

INTERNATIONAL

Four Known Transatlantic; One to Germany  
Third Earliest Known  
April 16, 1853



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 blue Phila integral 5 cent cds blue Phila cds  
New York exchange office cds red Aachen transit postmark reverse blue Ausgabe cds reverse



BLUE & PINK

Three Known Panes of 25



One Known Trial Color Proof  
Block of 4



Four Known Transatlantic; One to Scotland  
September 26, 1853



acid cancel tied Blood's datestamp  
irregular block six 3 cent postal issue, two removed, cancel tied by blue Phila cds  
red 1853 Liverpool arrival postmark Aberdeen cds on reverse Boston cds reverse



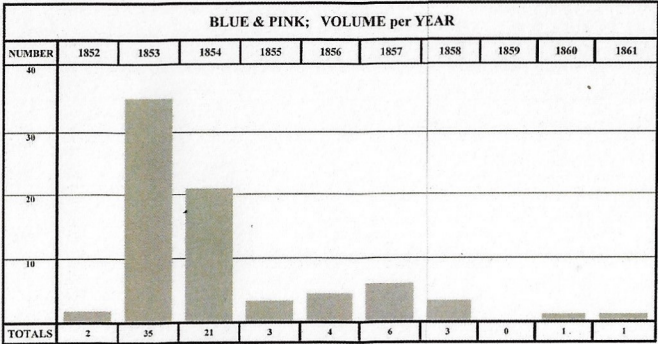
One Known to Canada  
One Known with 1 Cent Postal Issue  
October 12, 1853



acid cancel Blood's Handstamp Type 17 red UdStates/PAID exchange postmark  
single 1 cent and three 3 cent postal issues, cancel tied twice by blue Phila cds

BLOOD'S PENNY POST delivers Letters, Papers and Circulars throughout the City and to the Post Office, at one cent each, if prepaid, or five cents for city letters, payable on delivery. Letters to the Post Office, and answers to advertisements, must in all cases be prepaid one cent. At 7, 9, 1, and 3 P.M., to the Post Office. Despatch Stamps and Government Stamps for sale at all the principal box stations. STAMPED ENVELOPES of buff, white, and laid paper, (extra quality) for sale at the PRINCIPAL OFFICE, No. 30 ARCADE. Persons having any suspicion of the establishment will confer a favor by stating particulars to the proprietors. BLOOD'S DESPATCH POST has, by strict attention to the wants of the community, become a necessary adjunct to every business and professional man. The recommendations of the press, and encomiums bestowed by individuals occupying the highest positions in the community, point to it as the MODEL PENNY POST of this country. DANIEL O. BLOOD, CHAS. KOCHERSPERGER, Proprietors.

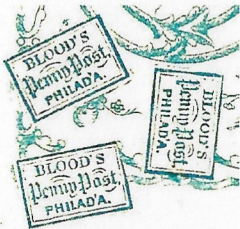
Blood's Penny Post by name first appeared in newspapers December 4, 1852.



Blue & Pink stamps on 147 covers, 76 year specific. Greatest 1853.



Three stamps in shape of a heart, underpaid by two stamps, likely reason for Blood's late delivery February 15th.



Four Known Valentines  
One with 3 Stamps  
February 15, 1854



Type 17 Handstamp was Blood's first 20 mm diameter; known from September 4, 1851 until January 11, 1855. Blood's first with time of delivery.



Type 17



three single stamps acid cancel    Blood's Handstamp Type 17    large ornate envelope    lace valentine enclosure    local address    ©

February 5, 1853 Public Ledger

**NO UNPAID LETTERS OR VALENTINES** will be delivered by "BLOOD'S DESPATCH," from the 10th to the 15th of February. Large and costly Valentines must be sent by Special Messengers, in which case they must be left at the Office, registered, and the Special Messenger charge, 5 or 10 cts., according to distance, paid thereon.

