer

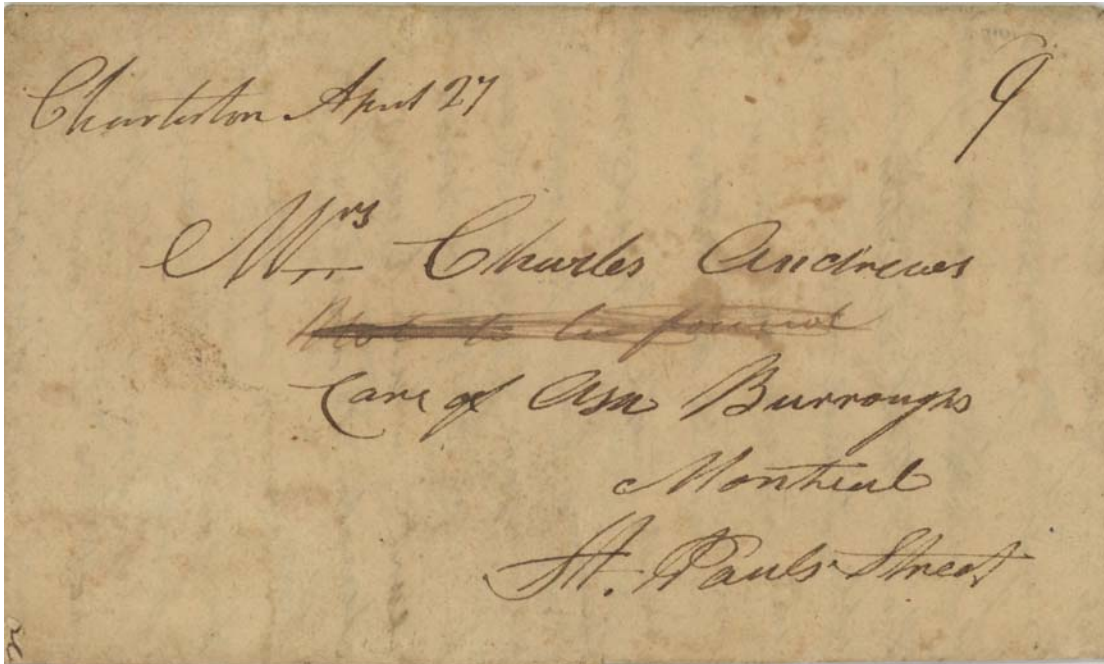


Chambly–Québec, 1833. Rated 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

CHAMBLY 1829-type, known 1829–42.

Charleston LC ms

Possibly an alternative name for Hatley. (There is also a Charleston in Maine; but there is no U S postage charged.) Stanstead Co, L.C. Post office opened 1817.

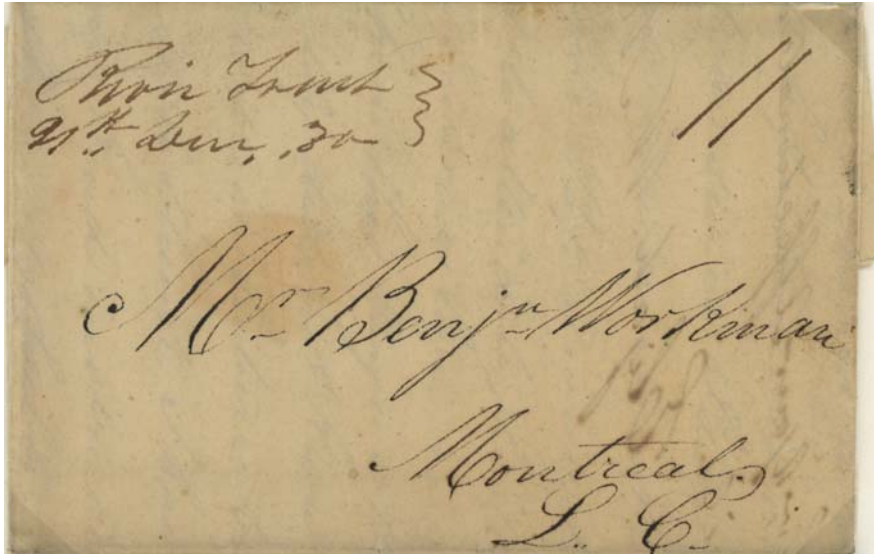


Hatley—Montréal, 27 April 1827. Rated collect 7 d cy, 101–200 miles. *Not to be found* struck through.

A handwritten note on a piece of paper, possibly a label or a separate sheet, with the text "Hatley April 26 1827" written in cursive. The paper is slightly crumpled and has some ink smudges.

River Trent UC ms

Hastings Co, U.C. Although the name was Port Trent (1829–42; changed to River Trent 1842; office closed 1853). Ms are known 1830–31. First handstamp was the 1829-type (River Trent).

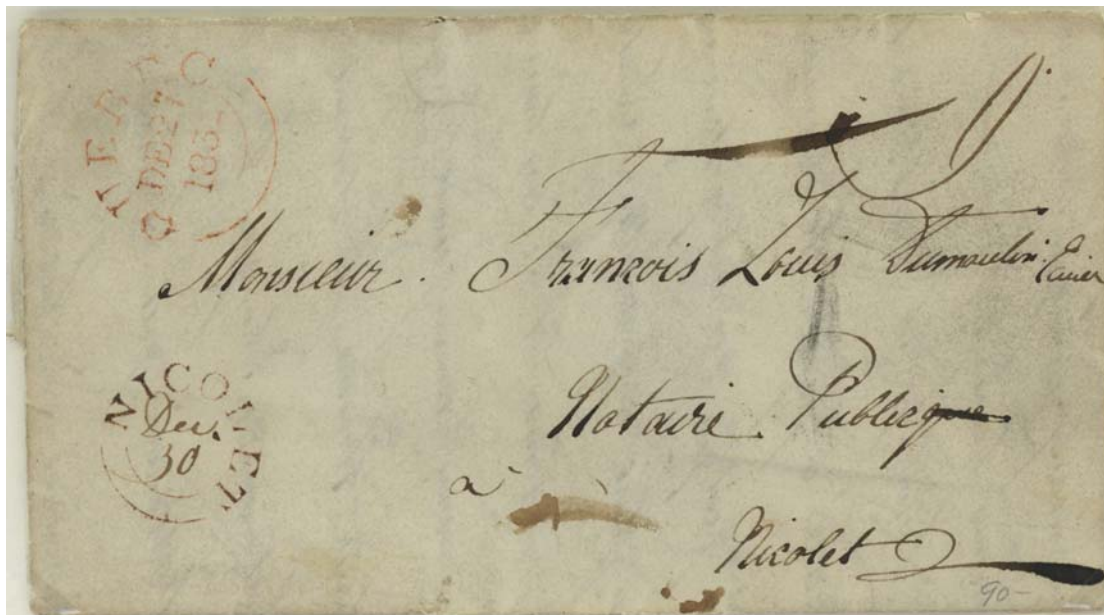


River Trent–Montréal, 21 June 1830. Rated collect 11 d cy, 201–300 miles.

Nicolet LC ms and first hammer
Opened 1826.



Nicolet–Québec, 16 November 1828. Rated 9 d cy, 101–200 miles. *Forward* plays no role whatever.



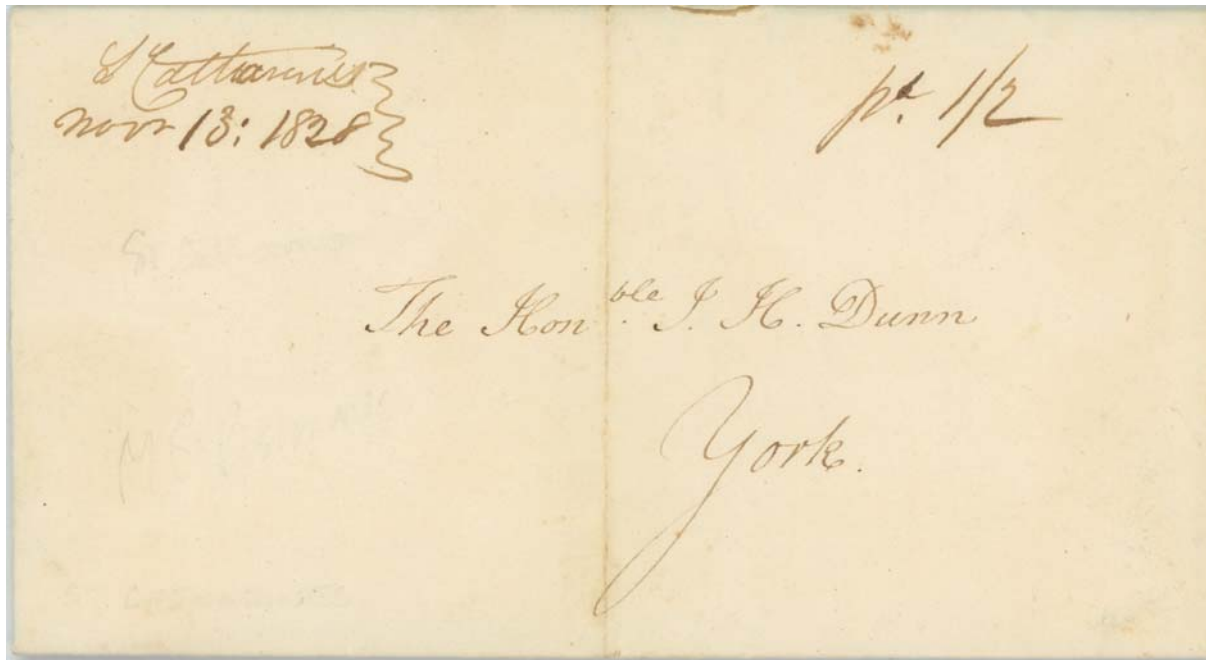
Nicolet–Montréal, 1832. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

NICOLET 1829-type, known 1829–42.

Québec 1831-type, typeset dated, common.

St Catharines UC ms and second hammer

Lincoln Co, U.C. Post office opened 1817. Ms known November–December 1828. First hammer, straightline, known 1819–20; second hammer, 1829-type, known 1831–39. Some postmarks spelled St Catharines.



St Catharines–Montréal, 13 November 1828. Rated $1\frac{1}{2}$ cy, 301–400 miles.

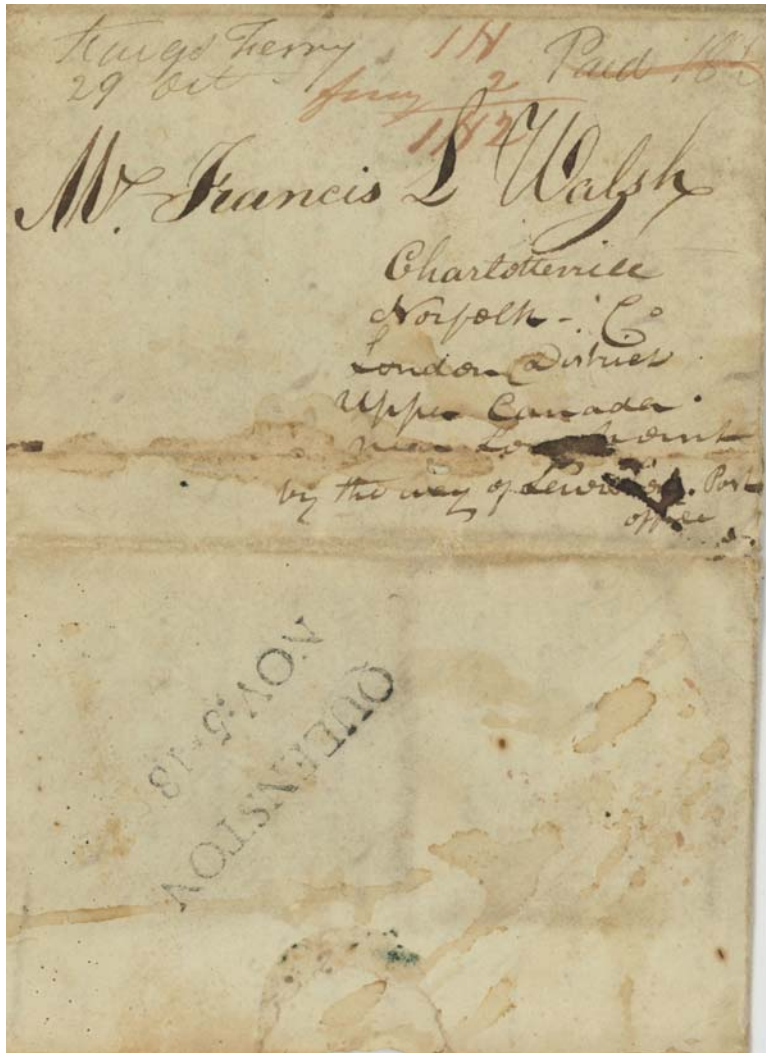


St Catharines–Liskeard (Cornwall, U.K.), 1834. Rated **PAID USP $1\frac{1}{5}$ BP $6\frac{1}{2}$** , all in currency; this is made up of $4\frac{1}{2}$ d St Catharines–Queenston exchange (under 60 miles), 2 d ferriage to Lewiston, and the conversion of the U.S. 25¢ rate, Lewiston–New York (over 400 miles). Two strikes of the rare **U. S. P. paid 25** handstamp.

Then it was charged as a ship letter from New York: 8 d stg incoming ship letter fee, and 1/1 mileage charge, Liverpool–Liskeard.

Queenston UC first hammer and ms

Lincoln Co, U C, post office opened 1800. Ms known 1828–30. Straightlines known 1817–8 and 1821. Queenston became an exchange point (with Lewiston) in late 1828 (Lewiston-Queenston), replacing Niagara. As a result, it subsequently had a number of interesting handstamps.



Scipio (NY)–Charlottesville (Norfolk Co, U C) 1818. Initially paid $18\frac{3}{4}\text{¢}$ (at the King's Ferry post office), U S rate to the Queenston-Lewiston exchange (150–400 miles), then overcharged $1/-$ cy (distance Queenston to Charlottesville required only 9 d cy; this was in the 1810–21 period of chronic overcharging, with the postmaster pocketing the difference), and *ferry 2 d* ferriage, one of the earliest known.

QUEENSTON straightline, known 1817–8, of which this is the latest recorded.

Ms Kings Ferry, NY (only other manuscript reported in 1845).

Scipio Oct 26 1818



Buckingham (PA) to Newmarket (U C), via Queenston, 1828. Ms *Queenston 10th November 1828* (also Buckingham ms).

Rated collect $18\frac{3}{4}\text{¢}$, U S rate to Queenston-Lewiston exchange (under 400 miles).

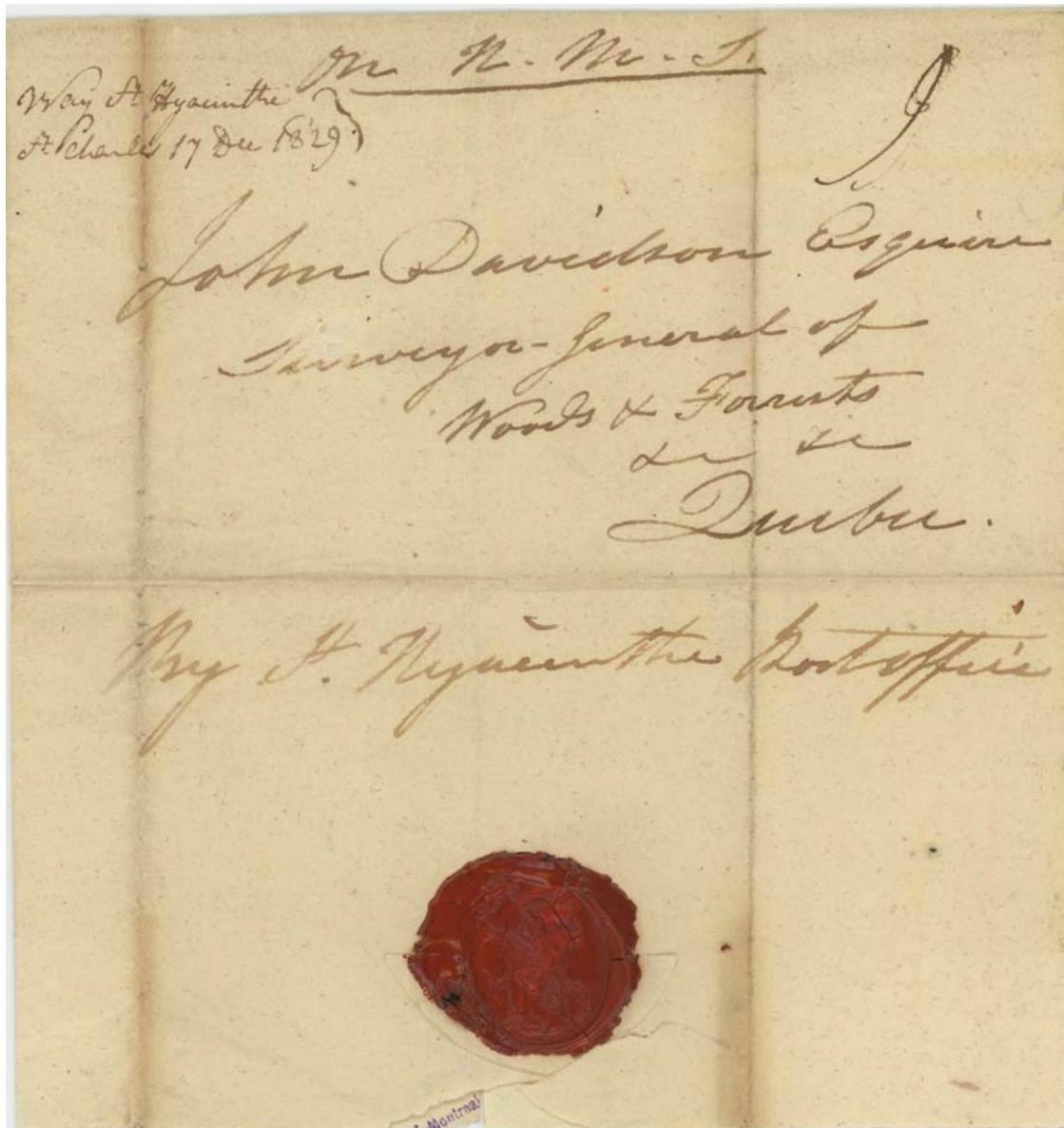
Converted to $11\frac{1}{2}$ d cy, and additional 9 d mileage 101–200 miles, Queenston to destination.

Finally *ferriage 2 d*.

Way St Hyacinthe & St Charles LC ms and first hammer

Way letter given to mail courier en route to St Hyacinthe; then ms applied at St Charles.

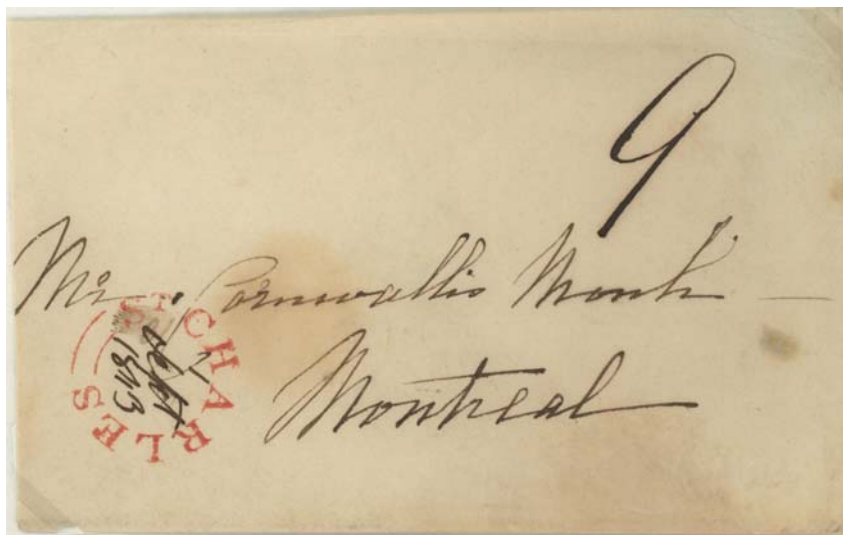
St Hyacinthe Co, L.C. St Hyacinthe post office opened in 1820, and St Charles opened 1822. St Charles first hammer, 1829-type.



Way St Hyacinthe/St Charles (L.C.)—Québec, 17 December 1829. Collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Way St Hyacinthe Post Office on reverse (at bottom) indicates it was given to a courier on the way to St Hyacinthe. At St Charles, ms Way St Hyacinthe/St Charles 17 Dec 1829 inscribed by postmaster.

Addressed to Surveyor-General of Woods & Forests, but not eligible for free franking (*On H.M.S.* at top), as Parliament was not in session.

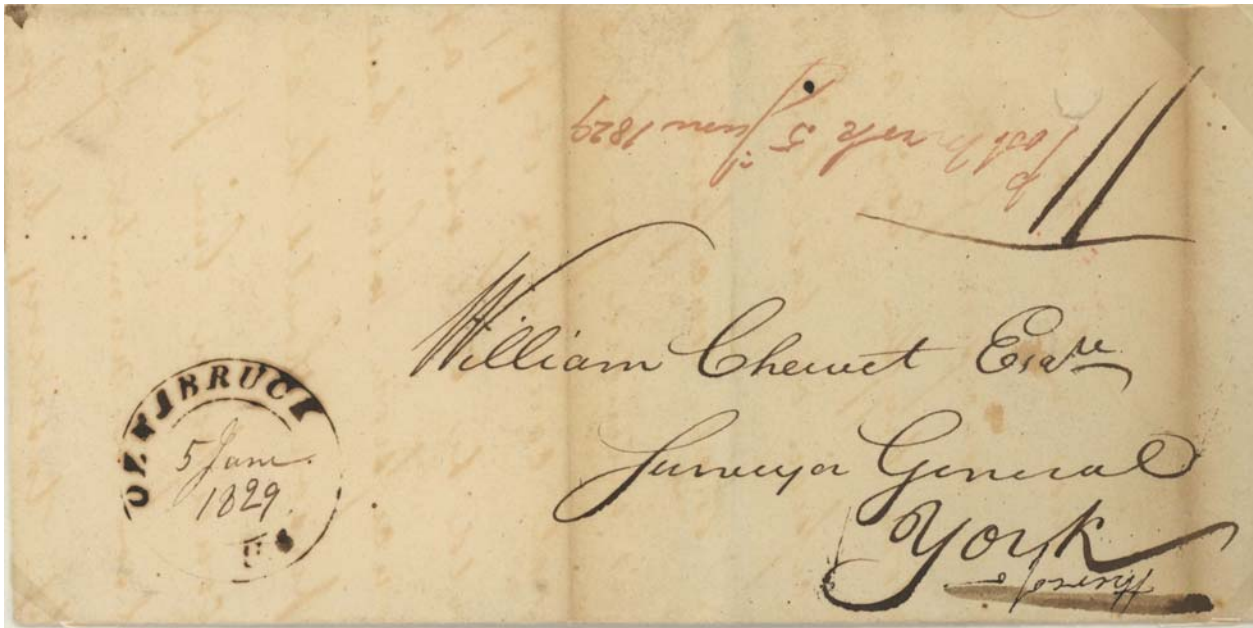


St Charles—Montréal, 1843. Rated collect 9 d cy, double under 60 miles; an early envelope, hence charged for the enclosure.

ST CHARLES 1829-type, known 1832–50.

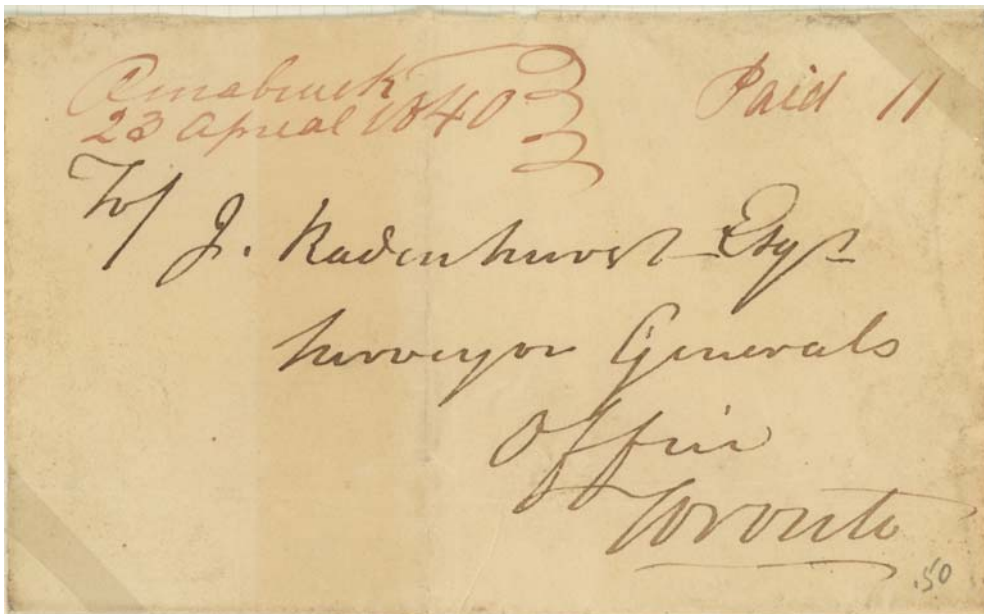
Osnabruck UC first hammer and ms

Osnabruck (or Oznabruck) post office in Stormont County (U C), open 1789–1851. Second hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1843–55.



Osnabruck–York, 23 April 1829. Rated collect 11 d cy, 201–300 miles.

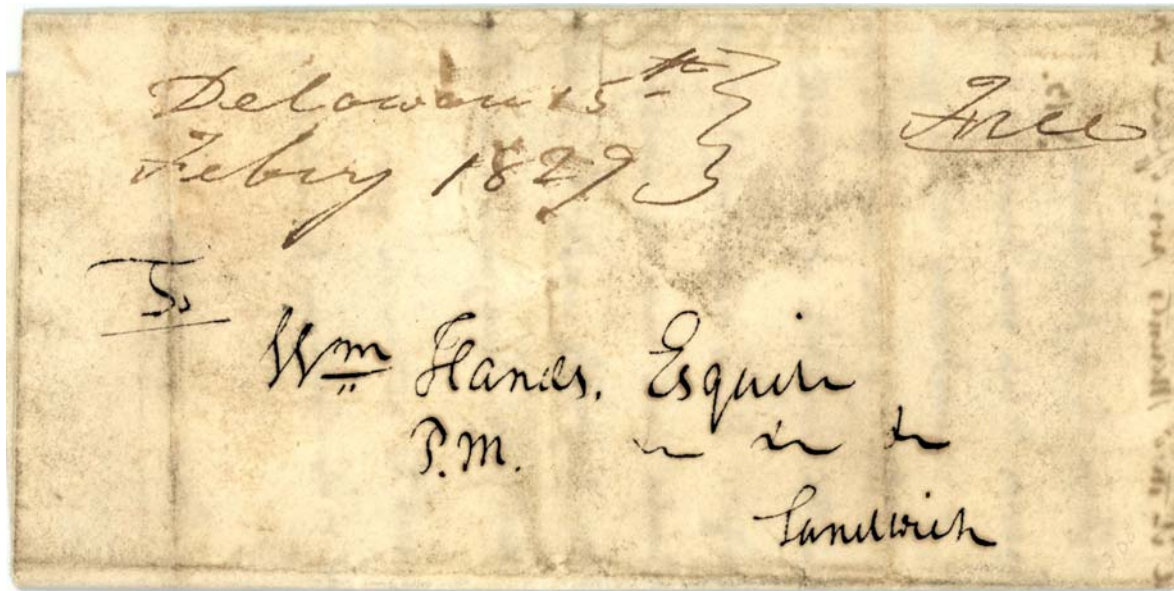
Only reported example of this double circle italic.



Osnabruck–Toronto, 23 April 1840. Rated *Paid 11* d cy, 201–300 miles. Ms known 1840–42.

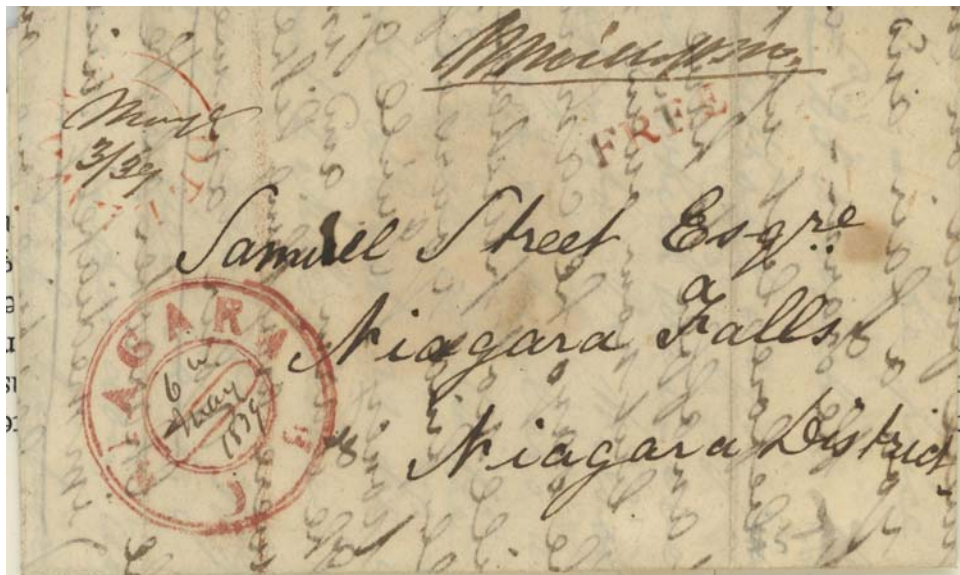
Delaware UC ms and first hammer

Middlesex Co, U C. Post office opened 1819. First hammer is 1829-type, known 1829–40.



Delaware (U C)—Sandwich (U C), 15 February 1829. *Free* franked by postmaster.

Only reported ms.



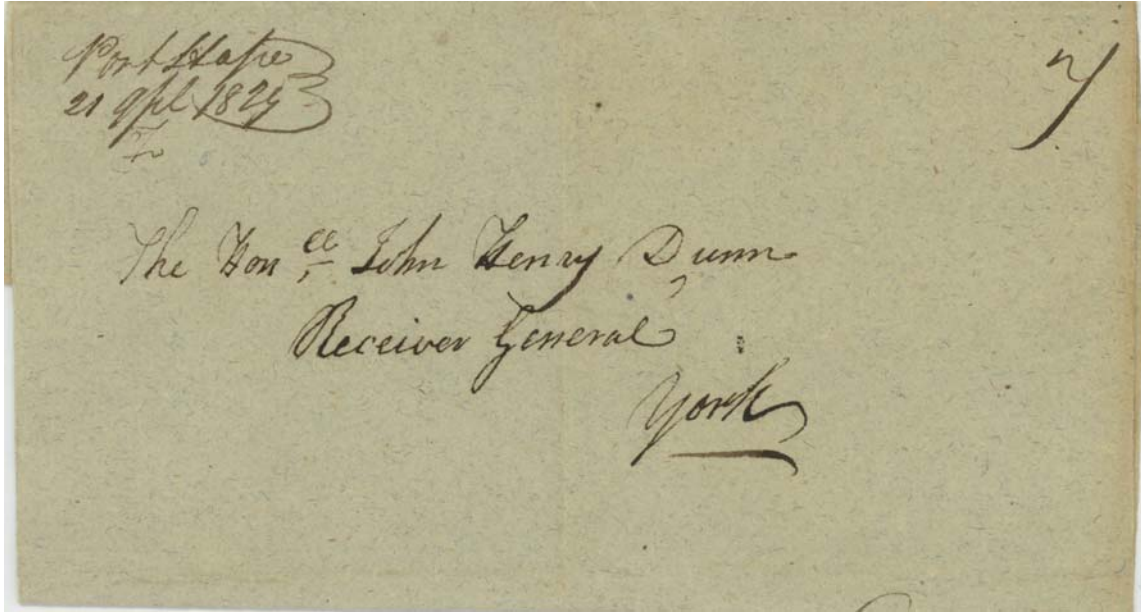
Delaware—*Niagara* (Falls), 1839. **FREE**

DELAWARE (U C) 1829-type reported 1829–40.

Niagara Falls double circle, with both circles doubled.

Port Hope UC ms

Post office opened 1817. First hammer is 1829-type, known 1829–38.

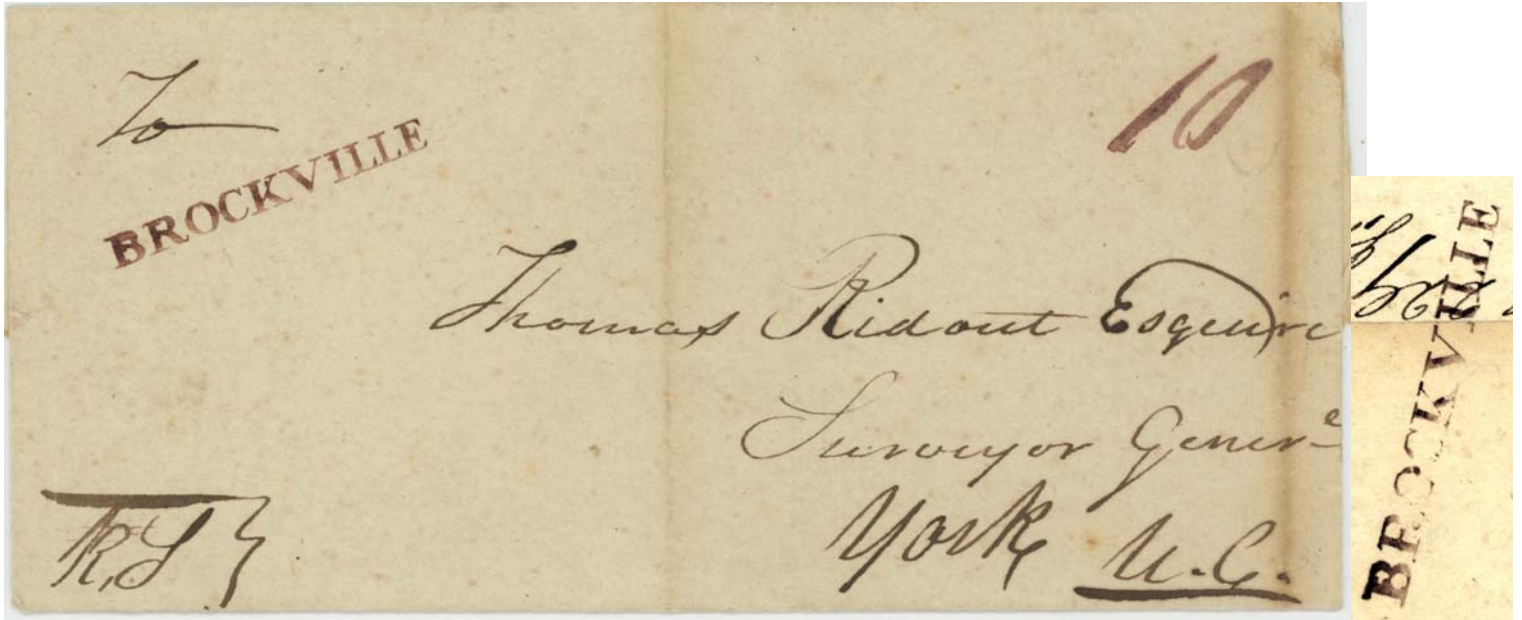


Port Hope (Durham Co, U C)—York (Toronto), 21 April 1829. Rated 7 d cy collect, 61–100 miles.

Only reported ms.

Brockville UC straightline & ms

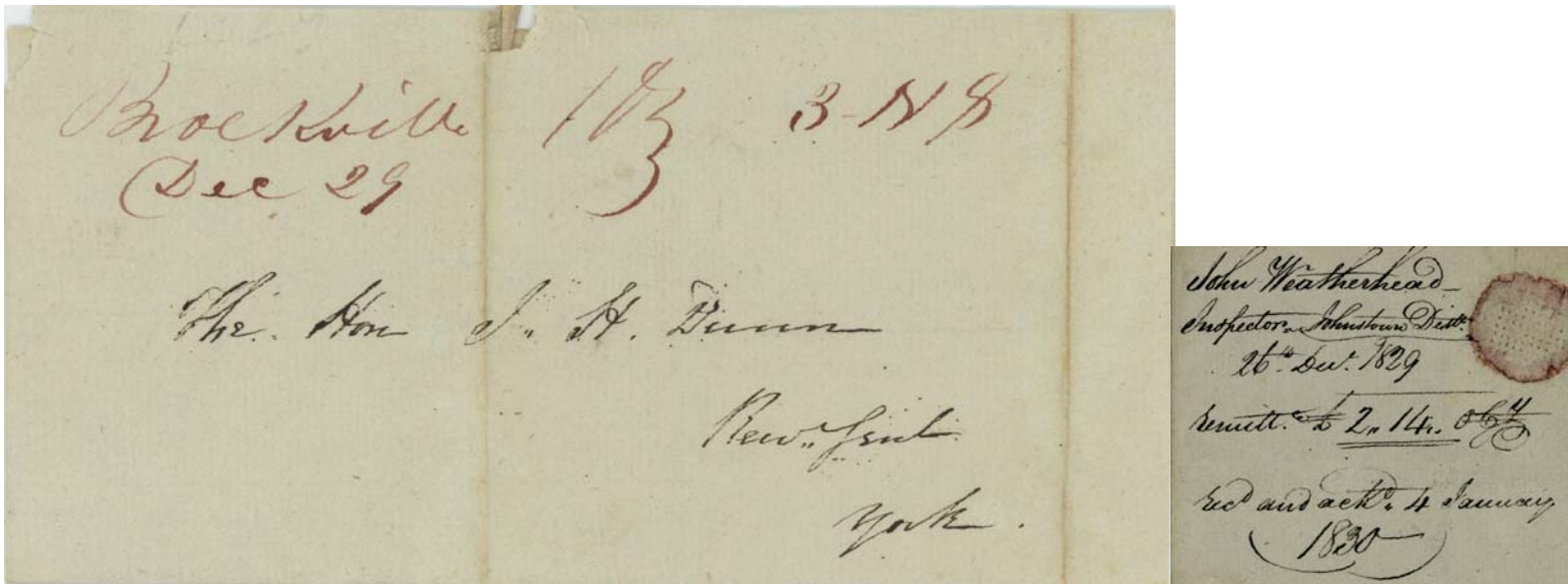
Post office opened 1810. First hammer, straightline, known 1816–30; second hammer double oval serif, known May–September 1829; third hammer, 1829-type, known 1831–37.



Brockville–York, 1819. Rated collect 10 d cy, includes 1 d deliberate overcharge (pocketed by postmaster).

BROCKVILLE straightline, known 1816–30, and one of the commoner (and most clearly struck) Canadian straightlines; but these are rarely seen on both sides.

W^m R. Sherwood
7 Sept. 1819



Brockville (Leeds Co, U C)–York, quadruple, 29 December (1829). Rated collect 1 oz 3/8 cy, four times 11 d cy, 201–300 miles.

Only reported ms.

Raleigh UC ms

Kent Co, UC. Post office opened 1816; name changed to Chatham, 1851. First hammer, 1829-type, known 1830–38.



Raleigh—Sandwich, 27 July 1829. Rated *Free*.

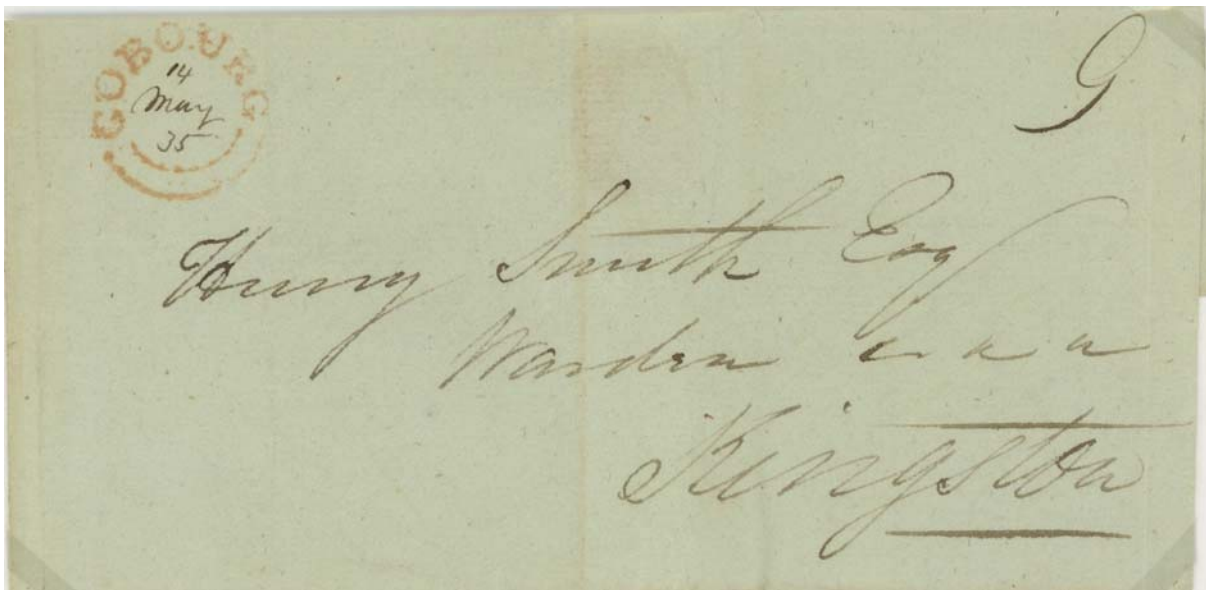
Only reported ms.

Cobourg UC ms & first two hammers

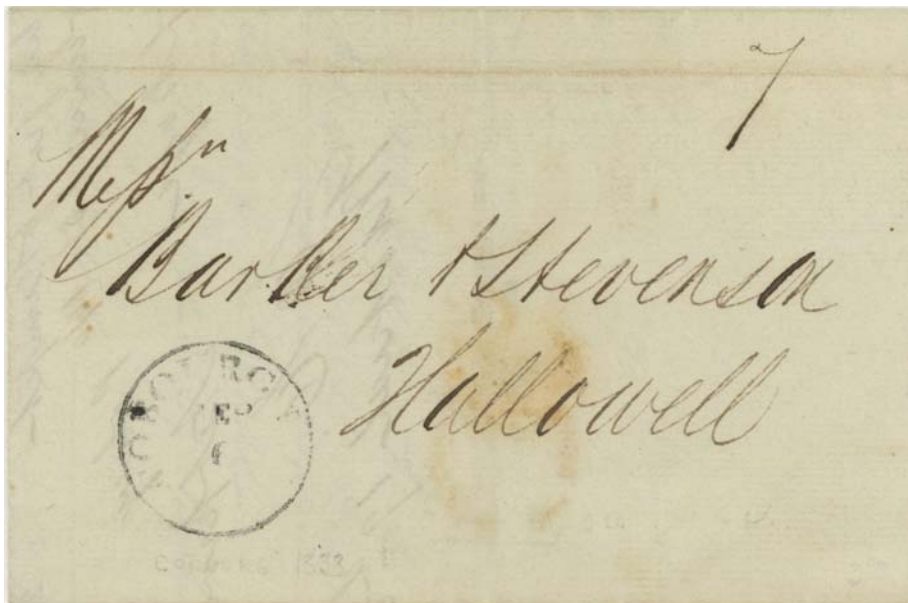
Northumberland Co, U.C. Post office opened 1822. Known as Hamilton 1819–22.



Cobourg—York, 16 January 1829. Rated *Paid* 7 d cy, 61–100 miles. Ms known January–April 1829.



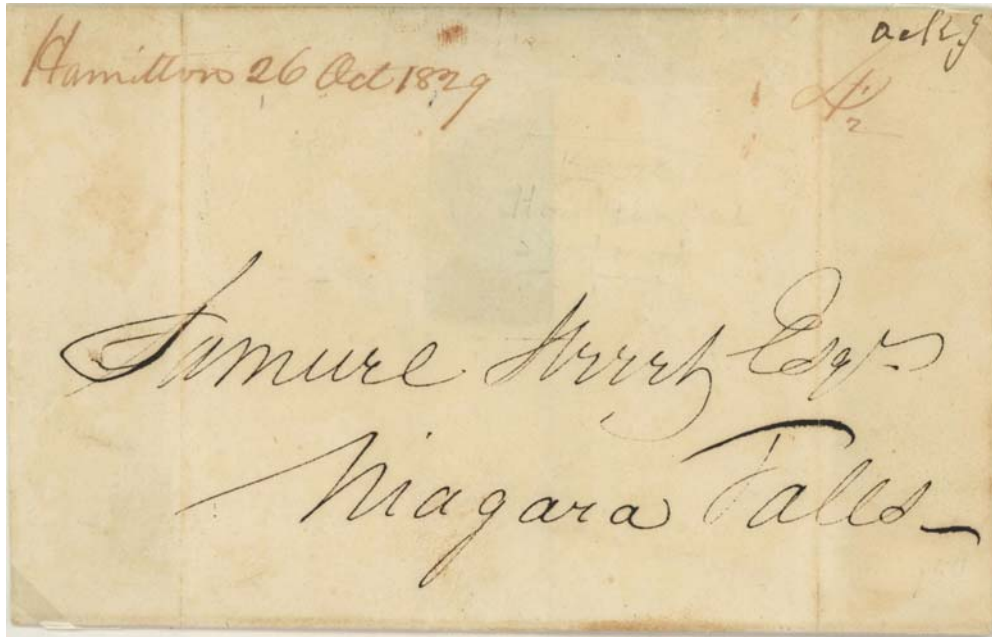
Cobourg—Kingston, 1835. Rated 9 d cy, 101–200 miles
1829-type, known 1829–39.



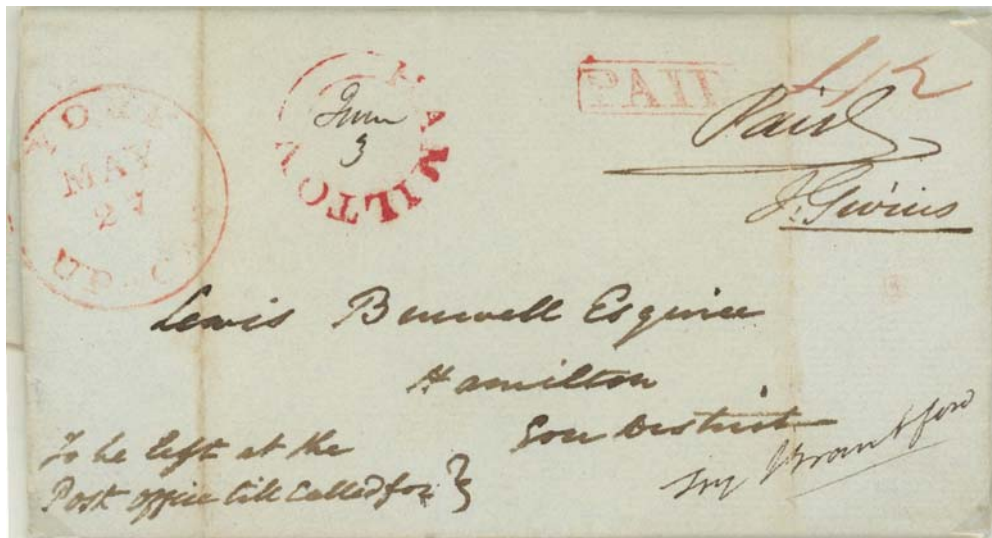
Cobourg—Hallowell (Picton), (1833). Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–100 miles.
Circle (no provincial designation) known 1829–39, but scarce.

Hamilton UC ms and first hammer

Wentworth Co, U.C. Post office opened 1825. Another Hamilton office was known 1819–22, in Northumberland Co, name changed to Cobourg. First hammer, 1829-type.



Hamilton–Niagara Falls, 26 October 1829. Collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.
Ms known 1828–9.

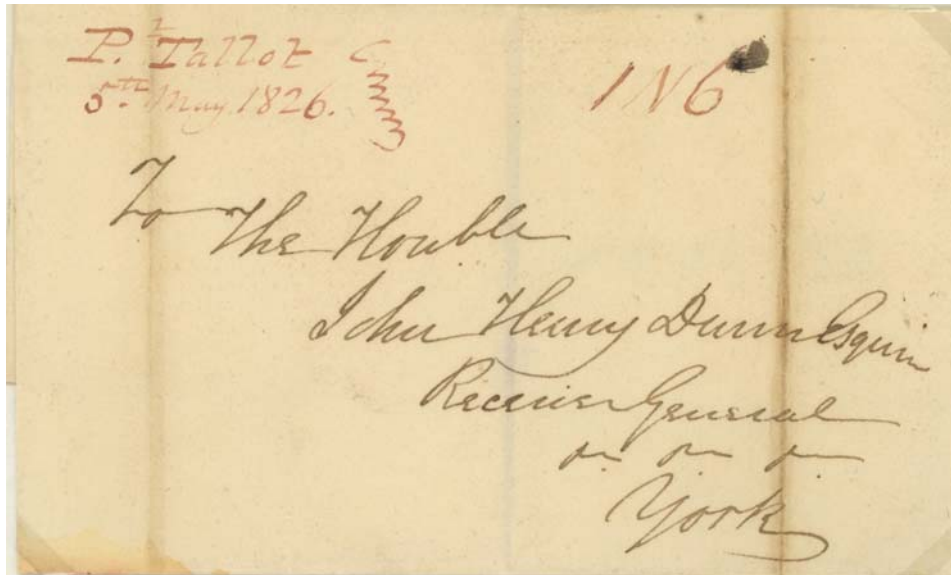


York–**Hamilton**, forwarded to Brantford, 27 May 1834 (York changed to Toronto the following month). Rated **PAID** 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.

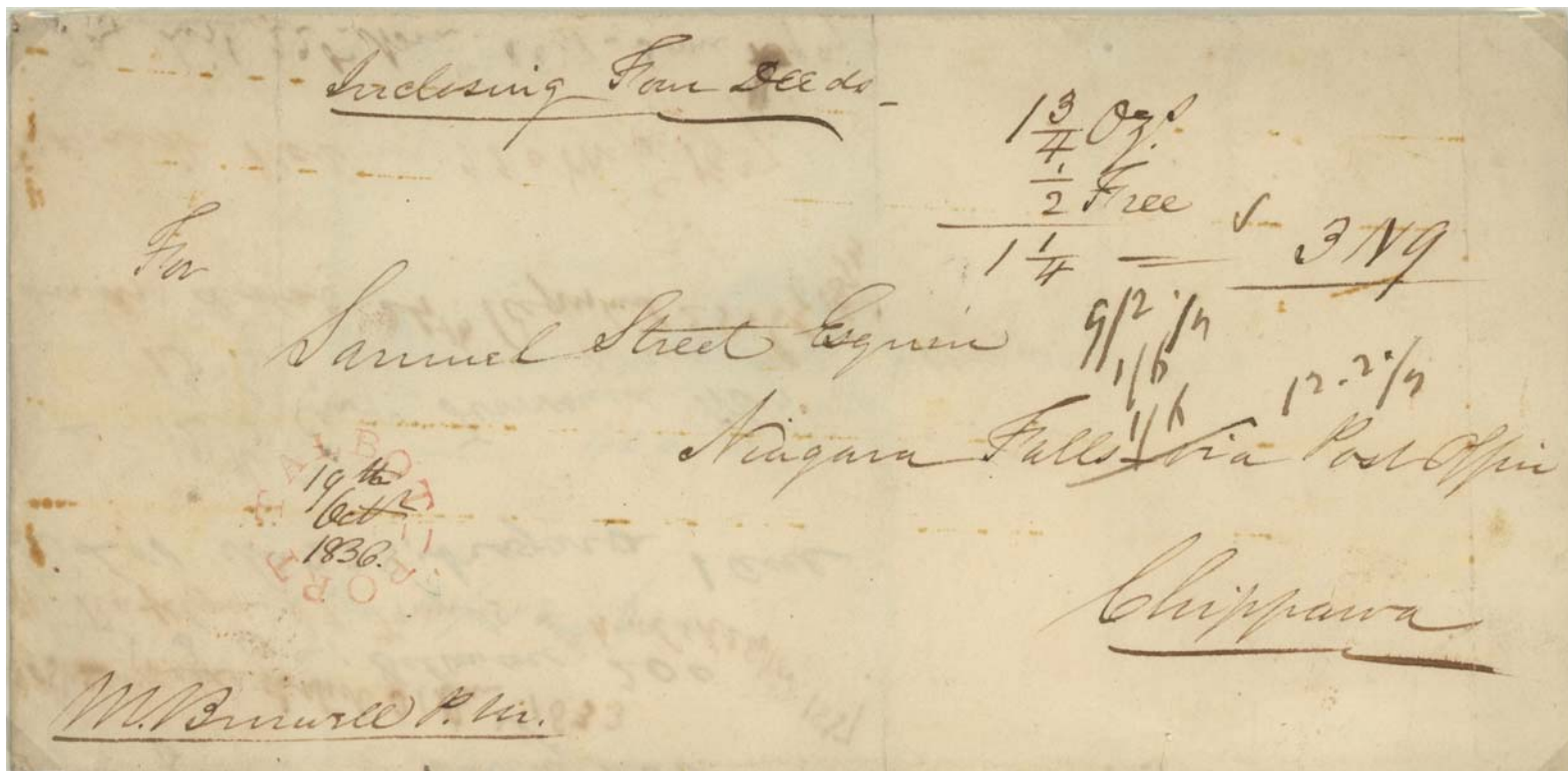
HAMILTON 1829-type known 1829–39; revivals are known 1896–7 and 1904.
Latest reported strike of **YORK UP CAN** circle (1830–34).

Port Talbot UC ms and second hammer

Elgin Co, U.C. Post office open 1819–1914. Straightline known 1820–24.



Port Talbot—York, 5 May 1826. Rated $1/6$ cy, double 101–200 miles. Ms reported 1819 and 1826–30.

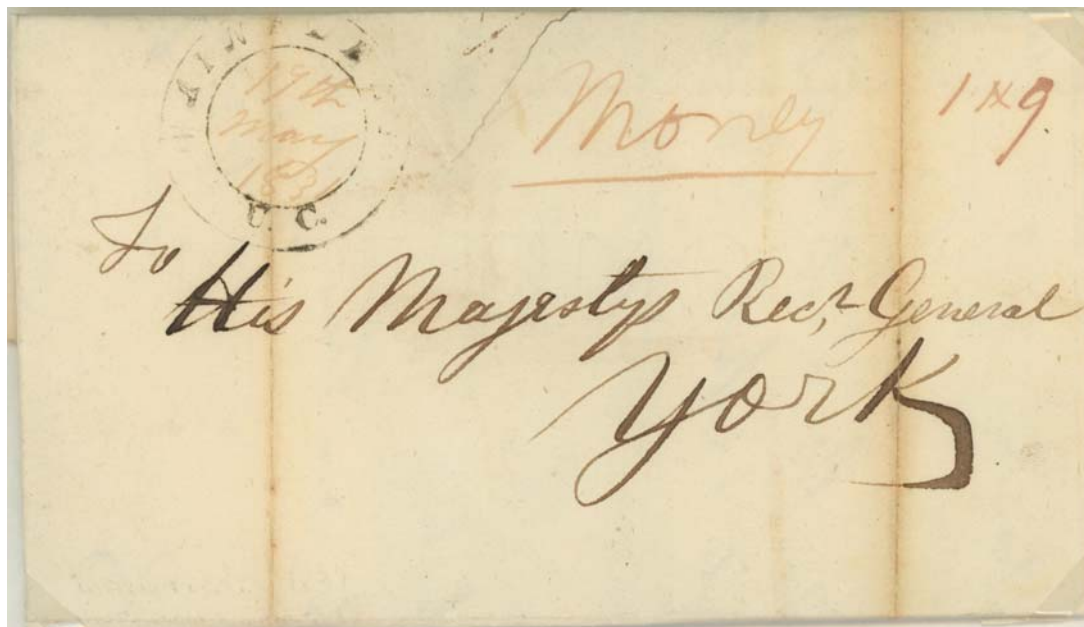


Port Talbot—Niagara Falls, postmaster's perquisite, 1836. Rated collect $3/9$ cy, quintuple 101–200 miles; originally septuple ($1\frac{3}{4}$ ozs), but postmasters were permitted two free letters per mailing.

PORT TALBOT 1829-type, known 1830–51.

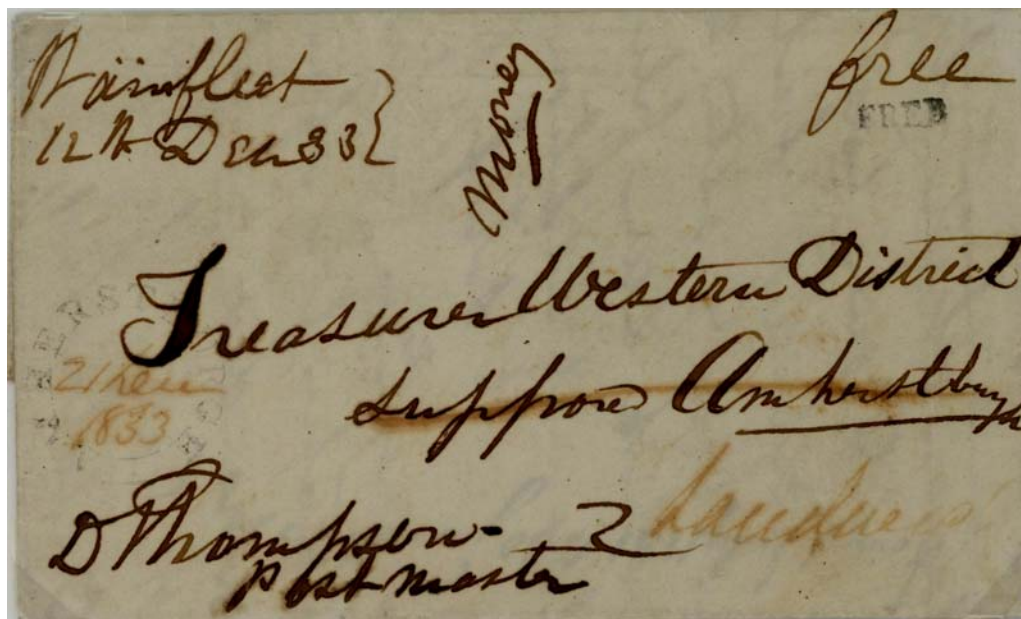
Wainfleet UC first hammer and ms

Wainfleet (Welland County, U C); post office open 1830–37; re-opened later.



Wainfleet–York, money letter, 1831. Rated collect *Money 1/9*, triple 61–100 miles (two enclosures).

WAINFLEET UC double circle italic, known 1831–5; this is the earliest reported strike.



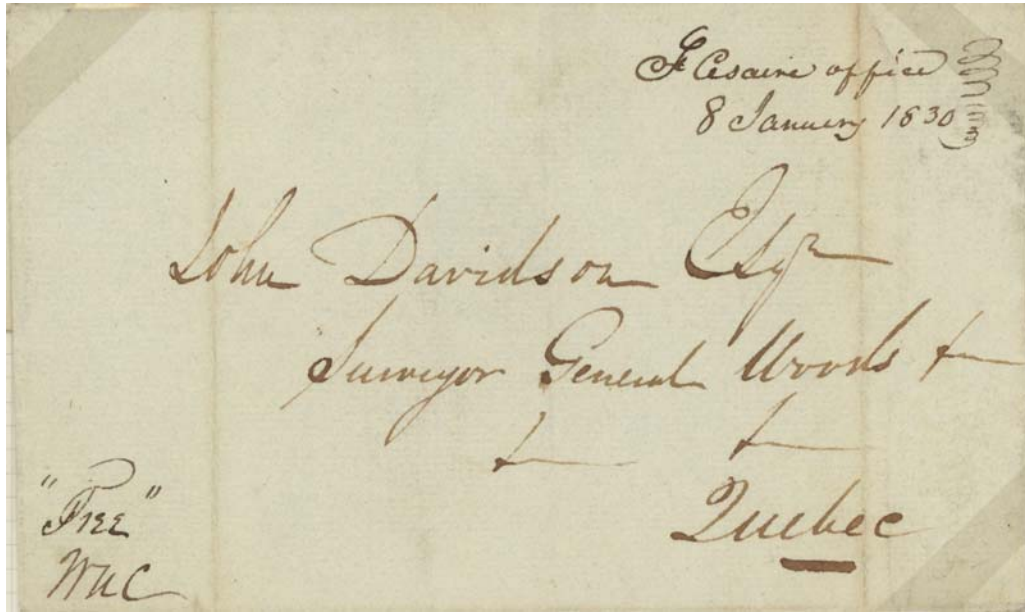
Wainfleet–Amherstburg, forwarded to London (U C), money letter, 1833. Ms free (mailed by postmaster), and tiny handstamp FREE, the latter probably applied at Amherstburg. Free money letters are scarce.

Wainfleet ms known 1832–3.

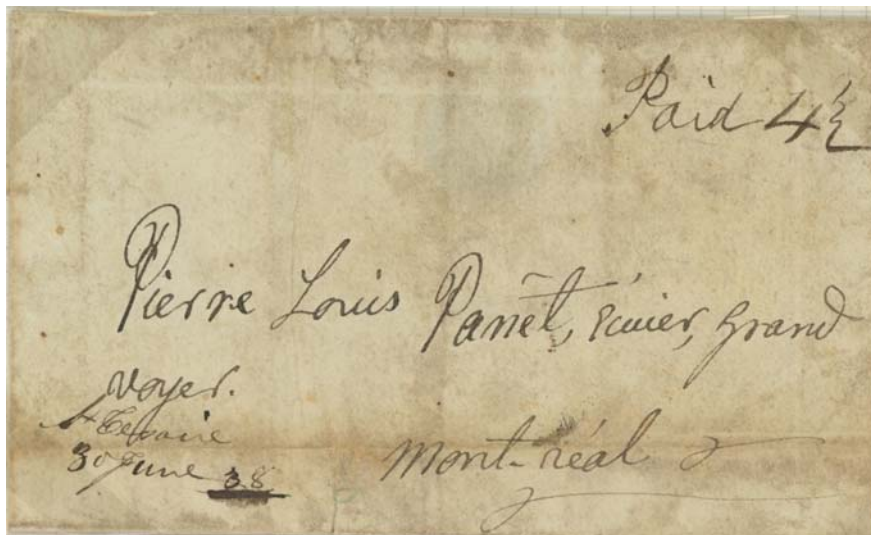
Faint 1829-order large style double broken circle of Amherstburg, known 1830–7.

St Césaire LC ms

Rouville Co, LC. Post office opened 1828; first hammer, double circle italic, known only in 1832; second hammer, serif double broken circle, 1839–49.



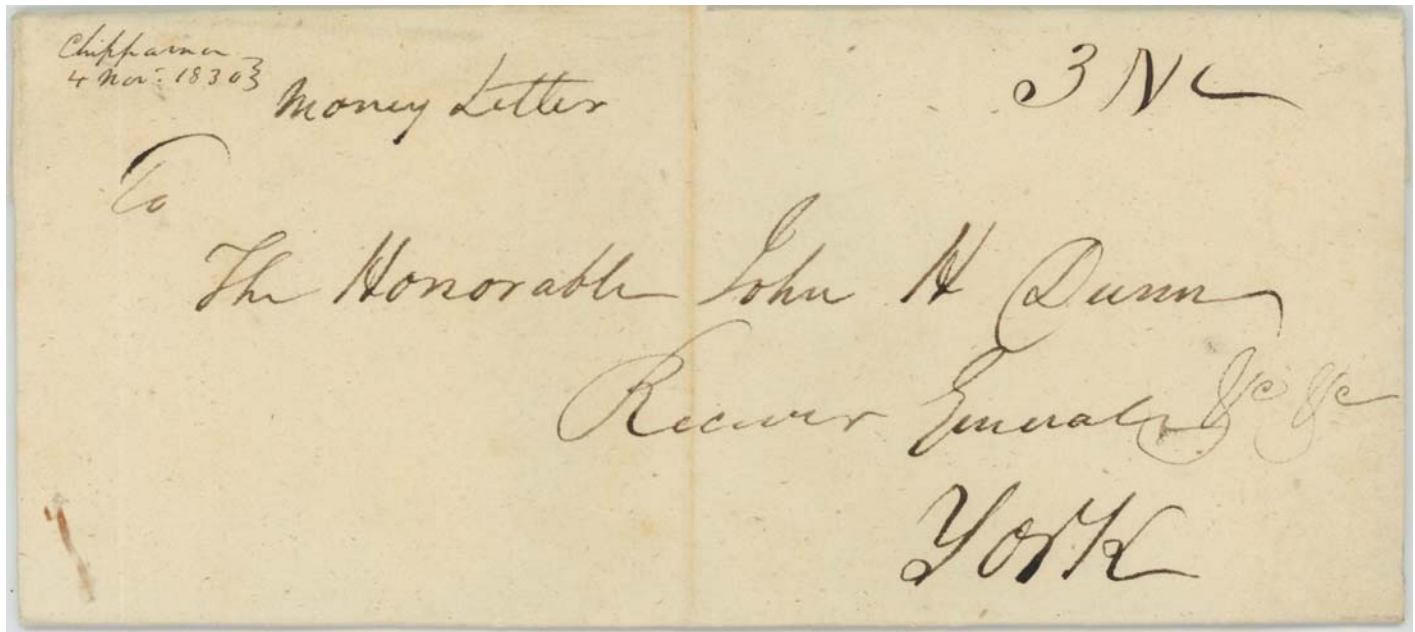
St Césaire (LC)—Québec, 8 January 1830. Free.



St Césaire (Rouville Co, LC)—Montréal, 30 June 1838. Rated Paid 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.

Chippawa UC ms

Welland Co, U C. Post office opened 1801; first hammer, straightline, known 1810–21; second hammer, 1829–type with spelling error.

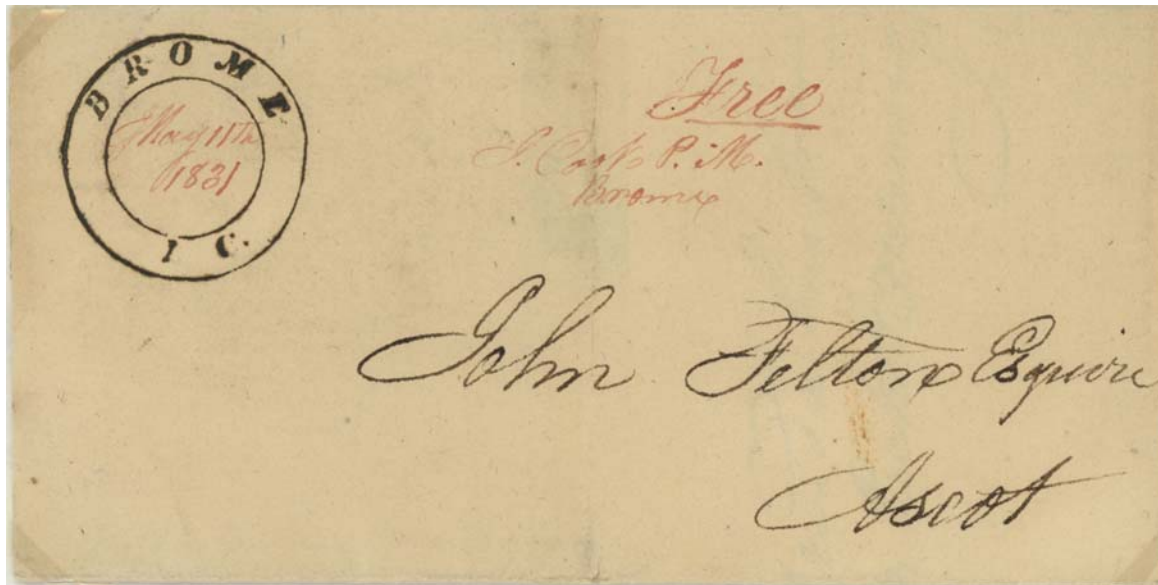


Chippawa (U C)–York (later Toronto), 4 November 1830. Collect 3/–, quadruple 101–200 miles; three enclosures or one ounce. Money letter; contained 72 pounds in currency.

Ms known 1829–30.

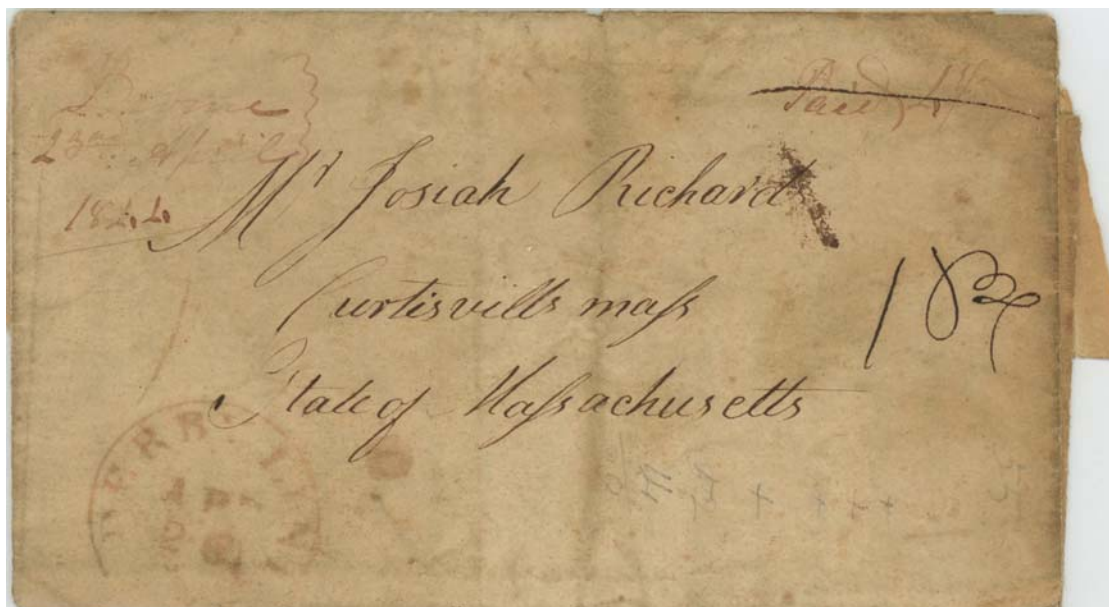
Brome LC first hammer and ms

Brome County, L.C. Post office opened 6 April 1831.



Brome (L.C.)—Ascot (Québec), 11 May 1831. *Free J Coots P.M. Brome.*

Double circle italic known 1831–41.



Brome—Curtisville (MA), 1844. Rated *Paid* 4½ d cy (under 60 miles to the Highgate exchange), and charged 18¾¢ U S to destination. Faint red ms *Brome* at upper left. Red Stanstead transit marking on reverse.

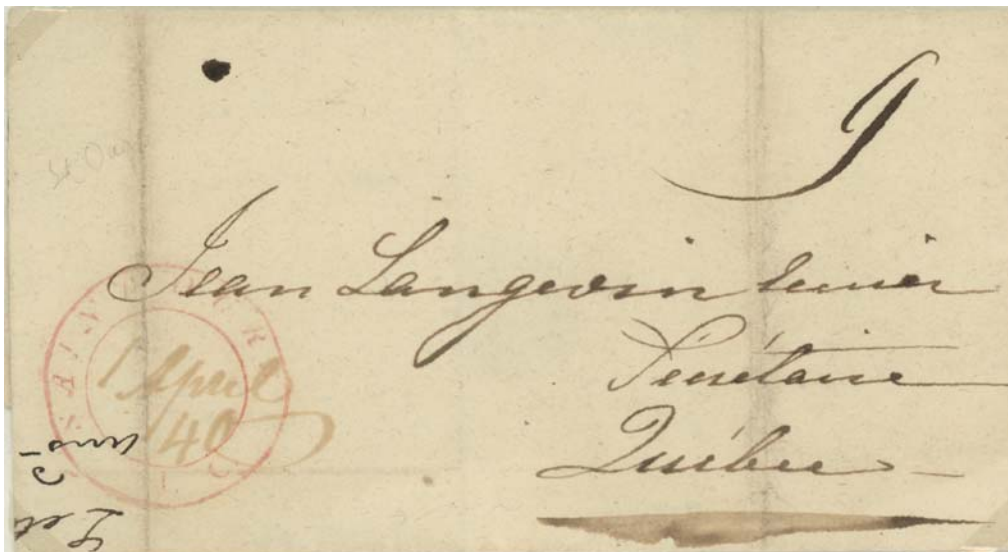
St Ours LC ms and first hammer

St Ours (Richelieu Co, LC) post office opened 1827. First hammer, double circle italic, known 1836–45.



Double ms, St Ours–Stanstead, via Chambly, 10 May 1838. Ms *Chambly*, 12 May 1830, only reported example. Ms *St Ours*, only reported example. With typical LC misuse of the word *Forwarded*.

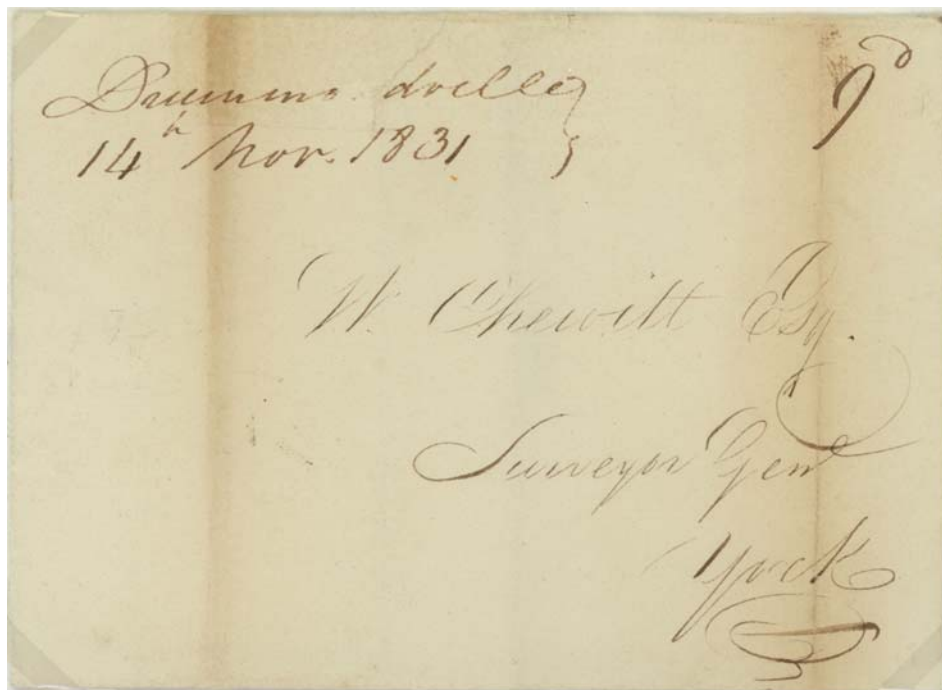
Rated *Paid* 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.



St Ours–Québec, 1840. Rated collect 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

Drummondville UC ms, first, & second hammers

Dundas Co U C. Post office opened 1830; closed before 1880. Not to be confused with Drummondville L C.



Drummondville—York, 14 March 1831. Rated collect 9^d, 101–200 miles (thus distinguished from the L C office).

Only reported ms.



Drummondville U C—Germantown (PA), 1835. Rated Paid 6½, 4½ d under 60 miles to the Queenston-Lewiston exchange, plus 2 d ferriage at the exchange. Struck through and replaced by collect 25¢, U S rate over 400 miles from Lewiston to destination. Double circle italic; known 1830–42.



Drummondville—Colyton (Devon, U K), 1842. Collect 1/2 stg, transatlantic rate from the interior.

Double circle; previously reported only 1838–39.

Churchville LC, first hammer and ms

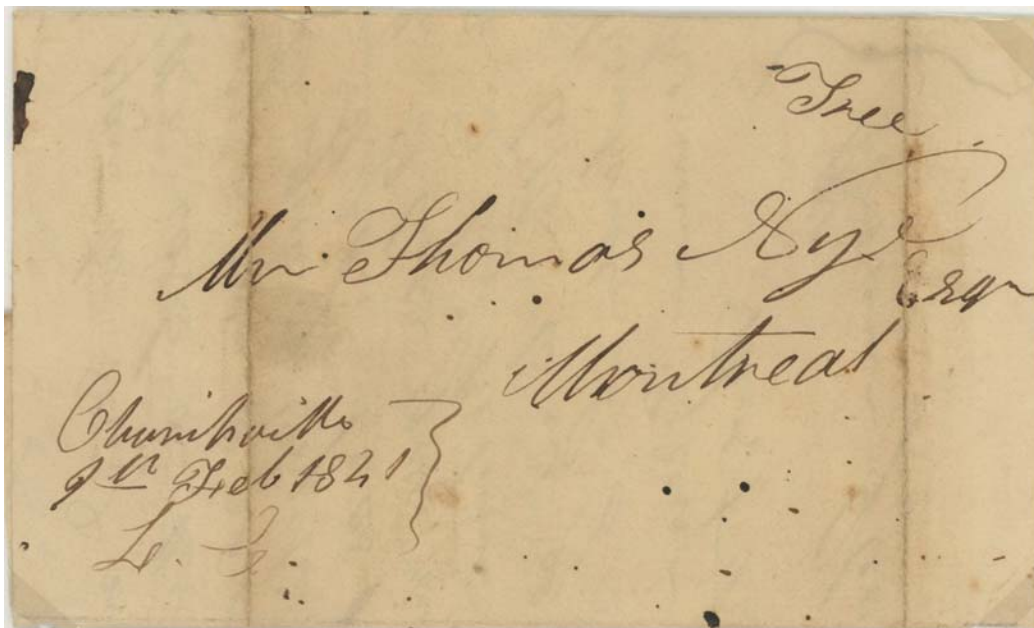
Missisquoi Co, L.C. Post office open 1831–41, name changed 6 February 1841.



Churchville–Montréal, 10 May 1834. Despite appearances actually sent collect 1/2 cy (301–400 miles). From the docketing, the recipient paid 1/3, which includes 1 d letter carrier fee at Montréal.

CHURCHVILLE double circle italic, known 1832–36.

Mr. H. Gordon
recd. 10 June 1834 - 8 Oct. 1834
p^d - post. 1/3

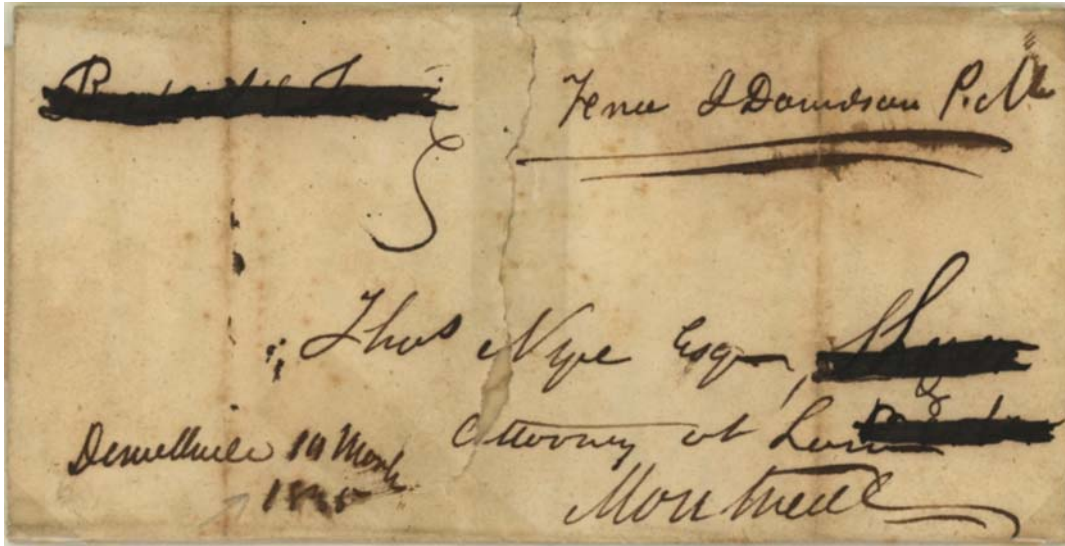


Churchville–Montréal, 9 February 1841. Free

Three days after name change from Churchville.

