

One Known Sheet of 100



BRONZE & LILAC

Only 6 known to Europe



Reverse

acid cancel, tied by 30 debit marking  
Blood's Handstamp Type 19 twice  
Philadelphia cds  
N.York Br. Pkt cds, rate obliterated by grid  
GB/1F60c accountancy handstamp  
red London backstamp 1857  
Calais transit manuscript 16 decimed due  
Paris & Sar Union backstamp  
addressed to Strasburg, France

One Known Transatlantic to France  
December 22, 1856



March 25, 1856



24 Kr. AMERICA  
9 UBER BREMEN

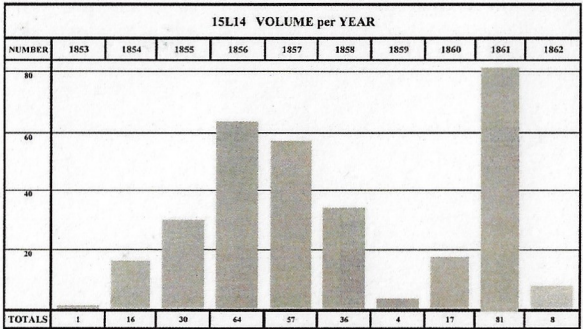
acid cancel and numeral 30 tied  
Blood's Handstamp Type 17  
Phila cds New York debit 14 cds  
red Bremen straightline  
addressed to Wurttemberg, Germany

One Known Transatlantic to Scotland  
July 31, 1854



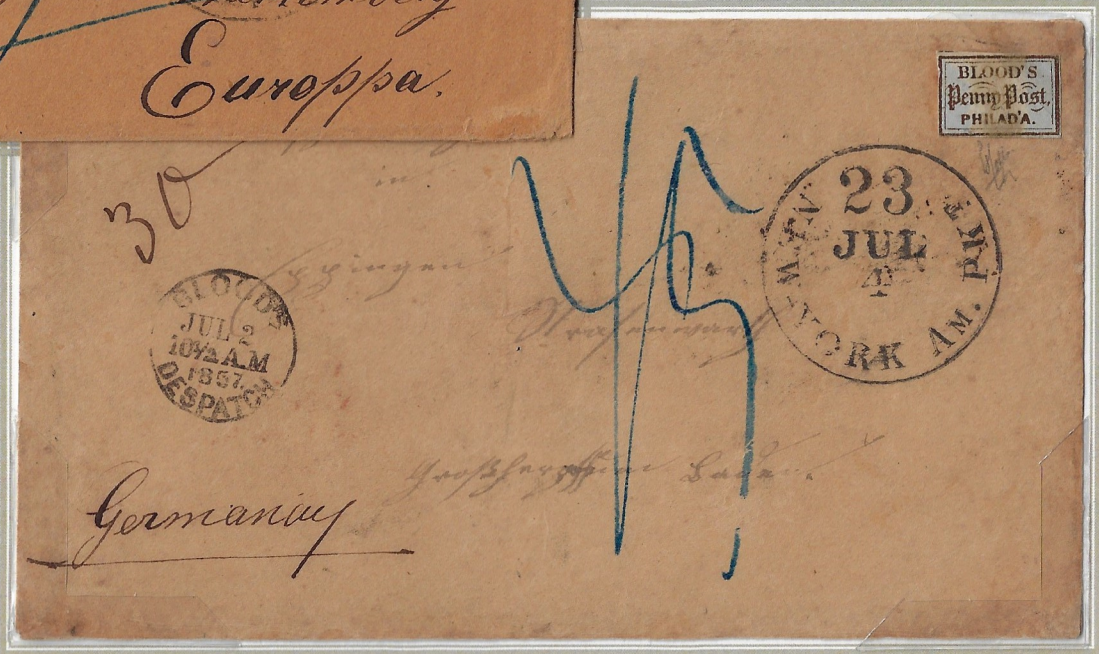
Reverse

acid cancel Blood's Handstamp Type 17 red PHIL<sup>A</sup> BR<sup>R</sup> PK<sup>T</sup> 19 cds  
3 of eight 3 cent 1851 postal issues removed from cover reduced at left



Bronze & Lilac stamps identified on 401 covers,  
314 year specific. Bimodal peaks 1856 and 1861.

