BOYD'S, A LOCAL POST: 1844 - 1889

<u>Background</u> – Boyd's City Express Post, founded by John T. Boyd, later known as Boyd's City Dispatch & Boyd's Dispatch operated as private mail system from 1844 to 1889 in New York City.

Objective - Postal history illustrating Boyd's private mail services in New York City, 1844-1889. Emphasis is postal markings.

Organization: Chronological - Above each item, upper left, Boyd's postal markings are identified as to usage time period, adhesive type (i.e. I, II, III, etc.): while upper right has date of usage (if known). Issue/die types are illustrated and identified, as they were issued, i.e., chronologically.

Exhibit Highlights – Are on red mattes

Type I - discovery example of lku

Transpacific inbound from China

Type IV (social notice adhesive) with Martin Van Buren free frank

Transatlantic outbound to Hungary

Caribbean mail forwarders combined with Wells Fargo service

Adams Express (Australia) to Boyd's

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I. 1844-1845

Boyd's markings shown in this section Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 FREE marking of 1844-45 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 Boyd's manuscript Collect 6 ¼ (cents) Boyd's manuscript Collect 1 marking Oval marking of 1844-48 Manuscript "paid" Boyd's carrier marking Boyd's Brooklyn oval marking of 1844-45 FREE marking of 1845-50 BOYD'S CITY
EXPRESS POST.
9 0'c.

Chamfered rectangular marking Struck in red, used June 1844 to September 1844



Syracuse, NY to NYC to Boyd's

Boyd's opened June 17, 1844. In June 22, 1844 issue of <u>Journal of Commerce</u>, Boyd's advertised they "had 200 letter collecting stations, chiefly in drug stores & the most respected hotels".

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 FREE marking of 1844-45 Type I Eagle on Globe adhesive June 29, 1844 Type I adhesive



FREE

"FREE" prepayment marking, struck in red & used June 1844 to Fall 1845.



Type I Characteristics
Lithographed
Period after "Express"
Crosshatched background of central oval
Eagle perched above globe.
Inner oval has thicker inner line

Red FREE marking of 1844-45 typically used for adhesive cancellation. Abt reported this Type I adhesive as eku, while Bowman reported June 27, 1844 as Type I eku.



After collecting & sorting, Boyd's delivered letters to recipient's door. For next 15 years, fee for service was 2 cents regardless of weight.

U.S. Post Office charges were per 1/2 ounce for its carriers for collection & delivery letters to its offices.

Post Office charged an additional fee for door delivery!

Canton, China to NYC to Boyd's for delivery. Boyd's fee (2 cents) due from recipient.

1 of 2 China to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 July 26, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's

PAID J.T.B.

Red "PAID J.T.B." marking used June 1844 to February 1850

"PAID J.T.B." applied by Boyd's office means its fee of 2 cents paid.



Pomeroy's Letter Express, to Manhattan to Boyd's for delivery.

Private posts provided intercity & intracity letter carrying service in the early 1840's. Though Postal Acts of 1825 & 1837 stated Post Office had monopoly on letter carrying service along post routes, legal precedent in court case of United States vs. Kimball clearly defined what was & was not a post route.

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 Burbank's express manuscript B August 3, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's Elusive Triple conjunctive service



Manuscript "B" indicative of Burbank's Express service

1 of 3 manuscript "B" usages on Pomeroy's adhesives reported by Stimmell

Burbank's Express, St. Lawrence, NY to Pomeroy's Letter Express to Boyd's for its delivery.

Burbank's Express carried mails between Kingston, Canada, Sacketts Harbor

& St. Lawrence, NY, connecting with Pomeroy's at Utica, NY

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 Boyd's manuscript Collect 6 ¼ (cents) marking August 21, 1844



Collect 6 1/4" applied by Boyd's office refers to Pomeroy's fee that Boyd's collected from addressee.

Pomeroy's Letter Express, Rochester NY to Manhattan for Boyd's delivery.

"Manuscript "single" is Pomeroy's marking for single zone or 6 1/4 cents. Boyd's fee of 2 cents also due from recipient. Still, this less than Post Office charges for similar service, (18 3/4 cents for 150-400 mile rate plus fee for door delivery).

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 Hale & Co Northampton marking Hale C Northampton obliterator marking

Aug 31, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's



Hale's manuscript Paid 6 cents under their adhesive

Hale & Co. Deerfield, MA thru Northampton, MA office to New York City to Boyd's.

Hale used Connecticut River steamers thence steamer to New York.

1 of 3 Hale's Deerfield, MA usages & only Hale's Deerfield. MA to Boyd's usage known

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 FREE marking of 1844-45 Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive September 6, 1844 Type II adhesive EKU



Type II Characteristics
Lithographed, smaller design.
No period after "EXPRESS"
Plain background of central oval
Eagle perch atop globe.
Inner oval has thicker inner line
Map on globe

Stamp used September 1844 to January 1845.



1 of 2 Type II Eagle on Globe adhesives with chamfered marking of 1844 known

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 Boyd's manuscript Collect 6 ¼ (cents) marking Hale & Co. Providence oval marking of 1844-45 September 11, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's



Red "6" handstamp (applied by Hale & Co.) indicates Hale's fee due from recipient

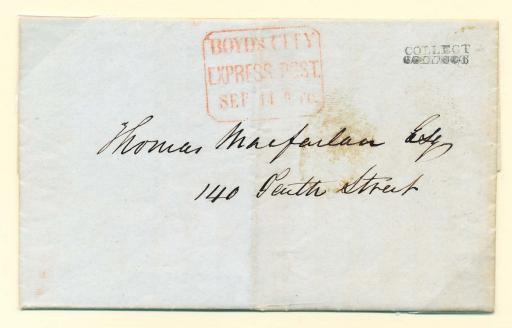
Manuscript Collect 6 1/4 cents marking applied by Boyd's

Hale & Co. Providence, Rhode Island office to New York City to Boyd's. Additionally, Boyd's 2-cent delivery fee collected from addressee.

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 Boyd's manuscript Collect 1 marking Wells & Co. manuscript Collect 12 ½ marking September 11, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's

"Collect 1" refers to double zone fees of 1 reale or 12/1/2 cents for Wells & Co & Pomeroy's service (6 1/4 cents for each) due from recipient.





Cal Hahn notes accompanying this cover state "collect" marking known from Troy, NY July 8, 1844 – Aug 5, 1845 & this example he felt collect marking was a Boyd's marking. Bowman & LeBel attribute this Collect marking to American Letter Mail Co., as all other postage due Independent Mails usages to Boyd's had Boyd's manuscript Collect & fee.

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 Wells & Co. (Chicago) manuscript PAID 12 ½ marking

September 17, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's



Wells & Co. (Chicago) to Pomeroy's, to Manhattan to Boyd's for delivery.

"Paid 12 ½ (cents) refers to double zone fees for Wells & Co. & Pomeroy's service.

However, Boyd's fee due from recipient. Still, this total less than Post Office charges for service,

(25 cents for over 400 mile US rate plus door delivery fee).

5 Wells & Co. (Chicago) to Boyd's usages reported by Trepel

Chamfered rectangular marking of 1844 "FREE" marking of 1844-1845 Type I Eagle on Globe adhesive



During June to September 1844, Boyd's deliveries were at 9 A.M & 3 P.M.

> Boyd's succeeded because of its lower rates & superior pickup & delivery services. Abt reported lku of Type I Eagle on Globe adhesive: September 6, 1844 1 of 21 Type I Eagle on Globe adhesives known on cover

Oval marking of 1844-48

Independent Mails to Boyd's Abt reported this oval used 1844-1848. This is 1st day of use of this marking.

Manuscript "PAID 12 1/2 underneath adhesives shows sender paid fee by one eighth Spanish reale (1 bit).

September 30, 1844

1 Letter Express stamp was for its fee & 1 for Pomeroy's fee for Buffalo to New York carriage.

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Letter Express to Buffalo, NY to Pomeroy's Letter Express to NYC where Boyd's delivered. Letter Express founded by Henry Wells, William Fargo & others who later formed Wells Fargo. Letter Express had offices in Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago & Milwaukee & used steamship lines on the Great Lakes that did not have U.S. mail contracts & operated between February & November 1844.

Oval marking of 1844-48
Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive

October 2, 1844 Increase in Boyd's collections & deliveries



Stamp used September 1844 to January 1845.

Starting September 30, 1844, Boyd's increased collections & deliveries to four per day; 9. 12, 2 & 4 o'clock Bowman & exhibitor have never seen an 1848 usage with this oval, though Abt reports its use till 1848.

Many of Boyd's stamps were not tied by markings.

Oval marking of 1844-48
Boyd's manuscript Collect 6 ¼ marking
Brainard's Troy, NY oval marking of 1844-45
Brainard's Collect 6 marking of 1844-45

November 18, 1844 Independent Mails to Boyd's

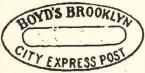


Brainard's Troy, NY to Boyd's

Brainard's fee - 6 1/4 cents plus Boyd's fee 2 cents due from recipient

1 of 3 Brainard's & Boyd's conjunctive usages known reported by Bowman





Boyd's Brooklyn Express Post oval marking, struck in red, from September 1844 to May 1845.

Starting in September 1844, Boyd's provided mail delivery service to, from & within Brooklyn.

Brooklyn mail service continued as separately owned & operated enterprise until 1860's.

Boyd's local delivery usages without prepayment markings are postage due (2 cents) from recipient.

Boyd's Brooklyn oval marking of 1844-45 American Letter Mail CO. .PAID marking of 1844-45 January 4, 1845 Independent mails to Boyd's

Bowman & LeBel misidentified this "PAID" marking as a Boyd's Brooklyn marking in their 1997 article.



2 Boyd's Brooklyn conjunctive usages with this American Letter Mail Co. "PAID" marking reported.

Oval marking of 1844-48
FREE marking of 1844-45
Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive



Manuscript "paid Boyd's carrier marking indicating receipt of 2 cent fee from sender.

Central office applied stamp.

Oval marking of 1844-48

December 28, 1844



Boyd's delivery service for printed invitation. Boyd's hours of deliveries of 12, 2 or 4 o'clock are more elusive than 9 o'clock

Oval marking of 1844–48 Hale's Collect 6 cents marking of 1844–45 January 14, 1845 Boyd's to Independent Mails



Boyd's to Hale & Co. Providence, Rhode Island Hale's (6 cents) & Boyd's fee (2 cents) due from recipient.