**Office No. 30 ARCADE.**

Large and costly Valentines must be sent by Special Messenger, in which case they must be left at the Office, registered, and the Special Messenger charge, 5 or 10 cts...

Blood's Principle Office in Arcade Building



Blood's Handstamp Type 17    addressed to Blood's Despatch, Arcae



Four Known Valentine  
2 with One Stamp

1 CENT:  
1 cent to local address



acid cancel large embossed envelope fancy valentine enclosure local address

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**FANCY LARGE & SMALL LADIES ENVELOPES.** Large valentine to Dr. Lewis was seriously short of the 5 stamps for special messenger, likely held at the Arcade office. Three of four known valentines are in this frame; only 2 known enclosures. Small ladies envelopes shown below.

4 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
3 cents to Princeton, NJ

One Narrow Envelopes  
June 24, 1853



acid cancel tied blue Phila integral 5 cent cds tied  
Blood's handstamp Philadelphia to Pottsville, PA 97 miles

Small Envelope  
November 9, 1853



acid cancel Blood's Handstamp  
3 cent postal issue cancel tied by blue Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Princeton, NJ 45 miles



Two Known on U.S. Postal Stationary Type 1  
October 5, 1853



Two Known on U.S. Postal Stationary Type 2  
November 17, 1853



acid cancel tied, blue Phila cds tied Philadelphia to Dolington, PA 31 miles

Act of Congress August 31, 1852 authorized prepaid "letter envelopes;" contract awarded to George Nesbitt, available in Philadelphia June 7, 1853. Red Nesbitt seal on backflap. Eight known with this Blood's stamp.



Four known single stamp valentines, delivery one day late confirmed by Type 17 handstamp.

acid cancel tied  
Blood's Handstamp  
blue Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Scottsville,  
VA 272 miles

One Known "Valuable"  
June 25, 1853



acid cancel tied Bloods Handstamp Type 17 manuscript "Valuable"  
3 cent 1851 postal issue cancel tied by blue Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Abington, PA 13 miles



Reverse

Ornate Valentine Envelope  
February 15, 1854



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 local address

One Known to Philadelphia County  
March 27, 1853



acid cancel, tied by blue Phila integral 5 cents cds Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
Philadelphia to Holmesburg, PA 9 miles



2 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
1 cent carrier delivery

WESTERN SPRING GARDEN

Tied by Philadelphia CDS  
February, 1854



uncancelled tied by Phila cds numeral 1 in double octagon handstamp ©

2 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
1 cent carrier delivery

Tied by Numeral 1 in Double Octagon  
September 21, 1854



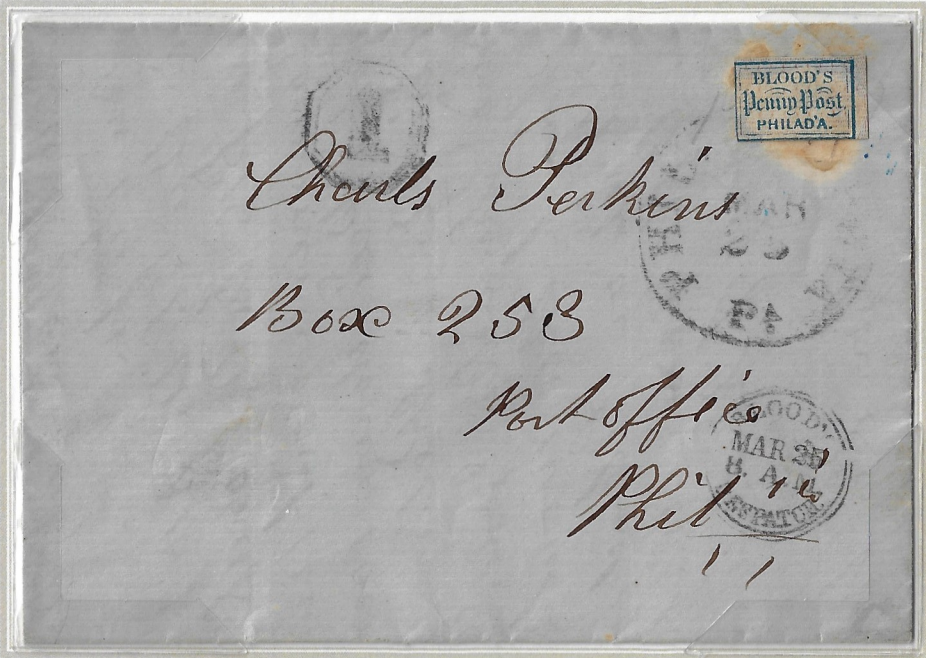
acid cancel tied numeral 1 in double octagon handstamp tied Phila cds ©