Dewittville LC ms

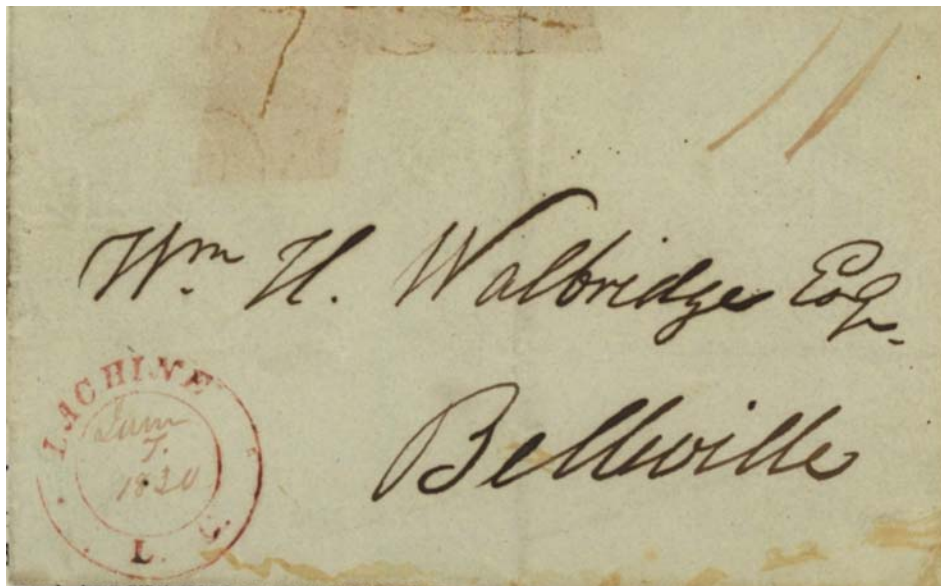
Huntingdon Co, L.C. Post office opened 1832. First hammer, double circle, known 1834-55.



Dewittville—Montréal, 10 March 1835. Free.

Lachine LC first hammer, ms, & modified first hammer

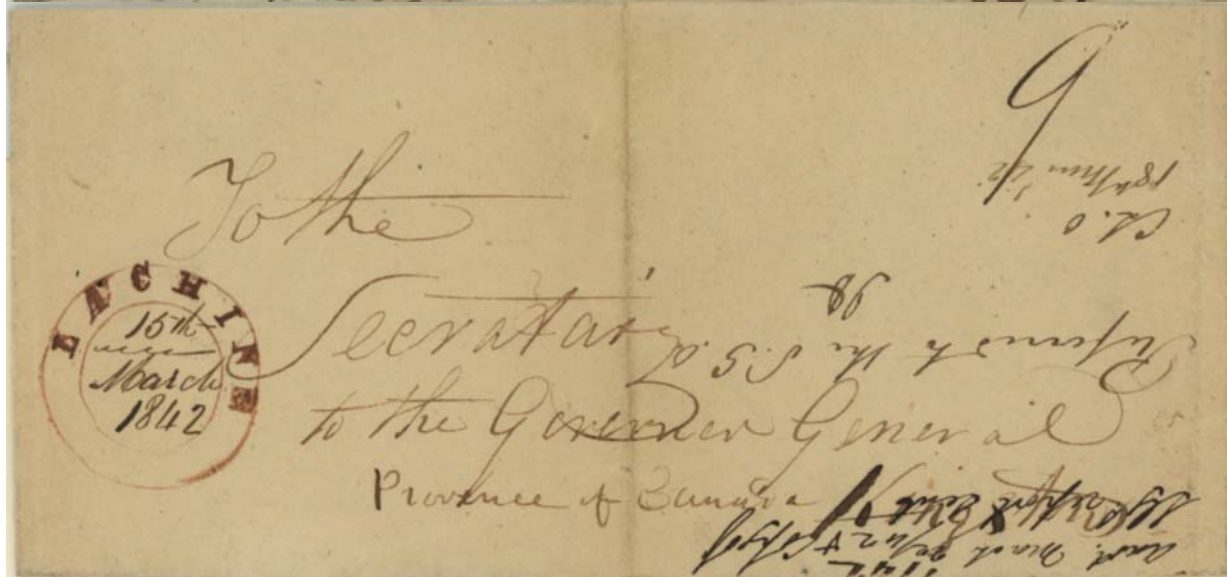
Jacques-Cartier Co, L C, post office opened 1829.



Lachine—Belleville (U C), 1830. Rated *11* d cy, 200–300 miles. Double circle italic, with damage to the upper rim; in this state, known 1830–38.



Lachine—Williamsburgh (U C), 1832. Rated collect 7 cy, 61–100 miles. *Only reported ms.*



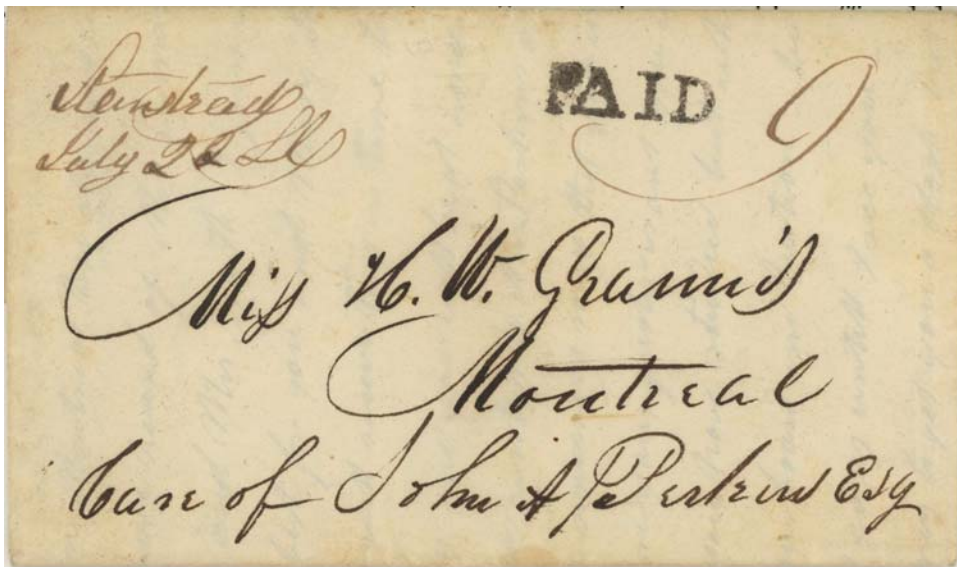
Lachine—Kingston, 1842. Rated collect 9 cy, 101–200 miles. Second state of *Lachine* double circle italic, known 1839–42.

Stanstead LC ms and third hammer

Stanstead Co, L.C. Post office opened 1817. It was a cross-border exchange point, so had a wide variety of markings. Preceding these, it had a straightline, and three states of double circle italic; following them, it had five states of double circles (roman).



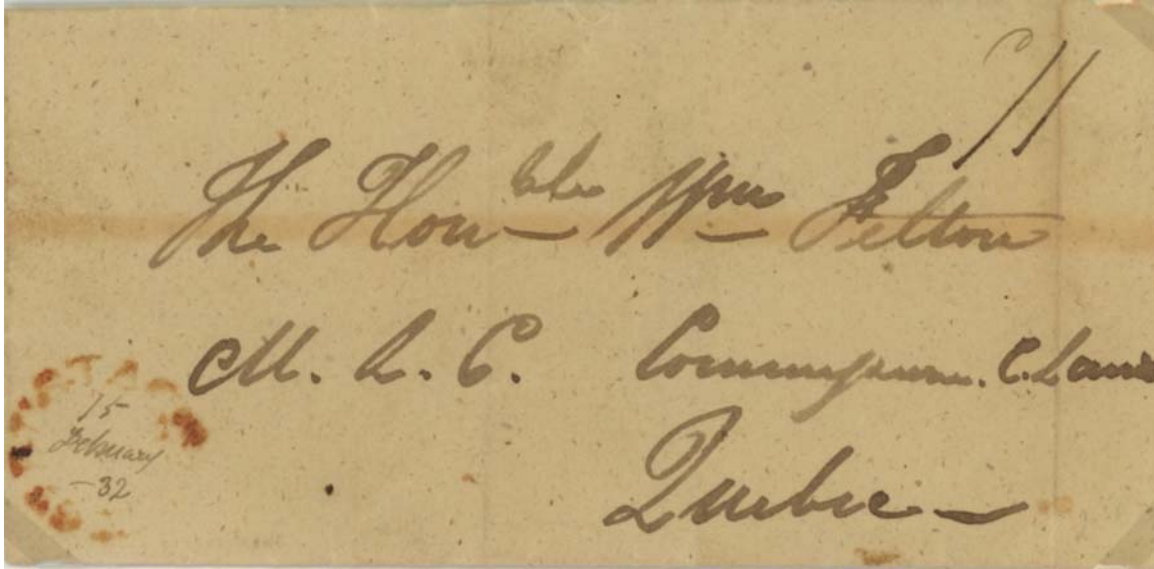
Stanstead, Lower Canada—Montréal, 1833. Rated **PAID 9** d, 101–200 miles. Very unusual double circle, known 1832–3.



Stanstead—Montréal, 22 July (1834). Rated **PAID 9**, 101–200 miles.
Only reported ms.

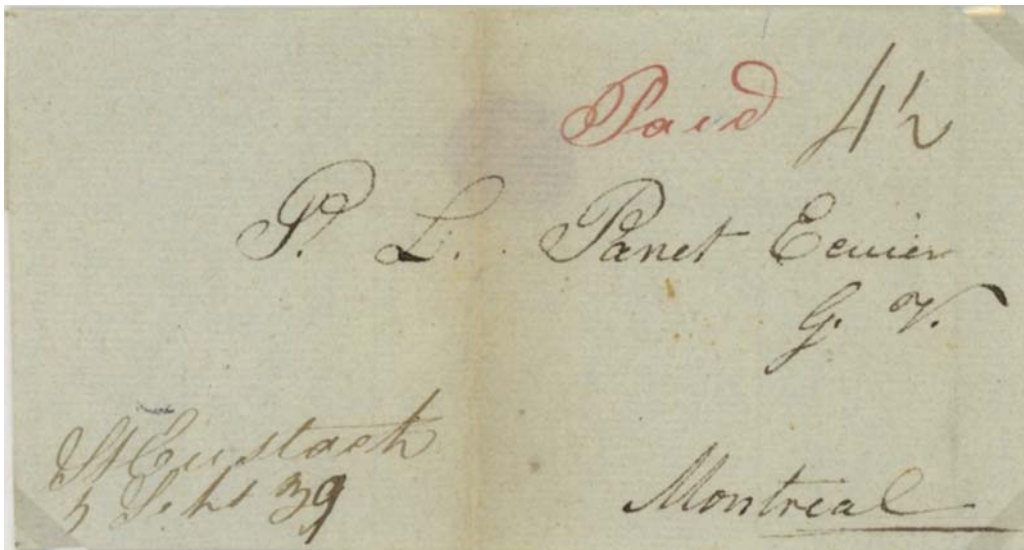
St Eustache LC first hammer & ms

Deux Montagnes Co, L.C. Post office opened 1819.



St Eustache—Québec, 1832. Rated collect ⁰11, 201–300 miles; the straight line distance was only 140 miles, but the rate was based on road mileage.

ST EUSTACHE 1829-type, known 1830–37.



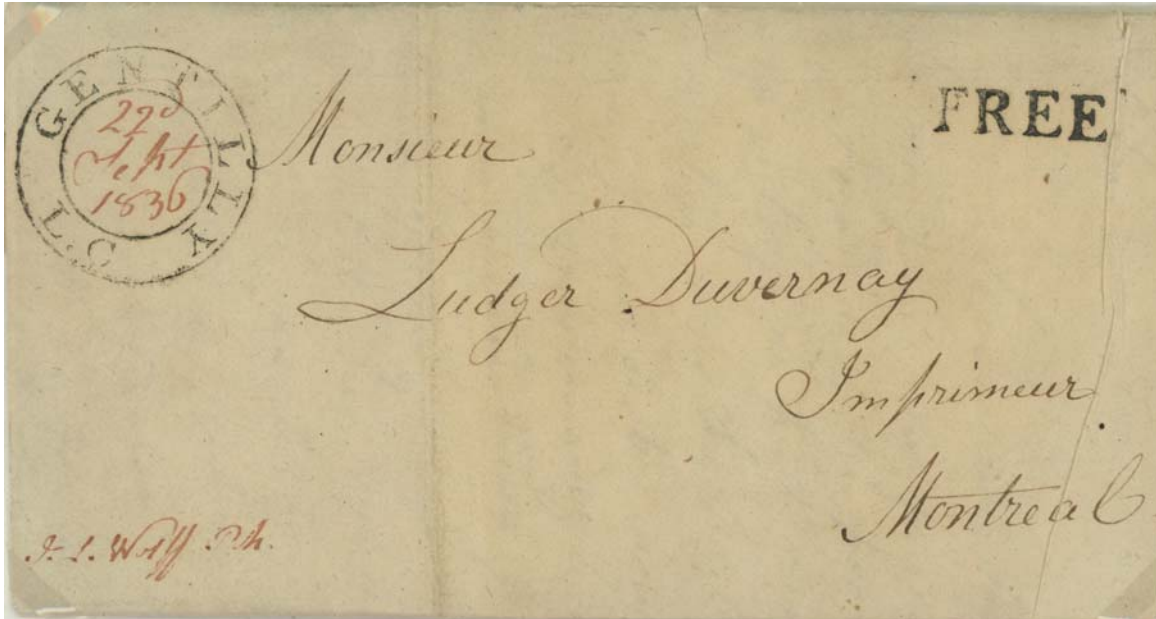
St Eustache—Montréal, 5 September 1839. Rated **Paid** 4½ d, under 60 miles. Ms reported 1838–40.

Gentilly LC ms & first hammer

Unusual boxed ms. Nicolet Co, L.C. Post office opened 1831.

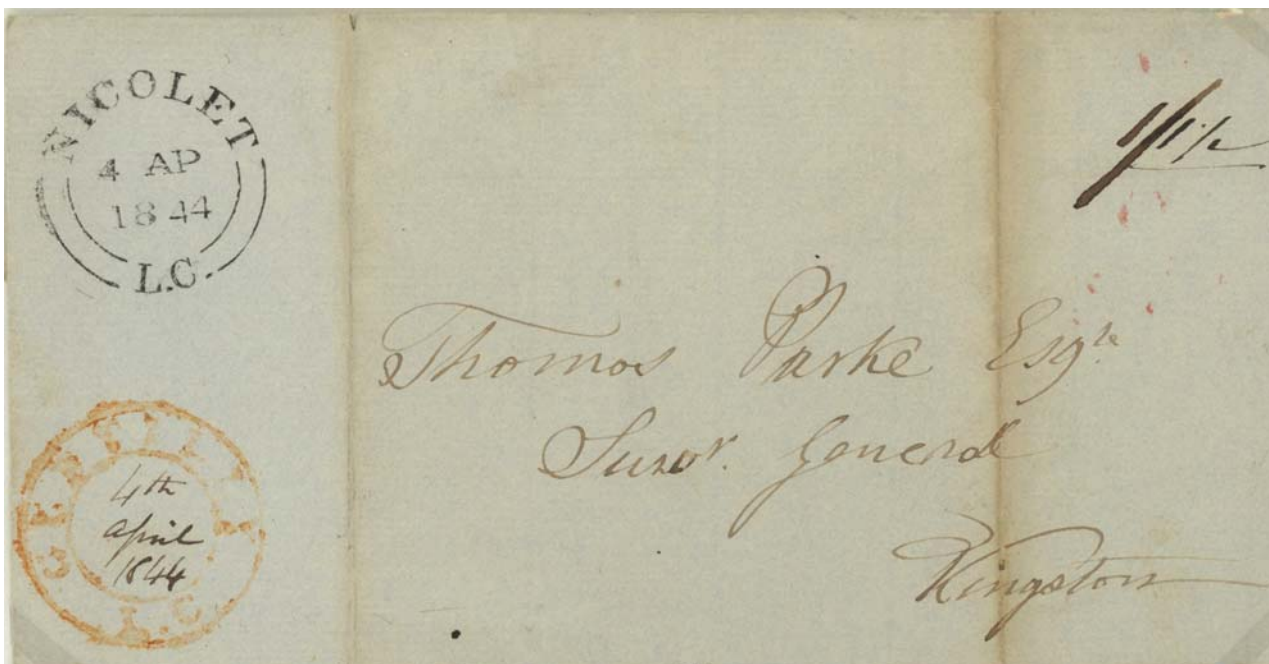


Gentilly LC—St Antoine (de Tilly), 8 October 1832. Rated 4½ d cy collect, under 60 miles.



Gentilly—Montréal, 1836. **FREE.** Letter to a printer in jail.

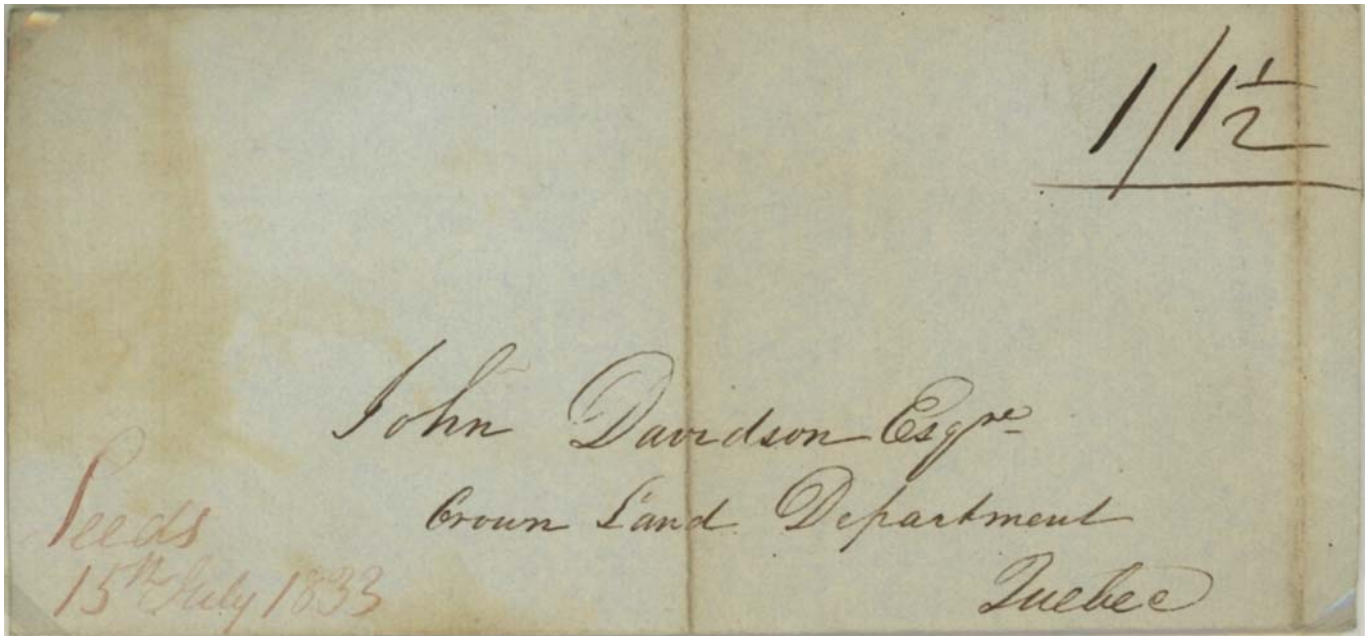
GENTILLY L.C double circle known 1833–58.



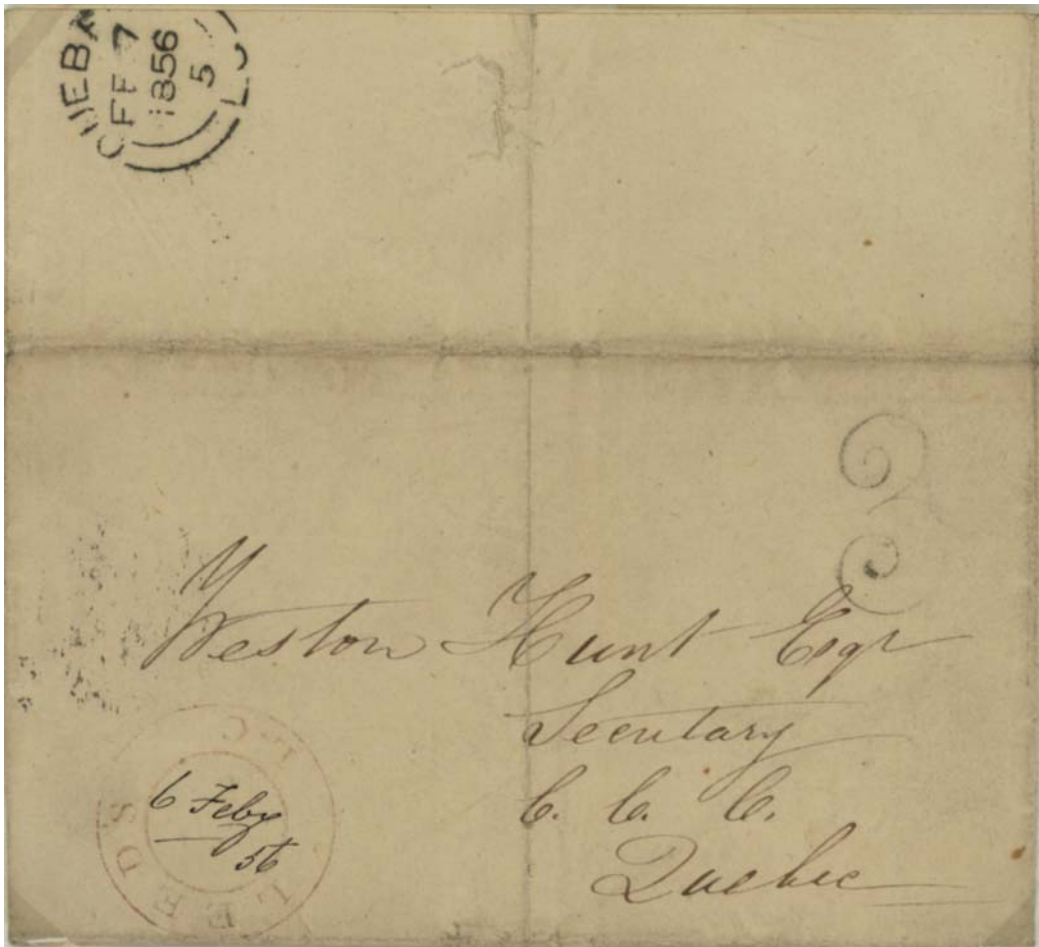
Gentilly—Kingston, 1844. Rated collect 1/1½ cy, 301–400 mi. Despite clean strike, worn appearance.

Leeds LC ms & first hammer

Leeds (Beauce Co, LC), post office opened 1831.



Leeds—Québec, 15 July 1833. Rated collect 1/1½ d cy, 301–400 miles.



Leeds—Québec, 1856. Rated collect 3 d cy, domestic.

Double circle, known 1834–59.

L'Original ms & first hammer

Prescott Co, U C. Post office opened 1829. *Moose* in French.



L'Original U C—York, 1831. Rated collect $1\frac{1}{2}$ cy, 301–400 miles.

Early roman double circle only reported by Campbell, 1829–33.



L'Original—Cornwall, 13 December 1833. Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–100 miles. Ms known 1833–7.

Norwich UC first hammer and ms

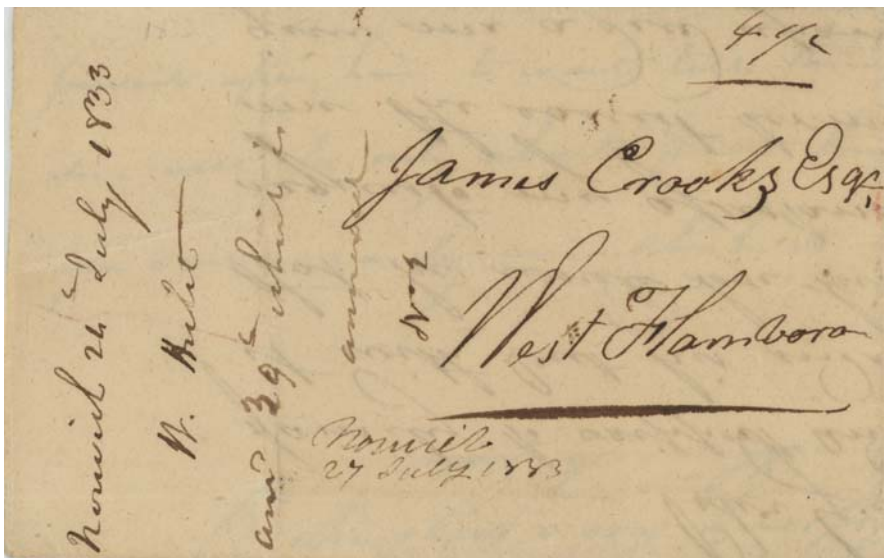
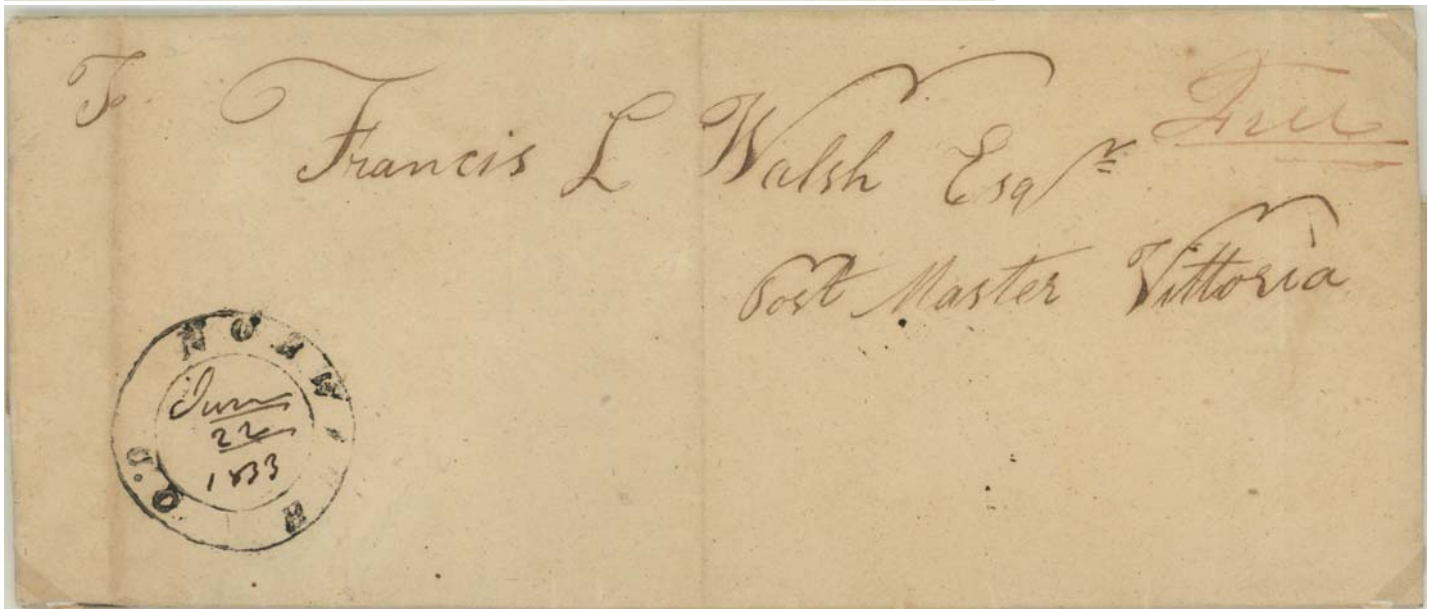
Oxford Co, U C. Post office opened 1830. Early and late states of double circle italic (first hammer).



Norwich (U C)—Niagara Falls Mills (U C), 27 September 1831. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Norwich double circle italic, known 1831–1833. **Earliest** reported strike.

Norwich—Vittoria, 22 June 1833. **Free** **Latest** reported strike; hammer showing wear. ↓↓



Norwich—West Farnham (U C), 27 July 1833 (about a month after the double circle italic above).

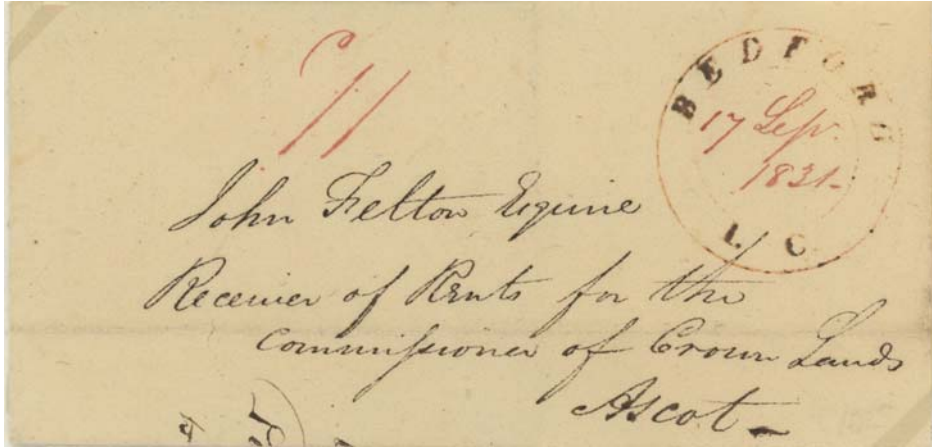
At left is docketing; the ms appears below the address.

Rated collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.

Only reported ms.

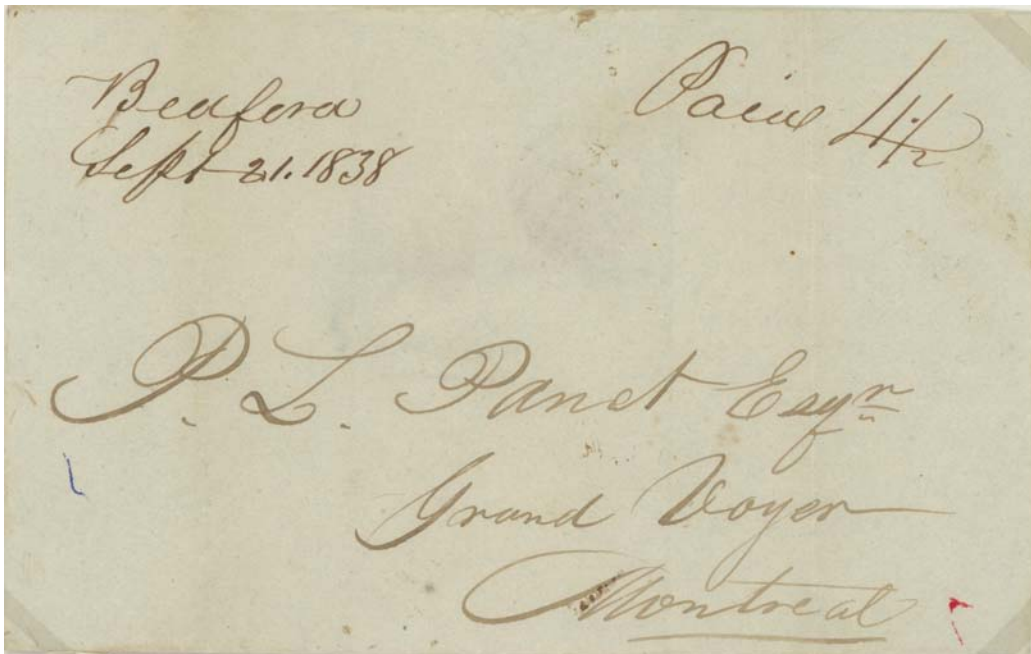
Bedford LC first hammer and ms

Missisquoi Co, L.C. Post office opened 1831.



Bedford—Ascot (Québec, L.C.), 1831. Rated *11^o* cy, 201–300 miles.

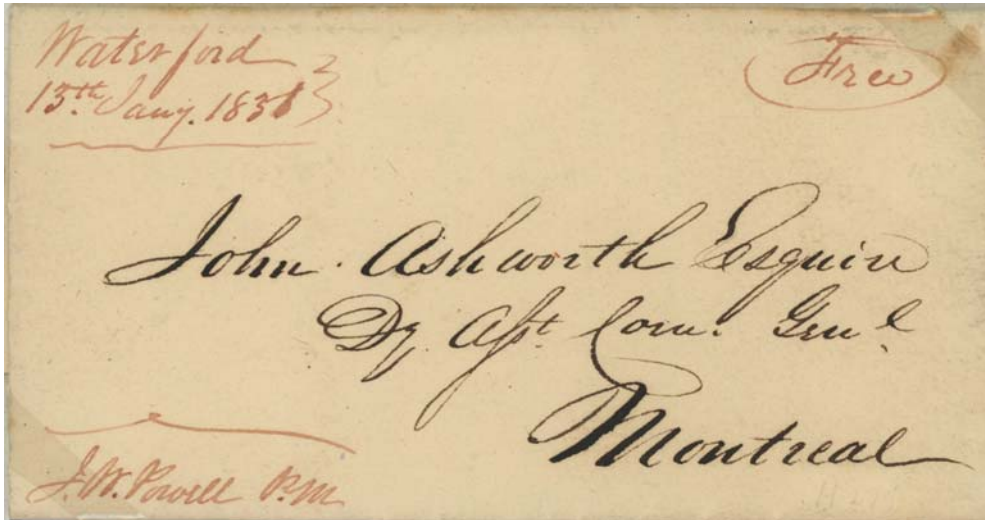
Double circle italic known 1831–40.



Bedford—Montréal, 21 September 1838. Rated *Paid 4½ d* cy, under 60 miles.

Waterford UC ms

Norfolk Co, Post office opened 1826. Ms reported 1829–36. First hammer is 1829-type, known 1829–36.



Waterford (U C)—Montréal, 13 January 1831. *Free*.

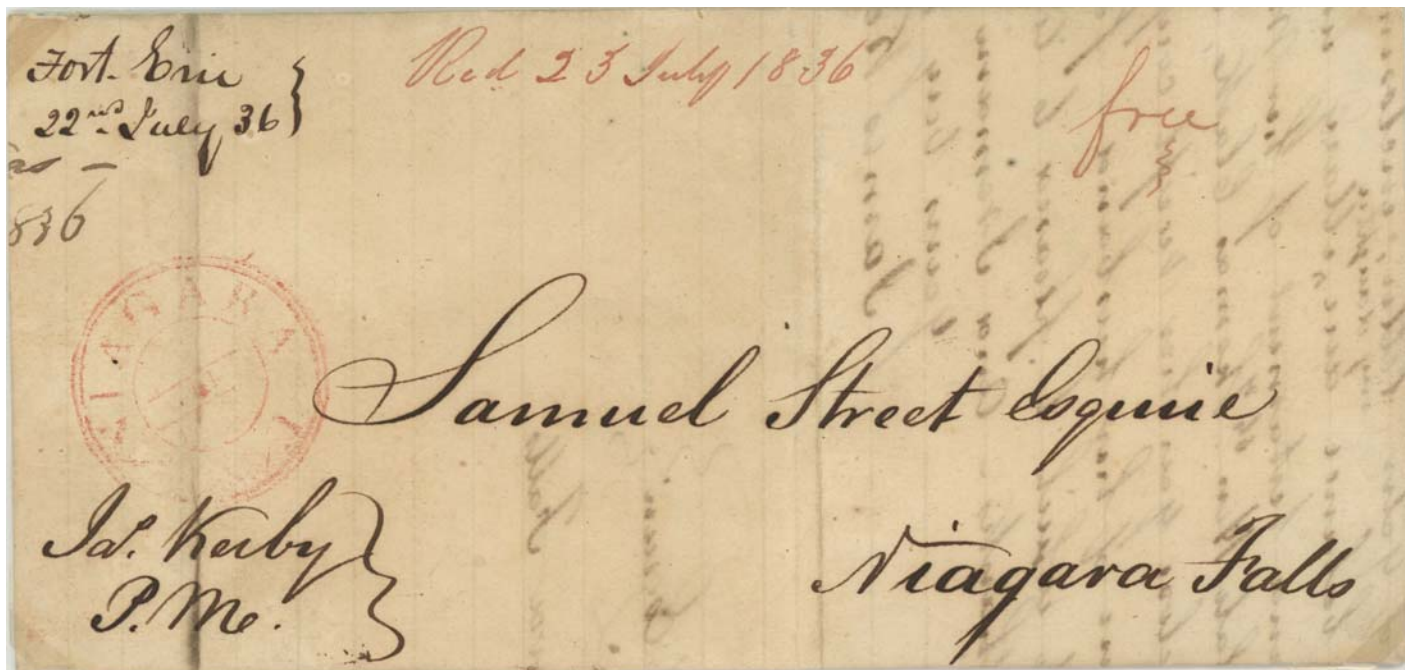
Fort Erie UC first hammer & ms

Welland Co, U C. Post office open 1801–1948.



Fort Erie–Victoria, 1832. Sender has written *Victoria*, but the office name is *Vittoria*. Rated collect 9^d, 101–200 miles.

FORT ERIE 1829-type, known 1832–5.



Fort Erie–Niagara, 22 July 1836. Rated *free*.

Ms known 1825–48

NIAGARA (UC)⁻¹ triple circle (one-off) reported 1829–39.

Yarmouth UC first hammer & ms

Elgin Co, U.C. Post office open 1830–37. Not to be confused with Yarmouth N S or Yarmouth U K. A total of four datestamps are known, half of which are on this page.



Yarmouth–Vittoria, 1832. *Free*.

Double circle italic YARMOUTH U.C, one of three known strikes, 1832–6.

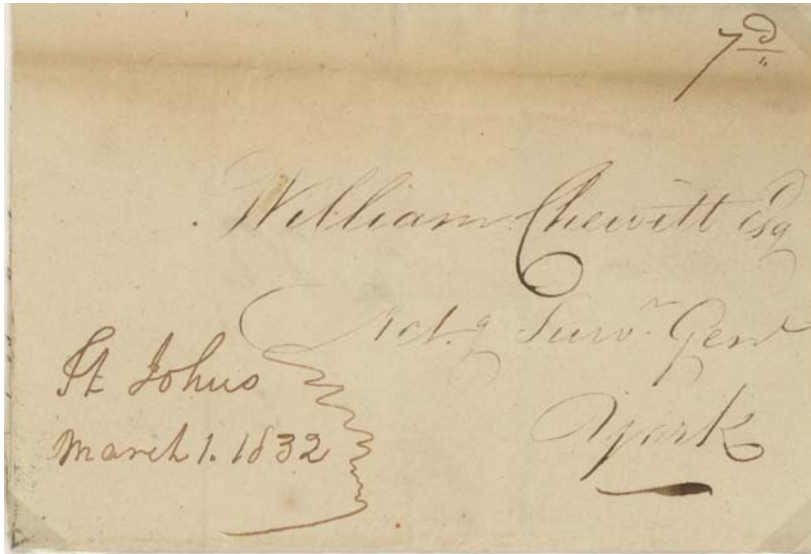


Yarmouth–Vittoria, 18 April 1833. *Free*.

Only reported ms. Postmaster was not too particular about spelling.

St Johns UC ms and first hammer; North Pelham ms

Welland Co, U.C. Post office open 1831–51. First hammer is double circle, known 1834–56. It was then renamed St Johns West (1851–1914), to distinguish it from St Johns L.C. However, the postmaster wrote *St John*, and its double circle (first hammer) was inherited from the former St Johns, without change.



St Johns (U.C.)—York, 1 March 1832. Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–100 miles, which is how we know this is St Johns U.C., not St Johns L.C.

Only reported ms prior to the name change.



Double ms North Pelham (C.W.) at o New York, via *St John* (St Johns West) & Chippawa, 1853.

Ms North Pelham, 17 October 1853. Rated collect 6 d, equivalently 10¢, rate to U.S.

Only reported ms of St Johns West.



North Pelham—Mobile (AL), via **St Johns** (West), 1853. Ms North Pelham. Rated **PAID 6** d, equivalently 10¢ (exchange marking at left), rate to U.S. An unusual destination from Canada.

Double circle SAINT-JOHN'S U.C. is known from 1834 at the original St Johns, and 1853–56 at St Johns West.

North Pelham, Welland Co; post office open 1853–1914. Both known ms on this page.

Williamsburg UC ms

Dundas Co, U C. Post office opened 1789. Ms reported 1832–36. First hammer, straightline, known 1822.



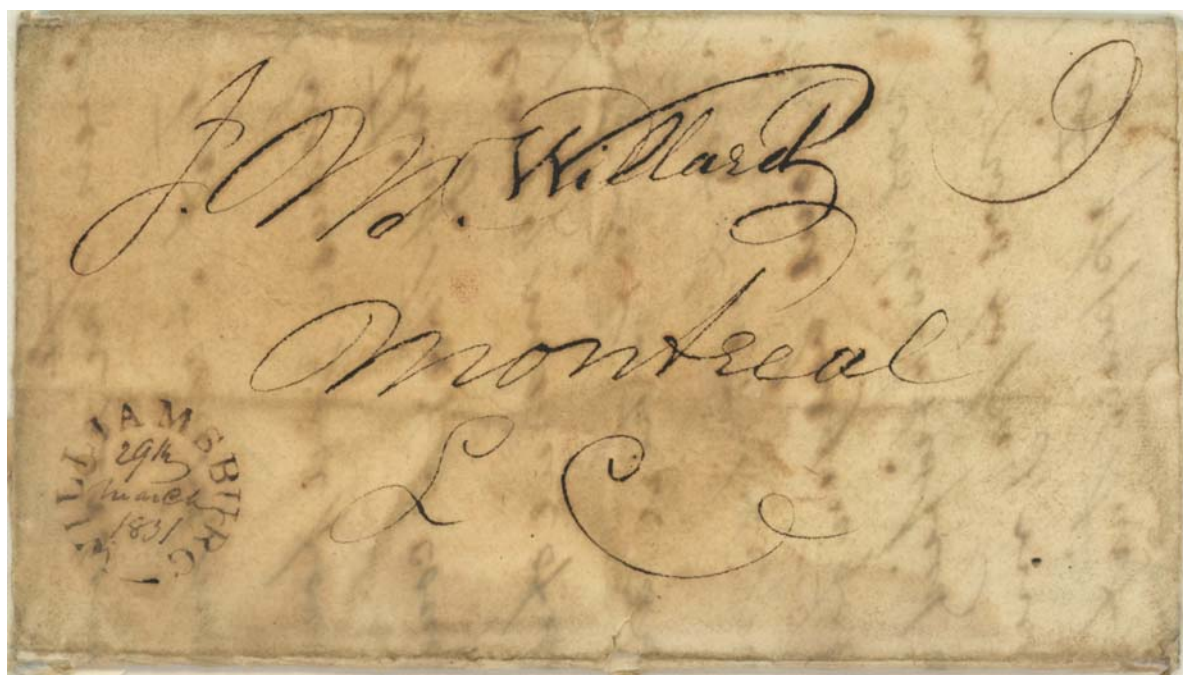
Williamsburg (Dundas Co, U C)—Montréal, 19 June 1832. Rated *Paid 9 d cy*, 101–200 miles.
Used as transit marking.

East Williamsburg UC ms & first hammer

Dundas Co, U.C. Post office opened 1835. First hammer, 1829-type (of Williamsburg, sometimes with *East* added; second hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1839–40.



Montréal–Williamsburg, via East Williamsburg (U.C.), 5 July 1837. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles, ms *Forward*.
Only reported ms.

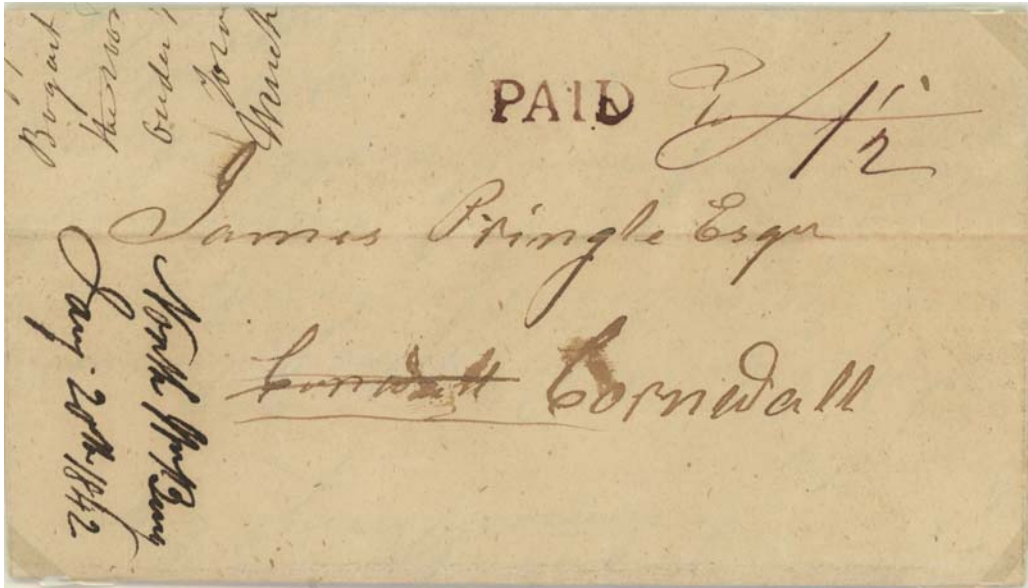


(East) Williamsburg–Montréal, 1838. Rated collect 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

WILLIAMSBURG 1829-type, known 1831–35, used at East Williamsburg, known 1838–42

North Williamsburg UC ms

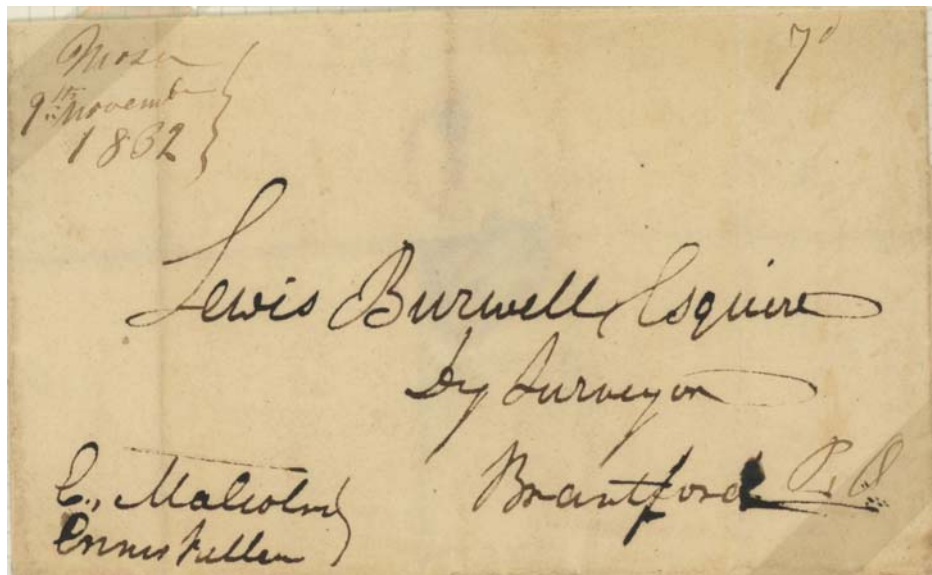
Dundas Co, U C. Post office open 1841–1907. Ms reported 1841–42. First hammer, serif double broken circle, proofed 1842, known 1850–7.



North Williamsburg (U C)—Cornwall, 20 June 1842. Rated PAID ⁰4½ cy, 61–100 miles.

Mosa UC ms

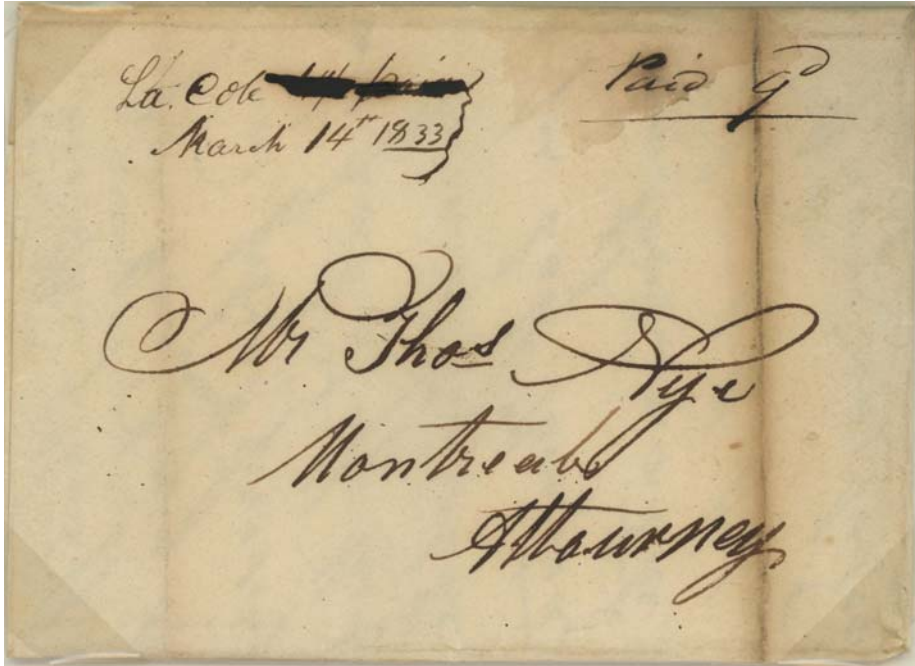
Middlesex Co, U C. Post office open 1832–56, became Wardsville. Ms reported 1832–38. First hammer, double circle, known 1847–50.



Mosa (U C)—Montréal, 9 November 1832. Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–100 miles.

Lacolle LC ms lcms33

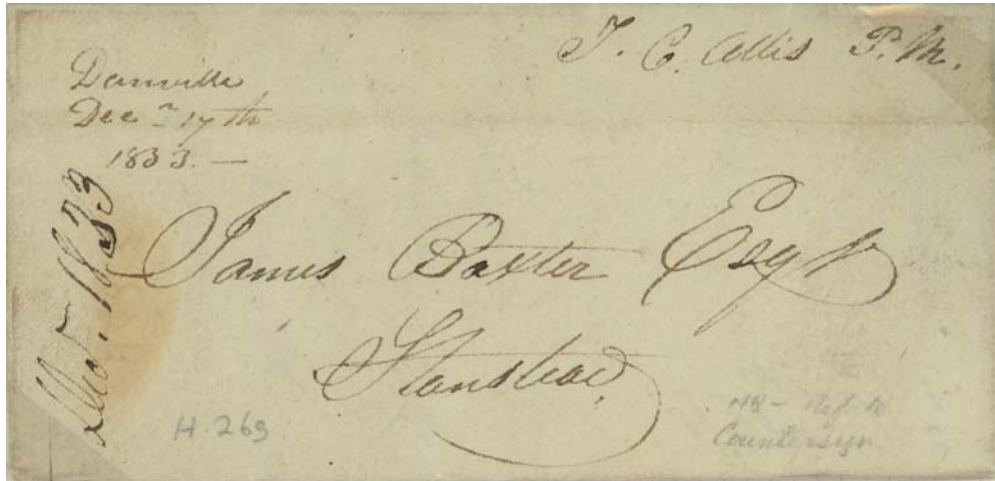
St Jean Co, L.C. Post office opened 1832. First hammer, double circle, known 1835-44.



Lacolle (LC)—Montréal, 14 March 1833. Rated Paid 9 d cy, 101-200 miles.
Here spelled *La Cole*.

Danville LC ms

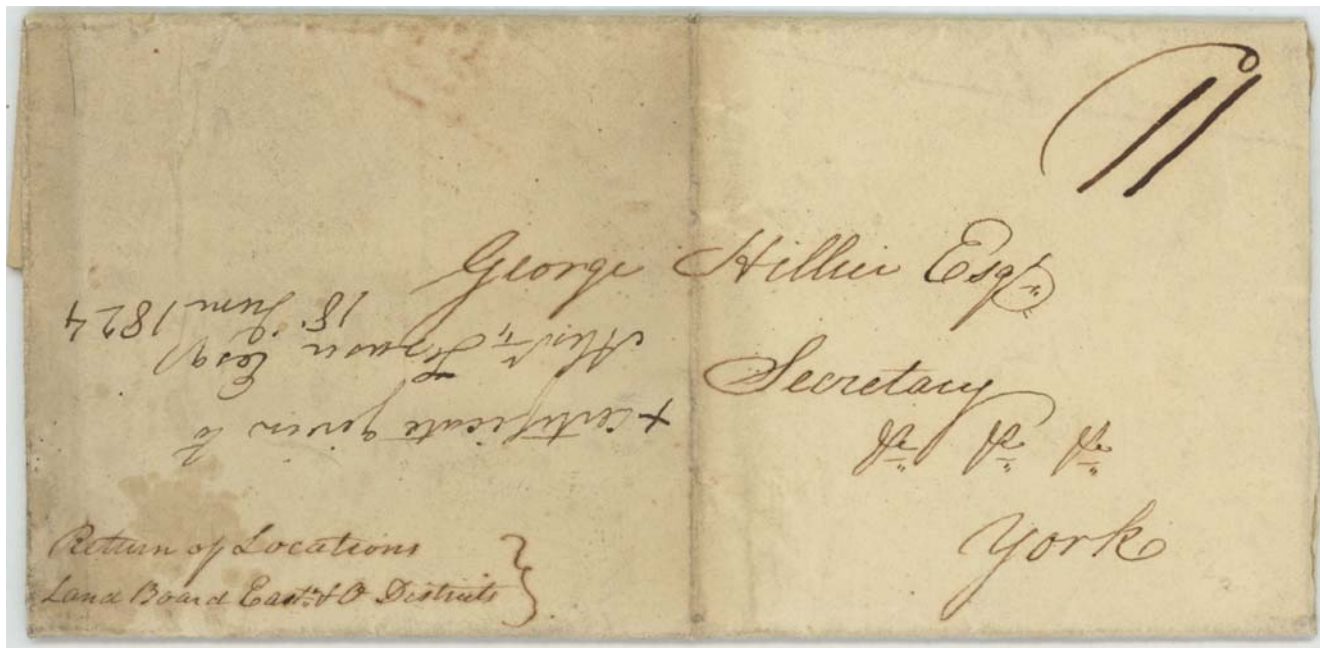
Richmond Co, LC. Post office opened 1832. First hammer, double circle, known 1835–49.



Danville (Richmond Co, LC)–Stanstead, LC, 17 December 1833. Free franked with postmaster's signature.

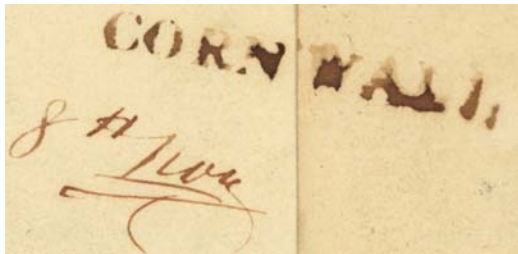
Cornwall UC straightline and ms

Stormont Co, UC. Post office opened 1789. First hammer, straightline, known 1822–29; second hammer, 1829-type, known 1829–39. Third hammer, UC serif double broken circle, proofed 1839, known 1845–60.



Cornwall–York, 1824. Rated collect 11^d d cy, 201–300 miles.

CORNWALL straightline, known 1822–29.



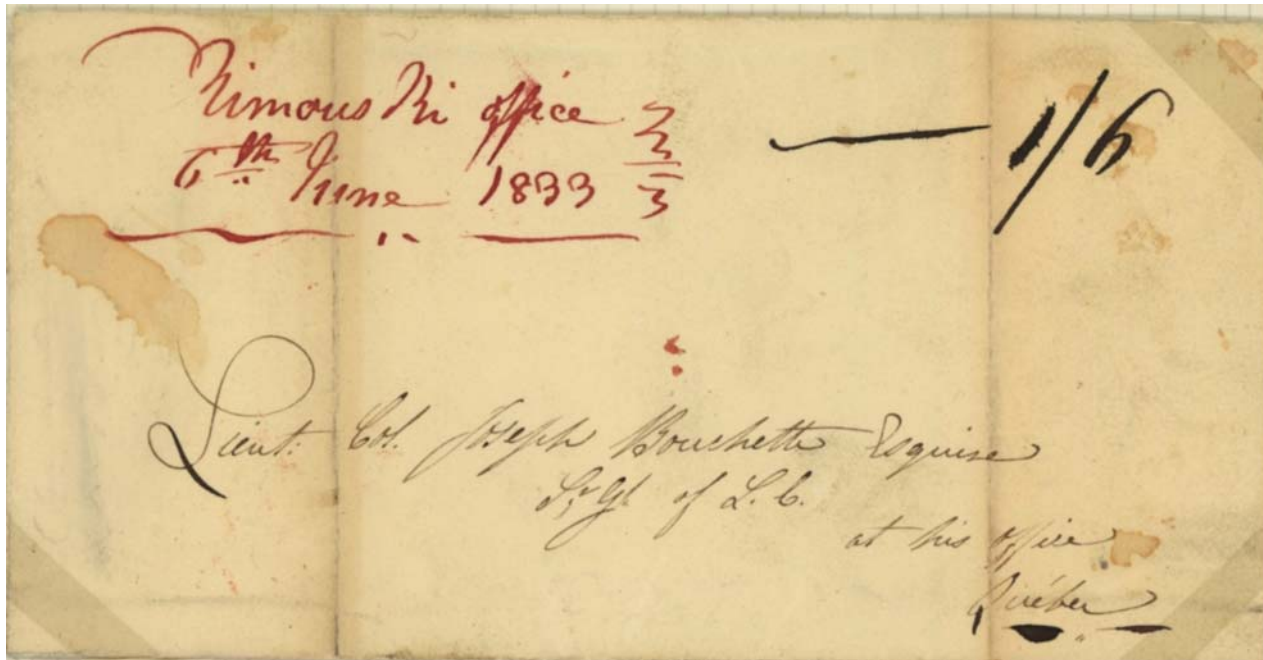
Cornwall–Montréal, 22 June 1832. Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–101 miles.

Ms reported 1832–36.

22 June 1832

Rimouski LC ms & first hammer

Rimouski Co, L.C. Post office opened 1831.



Rimouski—Québec, 6 June 1833. Rated collect 1/6 d cy, double 101–200 miles.

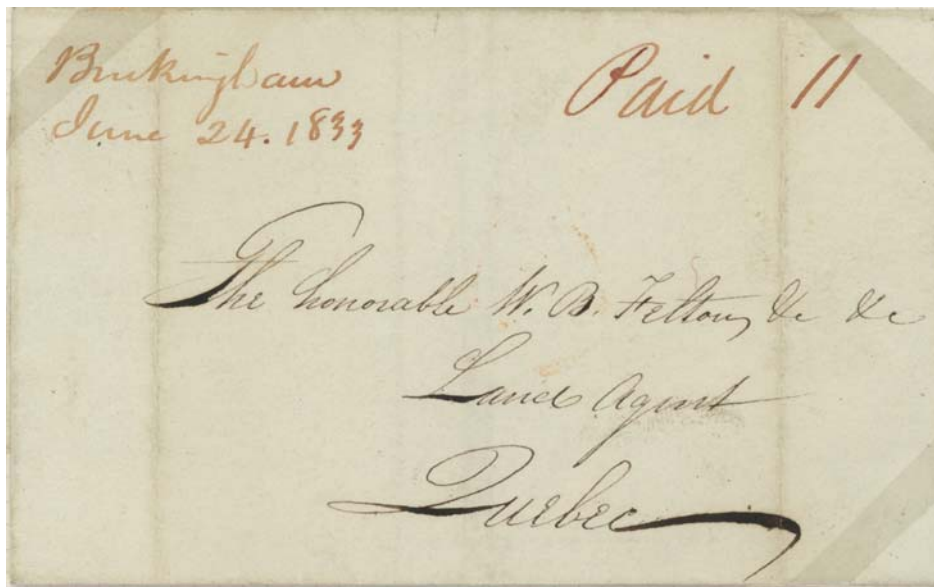


Rimouski—Montréal, 1842. Rated collect 1/2 cy, 301–400 miles. With the confusing **FORWARDED** handstamp applied at Québec.

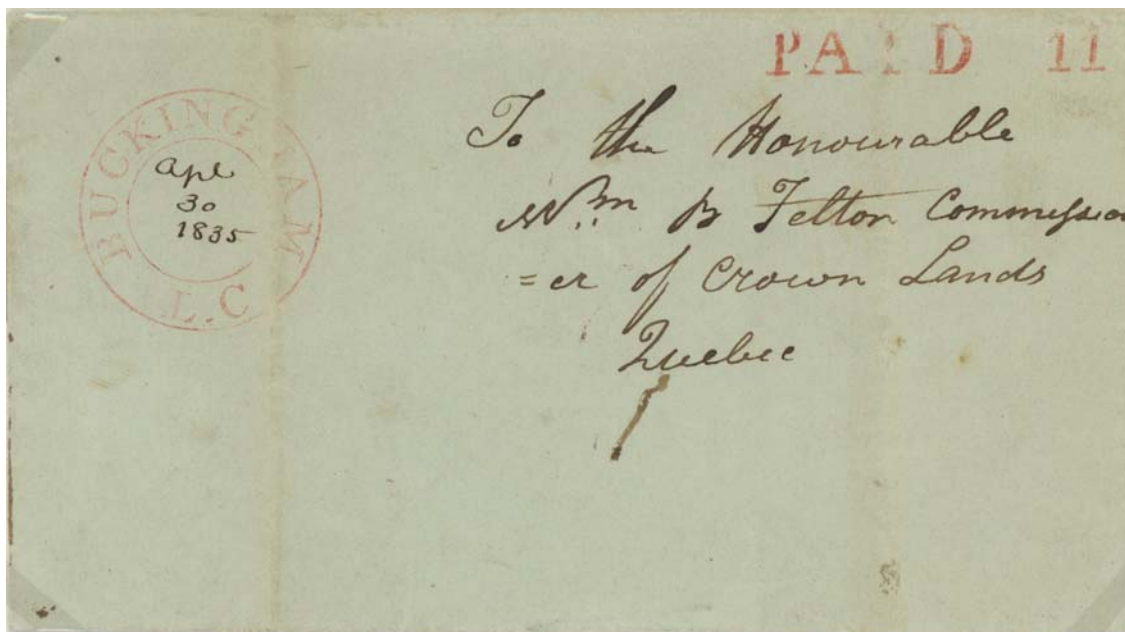
RIMOUSKI double circle, known 1834–49.

Buckingham LC, ms & first hammer

Ottawa Co, L.C. Post office opened 1832. First hammer, double circle, known 1833–48.



Buckingham (L.C.)–Québec, 24 June 1833. **Paid 11** d cy, 201–300 miles.



Buckingham–Québec, 1835. Rated **PAID 11** d, 201–300 miles. One of very few entirely handstamped ratemarks in this period. Ms **1** below address may indicate the 1 d delivery fee (collect) in Québec.

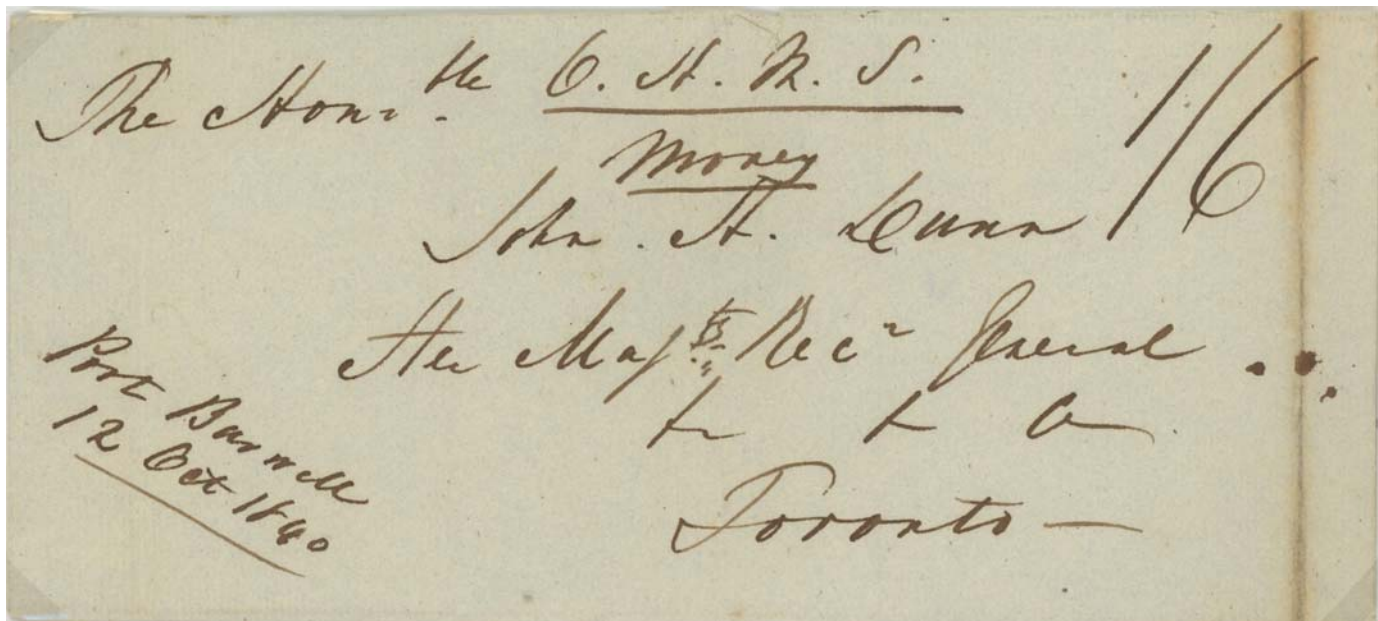
BUCKINGHAM LC double circle known 1833–48.

Port Burwell UC, first hammer & ms
Elgin Co, U.C. Post office opened 1830.



Port Burwell—Brantford, 1832. *Free*.

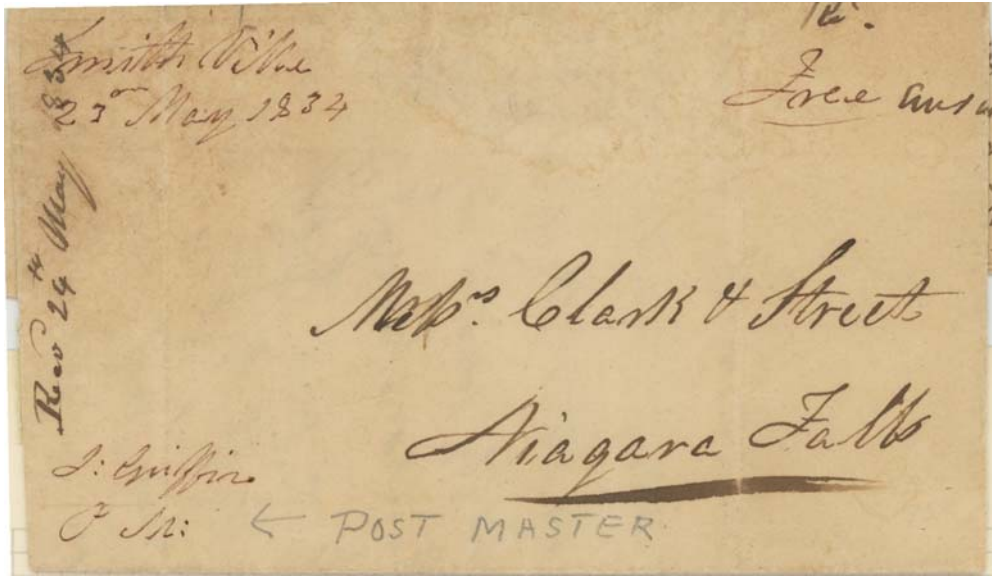
Double circle italic **PORT BURWELL U.C.**, known 1831–42.



Port Burwell—Goderich, 1840. Rated collect 1/6 cy, double 101–200 miles. Money letter, hence enclosure.
Ms known 1831–44.

Smithville UC ms, ucms34y

Lincoln Co, U.C. Post office opened 1831. First hammer, double circle, known 1839–40.



Smithville (UC)–Niagara Falls, 25 May 1834. Rated **Free** and signed by postmaster.

Only reported ms.

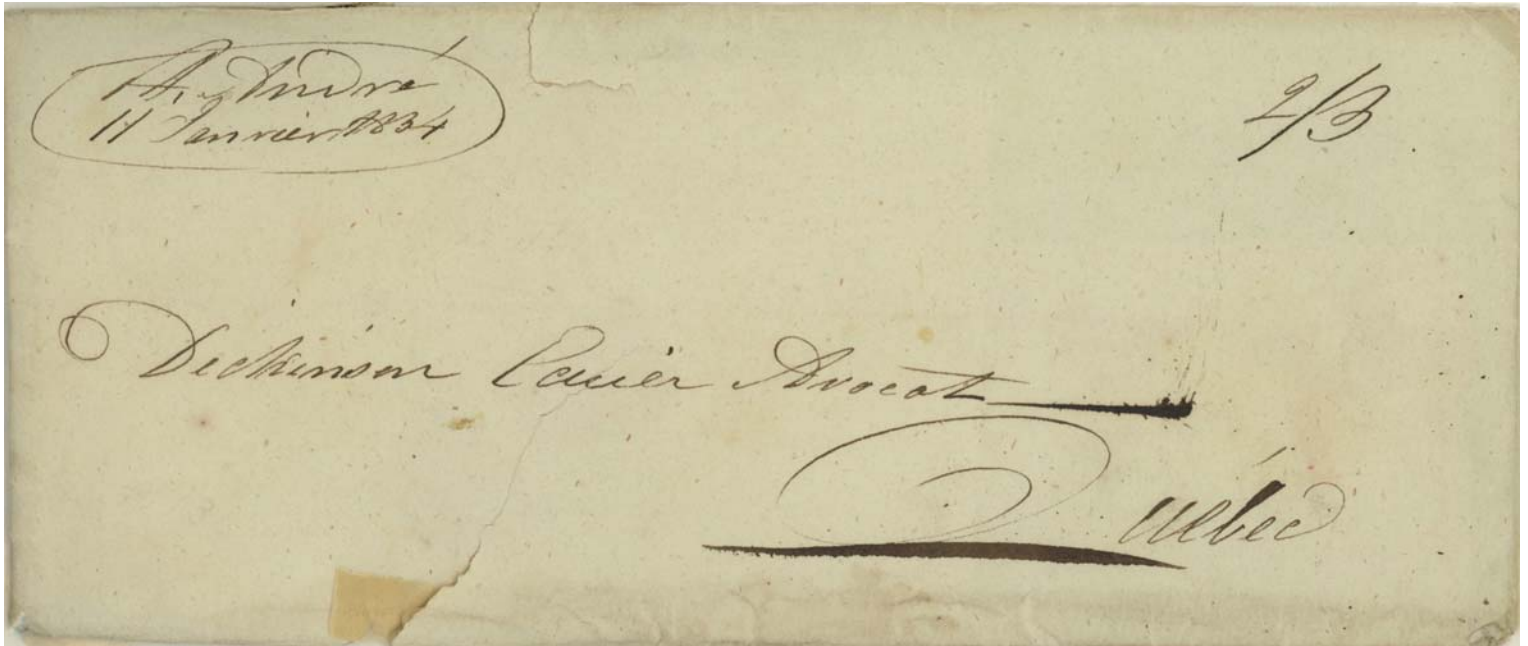


Smithville UC–Brantford (UC), 1840. **Free**

SMITHVILLE U.C double circle, known 1839–40, latest reported use.

St André LC ms

Kamouraska Co, L.C. Post office opened 1832. First hammer, double circle, known 1840–49.



St André (L.C.)–Québec, 11 January 1833. Rated collect 2/3 cy, triple 101–200 miles.

(en) *route* is the French equivalent of *way*; so this was handed to the letter courier on his way to St André.



Way letter, St André–Québec, 2 October 1839. Rated collect 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

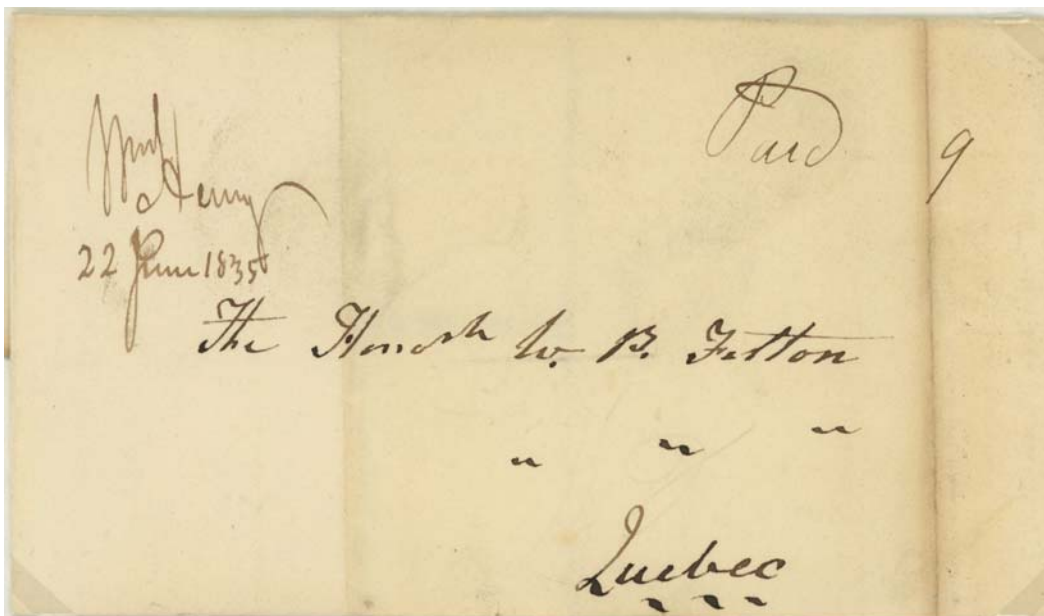
William Henry LC, third hammer and ms

Richelieu Co, L.C. Post office open 1814–62; name changed to Sorel. Two different straightlines (rare) are known 1812 and 1815–6.



William Henry—Québec, via Montréal, quadruple, 1830s. Rated initially 1/6 cy, double 9 d cy, 101–200 miles, then reweighed or candled and found to be quadruple, so postage doubled to 3/– cy. The **PAID** stamp was probably struck at Québec (destination), indicating payment by the recipient.

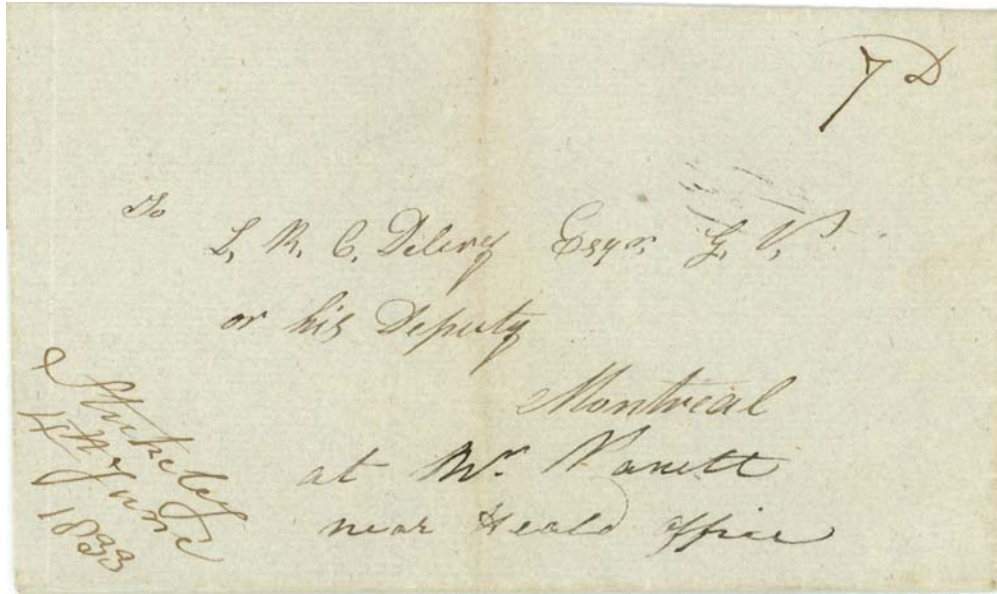
WILLIAM HENRY 1829-type known 1830–34.



William Henry—Québec, 1835. Rated Paid 9 d, 101–200 miles.

Stukeley LC ms & first hammer

Shefford Co L.C. Post office open 1832–73; became South Stukeley.



Stukeley–Montréal, 1833. Collect 7 d cy (101–200 miles).



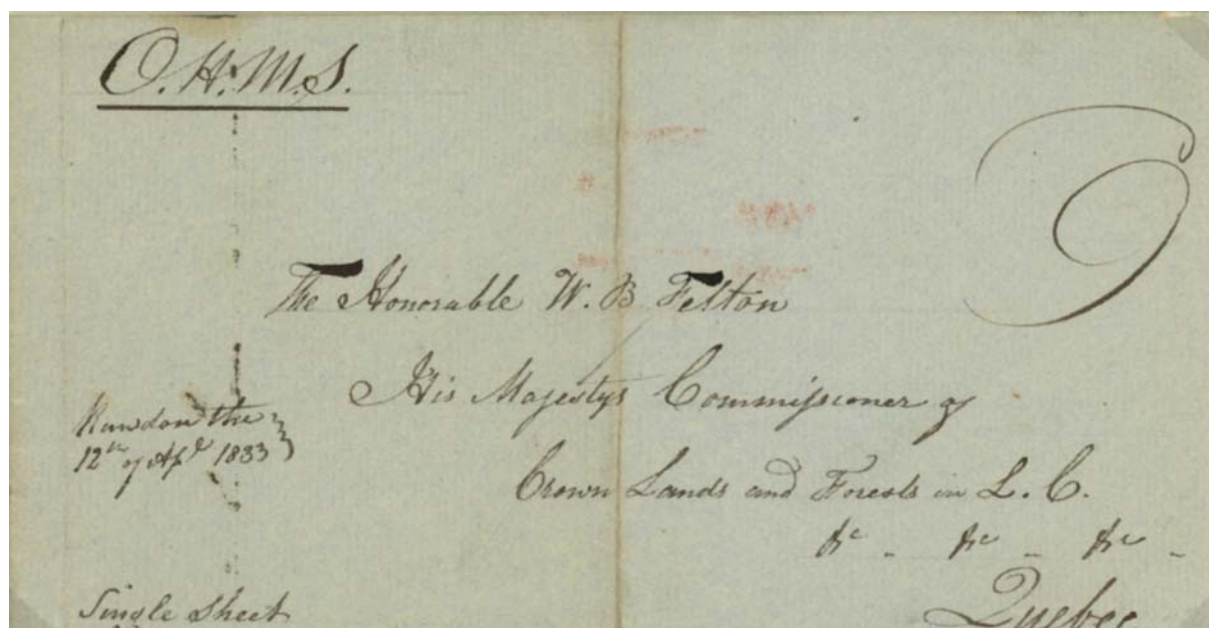
M–ds (NY)–South Stukeley (C E) via Burlington and Montréal, 1849. Ms Moo–ds? NY (dateline is Moretown, Clinton County). Prepaid 5¢ U S postage to the Burlington exchange, then charged 7 d cy from the border to Stukeley. The letter sheet was folded to roughly approximate an envelope.