Oval marking of 1844–48 Hale's Collect 6 cents marking of 1844–45 January 29, 1845 Boyd's to Independent Mails



Boyd's to Hale & Co. for service to Westfield, MA
Hale's (6 cents) & Boyd's fee (2 cents) due from recipient.

Gutman reported this as only known example of Hale's service to or from Westfield, Massachusetts

Oval marking 1844-48
FREE marking of 1844-45
Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive
80-150 mile U.S. rate, 12 1/2 cents U.S. postage due

March 7, 1845 **Previously unrecorded lku**:
Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive

Abt reported lku of Type II Eagle on Globe adhesive: January 31, 1845



Before Postal Act of 1845, there were 5 distance based U.S. Post Office intercity single sheet letter rates.

Rerated from 6 cents (30-80 mile) to 12 ½ cents, (80 – 150 mile) rate.

PF Certificate 271619

Boyd's FREE marking of 1844-45 Hale & Co. "PAID" FREE marking of 1844-45 Type III Eagle on Globe adhesive March 11, 1845 Boyd's to Independent Mails



Type III Characteristics
Engraved
Plain background of central oval
Globe shape only, no map on globe

Abt reported EKU & LKU of Type III Eagle on Globe adhesive: February 11, 1845 & July 21, 1845



Boyd's to Hale & Co., New York office, Hale to Albany.

Sender paid all fees for service; as indicated by Boyd's stamp & Hale's prepayment marking.

Post Office was not able to stop private intercity mail service along Eastern Seaboard.

Postal Act of 1845 effectively outlawed mail delivery along Eastern intercity post routes.

Oval marking of 1844–48 Hale's Collect 6 cents marking of 1844–45 March 26, 1845 Boyd's to Independent Mails



Boyd's to Hale's Albany, New York Hale's & Boyd's fees due from recipient.

Oval marking of 1844-48

March 31, 1845 Independent Mails to Boyd's



Adams & Co., Philadelphia to NY to Boyd's Street address applied by Boyd's central sorting office.

Oval marking of 1844-48
"FREE" marking of 1844-45
Type III Eagle on Globe adhesive



Boyd's central sorting office from 1840's - 1860's at 45 William Street with collection boxes in & near businesses in midtown & lower Manhattan.

Some businesses had supplies of Boyd's adhesives on hand for sale to postal patrons. Post office had far fewer collection points. Therefore, Boyd's prospered.

Oval marking of 1844-48 FREE marking of 1845-50 April 5, 1845

FREE

Red seriffed "FREE" prepayment marking used 1845 to 1850



Boyd's provided free letter delivery service to newspapers.

This was delivered to New York Herald offices.

Bowman reported 3 "to the press free" Boyd's usages

Type III Eagle on Globe adhesive Over 400 mile U.S. rate, 25 cents postage due



Post office rerated from 18 3/4 cents, 150 - 400 mile U.S. rate to 25 cents over 400 mile U.S. rate.

Boyd's City Express Post provided delivery services to the U.S. post office.

Boyd's fee had to be prepaid; though that of U.S. post office did not.

Before 1851, usages to U.S. mails without U.S. postage affixed or U.S. prepayment markings are assumed postage due (U.S. fee only).

Oval marking 1844-48
FREE marking of 1844-45
Type III Eagle on Globe adhesive
30 - 80 mile U.S. rate, 10 cents postage due

April 21, 1845



Post office fees for service were based on weight (per half ounce) & distance, while Boyd's were per letter. Until 1860, Boyd's fee was 2 cents for letters transmitted to the post office for out of town delivery.

Oval marking of 1844-48
Boyd's Brooklyn oval marking of 1844-45



Boyd's Manhattan to Brooklyn usage Until January 1, 1898, Brooklyn & Manhattan were separate cities.

Oval marking of 1844-48 FREE marking of 1844-45 Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive June 12, 1845 Introduction: Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive



Type IV characteristics
Engraved
Inner oval frame of 2 thin lines
Numeral "2" tall & narrow
Netted background in central oval
2 land masses outlined on globe



Stamp used Spring, 1845 to early 1849.
Abt reported EKU & LKU of Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive, respectively: May 4, 1845 & March 9, 1849



PAID" is an American Letter Mail Co. prepayment marking.

American Letter Mail Co. - Philadelphia to Manhattan to Boyd's for delivery.

Unclear whether Boyd's delivery fee (2 cents) due from addressee.

Some independent mail companies had arrangement with Boyd's to split fees & for others, Boyd's had to collect its fee in addition to independent mail co. fees.

U.S. enforcement of postal contracts with railroads & Postal Act of 1845 definition of post routes curtailed Boyd's activities with the other intercity independent mail services.

II. 1845-1847

Boyd's markings shown in this section

FREE marking of 1844-45

Oval marking of 1844-48

Oval marking of 1844-48 with 4 letter month abbreviation

FREE marking of 1845-50

Obliterator marking of 1846-59

September 4, 1845 Introduction: USPO New York circular marking of 1845-51

FREE marking continued to deteriorate throughout 1845.



Postal Act of 1845 reduced U.S. intercity rates per half ounce to 5 cents under 300 miles & 10 cents over 300 mile rates.

Postal rates in this act increased intracity rates to offset reduced intercity rates.

Oval marking of 1844-48

October 10, 1845
Discovery copy of oval marking variety



Discovery copy of oval marking of 1844-48 marking with "R" as part of month.

All other known examples of oval marking of 1844-48 have only 3 letter Oct as part of indicia.



Manuscript note in John T. Boyd's handwriting appears to negate their FREE marking.

U.S. post office checkmark marking below New York address.

Only 5 examples of Boyd's FREE marking struck in black known to exhibitor.

Oval cancellation of 1844-48

April 23, 1846



Pullen & Co. Troy to NY via steamer to Boyd's Pullen had offices in Saratoga, Troy & New York.

1 of 2 Pullen & Co. to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor.

Manuscript order refers to an enclosed purchase order for 3 dozen German silver forks

Pf cert 339567

August 1846 Transatlantic outbound to England

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 USPO New York 5 cents marking Manuscript 1 (shilling) marking Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive



Windsor (England) transit marking



Manuscript 1 (shilling) = 24 cents US for US-British transatlantic rate including American & British inland postage fees of 5 & 3 cents each. The 1 schilling was due from recipient.

5 cents US postage paid not recognized by British Post office.

Carried on Cunard steamer Hibernia

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 USPO New York 5 cents marking USPO New York arced paid marking Manuscript 8 (pence) Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive November 29, 1846 Transatlantic outbound to England







Birmingham transit marking

Obliterator marking of 1846-1859 New York City marking of 1847-1851 Under 300 mile U.S. rate, 5 cents paid Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive

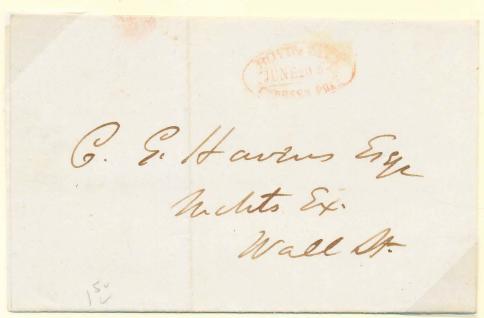


Manuscript Boyd's "Paid 5" & red USPO Paid marking show U.S. fee paid

ASCC notes this NYC marking (with bar between month & rate) as 1848-1851 but this usage shows the marking used in March 1847.

II. 1845-1847 Oval marking of 1847-49

June 17, 1847



Elusive 4 letter month slug within marking

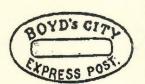
Boyd's markings shown in this section Oval marking of 1847-49 Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Oval marking of 1844-48 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 Red oval marking of 1848-50. FREE marking of 1845-50 Black oval marking of 1848-57 Manuscript Collect 25 cts + 2 cts Straightline marking of 1850-51 PAID J.T.B marking of 1851-52

III 1847-1851

Oval marking of 1847-49

July 6, 1847 Eastern Express to Boyd's





Oval marking used January 1847 to late 1849

Gay & Co., Boston to NY via steamer to Boyd's
Gay & Co. had offices in NY, Newport, Providence & Boston.
Letters accompanying freight or carried on non-USPO
mail contract steamers allowed by Postal Act of 1845.

1 of 2 Gay & Co. to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor.



3 strikes of oval marking.

Once for each time letter cleared Boyd's central sorting office.

Manuscript notes on reverse – Not in, Sent back

Oval marking of 1847-49
Over 300 mile U.S. rate - 10 cents postage due

September 15, 1847



Boyd's did not use "PAID J.T.B." prepayment marking on mail for U.S. Mail out of town service to not provoke action by U.S. postal officials.

Still, Boyd's fee prepaid since U.S. post office would not collect Boyd's fee from recipient.



Manuscript Paid 2 cents under Boyd's indicative of payment in cash & Boyd's central office applied adhesive as their payment in full.

Boyd's stamps were sold imperforate. Some customers cut stamps to shape of oval design.

USPO NYC squiggle marking applied as A O Dayton 4th Auditor for

Treasury Department had free franking privilege for mail to & from him.

Oval marking of 1844-48
PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50
Kidders oval marking
Remnants of Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive

November 11, 1847 Boyd's redirected to Kidders



Elusive 2 + 2 cents Boyd's to Brooklyn intralocal post rate

Boyd's adhesive removed prior to application of Kidders marking. Kidders was a Brooklyn local post & a successor to Boyd's Brooklyn Express. Kidders fee due from recipient.

Sloane, Schwartz & Hahn notes accompanied this to its authenticity.

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Manuscript Way 10 Baltimore marking Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive



Miscut not bisect per certificate. As miscut, accepted for full payment of Boyd's 2 cents fee. Baltimore cds applied at 1st USPO transit marking for route direction change (towards Indianapolis).

PF cert 356033

Red oval marking of 1848-50

January 16, 1848 Introduction: New Marking



Red oval marking used early 1848 to middle 1850.



Obliterator marking 1845-59 over 300 mile U.S. 10 cent rate Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive,

March 31, 1848 Boyd's to Bay Route to Mexico



U.S. post office contracted with private steamship companies for mail service to Mexico across Gulf of Mexico via New Orleans.

1 of 2 Boyd's to Bay Route to Mexico usages known to exhibitor

Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive with five cent 1847 issue Under 300 mile U.S. rate

April 1848



Exhibitor's feels Boyd's stamp is original to this. Not uncommon for Boyd's obliterator marking not to be applied to a cover. Also, speck of red ink that ties 1847 issue to cover appears extending from fingerprint smudge in upper left. PF "no opinion" certificate



Martin Van Buren free frank, as given free U.S. letter mailing privileges by writing "FREE" & signature on outgoing mail.