CITY LETTERS

In addition to outbound letters, Blood's delivered to the post office letters for adjacent districts and drop letters. By January of 1854 Philadelphia postal markings were black. Previous markings had been in blue.



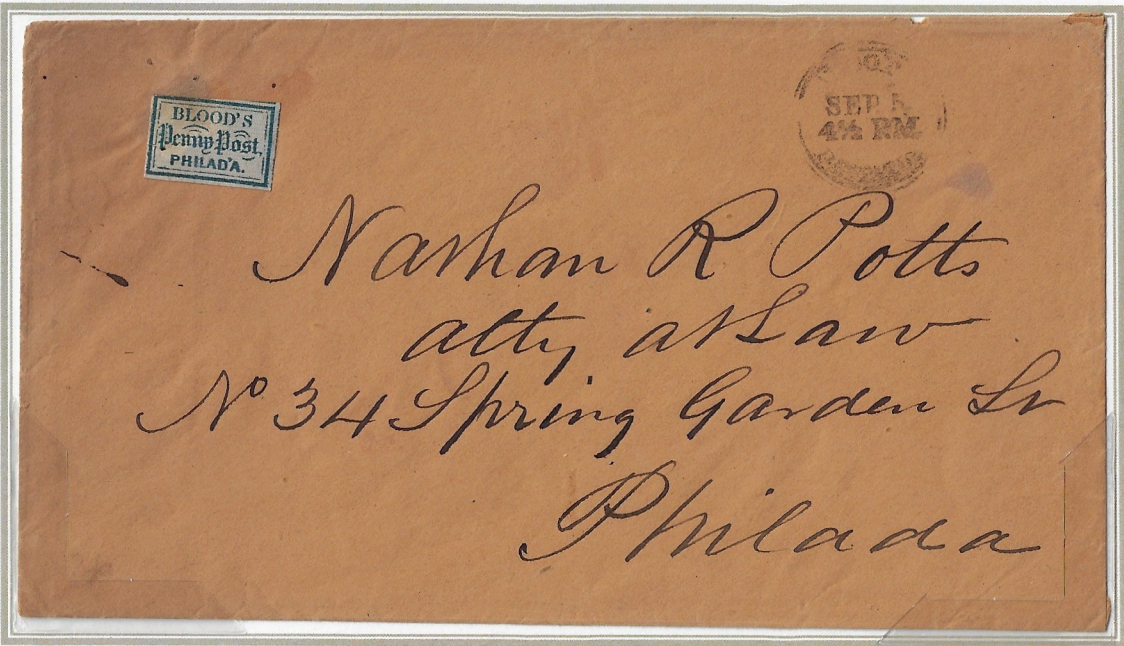
One Known Drop Letter  
March 25, 1854



acid cancel tied, Phila cds tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 numeral 1 in double octagon for drop letter ©

Eastern Spring Garden Delivery  
September 5, 1853

1 CENT:  
1 cent Bloods delivery



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 local address ©



16 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
5 cents due Ashland, OH  
5 cents due Hudson, OH  
5 cents due Middlebury, OH

One Known Forwarded Twice  
April 6, 1854



acid cancel tied, blue Hudson, OH cds tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
Philadelphia integral 5 cent cds matching italicized numeral 5 struck out  
Ashland cds blue Hudson cds manuscript 15 due  
Philadelphia to Middlebury, OH 589 miles