Double circle **STUKELEY L.C.**, known 1841–67.

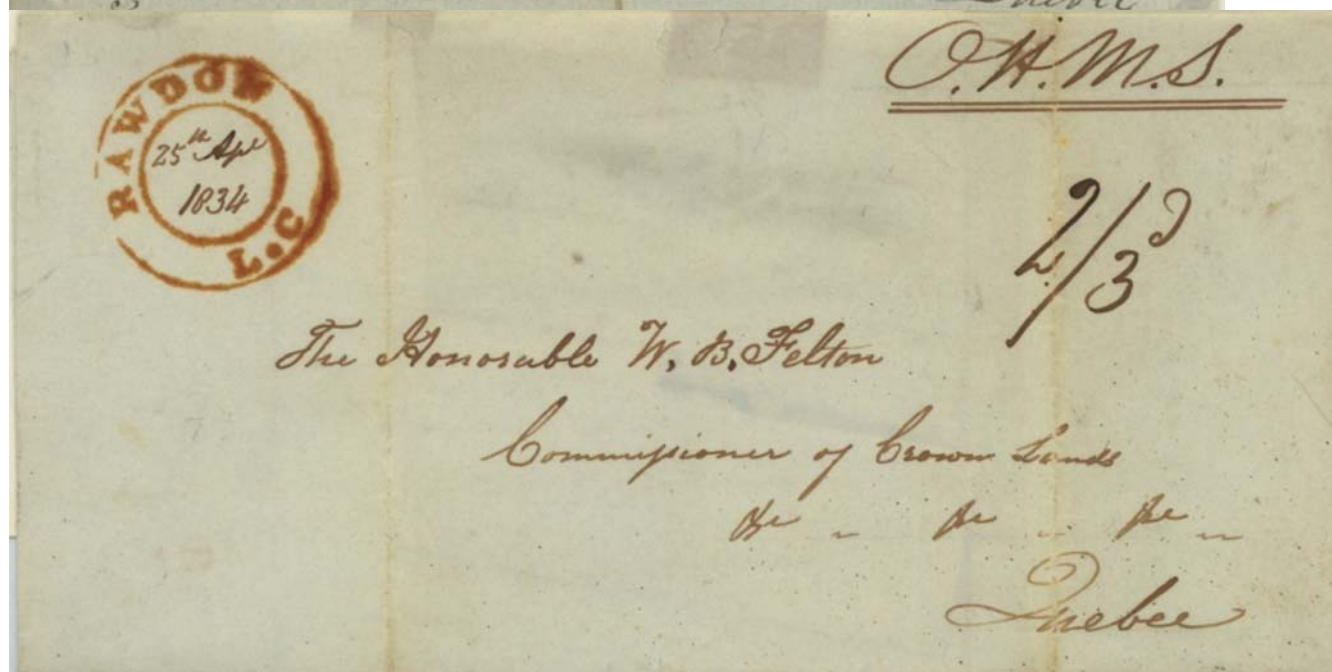


Rawdon LC ms & first hammer

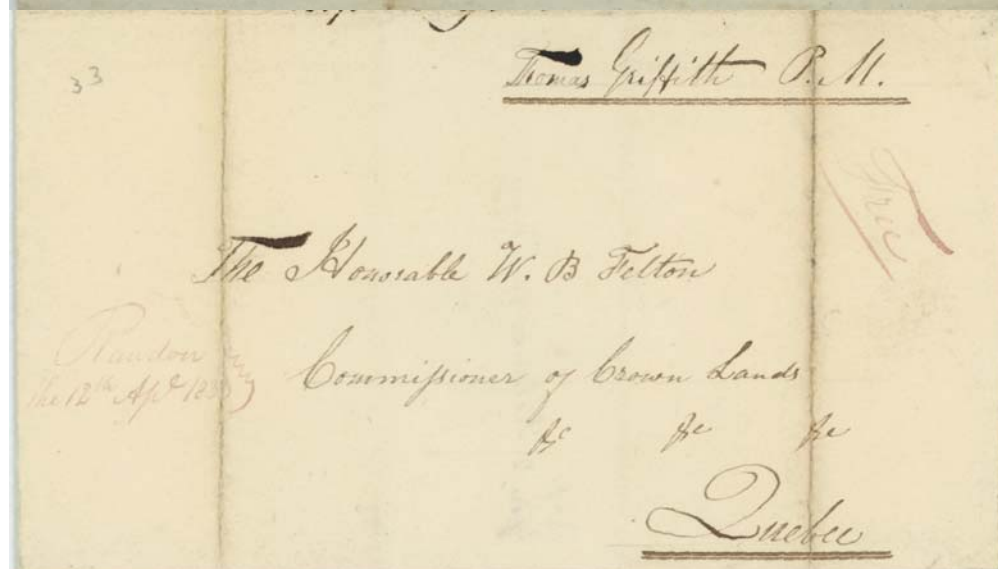
Montcalm Co, L.C. Post office opened 1831. Not to be confused with Rawdon U C (Hastings Co), post office open 1832-52, no reported ms.



Rawdon—Québec, 12 April 1833. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101-200 miles. Fairly common for an L C ms.



Rawdon—Québec, 1834. Rated collect 2/3 cy, 101-200 miles, triple
RAWDON L.C. double circle, 1833-60.



Rawdon—Québec, 12 April 1833. Rated Free.

Trois Pistoles LC; alternating ms & first hammer

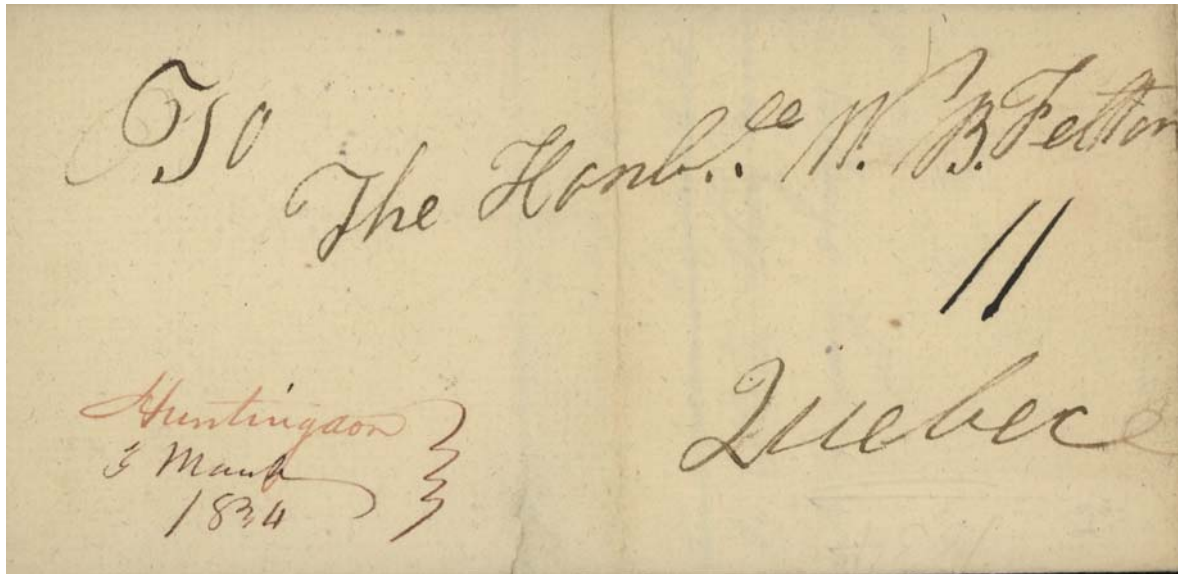
Rivière du Loup Co, L.C. Post office opened 1832.



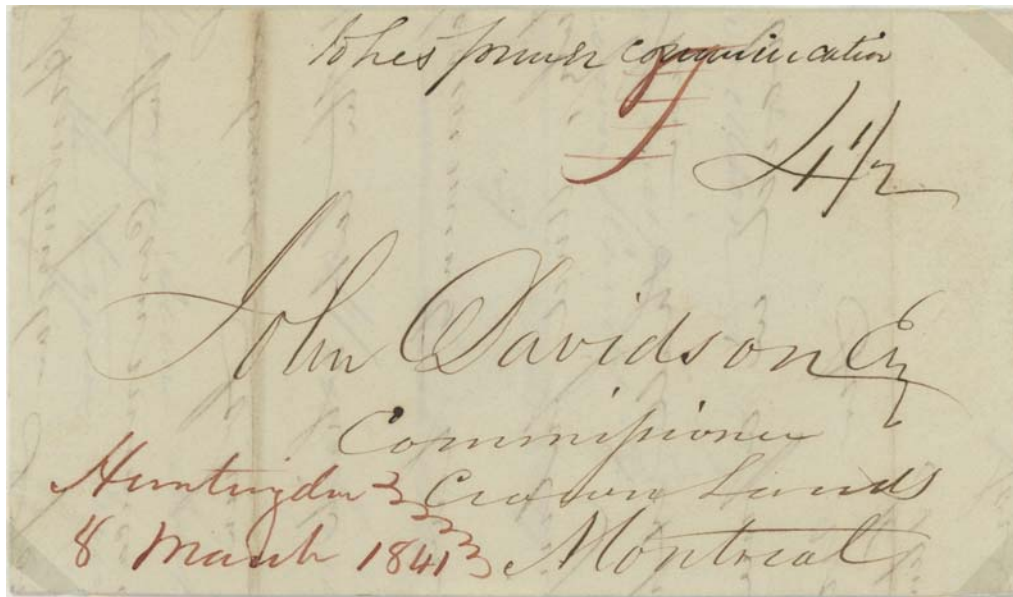
Ms (1833), then double circle (1836), then ms (1850) again, and double circle (1856) again. First, second, and fourth are *Free*, and the second is also a money letter (a scarce combination). First three are to Québec, last to Toronto. Double circle TROIS-PISTOLES is known 1833–56.

Huntingdon LC ms

Huntingdon Co, L.C. Post office opened 1830. First hammer, double circle italic, known 1830–32; second hammer serif double broken circle, known 1842–70.



Huntingdon (L.C.)—Québec, 3 March 1834. Rated collect 11 d cy, 201–300 miles.



Huntingdon—Montréal, 8 March 1841. Rated collect 11 d cy, 201–300 miles.

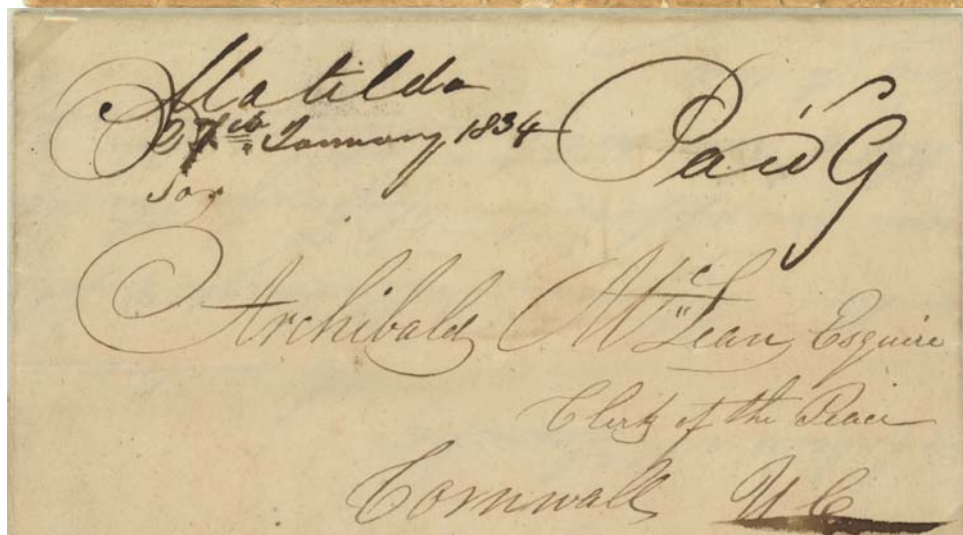
Matilda UC straightline & ms

Dundas Co, U.C. Post office open 1798–57, became Iroquois. Ms reported 1818–43, the longest stretch known for an ms, and one of the two or three commonest ms. First hammer, straightline, known 1820–30; second hammer, 1829-type, possibly 1829–40.

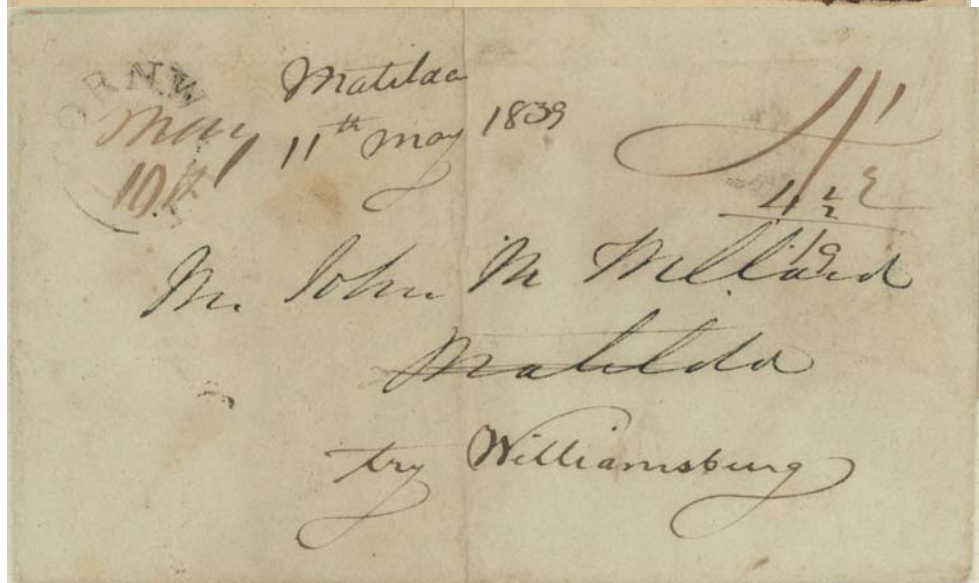


Matilda–Raleigh, 1820. Straightline **MATILDA**, known 1820–30 (ms exist before and after). Rated collect double 9 d cy (101–200 miles).

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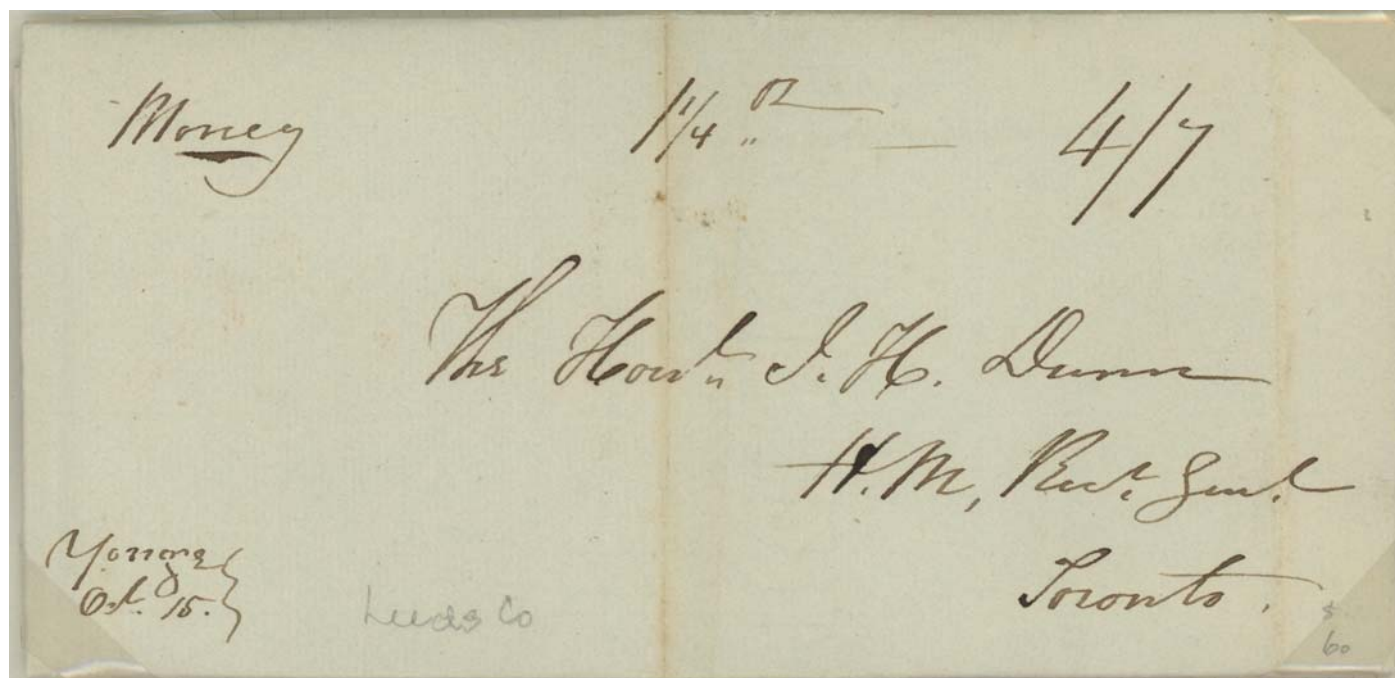
Matilda–Cornwall, 27 January 1834. Rated Paid 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.



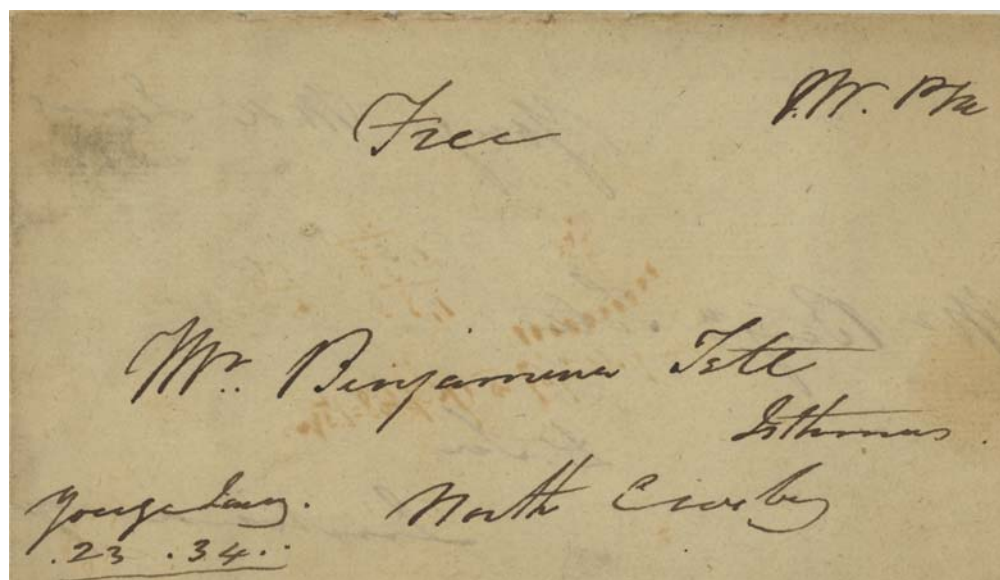
Cornwall–Matilda, forwarded to Williamsburg, 11 May 1839. Rated collect 4½ d cy, 101–200 miles, to Matilda, then charged again for forwarding to Williamsburg. CORNWALL 1829-type hammer known 1829–39.

Yonge UC ms & first hammer

Leeds Co, U.C. Post office open 1833-54.

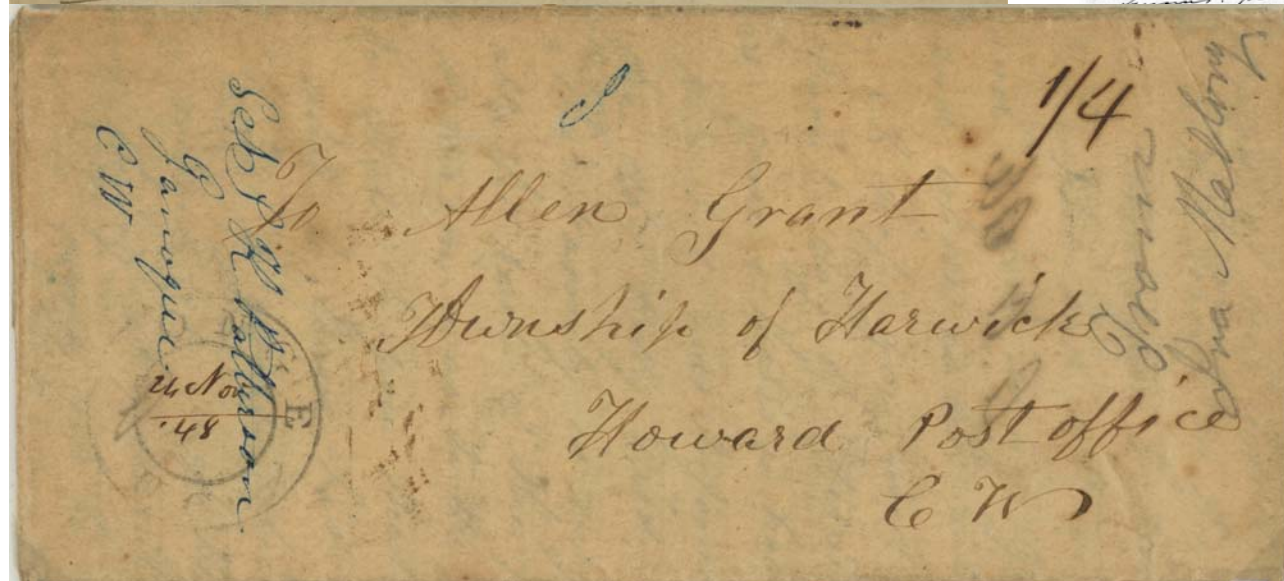
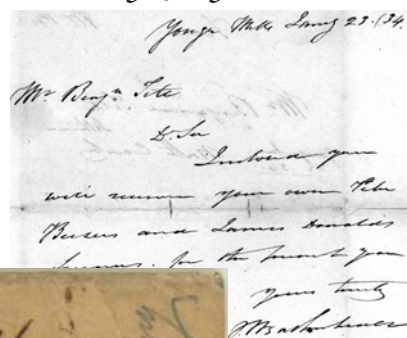


Yonge (U C)—Toronto, 15 October 1834. Rated collect 4/7 cy, quintuple (1¼ oz) 201–300 miles. Money letter.



Yonge Mills—North Crosby (U C) 23 January 1834. Rated Free, with postmaster's initials. No post office known as North Crosby is known. Ms known 1834-41.

There was no post office at Yonge Mills until 1892; however, ms at lower left reads Yonge Jany . 23 . 34.

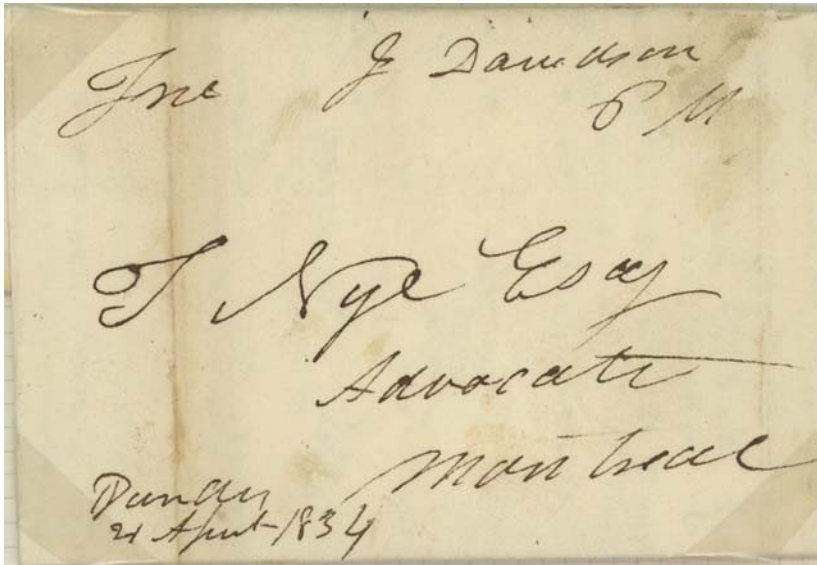


Yonge—Howard (U C) 1848. Rated collect 1/4 cy, 401–500 miles.

YONGE double circle, first hammer, previously known 1835-40.

Dundee LC ms

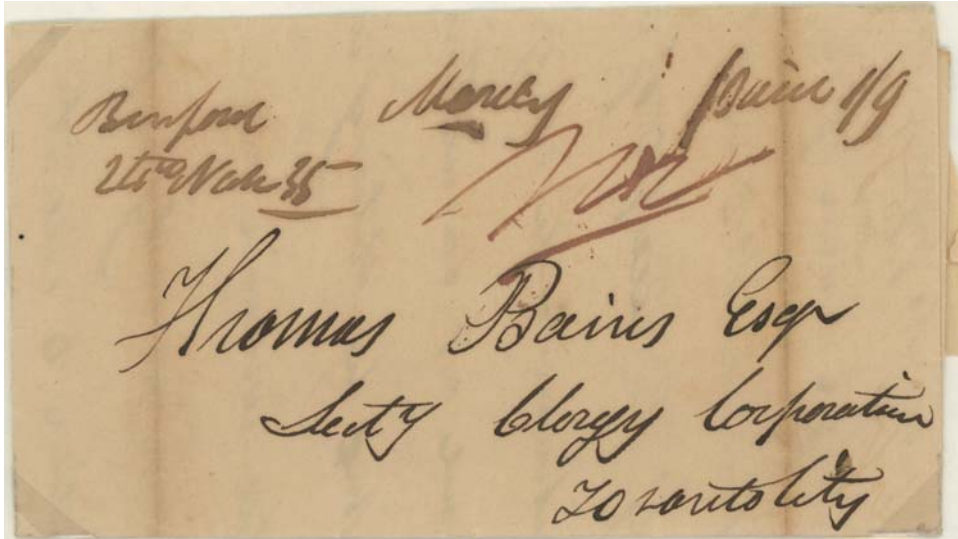
Huntingdon Co, L.C. Post office opened 1830. Straightlines known 1830 and 1831; Serif double broken circle, known 1842–57.



Dundee (L.C.)—Montréal, 21 April 1834. Free.

Burford UC ms

Brantford Co, U C. Post office opened 1819. First hammer, 1829-type, known 1839–42.

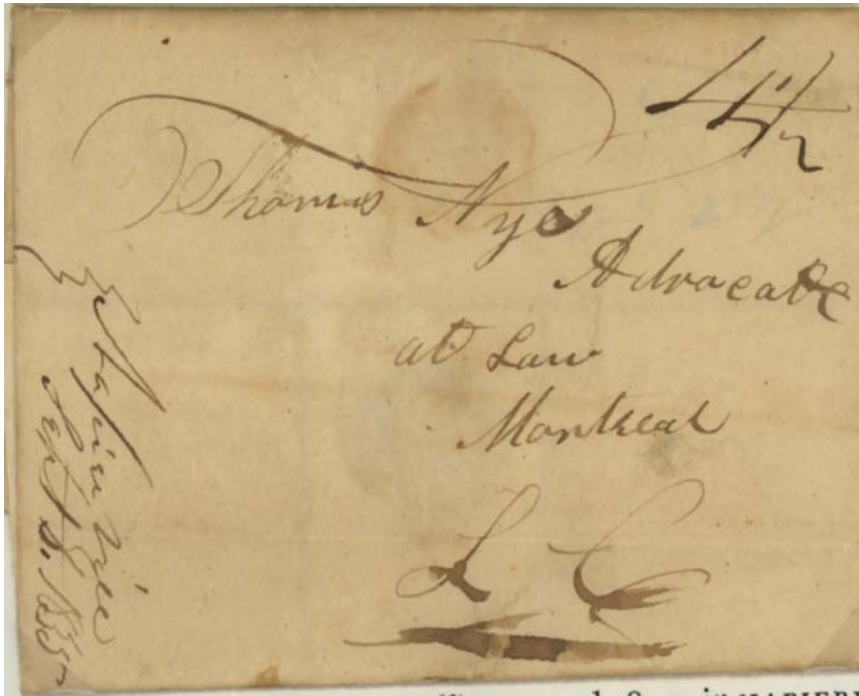


Burford (U C)—York, triple, money letter, 24 November (1835). Rated *paid 1/9* cy, triple 7 d cy, 61–100 miles. Large *M* applied at Toronto on money letters.

Only reported ms.

Napierville LC ms & first hammer

Napierville Co, LC, post office opened 1832.



Napierville—Montréal, 15 September 1835. Rated collect $4\frac{1}{2}$ d cy, under 60 miles,

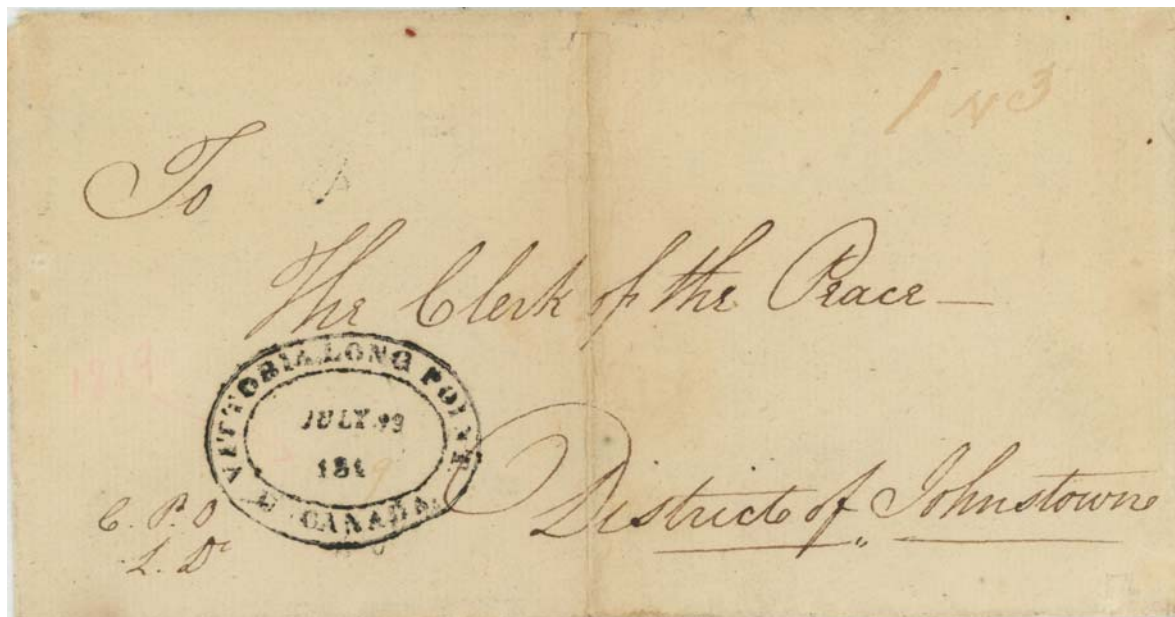


Kingston—Laprairie, forwarded to L'Acadie, via **Napierville**, and returned to sender, 1843. Rated **PAID 11** d cy, 200–300 miles. **FORWARDED 2 Juin**, applied at Laprairie. *non réclamé* on reverse.

Double circle **NAPIERVILLE L.C.**, known 1834–60.

Vittoria UC, second hammer, ms, and third hammer (two pages)

Norfolk Co, U C. Post office opened 1816. First hammer, straightline, one strike known (1816); second hammer, double oval, also known in one strike only; third hammer, double oval, known April 1818–July 1819; fourth, 1829-type. Vittoria is the U C ms that is most likely to be seen.



Vittoria Long Point–District of Johnstown (U C), 1818. Johnstown covers what is now a large chunk of eastern Ontario, including Carleton, Leeds, and Grenville counties. The principal town was Elizabethtown (from 1808), from circa 1830, known as Brockville. Distance Vittoria–Brockville is about 300 miles, considered as 301–400 miles, rated $1\frac{1}{3}$ d cy collect.

Double oval VITTORIA LONG POINT U CANADA, known April 1818–July 1819.

Dist of London
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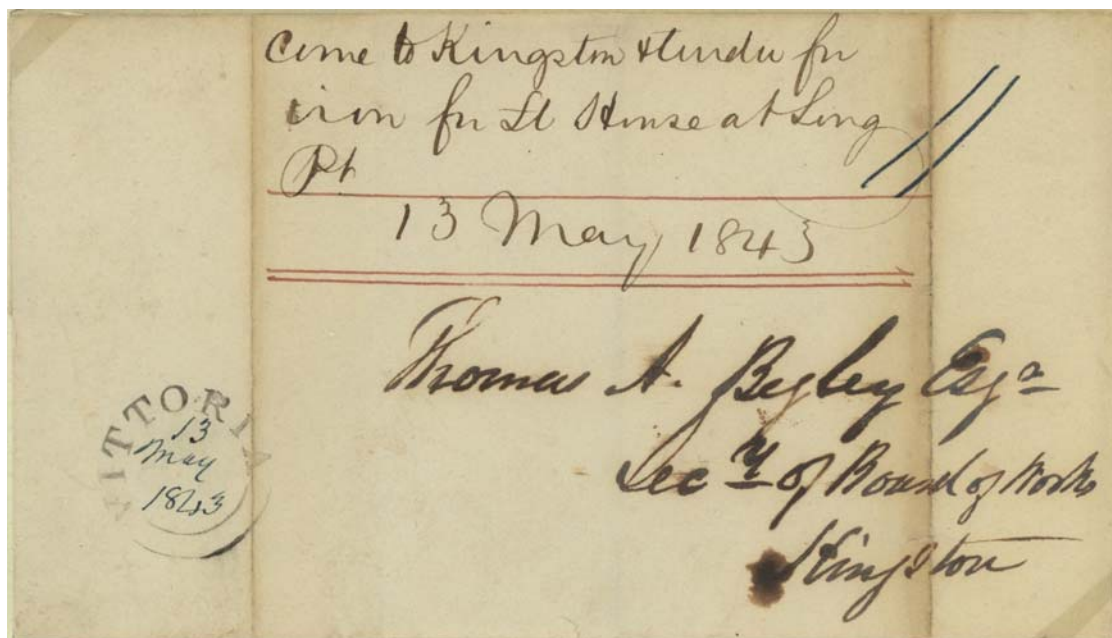


Vittoria–Toronto, via Bayham (U C), 13 March 1835. Rated paid 9^d, 101–200 miles.

BAYHAM UC double circle italic, known 1831–47. Post office open 1830–1970.

Vittoria ms, very common among ms, known 1823–46.

Vittoria UC, continued



Vittoria–Kingston, 1843. Rated collect [11](#) d cy, 201–300 miles.

VITTORIA 1829-type, known 1831–48, possibly the longest continuous use of an 1829-type marking.



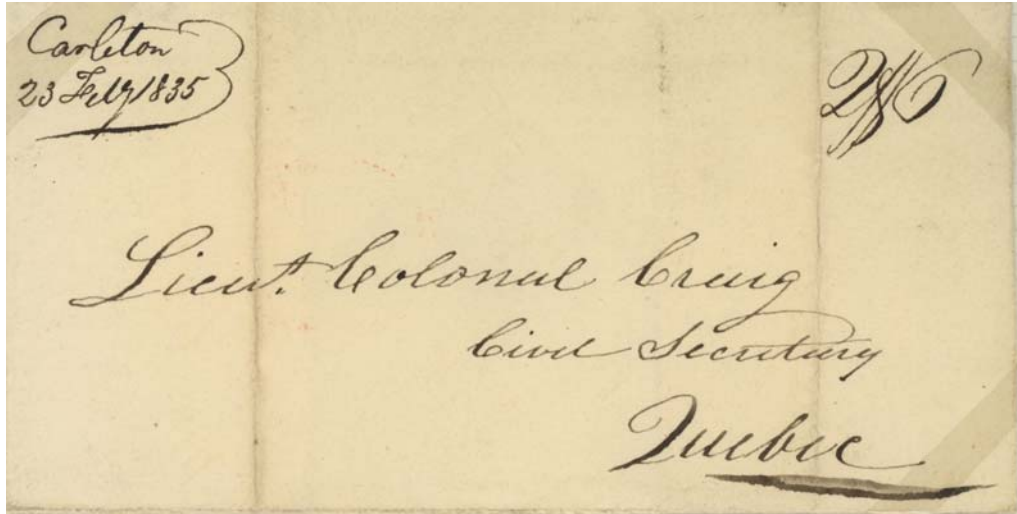
Chippawa–Vittoria, 1844. Rated [4 Rates](#) [PAID 3/-](#) cy (201–300 miles and either three enclosures or one ounce).

Vittoria.
19 June 1844.

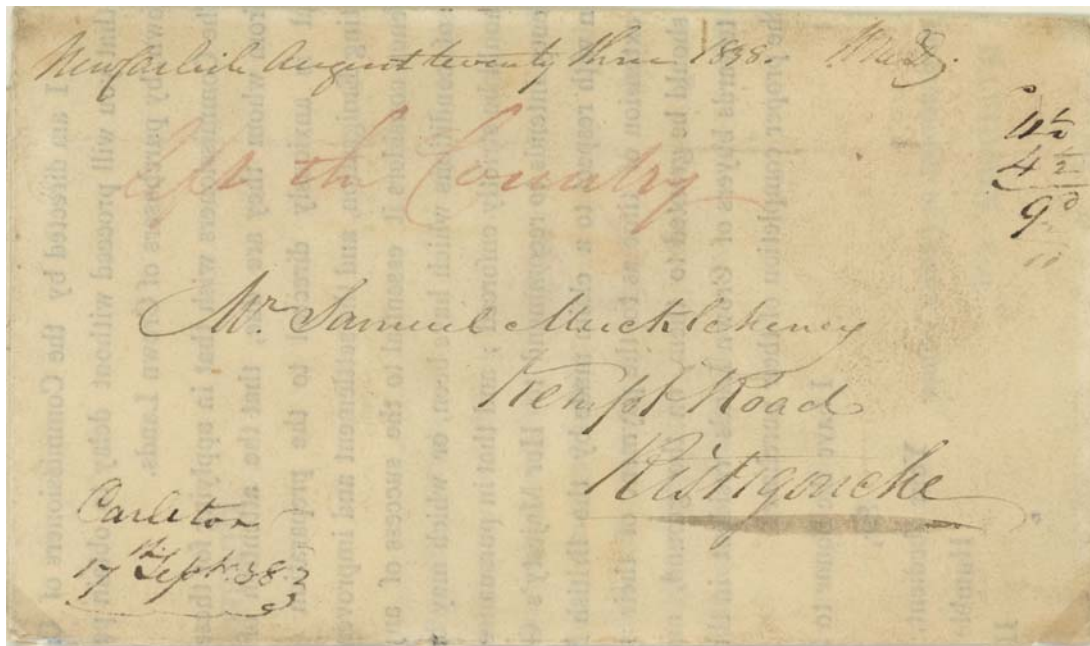
On reverse

Carleton LC ms & first hammer

Bonaventure Co, LC. Sometimes considered to be the renamed Bay Chaleurs, except that the latter was part of the NB system. Post office opened sometime in 1834–5. The double circle reads **Carleton (Baie des Chaleurs)**. Numerous ms have been reported.



Carleton (LC)—Québec, 23 February 1835. Rated collect 2/6 cy, double 1/3, 401–500 miles.



Québec—Kempt Road (Restigouche), via **New Carlisle** (Bonaventure Co, LC) and **Carleton**, circular, **left the country**, 28 July 1838. Rated 4½, 4½, 2 d, totalling 11 d due. Possibly Q—New Carlisle, under 60 miles; it stayed there about a month, before being forwarded to Carleton (also under 60 miles; the reason for the 2 d rate is unclear, but might have been the Lévis–Q fee on the return.

Double ms: *New Carlisle* post office opened 1837.



Carleton (Baie des Chaleurs)—Québec, 1841. Rated PAID 1/2 cy, 301–400 miles.

Two strikes of crowded double circle CARLETON (BAIE DES CHALEURS), known 1838–48.

Simcoe UC, ms, first hammer, and ms

Norfolk Co, U C. Opened 1829. Ms known 1829–39, homemade double circle 1829–37, used concurrently.

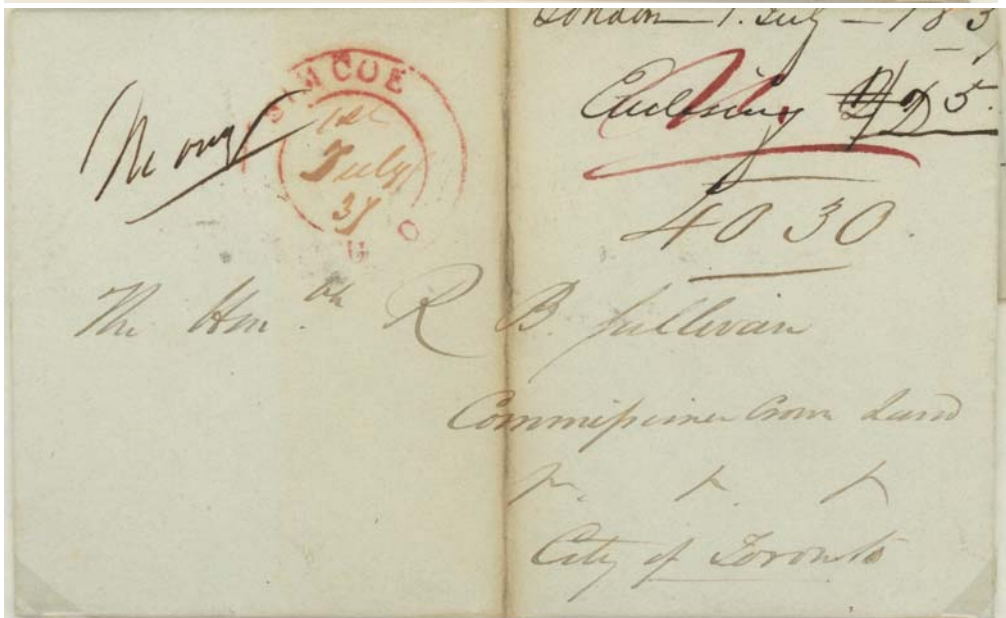


Niagara–Simcoe, missent to *London* (U C), 1835. Initially rated double **PAID** 9 d cy, 101–200 miles, to London. Then forwarded and charged 4½ d; it was realized that it was incorrectly sent to London, so no additional charge was to be levied, and it was marked *Free*, that is, no more postage to be paid.

NIAGARA homemade double circle, known 1820–39.

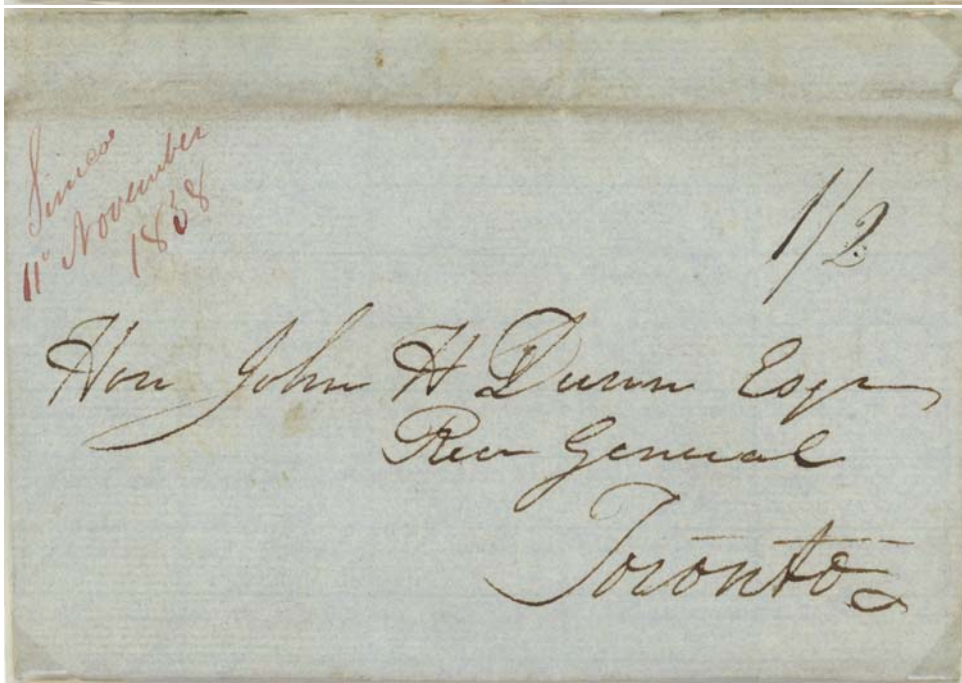
LONDON (U C) 1829-type, 1831–39.

OXFORD 1829-type, 1830–41.



Simcoe–Toronto, money letter, 1837. Large **M** applied at Toronto, indicating money letter. Free, although not marked—it was sent by the postmaster.

Homemade double circle, known 1829–37 (latest reported)

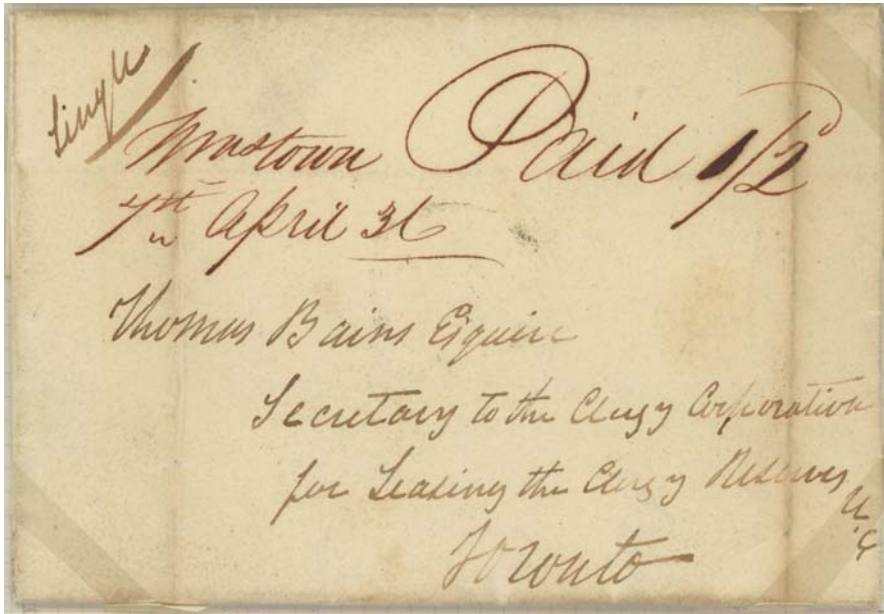


Simcoe–Toronto, 11 November 1838.

Rated collect 1/2, double 101–200 miles.

Williamstown UC ms

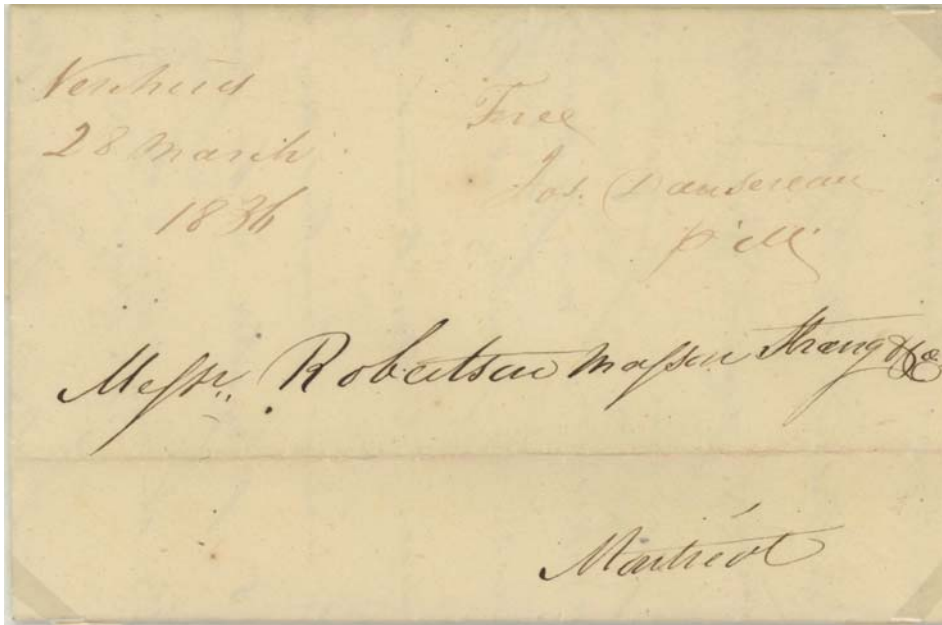
Glengarry Co, U C. Post office open 1833. Ms reported 1834-42. First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1843-50.



Williamstown (U C)—Toronto, 7 April 1836. Rated *Paid 1/2^o* cy, double 61-100 miles.

Verchères LC ms

Verchères Co, L C. Post office opened 1827. First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1842–69.



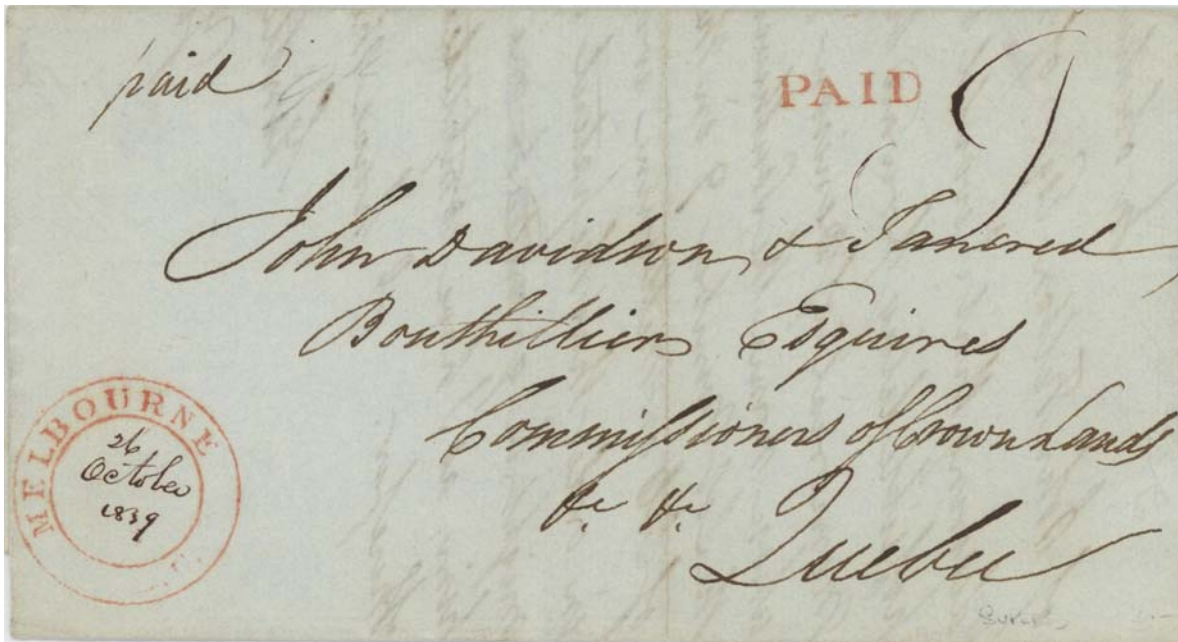
Verchères (L C)—Montréal, 28 March 1836. *Free* and signed by postmaster.

Melbourne LC ms and first hammer

Richmond Co, L.C. Post office opened 1835. First hammer, double circle, known 1835–42.



Melbourne (L.C.)–Québec, 2 June 1836. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

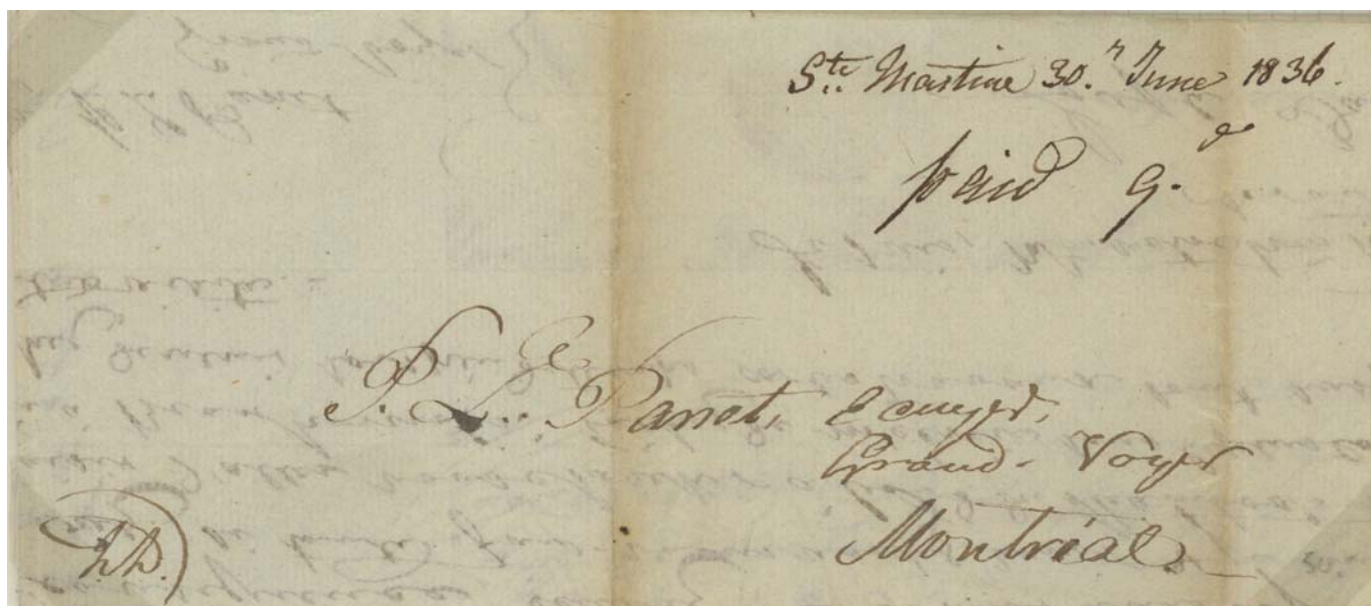


Melbourne–Québec, 1839. **PAID** 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Double circle **MELBOURNE** known 1835–42.

Ste Martine LC ms

Chateauguay Co, L C. Post office opened 1833. First hammer, double circle, known 1834-50.



Ste Martine (L C)—Montréal, 30 June 1836. Rated Paid 9^d cy, 101-200 miles.

Van Kleeck Hill UC ms

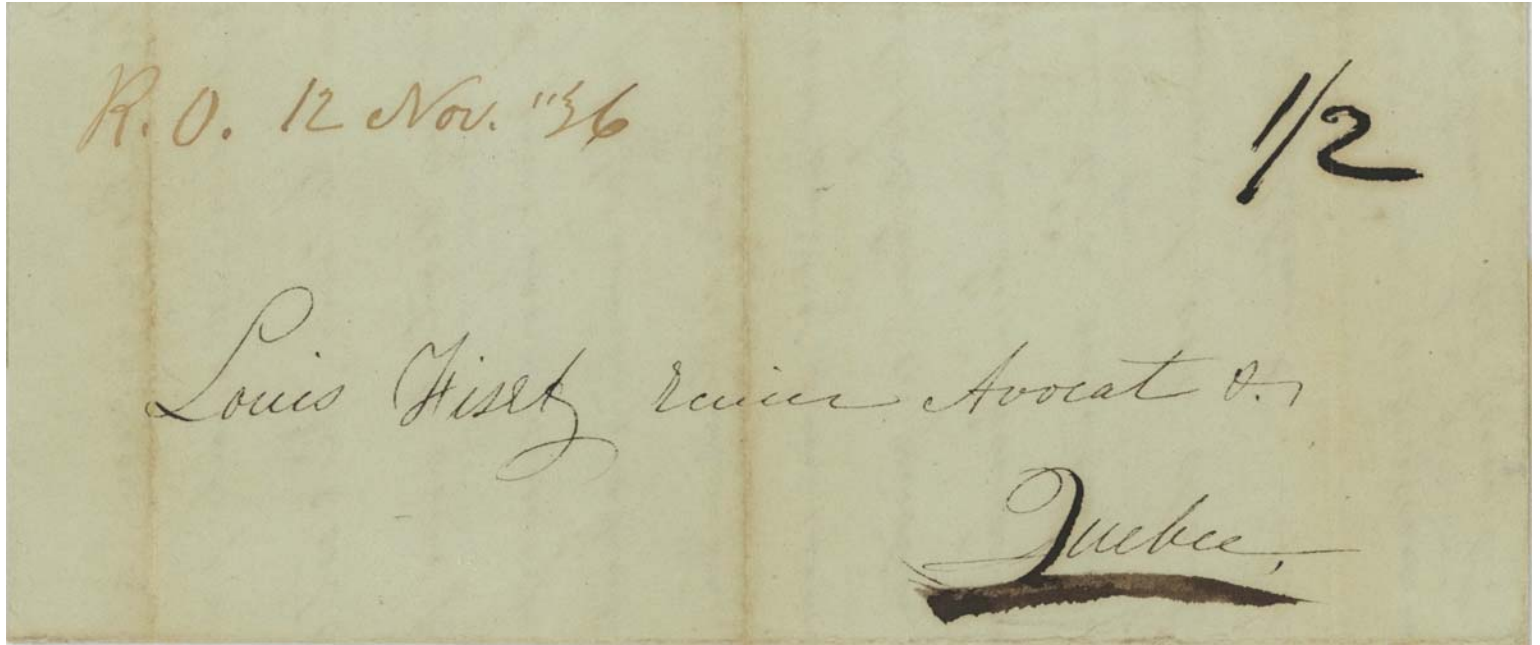
Prescott Co, U.C. Post office open 1831. Ms reported 1836–45. First hammer, serif double broken circle, proofed 1842, known 1843–52.



Van Kleeck Hill (U.C.)–Toronto, 17 July 1836. Rated $3/6$ cy, triple ($3/4$ oz) 301–400 miles. Red **M** indicates money letter (applied in Toronto).

Rivière Ouelle LC ms

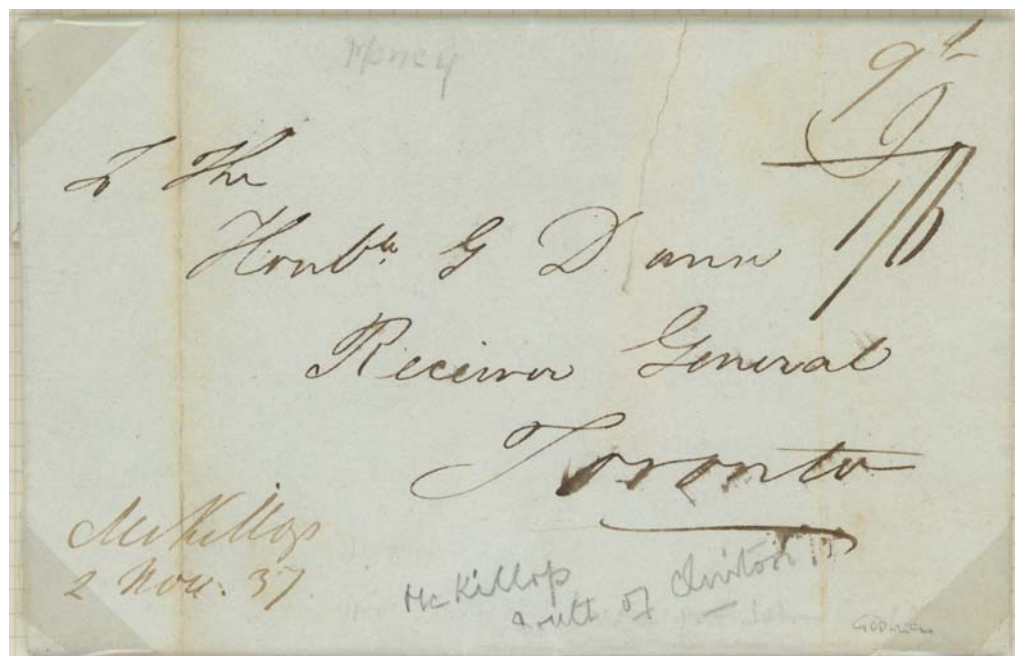
R. O. Kamouraska Co, L.C. Post office opened 1816. First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1840–67.



Rivière Ouelle (L.C.)—Québec, 12 November 1836. Rated collect 1/2 cy, 201–300 miles.

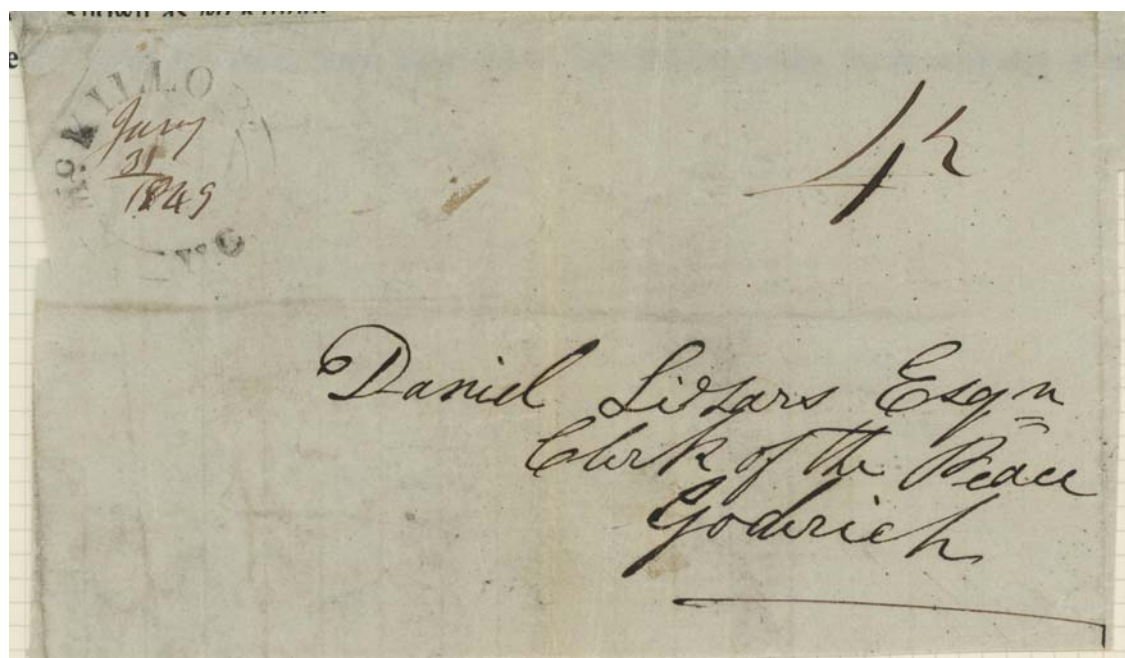
McKillop UC ms and first hammer

Huron Co, UC, post office open 1836–55.



McKillop–Toronto, 2 November 1837. Initially rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles; enclosure detected, and an additional rate charged.

Only reported ms.



McKillop–Goderich, 1848. Rated collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.

Serif double broken circle proofed 1839, known 1847–9.

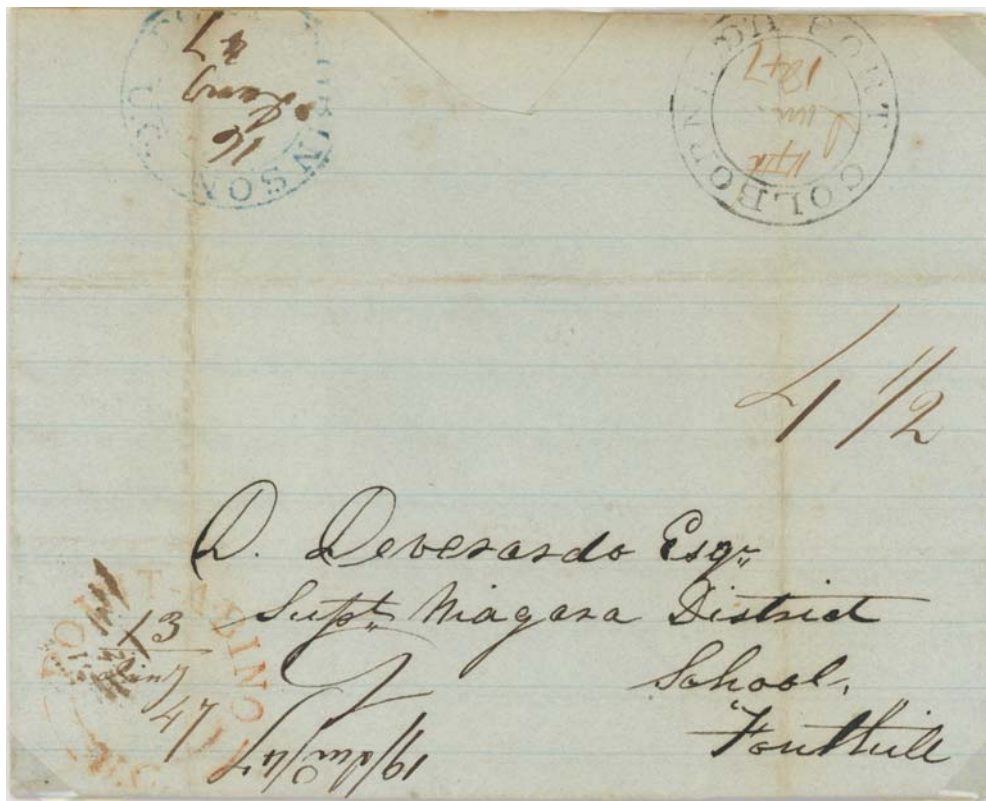
Port Robinson UC ms and first hammer

Welland Co, U C. Post office open 1836–1914. First hammer, double circle, known 1844–9.



Port Robinson–Niagara Falls, 9 December 1836. Rated collect $^{\circ}4\frac{1}{2}$ cy, under 60 miles.

Only reported ms.



Point Abino–Fonthill, via Port Colborne and [Port Robinson](#), [double double circle](#), 1847. Rated collect $^{\circ}4\frac{1}{2}$ cy, under 60 miles.

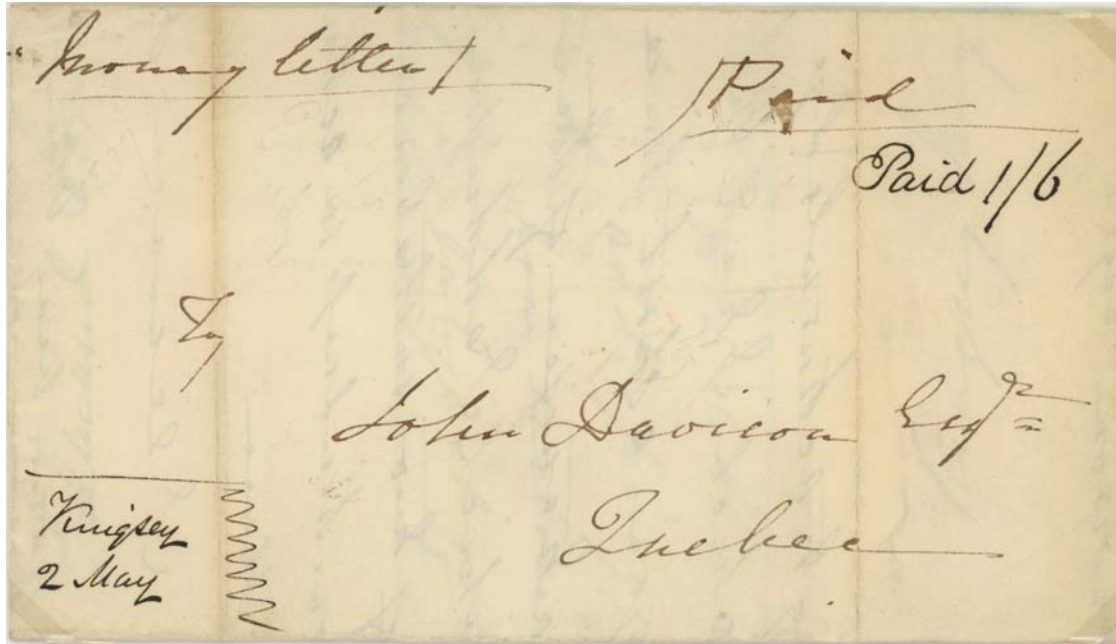
[PORT ROBINSON](#) double circle, known 1844–9.

[PORT COLBORNE](#) double circle, known 1843–9.

[POINT ABINO](#) serif double broken circle, proofed 1839, known 1843–53.

Kingsey LC ms

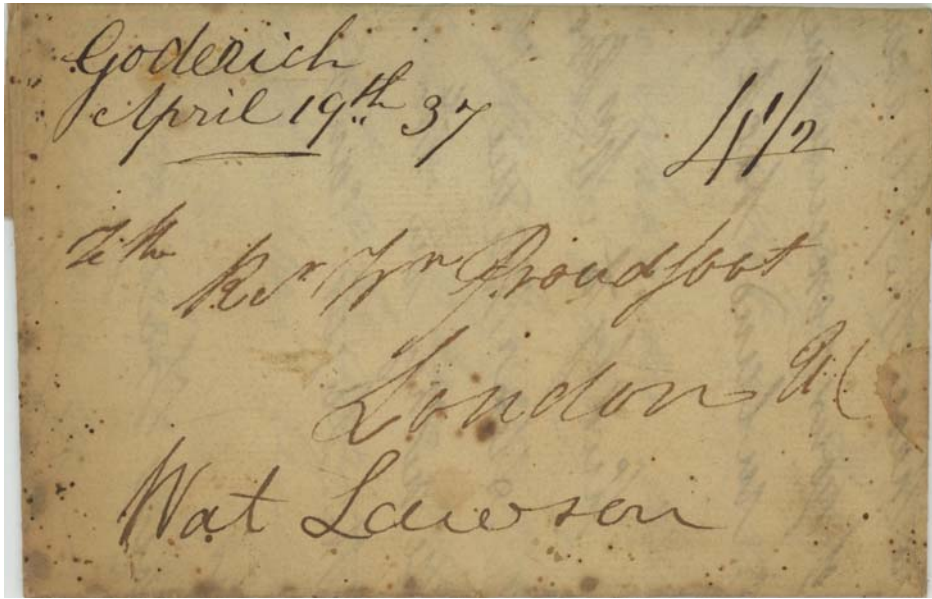
Drummond Co, L C. Post office open 1836–1910. First hammer, double circle, known 1840–55.



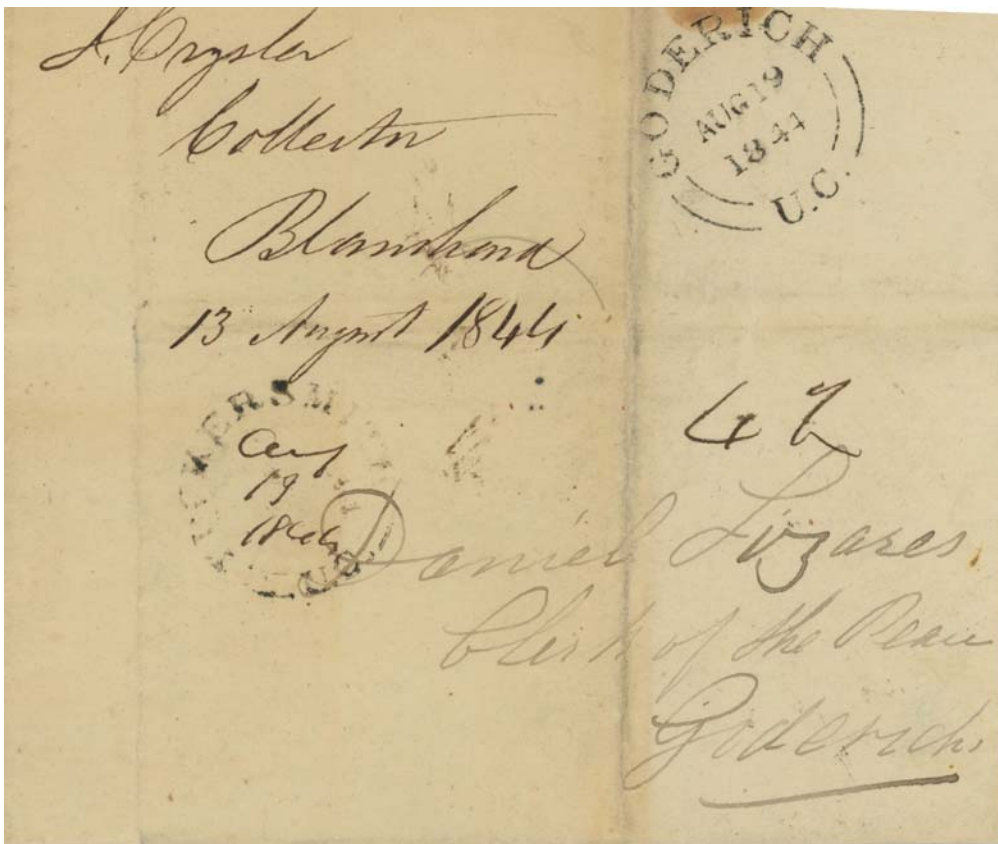
Kingsey (L C)—Québec, 2 May (1837). Rated *Paid 1/6* cy, double 101–200 miles; as a money letter, it contained an enclosure.

Goderich UC ms and second hammer

Huron Co, U C. Post office open 1835. Manuscripts known 1836–7, of which this is the latest. First hammer (double circle) only known in one example, 1839. Second hammer is serif double broken circle, very common.



Goderich (U C)–London (U C), 19 April 1837. Rated collect 4½ d cy.

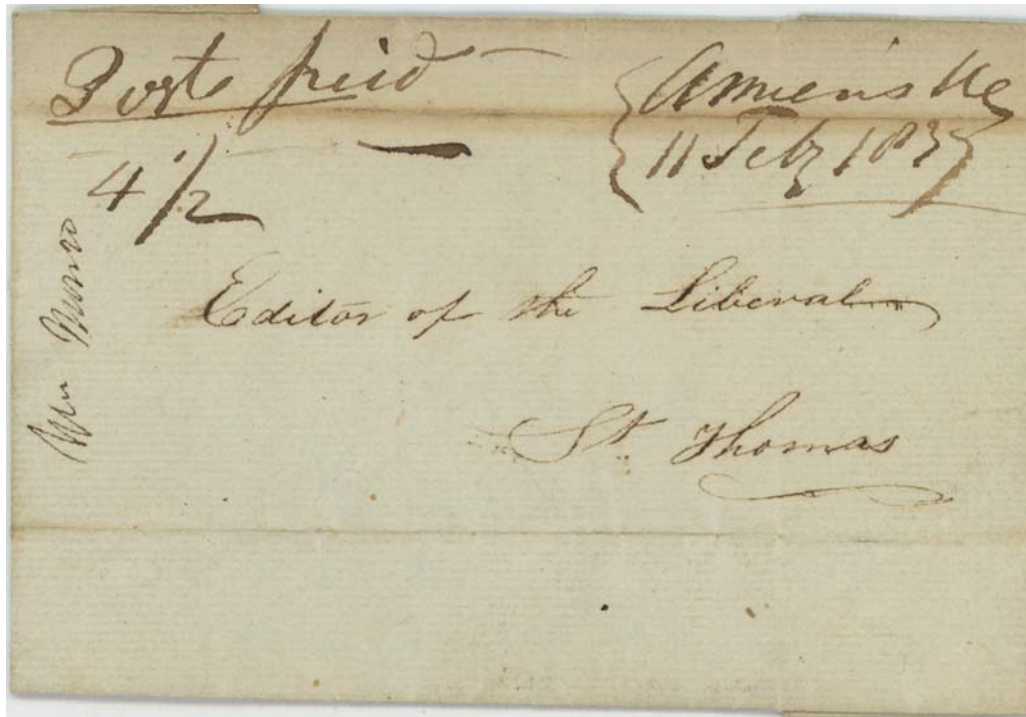


Tuckersmith–Goderich, 1844. Collect 4½ d cy (under 60 miles).

Tuckersmith post office open 1841–52; serif double broken circle known 1842–48.

Amiens UC ms & first hammer

Middlesex Co, U C. Post office open 6 February 1837–1913.



Amiens (U C)–St Thomas (U C), 11 February 1837. Rated *Post paid* 4½ d, under 60 miles.

Only reported ms.



Amiens–Toronto, forwarded to Kingston, 1841. Initially rated **PAID** 9 d cy, 101–200 miles; then charged 9 d Toronto–Kingston. The letter was addressed to the Crown Lands Office, located in the capital of Upper Canada, which had moved from Toronto to Kingston.

AMIENS serif double broken circle, proofed 1839, known (Campbell) 1839–59.

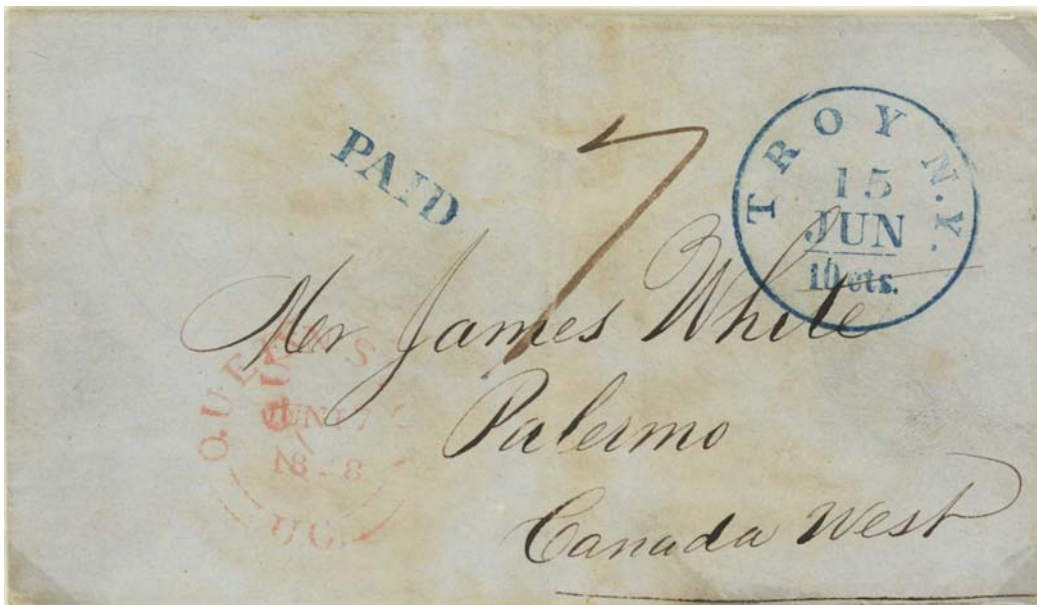
Common City of Toronto double circle.