Boyd's issued for social notices gold on white paper Eagle on Globe adhesives.

Only example known to exhibitor of Boyd's usage with

ex-Presidential free frank. This adhesive faintly tied by NY cds.

Less than 5 covers with Type IV social notice stamp known to exhibitor.

Black oval marking of 1848-57 FREE marking of 1845-50 October 6, 1848



Black oval marking used October 1848, to January, 1857



New discovery of EKU of this oval marking in black.



Cal Hahn reported switch to black in markings in January 1849 that created the brown shade of markings.

This is EKU of brown ink color for this oval marking.

Oval marking of 1848-57 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 January 3, 1849 Money enclosed letter

Elusive Endorsed Money Enclosed signed by J(ohn T) Boyd



In late 1848, Boyd's changed ink colors for some of its markings to black. During late 1848 & early 1849, these markings had a hue of brown though it is considered black not red.

3 examples of Money Enclosed service known to exhibitor



Misrated 24 cents for service to England; rerated 68 cents – *double weight rate* for service to Württemberg.

Transit markings – Outré mer Havre, Ligne Havre, Et Bange

Red oval marking of 1848-50 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 January 15, 1849 Boyd's Charge Boxes

Though no adhesive, postage paid (2 cents) as indicated by "PAID J.T.B." prepayment marking.

Charge box markings indicating such service are No 1 50.

No 1 means no postage due from recipient & 50 represents Boyd's "post box" that 2-cent fee for letter was charged to.

Boyd's checkmark marking indicates fee paid already when forwarding letter to William Street address.



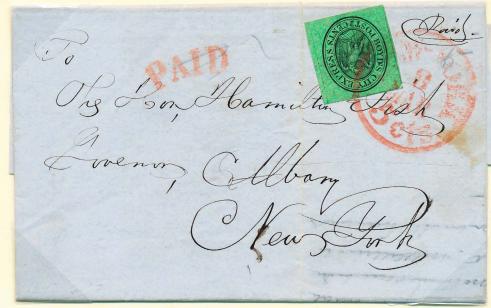
For trusted customers with post boxes at Boyd's offices, there was charge box system whereby an account was debited & sender or addressee would settle at end of month.

Obliterator marking 1846-59 USPO Arced Paid marking Less than 300 mile U.S. rate, 5 cents Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive

Manuscript "PAID 5" in upper right corner was Boyd's marking receipt of 5 cent U.S. fee to be given to post office.



Type V Characteristics
Engraved
No period after "CENTS"
Inner oval frame has heavier inner line



Arced "PAID" is U.S. post office prepayment marking.

In 1849, Boyds, in an in the American Advertiser, announced collection stations (boxes) numbered nearly 1,00 with delivery service limits to 50th Street.

Black oval marking of 1848-57 FREE marking of 1845-50 March 17, 1849



1 of 2 examples of brown ink FREE marking known to exhibitor.

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 New York & Philadelphia RR route agent & FREE marking Type IV Eagle on Globe adhesive



Letters to U.S. Presidents sent free of postage

Black oval marking of 1848-57 Manuscript Collect 25 cts + 2 cts Livingston Wells & Co. Express Agency marking

Boyd's manuscript markings upper right - Collect 25 (for Livingston Wells) & 2 cents due for Boyd's fee



Livingston Wells & Co (Panama) to Boyd's
Wiltsee reported this as only known example of
Livingston Wells & Co. Panama Agency (Panama) marking

Black oval marking of 1848-57 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50 Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive July 3, 1849 Introduction: Diecut Stamps



Boyd's issued stamps that were imperforate.

Starting in 1849, Boyd's diecut some for its customer's convenience for sale at a premium.

Boyd's method of diecutting predates U.S. Post Office introduction of perforated stamps by 8 years.

Oval marking of 1847-49
PAID J.T.B. marking of 1844-50
Obliterator marking of 1846-59
Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive



Abt previously reported LKU of this oval marking: October 5, 1849

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 NY & Philadelphia Railroad route agent marking Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive with 5 cent 1847 issue Under 300 mile U.S. rate November 16, 1849



Boyd's to NY & Philadelphia RR for service to Washington DC Boyd's took to RR after US mailbag for RR mail service at post office closed U.S. post office contracted with railroads for shipment of mail between towns.

Ex-Gibson

Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive with 5 cent 1847 issue Under 300 mile U.S. rate Albany, NY steamboat marking



Albany, NY post office applied STEAMBOAT marking for "loose letters (way) from Hudson River steamers".

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 New York City 13 diagonal line grid "killer" Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive with five cent 1847 issue Under 300 mile U.S. rate Circa 1850



Robert Meyersburg, in survey of Type IV's & Type V's Eagle on Globe adhesives on cover with 5 cent 1847 issue lists approximately twelve of each known.



Manuscript 8 (pence) equaling 16 cents is Transatlantic sea portion letter rate

Nice (at time, part of Sardinia) via Antibes to Paris, then forwarded by Greene & Co. in private bag via Liverpool to New York. In New York, it was handed over to Boyd's for delivery.

Oval marking of 1848-50 FREE marking of 1845-50

February 11, 1850 Paris to NY via Liverpool (Liverpool to NY via Cunard Line steamer)



Sender, W. C. Rives, was Minister to France & had free franking privilege. Recipient may have an arrangement with incoming ocean mail contractor to deposit his mail with Boyd's rather than post office. Ship captains to turn over to US post office all letters carried on their ships though not unusual for sender to pay ship captain or sailor to circumvent this.



Adams & Co. - San Francisco via steamship California to Panama to Boyd's in NYC. Sender Voorhees was U.S. government official sent in 1849 to expand & improve post office service in San Francisco & California.

Obliterator marking of 1846-1859 Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive Over 300 mile U.S. rate postage due

April 13, 1850 Ship captain fee then forwarded



Manuscript ship captain fee 2 (cents), thus effectively way usage indicated by New Orleans cds. Then forwarded to Natchez for additional 5 cents. Total due 17 cents.

Obliterator marking of 1846-1859 U.S. Express Mail Route Agent marking Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive



Red 5 (cents) is U.S. Express Mail Route Agent marking indicating postage due from recipient.

Red oval marking of 1848-50

May 18, 1850 Mail forwarder — Transatlantic Inbound



Rome, Italy to Paris forwarder, Greene & Co. to Liverpool steamer to NY to Boyd's.

1 of 5 Greene & Co. to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor



Boyd's to Union Line to Le Havre, France then across France, Switzerland & Austrian Empire to Arad.

Accounting marking numbers (in blue ink) at right, 43 + 12 = 55 for total postage due from recipient, 55 Austrian kreuzers. U.S. inland fee of 5 cents not included in rate.

WHO GOT HOW MUCH

16 cents (19 kreuzer) U.S. Transatlantic ship rate Across France to border rate 20 cents (24 kreuzer) G.A.P.U. inland rate 10 cents (12 kreuzer)

"Not Paid" marking applied by NYC Post Office showing all postage to destination due from recipient. Routing instructions of pr Damschiff Liverpool, i.e. Cunard Line steamer Europa departing NYC on June 5, 1850 requested by sender. Because required 5 cent prepayment for U.S. inland & Transatlantic ship postage fees not paid, NYC Post Office sent as closed mail private sailing ship letter under U.S.-France Treaty where U.S. postage wasn't required upon posting in New York.

Put up in closed mailbag at NY post office for transport to France via Southampton by contract sailing ship, Union Line. Closed bag opened at Le Havre exchange office & red double circle French transit marking (lower left) struck showing mail from abroad. French exchange office made up another closed mailbag with this. Sent across France & French turned over to Austrian post at French-Swiss border & transported to Hungary. Postal clerk applied "55" as rate to Arad, Hungary (now in Transylvanian Romania).

Obliterator marking of 1846-1859 Warren, PA postmaster manuscript free frank NY & Philadelphia RR route agent & FREE markings Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive - diecut

June 28 1850 U.S. Postmaster Traveling Free Frank



W. A. Irvine was postmaster of Warren, PA. Postmasters at this time, had free franking privileges. 1 of 2 with postmaster free frank usages known to exhibitor

Red oval marking of 1848-50

July 25, 1850



LKU of red color for this oval marking

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 NY & Philadelphia Railroad route agent marking Over 300 mile rate, 10 cents U.S. Postage due Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive



Red "10" NY & Philadelphia Railroad route agent U.S. postage due marking for letter over 300 miles.

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 NY & Philadelphia Railroad route agent marking Under 300 mile U.S. rate, 5 cents U.S. postage due Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive

September 3, 1850



Red "5" NY & Philadelphia Railroad route agent U.S. postage due marking for letter under 300 miles.



Greene & Co. (mail forwarder) to Boyd's
Greene & Co. (Paris) in private bag to steamer from Liverpool to New York.
In New York, turned over to Boyd's for delivery.

1 of 5 Greene & Co. to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Black oval marking of 1848-57
PAID marking of 1850-51
Obliterator marking of 1846-59
Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive — diecut

September 21, 1850 New Prepayment Marking

PAID

"Paid" is an elusive prepayment marking used 1850 to 1851 only.



Manuscript "paid" is Boyd's carrier marking indicating receipt of 2 cent mailing fee from sender. Central office applied stamp & sent letter on its way.



1 of 5 examples FREE marking struck in black known to exhibitor.

Black oval marking of 1848-57 FREE marking of 1845-50 November 8, 1850 Western Express to Boyd's



Adams Express to Boyd's

Adams provided express service in 1850 to February 1855 in Northern California, Australia & other locations.

It was a separate operation from Adams Express of Eastern U.S.



By 1851, Journal of Commerce noted Boyd's had over 2,000 places of deposit for letters in Manhattan. At this time, U.S. post office had only 200!

Black oval marking of 1848-57 PAID marking of 1851-52 Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive

June 11, 1851 Introduction: New Prepayment Marking

PAID J.T.B.

Black "Paid J.T.B" prepayment marking used early 1851 to Spring 1852.



This marking reported as "PAID (4 mm high) & "J.T.B." (2.5 mm high).

Obliterator marking of 1846-59
Blue Baltimore cds & Manuscript Way 10 marking
Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive
Over 300-mile rate, U.S. rate, U.S. 10 cents postage due

Circa 1851 Elusive Way Usage



"Way" indicated mail received along route between post offices & "10" U.S. rate to Kentucky.