One Known to Tennessee  
One Known Albino Advertising Corner Card  
December 24, 1854



reduced 35%



acid cancel tied, Phila cds tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
3 cent 1851 postal issue cancel tied by Phila cds Philadelphia to Memphis, TN 1,006 miles

7 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
6 cents double to DC

Two Known with Pair 1857 Postal Issues  
December 25, 1857



© acid cancel Blood's Handstamp Type 21 Phila cds two 1857 3 cent postal issues, grid cancel  
Philadelphia to Washington, DC 137 miles

TEESE & Co  
PENNY POST

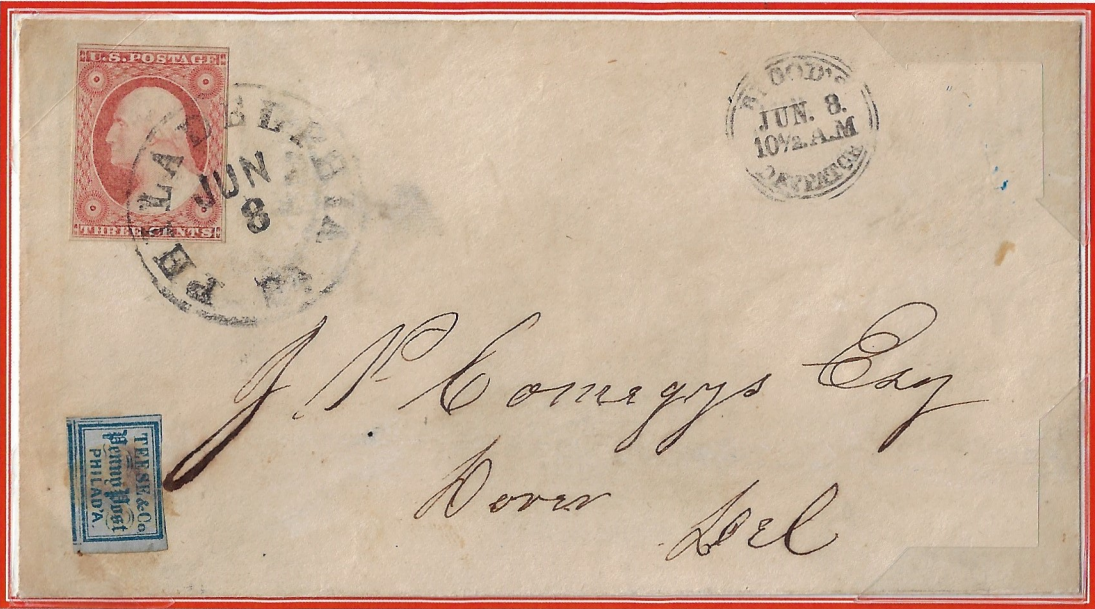


enlarged 25%

MISTAKEN SERVICE

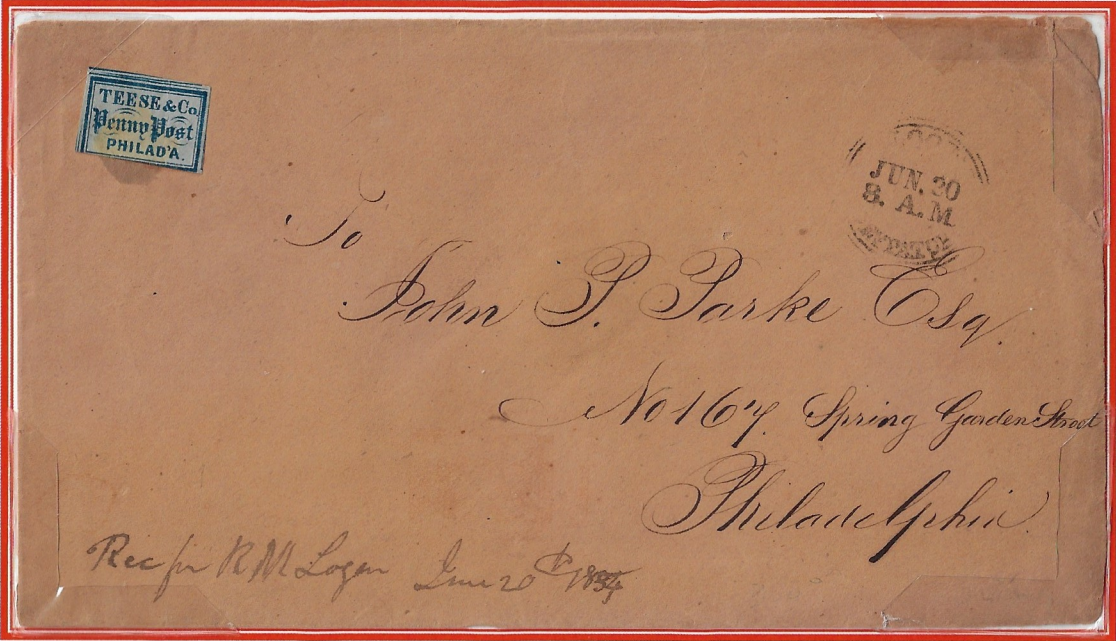
Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Competitor Teese & Co mimicked Blood's Penny Post blue & pink stamps. Teese prepaid stamp was dropped into Blood's collection box and serviced by Blood's confirmed by dated handstamp. One known outbound at top; one known local delivery at bottom.

One Known Blood's Mistaken Outbound Service  
June 8, 1854



Teese Penny Post acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
3 cent 1851 postal issue tied by Phila cds Philadelphia to Dover, DE 75 miles

One Known Blood's Mistaken City Service  
June 30, 1854



Teese Penny Post acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 1 Spring Garden address



24  
9 K-R AMERICA  
UBER BREMEN

One Known Transatlantic: Germany  
May 16, 1854



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 New York Packet cds  
Red American Uber Bremen straightline reverse numeral 30 handstamp  
manuscript 33 addressed to Gaborau

Embossed Envelope  
April 8, 1854



BLACK; VOLUME per YEAR									
NUMBER	1853	1854	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860	
30									
20									
10									
TOTALS	0	39	1	0	0	0	0	1	0

Black stamps identified on 39 covers,  
32 year specific, greatest 1854.

BLACK



Enlarged 50%

One Known from Europe; Greece  
July 1, 1854



No unused singles, blocks, proofs,  
or essays are known to exhibitor.

Athens, June 2, 1854.

One Known Valentine

Three stamps short of required 5  
for Special Messenger service  
with handstamp. Two stamps  
warrented regular service but was  
still delivered on February 14th.