Palermo UC ms and first hammer

Halton Co, U C. Post office open 1837–1986. First hammer, serif double broken circle, proofed 1839, known 1839–48.



Palermo (U C)–Cooksville, 16 February 1838. Rated *Paid 4½*, d cy, under 60 miles.
Ms known 1838 only.

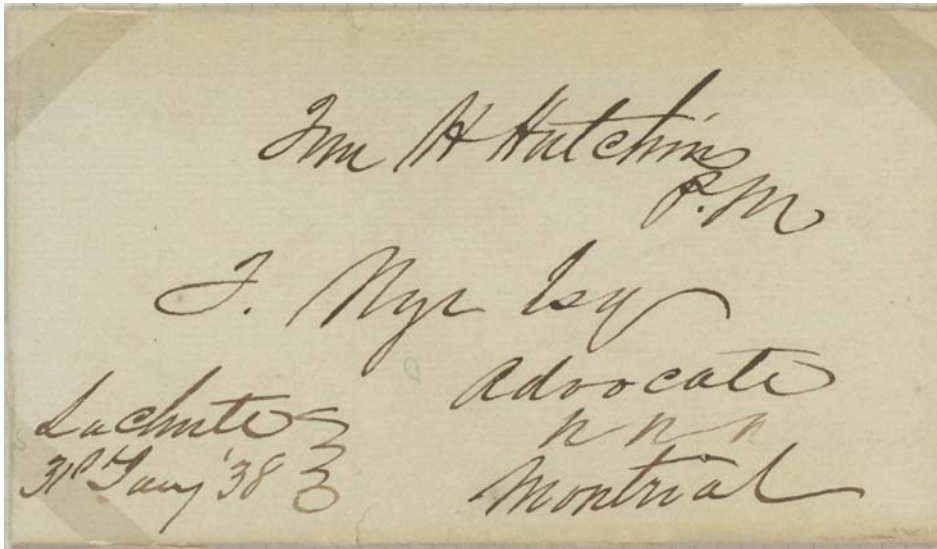


Troy (NY)–Palermo, 1848. Rated **PAID 10 cts**¢, over 300 miles to Lewiston/Queenston exchange; then charged 7 d, 61–100 miles to Palermo.

Latest reported strike of serif double broken circle P A L E R M O U . C .

Lachute LC ms

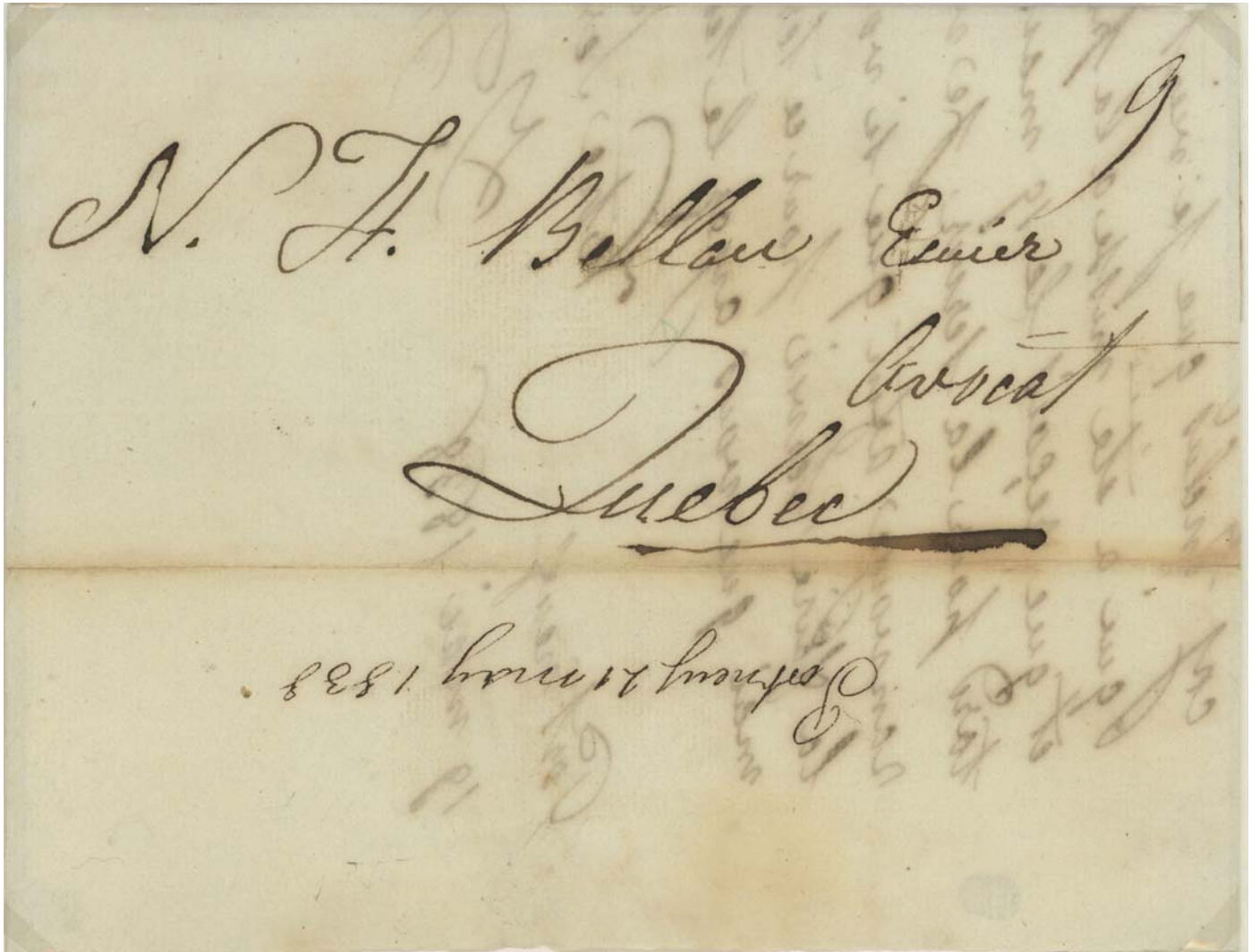
Argenteuil Co, L C. Post office opened 1835. First hammer, 35 mm double circle, known 1836; second hammer, 30 mm double circle, known 1837-48.



Lachute (L C)—Montréal, 31 January 1838. Rated *Free* and signed by postmaster.

Portneuf LC ms

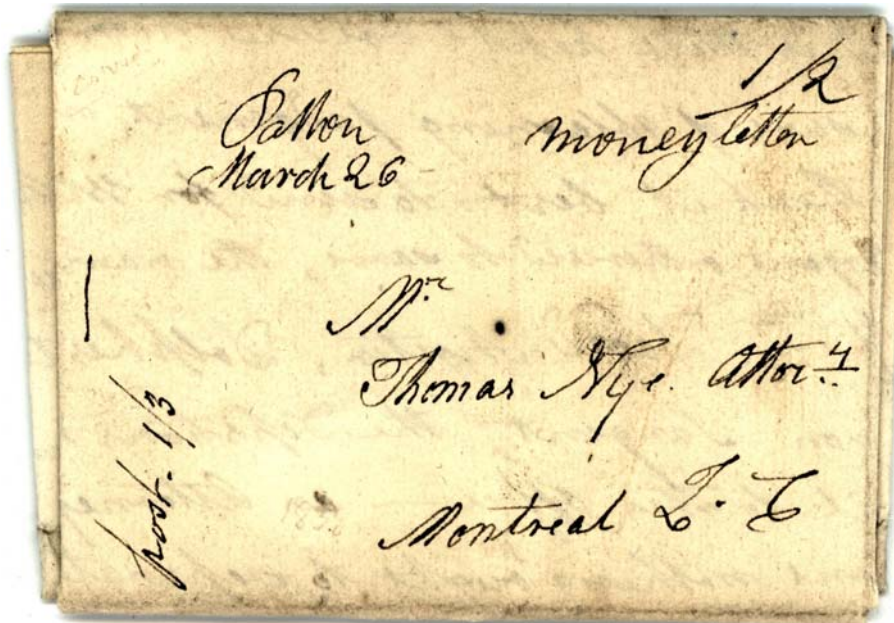
On reverse. Portneuf Co, L.C. Post office opened 1817. First hammer, double circle italic, known 1829–31; second hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1840–64.



Portneuf (L.C.)—Québec, 21 May 1838. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Potton LC ms

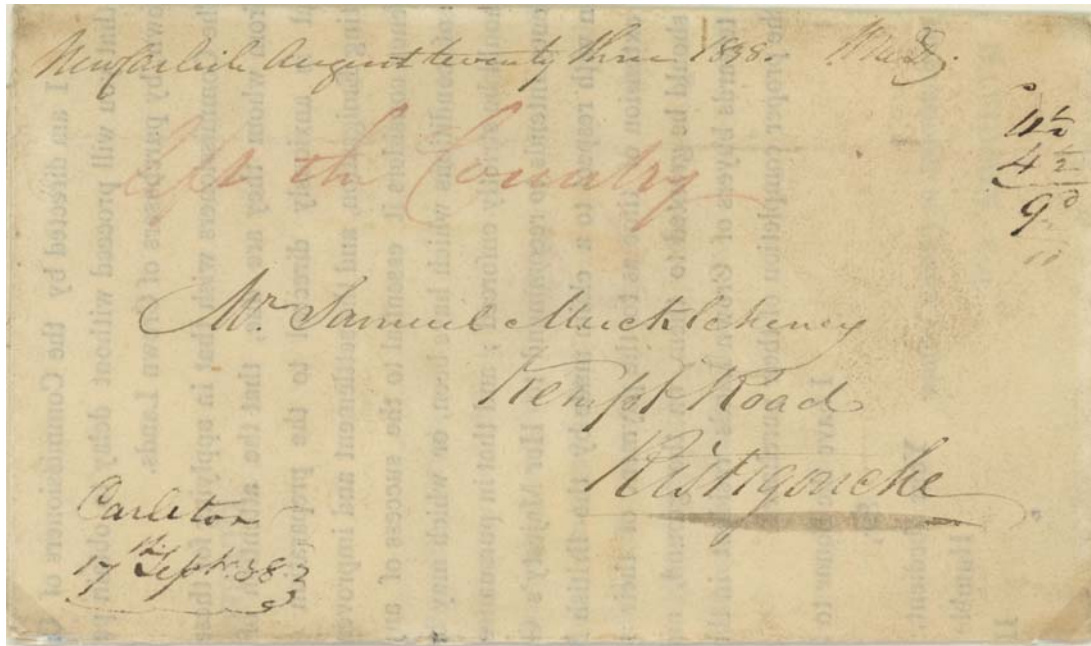
Stanstead Co, L.C. Post office opened 1821; became South Potton 1839 and Mansonville-Potton 1863. No handstamps are known until at least the first name change.



Potton (L.C.)—Montreal, 26 March 1838. Rated collect $1/2$ d cy, double 61–100 miles, and 1 d local delivery fee in Montreal. Money letter.

New Carlisle & Carleton LC ms

Two manuscripts! Both in Bonaventure County. New Carlisle post office opened 1837. First hammer, serif double broken, known 1839–50. Carleton post office opened ca 1835, first hammer double circle, known 1838–48.



Québec–Kempt Road (Restigouche), via [New Carlisle](#) (Bonaventure Co, LC) and [Carleton](#) (Bonaventure Co), circular, *left the country*, 28 July 1838. Rated 4½, 4½, 2 d, totalling 11 d due. Possibly Q–New Carlisle, under 60 miles; it stayed there about a month, before being forwarded to Carleton (also under 60 miles; the reason for the 2 d rate is unclear, but might have been the Lévis–Q fee on the return.

QUEBEC, 28th JULY, 1838.

SIR,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Crown Lands and Emigration, to desire that you will proceed without delay to obtain payment of all instalments due to the Crown, by purchasers of Crown Lands.

The Commissioners wish that in applying for these instalments you should inform those from whom they are due, that the attention of His Excellency the Governor General is anxiously directed to the preparation of a comprehensive measure for promoting Emigration, and the settlement and improvement of this Province; that His Excellency considers it essential to the success of any such measure, that the performance of conditions which have been, or which may be hereafter attached to grants of land should be strictly enforced; and that in pursuance of this view of the subject, His Excellency intends to recommend to Her Majesty's Government who have asked his opinion with respect to a claim made by the British North American Land Company, for an extension of time as to the payment of their instalments, that no such indulgence should be granted to them, on the ground, amongst others, that it would be unfair towards buyers of Crown Lands resident in the Province, whose title depends upon the proper completion of their purchases.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient,

Humble servant,

HENRY W. PETRE,

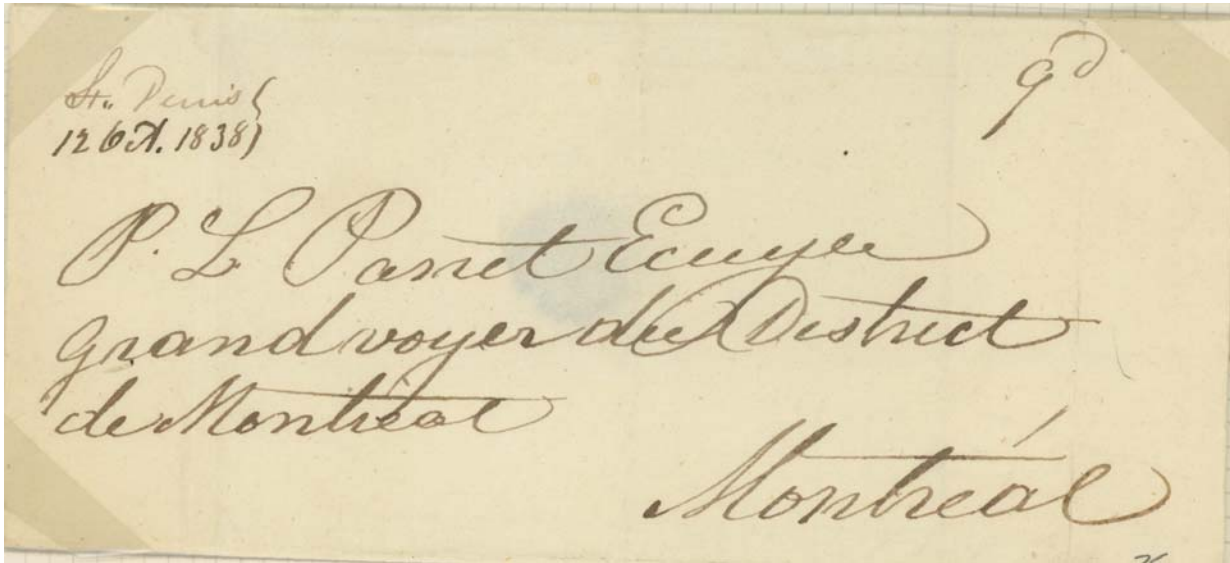
Secretary.

JOHN DAVIDSON, Esq.

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

St Denis LC ms

St Hyacinthe Co, L.C. Post office opened 1814. First hammer, the very rare straightline, known 1828; second hammer, 1829-type, known 1829–37, and third hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1839–52.

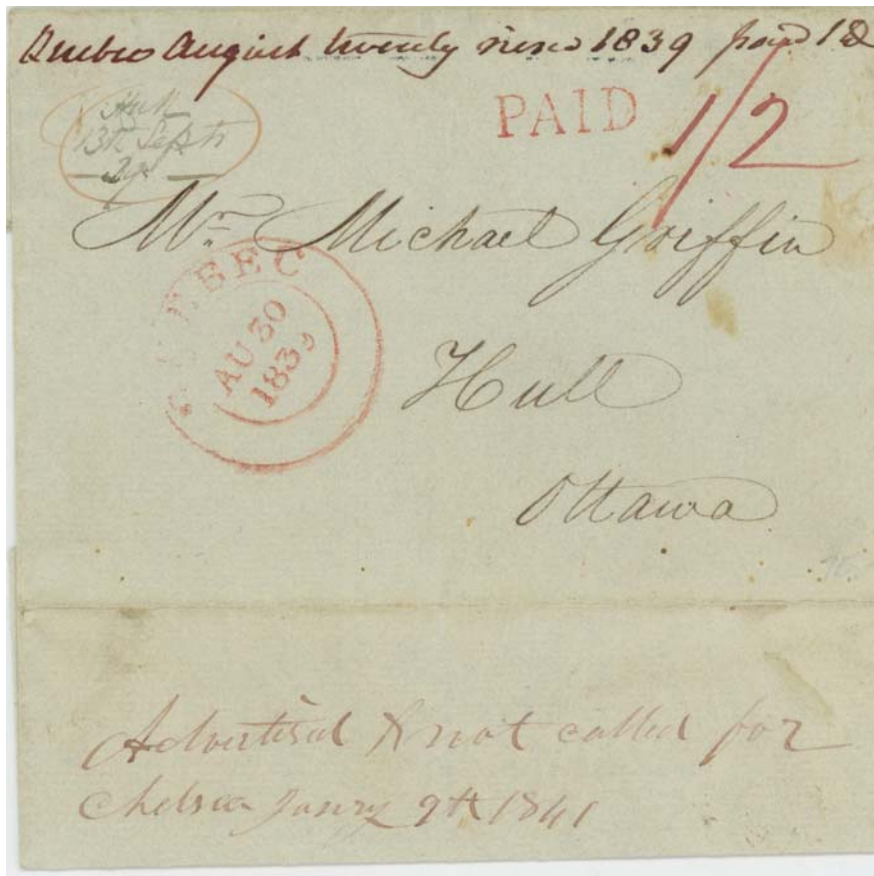


St Denis (L.C.)—Montréal, 12 October 1838. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Hull (and Chelsea) LC ms

Arguably three manuscripts! Hull and Chelsea, Ottawa Co, LC. Hull post office open 1819–30 April 1830 and reopened 7 April 1833. First hammer, 1829-type, known 1829–49.

Chelsea post office opened 1837; first hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1843–47.



Québec–Hull (LC), advertised, 13 September 1838. Rated **PAID 1/2** cy, 301–400 miles, and *Québec August twenty-nine 1839 paid 1D* for letter carrier pick-up. *Advertised and not called for Chelsea January 9th 1841* (possibly an error for 1840); Chelsea is in the neighbourhood of Hull.

Petite Nation LC ms

Ottawa Co, LC. Post office open 1826–55, became Papineauville. First hammer, 1829-type, known 1830–48. Extremely rare straightline known 1843.



Lochaber (LC)–Cornwall, via Petite Nation (LC), 17 September 1838. *Paid* 7 d cy, 61–100 miles.

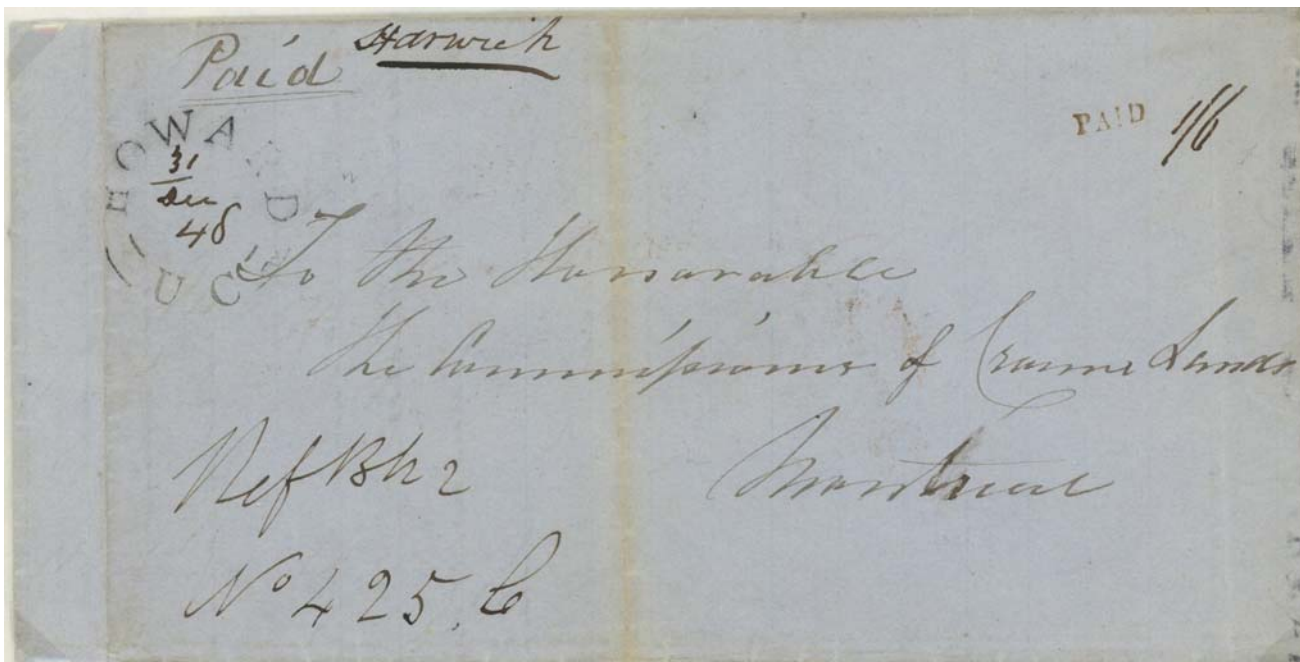
Howard UC ms and first hammer

Kent Co, U C. Post office open 1831–51.



Howard–Beamsville, 30 May (1839). Rated collect 9 d cy, double under 60 miles.

Only reported ms.

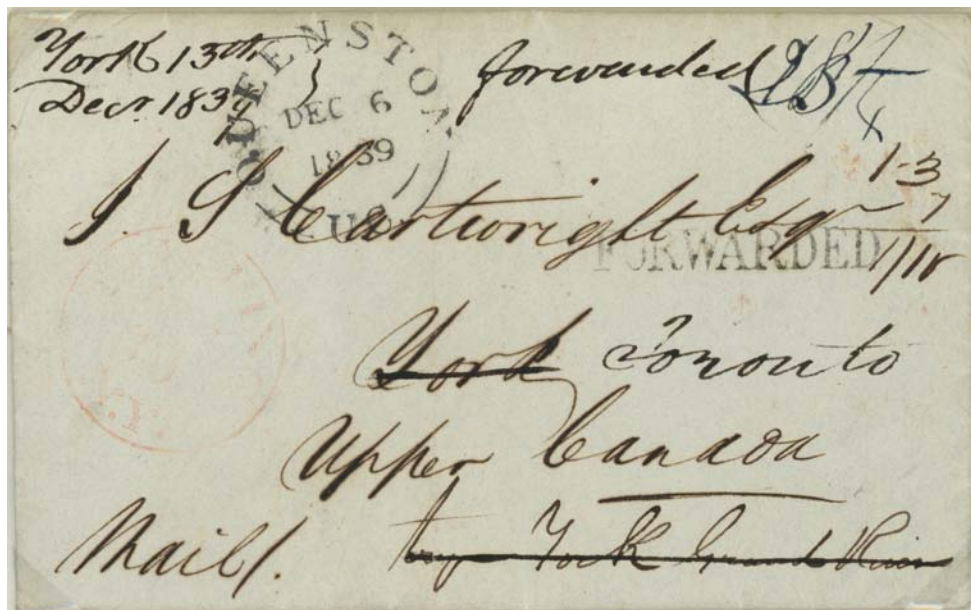


Howard–Montréal, 1848. Rated PAID 1/6, 501–600 miles.

HOWARD 1831-type known 1833–48, before and after the manuscript.

York UC ms and first hammer (two pages)

York (Haldimand Co, U C), to be distinguished from York (York Co) which changed its name to Toronto in 1834. Post office opened 1836. It had a *typeset*-dated double circle, probably originally intended for the much larger first York.



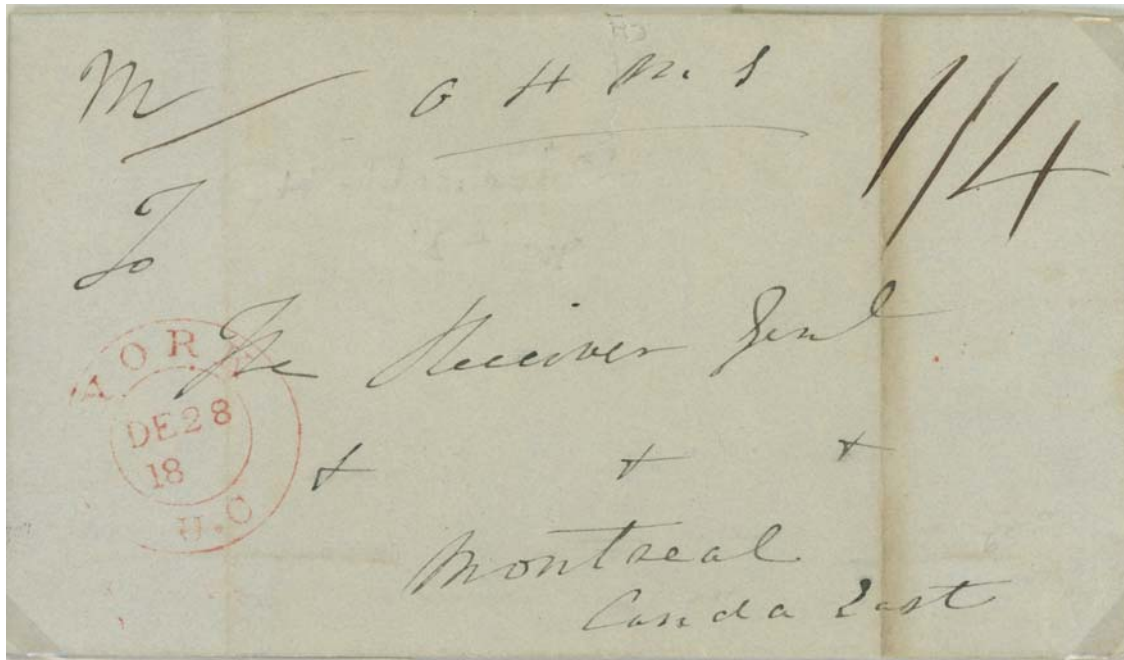
Flushing (NY), addressed to York, meaning Toronto, forwarded to Toronto, 1839. York ms dated 13 December 1839.

Rated collect 25¢, U S rate (>400 miles), Flushing to the Queenston-Lewiston exchange. This converted to 1/3 cy, then charged 7 d cy, 61–100 miles to York, whence it was forwarded to Toronto (at no extra charge, as the distances were more or less the same).

Two reported ms.



York–Hamilton, 20 March 1840. Rated Paid 4½ d cy, under 60 miles.



York—Montréal, money letter, 1845. Rated collect 1/4 cy, 401–500 miles. M signifies money letter. Double circle 1838–59.

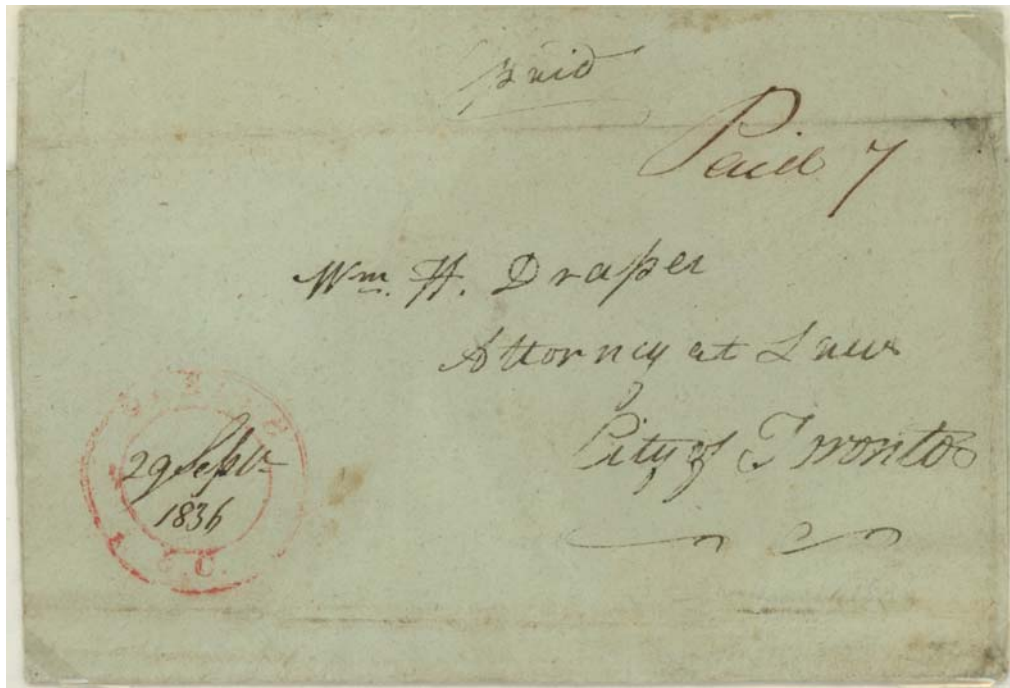


York—North Chili (NY; believe it or not, this is a post office in Monroe County, open from 1829), 1859. Rated collect 6 d cy to U.S. Mourning cover.

Latest reported strike of double circle.

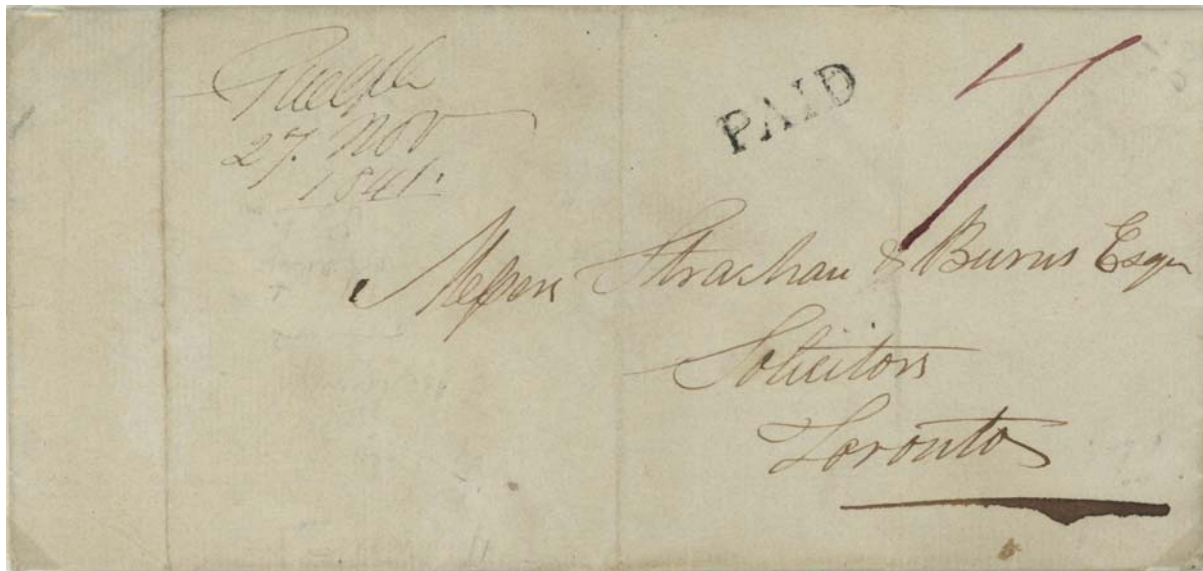
Guelph UC first hammer and ms

Wellington Co, U C. Post office opened 1828.



Guelph—Toronto, 1836. Rated *Paid 7*, 61–100 miles.

Double circle italic, typical strike for Guelph, known 1829?–1836; this is the latest reported.



Guelph—Toronto, 22 November 1841. PAID *7* d cy, 61–100 miles.

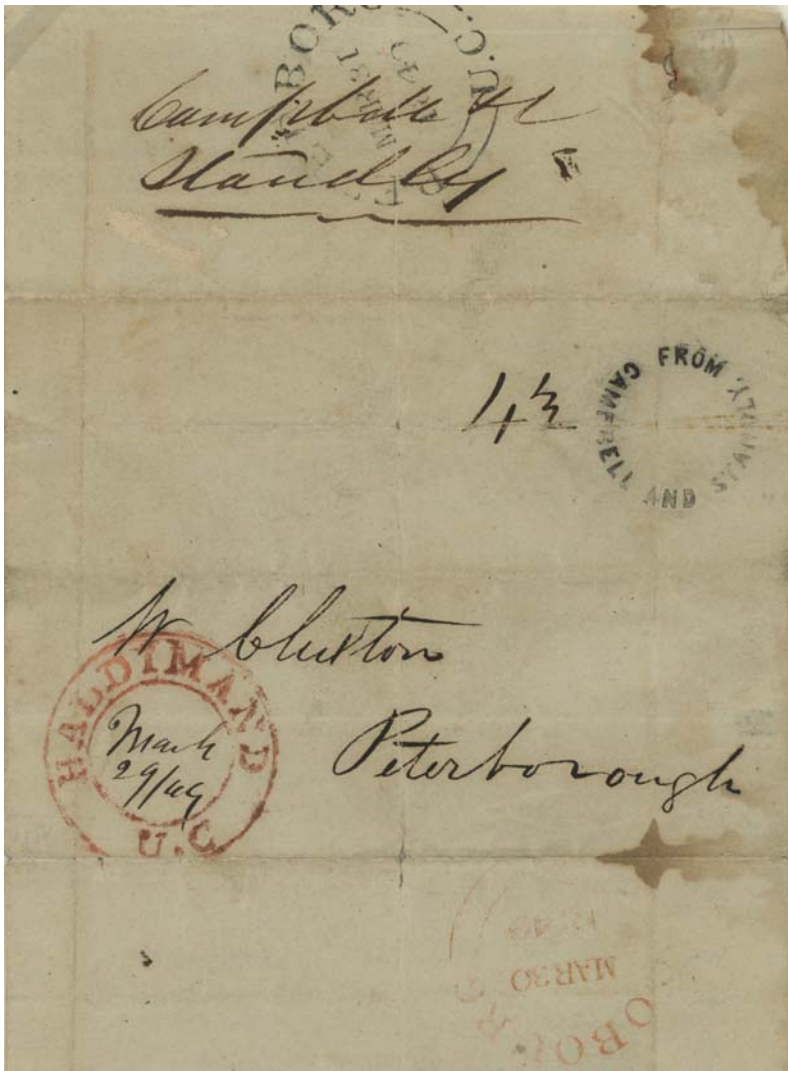
Ms known 1839–41. This might represent the interregnum between the double circle italic (always showing wear) and the next hammer, a serif double broken circle, proofed December 1842.

Haldimand UC ms & first hammer

Northumberland—not Haldimand—Co, U.C. Post office open 1832–58.



Haldimand—Demorestville (not as spelled by sender), 25 August 1835. *paid 7^d*, 61–100 miles.
One other ms is known (1837).

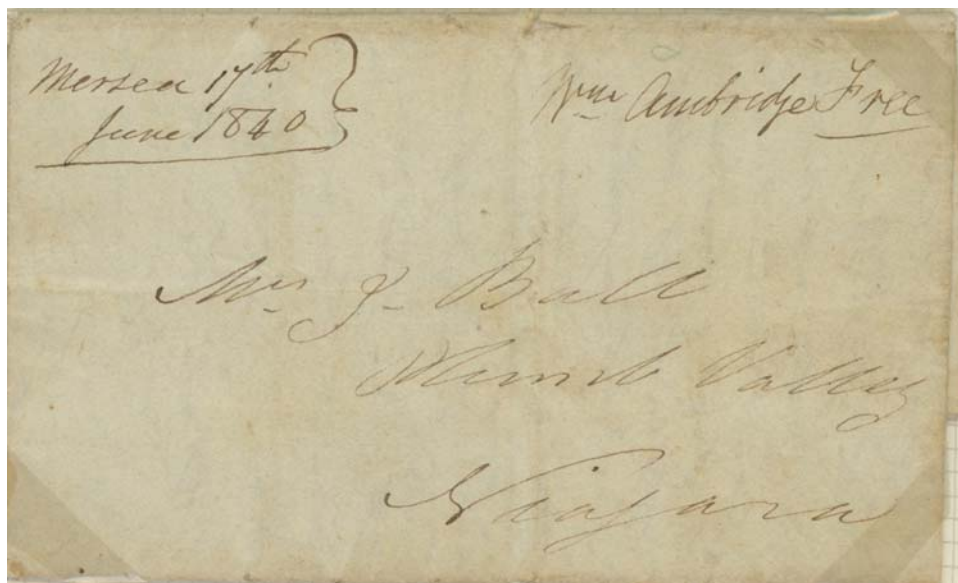


Haldimand—Peterborough, 1849. Rated collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles. A very early (for Canada) corner cover, CAMPBELL AND STANDLY.

Double circle reported 1839–49.

Mersea UC ms

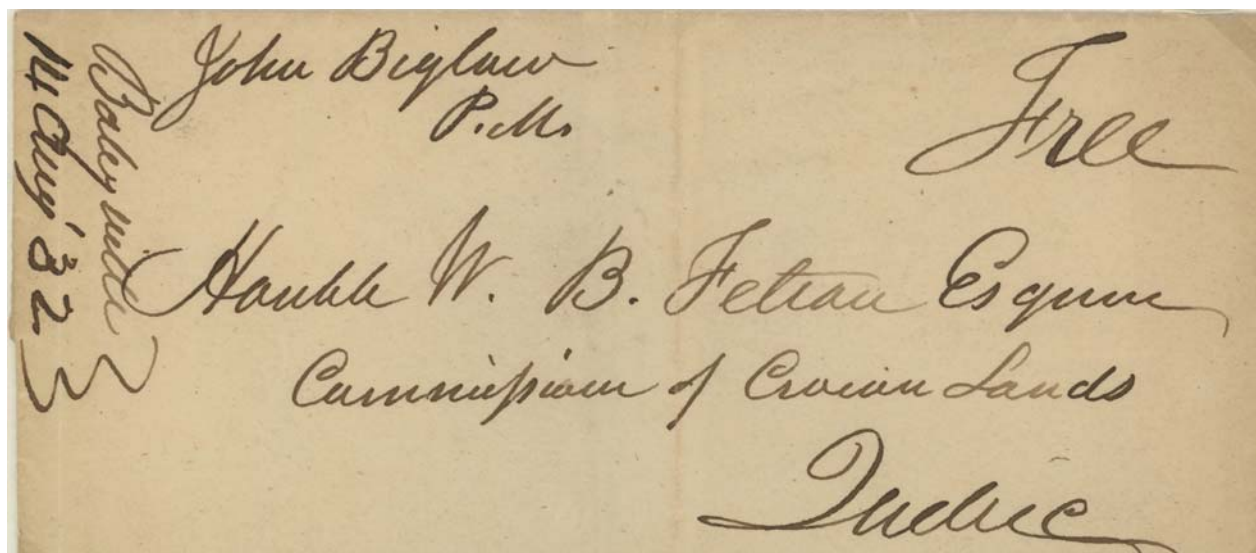
Essex Co, U C. Post office open 1835–68. First hammer, double circle, known January–April 1842.



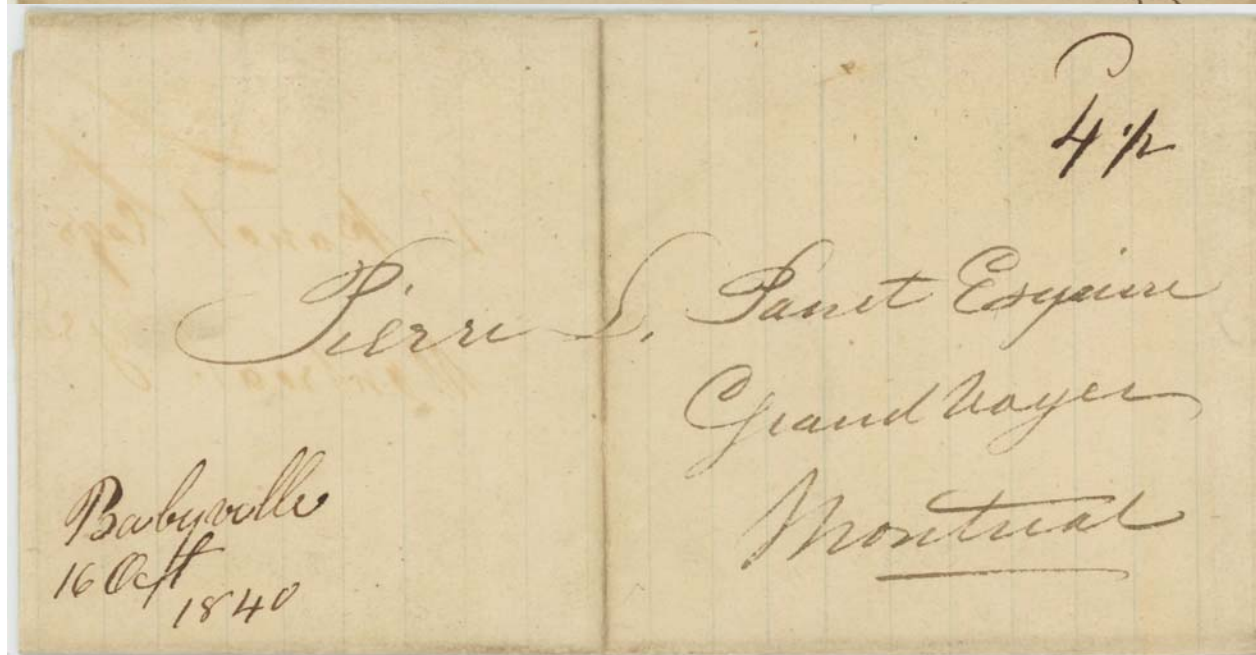
Mersea (U C)–Niagara, 17 June 1840. Rated *Free* with signature of postmaster.

Only reported ms.

Babyville LC ms and first hammer
Napierville Co, L.C. Post office open 1831-67.



Babyville (L.C.)—Québec,
14 August 1832. Free



Babyville—Montréal,
16 October 1840.
Rated collect $4\frac{1}{2}^{\text{o}}$ cy,
up to 60 miles.



Babyville LC—Kingston,
1842. Rated collect
 11^{o} cy, 201-300 miles.
BABYVILLE L.C.
double circle known
1842-61.

West Flamboro UC ms

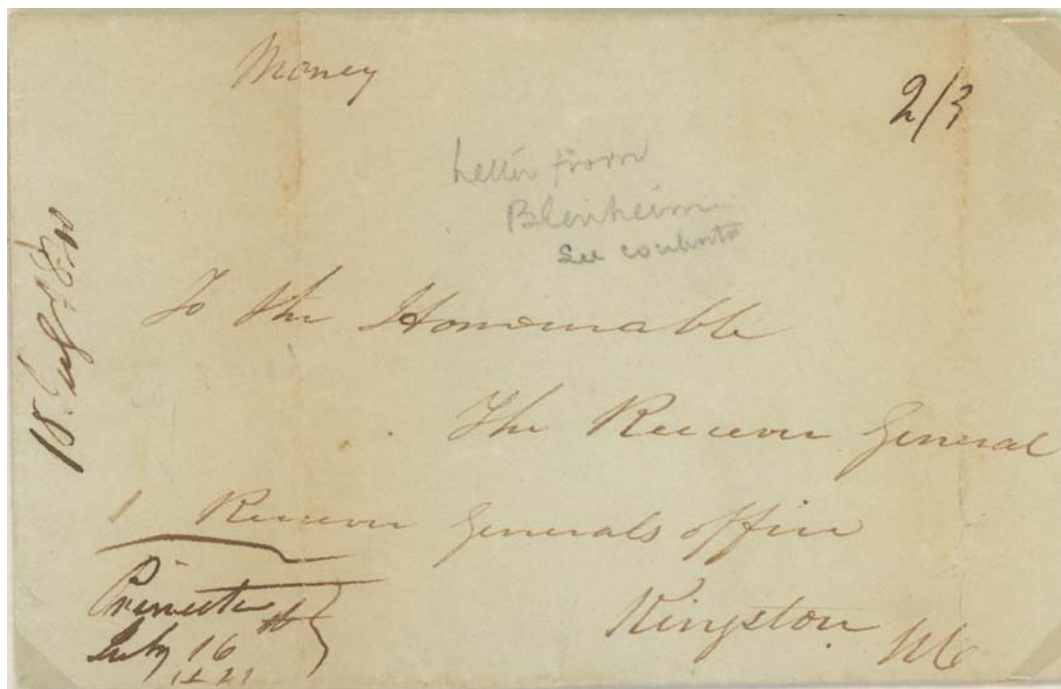
Wentworth Co, U.C. Post office open 1835–68. Ms reported 1844–67. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U C), proofed 1842, no uses reported prior to 1875.



West Flamboro (U C)–London (U C), 27 April 1841. Rated collect 7 d cy, 61–100 miles.

Princeton UC ms

Oxford Co, U C. Post office opened 1836. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U C), proofed 1842, one strike known, 1842.

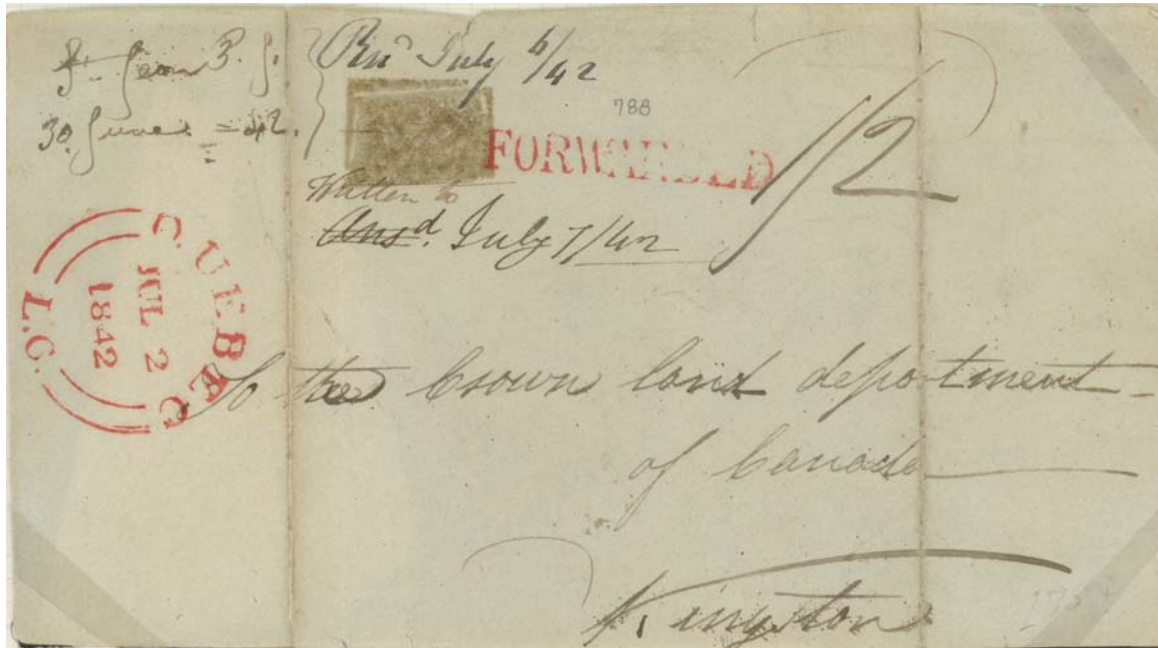


Princeton (U C)—Kingston, 6 February 1841. Rated collect 2/3 cy, triple 101–200 miles. Money letter, likely two enclosures.

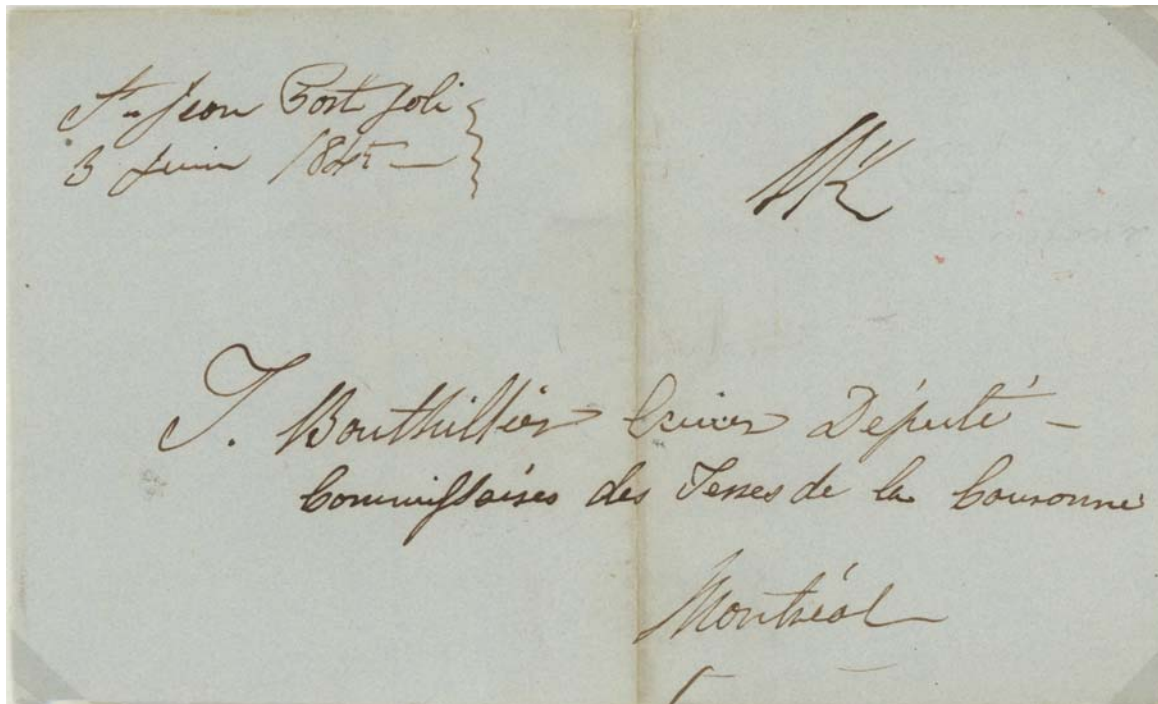
Only reported ms.

St Jean Port Joli LC ms

L'Islet Co, L.C. Post office opened 1826; common among manuscripts. First hammer, double broken circle (L.C), known 1853–84.



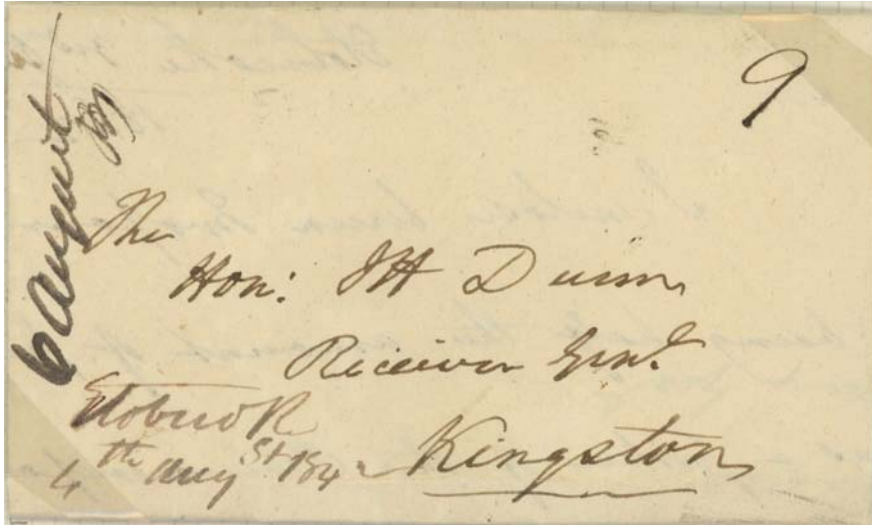
St Jean Port Joli (L.C.)—Kingston, 30 June 1842. Rated collect 1/2 cy, 301–400 miles. Typical misuse of **FORWARDED** handstamp at Québec.



St Jean Port Joli—Montréal, 3 June 1845. Rated collect 11½ d cy, 201–300 miles.

Etobicoke UC ms

York Co, U C. Etobicoke (pronounced *etohbicoh*) is now a suburb of Toronto. Post office opened 1832, closed in 1873, and re-opened 1900. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U C), proofed 1842, known 1843–8.

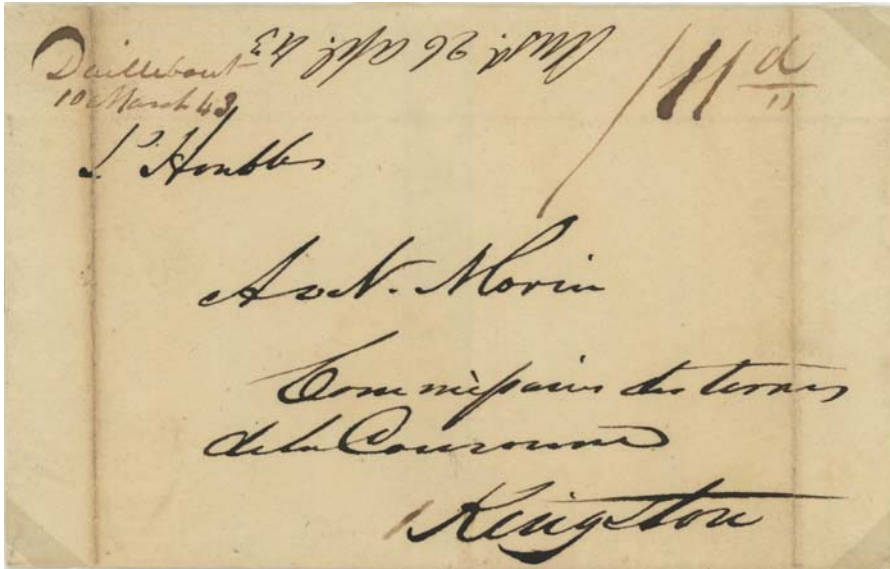


Etobicoke (U C)—Kingston, 4 May 1842. Rated collect 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

Only reported ms.

Daillebout LC ms

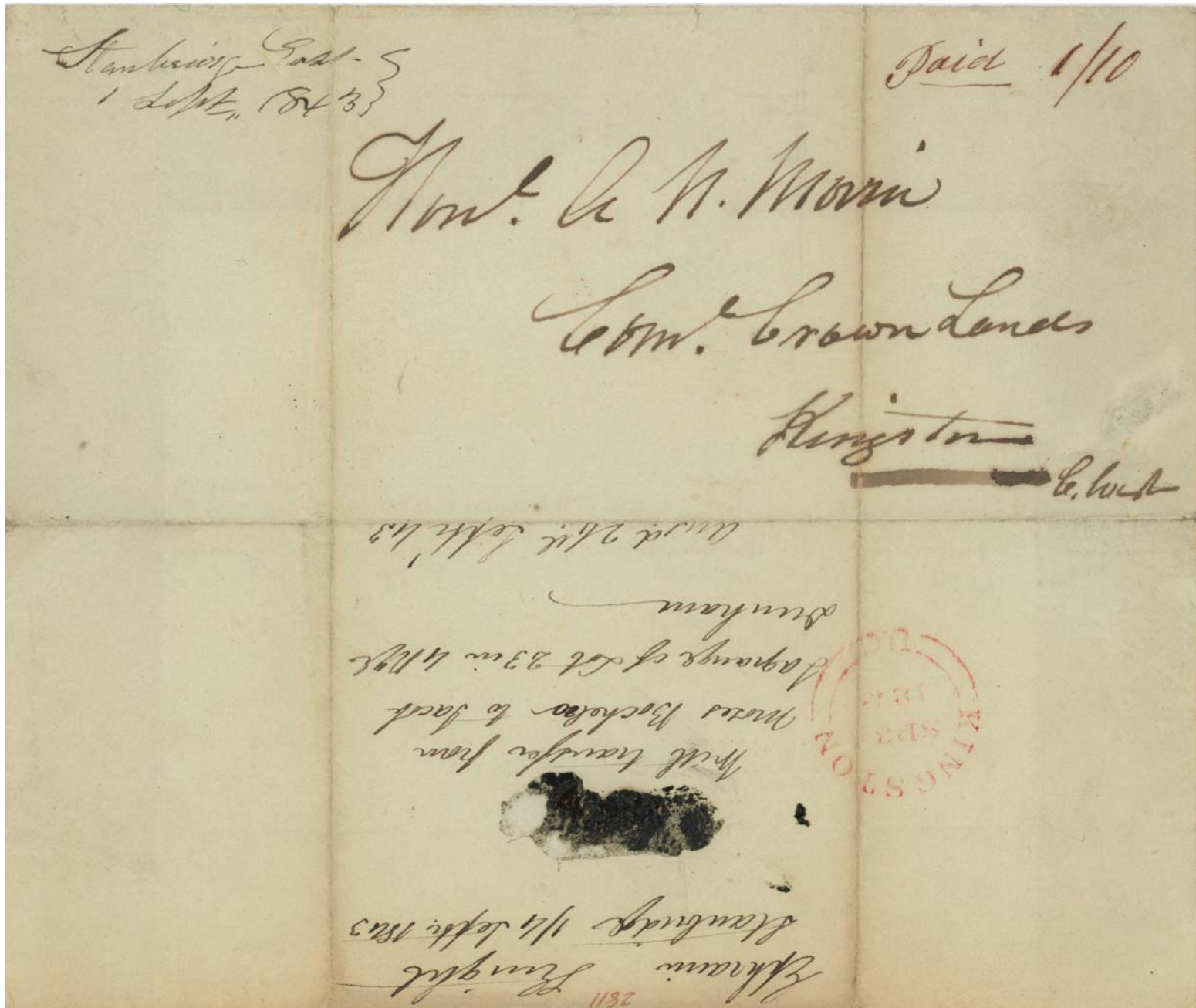
Joliette Co, LC. Post office open 1836–81. First hammer, serif double broken circle (LC), known 1839–65.



Daillebout (LC)—Kingston, 10 March 1843. Rated collect 11^d cy, 201–300 miles.

Stanbridge East LC ms

Missisquoi Co, L.C. Post office open 1836. First hammer, serif double broken circle (LC), known 1839-57.



Stanbridge East (LC)—Kingston, 1 September 1843. Rated *paid 1/10* cy, double 201-300 miles.

Isle Verte LC ms

Rivière du Loup Co, L.C. Post office opened 1831. First hammer, double circle, known 1834–41; second hammer, double broken circle, known 1846–69.

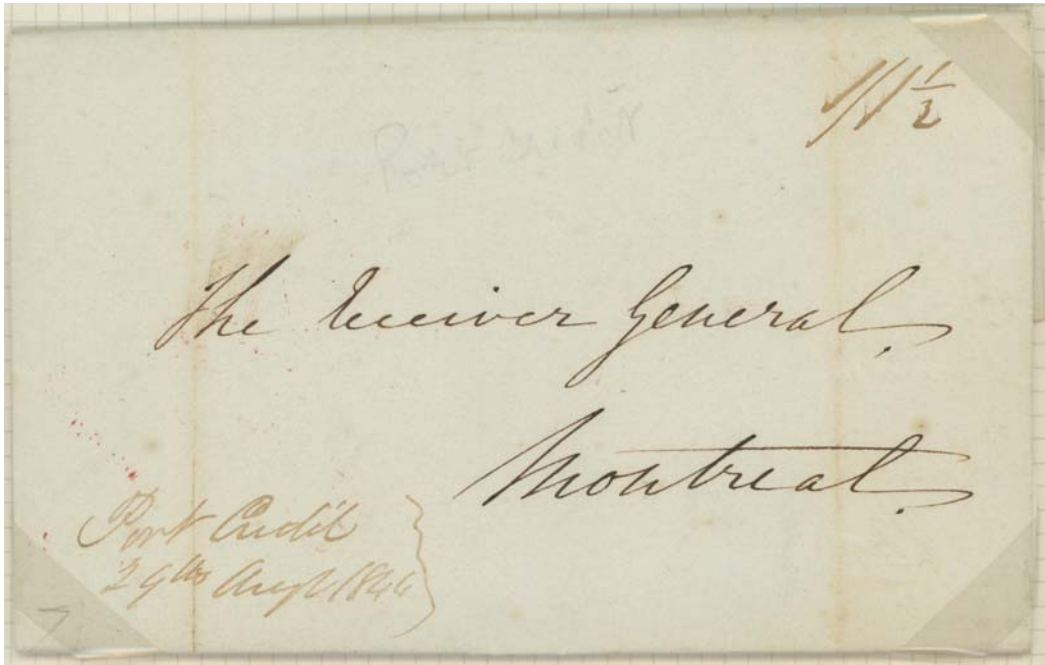


Isle Verte (L.C.)–Kingston, 21 September 1843. Free.

Fairly common among L.C. ms.

Port Credit UC ms

Peel Co, U C. Post office open 1842–1971. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U C), proofed 1845, known 1848–72.

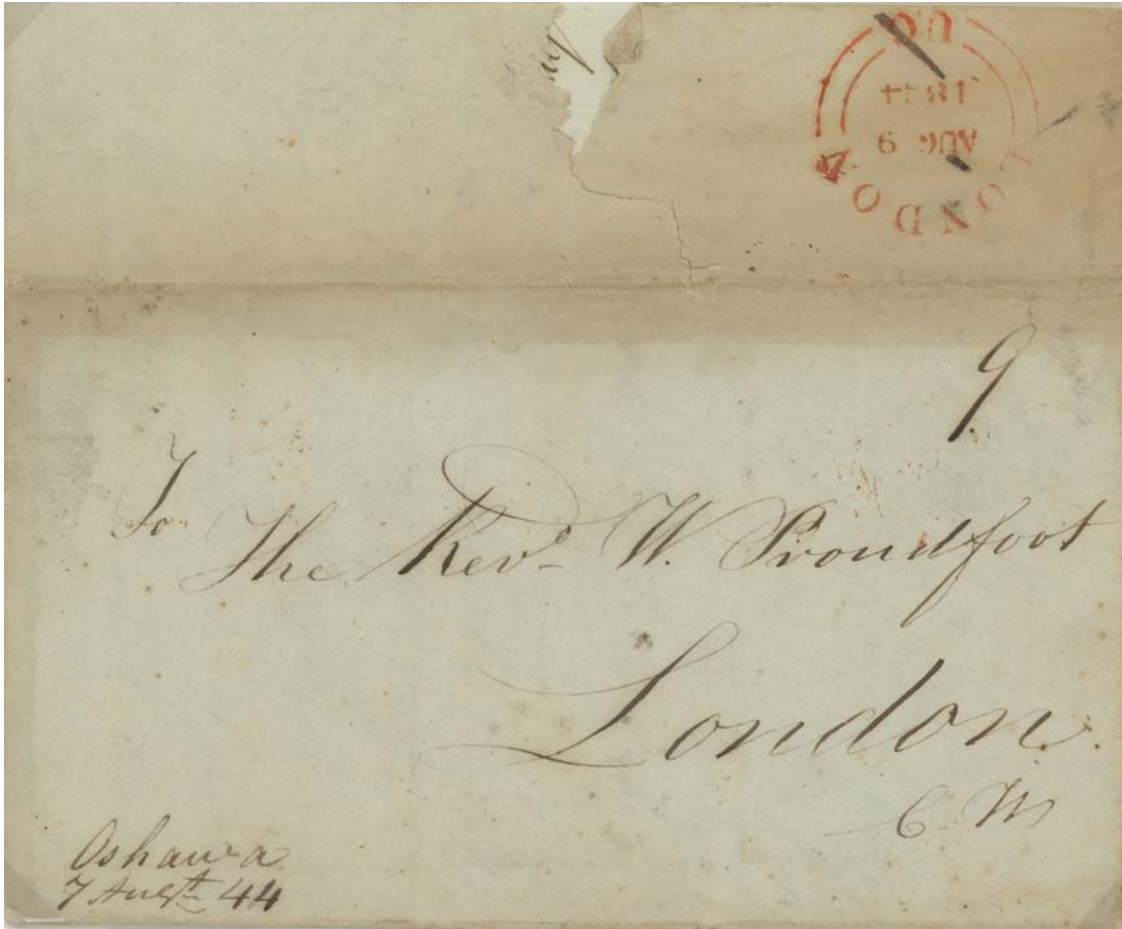


Port Credit (U C)—Montréal, 29 August 1844. Rated collect 1/1½ cy, 401–500 miles.

Only reported ms.

Oshawa UC ms

Ontario Co, c w. Post office opened 1841. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U C), proofed 1845, known 1845–68.



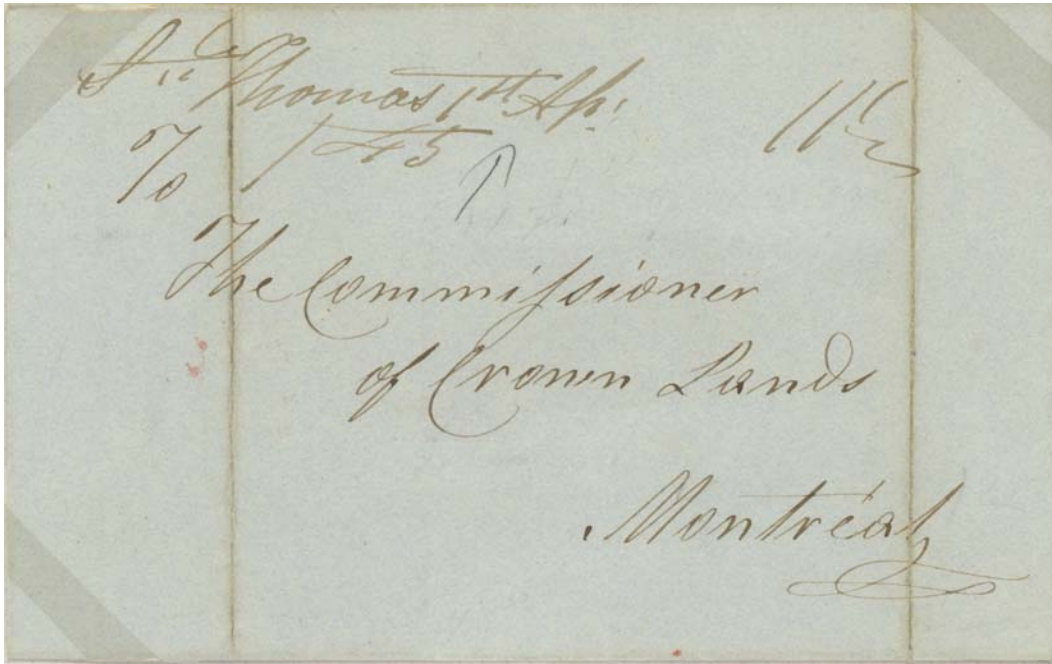
Oshawa (c w)–London (U C), 7 August 1844. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.

Ms reported 1842–45.

Dateline Whitby (post office open from 1824).

St Thomas LC ms

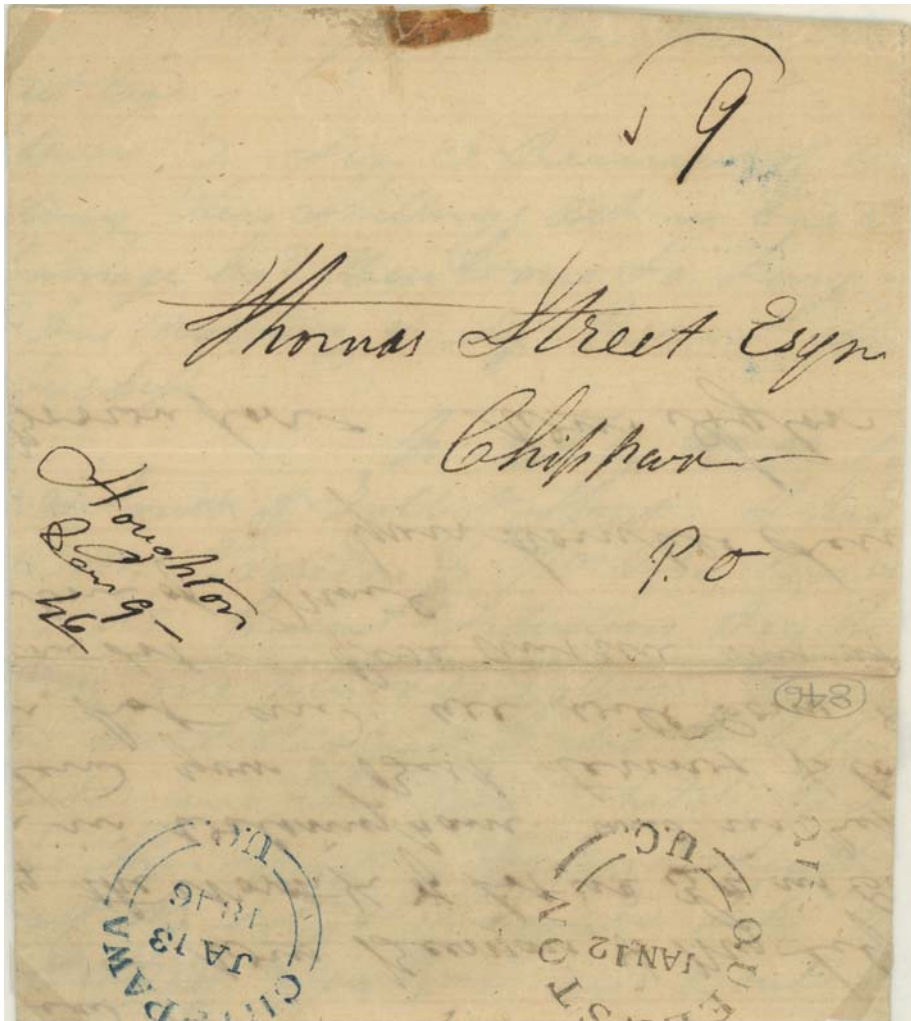
Montgomery Co, L C. Not to be confused with St Thomas (Elgin Co, U C/C W), for which no manuscripts are known. Post office opened 1817–57 (became Montgomery). First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1842–53.



St Thomas (C E)—Montréal, 1 April 1845. Rated collect 11½ d cy, 201–300 miles.

Houghton UC ms

Norfolk Co, U C. Post office open 1842–1915. First hammer, straightline, known 1843; second hammer, serif double broken circle, proofed 1845, known 1849–75.



Houghton (U C)–Chippawa, 1 February 1846. Rated collect *d* 9 cy, 101–200 miles.

Ms reported 1845–6.

Millbrook UC ms and first or second hammer

Durham Co, U.C. Post office opened 1846. First hammer, double broken circle (U C), proofed 1847, reported by Campbell 1847–64 (otherwise unknown); second (?) hammer, nonserif double broken circle with an E added at end.



Millbrook (U C)—Coburg, 6 February 1846. Rated collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles. Also endorsed *Too Late*.

Only reported ms.

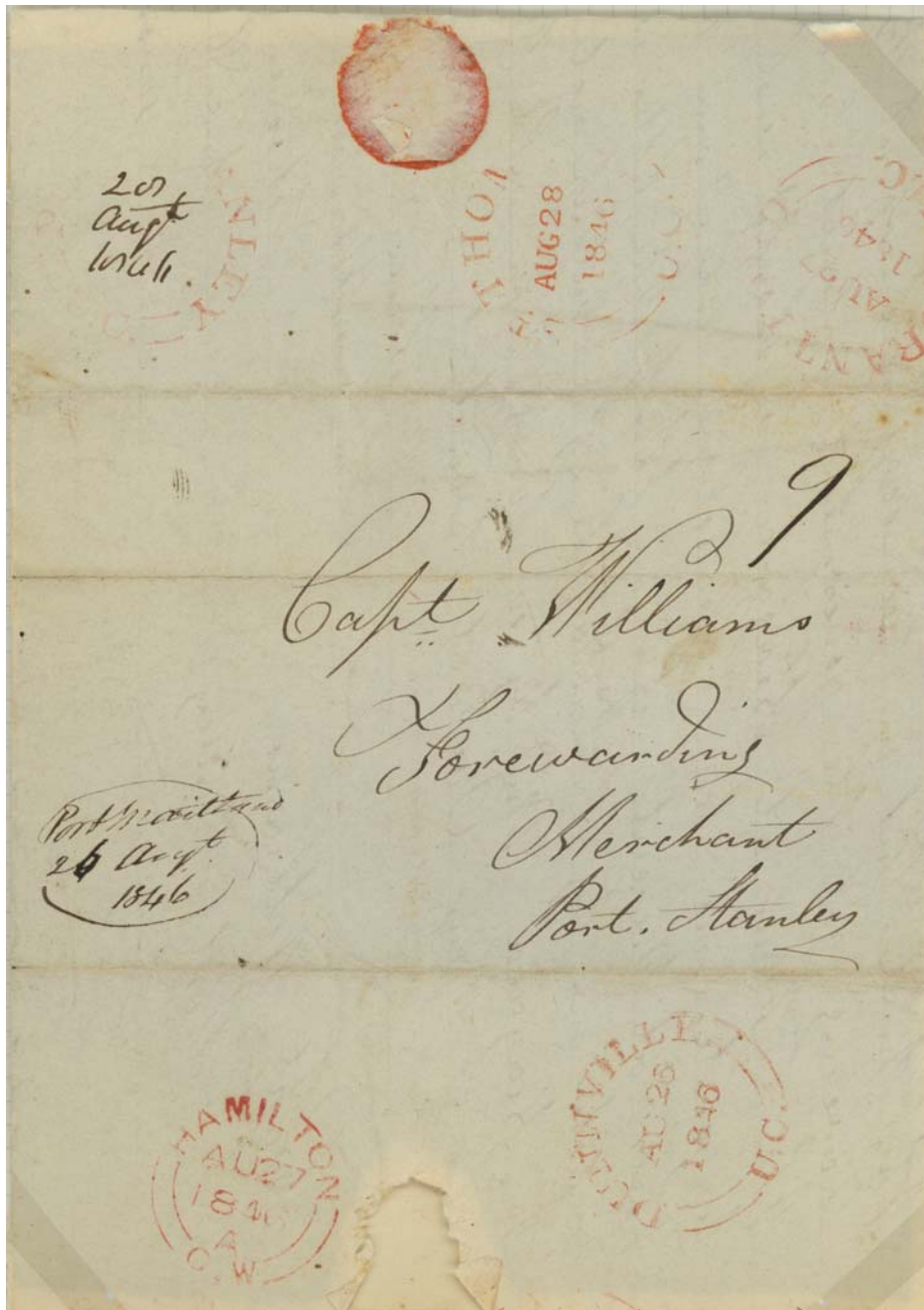


Bellisess (Ireland)—Millbrooke (C W), 1856. Rated 6d via Halifax, with 1d stg claimed by the Nova Scotia post office.above.

Green **BELISSES** straightline (only recorded example of a postmark from this town), faint green Virginia (to which Belisses was a holding/receiving office) double broken circle at far left, green single circle Dublin dater, Liverpool L lozenge (at upper right), followed by Québec, Port Hope, and Millbrooke double broken circles in Canada.

Nonserif double broken circle **MILLBROOKE C.W.**, known 1856–58.

Encircled. Haldimand Co, U.C. Post office open 1846–1966. First hammer, serif double broken circle (U.C.), known to 1858.

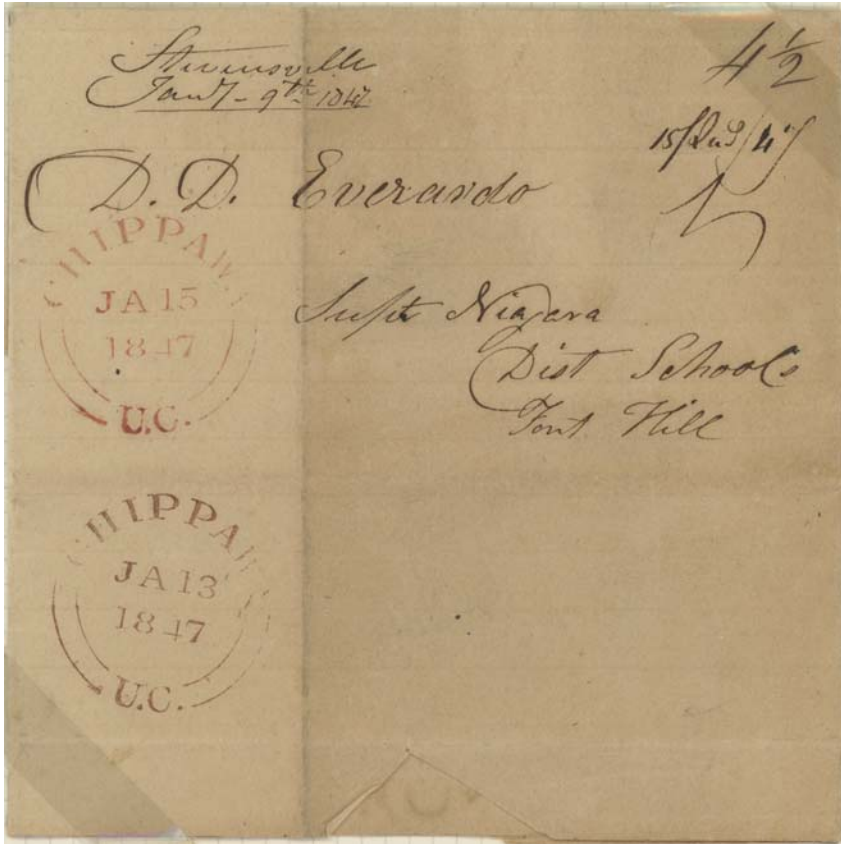


Port Maitland (U c)—*Port Stanley*, 26 August 1846. Rated collect 9 d cy, 61–100 miles. Via Dunnville, Hamilton, Brantford, and St Thomas, all but Hamilton being serif double broken circles.

Encircled ms, as if this should make any difference. Two reported ms.

Stevensville UC ms

Welland Co, U C. Post office open 1846. First hammer, double broken circle (c w), proofed 9 July 1847, known 1847-53.

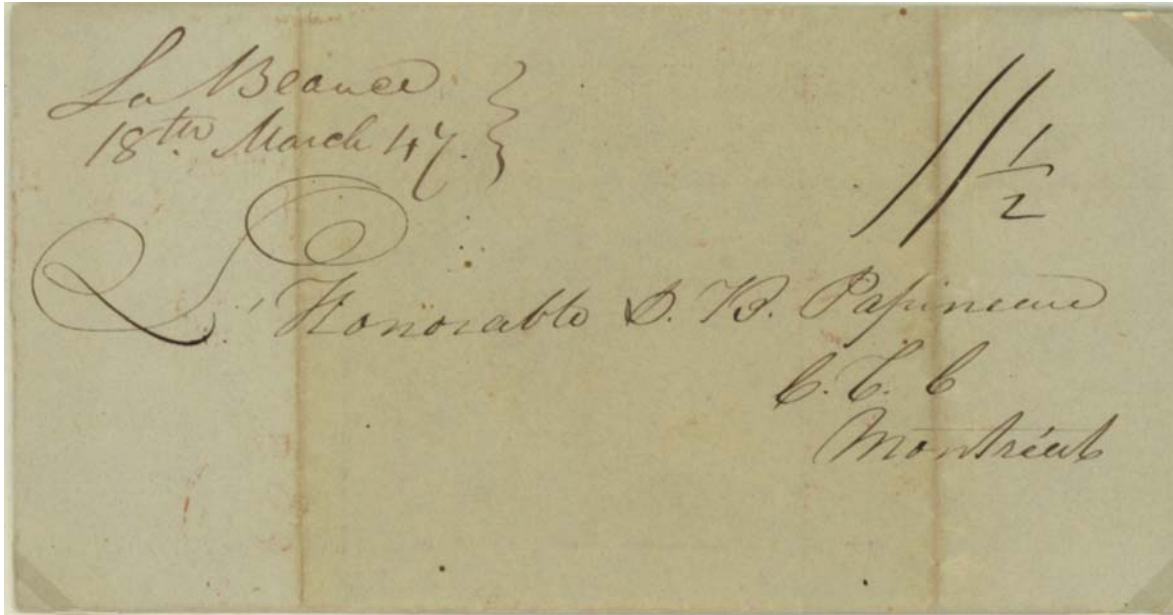


Stevensville (U C)—Font Hill, 7 January 1847. Rated collect 4½ d cy, under 60 miles. Two differently-dated strikes of serif double broken circle Chippawa.