Boyd's delivered letter to RR railroad station after Post Office closed its bag for out of town RR carried mail.

When train arrived at next depot where routing direction change was needed,
letter was turned in & markings were applied.

Post office in Baltimore, MD applied Way 10 marking & Baltimore cds.

Biales reports about 6 Boyd's & Way marking combinations

Obliterator marking of 1846-59
Way 5 marking
Norwich & Worcester RR route agent marking
Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive

Circa 1851 Way usage



Boyd's to Norwich Line steamer to Norwich, CT which served steamship travel to & from New York. Thence, carried on Norwich & Worcester RR to Plainfield, CT where directed to Providence on Providence & Plainfield RR Very elusive combination of Boyd's usage to *Norwich & Worcester RR*.

Black oval marking of 1848-57 PAID marking of 1851-52 Gregory's four line straightline marking of 1851-52

June 19, 1851 Via Panama Western Express to Boyd's



Gregory's Express to Boyd's

Gregory's provided express service in early 1850's in Northern California, Asia, Australia, Hawaii & Europe. Its transcontinental service used Pacific Marine Steamship Co. steamers to Panama. Mail carried overland to Chagres for delivery via steamer to a major U.S. port where Gregory's had a forwarding agent.

Their marking used for East-West route indicating letter from California or other western area & includes their New York City mail forwarding agent, Thompson & Hitchcock.

IV. 1851-1855

Boyd's markings shown in this section

Oval marking of 1847-1857

Prepayment marking of 1851-52

Obliterator marking of 1846-59

Prepayment marking of 1852-60

Black oval marking of 1848-57

Oval marking of 1853-54



Woods Yuba Express (Grass Valley, CA) to Adams Express to Boyd's Manuscript I. C. Woods, an early California expressman later rising high within Adams Express Co. Woods alleged to have taken several hundred thousand dollars when Adams Express Co California operations failed February 1855.

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 USPO NY Paid 3 marking Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive Circa 1852



Manuscript "Paid 3 Cts" Boyd's carrier marking notes U.S. fee prepaid by sender for transmittal & payment to Post Office.

Postal Act of 1851, effective June 30, 1851, created different U.S. rate for prepaid mail (3 cents)
& postage due mail (5 cents) per half ounce for deliveries under 3000 miles.
Act reduced intracity U.S. rate for door delivery to 1 cent to 2 cents, based on discretion of local postmaster.

issue

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 USPO NY marking Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive with pair of 3 cent 1851



Boyd's delivery fee was 2 cents regardless of weight until 1860, while U. S. intercity fees were distance & weight based. This is double weight or up to 1 ounce.

This 3 cent 1851 U.S. issue is of brown family of shades.

Black oval marking of 1848-57

March 29,1852



Elusive 4 o'clock Boyd's time of clearance of this letter from central sorting office.

Oval marking of 1849-57 PAID J.T.B marking of 1852-60 Wells Fargo blue payment oval

June 1852 Western Express to Boyd's Introduction: PAID J.T.B marking of 1852-60

PAID J.T.B

"PAID J.T.B." Prepayment marking of 1852-60



Early Wells Fargo - San Francisco usage to Panama to Boyd's

Black oval marking of 1848-57 Prepayment marking of 1852-60 Gregory's (NY) marking

June 3, 1852



Gregory's - San Francisco usage to Panama to Boyd's Letter dated May 16, 1852. 17 days in transit to NYC where Gregory's turned it over to Boyd's for delivery

Black oval marking of 1848-57 Gregory's 3 mine marking of 1852 Gregory's NOT PAID marking



Gregory's - San Francisco usage to Panama to Boyd's Gregory's 3-line straightline hand stamp used in 1852 only. Both Gregory's & Boyd's fees due from recipient!

Manuscript "Paid 10 cts" Boyd's marking Type V Eagle on Globe adhesive Under 3000 mile U.S. rate to Canada November 6, 1852

Manuscript "Paid 10 cts"
Boyd's marking indicates
U.S. postage prepaid
(given to Boyd's).
Boyd's, in turn, paid
10 cents to U.S post office
for mail service to Canada.



Faint United States 6d (6 pence) Buffalo, NY exchange office marking across recipient's names indicates U.S. postage of 10 cents (equal to 6 pence) prepaid delivery to Canadian recipient.



Elusive experimental NYC 3 bar cds marking of 1852. This 3 cent 1851 US.S issue- Plate 2 or 3 late

Black oval marking of 1848-57 Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 December 21, 1852 EKU: Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60





Patton reported this PAID J.T.B. marking previously eku: 1857 while Abt reported it used 1854 to 1858.

1 reported example red boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60.

Boyd's last used red ink for its markings in 1850, thus this letter about passage on ship leaving next day may have needed quick delivery & color of this marking may have been to note such service to Boyd's carrier.



Boyd's to NY post office for P. O. Box, U S drop rate of 1 cent.

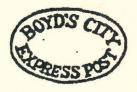
Black oval marking of 1848-57 John Capela Jr Cartagena forwarder marking TR Cowan Navy Bay Chagres forwarder marking Wells Fargo shield marking of 1853 July 29, 1853 Western Express to Boyd's





Forwarder marking
On reverse

Cartagena, Colombia to Navy Bay, Chagres, Panama to New York via steamer. Then to Wells Fargo & Co., to Boyd's for delivery. 2 forwarding agent markings & 2 independent company markings.



Oval marking, with larger lettering, letters of inscription 3 mm high



EKU of this oval marking used in the latter months of 1853 and during 1854

Oval marking of 1853-54 PAID J.T.B marking of 1852-60 Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type VI Eagle on Globe adhesive September 19, 1853 Introduction: New Stamp





Type VI Characteristics
Lithographed
Period after "CENTS"
Inner oval frame has
heavy inner frame line

Oval marking of 1853-54 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 November 26, 1853 Transpacific from Melbourne, Australia Western Express to Boyd's



Adams Express operated in Australia in 1853-54.

Adams Express, Melbourne, Australia, August 17, 1853 routed via Callao, Peru (per Sloane) by Steamer <u>Bavaria</u> to Boyd's for delivery.

Adams Express fees prepaid Boyd's fees for New York City delivery.

1 of 2 Adams Express (Australia) to Boyd's usages reported by George Sloane.

Oval marking of 1853-54 Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 December 22, 1853 EKU: Black Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60



1st example in black of boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60.

Boyd's specialists traditionally used usage time period of 1856-60 for this boxed marking. 3 examples black ink usages exist from 1853-54 period, each are on printed material.

The 1856-50 usages are general letter usages.



A. M. Hinckley, a Panama mail forwarder to Boyd's

Forwarders or expresses were often used where there was limited government
mail service or money & important documents enclosed.

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type VI Eagle on Globe adhesive with 3 cent 1851 issue

April 19, 1854 Introduction: Social Notice Stamp



In 1853, Boyd's issued gold colored Eagle on Globe adhesives generally for use on social invitations.

Exhibitor's personal research indicates this is EKU of Type VI social notice adhesive.

This 3 cent 1851 issue is Plate 4.

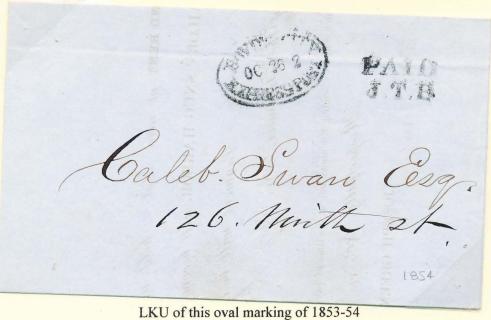
Oval marking of 1853-54 Manuscript Due 2 cts



Boyd's manuscript due 2 cents marking

Cartagena, Colombia to T. R. Cowan, forwarder, Navy Bay, Chagres, to New York via steamer. Then to Boyd's for delivery.

Oval marking of 1853-54 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 October 26, 1854



Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type VII Eagle on Globe adhesive - 5 cents, U.S. postage due March 20, 1855 Introduction: Type VII



Type VII Characteristics
Period after cents
Inner oval frame has heavier outer line
"2C" closer than "T2"



Abt reported EKU & LKU of Type VII Eagle on Globe adhesive: Spring 1854 & October 1855

Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Type VII Eagle on Globe adhesive with 3 cent 1851 issue June 26, 1855

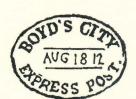


Abt estimated by 1855, Boyd's annual revenues of \$80,000 –90,000 or 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 letters delivered per year.

This U.S. 1851 3 cent has 1 line recut in upper left triangle.

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Type VII Eagle on Globe adhesive - diecut





Oval marking used mid - 1855 to 1861

"PAID J.T.B." marking occasionally seen in 1850's as marking on Boyd's adhesives instead of obliterator markings By 1855, Boyd's had over 2,500 receiving boxes. By 1855, U.S. post office had reduced its collection points to six "sub-stations", i.e. branch offices.

V. 1855-1860

> Boyd's markings shown in this section Obliterator marking of 1846-59 Oval marking of 1855-61 Prepayment marking of 1852-60 Boxed PAID J.T.B marking of 1856-60 Black oval marking of 1848-57

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Type VIII Eagle on Globe adhesive

January 16, 1856 Introduction: Type VIII (black on green)



Type VIII Characteristics
Typographed on unglazed paper
Outer oval frame of three lines outermost heaviest
Solid background on central oval



Type VIII has four color varieties; three issued in the 1850's.
This color stamp used November 1855 to July 1856.
EKU for this color adhesive: November 11, 1855

Oval marking of 1855-61
PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60
Type VI Eagle on Globe adhesive – diecut

March 26, 1856 LKU of Type VI social notice adhesive



Not unusual for Type VI gold on white social notice adhesives to be toned or oxidized to steel color.

Obliterator marking of 1846-1859
Type VIII Eagle on Globe adhesive (black on green) with U.S. 3 cent 1851 issue (A relief)

July 30, 1856 Previously unreported lku: Type VIII



Abt reported lku of this color Type VIII adhesive as June 1856.

Black oval marking of 1848-57 Wells Fargo oval marking of 1854-55 September 4, 1856 Impact of Postal Act of 1852 Western Express to Boyd's



Wells, Fargo & Co. from San Francisco via Panama to New York, to Boyd's
Wells, Fargo & Co. & other Western express use of U.S. stationery required by Postal Act of August 31, 1852
but Wells Fargo did not comply with this till late 1855 or 1856.
Wells Fargo poid to U.S. Post Office the over 2000 mile U.S. rate of 10 cents though post office did

Wells Fargo paid to U.S. Post Office the over 3000-mile U.S. rate of 10 cents, though post office did not provide any service. Wells Fargo & Co. & Boyd's City Express Post fees were additional.