Two Known Transatlantic Germany  
July 2, 1857





Act of Congress effective June 30, 1851 single letter to foreign nation by sea: under 2500 miles 10 cents; over 2500 miles was 20 cents.

3 Known with 10 Cent 1855 Postal Issue  
August 5, 1857



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 Phila cds addressed to Canada East ©

CANADA

9 Known to Canada  
December 31, 1857



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 Philad cds single one cent 1855 postal issue ©  
three 3 cent 1857 postal issue addressed to Granby, Canada East

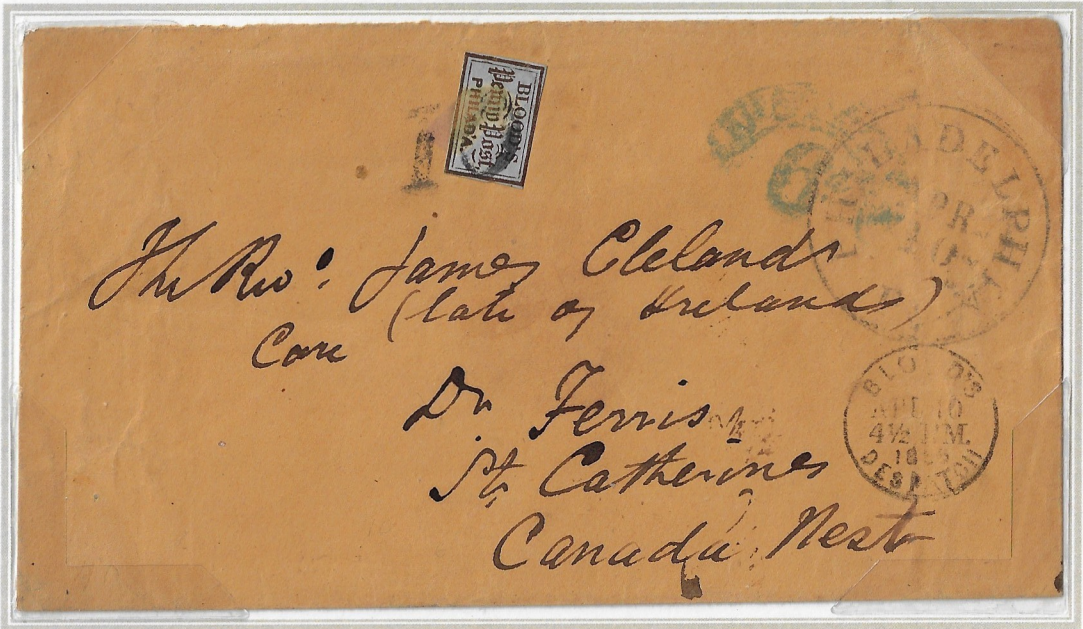
From all Blood's stamp types, only 5 combined with green 10 cent postal issue; 3 in this frame.

Two Known with 10 Cent 1859 Postal Issue  
September 22, 1860



acid cancel Blood's Handstamp Type 21 octagonal Phila cds grid tied 10 cent ©

Two Known to Canada West  
April 10, 1855



acid cancel tied, italicized numeral 10 tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 Phila cds ©  
blue U.States/6d Exchange Office handstamp Philadelphia to St. Catherines 414 miles

Blood's Type 19, 20 mm, first to include full year date; known from October 13, 1854 until October 27, 1859.



Type 19

Two Known to Montreal  
January 4, 1856



acid cancel 3 cent 1851 cancel tied by Phila cds numeral 6 handstamp manuscript 10 addressed to Montreal Canada ©



LARGE VALENTINES

Large valentines required registration at Blood's office and 5 cents for Special Messenger. Absence of handstamp below center suggests not taken to Blood's office. At right 4 stamps was one short, likely placed into regular collection box, delivered one day late, common Type 19 handstamp.

Three Known with Valentine Enclosure



lacy enclosure with "patoup" of flowers, metal picture frame, and open book "Friendship"

5 of 13 known valentines with Bronze & Lilac stamps are displayed in this row, each with different amount paid. Only 3 fancy enclosures are known, 2 herein.

Three Known with 5 Stamps



One Known All Blood's Types with 4 Stamps  
February 15. 1855



25 valentines known all Blood's stamp types, 6 of which with five stamps each.