Only reported ms.

La Beauce LC ms

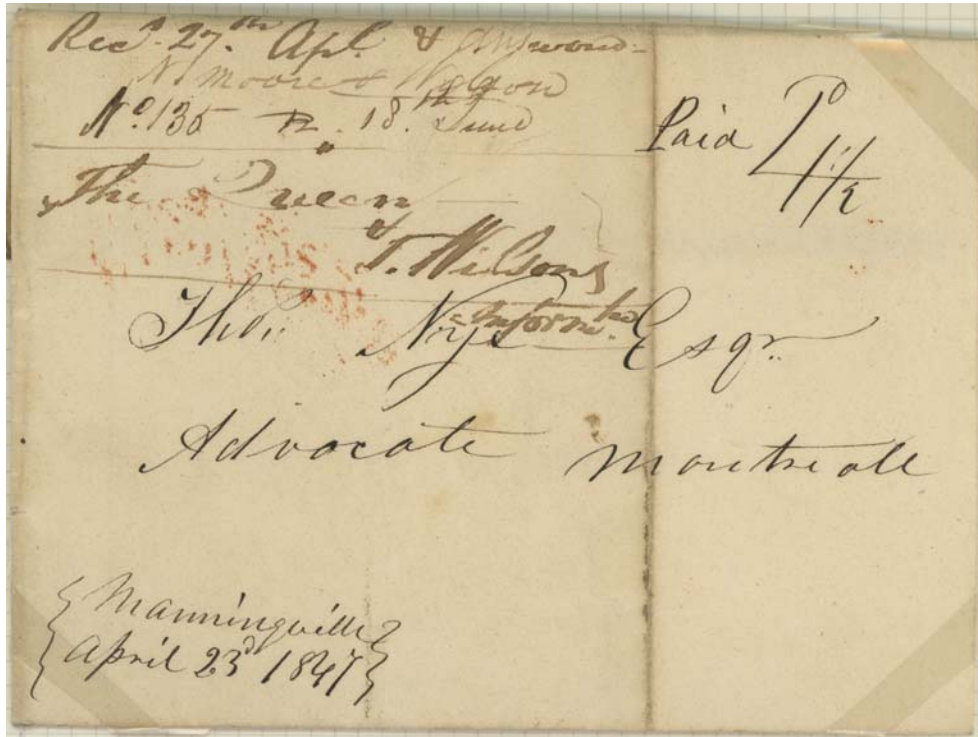
Beauce Co, L.C. Post office open 1831–1902. First hammer, double circle, known 1835 only; second hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1842–66.



La Beauce (L.C.)—Montréal, 18 March 1847. Rated collect 11½ d cy, 201–300 miles.

Manningville LC ms

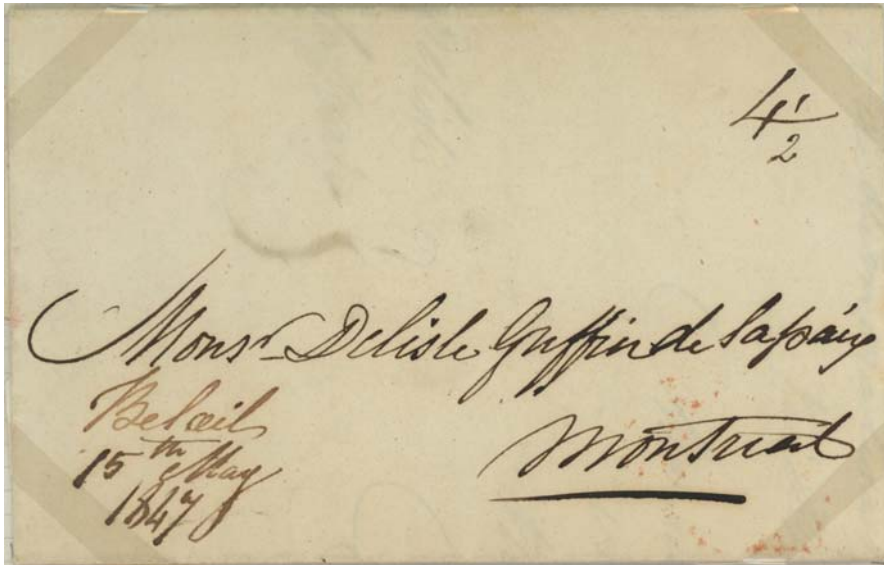
Beauharnois Co, c E. Post office open 1831–67. First hammer, double broken circle, known 1838–58.



Manningville (c E)—Montréal, 23 April 1847. Rated collect *Paid* 4½^d under 60 miles.

Beloeil CE ms

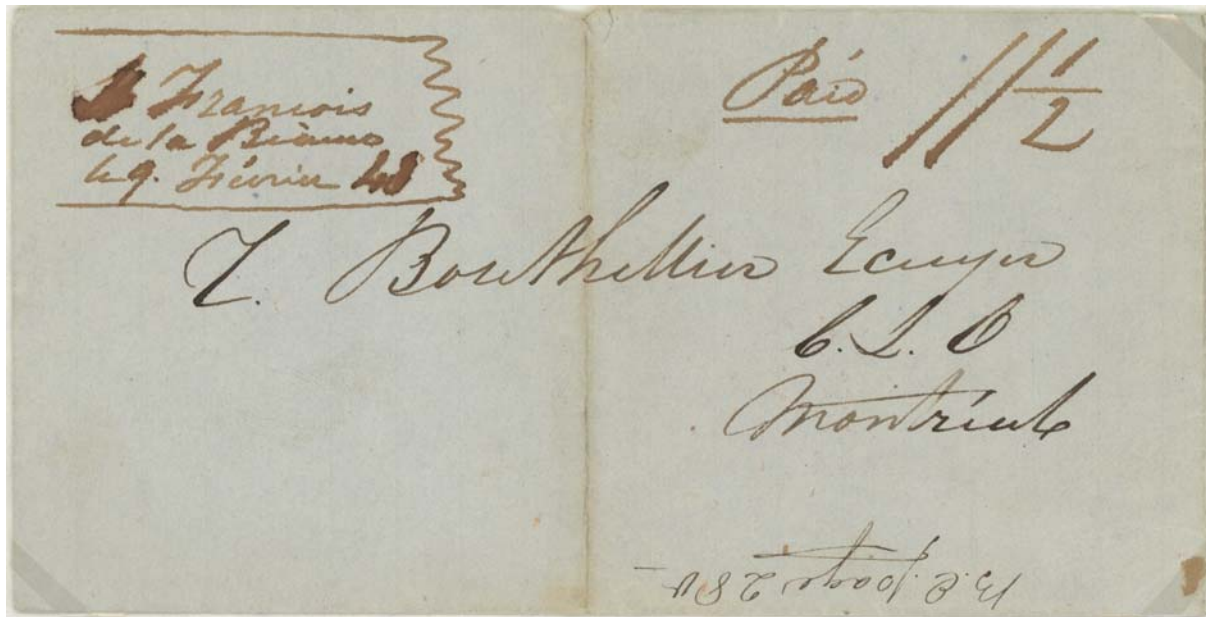
Verchères Co, C E. Post office opened 1845. First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1846–63.



Beloeil (C E)—Montréal, 15 May 1847. Rated collect 4½ d under 60 miles.

St François de la Beauce LC ms

Beauce Co L.C. Post office opened 1839. First hammer, double broken circle, known 1854-9.



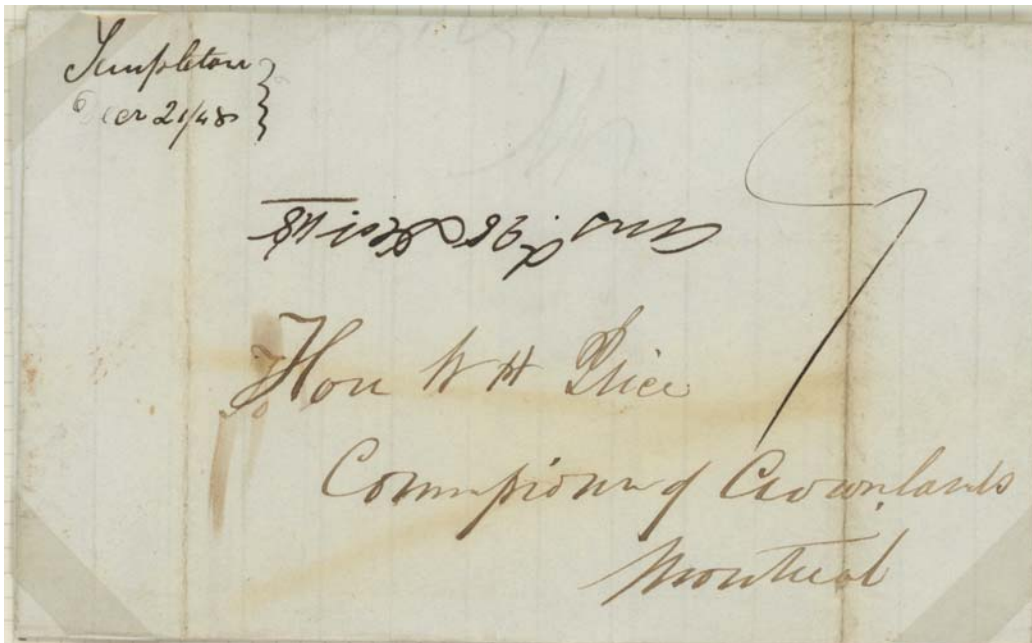
St François de la Beauce (C.E.)—Montréal, 9 February 1848. Rated *Paid 11½* d 201-300 miles.

Templeton CE ms

Ottawa Co, CE. Post office open 1839–85; renamed Point Gatineau. First hammer, double broken circle, proofed 1847, known 1850–9.



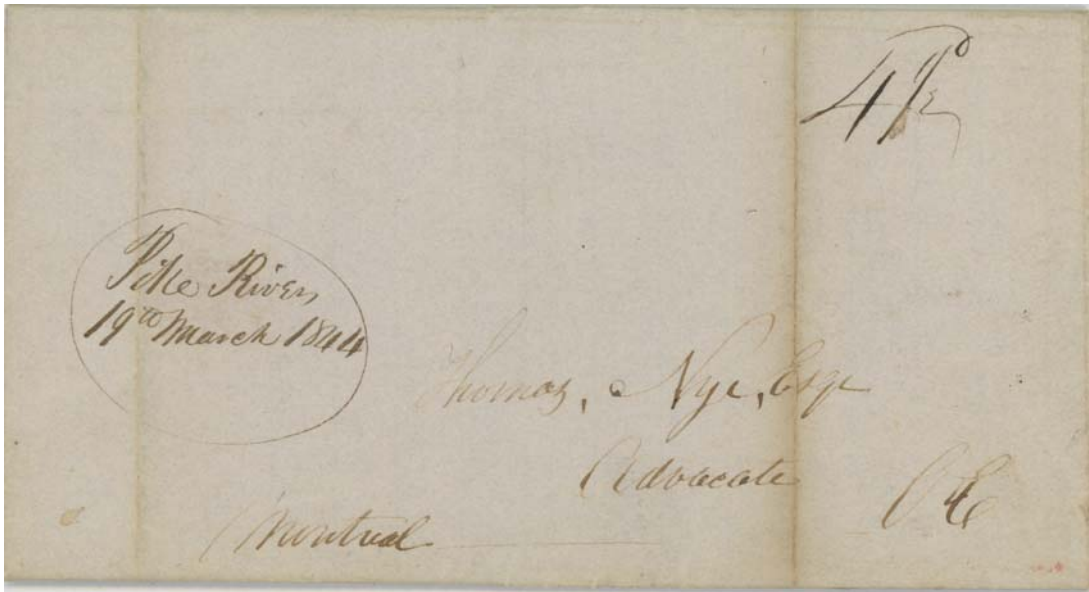
Templeton (CE)—Montréal, 21 August 1848. Rated collect 9 d 101–200 miles.



Templeton—Montréal, 21 December 1848. Rated collect 9 d 101–200 miles.

Pike River LC ms

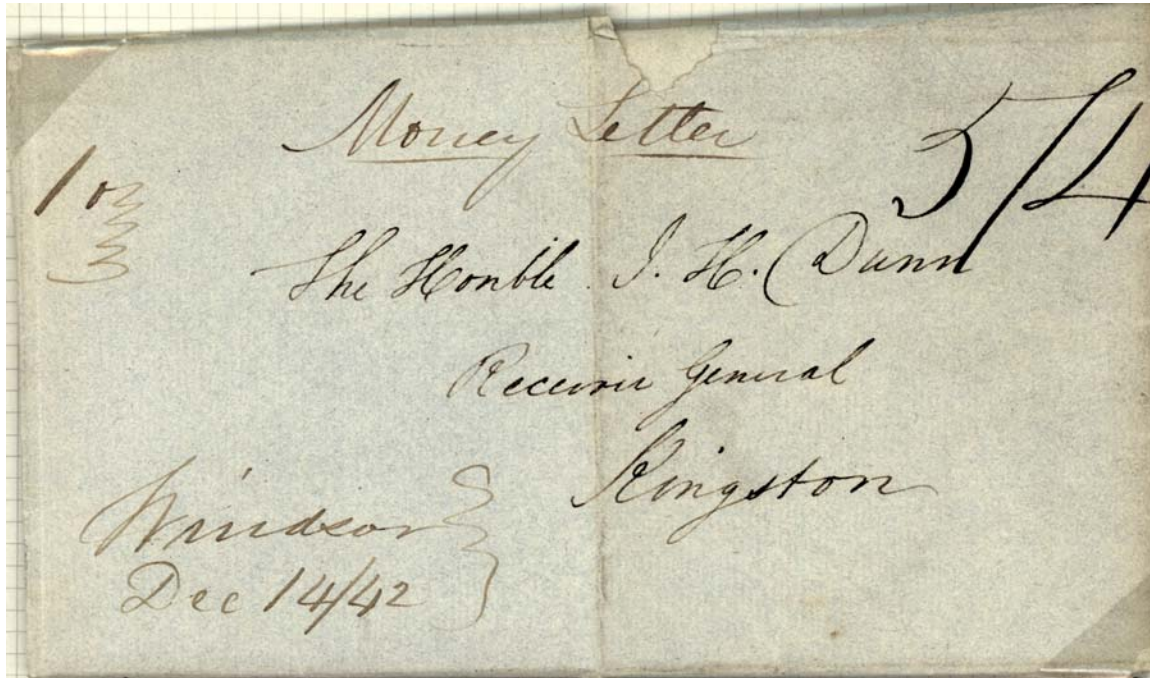
Missisquoi Co, C E. Post office opened 1842. First hammer, double broken circle, known 1857-63.



Pike River (C E)—Montréal, 19 March 1844. Rated collect 4½ d, under 60 miles. Encircled ms.

Windsor CW ms & first hammer

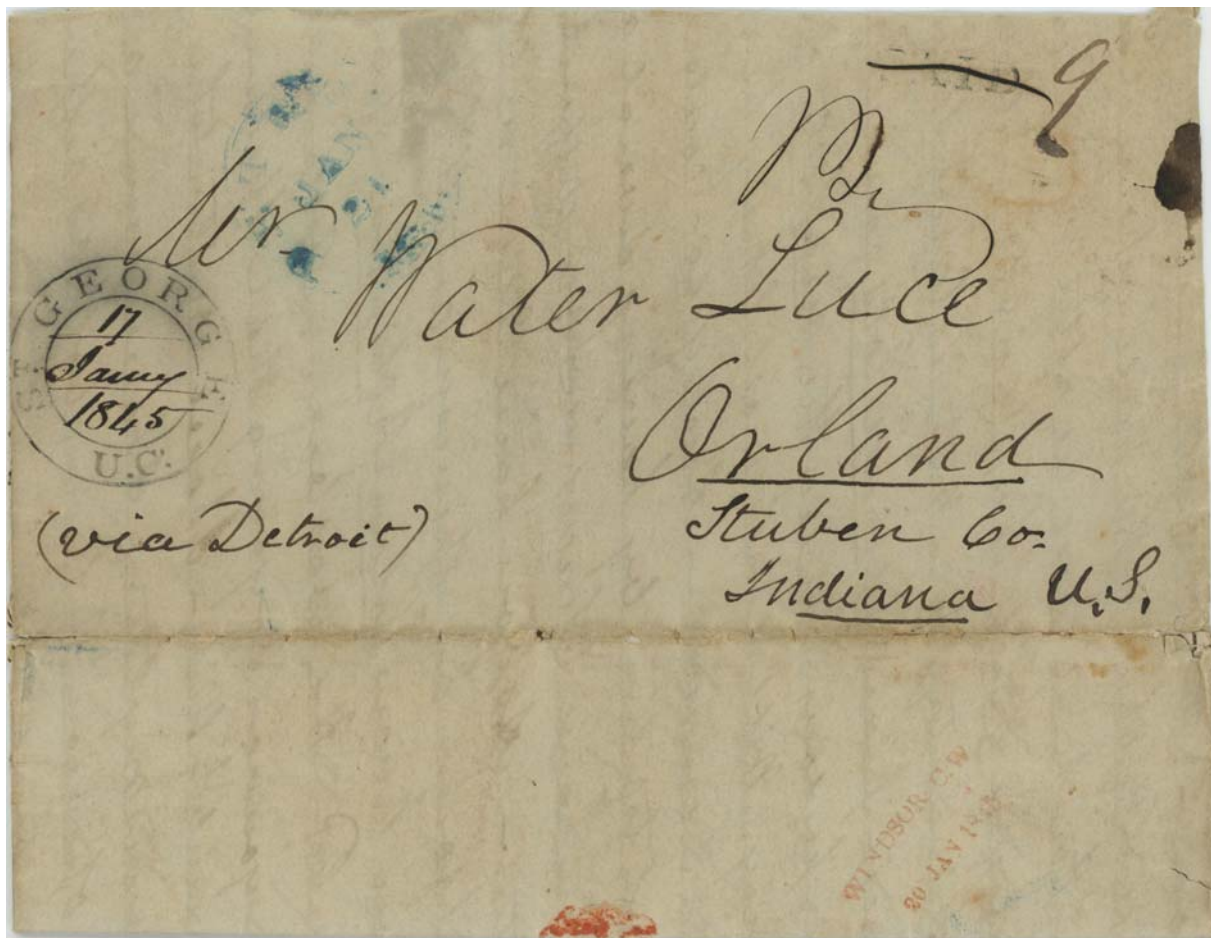
Windsor (Essex Co, c w), opened 1841.



Windsor–Kingston, quadruple, 14 December 1842. Rated collect 1oz (quadruple), $5/4 = 4 \times 1/4$ cy, 401–500 miles.

Money letter.

Ms reported July–December 1842.



St George (UC)–Orland (IN), via the Windsor–Detroit exchange, 1845. Rated PAID 9 d cy, 101–200 miles to the exchange point, then charged $12\frac{1}{2}\text{¢}$ U S rate (80–150 miles) to destination.

First hammer, straightline, known 1843–45. ST GEORGE double circle, reported 1837–63.

St Jacques LC ms

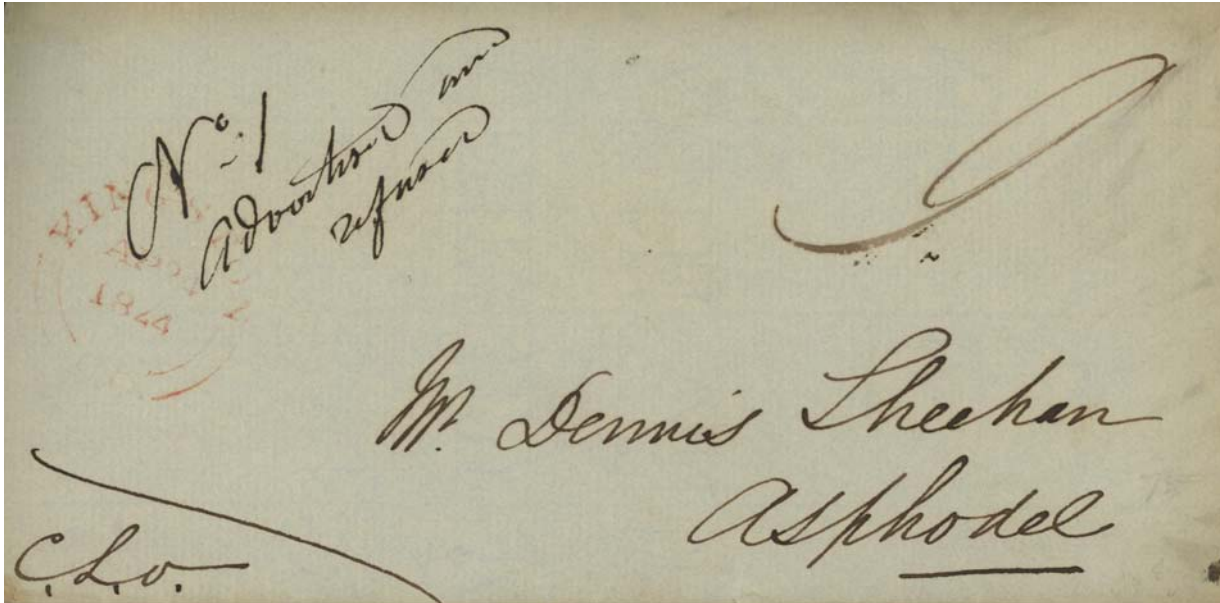
Montcalm Co, L.C. Post office opened 1835. First hammer, serif double broken circle, known 1843–58.



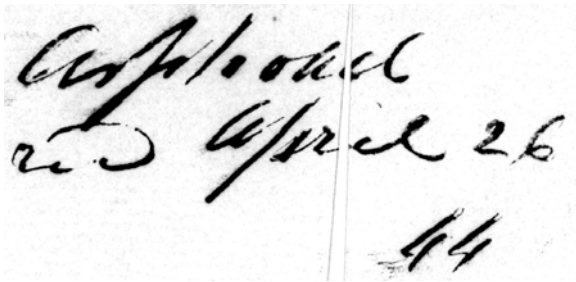
St Jacques (L.C.)—Kingston, 4 February 1843. Rated collect 11^d cy, 201–300 miles.

Asphodel UC ms; advertised and refused

Ms on reverse. Pembroke Co, U C. Post office open 1836–61. First hammer, double circle, known 1848–58.



Kingston–Asphodel, 1844. Collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles. From the Crown Lands Office (C.L.O), this was *advertised and refused*. Only Asphodel ms reported.



Owen Sound CW ms

Grey Co, c w. Post office opened 1846. One other ms is known, 22 December 1846. First hammer double broken circle (c w) with an S, proofed 18 May 1847, known 1849–67.



Owens Sound (c w)—Montréal, 16 March 1847. Rated collect 1/6 cy, 501–600 miles.



Brantford—Proton, missent to Picton, 19 August–1 September 1851. Rated collect 3^D, domestic rate.

Sent to **COBOURG** (20 August), then missent to **PICTON** (22 August), and endorsed *Opened by Crown Lands Agt at Picton*; another endorsement, *This letter miss[ent] should be sent to Proton, a new township, county of Waterloo, CW, instead of Picton*.

At Picton, **FORWARDED** applied, then arrived in **KINGSTON** (27 August), **HAMILTON** (28 August), **PRESTON**, CW (29 August), **GUELPH** (30 August), and **double broken circle OWENS-SOUND C.W** (1 September).

Proton post office opened 1851, and the earliest postmark is a manuscript dated 1 September 1851.

(Probably) Centreville UC ms

Cent(re)ville, Lennox & Addington Co, UC. The letter is from Camden, which is also in Lennox & Addington, and postmarked at Camden-East. Centreville post office open 1854–1914. Ms reported 1849–63. First hammer, double broken circle, proofed 1850, reported 1858.

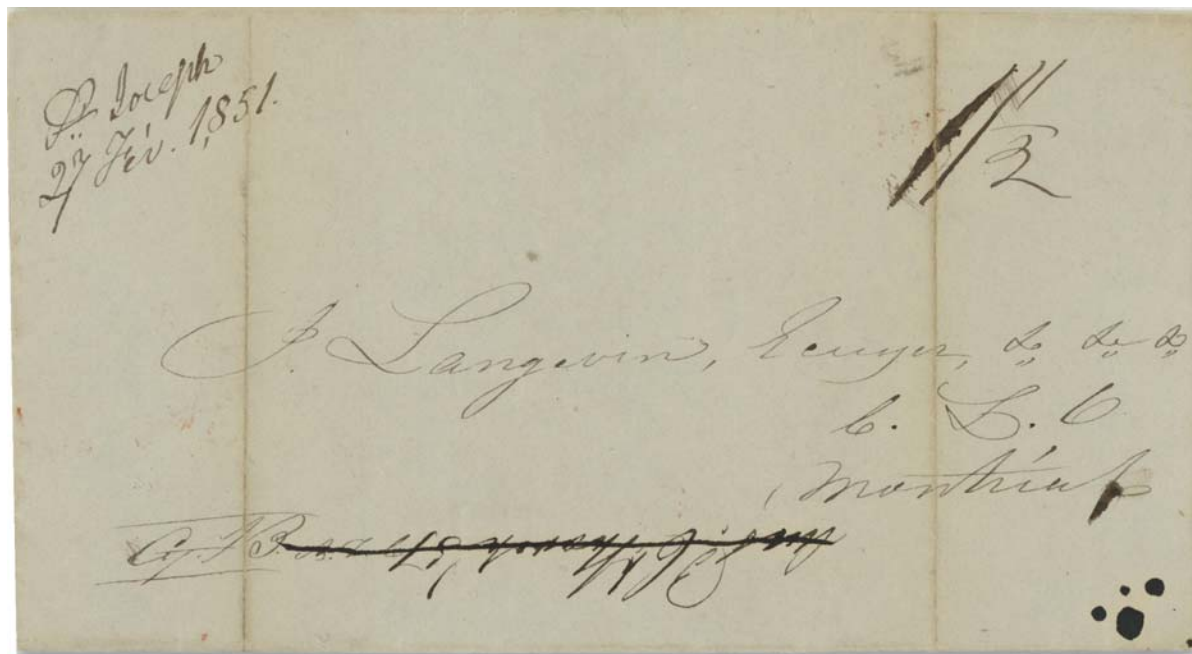


Martha Lois daughter of Benjamin Sellers and Maria Coons was
born at Melbourn Aug. 29 1848 and baptized Dec 14 1848
at Melbourn.
She alone is the only baptism administered by in the
Eastern District during the last year -
James Governor
Minister of the Am. E.
Church in Cornwall
Camden Jan 5 1849

Centreville (?)—Cornwall, 13 January (1849). Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles. Report of baptisms.

St Joseph (Beauce) LC ms

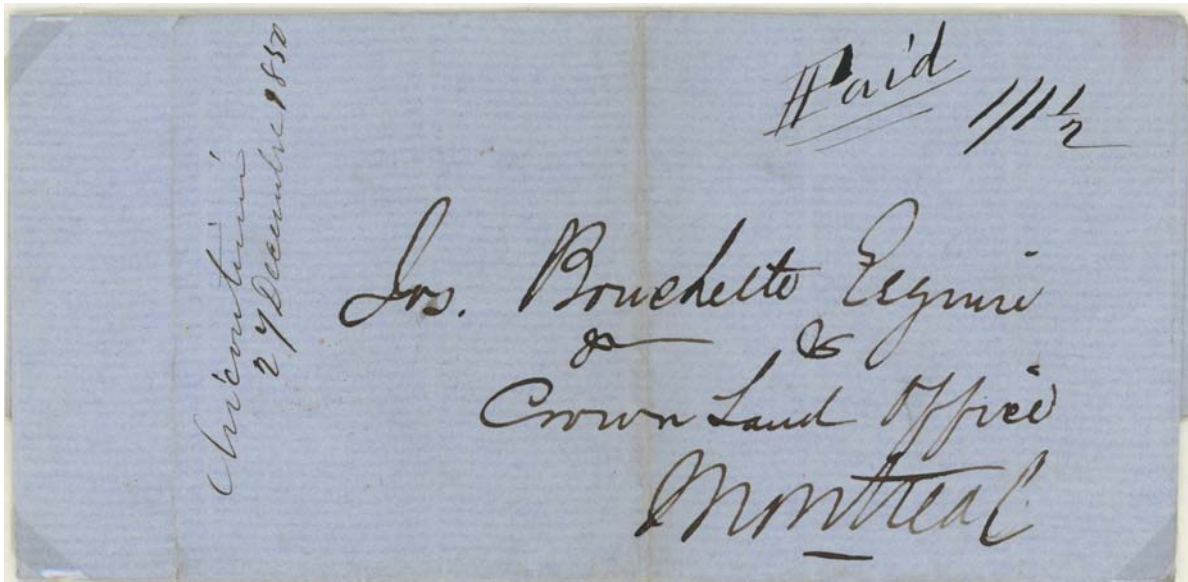
Beauce Co, L.C. Post office opened 1845-76. First hammer, double broken circle, known 1846-59.



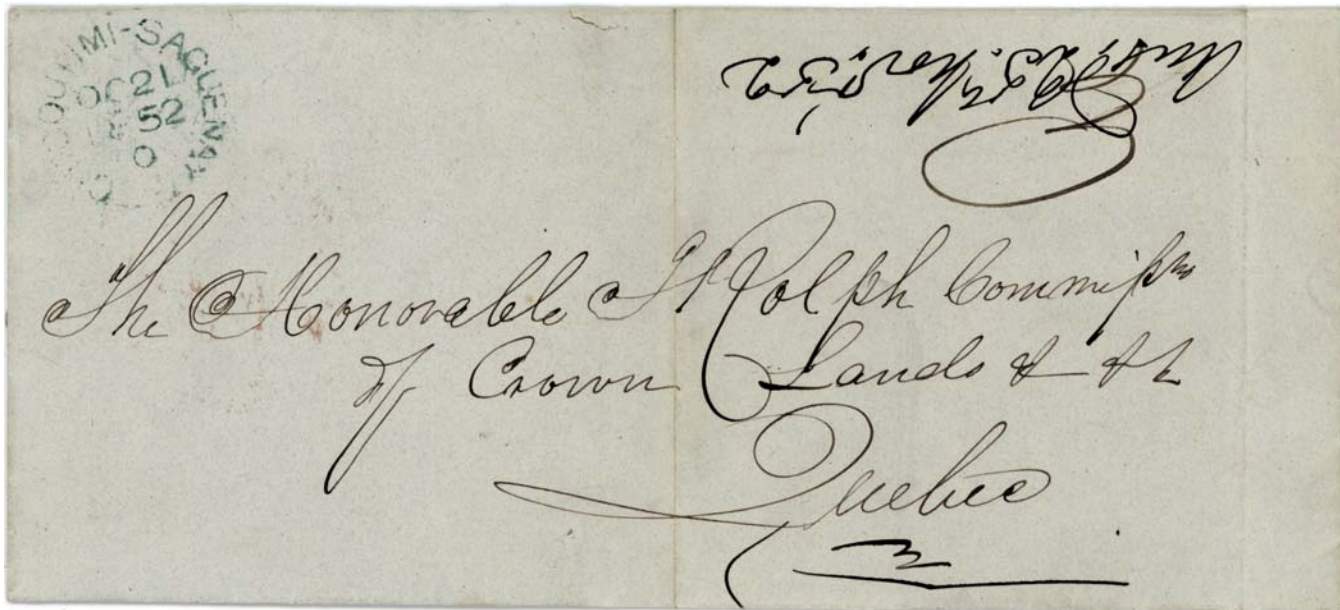
St Joseph (L.C.)—Montréal, 27 February 1851. Rated collect $11\frac{1}{2}$ d cy, 201-300 miles.

Chicoutimi CE ms and first hammer

Chicoutimi Co, CE. Post office opened 6 January 1850. First handstamp, a serif double broken circle, is known 1852-73.



Chicoutimi (CE)—Montreal, 27 December 1850. Paid 1/1½ cy, 301-400 miles.



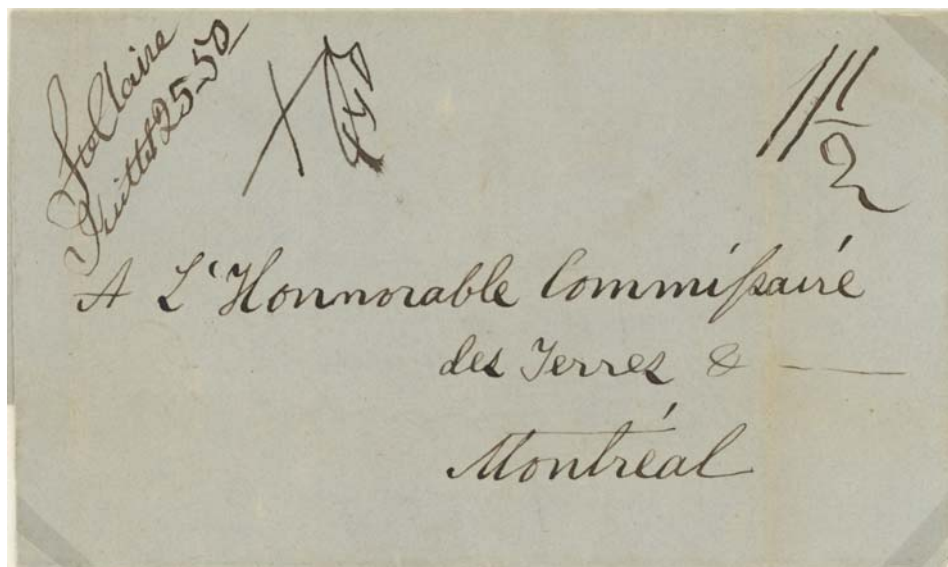
Chicoutimi to Quebec, 1852. Free: addressed to government office within ten days of a session of Parliament.



Chicoutimi—Toronto, 1850. Initially charged 3 d collect (domestic); struck through as it was free (as above).

Ste Claire CE ms

Dorchester Co, c E. Post office opened 1849. First handstamp, a double broken circle, is known 1851–66.

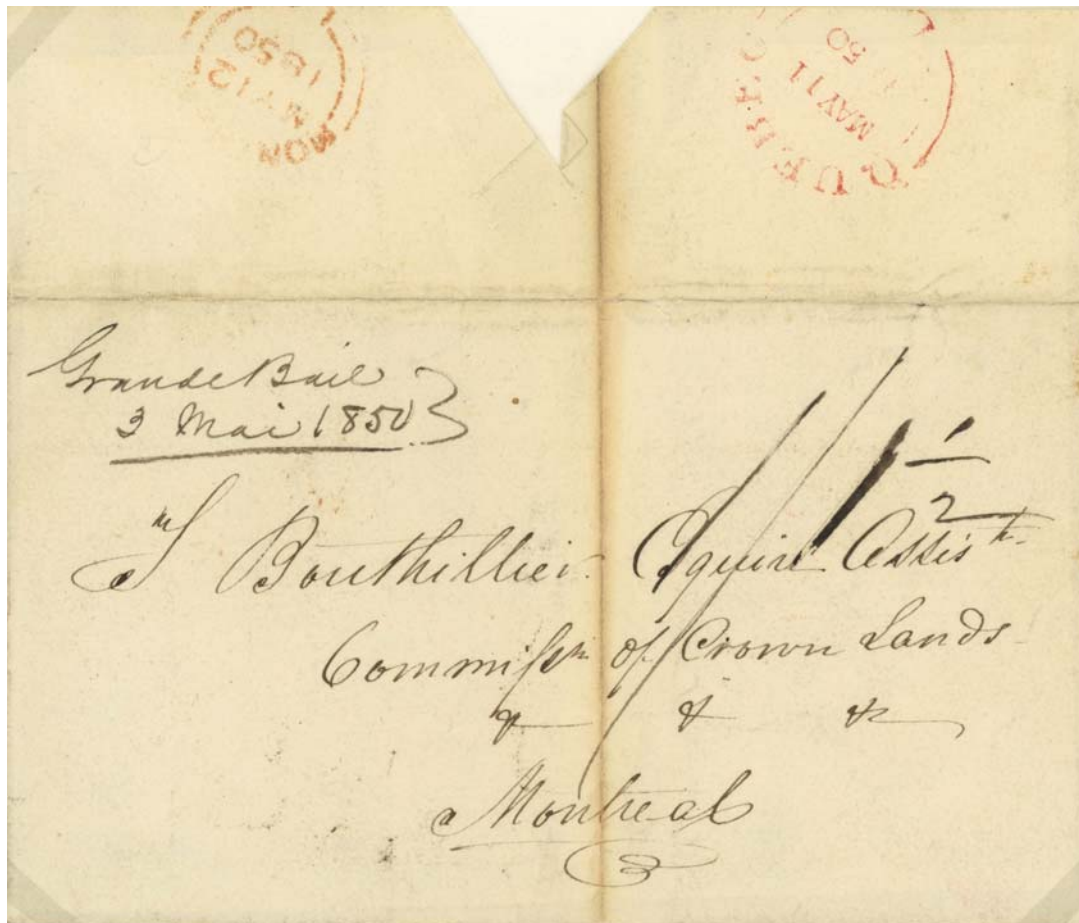


Ste Claire (c E)—Montreal, 25 July 1850. Charged 11½ d cy, 201–300 miles.

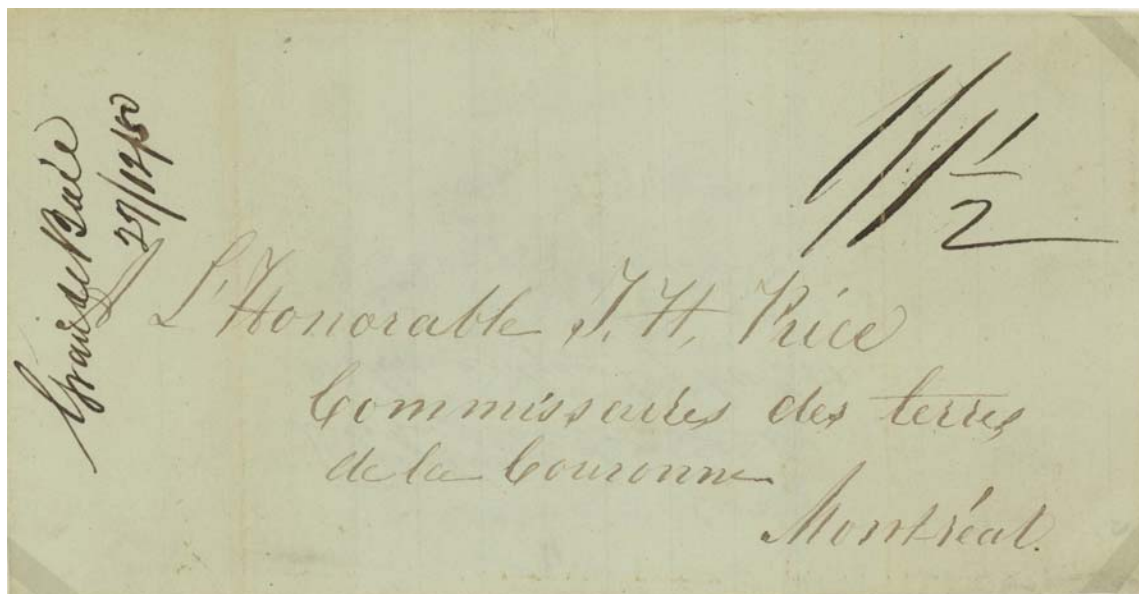
The XO marking is more commonly seen on money letters, and its significance is unknown.

Grande Baie CE ms

Chicoutimi Co, C E. Post office opened 6 January 1850. First handstamp, a double broken circle, is known 1850-61.



Grande Baie (C E)—Montreal, 3 May 1850. Charged 1/1½ cy, 301-400 miles.



Grande Baie—Montreal, 27 December 1850. Charged 1/1½ cy, 301-400 miles.

Russelltown LC ms

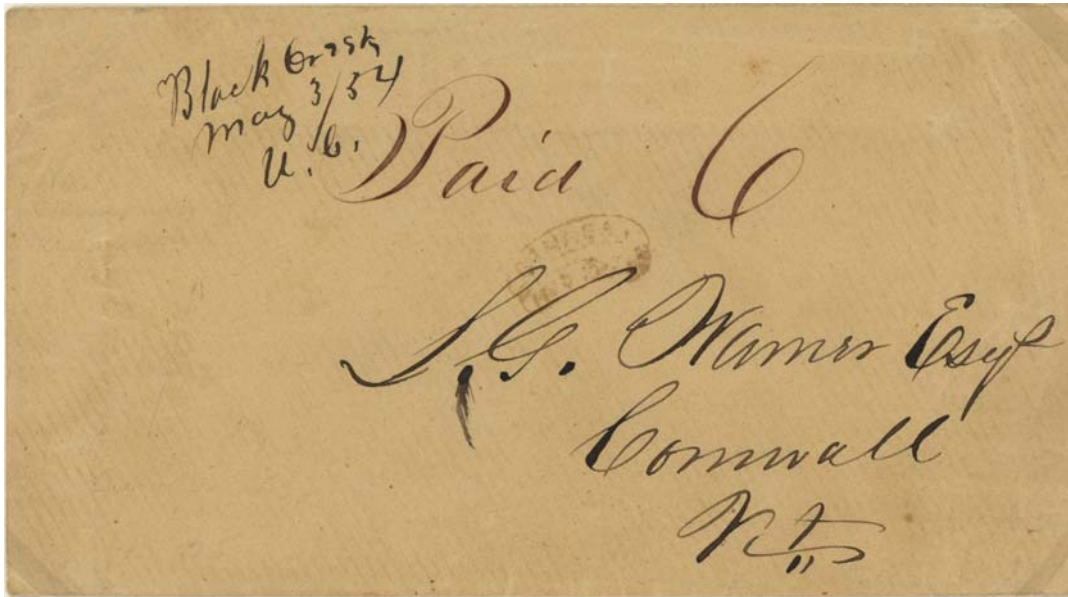
Chateauguay Co, C E. Post office open 1831–48; previously thought to have reopened in 1852. First handstamp, a double circle, is known 1834–37; second handstamp, a double broken circle is known 1857–58.



Russelltown (C E)—Montréal, 27 May 1851. Paid 3 d, domestic rate.

Black Creek UC ms

Welland Co, U.C. Post office open 1854–1916. First hammer, serif double broken circle; one strike known (1861).



*Black Creek (U.C.)—Cornwall (VT), 3 May 1854. Rated **Paid 6** d cy to the U.S. The small **CANADA** in arcs exchange marking is dated (**MY 5 54**), making it one of a kind.*

Only reported ms.

Encircled Proton CW ms

Grey Co, c w. Post office open 1851–65. First hammer, double broken circle, known 1853–61.



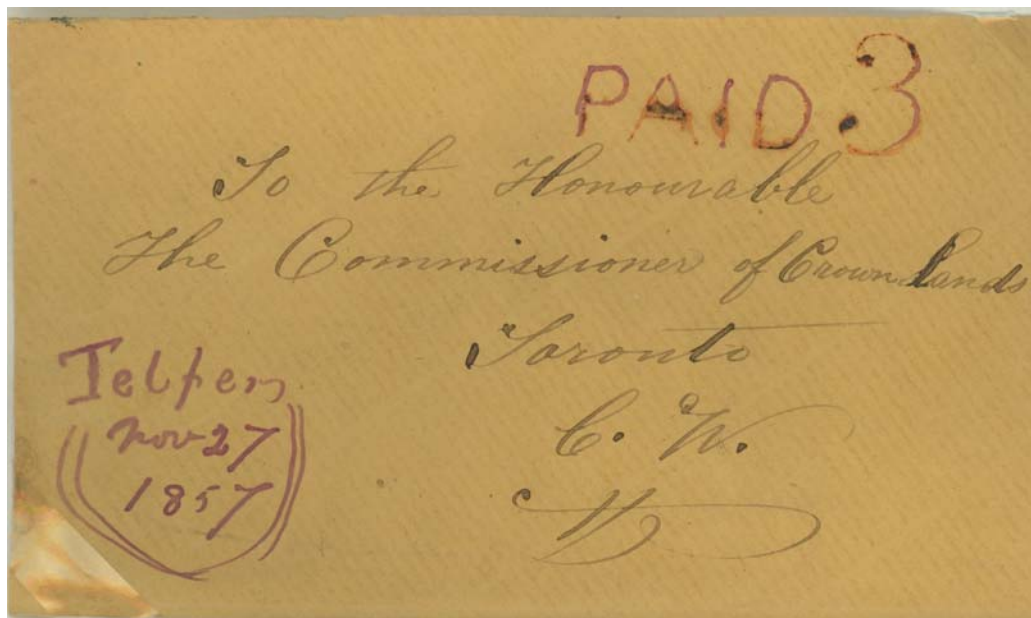
Proton–Guelph, 1 September 1851. Rated *Paid 3* d cy, domestic. Missent to *HAMILTON CW*. From Crown Lands Office, Proton.

Only reported ms.

CALEDON U.C. double circle, known 1851–7.

Telfer CW ms

Imitating the double broken circle of the period. Middlesex Co, c w. Post office open 1857–1913. First hammer, small broken circle proofed in 1881, one strike reported.



Telfer—Toronto, 27 November 1857. Rated PAID 3 d cy, domestic.

Only reported ms.

(South) Ely LC ms

This is probably South Ely (Shefford County), post office opened 1848 (North Ely, also exists, in the same county, but did not open until 1853). First handstamp, a double broken circle, known 1852–62.



Ely (C E)—Montréal, 2 January 1852. Paid 3 d, domestic rate.

St Jean Chrysostome CE ms

Chateauguay Co, cE. Post office opened 6 July 1851. First handstamp, a double broken circle, is known 1854-59.

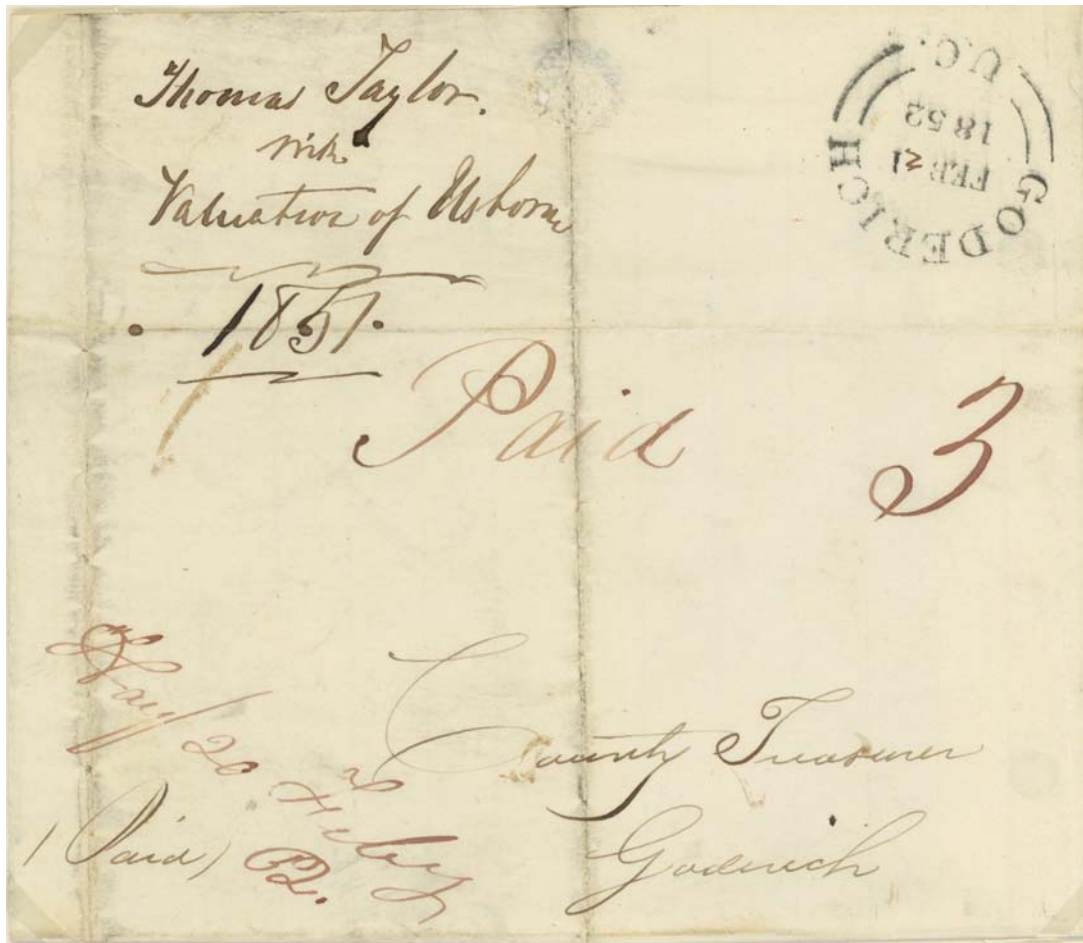


St Jean Chrysostome (cE)—Montréal, 6 January 1852. Paid 3^d, domestic rate.

Red postmark is offset Montréal. On reverse (top) is type 4 Laprairie.

Hay CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office opened 1842. First handstamp, type 4, is known only from 1878.

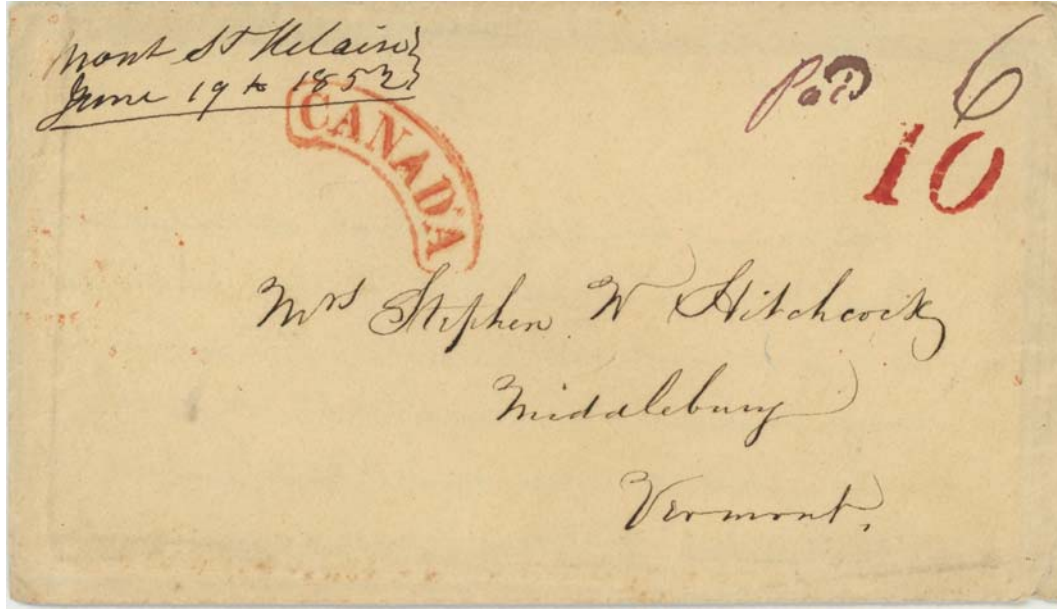


Hay (c w)–Goderich, 1852. *Paid 3* d domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

Mont St Hilaire LC ms

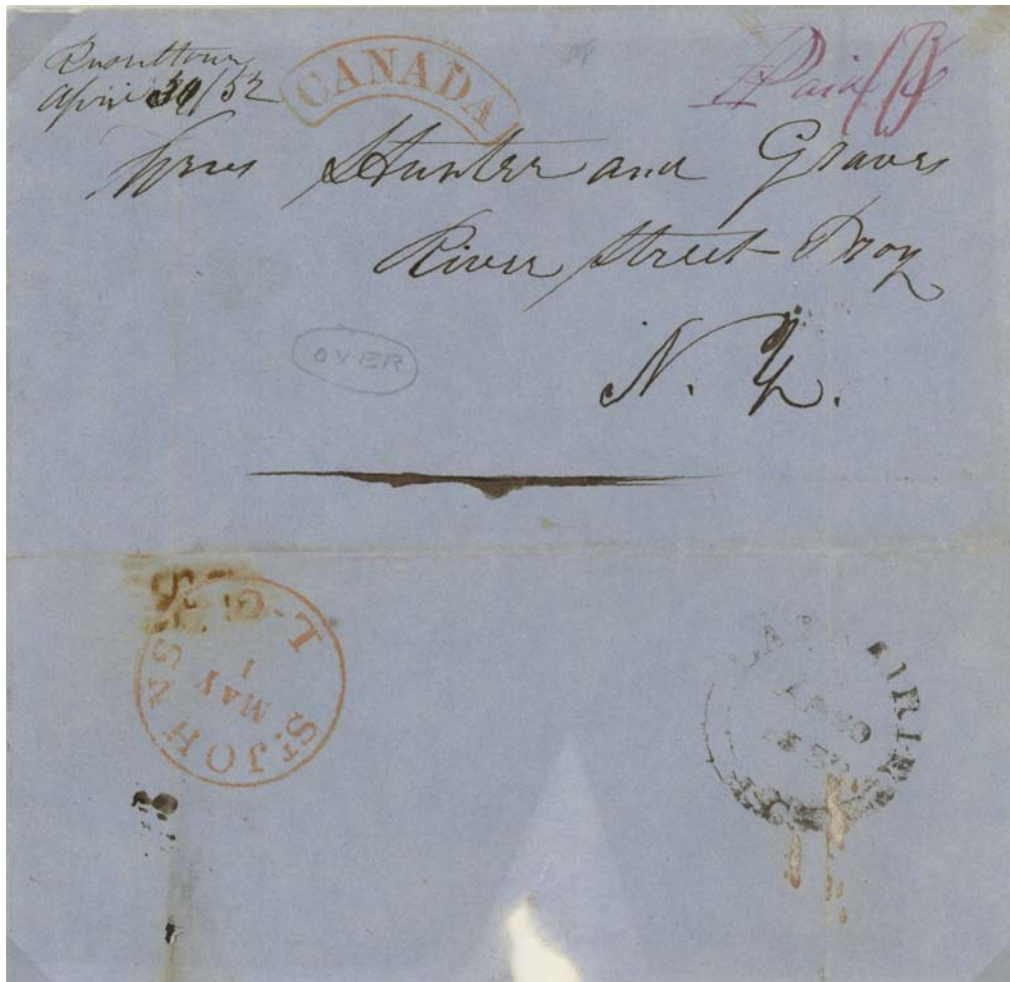
Rouville Co, C E. Post office opened 6 May 1852. First hammer, double broken circle known 1850–59. Second hammer, broken circle known 1910–38.



Mont St Hilaire (CE)–Middlebury (VT), 19 June 1852. Paid 6 d, equivalent to 10¢ rate to US. Canada in arc exchange mark.

Knowlton CE ms

Brome Co, C E. Post office opened 6 July 1851. Double broken circle known 1852–60.



Knowlton (C E)—New York, 30 April 1852. *Paid 6 d*, equivalent to *10¢* rate to U.S. Canada arc exchange mark.



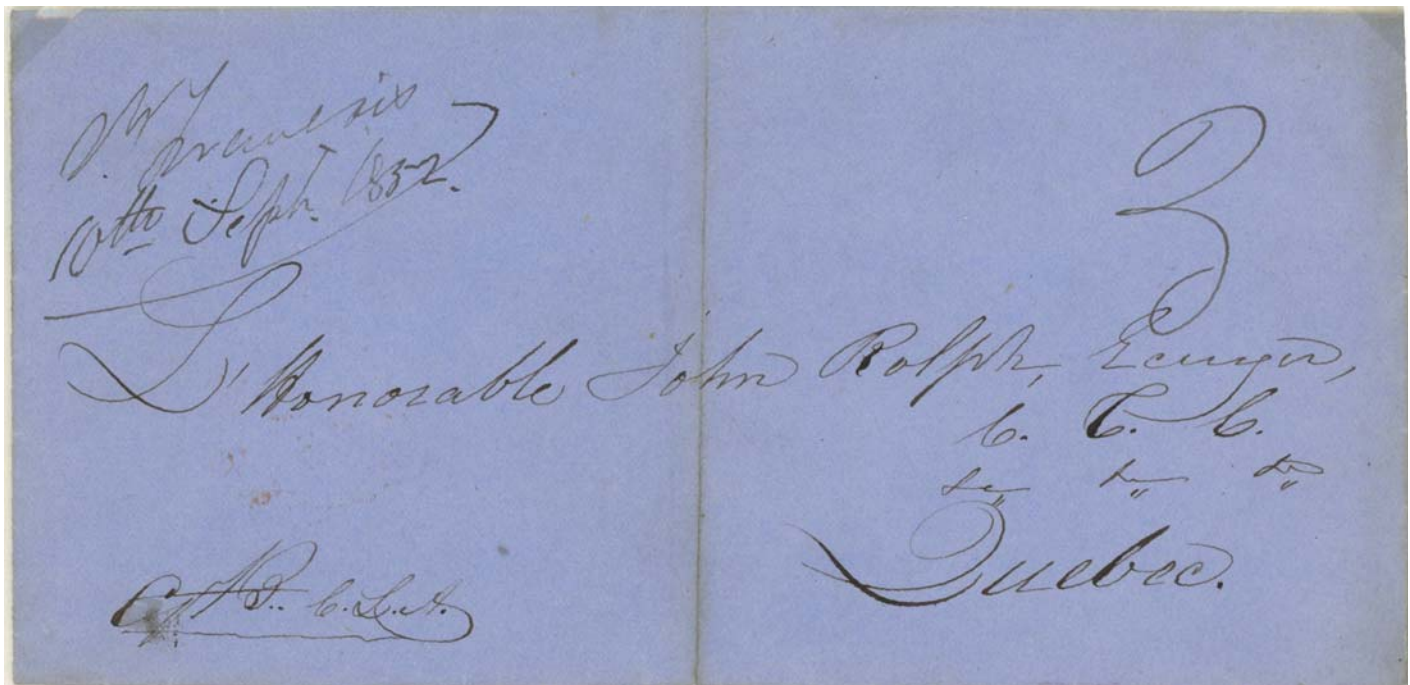
Knowlton—St Paul (MI), 26 June (1860). Collect *10¢*, rate to U.S. Canada arc exchange mark.

St François/Francis LC first hammer and ms

Yamaska Co, C E. Post office opened 1831. As St Francis, double circle known 1836–53, and double broken circle known 1854–65.



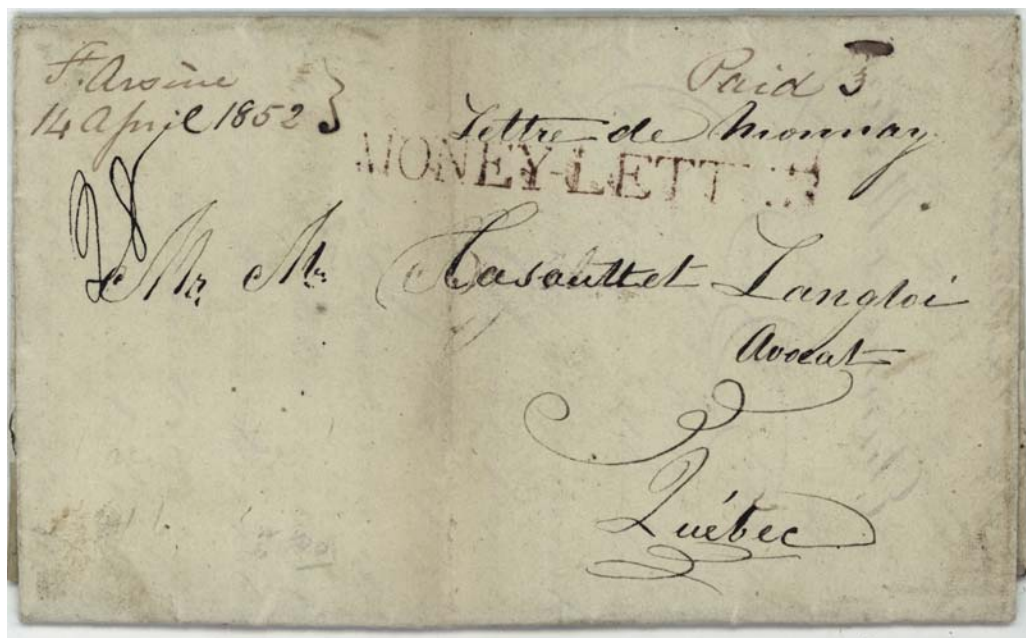
St Francis LC—*Ste-Marie-Beauce*, 1850. Rated collect 9 d cy, 101–200 miles.



St François (C E)—*Québec*, 1852. 3 d, domestic, collect.

St Arsène LC ms

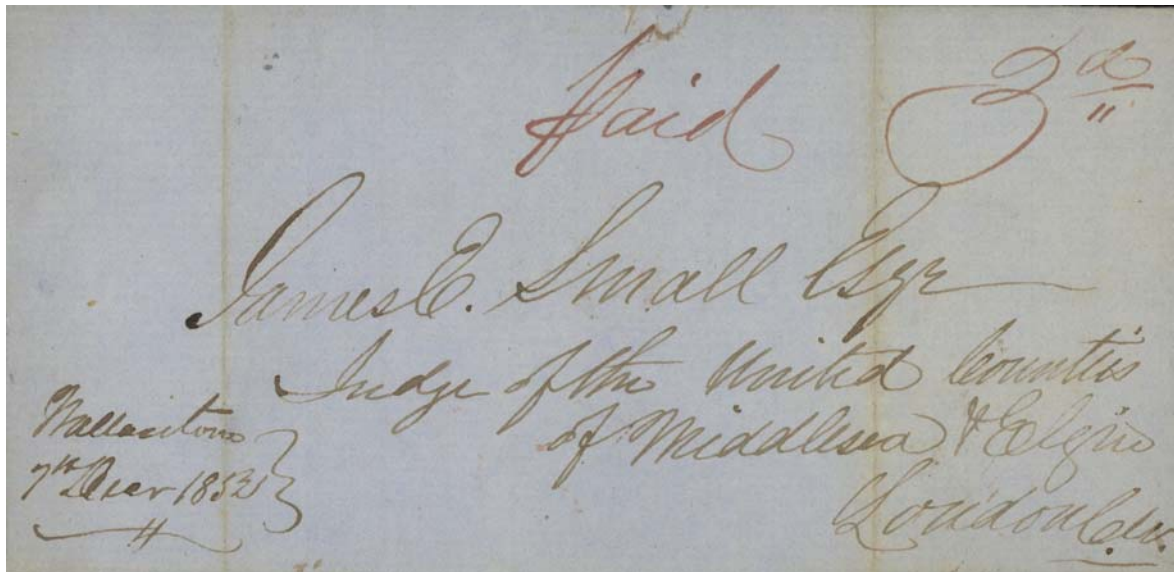
Rivière du Loup Co, c E. Post office opened 1851. First hammer, nonserif double broken circle, 1852–69.



St Arsène (C E)—Québec, 1852. *Paid 3^d*, domestic; money letter.

Wallacetown CW ms

Elgin Co, c w. Post office opened 1852. First hammer, double broken circle; known only in 1855.



Wallacetown (c w)—London (c w), 1852. *Paid 3^d*, domestic.

Only reported ms.

Kingsville CW ms

At destination. Essex Co, c w. Post office opened 1852. First hammer, double broken circle proofed February 1853, reported 1853-7

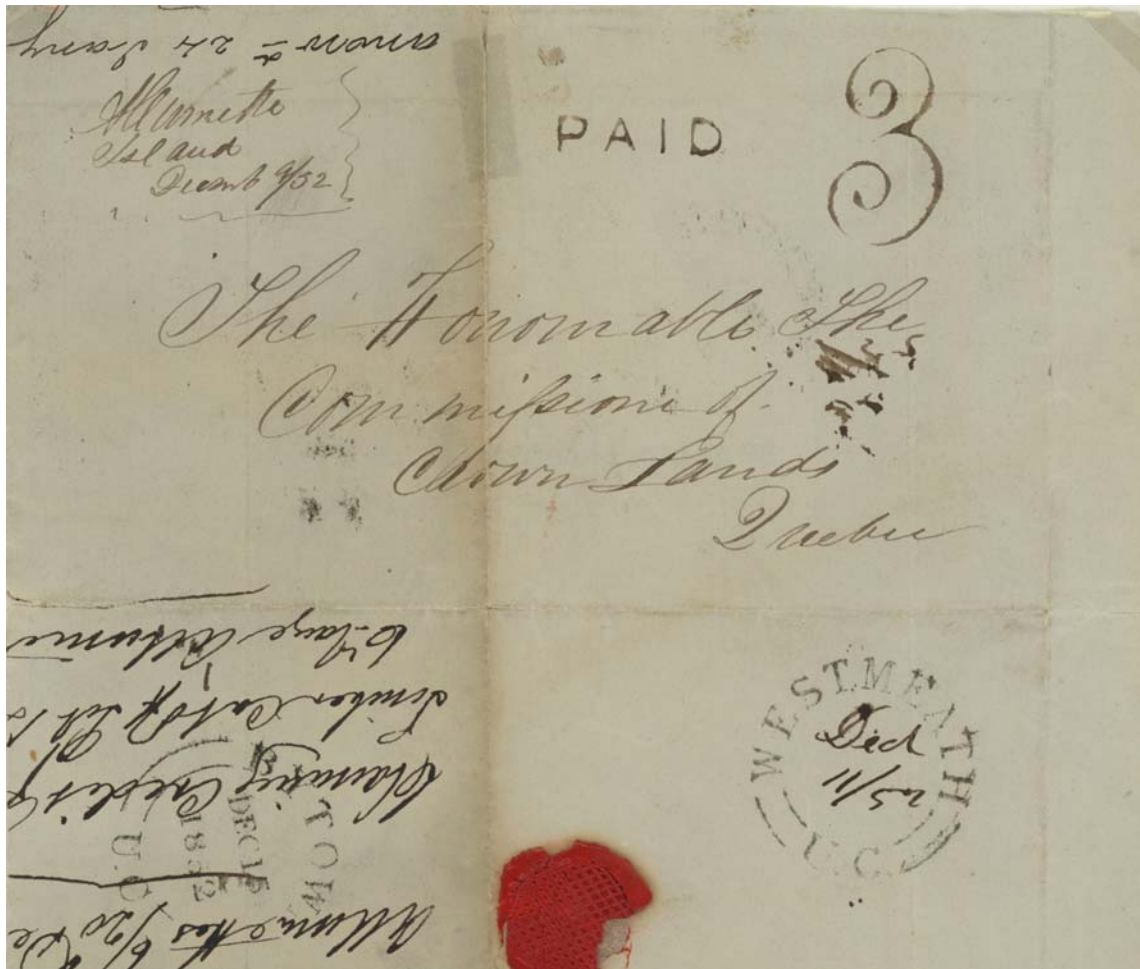


Amherstburg (U C)–Kingsville (C W), 22 August 1852. PAID 3^D, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

Allumette Island CE ms

Pontiac Co, CE. Post office open 6 October 1852–1890. First hammer double broken circle known only in 1857–8.



Allumette Island (CE)—Québec via Bytown and Westmeath (UC), 9 December 1852. PAID 3 d, domestic.
Westmeath UC serif double broken circle known 1841–53.

Fenwick UC ms

Welland Co, c w. Post office opened 1853. First hammer, broken circle, known only in 1871.



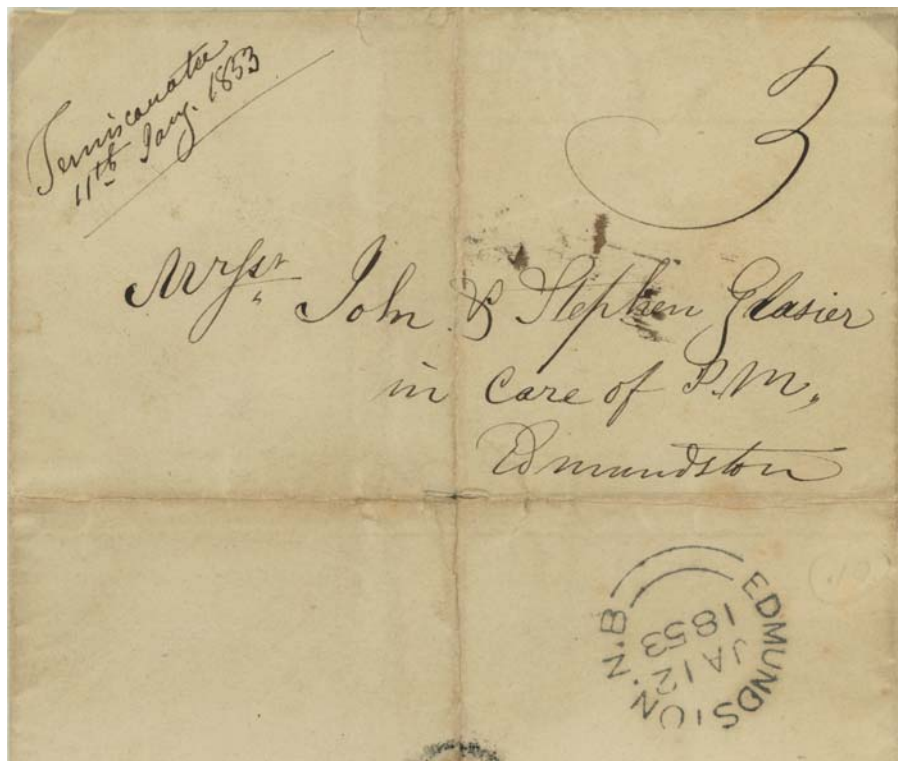
Fenwick (c w)—Sandwich, via *Canboro* and Chatham, 18 June 1853. Rated Paid 3 d domestic.

Only reported ms.

CANBORO U.C double circle, reported 1837–59.

Témiscouata CE ms

Pontiac Co, C E. Post office open 1839. First hammer, serif double broken circle; known 1842–43. Listed as closed 1850!?



Témiscouata (C E)—Edmunston (N B), 11 January 1853. Collect 3 d, domestic.

Leith UC ms & first hammer

Encircled. Grey Co, c w. Post office opened 1853.



Leith (c w)—Guelph, 21 May 1853. Rated collect 3 d cy domestic.

Only reported ms.

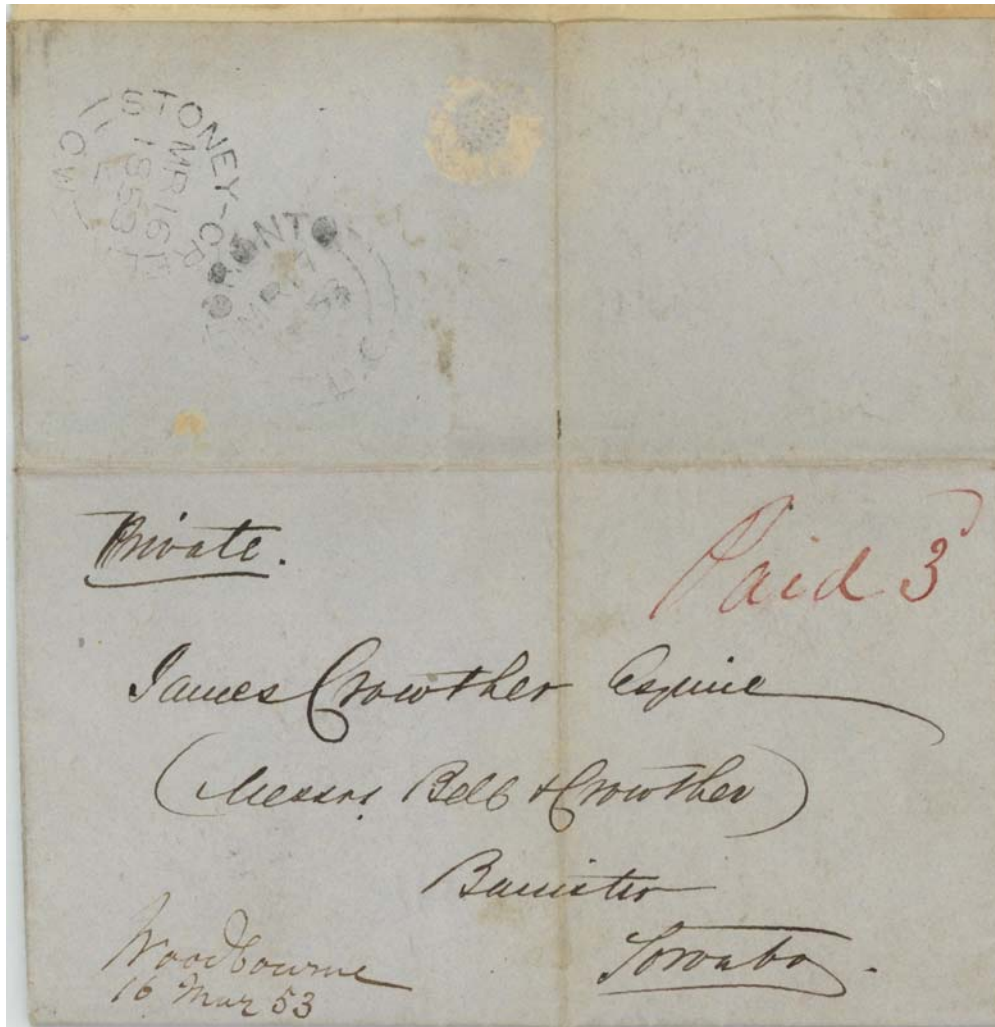


Leith first hammer, 19 November 1878. Rated collect 3 d cy domestic. Broken circle ONT, proofed 1867, known 1878–95.

Teeswater (Ont)—Leith, forwarded to Lethbridge (Ont). Teeswater Ont broken circle known 1874–9; Lethbridge post office open 1876–86, ONT broken circle known 1878–86.

Woodbourne CW ms

Wentworth Co, c w. Post office open 1852–1924. First hammer double broken circle known only 1853.



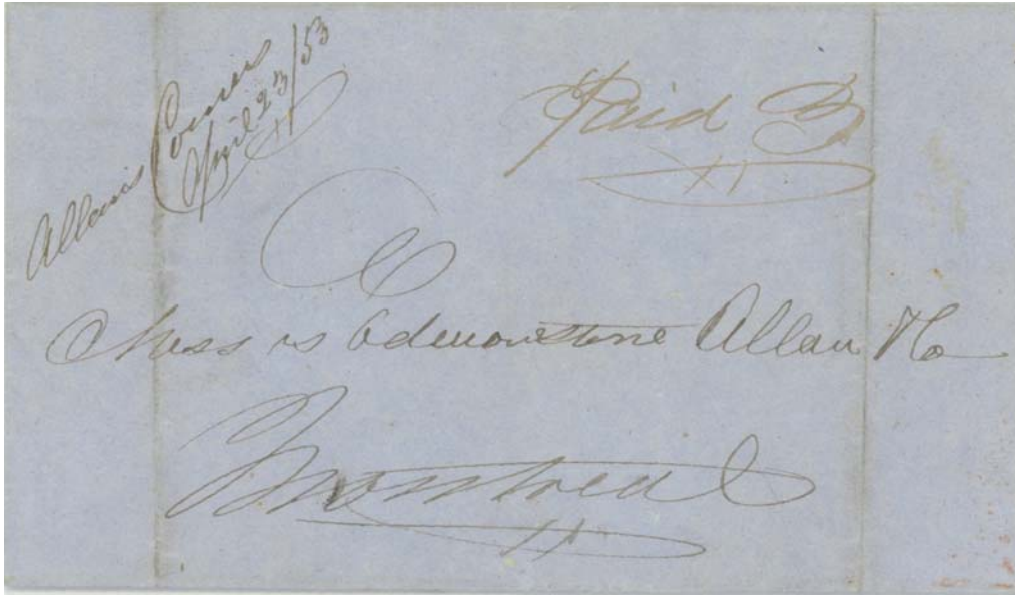
Woodbourne (c w)–Toronto, 16 March 1853. *Paid 3^d*, domestic.

Only reported ms.

Stoney Creek c w reported by Campbell 1849–75, but Graham has only 1858–67.

Allan's Corners CE ms

Chateauguay Co, C E. Post office opened 6 January 1853. First hammer, double broken circle, 1855–67.



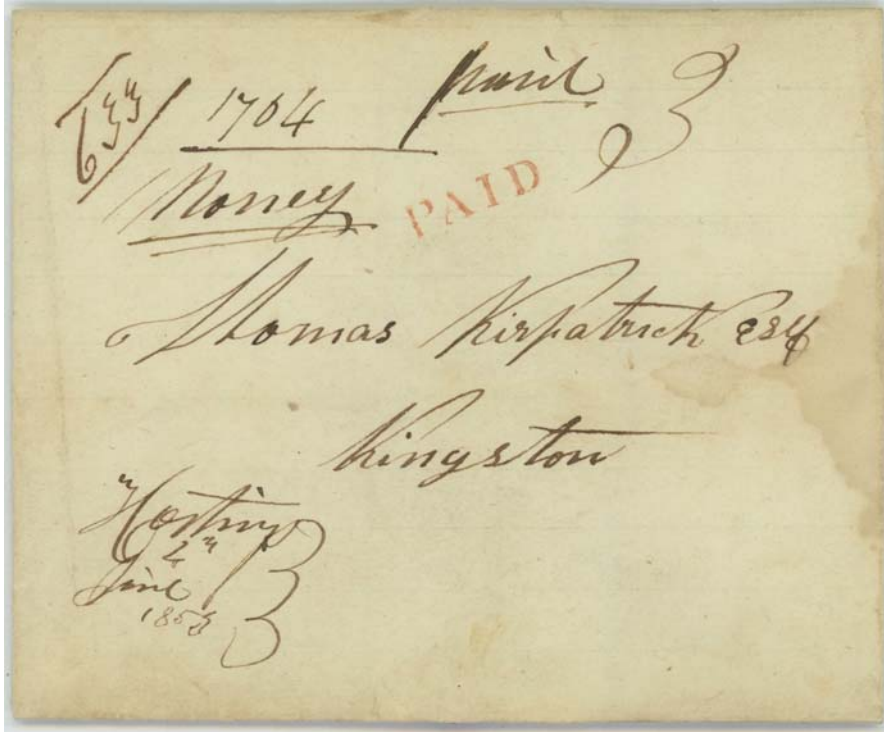
Allan's Corners (C E)—Montréal, 23 April 1853. *Paid 3* d, domestic.