Earliest Known  
February 14, 1854





4 CENTS:  
1 cent to post office  
3 cents to Georgia

One Known Collar Advertisement  
One Known to Georgia  
May 8, 1854



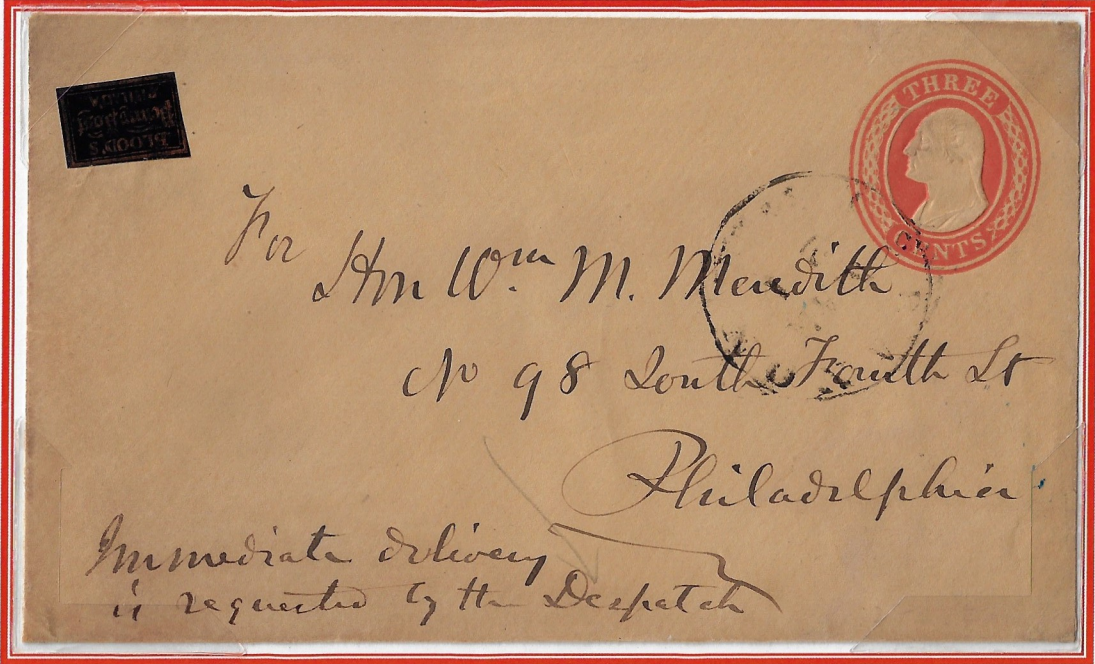
acid cancel tied    Blood's Handstamp Type 17    3 cent 1851 postal issue    ©  
Philadelphia to Savannah, GA 716 miles

Philadelphia Carrier Department had been selling black one cent stamps, perhaps making this Blood's stamp less noticeable. Unattractive and lasted but one year.

Highly unusual was inbound mail given by Phila Post Office to Bloods for delivery. Likely an accommodation for Honorable Meredith.

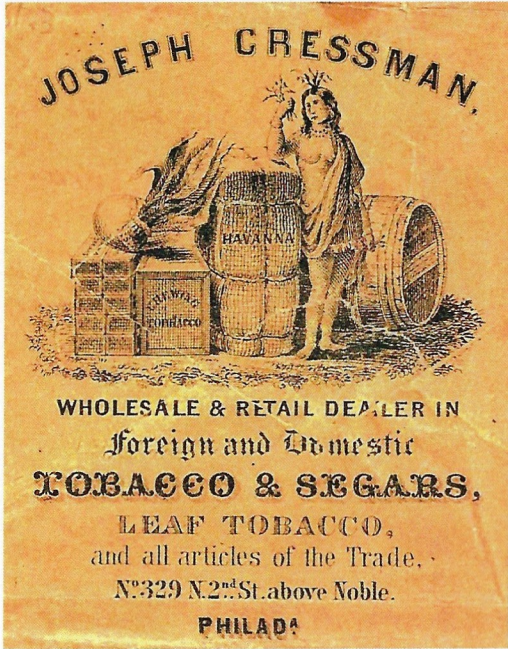
Immediate Delivery  
is requested by the Despatch

One Known Inbound Mail All American Local Posts  
One Known on U.S. Postal Stationary Type 10  
January 21, 1855



acid cancel    Lebanon, PA cds    Lebanon to Philadelphia 89 miles    delivery by Blood's    ©

One Known Illustrated Reverse  
February 21, 1854



Reverse Reduced 50%



acid cancel    Phila cds tied    3 cent 1851 cancel tied    ©  
Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
Philadelphia to Baltimore 98 miles

One Known Cameo Advertising Envelope  
March 14, 1854

1 CENT:  
1 cent to local address



acid cancel tied    Blood's Handstamp Type 17    local address    ©

BLOOD'S PENNY POST										
Year	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860	1861
BLUE & PINK										
BLACK										

Blue & Pink predominately 1853 and 1854; Black stamps 1854.