Two Known with 2 Stamps  
February 14, 1855



3c Pencil 3 cents due, at left;  
Pencil 2 cents due, below.

2¢

Three Known with 3 Stamps



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Four Known with 1 Stamp



Three One Cent 1851 Postal Issues  
October 31, 1857



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 three 1 cent 1851 tied by Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Painesville, OH 431 miles

Three Known "FORWARDED"  
May 23, 1856



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19  
3 cent 1851 tied by Phila cds  
**FORWARDED** handstamp Richmond, VA cds  
Philadelphia to Carters Bridge, VA 252 miles

Three Known "REC'D"  
December 13, 1860



uncancelled tied by **HELD FOR POSTAGE** in  
ribbon handstamp  
**REC'D** framed datestamp  
3 cent 1855 tied by Phila octagon handstamp  
Philadelphia to New York, NY 94 miles

One Known to California  
November 2, 1856



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 10 cent 1855 tied by Phila cds  
Philadelphia to San Francisco, CA 2,883 miles

Two Known "HELD FOR POSTAGE"  
March 25, 1857



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 3 cent 1851 tied by Phila cds  
**HELD FOR POSTAGE** Philadelphia to Brooklyn, NY 97 miles

Two different types of  
**HELD FOR POSTAGE**  
handstamps.  
Earliest known for any  
city is above.

Earliest Known Date Certain  
May 3, 1854



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 17 3 cent 1851 tied by Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Pottsville, PA 97 miles

One Known Tied by "FREE" Handstamp



acid cancel tied **FREE** handstamp tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19  
Philadelphia cds Philadelphia to Washington, DC 140 miles

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



Blood's did not charge extra for double weight or extra large letters, a **second Blood's stamp not necessary** above left.

**One Known Double Payment**  
December 6, 1856



two acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 two 3 cent 1851 tied by Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Carters Bridge, VA 252 miles

**Fancy Cameo Advertisement Envelope**  
May 2, 1856



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 3 cent 1851 tied Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Danville, PA 145 miles

**OUTBOUND**

**One Known 1856 Presidential Campaign**  
December 6, 1856



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19  
3 cent 1851 tied Phila cds Philadelphia to McKeesport, PA 293 miles

**Two Known All Over Railroad Map**  
May 2, 1855



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 19 3 cent 1851 tied Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Portland, ME 407 miles







1861

Eagle with Flag Patriotic  
August 7, 1861



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 21 octagonal Phila cds  
3 cent 1857 postal issue grid cancel tied Philadelphia to Holyoke, MA 242 miles

Earliest of 3 Known "OLD STAMPS NOT RECOGNIZED"  
August 26, 1861



acid tied Blood's Handstamp Type 21 Philad cds single one cent 1857 postal issue  
OLD STAMPS NOT RECOGNIZED handstamp DUE 3 handstamp  
Philadelphia to Washington DC 136 miles

Civil War precluded commerce with the South by August 16, 1861. Union issued new postage stamps by August 19th with 6 day exchange period ending August 25, 1861. **August 26, 1861** was the first day in Philadelphia, and **earliest recorded "Old Stamps Not Recognized."** All prior postal stamps became invalid. Addressee was "DUE 3" for standard postage at left, and below for underpaid double letter.

Three Known "DUE 3"  
March 9, 1861



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 21 Phila cds  
3 cent 1857 postal issue DUE 3 handstamp Philadelphia to Lewisburg, PA 164 miles

One Known Black History Illustrated Envelope  
October 8, 1861



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 21 3 cent 1861 cancel tied by Phila cds  
Philadelphia to Seneca Falls, NY 280 miles

Large Flag Patriotic  
November 11, 1861



acid cancel tied Blood's Handstamp Type 21 3 cent 1857 postal issue  
Philadelphia cds addressed to Philadelphia County

Blood's Penny Post efficiently cancelled 99% preventing reuse. Service confirmed by handstamp 87%. Tied were 94%.

Latest of 4 Known with Three One Cent 1857 Postal Issues  
October 22, 1861



acid cancel tied Phila double octagonal handstamp tied  
three 1 cent 1857 & 1861 postal issues cancel by grid in circle  
Philadelphia to New York 94 miles