Oval marking of 1855-61
PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60
Type VIII Eagle on Globe adhesive - cut to shape

September 9, 1856 Introduction: New Type VIII Color



Abt reported this color Type VIII used September, 1856 to Summer 1857.

Oval marking 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Bentley's Madison Square P.O.- Oval marking of 1856-57 Type VIII Eagle on Globe adhesive – diecut February 16, 1857 Elusive intracity private conjunctive service



Boyd's to Bentley's Madison Square Post Office, another Manhattan local post for delivery.

David Cornwell started Madison Sq. Post in May 1856 but sold business to Henry Bentley in August 1856.

Bentley used oval Cornwell's canceller after removing Cornwell's name.

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Type VIII Eagle on Globe adhesive February 26, 1857 Introduction: New Type VIII Color



Abt reported this color Type VIII Eagle on Globe color adhesive eku & lku: December 18, 1856 & May 10, 1857

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1856-60 April 11, 1857 Turned Cover



Obverse of turned cover

Financial panic of 1857 in United States often caused people to scrimp more than when economic times were good.



Freeman & Co. Express, San Francisco to Boyd's

Prior to 1858, most all West Coast expresses used Via Panama route for mail to East Coast.

Freeman & Co. frank on buff paper unlisted in Haller catalog

1 of 2 Freeman & Co Express to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Type IX Eagle on Globe adhesive June 26, 1857 Introduction: Type IX (2 Cents)



Type IX Characteristics
Lithographed on glazed
surface colored paper
Period after "CENTS"
Eagle has four toes on each foot
Top heavy "2" nearer "T" than
"C"



Abt reported EKU & LKU of Type IX (2 cent)
Adhesive: September 6, 1857 & April 6, 1860
Exhibitor's personal research indicates this is now EKU of Type IX 2 cent adhesive

Circa 1857 U.S. Mails to NYC, then Boyd's forwarded to addressee



U.S. post office transported letter from Bellasylvia, Pennsylvania to Manhattan where person in care of addressee turned it over to Boyd's for forwarding & delivery.

Boyd's 2 cents fee due from the recipient.

This U.S. 3 cent 1857 issue is Type IIa.

Oval marking of 1855-61

September 6, 1858 Introduction: Dated USPO New York City marking



George F. Nesbitt & Co. printed this U.S. postal stationery
14.5 mm wide top label
Combinations of Boyd's markings on U.S. postal stationery are elusive

Oval marking 1855-61
Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60
Chatham Square P.O. red circular marking
& payment marking

October 26, 1859 Elusive intracity private conjunctive service

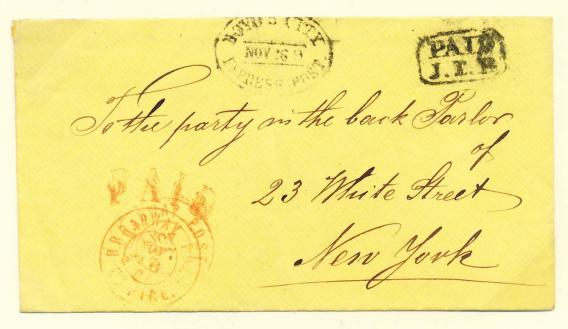
Boyd's City Express Post founder, John T. Boyd, died June 8, 1859. His son, John T. Boyd, Jr. operated business after his father's death during 1859 & 1860.



Chatham Square P.O. to Boyd's usage Chatham Square P.O. marking marking for another Manhattan local post not U.S. Post Office

Oval marking 1855-61
Boxed PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60
Broadway P.O. red circular marking
& payment marking

November 16, 1859 Elusive intracity private conjunctive service



Broadway P.O. to Boyd's usage Broadway P.O. marking was marking for another Manhattan local post not U.S. Post Office



"Held for Postage" elusive New York City postage due marking, with approximately 12 reported examples.

After U.S. postage was paid for, USPO backstamped letter & sent letter on its way.

1 of 2 known Boyd's usages with Held for Postage marking.

Marking of 1855-61 Boxed PAID J.T.B marking of 1856-60

March 1, 1860 Unrecorded lku: Boxed prepayment marking



Patton reported boxed prepayment marking lku 1859.

Oval marking of 1855-1861
PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-1860
Type IX Eagle on Globe adhesive – diecut

May 19, 1860 Eku - Type IX (1 cent)

Abt reported LKU of Type IX (1 cent) adhesive: July 18, 1860



Postal Act of 1860 & Postmaster General's notice of 1860 reiterated definition of intracity post routes & reduced U.S. carrier fee for delivery to post office to 1 cents. Boyd's, in advance of Postal Act of 1860, reduced rates for similar service to 1 cent.

Oval marking of 1855-61 PAID J.T.B. marking of 1852-60 Type IX Eagle on Globe adhesive

May 29, 1860 Unreported lku - Prepayment marking



Patton reported prepayment marking used only until 1859.

Federal lawsuit brought against Blood's Dispatch, a Philadelphia local post regarding use of city streets. <u>Postmaster General, in 1860, had declared all city streets to be post routes</u>. Lawsuit sought to close all remaining intracity local posts by barring their use of post routes for letter delivery. While case tried, Boyd's suspended service for 6 months while trial proceeded. Boyd's markings shown in this section
Oval marking of 1855-61 may be 1861-62 one with M????
Prepayment marking of 1861-64
Postage due marking of 1861-1863
Oval marking of 1861-62
Circular dated marking of 1863-65
Circular dated marking of 1865-70
Straightline PAID marking of 1865-69
Circular PAID marking of 1867-79

Double circle marking of 1869-72

VI. 1861 - 1869

Oval marking of 1855-61 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive February 7, 1861

Previously unrecorded lku: Oval marking of 1855-61

Previously unrecorded eku: Type X adhesive

Introduction: Type X (2 Cents)



Type X Characteristics
Lithographed
Center dots before
"POST" & after "CENTS"



Lku of dated oval marking - here used as a canceller to "kill" stamp.

Patton reported oval marking used 1855 to 1860.

Abt reported Type X (2-cent) adhesive eku & lku: 1861 & June 6, 1864

Final court decision, November 20, 1860, found in favor of local posts.

Boyd's sold to new owners, William & Mary Blackham, & reopened for business December 24, 1860.

Oval PAID marking of 1861-64
Paid 1 cent USPO carrier marking of 1860-61
Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive

February 18, 1861 Unrecorded eku: prepayment marking of 1861-64



Prepayment marking used 1861 to 1864.



Abt reported this prepayment marking eku: March 28, 1861.

General design of adhesives remained same but traditional green stamps were discontinued. New colors were introduced with the change in ownership & "Paid J.T.B." prepayment marking discontinued.

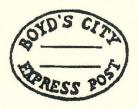
1 of 2 Boyd usages with Paid 1 cent USPO carrier marking of 1860-61 known to exhibitor

Oval PAID marking of 1861-64 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive with 3 cent 1857 issue March 1861



Docketing at left indicates addressee receipt in Pittsburgh, PA on March 25, 1861.

Oval marking of 1861-62
Postage due marking of 1861-1863
Type X - blue gray Eagle on Globe adhesive



Oval marking used 1861 to 1862.

COLLECT 1 CENT.

Postage due marking used 1861 to 1863.



Boyd's fee in town letter delivery rate restored to 2 cents in 1861.

For letters given to U.S. postal carriers for delivery to post office, Postal Act of 1860 fixed fee at 1 cent.

This fee in addition to fee for delivery to out of town addressees.

To compete, Boyd's reduced its fee to 1 cent for delivery to post office.

Oval PAID marking of 1861-64
Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive - 1 cents variety & 3 cent 1857 issue

September 6, 1861 Elusive blue strike of oval prepayment marking

Bowman reports blue oval prepayment marking usually used on 1 cents variety, believing Boyd's knew of 1 cents variety & make clear to its carriers its fees paid in full.



1 cents variety was created by erasing "2" & inserting "1" only on 2 cents lithographic stone.

On most Type X 1-cent adhesives, "S" was completely erased.

This 3 cent U.S. 1857 issue is Type IIa, E relief, 5th or 9th row.

Oval marking of 1861-62 Postage due marking of 1861-63 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive – lilac

Abt reported this oval marking lku: November 11, 1862

& Type X lilac Adhesive eku: 1861



Blackhams maintained 2-tier fee structure, 1-cent rate for circulars, notices & deliveries to Post Office & restored 2 cents rate for local letter mail delivery.

U.S. Post Office intracity rate of 1 cent per half ounce was now lower than Boyd's.

Oval PAID marking of 1861-64 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive Circa 1862 Patriotic



Embossed Union patriotic flag upper left
Additionally, Post Office was finally adding additional carriers to its staff possibly to prepare for free city door delivery of mail in 1863.

Oval PAID marking 1861-64
Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive with pair of 3 cent issue of 1861



Boyd's fee was per letter while U.S. fee was 3 cents per half ounce. This was U.S. postal rated as 1/2 - 1 ounce letter.

Circular dated marking of 1863-65 Oval PAID marking of 1861-64 January 28, 1864

Send by either one of the Principal Express or Transportation Companies.

On reverse, elusive mailing instructions "memo".



Circular dated marking used early 1863 to 1865

Abt reported this circular marking eku: February 2, 1863



Only recorded Sanitary Fair cover recorded using Boyd's delivery service.

Oval PAID marking of 1861-64
Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive on
Nesbitt 1861 issue envelope



Star in circle New York fancy marking

Circular marking of 1863-1865 Oval PAID marking of 1861-1864 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive – 2 cent

May 24, 1864 Circular marking of 1863-1865 showing address change Boyd's 2 cent letter rate



In late 1862 or January 1863, Blackhams decided that old quarters where firm's business was conducted was no longer satisfactory. Thus, Boyd's headquarters moved to 39 Fulton Street. Main focus of Boyd's mail service, in order to be restored to previous volume of mail, turned to promotion of bulk mailing services of "one time" nature such as circular, bill & notice delivery for commercial customers.

Circular dated marking of 1863-65 Manuscript due 2 cts (cents)



Manuscript "due 2 cts" is Boyd's marking indicating its fee due from recipient.