Allan's Corners—Scotland, 11 January 1854. Rated collect *1/2 Stg*, transatlantic rate by British packet.

Hastings CW ms

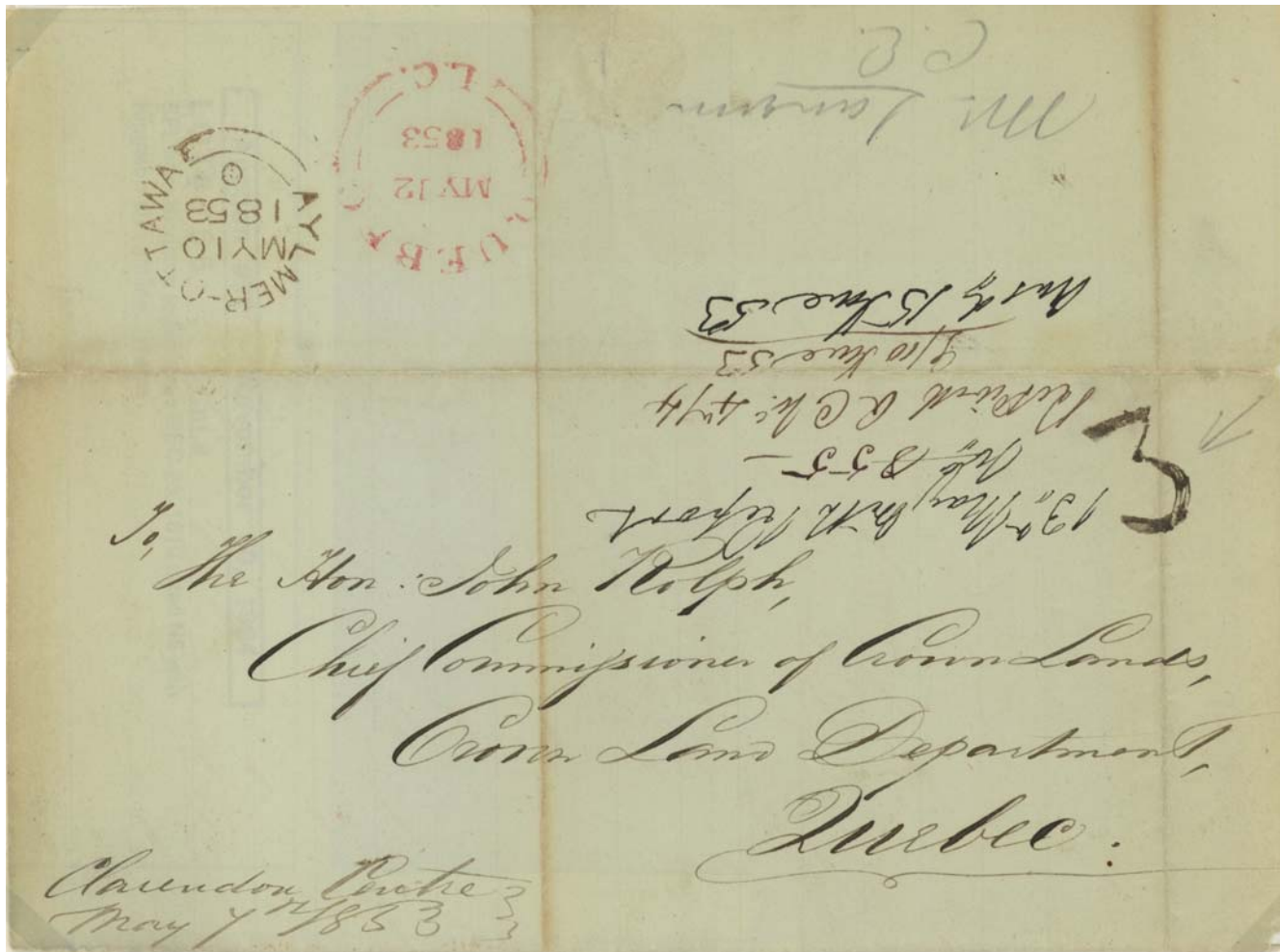
Peterborough or Northumberland Co, c w. Post office opened 1852. First hammer double broken circle, one strike reported (1856).



Hastings (c w)—Kingston, 4 June 1853. **PAID** 3 d, domestic. Money letter.
One other ms reported (also 1853).

Clarendon Centre CE ms

Pontiac Co, C E. Post office opened 1853. First hammer double broken circle, known 1854-58.

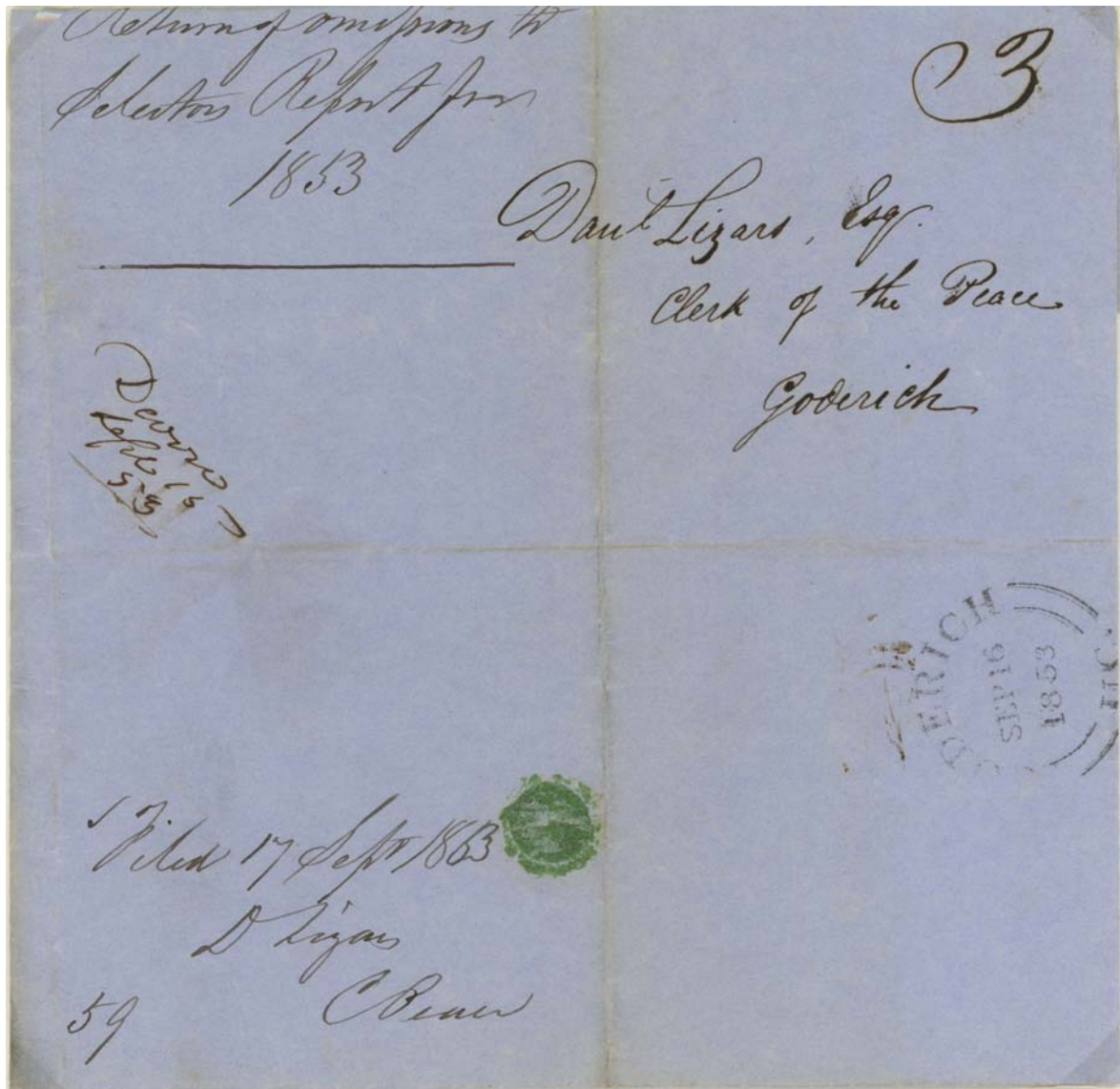


Clarendon Centre (C E)—Québec, 7 May 1853. Collect 3 d (crude ratestamp), domestic.

Aylmer-Ottawa (C E) known 1850-67.

Devon CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office open 6 August 1852–73. First hammer, (U c) double broken circle known in only one strike 21 May 1853. Second hammer (c w) double broken circle, only one strike known, 1867.



Devon (c w)—Goderich (U c), 15 September 1853. Collect 3 d, domestic.

Only reported ms.

Lyn CW ms

Leeds Co, c w. Post office opened 1851. First hammer, double broken circle (U C), proofed 1852, no strikes reported. Second hammer, double broken circle (U C), known 1858–80.



Lyn (c w)—Massena (NY), 30 August 1853. Rated collect ^o6 cy, equivalent to 10¢ to U.S. CANADA arc exchange marking.

Only reported ms.

Williams CW ms

Middlesex Co, c w. Post office open 1842–68. First hammer, double broken circle, proofed 1845; Campbell reports 1845–62.



Williams (c w)—Yankee Springs (MI), 1853. Oval CANADA 10 CENTS. *Too late* at left, in same ink as ms.

Only reported ms.

On reverse, **Elginfield**, second reported strike.

Falkirk CW ms

Destination, and on reverse. Middlesex Co, c w. Post office opened late in 1853. First hammer, Berri broken circle, proofed 1861, no strikes reported.



Cass (IL)—Falkirk (CW), 1853. Misrated 5¢ (the rate to Canada was 10¢), but corrected at the cross-border point, probably Buffalo, **U^D STATES 6** d. FORWARDED likely applied at London.

One of two strikes reported (1860).

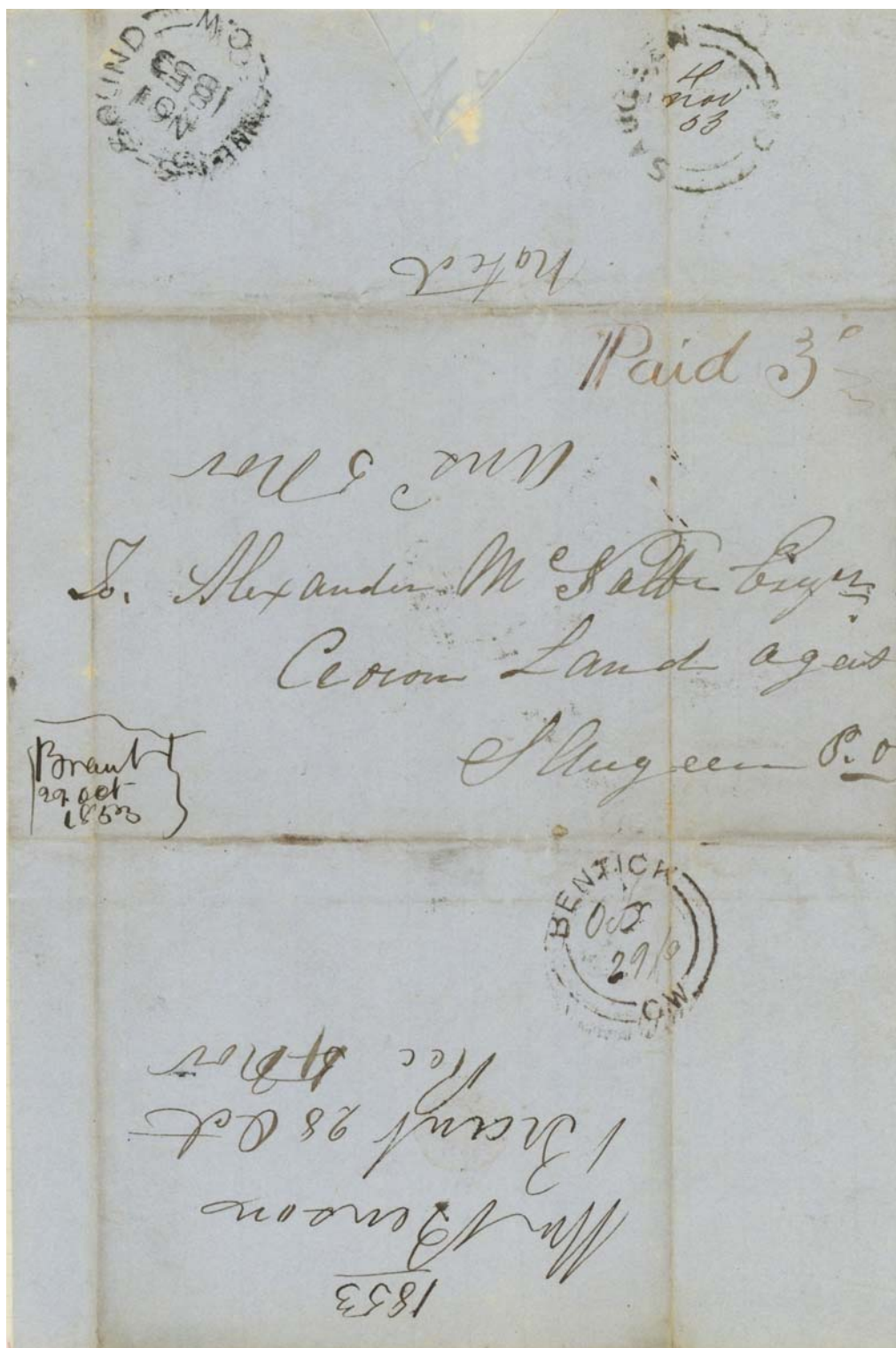
Ms Cass Ill, making this a double ms cover.

ELGINFIELD C.W double broken circle, one of two strikes reported (1861)



Brant CW ms

Bruce Co, c w. Post office open 1853–57. First hammer (U C) double broken circle known 1854–6.



Brant (c w)–Saugeen (c w), 29 October 1853. *Paid 3^c*, domestic.

Only reported ms.

Saugeen c w double broken circle known 1852–61, and replaced by U C version.

Bentick (subsequently spelled *Bentink*) double broken circle known 1849–54.

St Dominique CE ms

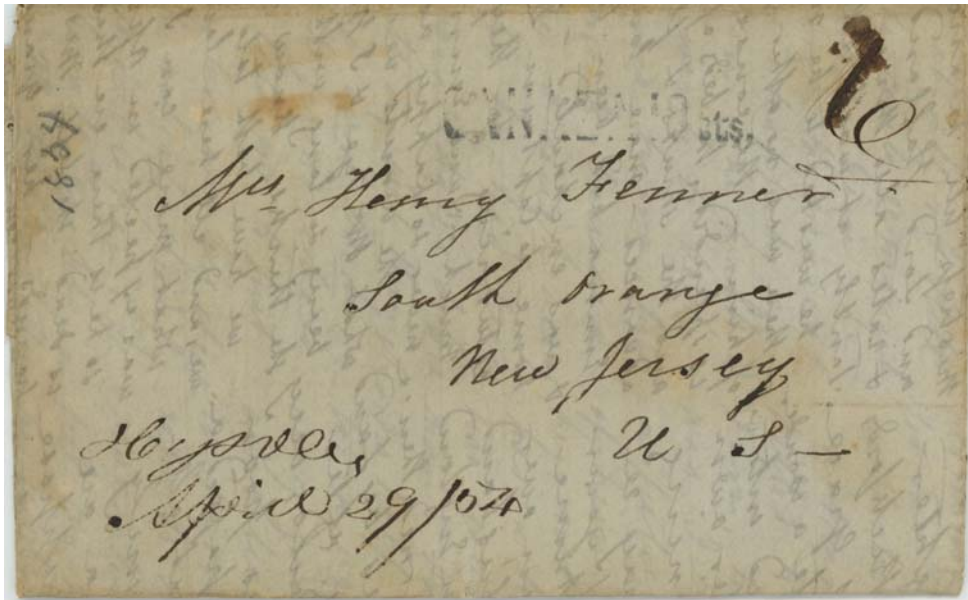
Bagot Co, c E. Post office opened February 1853. First hammer (L C), double broken circle, known from 1854.



St Dominique (c E)—Montréal, 2 November 1853. Collect 3 d, domestic. *Too Late* handstamp, on reverse (top).
St Hyacinthe double broken circle known 1848–86.

Haysville CW ms

Waterloo Co, c w. Post office open 1854–1974. First hammer (U C) double broken circle known 1858.

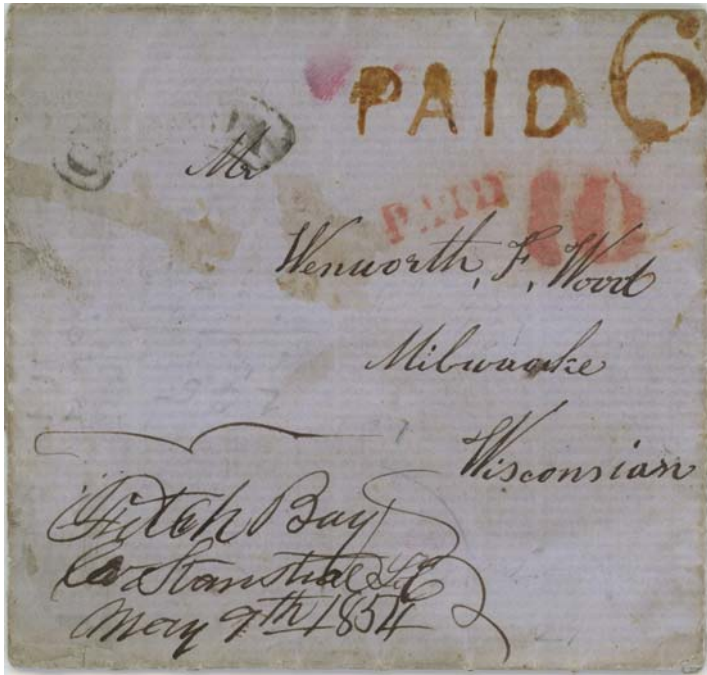


Haysville (c w)–South Orange (NJ), 29 April 1854. Collect 6 d, rate to U S, and faint CANADA 10 cts exchange marking. *Too Late* handstamp, on reverse (top).

Only reported ms.

Fitch Bay CE ms

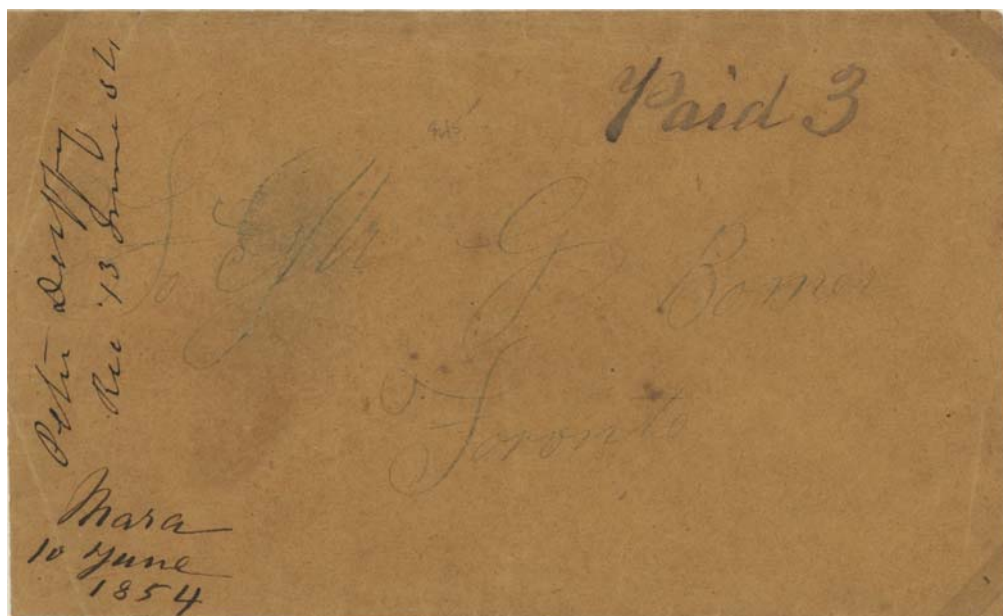
Stanstead Co, C E. Post office open 1854. First hammer (L C), double broken circle known 1855–8.



Fitch Bay (C E)—Milwaukee, 9 May 1854. PAID 6 d cy, equivalent to 10¢, rate to U S, and CANADA exchange arc.

Mara CW ms

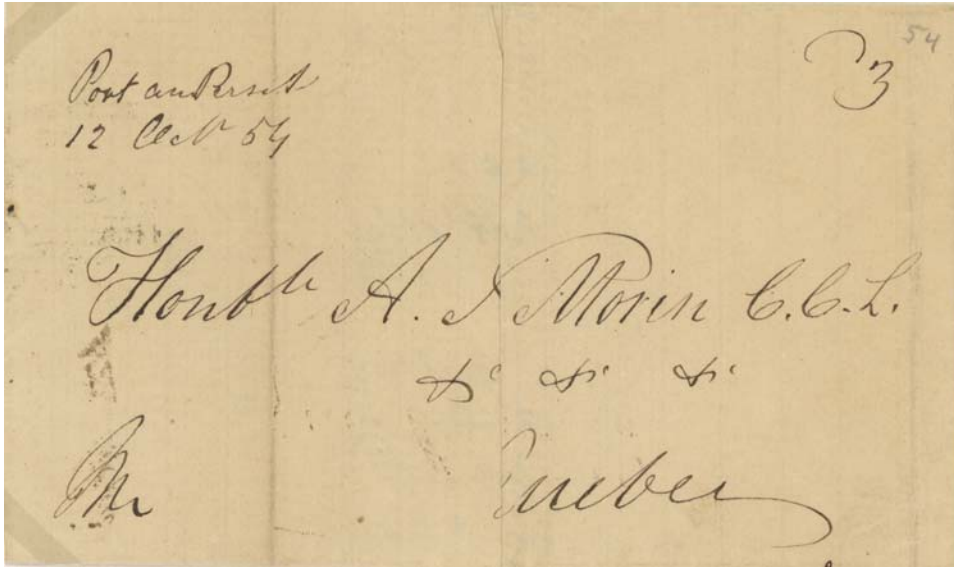
Ontario Co, c w. Post office open 1842–63. Manuscripts known 1854–58. Only hammer (U C) double broken circle reported by Campbell 1842–45.



Mara (C W)–Toronto, 10 June 1854. *Paid 3* domestic rate.

Port au Persil CE ms

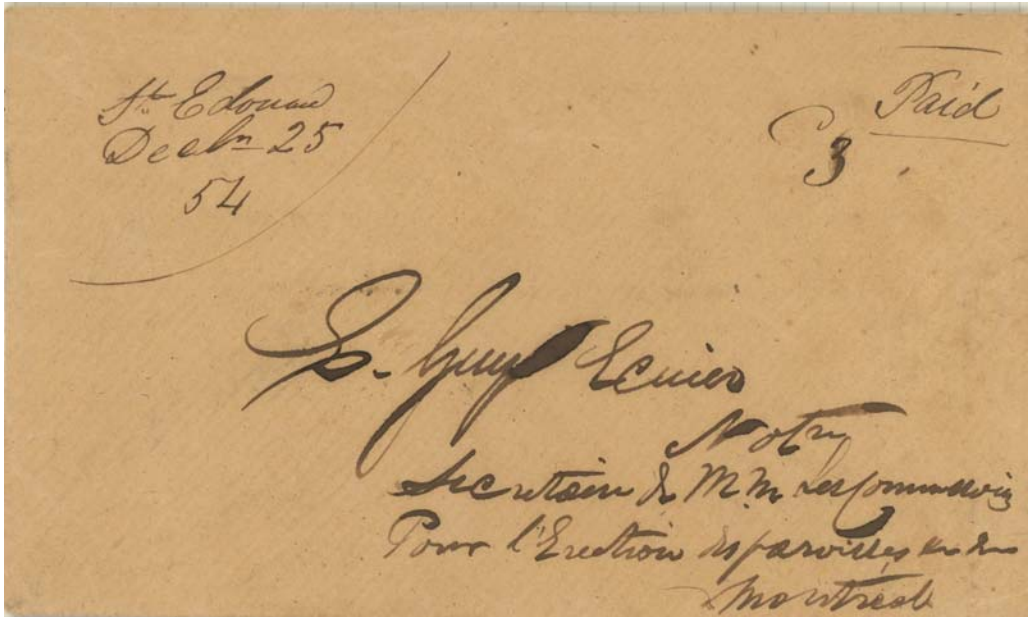
Charlevoix East Co, c E. Post office open 1854–82. Manuscripts known 1854–58. First hammer, broken circle, reported 1895–7.



Port au Persil (CE)—Québec, 12 June 1854. Collect ⁰3 domestic rate.

St Edouard CE ms

Napierville Co, c E. Post office open 1854–82. Manuscripts known 1854–58. First hammer proofed in 1877 (broken circle), but no strikes reported.



St Edouard (c E)—Montréal, 25 December 1854. *Paid* ⁰3 domestic rate.

Baden CW ms

Waterloo Co, c w. Post office opened 1854. First hammer (double broken circle) reported only by Campbell, 1864.



Baden (c w)—Québec, 7 March 1855. PAID 3 d, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

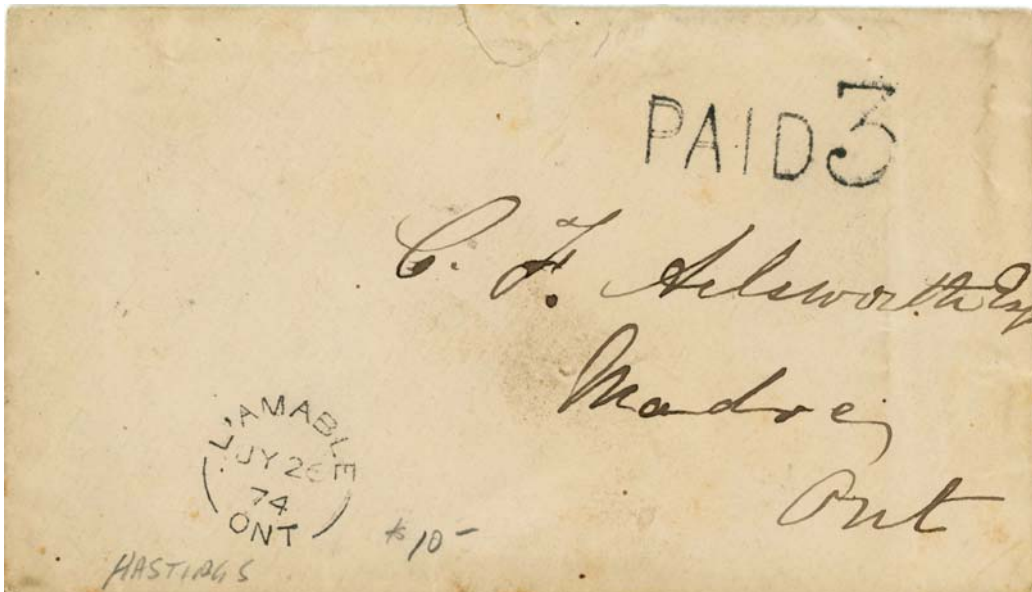
Madoc UC ms

Hastings Co, c w. Post office opened 1836. First hammer serif double broken circle proofed 1839, known 1849–50; second hammer double broken circle (U c) proofed April 1852, known 1859–71.



Madoc (c w)–Belleville, 24 May 1855. Rated prepaid 3 d cy domestic.

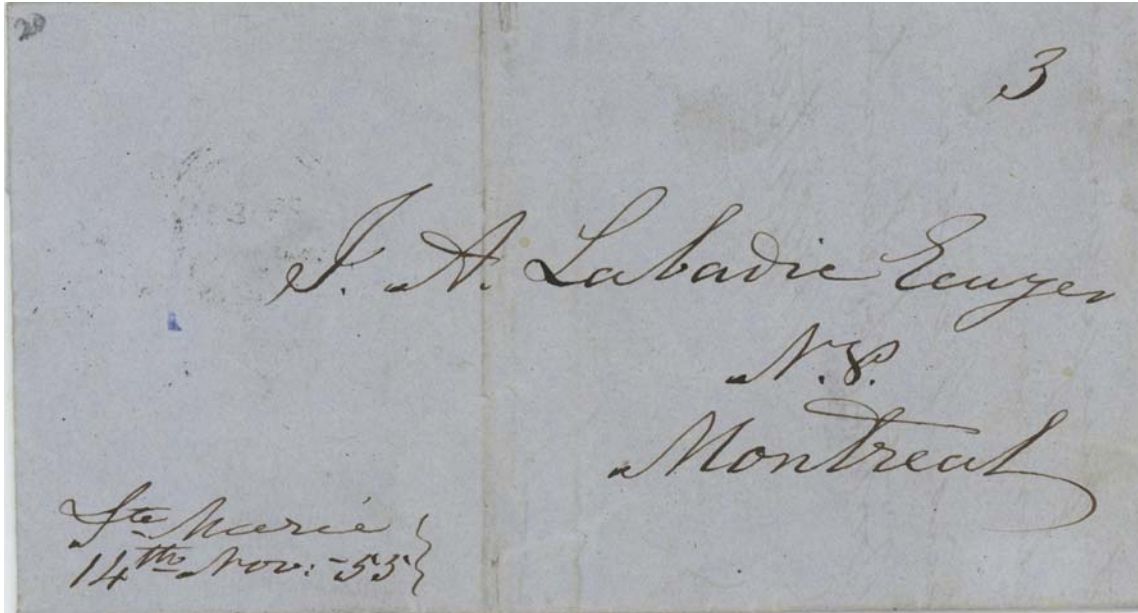
Only reported ms.



L'Amable–Madoc, 1874. Known use 1869–74 (post office opened 1869); this is the latest reported. Broken circle Madoc on reverse. Rated paid 3¢ domestic.

Ste Marie CE ms

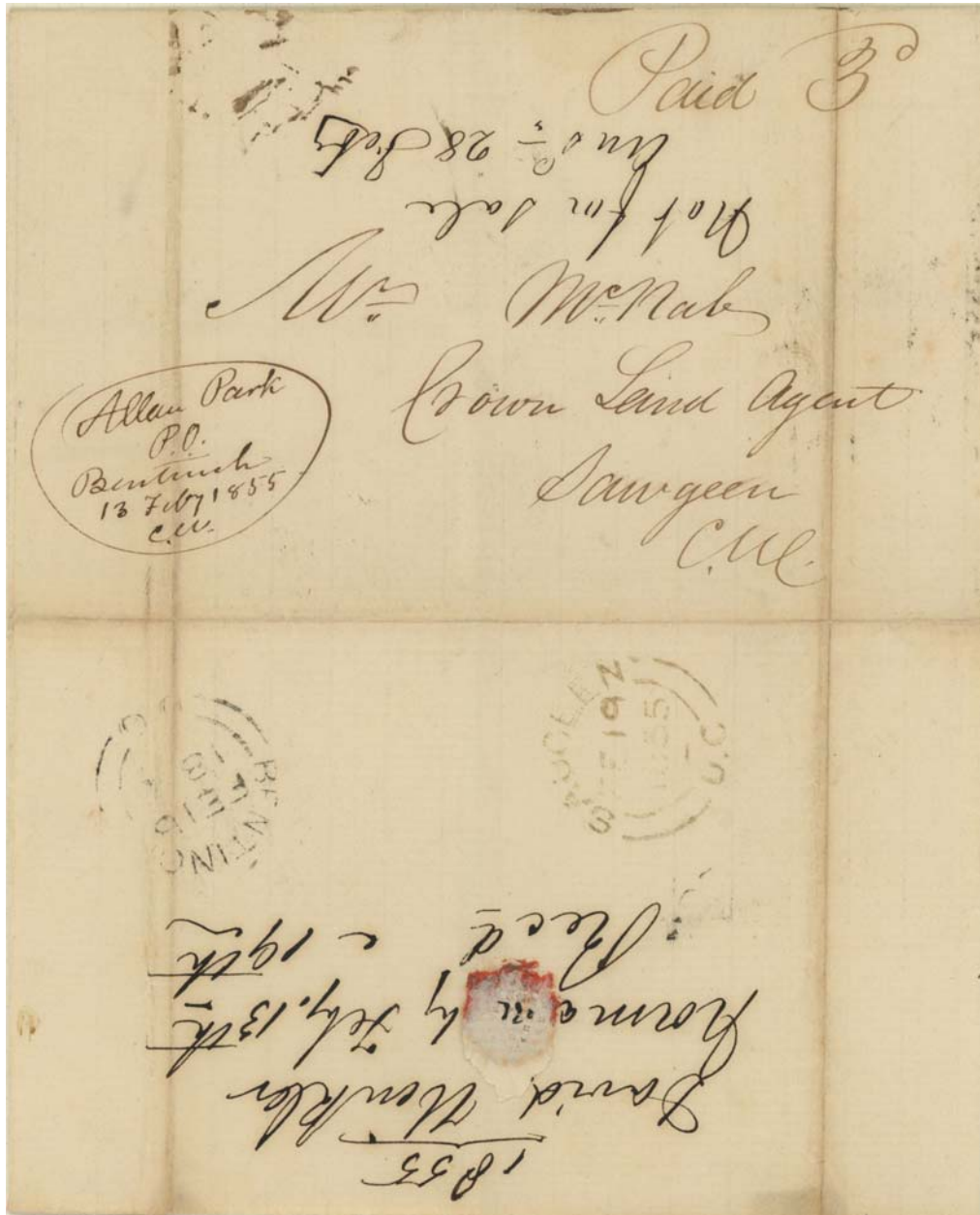
Rouville Co, c E. Post office opened 1827. Manuscripts known October–December 1855. First hammer (1829-type) known from 1829.



Ste Marie (c E)—Montréal, 14 November 1855. Collect 3 d, domestic rate.

Allan Park CW ms

Bentinck Twp, Grey Co, c w. Post office open 1855–1922. First hammer (broken circle) known 1892–1911.



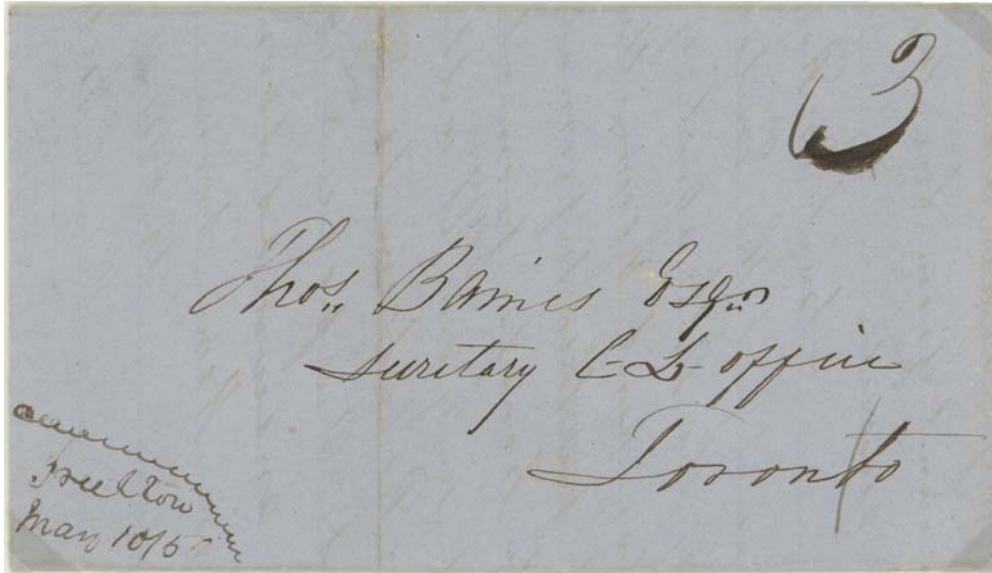
Allan Park (c w)–Saugeen, 7 February 1855. Paid 3^d, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

Bentinck U C double broken circle reported 1855–57. Saugeen U C broken double circle 1854–70.

Freelton CW ms

Wentworth Co, c w. Post office opened 1854. First hammer (double broken circle) known 1868–70.



Freelton (c w)–Toronto, 10 March 1855. Collect 3 d, domestic rate.

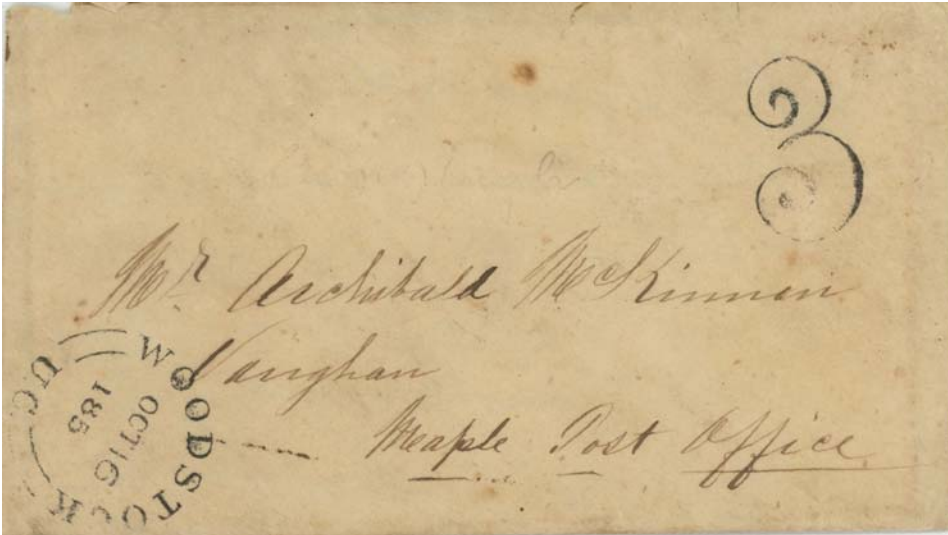
Only reported ms.

Maple CW ms

Ms at destination. York Co, c w. Post office opened 1 October 1855. First hammer (double broken circle) known 1855 in just one strike.

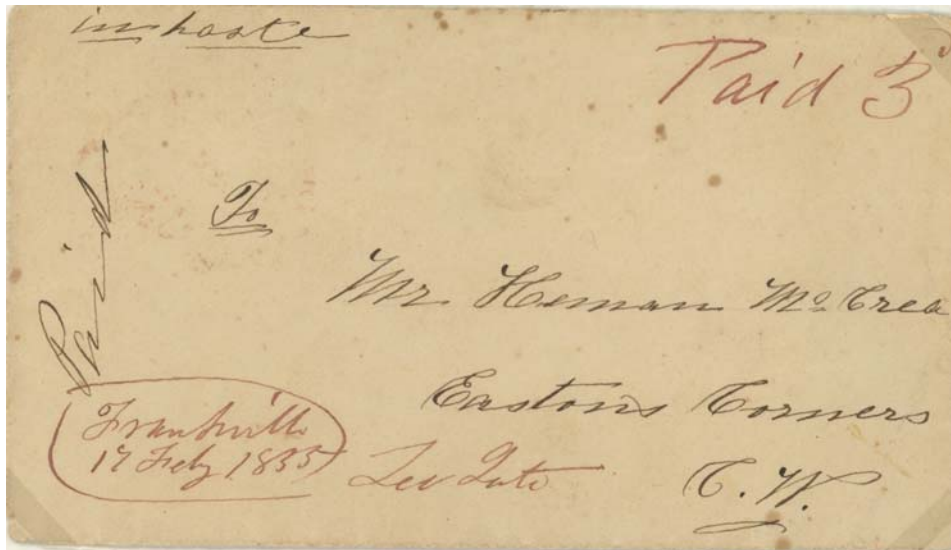


Woodstock (U c)—Maple (c w), 17 October 1855. Collect 3 d, domestic rate.
Manuscripts known October–December 1855.



Frankville CW ms & first hammer

Encircled. Leeds Co, c w. Post office opened 1852.



Frankville—Eastons Corners, 17 February 1855. *Paid 3⁰*, domestic rate. Also *Too Late*.

Only reported ms.

SMITHS FALLS UC with basal dash, nonserif double broken circle, proofed 1845, known 1846–74.

EASTON'S CORNERS UC double broken circle, proofed 1845, known 1855–59.



Frankville—Eastons Corners, 24 March 1855. Rated as above.

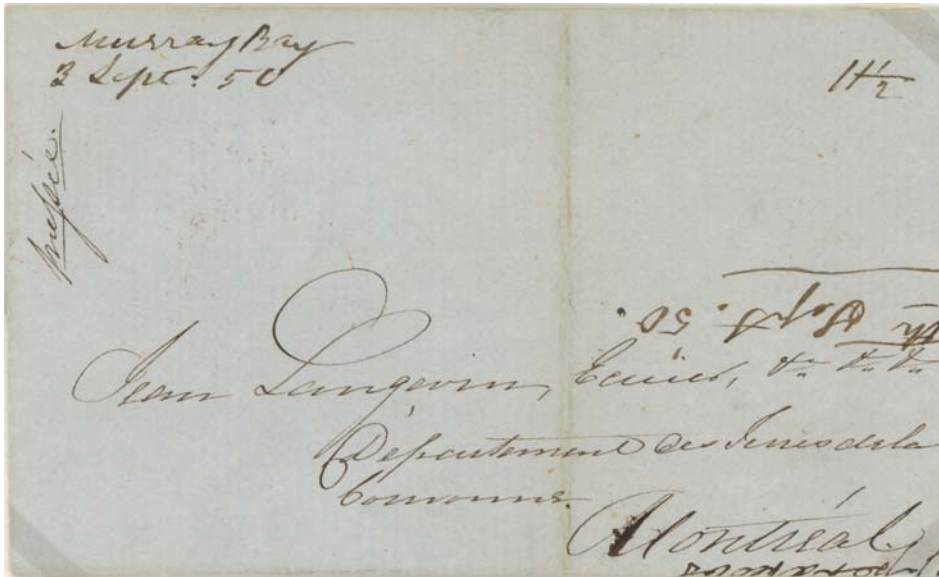
Double broken circle, reported 1855 (earliest reported strike) to 1873.

Murray Bay CE first hammer and ms

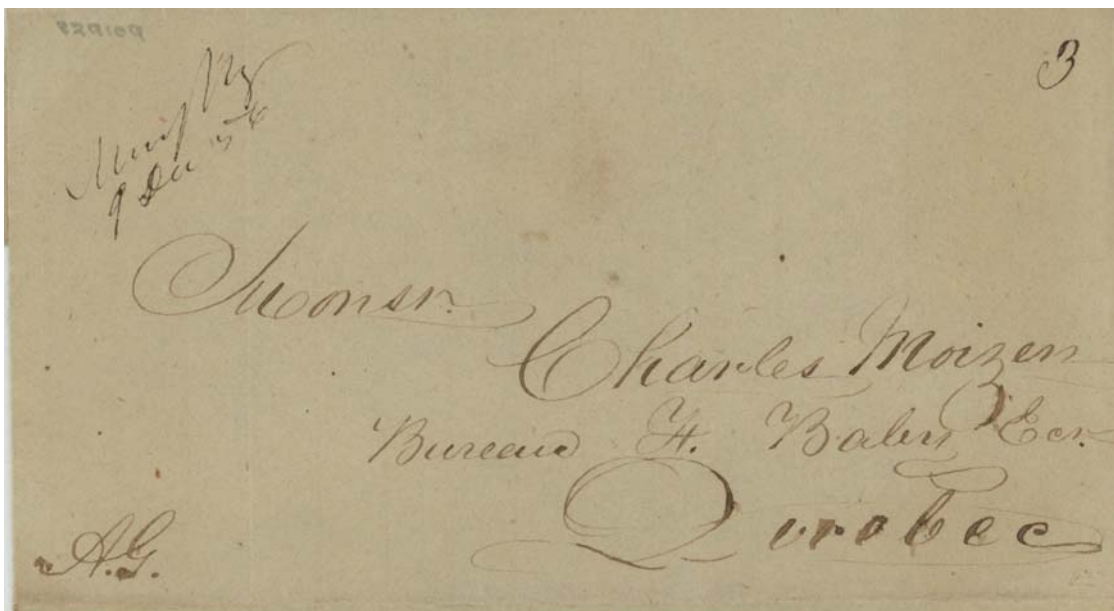
Charlevoix East Co, C E. Post office open 1832–1914. First handstamp, double circle, known 1833–44; second, double broken circle, known 1857–64.



Murray Bay (C E)—Kingston, 1844. Collect 2/8 cy, double 401–500 miles.



Murray Bay—Montréal, 3 September 1850. Charged 11½ d cy, 201–300 miles.

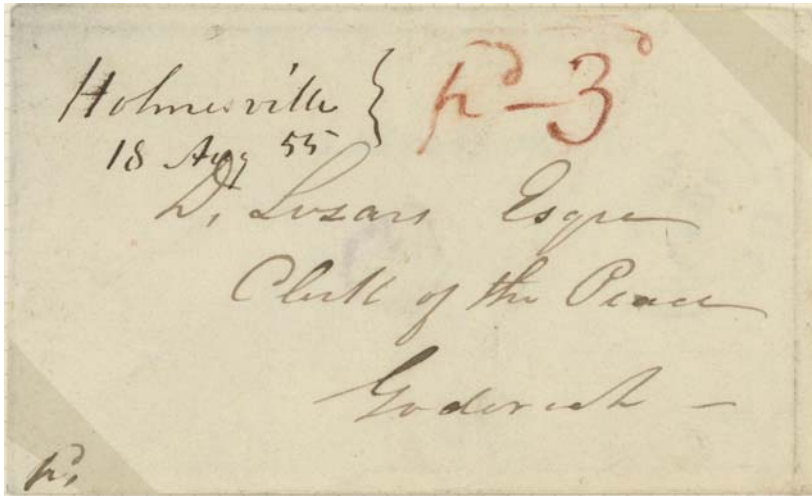


Murray Bay—Québec, 1856. Charged 3 d, domestic.



Holmesville CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office opened 1855. First hammer (double broken circle) known 1856–8.

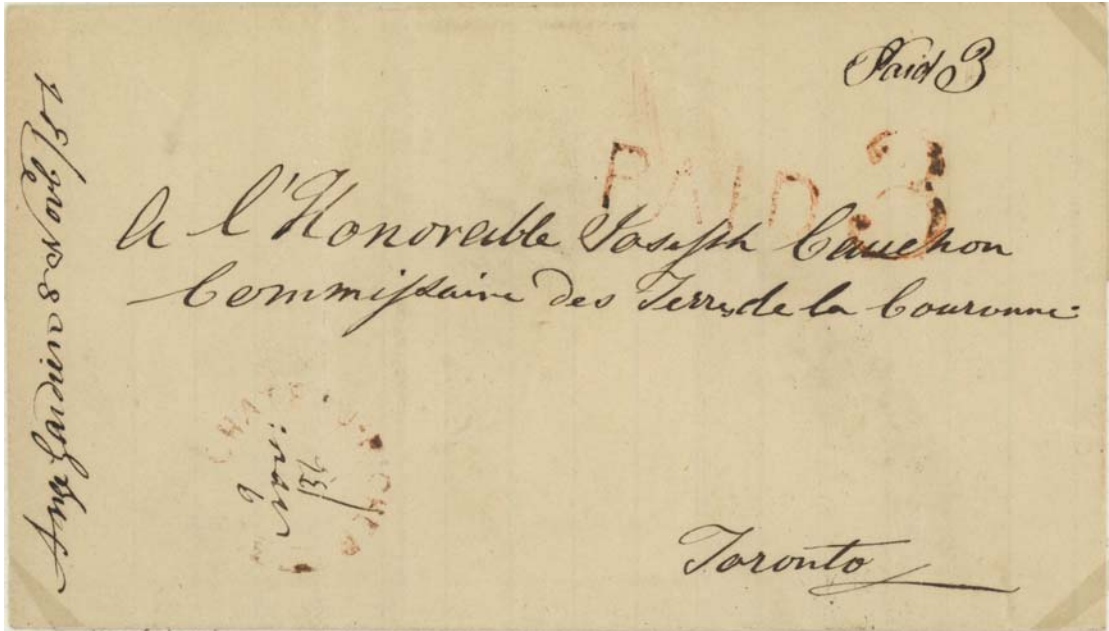


Holmesville (c w)–Goderich, 18 August 1855. *p^d 3^d*, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

Ange Gardien CE ms (?)

Montmorency Co, c E. Post office opened 1860 according to Campbell, which calls into question whether this is an ms (as opposed to docketting). But it is in the same hand as the *Paid 3* endorsement. First hammer (broken circle) proofed in 1861.



Ange Gardien (c E)—Toronto, via Chateau Richer, 8 November 1856. **PAID 3**, domestic rate.

Only reported ms (?).

Chateau Richer double broken circle known 1851–60.

Kertch CW ms

Lambton Co, c w. First hammer (broken circle) proofed 1877, but no strikes reported. Post office open 1856–1913.

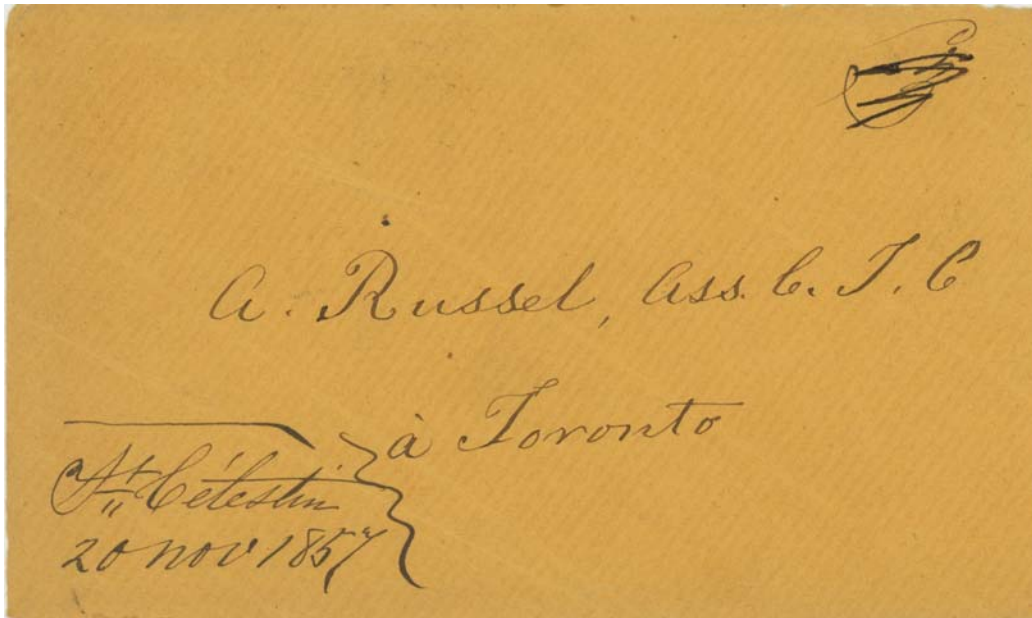


Kertch (c w)—Port Hope, 9 December 1856. **PAID 3** d, domestic rate.

An attempt to draw a circle around it, presumably in imitation of a handstamp. **Only reported ms.**

St Célestin CE ms

Nicolet Co, C.E. Post office opened 1854. St Célestin did not have a handstamp until ca 1866.

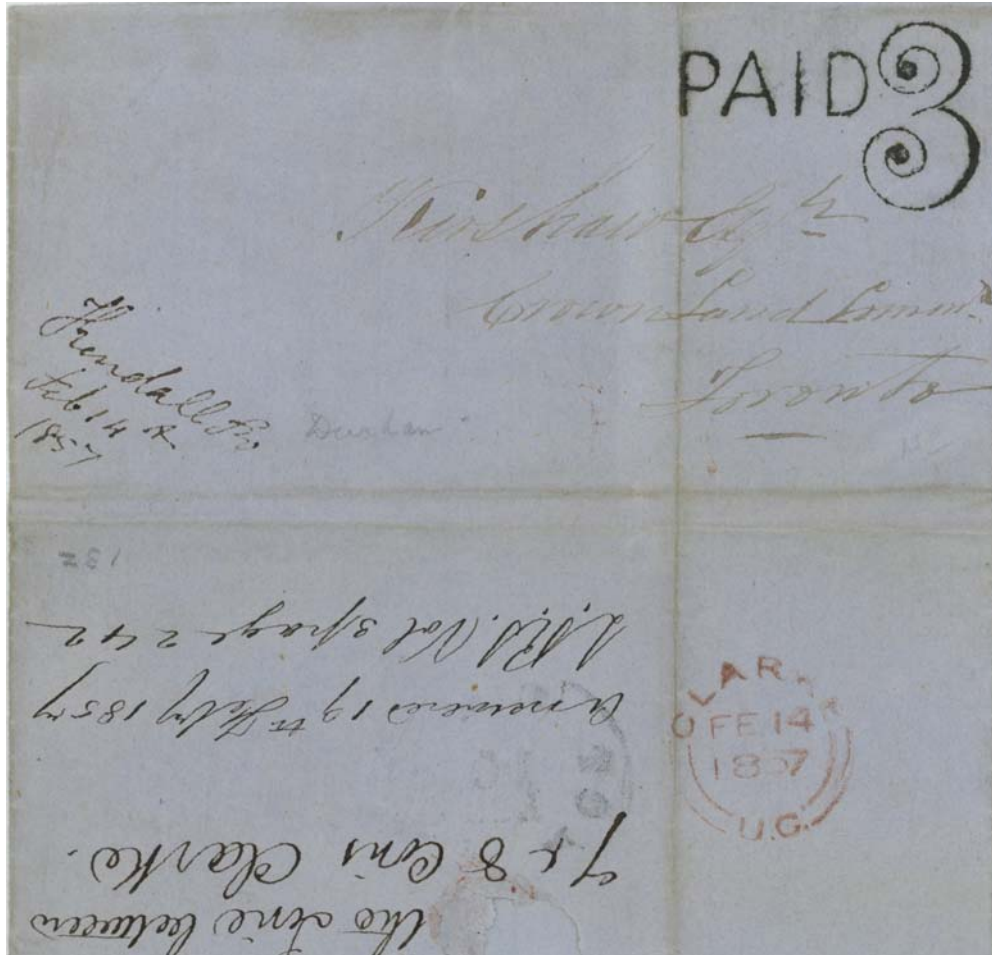


St Célestin (C.E.)–Toronto, 1857. Initially rated 3^d, struck through, and likely free: it is addressed to Crown Lands within ten days of a session of provincial parliament.

Toronto and Three Rivers changelings on reverse.

Kendall CW ms

Durham Co, c w. Post office opened 1 February 1857. First hammer (U c; double broken circle) proofed July 1857, but only one strike (1858) reported (by Campbell).



Kendall PO (c w)—Toronto, 14 February 1857. PAID 3 d, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

The CLARKE UC double broken circle is not reported in either Graham or Campbell.

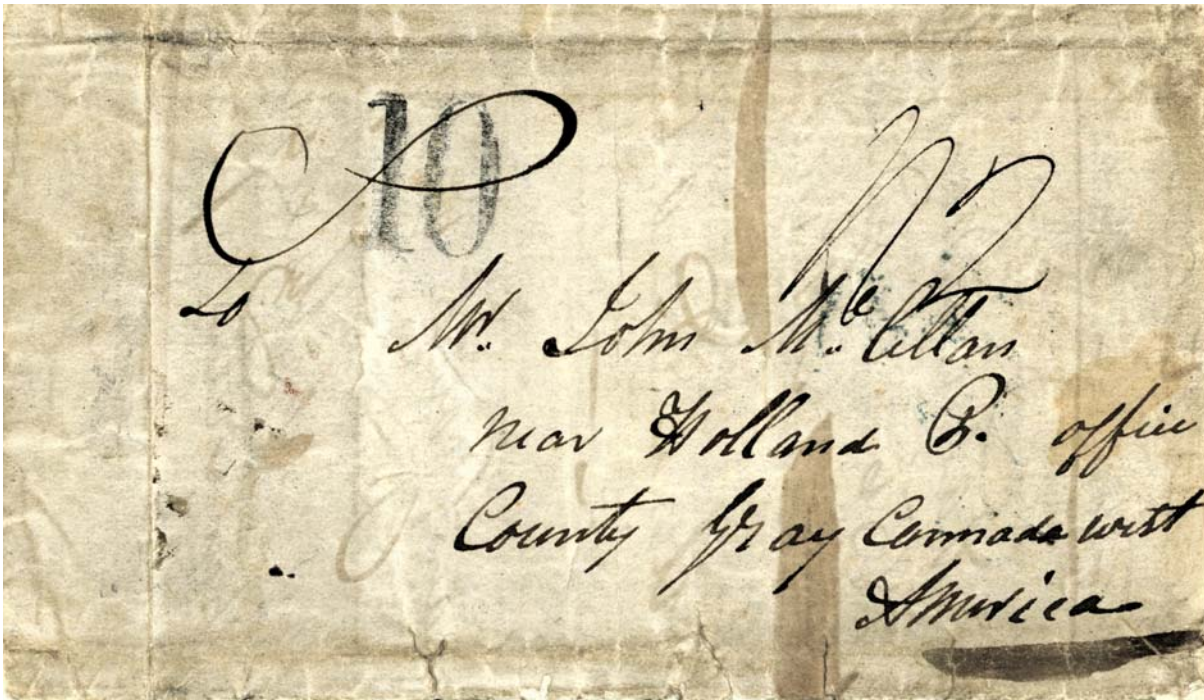
Chatsworth UC ms

Marked at destination. Grey Co, c w. Post office opened 1 January 1857. First hammer (double broken circle); proofed 6 July 1857, earliest reported strike 1858 (Campbell).



Monaghan (UK)–Chatsworth (CW), 8 January 1857. Rated collect 1/2 stg (transatlantic rate to other than the port of arrival, of which 10 d was claimed by the GPO).

Only reported ms.



Panmure CW ms

Carleton Co, c w. Post office open 1 July 1857–1940. First hammer (U C double broken circle) proofed 23 July 1857; only reported strike 1873 (Campbell).



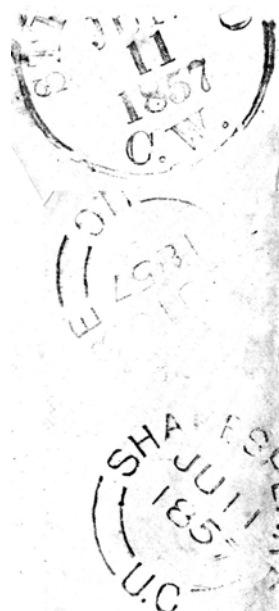
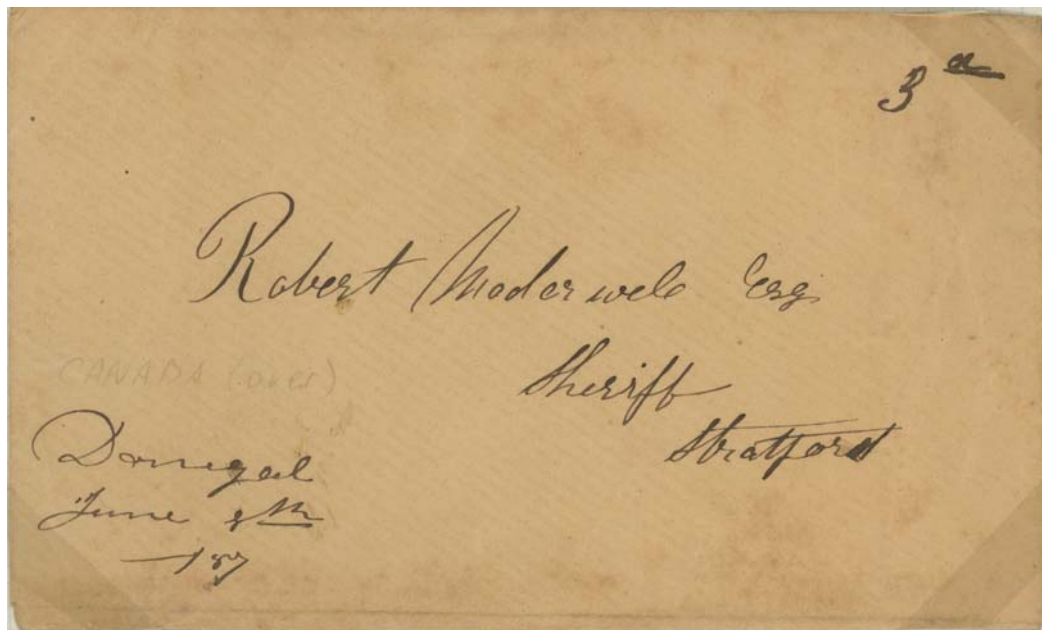
Panmure (C W)–Toronto, 18 September 1857. Rated *Paid 3 d*, domestic.

Only reported ms.

Packenham CW double broken circle known 1849–67.

Donegal CW ms

Perth Co, c w. Post office open 1857–1914. First hammer (U c broken circle) proofed 6 July 1857, no reported strikes.



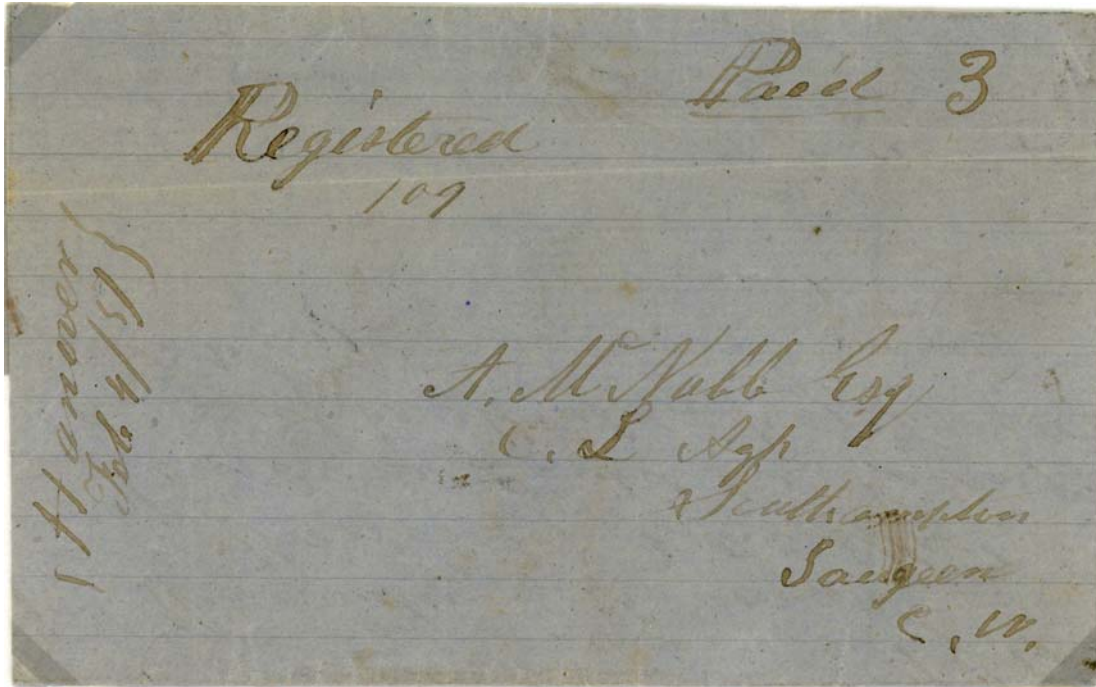
Donegal (c w)–Stratford, 8 June 1857. Collect 3^d, domestic rate.

Only known ms.

Shakespeare U c double broken circle known 1855–62. Stratford changeling (partial strike) previously recorded only in 1858.

Hanover CW ms

Grey Co, c w. Post office opened 1 August 1856. First hammer (U C double broken circle) known 1861–71



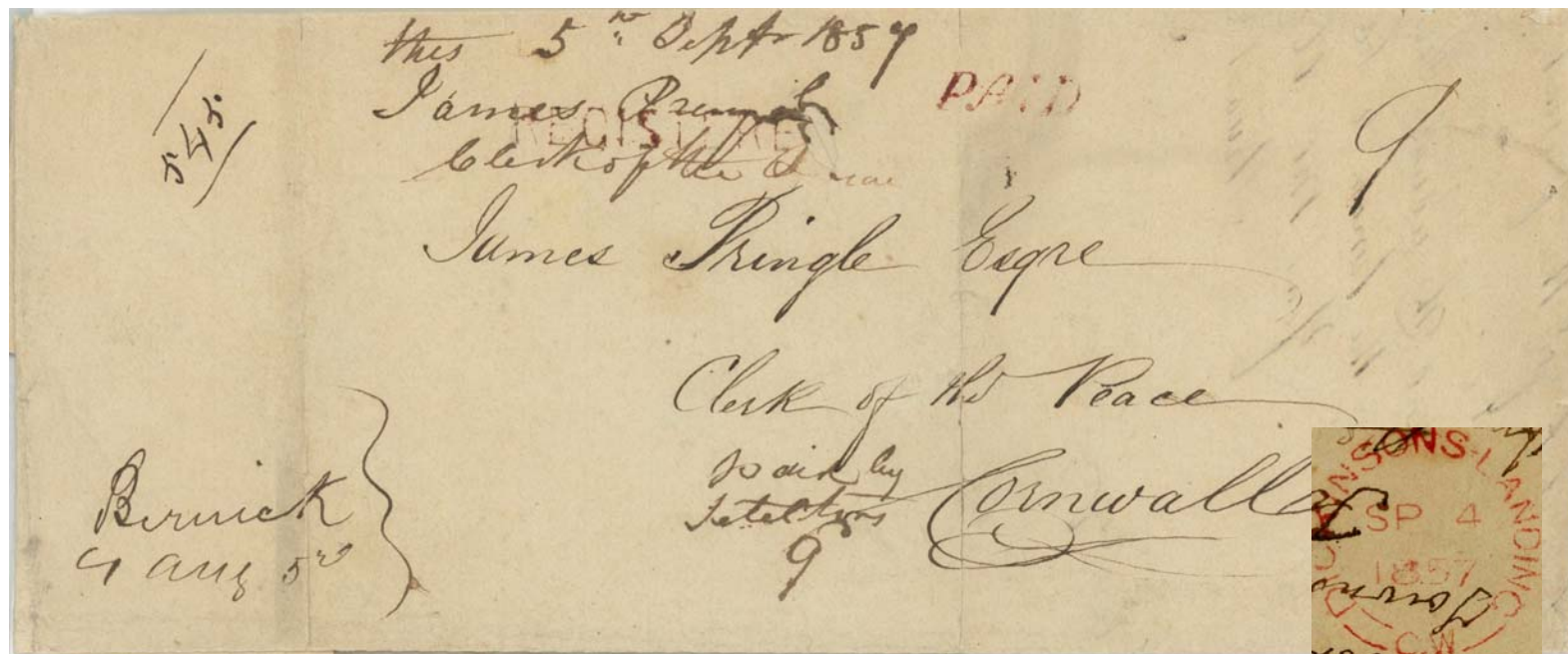
Hanover (c w)—Southampton (Grey Co), 4 February 1857. Paid 3 d, domestic rate, and domestic registration. The ms *Registered* is very unusual, as practically all offices had a registered handstamp.

Only known ms.

BENTINCK U.C (with basal O) double broken circle known 1855–57, of which this the latest reported strike.

Berwick CW ms

Stormont Co, c w. Post office opened 1 January 1857. First hammer (U C double broken circle) proofed 6 July 1857, no strikes reported



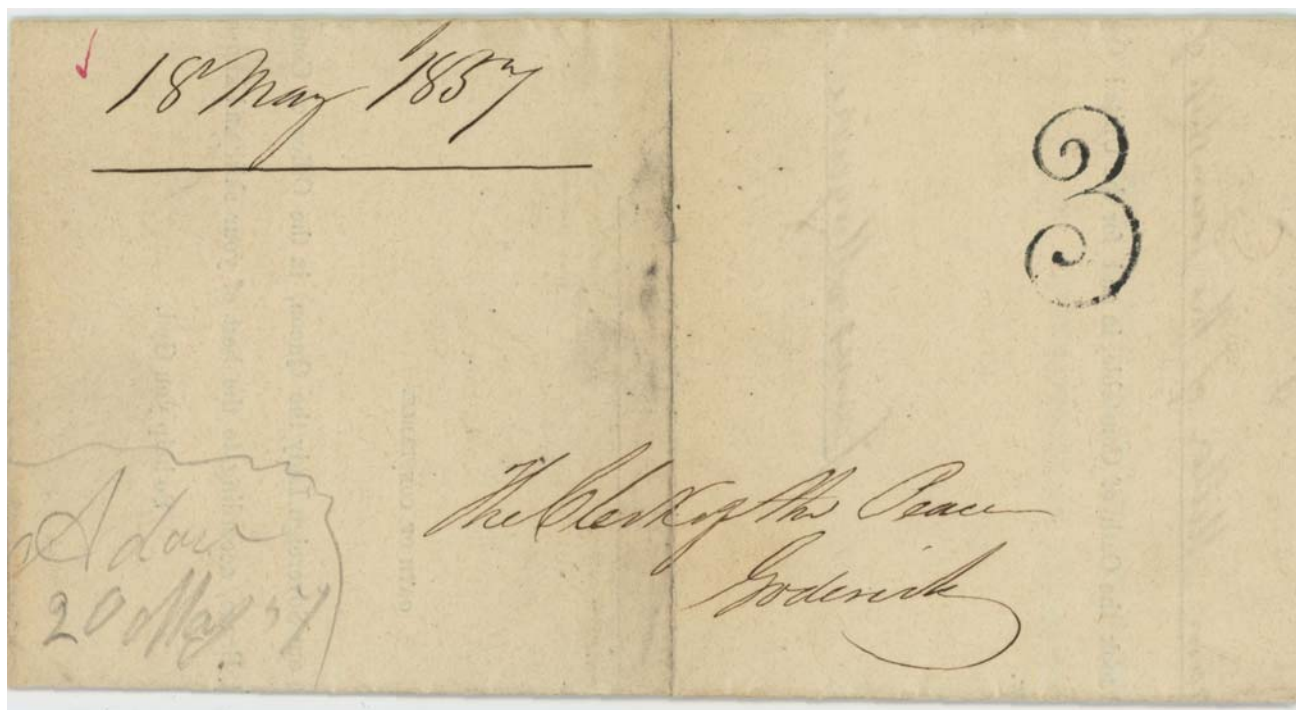
Berwick (C W)—Cornwall, 4 August 1857. Paid 9 d, triple domestic rate, and implicitly 1 d domestic registration (REGISTERED).

Only known ms.

DICKINSONS LANDING C.W double broken circle, known 1848–69.

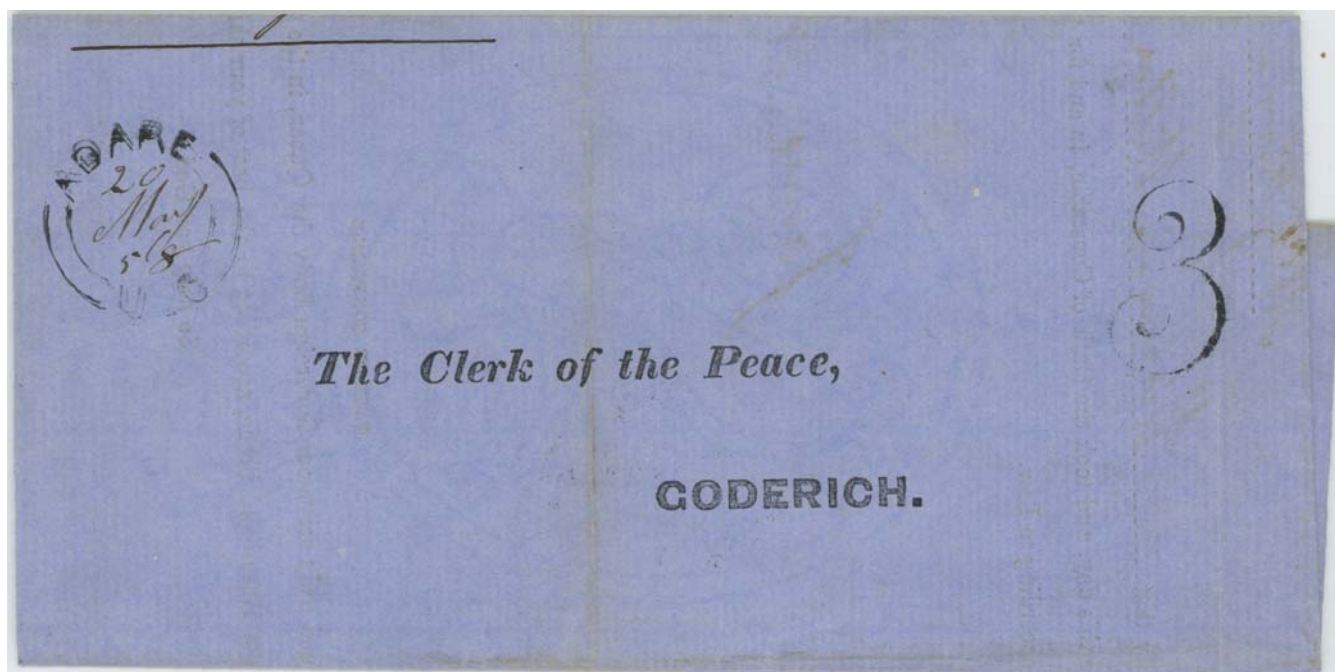
Adare UC, ms & first hammer

Middlesex Co, c w. Post office open 1857–1887.



Adair (c w)–Goderich, 20 May 1857. Collect 3 d, domestic.

Only reported ms. Postmaster has misspelled the name.

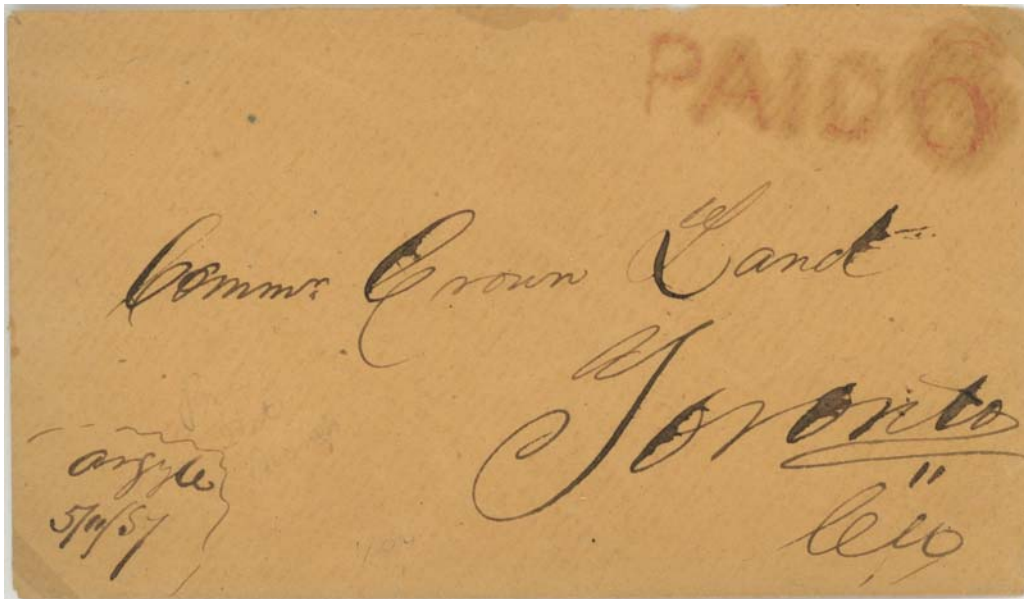


Adare–Goderich, 1858. Rated as above.

Only Adare hammer, nonserif double broken circle, proofed 6 July 1857 and known to 1867.

Argyle UC, ms & first hammer

Victoria Co, CW. Post office open 1853–1969.



Argyle–Toronto, 5 November 1857. **PAID 6** d, double domestic.

Only reported ms.

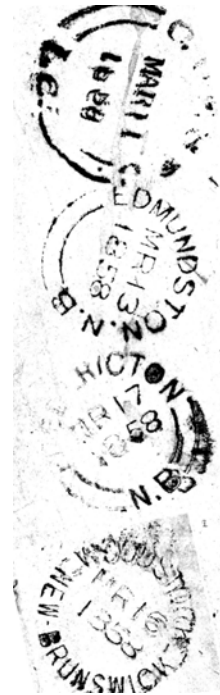
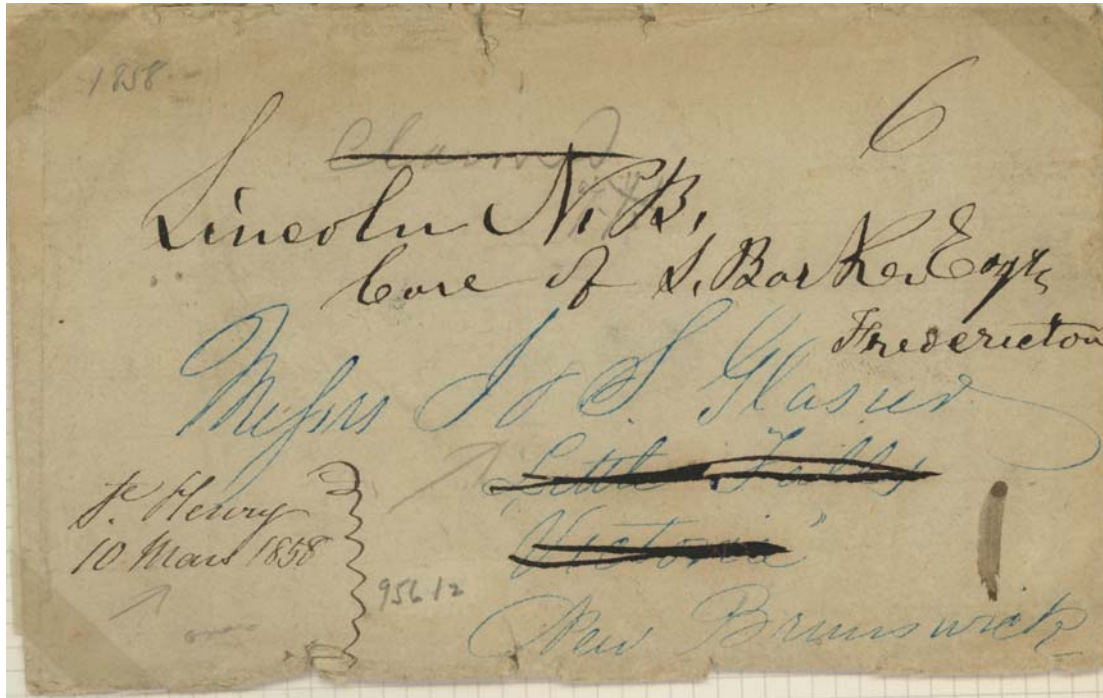


Argyle–Gagetown (NB), 1861. Rated **Paid 5¢**, struck with a rate stamp in New Brunswick, intercolonial and domestic rate. One of a handful of 20 mm double broken circle postmarks. Known 1859–69.