> Wells Fargo to Boyd's, then forwarded by U.S. Post Office to Boston. Boyd's attempted delivery but addressee had traveled on to Boston as his mail was received there on November 19, 1865

Circular dated marking of 1863-65

November 20, 1865



Wells Fargo (San Francisco) to New York City to Boyd's With end of Civil War, Wells Fargo to Boyd's conjunctive service re-established.

Boyd's fee due from recipient.



Wells Fargo (San Francisco) to New York City to Boyd's Wells Fargo paste up of three 3-cent U.S. postal stationery envelopes & 1 cent 1861 U.S. issue paying 1-1 ½ ounce rate plus 1 cent Boyd's door delivery fee.

2 Boyd's usages in combination with 1 cent 1861 US issue known to exhibitor

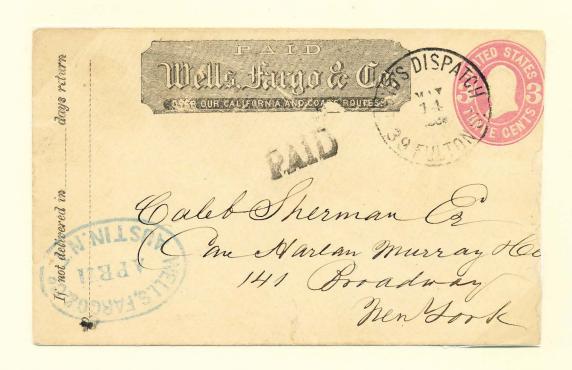
Circular dated marking of 1865-70 Straightline PAID marking of 1865-69 May 14, 1866 Western Express to Boyd's



Dated marking used 1865 to 1870

PAID

Elusive "PAID" prepayment marking used 1865 to 1869



Wells Fargo Austin, Nevada Territory via Wells Fargo to New York City to Boyd's 1 of 2 examples Wells Fargo (Austin, Nevada) to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Circular dated marking of 1865-70 Straightline PAID marking of 1865-69 July 21, 1866 Western Express to Boyd's



Wells Fargo (Carson City) to New York City to Boyd's

1 Wells Fargo (Carson City) Nevada to Boyd's usage known to exhibitor



Wells Fargo Mazatlan, Mexico to Boyd's
Paste up 6 cents paying Wells Fargo rate of 50 cents (less than 1 oz.)

1 of 2 Wells Fargo (Mazatlan, Mexico) to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor



Wells Fargo La Porte, CA thru Sacramento, CA to Boyd's to U.S. Post Office to Belfast, Maine.

No additional fee for U.S. Post Office service between NYC & Belfast, Maine as evidenced by New York cds duplex marking. Very unusual for Wells Fargo service to local post to U.S. Post Office.

1 Wells Fargo La Porte, CA to Boyd's usage known to exhibitor

Circular dated marking of 1865-70 Straightline PAID marking of 1865-69 January 25, 1866 Western Express to Boyd's



Wells Fargo Mazatlan, Mexico to Wells Fargo, San Francisco to Boyd's Wells Fargo franked 3 cent envelope paying Wells Fargo rate of 25 cents (less than 1/2 oz.)

1 of 2 Wells Fargo (Mazatlan, Mexico) to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor



Wells Fargo, Rocky Bar, Idaho Territory to Wells Fargo, San Francisco to Boyd's Initially, Wells Fargo Idaho Territory rate was 50 cents per letter (less than 1/2 oz.) due to hazardous conditions.

1 Wells Fargo (Rocky Bar, Idaho Territory) to Boyd's usage known to exhibitor

Circular dated marking of 1865-70 Circular PAID marking of 1867-79 September 4, 1867 Western Express to Boyd's



Circular prepayment marking used late 1867 until 1879



Wells Fargo, Helena, Montana Territory to Boyd's
Holliday Overland Mail & Express bought out by Wells Fargo in summer of 1867

1 of 6 Wells Fargo, Helena, Montana Territory to Boyd's usages reported in Lyons census



Wells Fargo, Salt Lake City, Utah Territory to Boyd's
In 1860's, Wells Fargo used stagecoaches to transport mail to
nearest railroad that connected with destinations in the East.

1 of 2 Wells Fargo, Salt Lake City, Utah Territory to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Circular dated marking of 1865-70 Circular PAID marking of 1867-79 December 23, 1867 Western Express to Boyd's



Wells Fargo, Helena, Montana Territory to Boyd's

1 of 6 Wells Fargo, Helena, Montana Territory to Boyd's usages reported in Lyons census

Circa 1868

Discovery copy as commercial usage of philatelic era adhesives.



Stamp collecting started in 1860's. Boyd's under Blackham's ownership issued four Type X

Eagle on Globe adhesives for sale to collectors. These were also valid for postal usage.

All other Type X gold on blue paper examples are 1883 philatelic usages reported in Levi auction records

Circular PAID marking of 1867-79

Circa 1868 1st state of envelope die



In 1st state of envelope die, trefoils at each side pointed & blotchy.



Red on white diagonally laid paper
In 1864, Boyd's introduced postal stationery for its customer's use.
Rate was 2 cents per envelope until late 1870's.

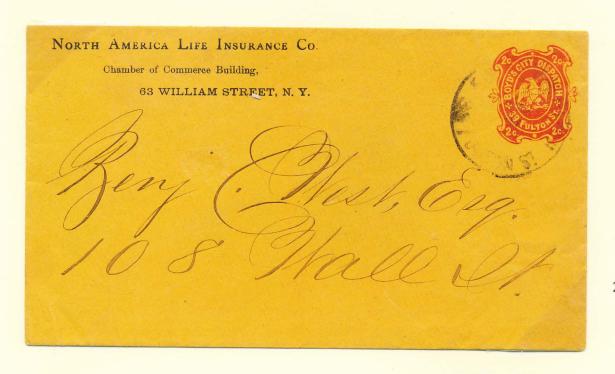
Circular dated marking of 1865-1870 1st state of envelope die



Red on blue wove paper
No EKU or LKU of postal stationery or bank notices has been compiled by any student
of Boyd's; thus no reliable & conclusive information regarding these will be on subsequent pages.

Circular dated marking of 1865-1870 2nd state of envelope die

Circa 1868





2nd state of envelope die, lobes of trefoils rounded & clearly outlined.

Two 12-cent entires to make Rate (3.5 - 4 oz)
1 of 2 known Ruby City,
Territory Wells Fargo usages reported by Kutz
1 of 3 Wells Fargo, Idaho Territory
to Boyd's usages known to exhibitor

Wells Fargo, Virginia City, Montana Territory to Wells Fargo, San Francisco to Boyd's 12 cent U.S postal stationery underlying Wells Fargo rate of \$1 (1 1/2 to 2 ounces) 1 Wells Fargo (Virginia City, Montana Territory) to Boyd's usage known to exhibitor Circular PAID marking of 1867-79 Type X Eagle on Globe adhesive (lilac)



Elusive combination of circular PAID marking of 1867-79 & Type X adhesive.

Oval PAID marking more often seen with this type adhesive.

Circular dated marking of 1865-1870 Circular PAID marking of 1867-79 Type XI Eagle on Globe adhesive – lilac surface colored paper October 16, 186



Type XI Characteristics
Lithographed
No center dots before
"POST" & after "CENTS"



Postal Act of 1863 directed that all service to Post Office from Federal collection points in City should be free of charge, significant blow to a section of Boyd's mail service.

Abt reported EKU of Type XI (lilac) adhesive: May 29, 1866

Double circle marking of 1869-72 Circular PAID marking of 1867-79



Double circle marking used May 1869 till 1872.



Howard Express - Belvidere, PA by fast passenger train to Boyd's for delivery

Payment marking of 1867-79 Type XI Eagle on Globe adhesive blue surface colored paper

Circa 1869



Elusive example of pair of Type XI adhesive paying 2 cent letter rate Blue stamp used to 1865 to 1871 or 1872

Boyd's markings shown in this section Double circular marking of 1869-1872 Prepayment marking of 1867-79

VII. 1869 – 1877

Double circular marking of 1869-1872 2nd state of envelope die Circa 1870



Red on amber horizontally laid paper

Boyd's postal stationery on horizontally laid paper is more elusive & unreported by Patton as paper variety used though known to exist.

Red on cream horizontally laid paper

Boyd's postal stationery is normally found on diagonally laid paper.

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Red on cream wove paper



Material is more elusive from this & succeeding era because businesses did not often save outer envelopes.



Double circular marking of 1877 with address of 1 Park Place

Discovery copy of elusive marking due to Boyd's move to 1 Park Place, similar to double circular marking of 1869-1872, unlisted in postal marking article by Bowman & LeBel.

Bulk mailing address label affixed by Boyd's.

Red on cream diagonally laid paper

February 1, 1874 Bank Notice

BOYD'S BANKING AND INSURANCE SPECIAL DISPATCH, No. 1 PARK PLACE.							
JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, JR., Cashier. EDW. TOWNSEND, Assist. Cashier. The Importers' & Traders' Hational Bank of New York,							
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Please send Pass Book, and withdraw unpaid collections.							
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Boyd's did not apply any markings on Bank Notices indicative of their delivery service.

This notice issued on card stock. Subsequent year issues printed on thin paper.

Circular PAID marking of 1867-79
2nd state of 3rd state of envelope die – adhesive



In 1870's, design of stamps changed, perforations introduced & several business name & location changes.

However, Boyd's prospered with new focus on commercial mail service.

Impression from 2nd state of 3rd state of envelope die with address fully erased.

Bartels recorded only five usages of this adhesive.

Circular PAID marking of 1867-79

3 state of envelope die

Circa 1874



Red on amber diagonally laid paper

Circular PAID marking of 1867-1879 4th state of envelope die



New address added

Red on amber diagonally laid paper Envelope die modified showing new address (1 Park Place).

Circular PAID marking of 1867-79 4th state of envelope die Circa 1876



Elusive example of 4th state of envelope die used to create this type of adhesive

3rd state of envelope die

Bank Notice January 3, 1875 & June 3, 1876

JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, Jr., Cashier. Edw'd TOWNSEND, Assist. Cashier.

The Importers' & Traders' Hational Bank of Hew Bork,

Wew York,

Vou are credited as proceeds for collection of items as stated below Distant items may not be paid at date of this communication (we credit after waiting, as we suppose, a sufficient time to receive notice of non-payment) and may be returned unpaid, in which case they will be debited to your account.

NOTE OR BILL.

AMOUNT. EXPENSES. PROCEEDS.

Please send Pass Book, with this notice, and withdraw unpaid collections.

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Proceeds.

Please send Pass Book, with this notice, and withdraw unpaid collections.

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Address erased on envelope die

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JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, JR., Cashier. EDW'D TOWNSEND, Assist. Cashier.
The Importers' & Traders' National Bank of New York,
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Boyd's service included the delivery of bank notices that showed bank customer's accounts transactions.

Initially, rate for these was 2 cents.

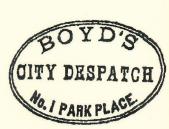
Bank notices are in the class of postal cards. Elusive due to paper frailty & lack of need to retain documentation of banking transactions.

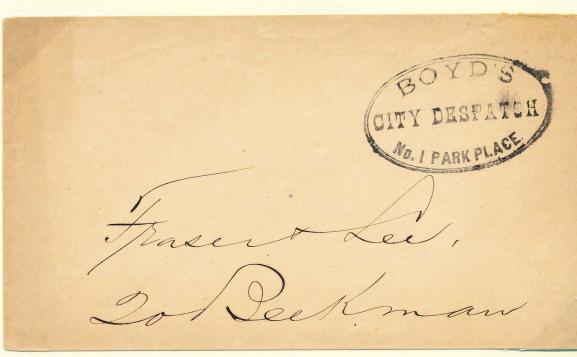
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VIII. 1877 - 1889

Double rimmed marking of 1877

Circa 1877





Bowman reported 2 known examples of this marking





1 known example of this oval marking per Bowman census of Boyd's markings

4th state of envelope die (upper) 5th state of envelope die (lower)

Bank Notice June 1877 & April 7, 1878

BOYD'S BANKING AN	D INSURANCE SPECIAL	DISPATCH, No. 1 PARK P	LACE.
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New address added Denomination erased

Circa 1878 Discovery example of this paper usage



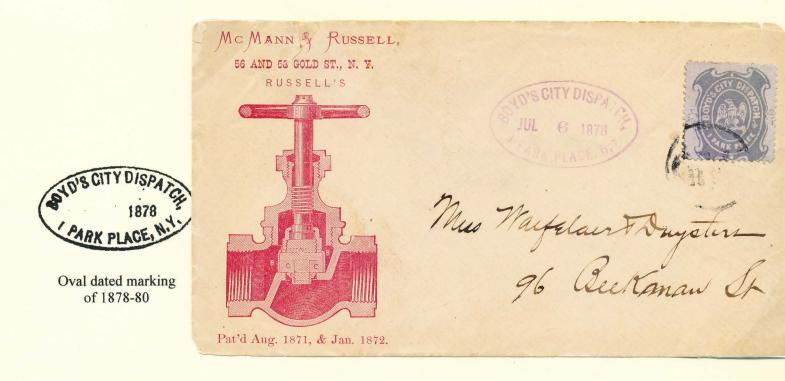
Red on amber wove paper
Unreported use of paper. This only reported being on laid paper.

Circular PAID marking of 1867-1879 5th state of envelope die Circa 1878



1 cent red on amber diagonally laid paper

Oval dated marking of 1878-80 Circular PAID marking of 1867-79



Transfers from 5th state of envelope die used to create master for this issue of adhesives.

Violet on lilac laid paper

Circular PAID marking of 1867-1879

Circa 1878

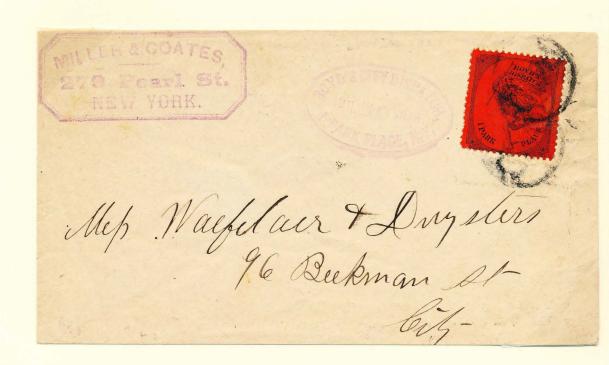


1 cent rate now included letter mail.

Gray on gray laid paper



Inner frame line broken below foot of Mercury

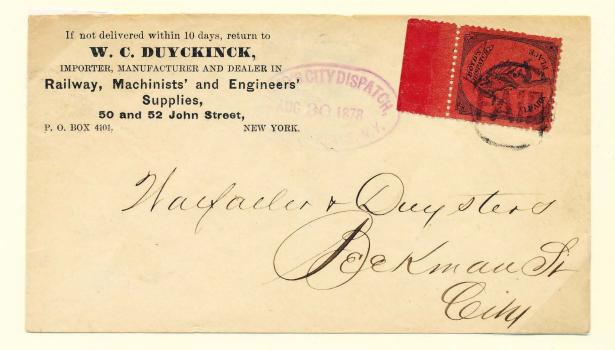


In 1878, Boyd's printer prepared 20 sheets of color trials, in various inks & papers of this new design depicting Mercury. Boyd's selected black on crimson & orange red on wove paper for its adhesives.

These were used to pay 1-cent letter rate which was established in 1877

5 black on orange red wove paper usages known to exhibitor.

Unreported eku of black on crimson red adhesive



Black on crimson red surface colored paper

8 black on crimson red wove paper usages known to exhibitor.

Reported used late August to early 1879

Double rimmed oval marking circa late 1870's Type I Mercury series adhesive

Circa 1879

Unreported color of this double rimmed oval marking

Manuscript Boyd's carrier marking "house closed"



Boyd's customers did not like colors chosen so after a few short months usage, black on pink & black on blue surface colored wove paper adhesives were introduced.

Black on blue wove paper

Black on blue Mercury Series usages are more elusive than black on pink paper usages.



December 21, 1878

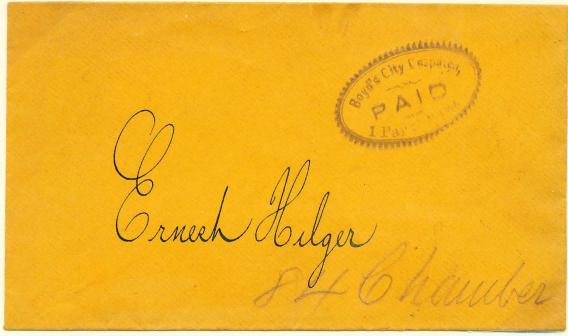
Saw tooth marking usually seen without any other marking & unusual in combination with oval dated markings

This with oval marking of 1878-80



Sawtooth marking struck in black & less often in magenta.

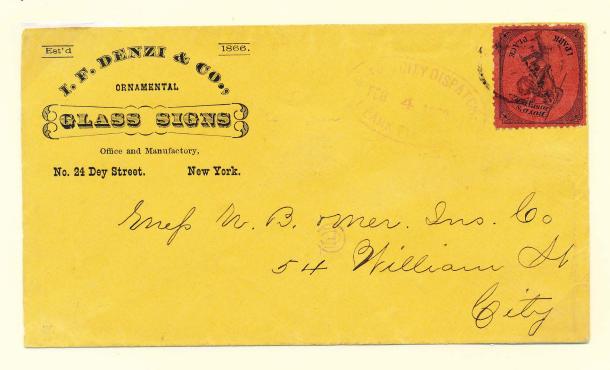
Known on unaddressed envelopes & may have been sold as postal stationery.





Sawtooth marking usually found on stampless usages.

Type I Mercury series adhesive -Black on blue wove paper



Black on crimson red surface colored paper

Oval dated marking of 1878-1880 Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery

February 14, 1879 Introduction: Mercury Series postal stationery





Shading omitted in banner. No period after "Dispatch" Short line extends to left from great toe

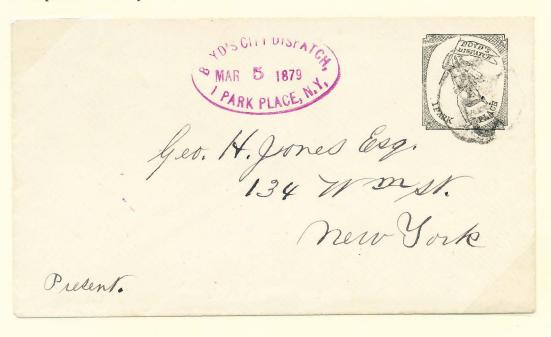


Mercury series Type IV & V were only used for postal stationery & bank notices.

Black on white diagonally laid paper

March 5, 1879
Previously unreported lku of prepayment marking

Circular PAID marking of 1867-1879
Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery



Patton reported this prepayment marking's lku was reported as mid-1870's.

Black on cream laid paper

5th state of envelope die

March 17, 1879 Bank notice

JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, Jr., Cashier.	EDWAF GEO. V	RD TOWNSEND, Assistan AN DERWERKER, "	nt Cashier,	
The Importers' & Trai	ders' National L	Bank of New Vo	rk.	
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Masthead change to 4 officers of bank. 1878 bank notice provisionally used in 1879.

Oval dated marking of 1878-80 on reverse 5th state of envelope die



Linn's reported 5 known examples of this postal card when noting auction results of similar card sold in 1999.

This was 1 cent rate

Large year date variety

JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, JR., Cashier.

NOTE OR BILL.

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You are credited as proceeds for collection of items as stated below. Distant items may not be paid at date of this communication [we credit after waiting, as we suppose, a sufficient time to receive notice of non-payment] and may be returned unpaid, in which case they will be debited to your account.

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The Importers' & Traders' National Bank of New York,

New Mark,...

EDWARD TOWNSEND. Assistant Cashier. GEO. VAN DERWERKER, ""

EXPENSES.

Oval dated marking of 1878-80 5th state of envelope die



In 1877, this issued for reduced 1-cent rate Red on amber diagonally laid paper

Oval dated marking of 1878-1880 Type I Mercury Series adhesive August 19, 1879



Manuscript "gone" Boyd's carrier marking indicating addressee no longer at address on envelope.

Rough cut perforations due to poor quality paper used for specific Mercury Series adhesives.

Black on pink wove paper, rough-cut

Circular marking of 1880-1882

Circa 1880 New Circular Marking



Circular marking of 1880-1882

Type I Mercury Series adhesive Black on pink wove paper

TINTED ENVELOPE MAKER

AND

BLANK BOOK

Manufacturer,

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This marking typically used on covers without adhesives, usually applied to circular mailings.

Mr F. Kanter

616 Bivay

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Handstamp in upper left corner private marking indicating to "office boy" to take to Boyd's for service.