St Henri LC ms

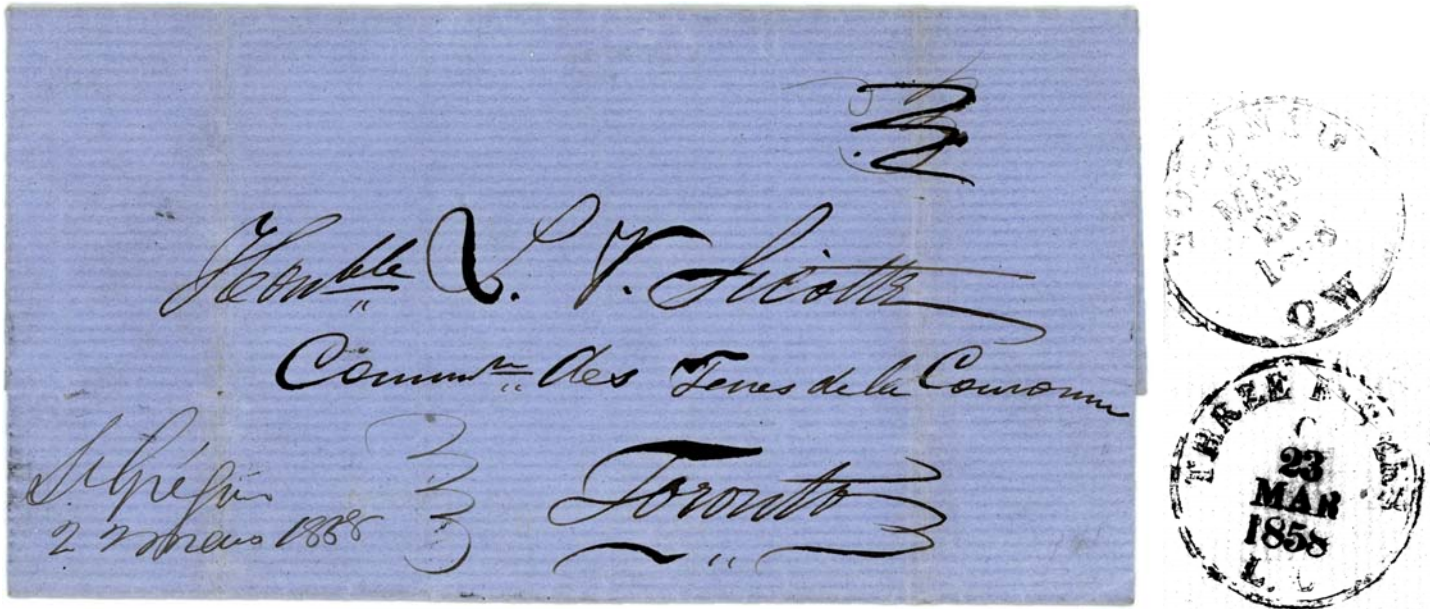
Lévis Co, C.E. Post office opened 1839. First hammer (C E double broken circle) known 1847–57, and next hammer, LC with DE LEVIS, known 1858–73. The ms was used after the first hammer was lost or damaged, but before its replacement arrived.



St Henri (C E)—Little Falls (Victoria Co, NB), forwarded to Fredericton, 10 March 1858. Collect 6 d, double domestic.

St Grégoire LC ms

Nicolet Co, cE. Post office opened 1832. First hammer double circle, known 1834–7, and next hammer, nonserif double broken circle, known 1861–7.



St Grégoire (cE)–Toronto, 2 March 1858. Originally rated 3 d (domestic), but it was addressed to a government office within ten days of a parliamentary session, so there was no charge.

Changelings of Three Rivers and Toronto.

Clarendon CE ms (?)

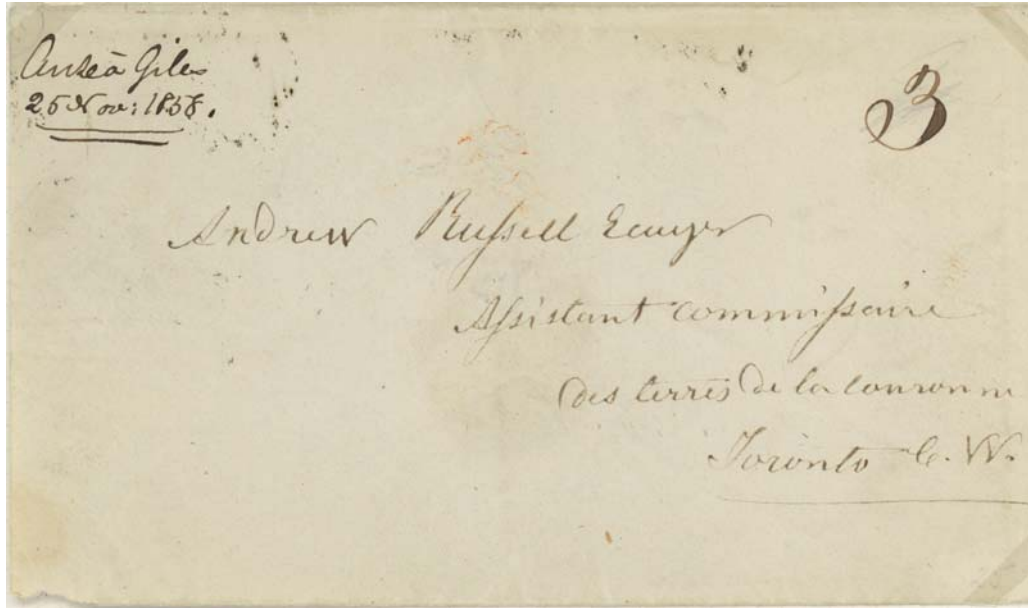
Ms or docketting? Pontiac Co, CE. Post office open (second time) 1 July 1858–69. A double circle in use 1837–67.



Clarendon (CE)—Toronto, 16 September 1858. PAID 3 d, domestic.

L'Anse à Giles CE ms

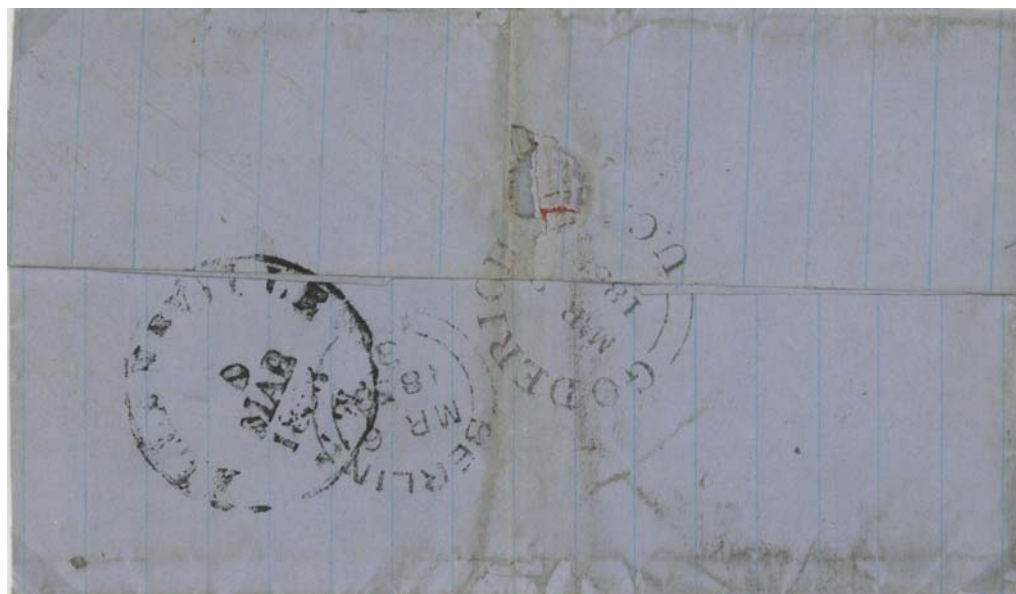
L'Islet Co, C E. Post office opened 1858. A broken circle has been reported 1858–65.



(l')Anse à Giles (C E)—Toronto, 25 November 1858. Collect 3 d, domestic.

Molesworth CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office open 1856–1914. First hammer broken circle, reported 1864–72.



Molesworth
3^d March
1858

Molesworth (C W)–Goderich, 3 March 1858. Rated 3d collect, domestic rate.

Only reported ms.

ALLANSVILLE C W changeling. Possibly the scarcest of all the changelings. Post office open 1852–8.

Coboconk CW ms

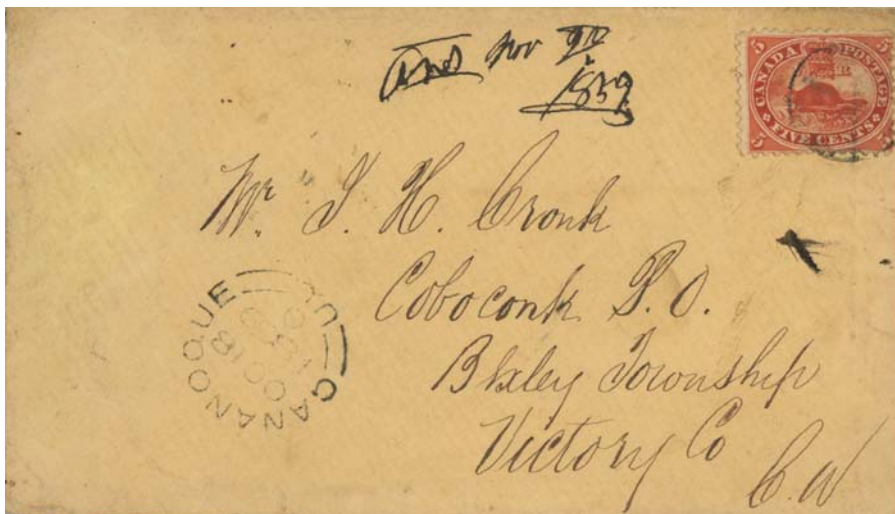
Destination ms. Victoria Co, c w. Post office opened 1 October 1859. First hammer (U C broken circle) known 1861–69.



Gananoque (U C)–Coboconk (C W), via Cobourg, Toronto, Lindsay, and Fenelon Falls, 26 October 1859. Domestic rate paid by 5¢ beaver (issued July 1859).

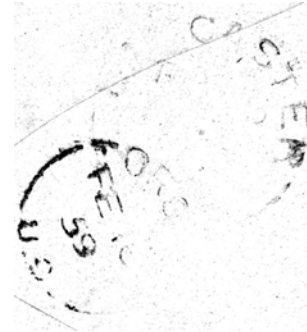
Only reported ms.

Cobourg U C broken circle known 1859–61. Lindsay c w double broken circle reported 1850–62. Fenelon Falls serif double broken circle previously known 1854–58.



Lochiel CW ms

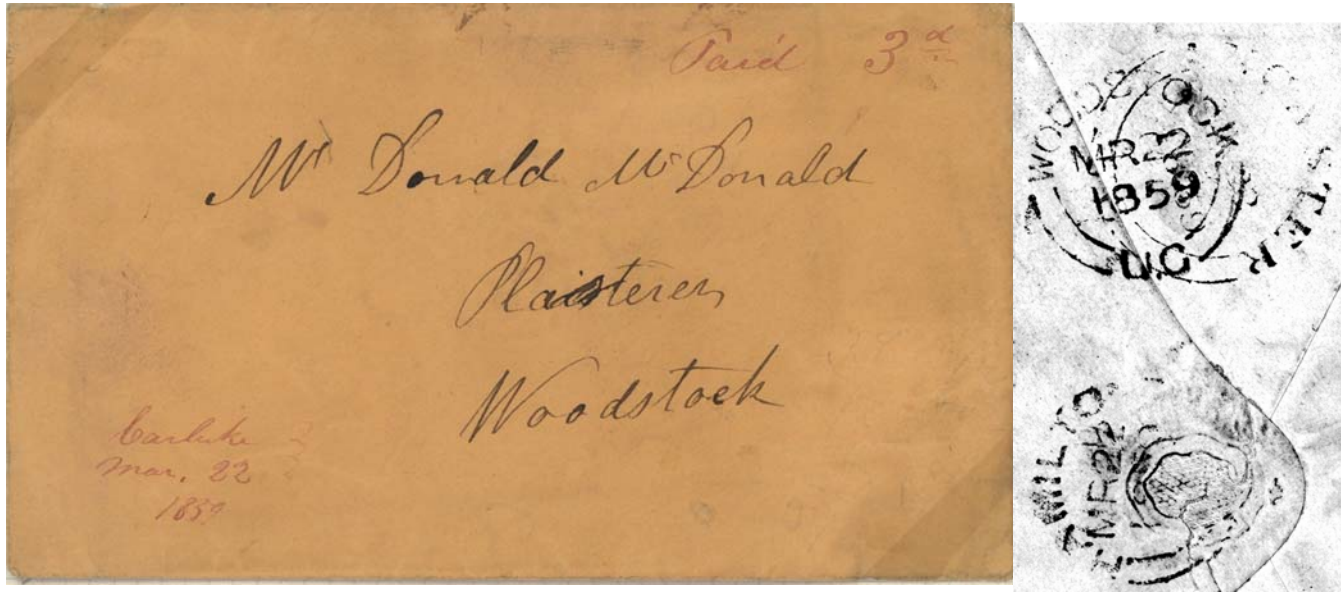
Glengarry Co, c w. Post office open 1822. Manuscripts known 1845–59. First hammer (1829-type) only known in one example, 1846.



Lochiel (c w)—Toronto, 14 February 1859. **FREE** to Crown Lands within ten days of a Parliamentary session.
Lancaster c w double broken circle known 1851–64.

Carlukc CW ms

Wentworth Co, c w. Post office open 1854–1914. First hammer, double broken circle, reported 1859–65.



Carlukc (c w)–Woodstock, 22 March (1859). Rated *Paid 3^d*, domestic.
Only reported ms.

North Ridge CW fancy ms

Essex County, c w. Post office open 1860–77. First hammer Berri broken circle, proofed 1860, reported 1865–71.



North Ridge–Tower Hill (IA), 28 November (1860). Rated collect 10¢, rate to US (*Paid* struck through).

Only reported ms.

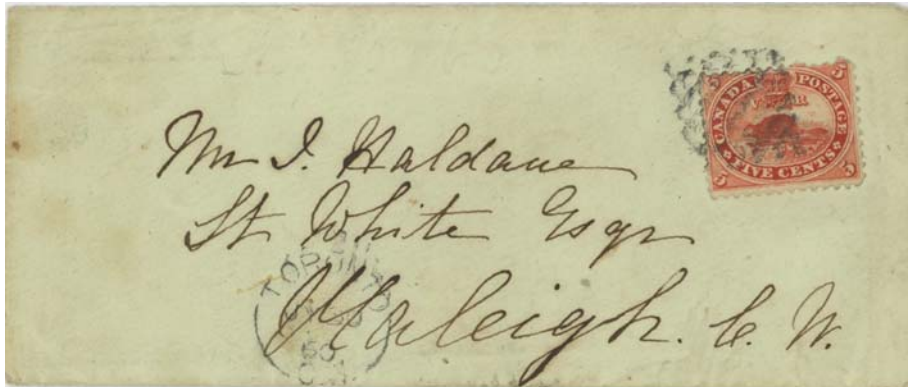
MAIDSTONE U C serif double broken circle, proofed 1842, only reported strike.

Charing Cross CW ms

Transit ms (rare). Victoria Co, c w. Post office opened 1 July 1860. First hammer (c w broken circle) proofed in 1865, and Campbell reports use in 1874.

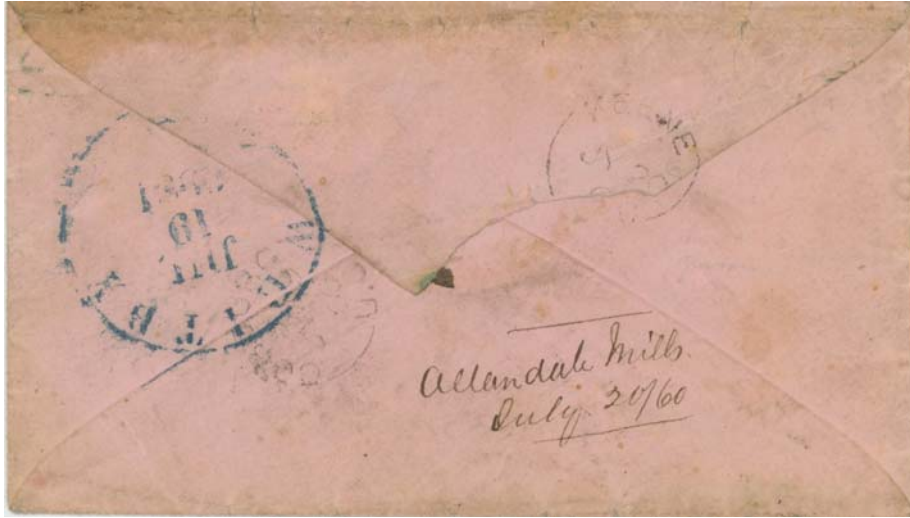


Toronto—Raleigh (c w) via Chatham (U c) and Charing Cross (c w), 1 August 1860. Domestic rate paid by 5¢ beaver.
Only reported ms.



Allandale Mills CW ms & first hammer

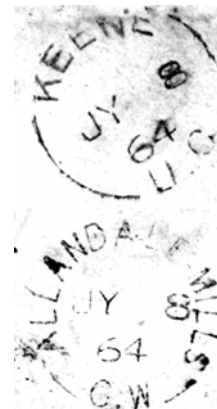
Destination ms. Peterboro Co, c w. Post office open 1 May 1860–72.



Epsom (U c)–Allandale Mills (c w) via Keene (U c), 20 July 1860. Domestic rate *paid* (no denomination; no evidence of a stamp having been removed).

Only reported ms.

Epsom (1852–1915) U c double broken circle known 1860–65. Keene U c broken circle previously reported 1858–9. Whitby changeling known 1858–61.

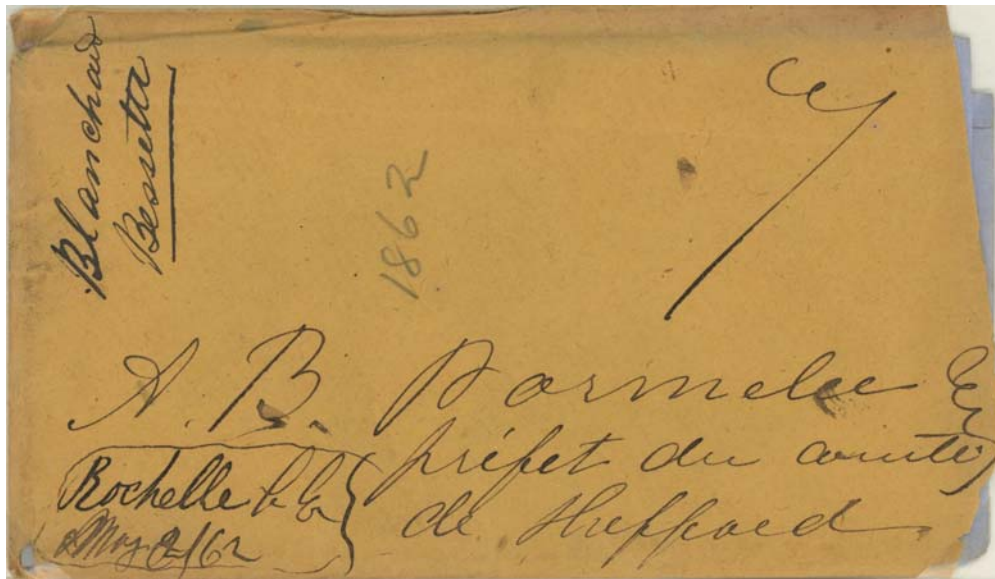


Lexington (IL)–Allandale (c w), 1864. Fancy exchange mark. Prepaid 10¢.

Allandale Mills broken circle proofed 1860, but not previously recorded. Keene broken circle previously reported 1858–9.

Rochelle CE ms

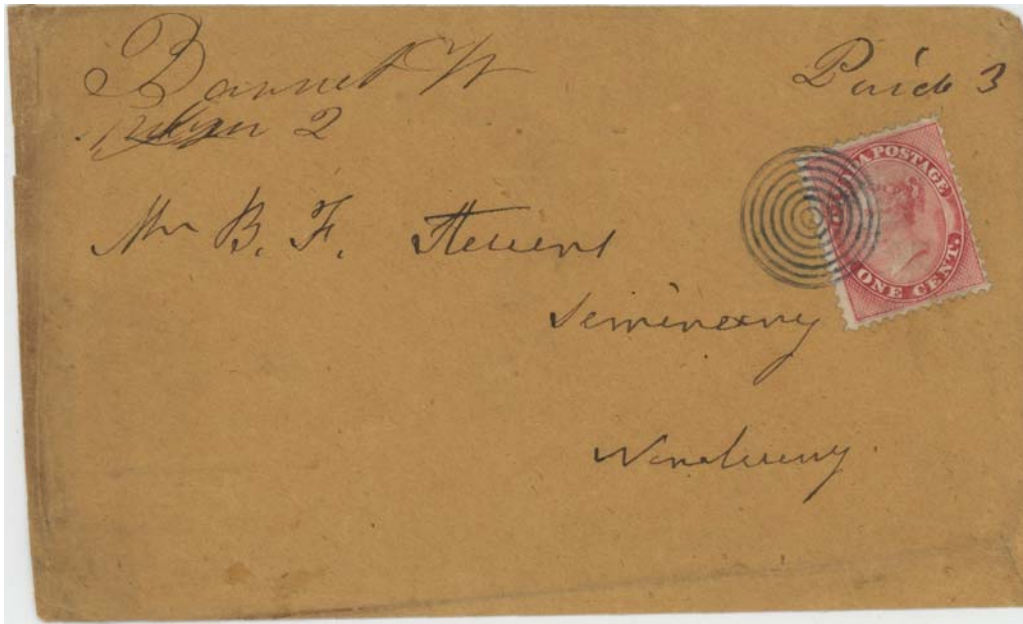
Sheffield Co, C E. Post office opened 1 April 1862. First hammer, broken circle, possibly 1877-91.



Rochelle (C E)—Sheffield, 2 May 1862. Rated 7¢ collect domestic rate.

Barnett CW ms

Wentworth Co, c w. Post office open 1854–95. First hammer, Berri broken circle (c w), proofed 1860, no strikes reported; second hammer, broken circle (ONT), proofed 1886, one strike reported.

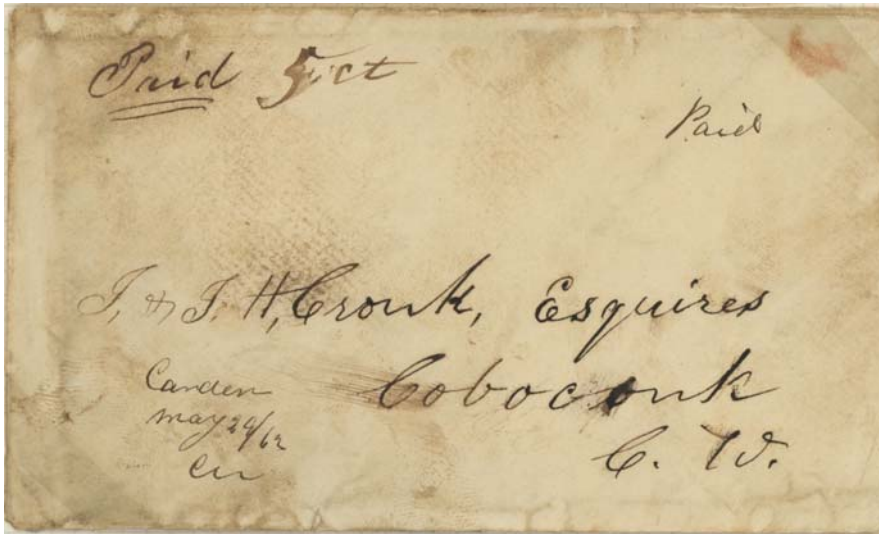


Barnett–Williamsburg, 1862. Rated Paid 3—not a rate rate until 1868, and seemingly written by the sender—but the 1¢ stamp, tied by a seven-ring killer, suggests it was sent as printed matter (it is also unsealed). There are no backstamps, but a pencil ms Rec'd June 2 62, same date as ms town marking, appears on the inner flap.

Only reported ms.

Carden CW ms

Victoria Co, c w. Post office open 1862–1914. First hammer, broken circle, known 1867–8.



Carden (c w)–Coboconk, 29 May 1862. Rated *Paid 5 ct*, domestic paid rate.

Only reported ms.

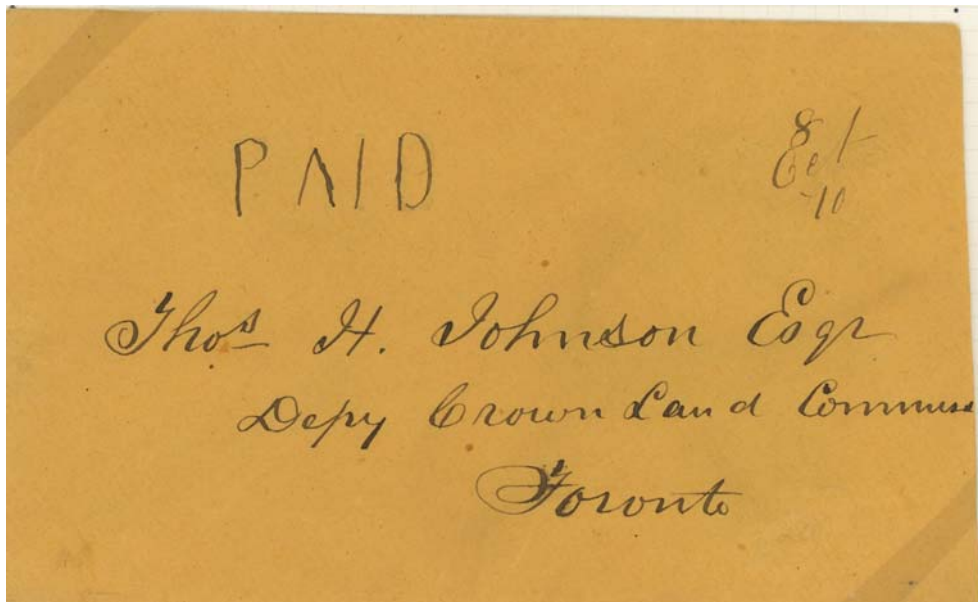
On reverse, **ISLAY UC** double broken circle, only hammer of the office, known 1858–71; FENELON FALLS CW, broken circle; proofed 1861, known 1862–76.

Brechin CW ms and first hammer

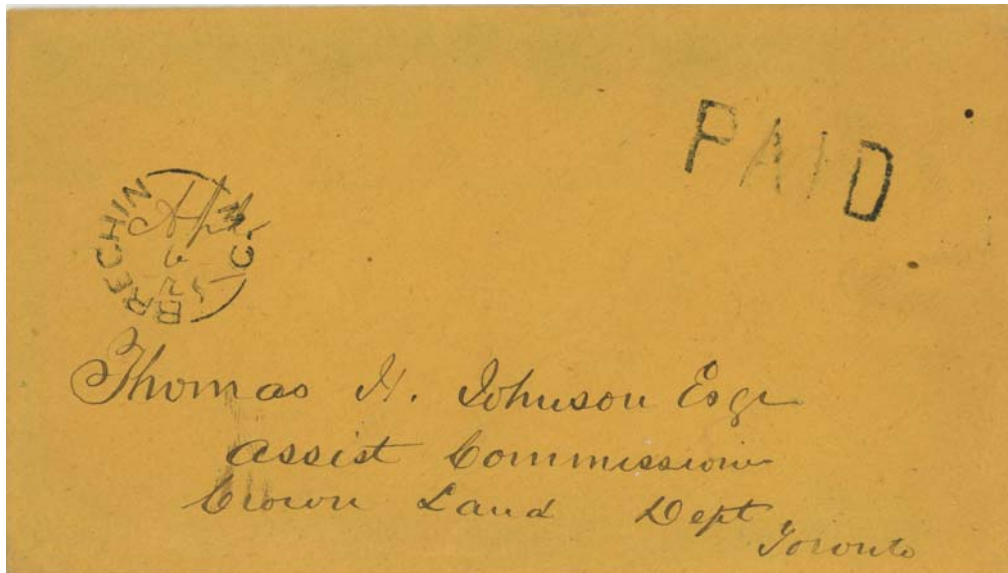
Ontario Co, c w. Post office open 1863. First hammer, broken circle (c w), known 1864–76.



Brechin—Québec, 18 June 1863. Rated PAID 5¢, domestic rate. **Only reported ms.**



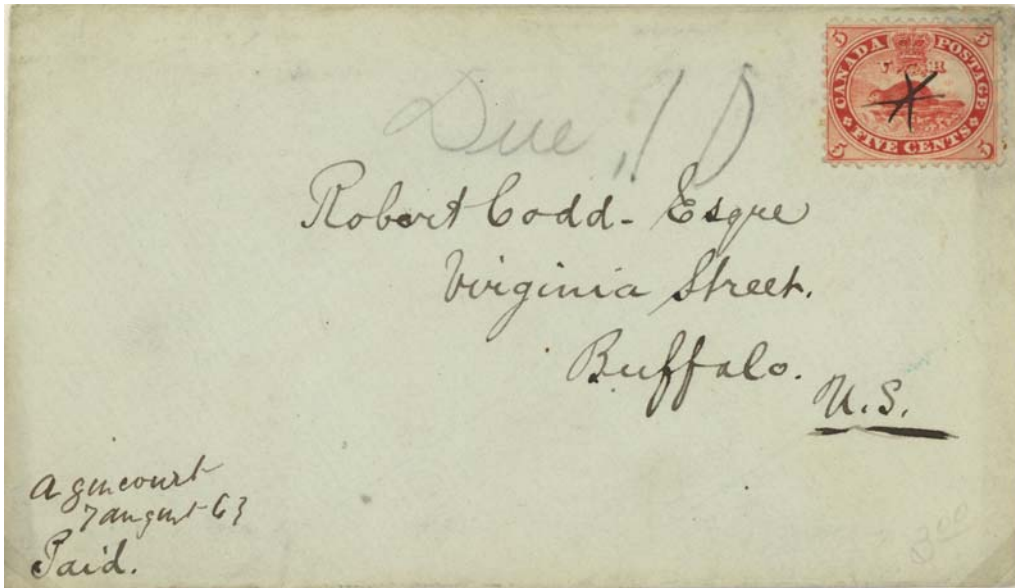
Brechin (CW)—Toronto, **inkless** strike of broken circle, 1870. Rated PAID ; originally inkless, date penned in.



Brechin—Toronto, 1875. Rated PAID (should be followed by 3¢).

Agincourt CW ms

York Co, c w. Post office opened 1858–1977. First hammer, broken circle (U C), reported only by Campbell, and only in 1873.

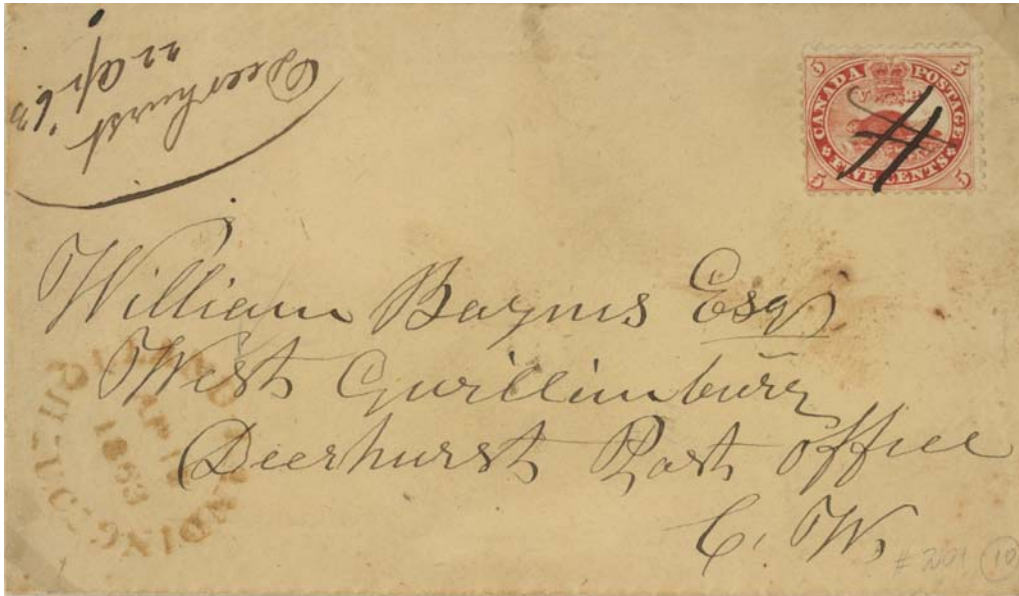


Agincourt (c w)—Buffalo, 7 August 1863. Underpayment of the 10¢ rate to the U S by 5¢ beaver results in no credit for postage applied; hence *Due 10¢*, the full rate to the U S.

Only reported ms.

Deerhurst CW ms

Ms at destination. Simcoe Co, c w. Post office open 1863–1914. First hammer, broken circle (c w), known in at most one strike, 1867.



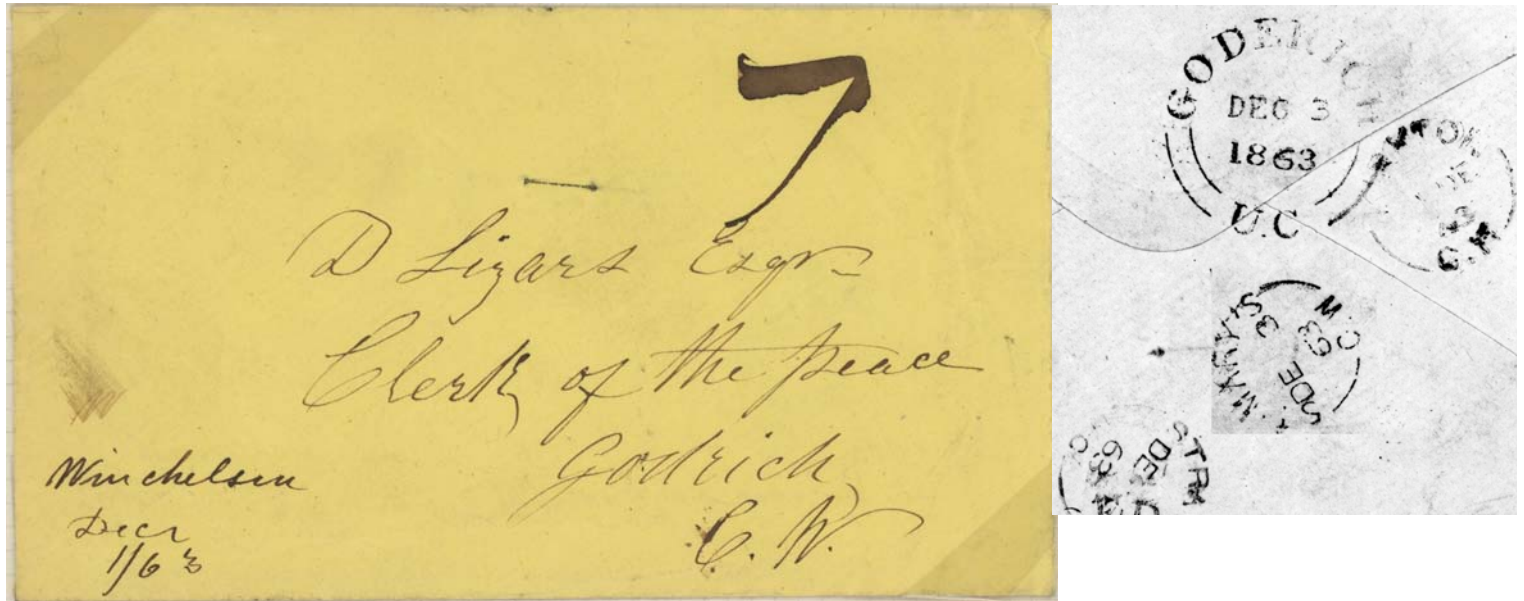
Holland Landing–Deerhurst (c w), 1863. Ms Deerhurst, 22 April 1863. Beaver pays 5¢ domestic paid rate.

Only reported ms.

HOLLAND LANDING UC serif double broken circle, proofed 1842, known 1843–63.

Winchelsea CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office open 1859–1914. One other ms reported (1861). First hammer, broken circle (ONT), proofed 1876, known 1880–1903.



Winchelsea (c w)–Goderich, 1 December 1863. Rated collect 7¢ domestic unpaid rate.

KIRKTON CW broken circle not listed in Graham. ST MARY'S CW broken circle, known 1863–77.

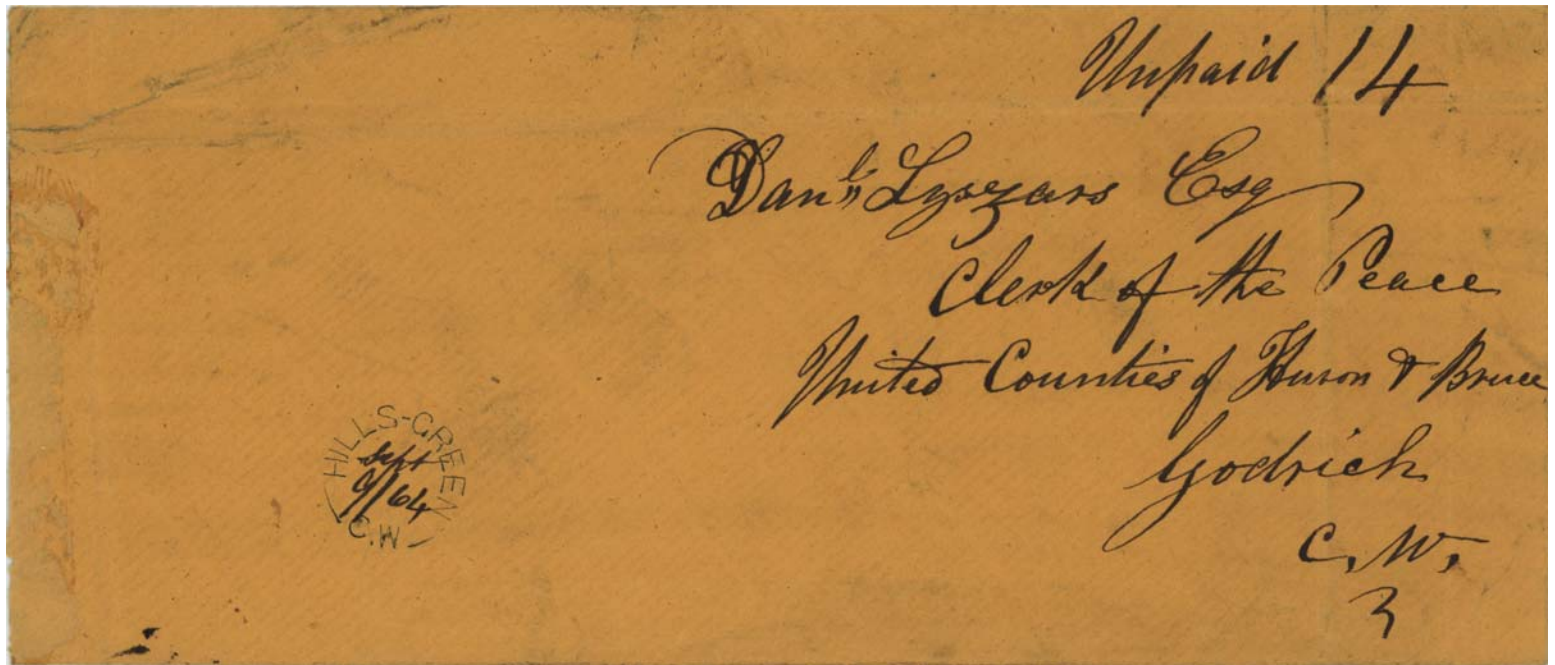
Hills Green CW ms and first hammer

Huron Co, U C. Post office open 1864–1914.



Hills Green—Goderich, 7 June 1864. *Paid 10 cts*, double prepaid domestic rate. In addition, *Registered*, for which 2¢ was paid.

Ms known April–June 1864). Encircled.

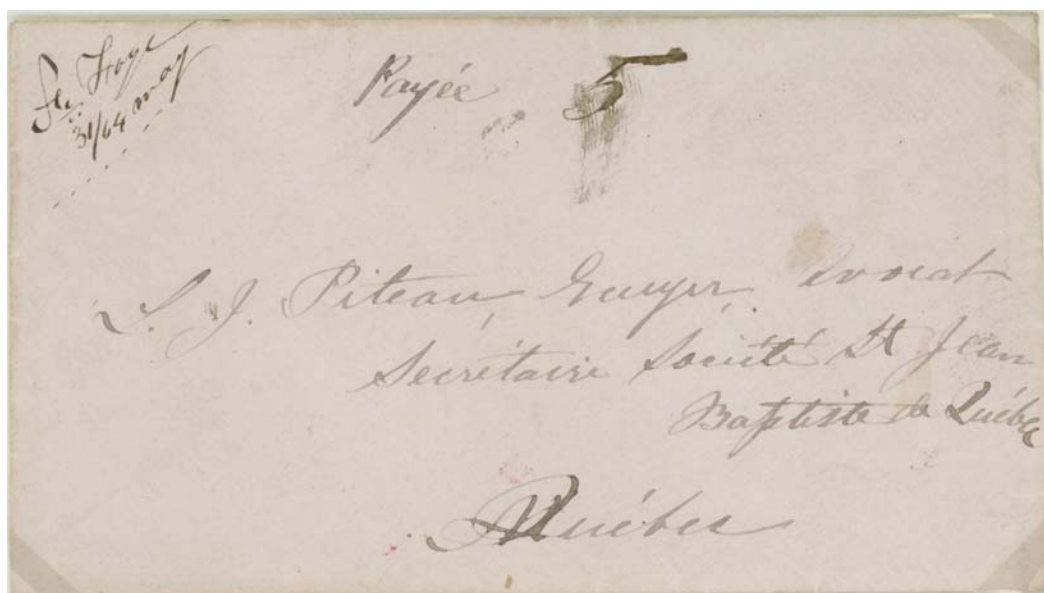


Hills Green—Goderich, 9 September 1864. Rated *Unpaid 14¢*, double unpaid domestic rate.

Broken circle, proofed 28 April 1864, one other strike known (1868).

Ste Foy CE ms

Québec Co, C E. Post office opened 1855. First hammer, broken circle, possibly known 1864.

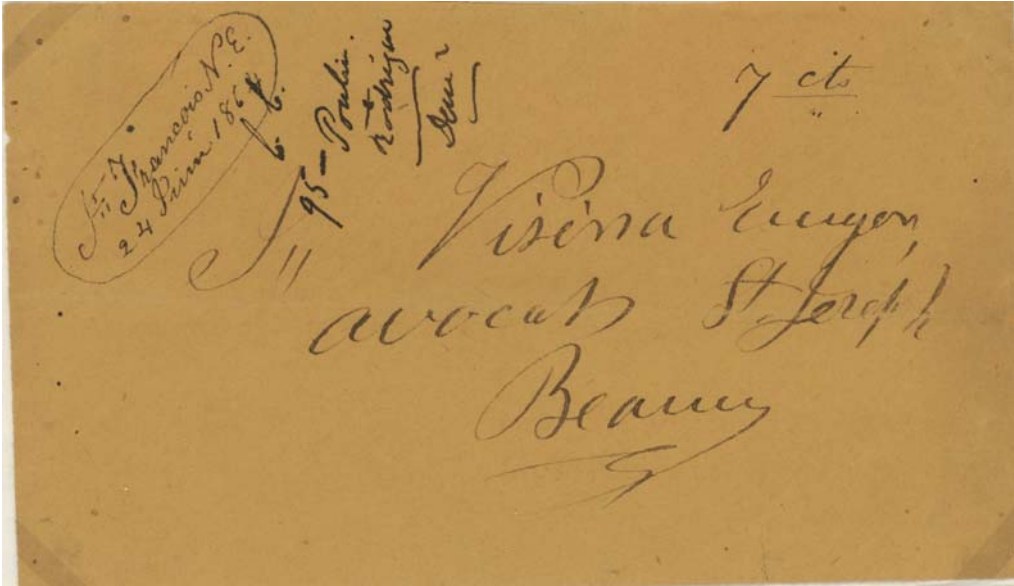


Ste Foy (C E)—Québec, 31 May 1864. Rated *Payée* 5¢, domestic paid rate.

On reverse, Legislative Assembly small circle.

St-François-Nord-Est CE ms

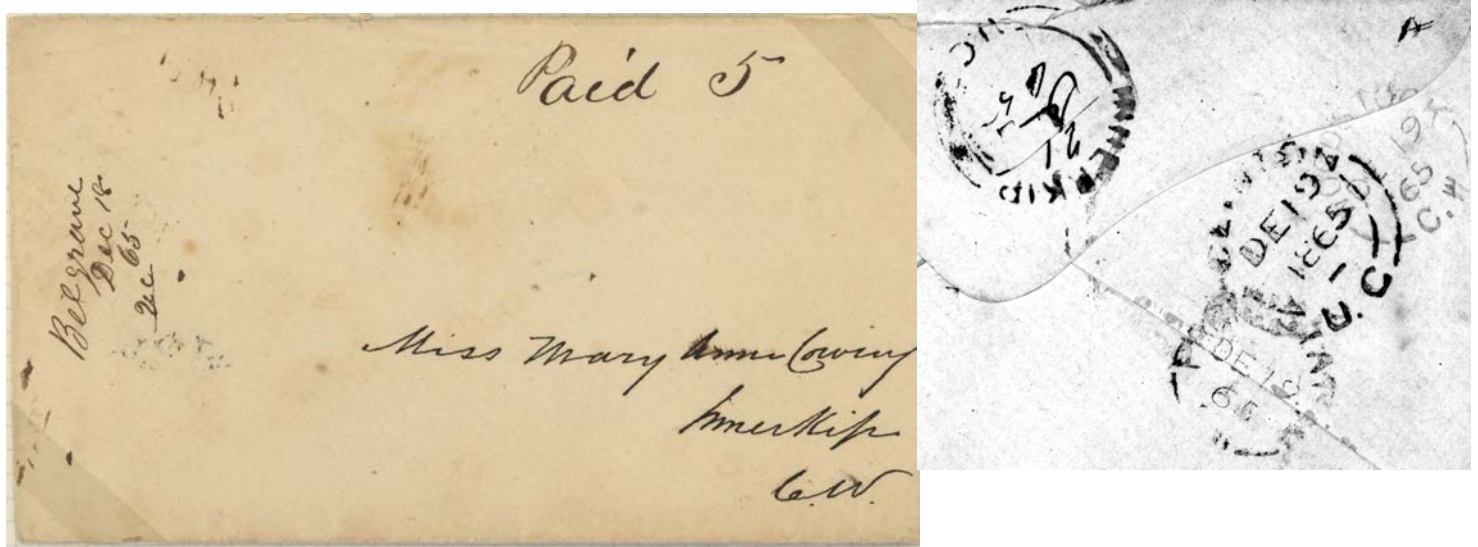
Encircled ms. Beauce Co, c E. First hammer, broken circle, known 1887-9. Office may have closed in 1864 and reopened in 1885.



St François Nord-Est (C E)–St-Joseph-Beauce, 24 June 1864. Rated 7¢, domestic unpaid rate.

Belgrave CW ms

Huron Co, c w. Post office opened 1865. First hammer, broken circle (c w), proofed November 1865, known 1867-73.



Belgrave (c w)–Innerkip (c w), 18 December 1865. Rated *paid* 5¢, domestic.

Only reported ms.

INNERKIP UC, double broken circle, known 1865–6. Also, CLINTON UC, WOODSTOCK CW, PARIS STATION CW.

Glencairn CW ms

Roughly imitates broken circle datestamp of the period. Simcoe County, c w. Post office opened 1865. First hammer, Berri broken circle (c w), proofed 1865; one strike reported.



Glencairn (c w)—Toronto, 25 August 1865. Domestic rate paid by 5¢ beaver.

Only known ms.

NEW LOWELL UC broken circle, latest reported strike. Post office opened 1858.

Oxford Station ms

Circular. Oxford County, c w. Post office opened 1 December 1866. First hammer, broken circle (c w), proofed October 1866 (!); one strike reported (by Campbell).

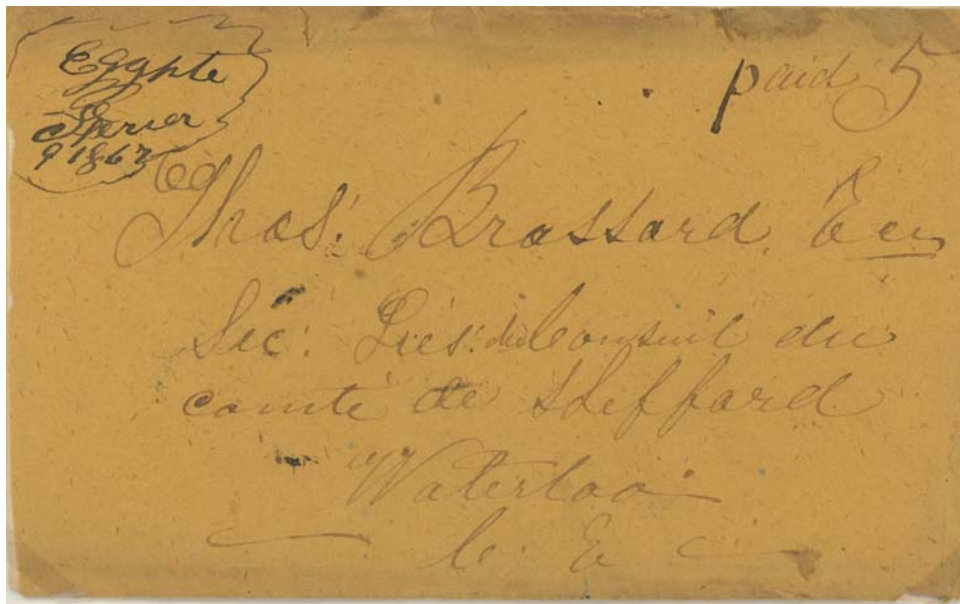


Oxford Station (c w)—Fairmount (NY), 3 December 1866 (two days after opening). Rate to U s paid by 10¢ Albert.

Only known ms.

Egypte CE ms

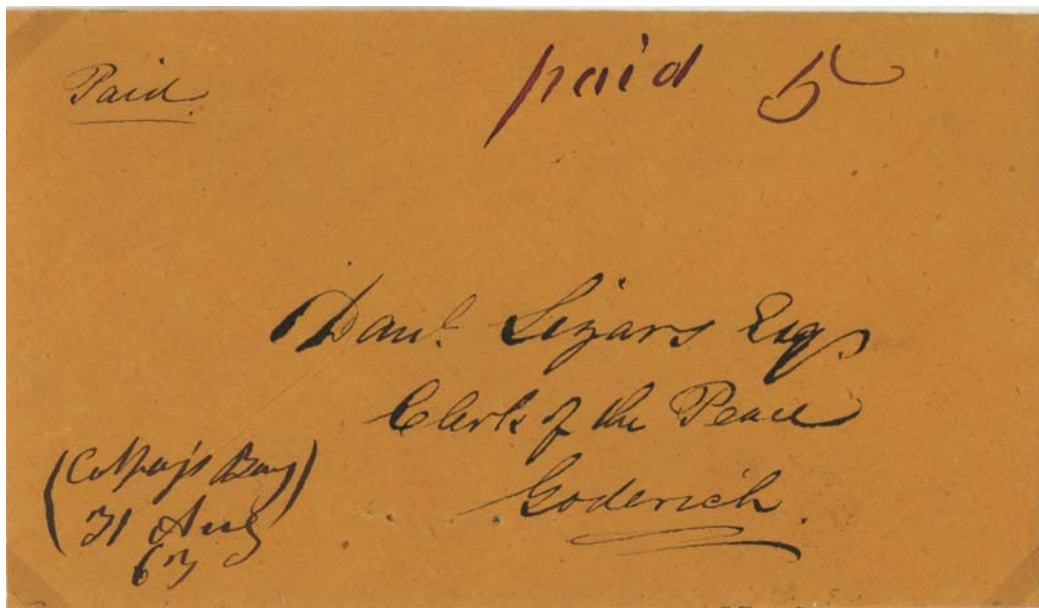
Encircled. Sheffield Co, c E. Post office opened 1867. First hammer, broken circle, known 1867–83.



Égypte (C E)—Waterloo (C E), 9 February 1867. Rated *paid 5¢*, domestic prepaid rate.

Colpoy's Bay, Ontario ms

Imitates broken circle. Bruce Co, Ontario. Post office open 1863–1917. First hammer, broken circle, proofed 1880; no strikes reported.

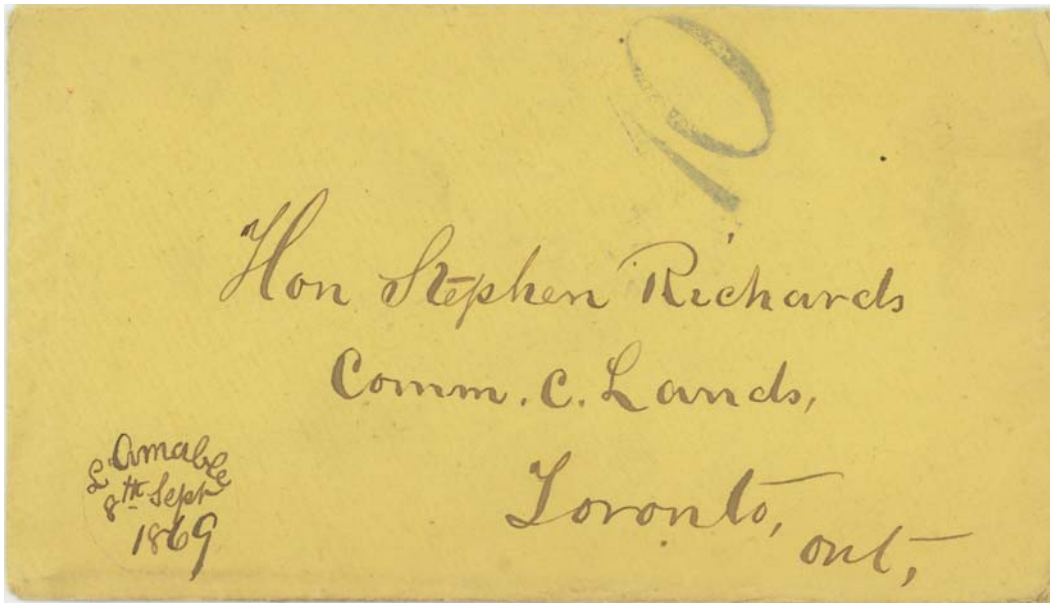


Colpoy's Bay—Goderich, 31 August 1867. Rated *Paid* 5¢, domestic paid rate.

Only known ms.

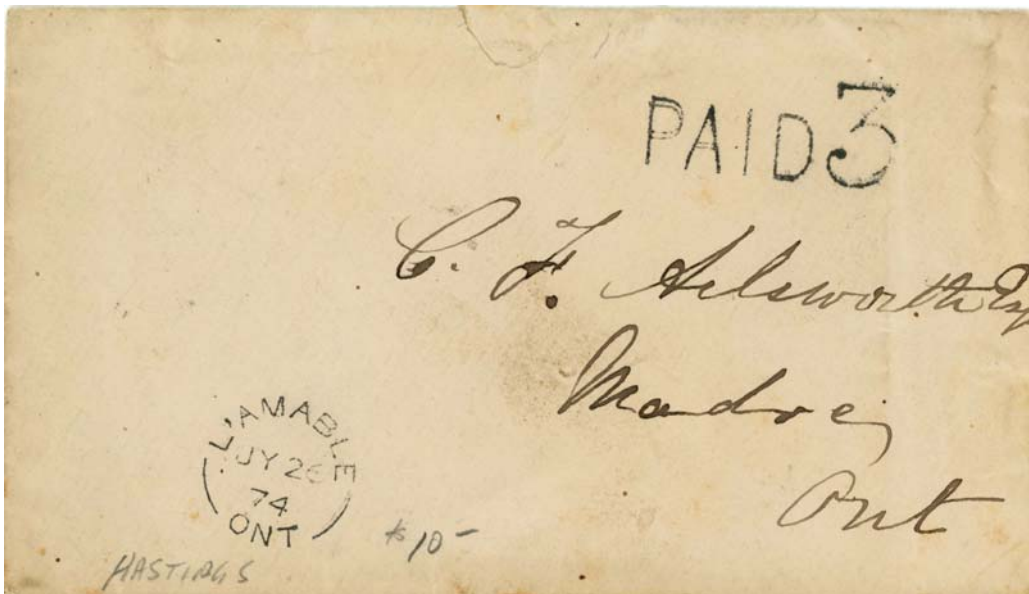
L'Amable, Ontario ms and first hammer

Semicircular. Hastings Co, Ontario. Post office opened 1869. First hammer, broken circle (ONT), reported 1870-74.



L'Amable-Toronto, 8 September 1869. Rated collect 10¢, double unpaid domestic.

Only known ms. The postmaster made an impression of a circle, and enclosed the marking within it.



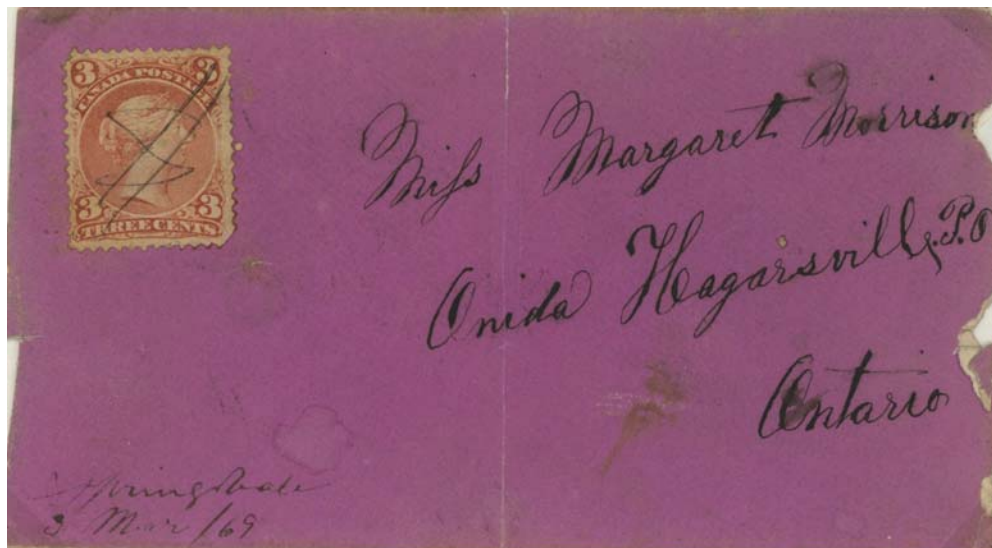
L'Amable-Madoc, 1874. Rated paid 3¢ domestic.

Latest reported of this broken circle.

Broken circle Madoc on reverse.

Springvale, Ontario ms

Haldimand Co, Ontario. Post office open 1868–1915. First hammer, broken circle (ONT), known 1892–1914.



Springvale (Ont)–Hagersville (Ont), 3 March 1869. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ large queen.

Only reported ms. Ms on large queen covers are very scarce.

Ronson, Ontario ms

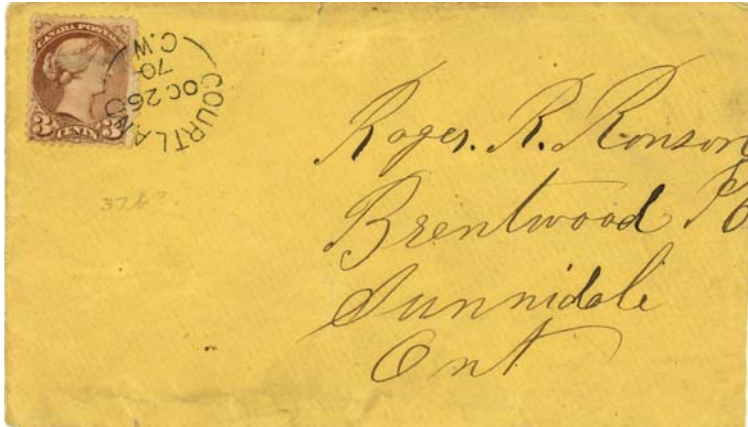
Transit marking. Norfolk Co, Ontario. Ronson post office open 1870–1908. First and only hammer, broken circle, known 1871–1903.



Courtland–Brentwood, via Woodstock and Ronson, 26 October 1870. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.

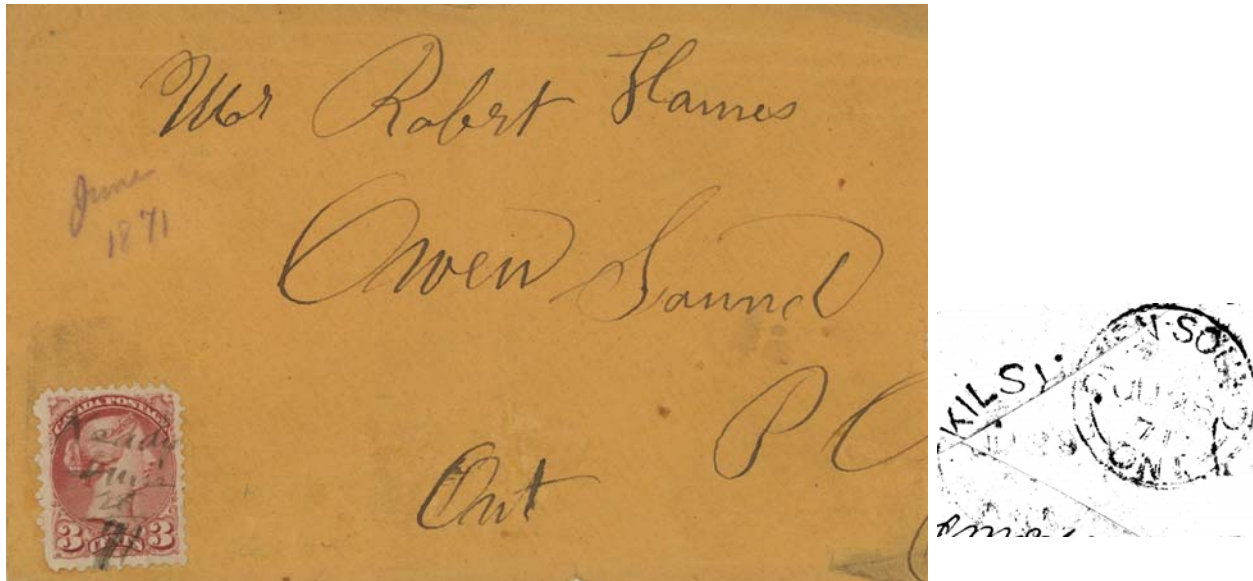
Ms reported 26–31 October 1870.

Courtland broken circle proofed 1864, known 1866–1899.



Keady, Ontario ms

Canadian ms are very seldom on the stamp. Grey Co, Ontario. Post office open 1869–1914. First two hammers, broken circles, proofed 1876 and 1889, no strikes reported. Third hammer, proofed 1893, one strike known (1895).



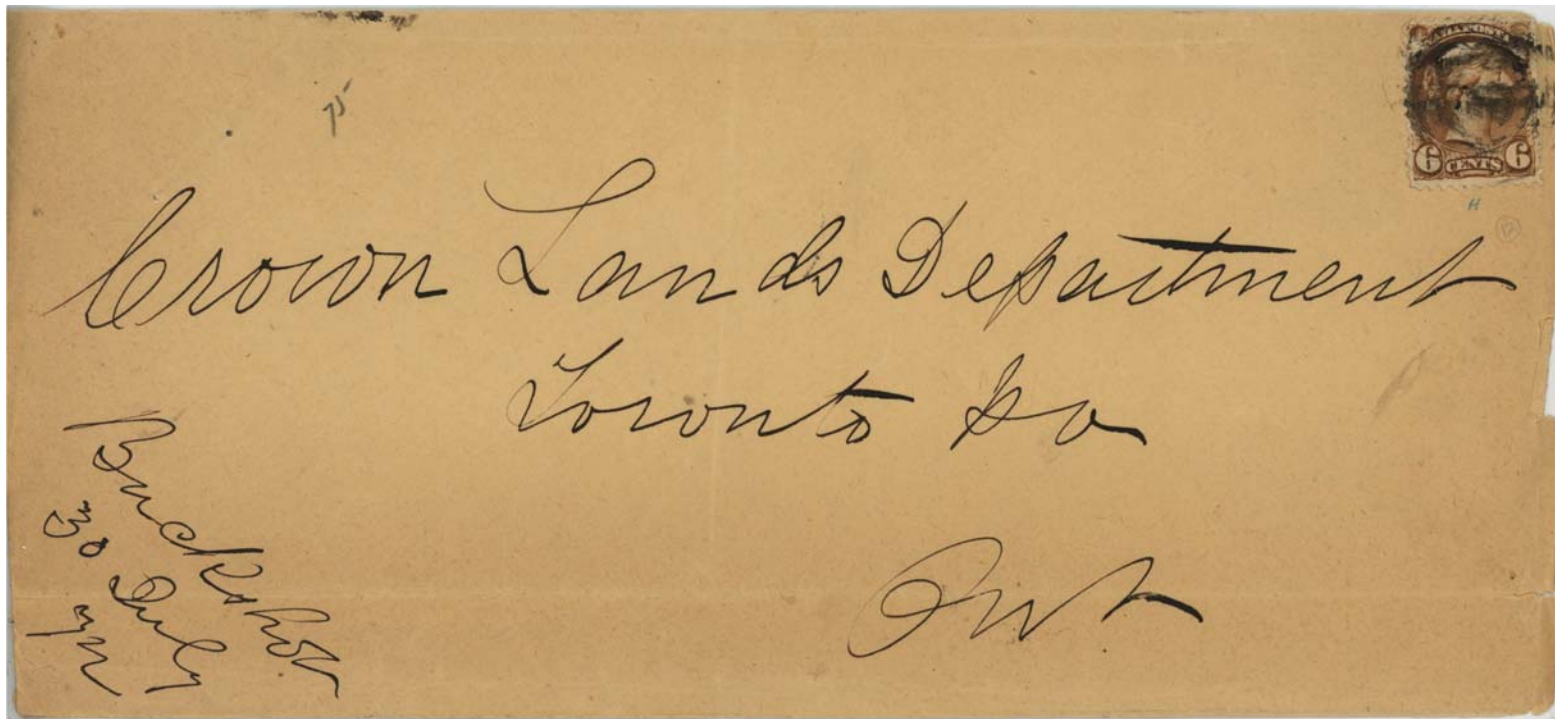
Keady (Ont)–Owen Sound (Ont), 28 June 1871. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.

Only reported ms.

Kilsyth broken circle reported 1871–3, only by Campbell.

Buckshot, Ontario ms

Frontenac Co, Ontario. Post office open 1872-77. First hammer, broken circle; known 1874-77.



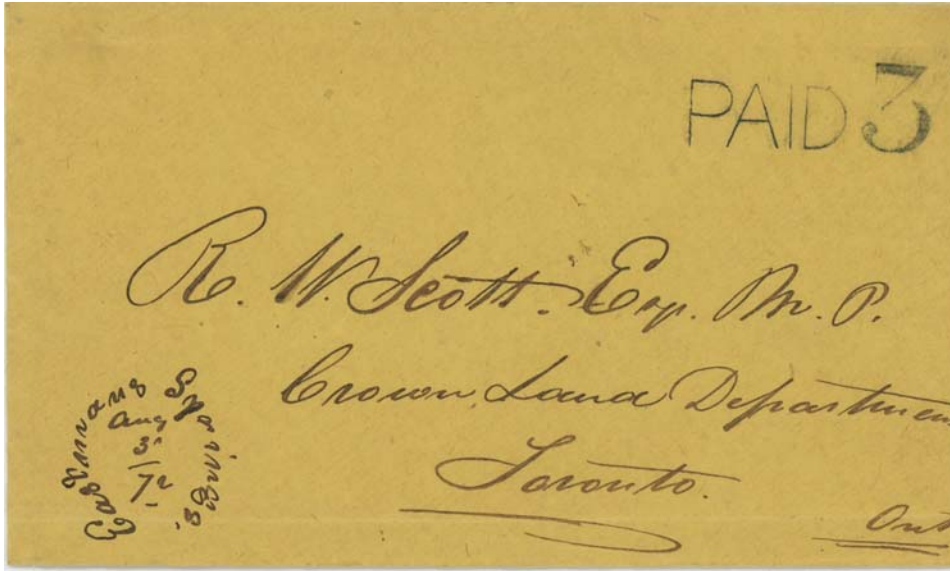
Buckshot (Ont)-Toronto, 1872. Double domestic rate paid by 6¢ small queen.

Only reported ms.



Eastman's Springs, Ontario ms

Circular. Carleton Co, Ontario. Post office open 1 June 1872–77. First hammer, broken circle; one strike known (1889).

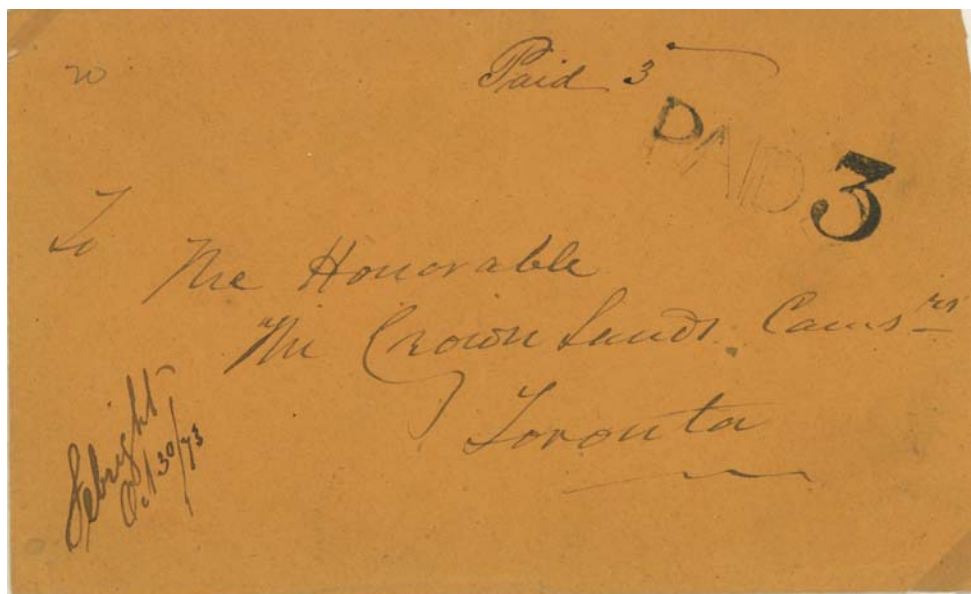


Eastman's Springs (Ont)–Toronto, 3 August 1872. Domestic letter rate, paid in cash.

Only reported ms.

Sebright, Ontario ms

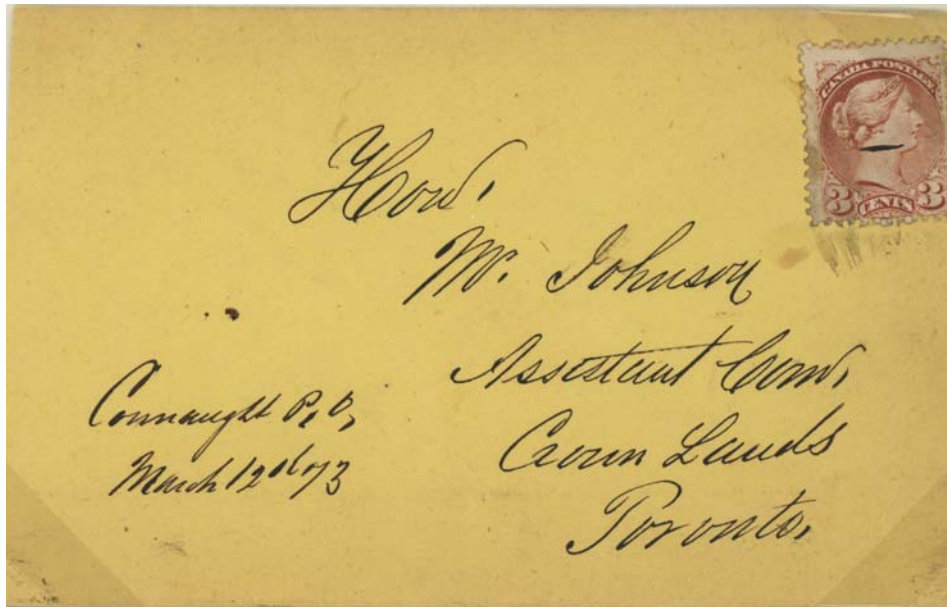
Ontario Co, Ontario (I knew this would happen). Post office opened 1 October 1873. First hammer, broken circle, known 1874-92.



Sebright (Ont)-Toronto, 30 October 1873. PAID 3¢ domestic rate.
Only reported ms.

Connaught, Ontario ms and first hammer

Dundas Co, Ontario. Post office open 1873–1908.



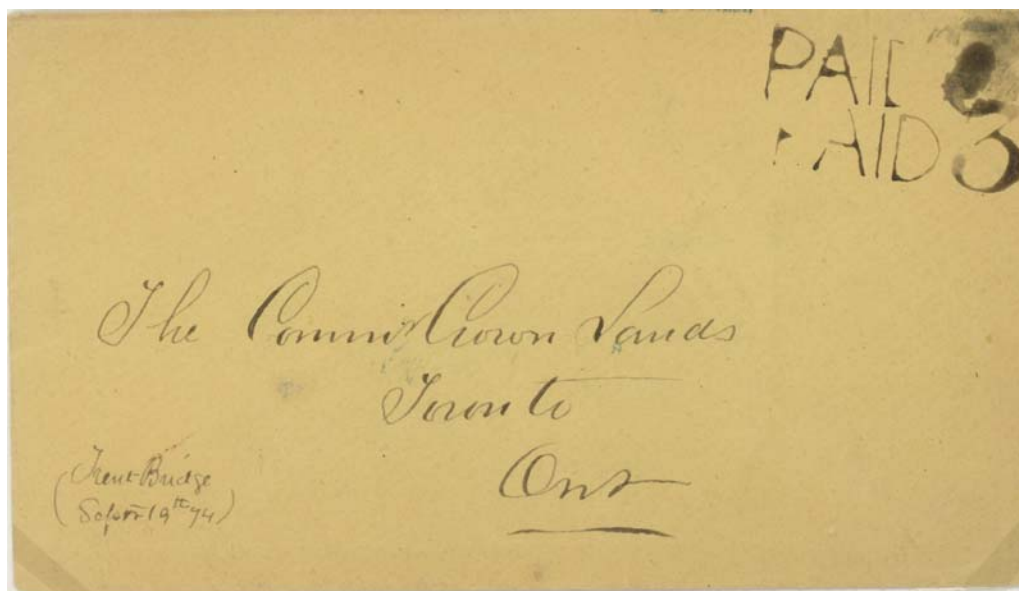
Connaught–Toronto, 12 March 1873. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.
Only reported ms.



Connaught–Toronto, 1880. Domestic postcard.
Broken circle; only other reported strike is dated 1897.

Trent Bridge, Ontario ms

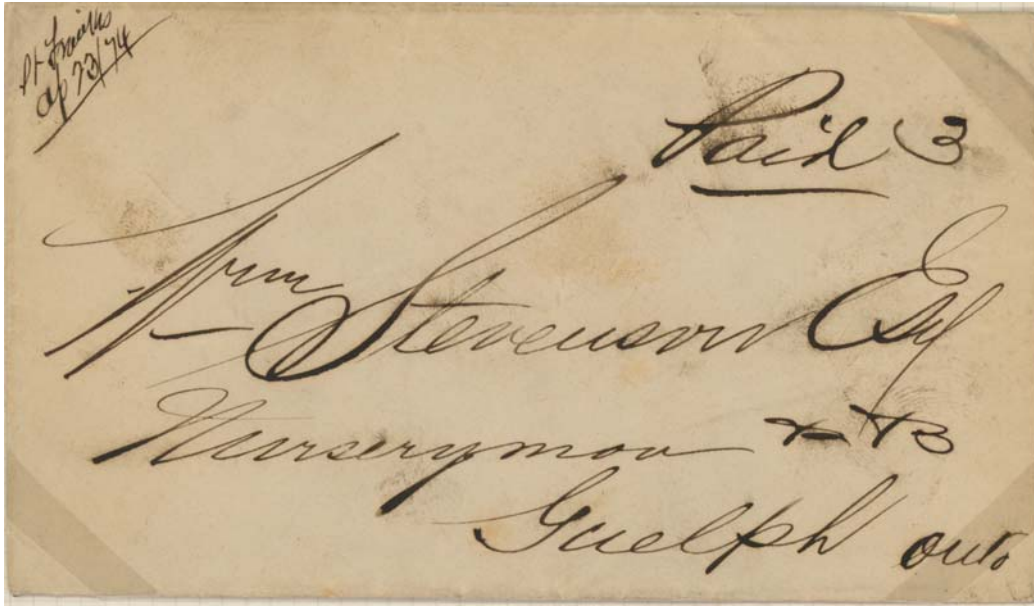
Imitates broken circle. Northumberland Co, Ontario. Post office open 1874–1910. First hammer, broken circle; known March–July 1892.



Trent Bridge–Toronto, 19 September 1874. PAID 3¢, domestic paid rate.
Only reported ms.

Port Franks, Ontario ms

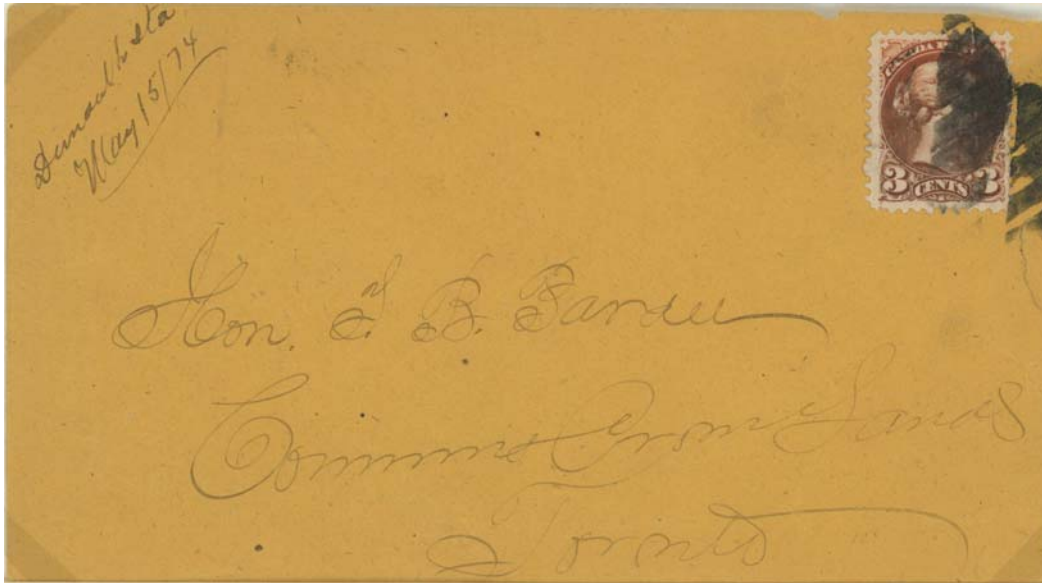
Lambton Co, Ontario. Post office opened 1854. First hammer, broken circle, proofed 1882; no strikes reported; second hammer, broken circle, proofed 1892, known 1892-96.



Port Franks (Ont)—Guelph, 23 April 1874. Rated *Paid 3*, domestic rate.
Only reported ms.

Dundalk Station, Ontario ms

Grey Co, Ontario. Post office open 1869–1914. First hammer, broken circle, known 1875–81.



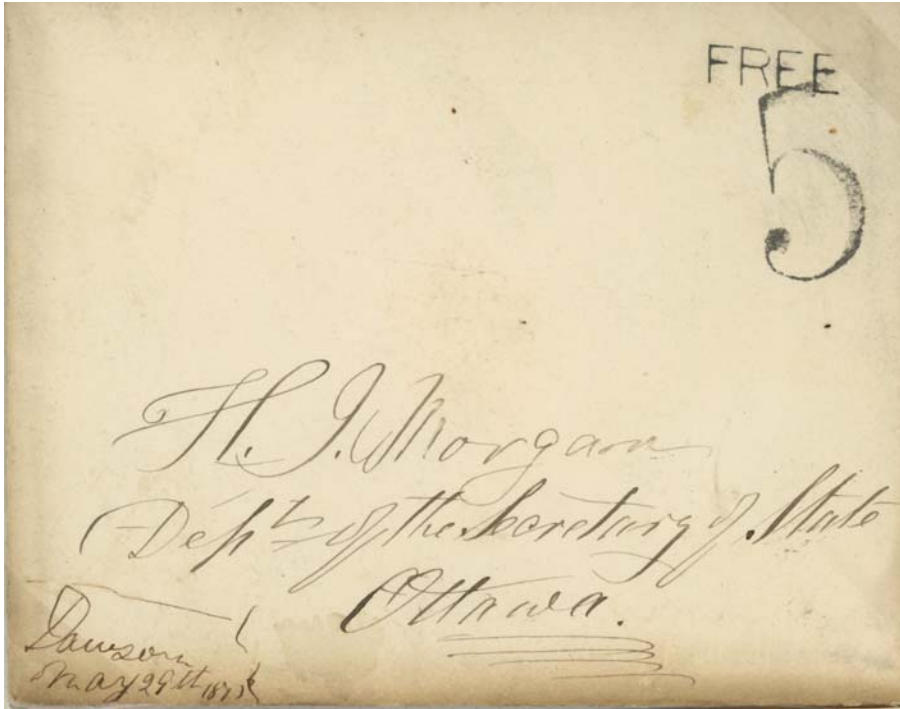
Dundalk Station (Ont)–Toronto, 15 May 1874. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.

Ms reported May–June 1874.

On reverse, Kilsyth broken circle, reported 1870–74.

Dawson, Ontario ms

Carleton Co, Ontario. Post office open 1875–1909. First hammer, broken circle, one strike reported (1876).

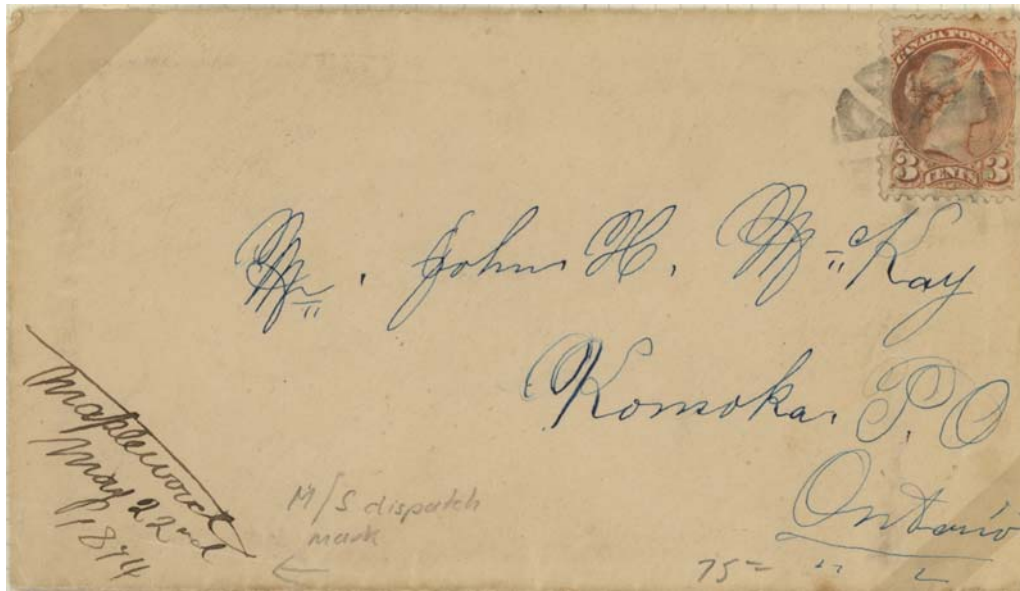


Dawson (Ont)–Ottawa, 29 May 1875. Initially rated 5¢, domestic unpaid rate, then marked FREE, as it was addressed to a government office within ten days of a session of Parliament.

Ms reported April–May 1875.

Maplewood, Ontario ms

Oxford Co, Ontario. Post office open 1874–1916. First hammer, broken circle, known 10 August 1874–1889.



Maplewood (Ont)–Komoka, 22 May 1874. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.

Only reported ms.

KOMOKA UC double broken circle (at top of image of reverse) reported 1857–78; EMBRO CW double broken circle reported 1852–75; BROOKSDALE ONT only hammer, reported 1874–1914.

Hampstead, Ontario ms

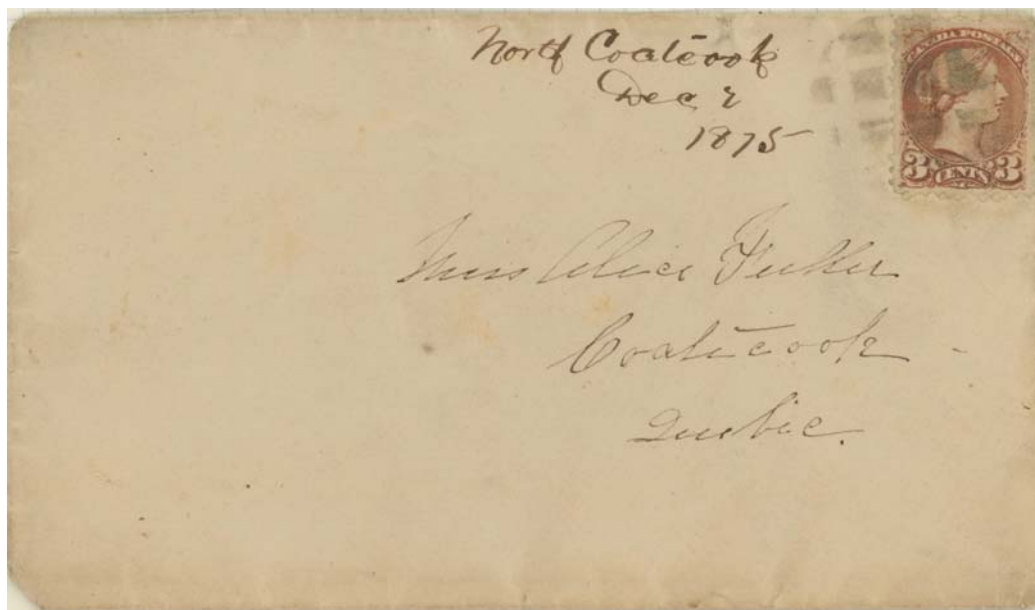
Perth Co, Ontario. Post office open 1865–1912. First hammer, broken circle (c w), proofed 1865, no strikes reported. Second hammer, broken circle, proofed 1886, no strikes reported. Third hammer, broken circle, proofed 1890, known 1903–1910.



Hampstead (Ont)–Waller (OH), 26 November (1875). Domestic and U S rate paid by 3¢ small queen.
Only reported ms.

North Coaticook, Québec ms, lcmsstamp75

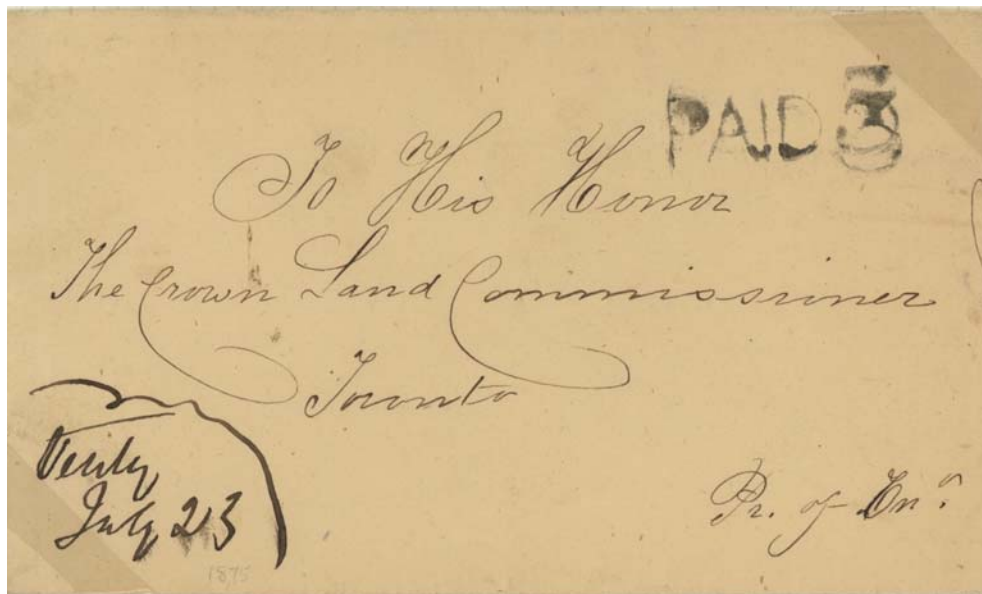
Stanstead Co, Québec. Post office opened 1875. First hammer, broken circle, known 1886.



North Coaticook (Que)—Coaticook, 2 December 1875. Domestic rate paid by 3¢ small queen.

Ventry, Ontario ms

Encircled. Grey Co, Ontario. Post office open 1870–1913. Ms reported 1875–1902 (!). First hammer, broken circle, known 1872–5.



Ventry (Ont)–Toronto, 23 July (1875). PAID 3 ¢ domestic rate.

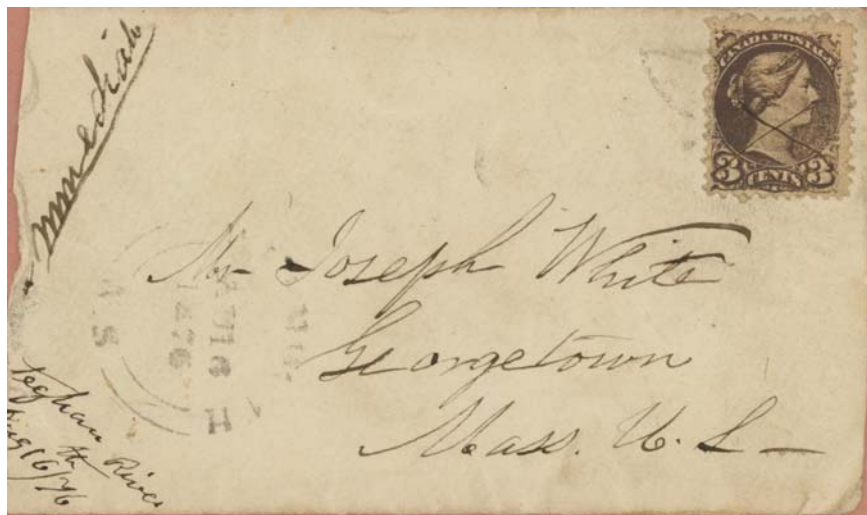
Ms reported 1875–1902 (!).



Ventry (Ont)–Toronto, 2 December (1876).

Meteghan River, NS ms

Digby Co, NS. Post office opened 1871.



Halfway River (NS)—Georgetown (DC), 16 August 1876. 3 ¢ stamp pays domestic/U S rate.

Halfway River, NS ms

Cumberland Co, NS. Post office open 1840–82 and reopened later. Letter bill (sent between post offices accompanying the mail).

(Form No. 1.)

LETTER BILL.

Stamp of Despatching Office. Stamp of Receiving Office.

From *Halfway River* For *Athol* Date *September 13 1876*

Halfway River

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Postage on Unpaid Matter addressed to Office for which this Mail is intended.*		Claim for unpaid Postage charged again. t this office on matter herewith forwarded.		Number of Registered Letters and Parcels.	
	\$		\$		
Statement of sending Postmaster.		cts.		cts.	
Statement of receiving Postmaster.					

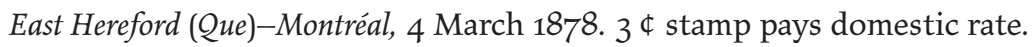
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ADDRESSES OF REGISTERED LETTERS AND PARCELS.

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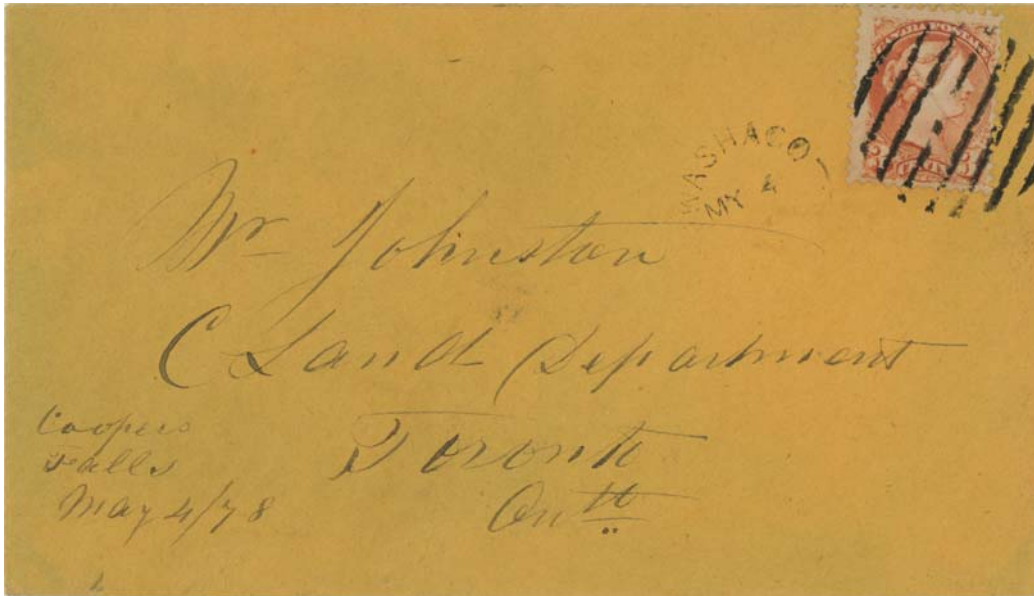
Meteghan River (NS)–Athol, 13 August 1876. No postage required.

Compton Co, Que. Post office opened 1853. First hammer, nonserif double broken circle, known 1854–8.



Coopers Falls, Ontario ms

Ontario Co, Ont. Post office open 1 April 1878–1968. First hammer, broken circle; proofed 1895, and known 1899–1949.



Coopers Falls (Ont)–Toronto, 4 May 1878. Domestic letter rate.

Broken circle WASHAGO ONT, known 1868–78 (latest strike).

Bumfrau NB ms

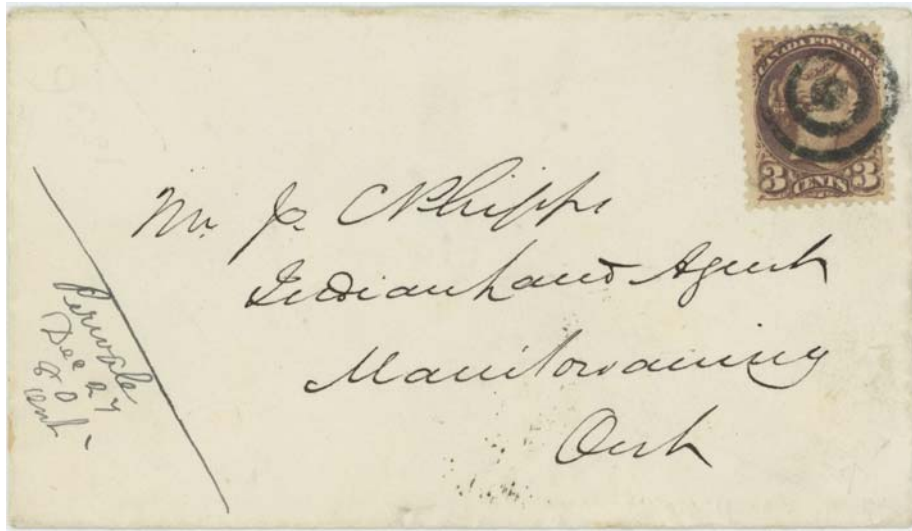
Carleton Co, NB. Post office open 1 April 1877–1947; name changed to Beechwood 1893. First hammer, broken circle proofed 12 July 1877.



Coopers Falls (Ont)–Toronto, 11 January 1879. Rate to U K.

Perivale, Ontario ms

Manitoulin Co, Ont. Post office open 1 November 1880–1947. First hammer, broken circle; proofed 1881, and known 1893–7.



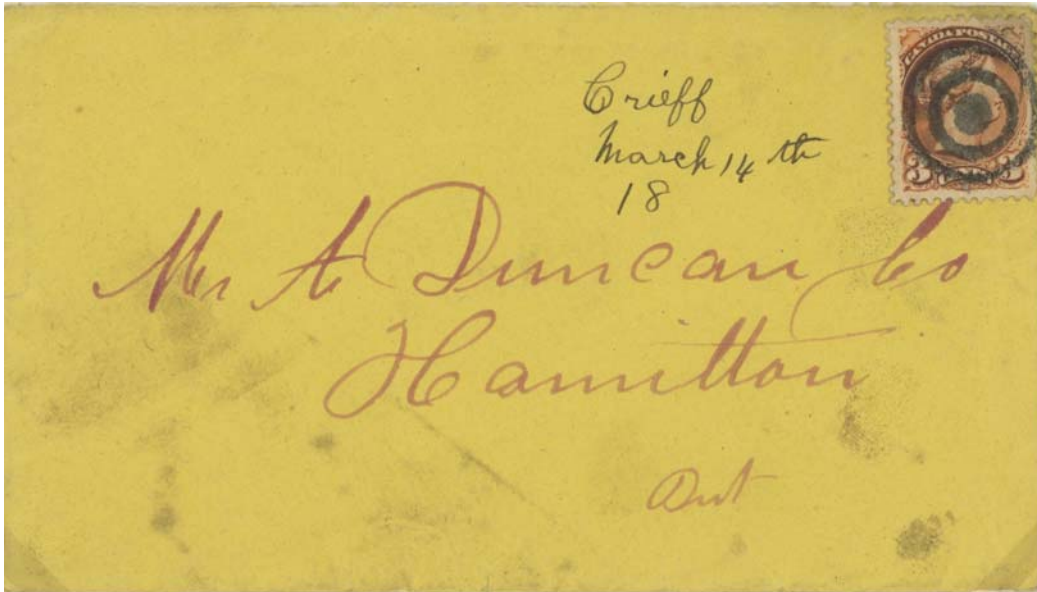
Perivale (Ont)–Manitowaning, 27 December 1880. Domestic letter rate.

Only reported ms.

Broken circle KAGAWONG ONT, known 1877–81.

Crieff, Ontario ms

Wellington Co, Ont. Post office open 1863–1912. First hamper for which postmarks are known, single broken circle; reported 1901–12.



Crieff (Ont)–Hamilton, 14 March 1881. 3 ¢ stamp pays domestic rate.

Courtice, Ontario ms

Durham Co, Ont. Post office open 1 May 1882–1963. First hammer, broken circle; proofed 1882, and known 1884–1960.



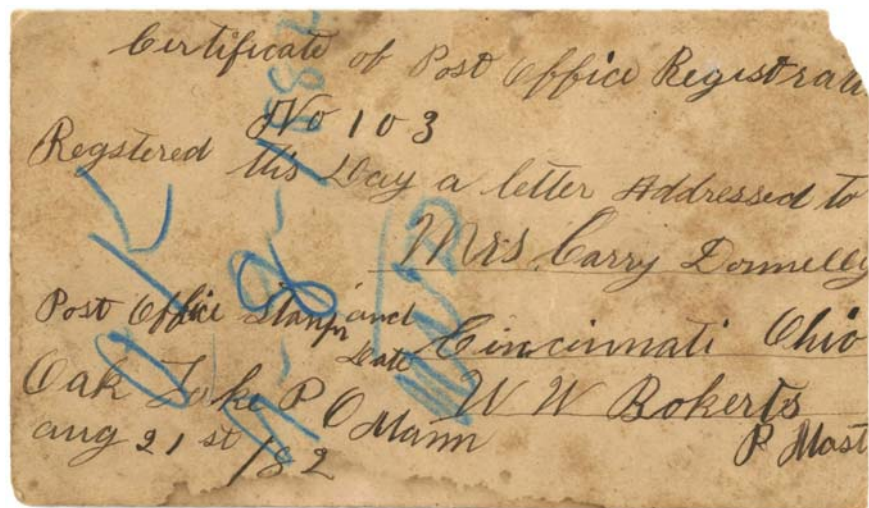
Courtice (Ont)–Hamilton, 22 May 1882. Domestic post card.

Oak Lake Manitoba ms

Post card used as registration receipt

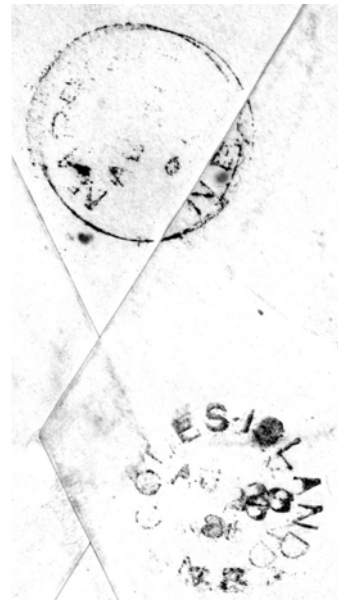
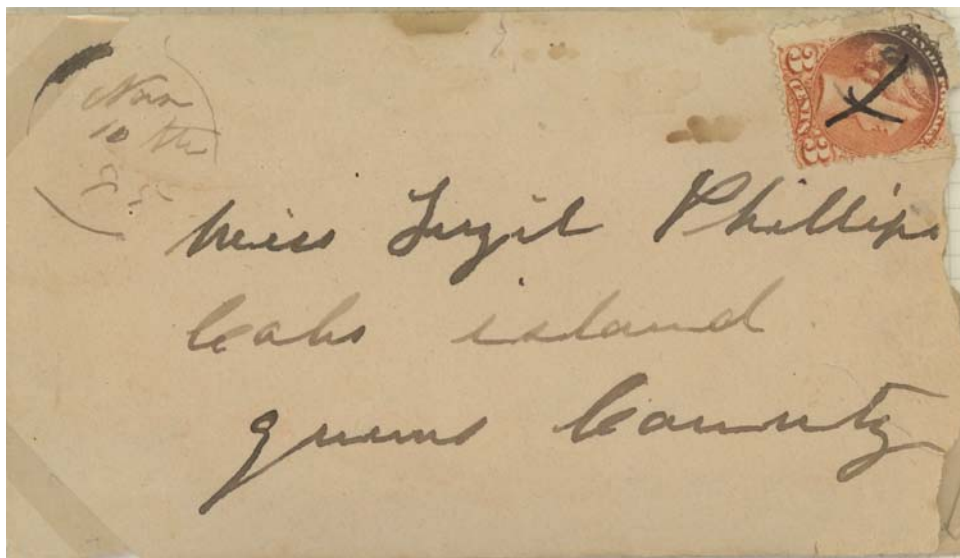
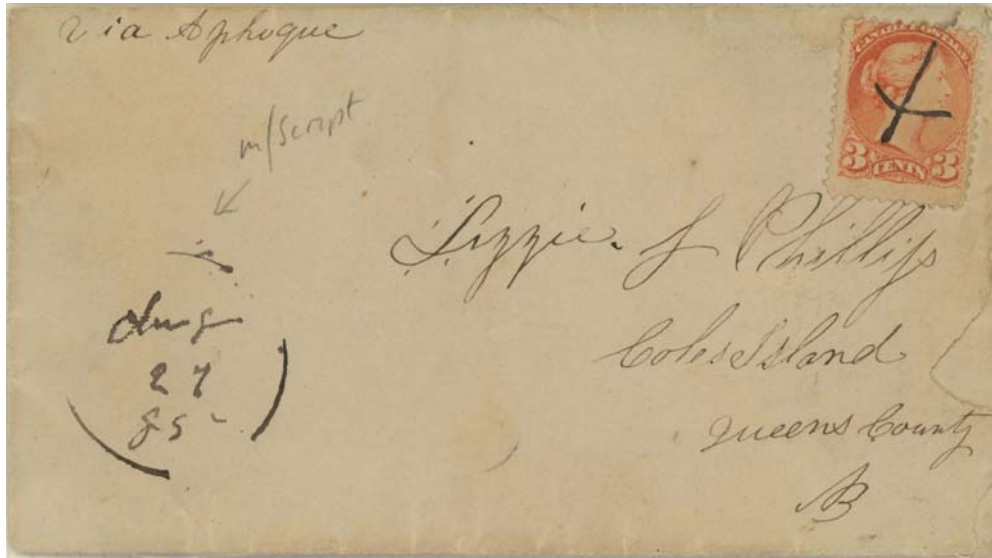


Oak Lake (MB) provisional registration receipt, 22 May 1882. Domestic post card, eventually handed to Cincinnati post office (blue endorsement on reverse), presumably as evidence of mailing (?).



Unknown, New Brunswick ms

No town name given (in both cases, the only word is the month). It is possibly Apohaqui (Kings County; post office opened 1868).



Unknown (NB)—Coles Island (NB), 27 August & 10 November 1885. Endorsed *Via Apohaqui*, probably Apohaqui. Domestic letter rate.

Broken circle COLES-ISLAND NB and circle NARROWS NB.

Lismore, Nova Scotia ms

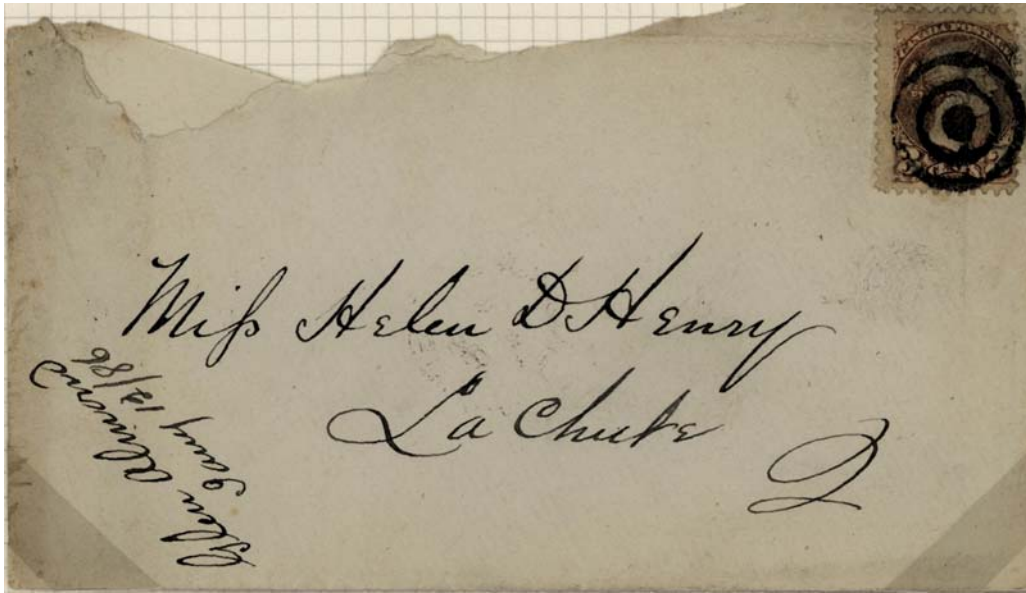
Pictou Co, NS. Post office open 1880–1937.



Lismore (NS)—Antigonish, 21 March 1886. Domestic letter.

Glen Almond, Québec ms

Ottawa Co, Que. Post office opened 1886. First hammer, broken circle; reported 1898–1917.



Glen Almond (Que)–Lachute, 12 January 1886. Domestic letter.

St Valérien, Québec ms

Ottawa Co, Que. Post office opened 1 March 1887. *First day of use.*



St Valérien (Que)—Québec, 1 March 1887. Domestic post card.

Red Bank, New Brunswick ms

Northumberland Co, N B. Post office opened 1854. First hamper, 1888.



Red Bank (N B)—Fredericton, 19 November 1888. Domestic letter.

St Herménégilde Quebec ms

Destination. Stanstead Co, L.C. Post office opened as Evangeline 1865; renamed St Herménégilde 1871. First hammer broken circle, no reported strikes. Second hammer broken circle, known from 1907.



Coaticook (L.C.)—St Herménégilde, February 1891. Registered domestic letter, unclaimed at destination (*Pas réclamé*), and sent to dead letter office (Ottawa); presumably returned to sender in a covering envelope, as the return address was not visible.



Ellen's Town, NB ms

Northumberland Co, N B. Post office open 1 October 1891–1912. First hammer, broken circle, proofed 2 November 1891.



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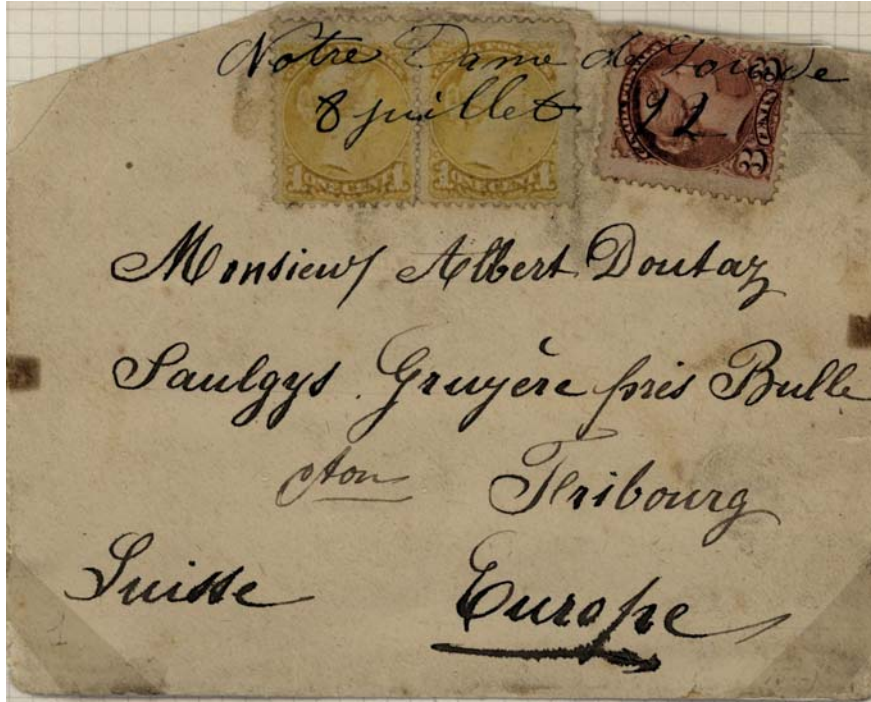


Ellenstown (N B)—Fairhaven (WA), 23 October 1891. Domestic letter rate.

Broken circle FULLERTON N.B.

Notre Dame de Lourde, Manitoba ms

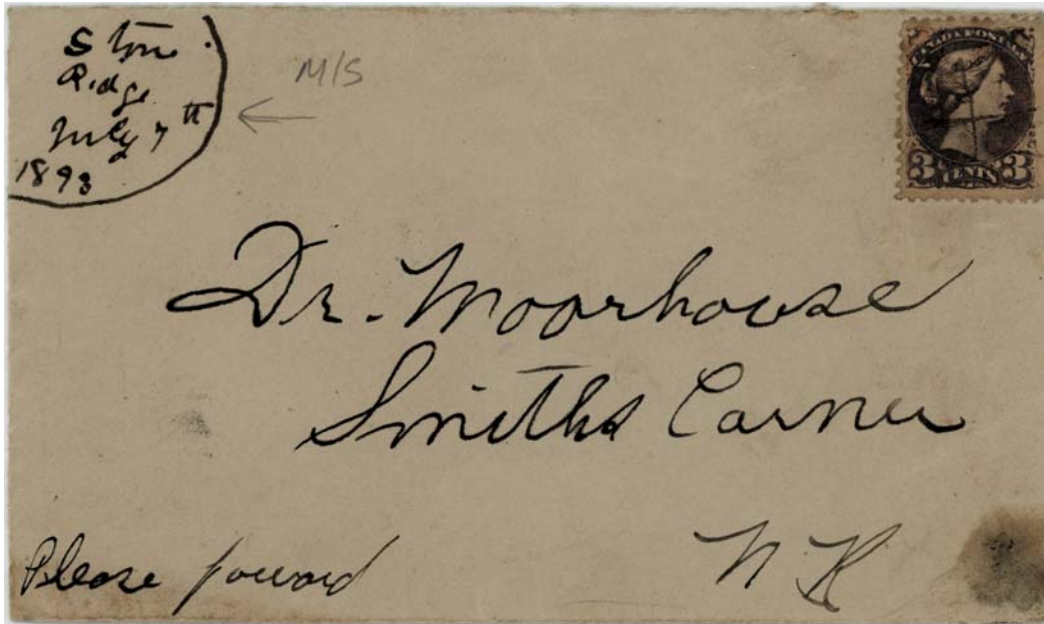
Selkirk Co, M B. Post office opened 1892.



Notre Dame de Lourde (M B)—Freibourg (Switzerland), 8 July 1892 (front). International (U P U) letter rate.

Stone Ridge, New Brunswick ms

Partially encircled. York Co, NB. Post office opened 1 June 1893. First hammer, broken circle; proofed 8 July 1893.



Stone Ridge (NB)—Smiths Corner (NB), 7 July 1893 (day before first hammer was proofed). Domestic letter. The post office at Smiths Corner did not open until 1 December 1893.

Nelsonville Ontario ms

Sudbury district, Ontario. Probable opening date 1 January 1892; closed 1897. First and only hammer, broken circle proofed 23 January 1892; reported 19 March 1892–1896.



Nelsonville (Ont)–Toronto, 6 January 1892. Domestic registered letter; registered letter stamp has portion of marginal imprint at bottom.

Only reported ms.

Goldenburg, Ontario ms

Algoma District, Ont. Post office open 1 October 1893–1950. First and only hammer, broken circle; proofed 1893, and known 1907–46.



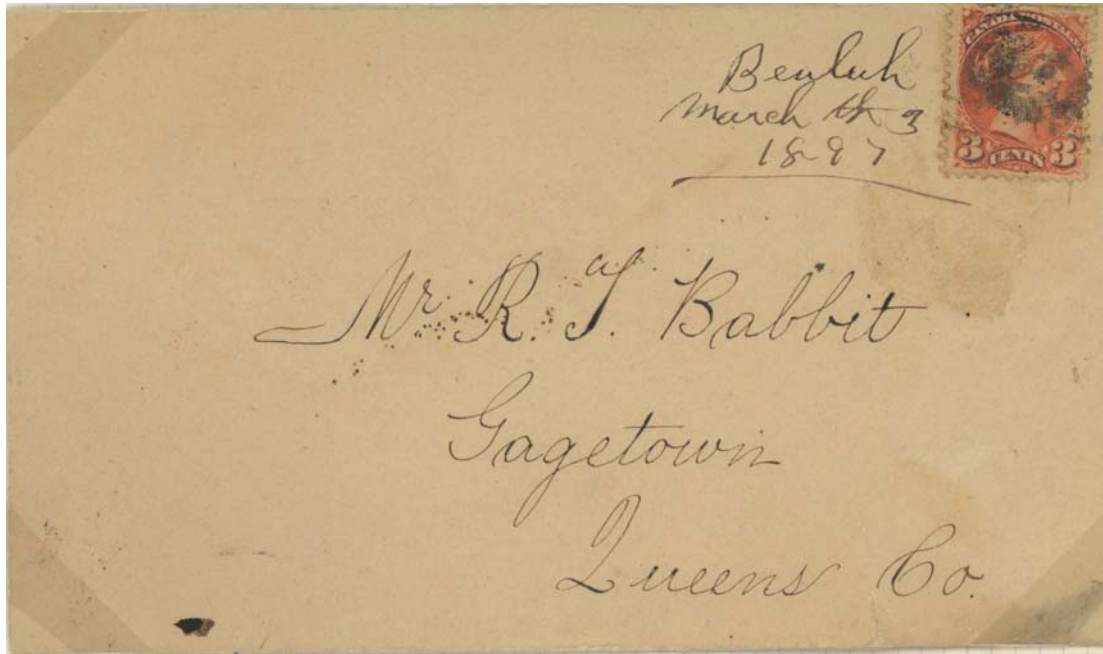
Goldenburg (Ont)–Knowlton (Que), 7 November 1893. Domestic registered (5¢) letter rate (3¢).

Only reported ms.

Broken circle SOWERBY ONT, known 1892–46.

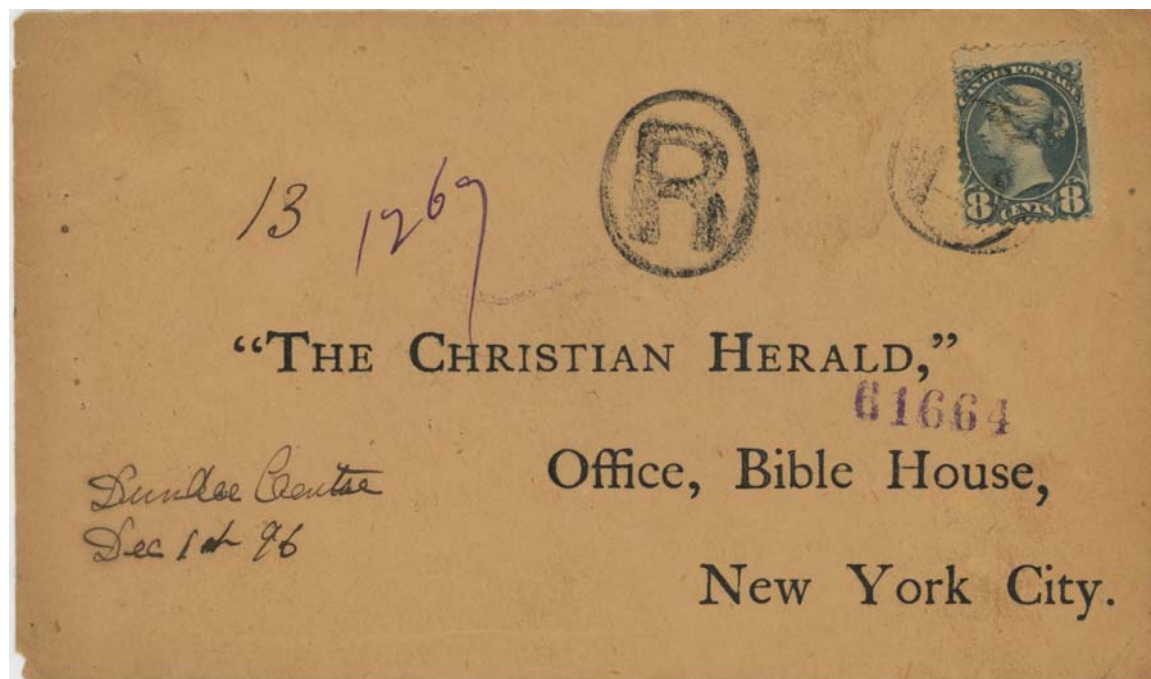
Beulah, New Brunswick ms

York Co, N B. Post office open 1 January 1897–29. First and only hammer, broken circle proofed 1908.



Beulah (N B)—Gagetown, 3 March 1897. Domestic letter.

Dundee Centre Quebec ms and first hammer after reopening
 Huntington Co, Que. Post office open 1864–83, and again November 1896–1913.



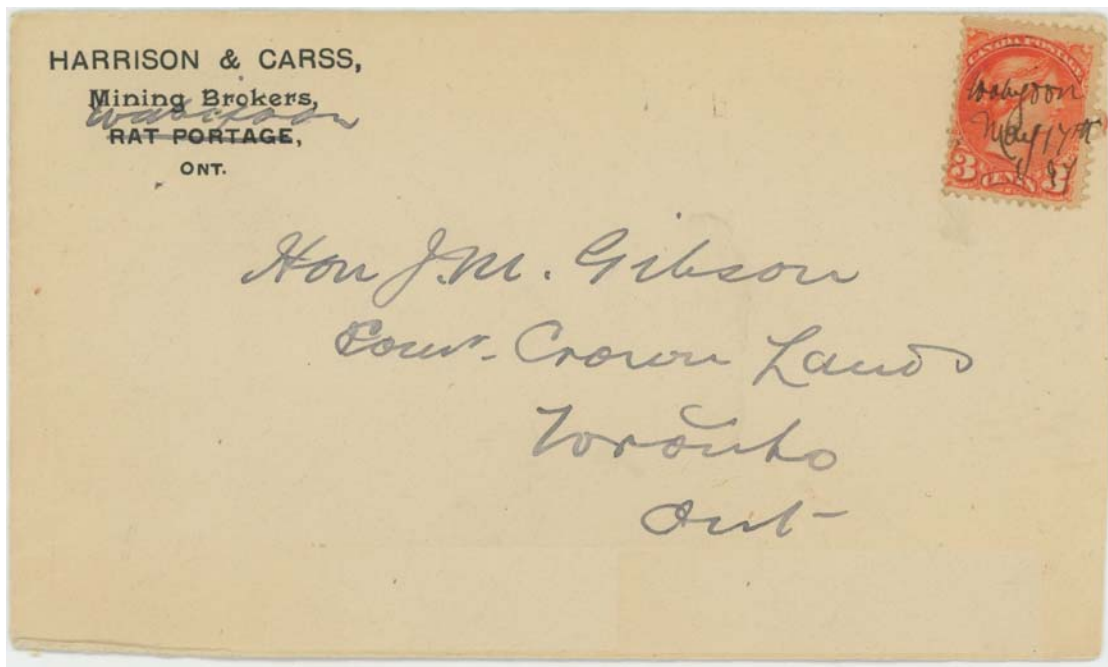
Dundee Centre (Que)–New York, 1 December 1896. Registered letter, combined 5¢ registration and (domestic) rate to U.S.



Dundee Centre–New York, 1897. Rated as above. Broken circle.

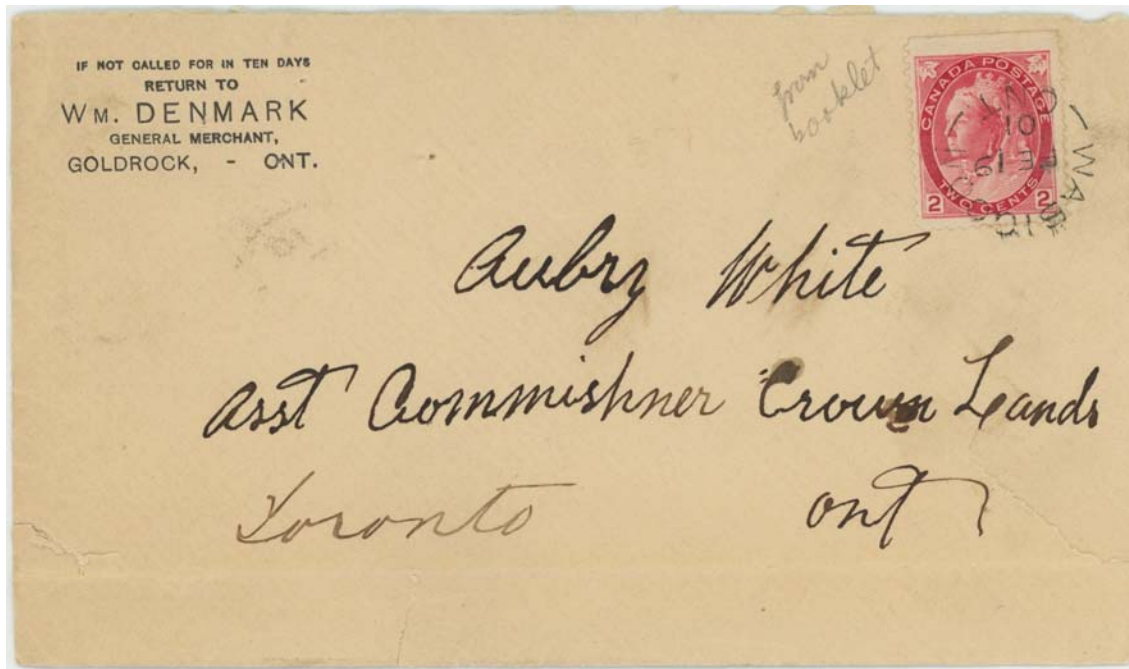
Wabigoon Ontario, ms and first hammer ms

Kenora district. Post office opened 1 May 1897. First hammer broken circle, known 1897–1909



Wabigoon (Ont)–Toronto, 17 May 1897. Domestic letter.

Only reported ms.



Wabigoon–Toronto, 1901. Domestic letter.

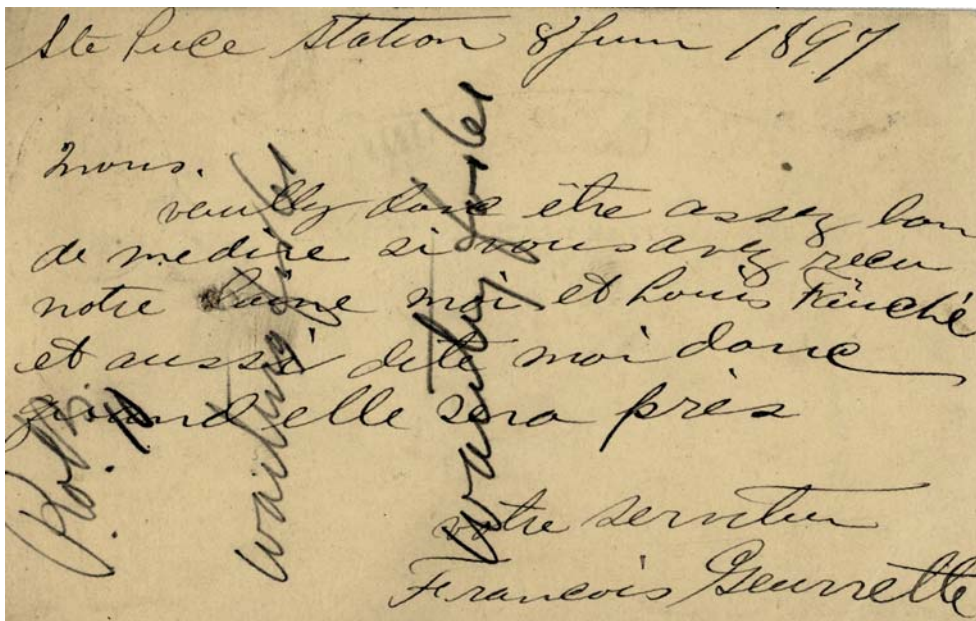
St Luce Station, New Brunswick ms

No such post office is known. However, it might have been endorsed by the letter carrier on route.



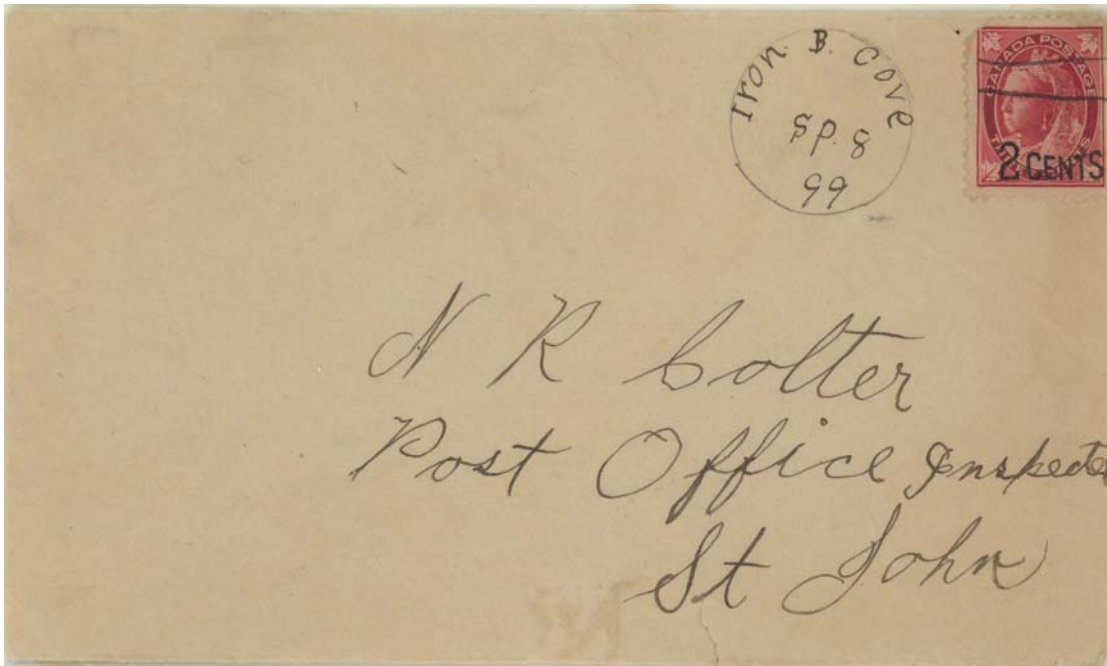
St Luce Station (NB)—Moncton, 8 June 1897. Domestic postcard.

Only reported ms.



Iron B(ound) Cove, New Brunswick ms

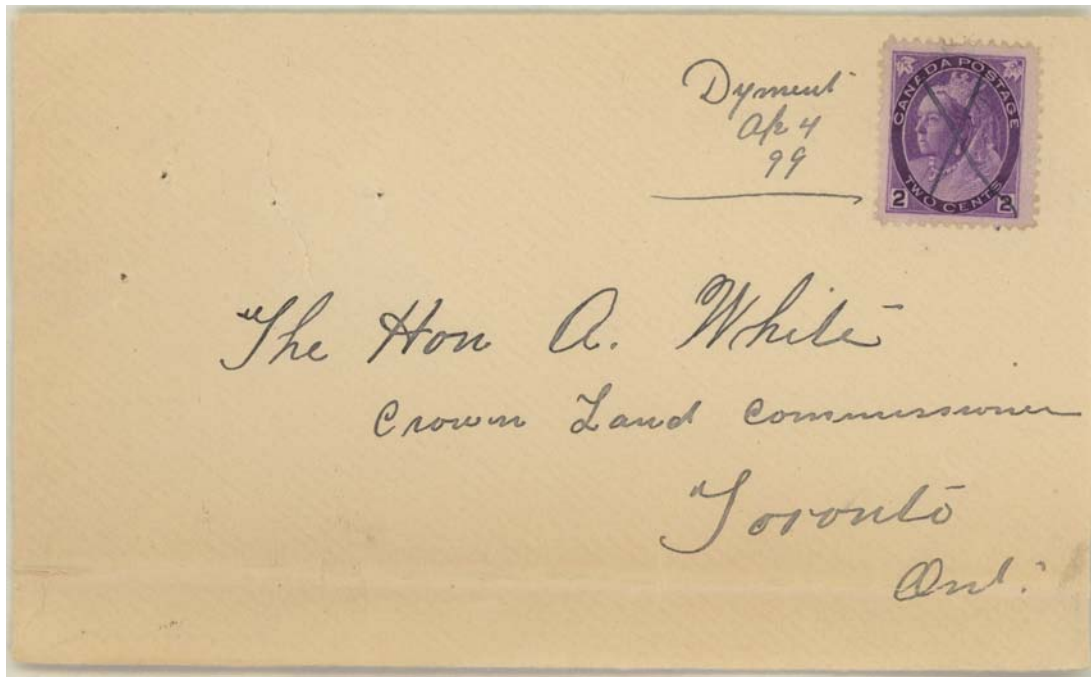
Encircled. Queens Co, N B. Post office open 1 September 1899–1930. First and only hammer, broken circle proofed 1929.



Iron B Cove (N B)—Saint John, 8 September 1899. Domestic letter rate (dropped to 2¢, 1 January 1899).

Dyment, Ontario ms

Kenora Co, Ont. Post office open 1 April 1899–1974. First hammer, broken circle; known 14 September 1899–1935.



*Dyment (Ont)–Toronto, 4 April 1899 (fourth day of opening). Domestic letter.
Only reported ms.*

River Valley, Ontario ms

Nipissing Co, Ont. Post office open 1 January 1900–1 July 1901, and reopened in 1903. First hammer, broken circle; one strike known 14 April 1900.



River Valley (Ont)–Toronto, 2 February 1900. Domestic post card (quasiphilatelic).
Only reported ms.

Roundwood, Ontario ms

Algoma district, Ont. Post office open 15 March 1900–1914. First hammer, broken circle; one strike known, 22 June 1906.

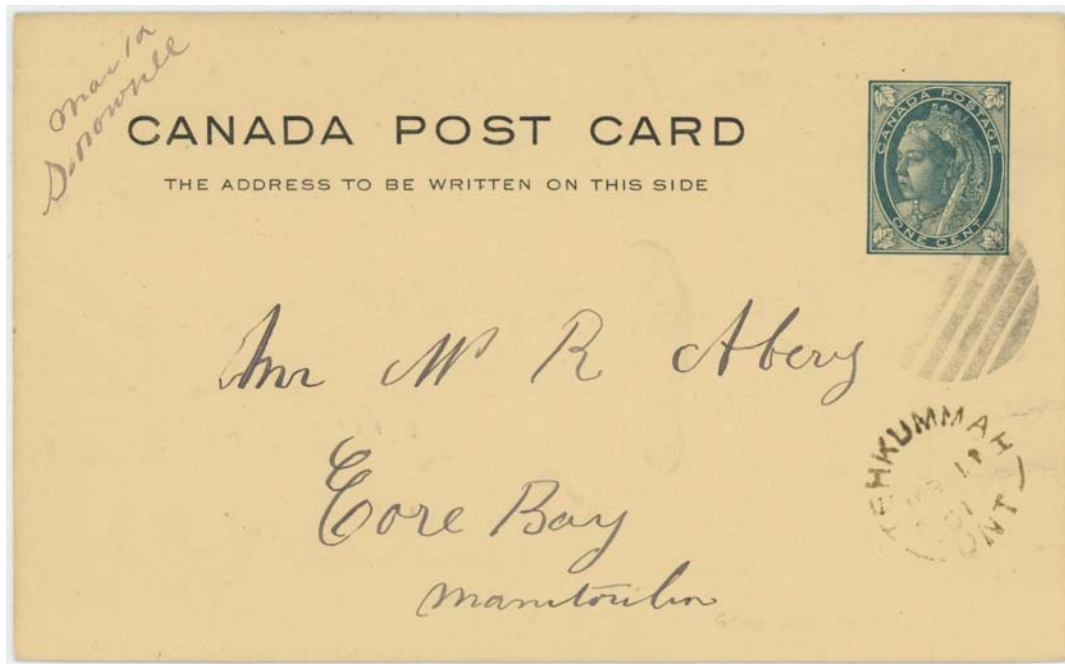


Roundwood (Ont)–Toronto, 6 April 1900. Domestic letter.

Only reported ms.

Snowville Ontario ms and first hammer

Manitoulin Co, Ontario. Post office open 1901–1935. Postmaster could not spell the name of the town.



Snowvill (U C)–Gore Bay, 12 March 1901. Post card.

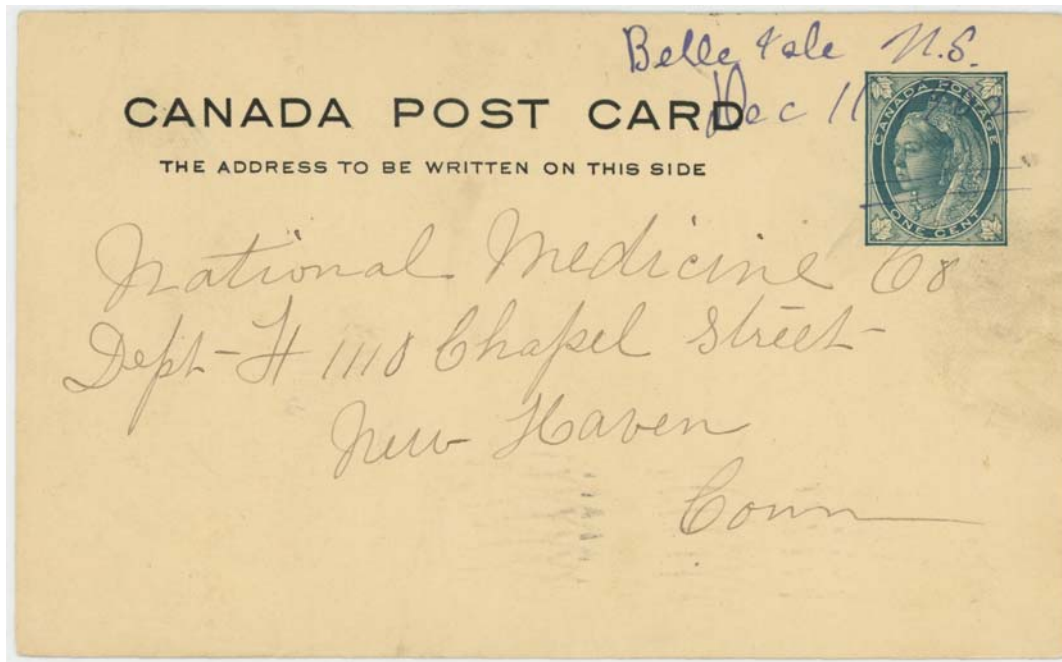
TEHKUMMAH ONT, broken circle; known 1899–1901 (latest reported strike). Gore Bay squared circle.



Snowville–Waskado (Man), 1910. Post card. Broken circle; one other strike known (1935).



Belle Isle, NS ms and first hammer
 Annapolis Co, NS. Post office open 1873–1912.



Belle Isle (NS)–New Haven, 11 December 1902. Post card.



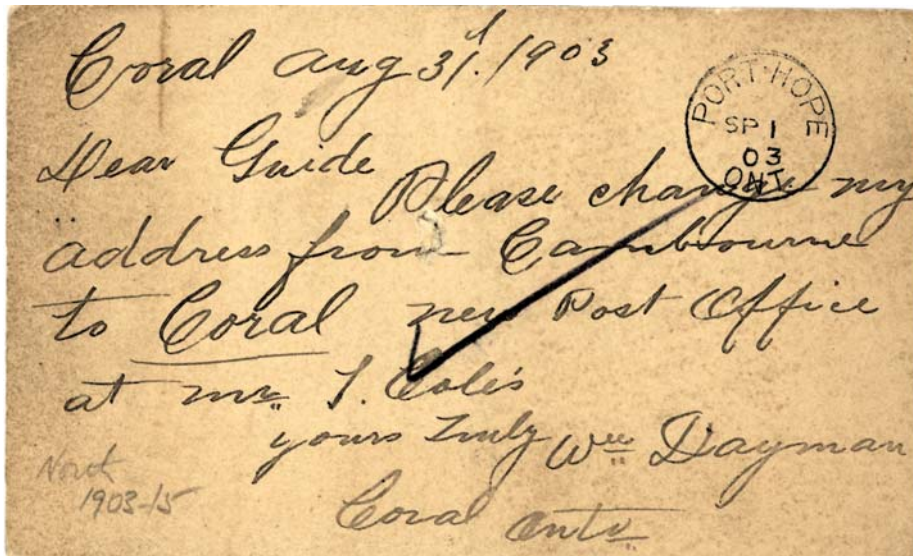
Belle Isle–Halifax, 1908. Post card. Broken circle.

Coral, Ontario ms

Northumberland Co, Ont. Post office open 1 September 1903–1915. *First day of use.* First hammer, broken circle; one strike known, 23 December 1912.



Coral (Ont)–Toronto, 1 September 1903. Domestic letter.
Only reported ms.



Please change my address from Cambourne to Coral; new post office at Mr J Cole's.

Cosby, Ontario ms

Sudbury Co, Ont. Post office open 1904–1911. First hammer, broken circle; known 1907–08.



Cosby (Ont)–Toronto, 12 December 1904. Domestic letter.

Only reported ms.

WARREN ONT second hammer; broken circle, reported 1898–1906.

ST CHARLES ONT only hammer, known 1904–48.

White Glen, New Brunswick ms

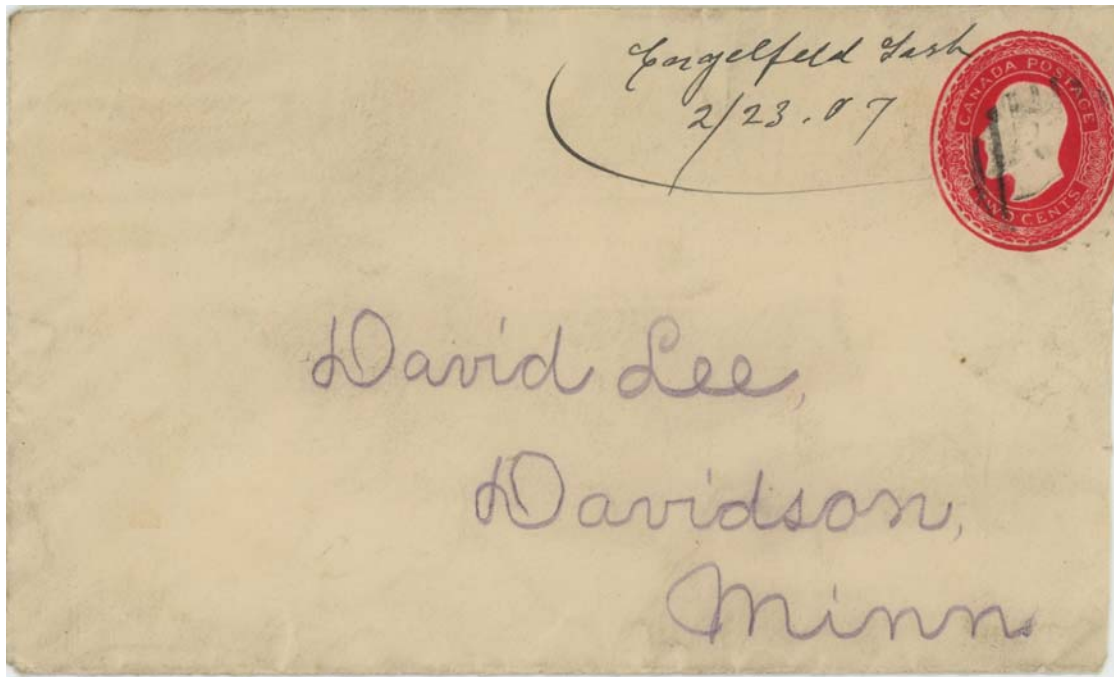
Oddly shaped. Carleton Co, N B. Post office open 1 June 1905–November 1911. First and only hammer, broken circle, proofed 1908.



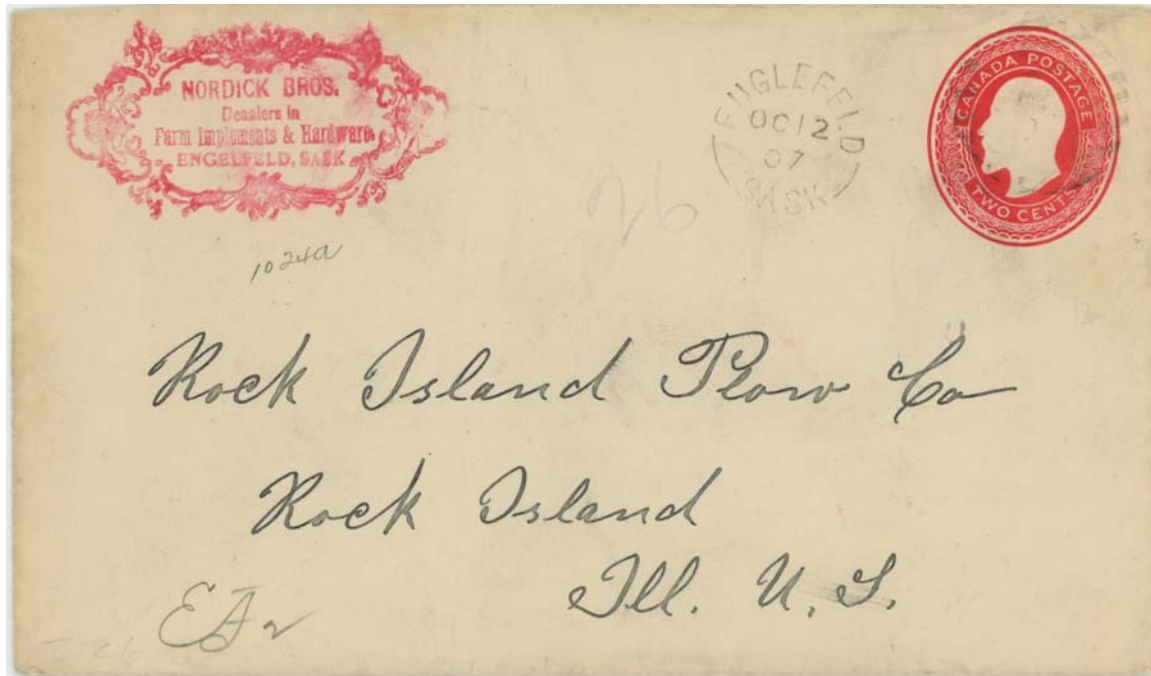
White Glen (N B)–Fredericton, 24 June 1905. Domestic post card.

Engelfield Saskatchewan ms and first hammer

Post office opened 1 February 1907.



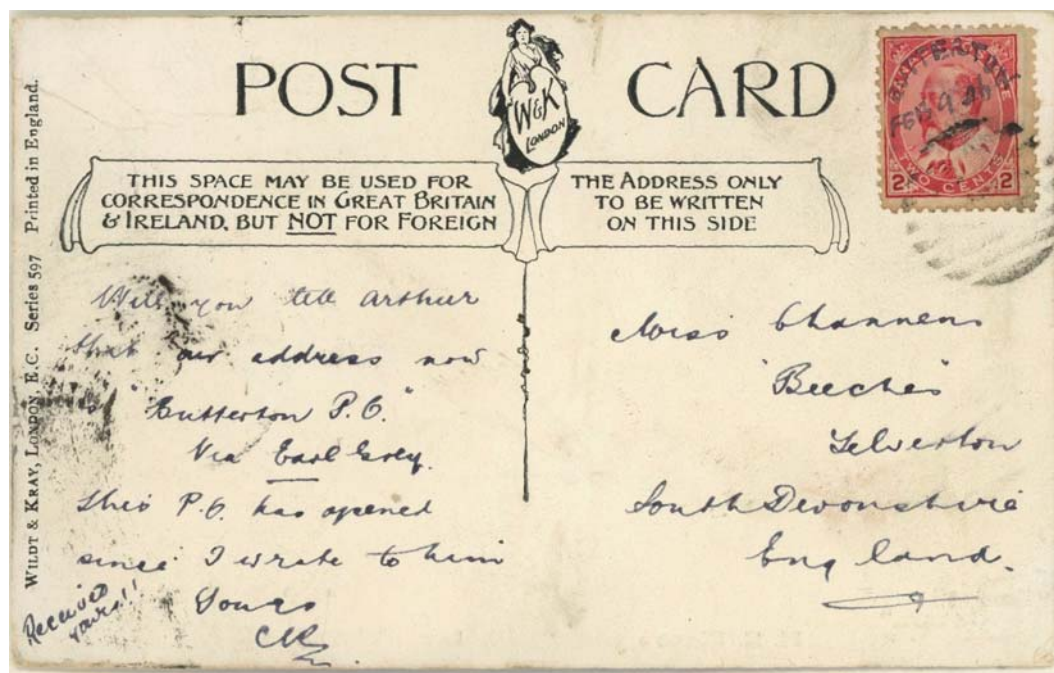
Engelfield (Sask)–Davidson (MN), 23 February 1907. U S (domestic) rate.



Engelfield–Rock Island (IL), 1907. Broken circle.

Butterton, [Saskatchewan](#) ms

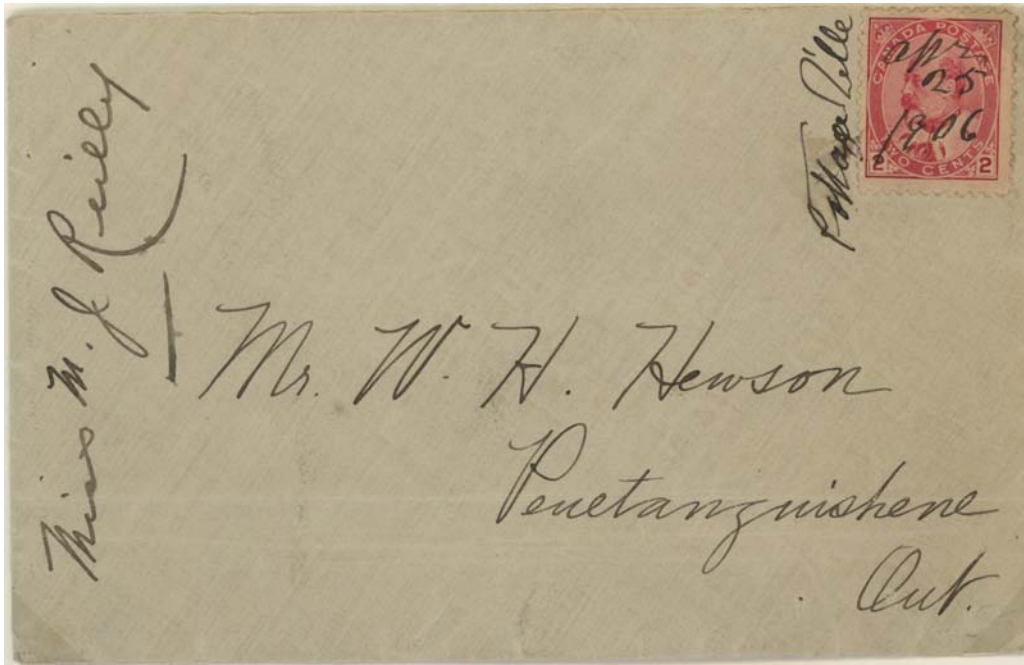
Tiny printing on stamp. Forty miles north of Regina. Named for the local dairy industry. Post office open 1 February 1906–1929.



Butterton (S K)—South Devonshire (U K), 24 June 1906. Empire rate post card.

Pottageville, Ontario ms

York Co, Ont. Post office open 1876–1918, reopening and closing several times in that period, finally re-opening 16 April 1906. No hammers known after this date.



Pottageville (Ont)–Penetang, 25 April 1906. Domestic letter.

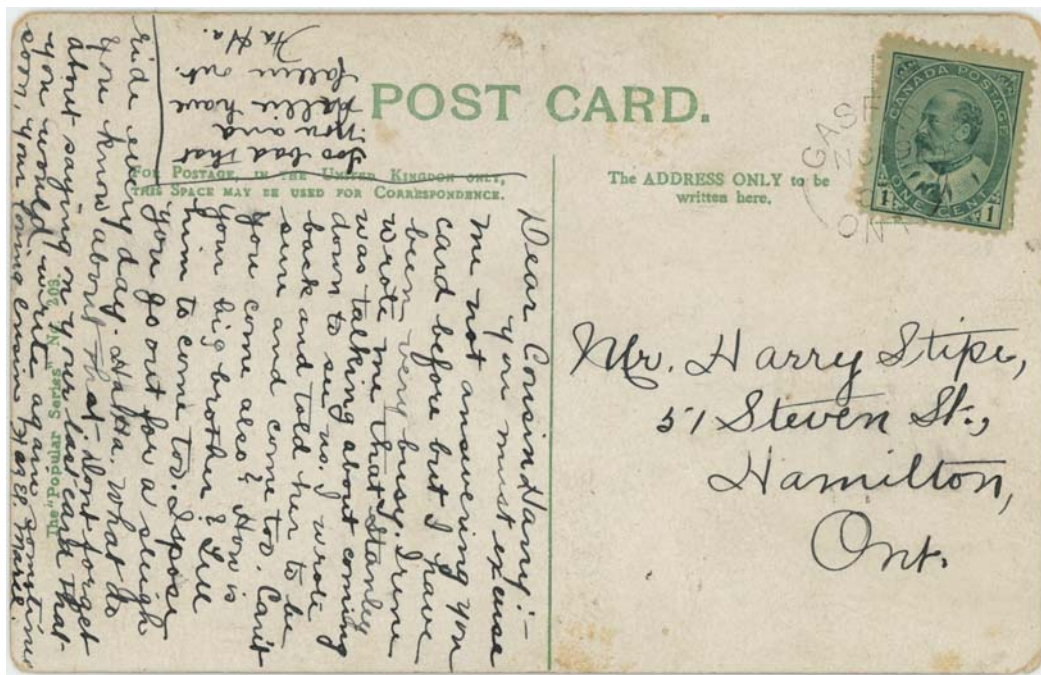
Only reported ms.

Gasfield, Ontario ms and first hammer
Haldimand Co, Ont. Post office open 1904–1914.



Gasfield (Ont)–Dunnville, 12 September 1907. Picture post card.

Only reported ms



Gasfield–Hamilton, 1908. Picture post card.

Only Gasfield hammer; proofed 9 September 1907 and known 1908–14.

Presqu'île Point, Ontario ms

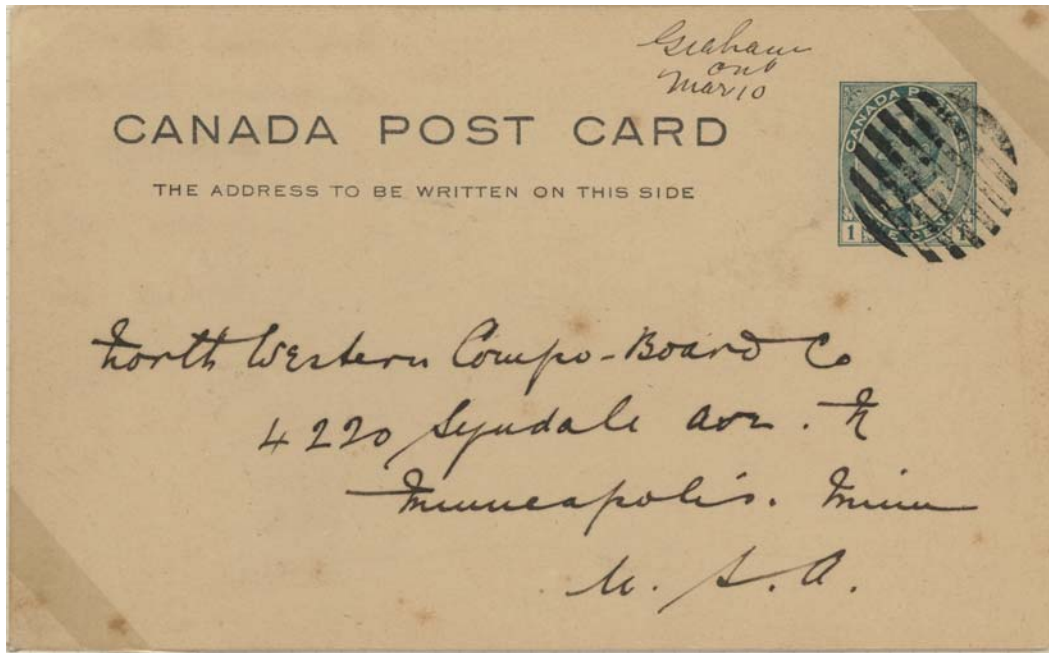
Northumberland Co, Ont. Post office open 1 July 1908–1969. Only hammer, broken circle, proofed 6 July 1908; one strike known (1915).



*Presqu'île Point (Ont)–Charlotte (NY), 11 July 1908. Post card to U.S.
Only reported ms.*

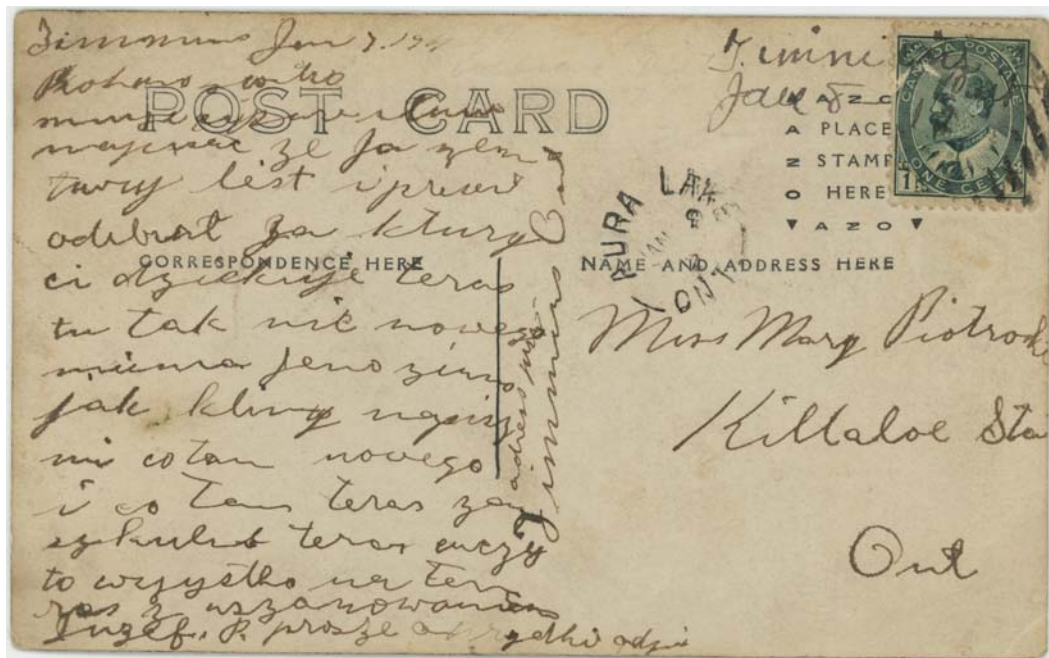
Graham, Ontario ms

Kenora district, Ont. Post office open 1911–1913, reopening 1924. One hammer was proofed 9 March 1911, but no strikes have been reported.



Graham (Ont)–Minneapolis, 10 March 1911. Domestic/US postcard.
Only reported ms.

Timmins, Ontario ms and first hammer
Nippissing Co, Ont. Post office opened 1912.



Timmins (Ont)–Killaloe Station, 10 January 1913. Post card; text is written in Polish.

Only reported ms

AURA LAKE ONT (Cochrane County) broken circle, proofed 1910, only reported strike.



Timmins–Ottawa, 1916. Duplex

Someone playing a game

Likely not carried in the mail. Stamp placed with the intent of posting; then, it appears that it was to be hand-delivered. Then sender applied machine cancel-like lines and two imitation circle markings applied, one of which is dated 26 November 1910 (the other is illegible). In both cases, the writing around the rim appears to read *Ont No 26* followed by four letters (two of which may be γ (gamma) or inverted *l* (el)). After the lines through the stamp were applied, someone attempted unsuccessfully to remove the stamp.