Type I Mercury Series adhesive Black on lavender wove paper Undated oval marking of 1880's Type I Mercury Series adhesive Circa 1880 New Oval marking





Undated oval marking of 1880's

Black on blue wove paper

Undated oval marking of 1880's Type I Mercury Series adhesive Circa 1880



Boyd's prepared & affixed mailing labels for bulk mailings for its customers.

Black on lavender wove paper

Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery

February 19, 1880 & March 24, 1880 Bank Notice

JAMES BUELL, President. E. H. PERKINS, Jr., Cashier.		DISPATCH, No. 1 PARK I D TOWNSEND, Assistant J. GRAHAM,	THE PAUL	
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Upper - Provisionally used in 1880
1879 Small year date variety
Die used to print Type IV postal stationery & bank notices had developed crack midway along left vertical frame line.

Lower -Later in 1880. Importers' & Traders' Bank had Boyd's procure new batch of notices with header reflecting promotions at bank of Townsend, Perkins & Graham.

Oval dated marking of 1878-1880 Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery



Red on amber diagonally laid paper

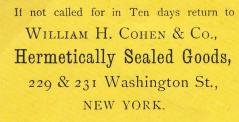
Oval dated marking of 1881

February 26, 1881



Oval marking of 1881
With taller letters in inscription
& narrower width of oval









Oval dated paid marking of 1880-85

Muteth Knowlton.
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This oval dated paid marking is most common of Boyd's markings of 1880's. Patton reported its use only to 1883.

Black on lilac pink laid paper

Oval dated marking of 1880-85

October 19, 1881



Bulk mailing

Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Type II Mercury Series adhesive



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No break in frame below foot, great toe raised, other toes touching line.

Black on lilac pink laid paper

Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery

December 8, 1881 Bank Notice

H. PERKINS, Jr., President. DWARD TOWNSEND, Cashier.		P. J. GRAHAM, Assistant (W. H. PERKINS, Assistant	Cashier.
The Importers' & Trade	Hew York,	14/8	1887.
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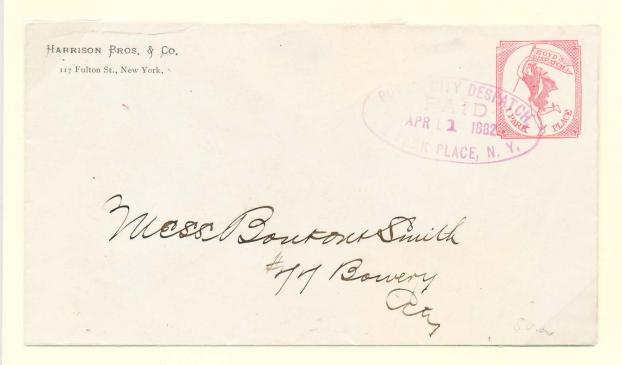
Masthead of 1881 bank notice shows hiring of new assistant cashier, W. H. Perkins

Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Type IV Mercury Series postal stationery



Red on cream diagonally laid paper

Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Type V Mercury Series stationery April 1, 1882





Colorless crosshatching in framework, no short line extending to left from great toe

Type V was reworking of Type IV envelope die that corrected jagged line from left toe & defective die that appeared in upper left corner.

Red on wove paper

1 of 2 of this design red on wove paper usage known to exhibitor

Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Type II Mercury Series adhesive



Black on pink laid paper

Oval undated paid marking of 1880's Type III Mercury Series adhesive Circa 1882 New undated oval paid marking



Oval undated paid marking of 1880's

JAMES YEREANCE, Esq., Manager,

London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Co.

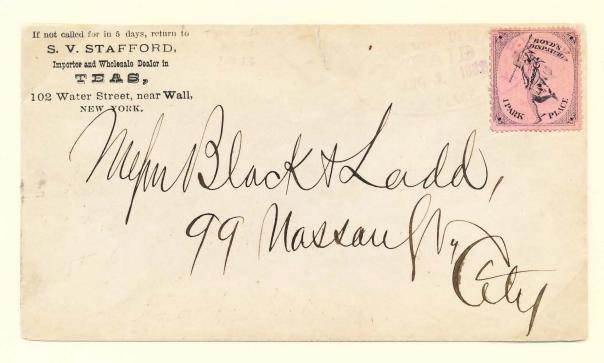
46 PINE STREET,

NEW YORK CITY,

N. Y.

This marking typically found on insurance company return envelopes.

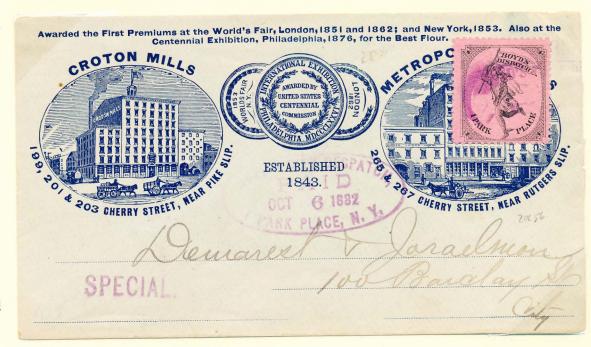
Black on pink wove paper



Oval dated marking of 1880-85 - 20 mm PAID variety

VIII. 1877 - 1889 Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Special marking of 1880's Type III Mercury Series adhesive

October 6, 1882





No break in frame, great toe touching frame line Ankle winglet more curved

Special marking of 1880's, its purpose unknown.
U.S. Postal Act of 1882 redefined what letters were to include **printed** notices & bills.

Black on pink wove paper





Maltese Cross marking only Boyd's fancy marking from its years of service
Black on pink wove paper
Pair on this paying 2-cent letter rate
1 of 2 Mercury Series multiples reported





North British & Mercantile Insurance Co.,

P. O. Box No. 43.

NEW YORK.

Boyd's raided on May 4, 1883 by U.S. postal inspectors & U.S. Attorney General agents. Approximately 20,000 "letters" seized which were mostly bills & notices. After short trial, Boyd's found guilty of delivering letters along U.S. post routes & paid a small fine.

Black on blue wove paper

Oval dated marking of 1880-85

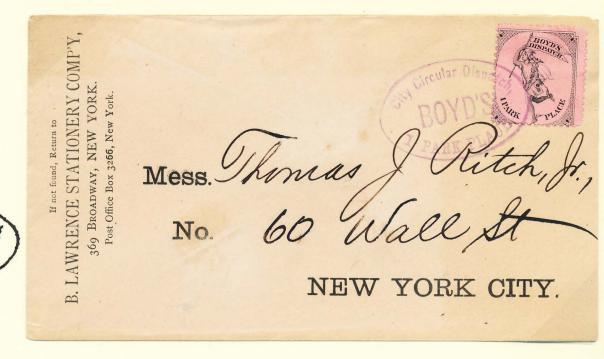
Wrapper usage May 23, 1883



Thus "letter" delivery services became an ever-smaller portion of Boyd's business. Boyd's addressed envelopes for bulk mailings for its customers & compiling of mailing address lists by industry or income of companies & persons, which were often useful for businesses.

Though most articles state May 1883 U.S. raid on Boyd's ended its delivery service, Boyd's continued advertising its delivery service provided that mail was allowed under loopholes permitted in Private Express Statutes of Postal Act of 1852 & subsequent Postal Acts.

Oval marking Type III Mercury Series adhesive



Exhibitor feels this is a circular or other allowed usage under 1882 U.S. Postal Act, though Bowman & LeBel in their article about Boyd's postal markings had doubts about postal validity of this marking. It has appropriate adhesive on it & cover looks like a bulk mailing usage.

Black on pink wove paper

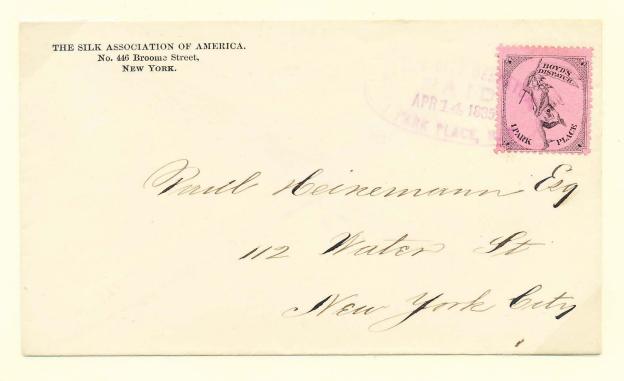
Oval marking of 1880's Type III Mercury Series adhesive Circa 1884 New oval marking



Oval marking of mid 1880's

5 Murray Street was a Boyd's mail sub-office in 1880's. Also reported as Boyd's head office in mid to late 1880's. Black on pink wove paper

Oval dated marking of 1880-85 Type III Mercury Series adhesive



Under Postal Act of 1852, private mail delivery services on post routes were allowed if "letter" was of one time nature.

Above shows Boyd's continued deliveries into mid-1880's.

Oval Beekman Street marking

Circa 1885 New oval marking



Oval Beekman Street marking

In mid-1880's & thereafter, Boyd's continued to advertise delivery services & addressing of envelopes for bulk mailings.



This marking different than previous example by inclusion of "N.Y." after street address.

1 reported example of this marking

Double rimmed oval marking

Circa 1886 New oval marking



Double rimmed oval marking

THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY

ANDREW FREEDMAN, RESIDENT DIRECTOR.

SYLVESTER J. O'SULLIVAN, MANAGER.

142 BROADWAY, N. Y.



mo Isaac Sayton



DESPATCH 16 BETTEMAN ST

Ornaments of bars different in each example

No bar below Despatch

1 reported of no bar marking

Wrappers not often kept thus are elusive evidence of Boyd's delivery service. Curtin-Ruggles (The) de Continue de Contin



Wrapper

Oval marking with seriffed numeral 1

March 28, 1887 New oval marking



Oval dated marking with Despatch below Boyd's City in inscription & seriffed numeral 1

Remnant of address label affixed, this wrapper enclosed a newspaper or circular delivered by Boyd's.



Oval marking of 1888

1 example reported of this marking

Oval marking of 1880's

February 20 1889 Wrapper



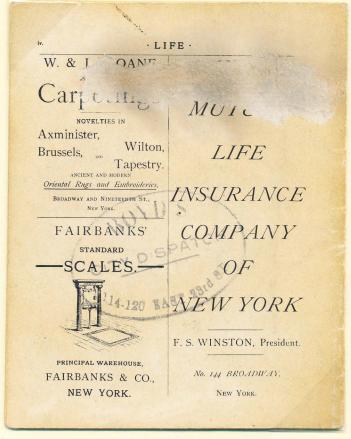
Wrapper usage

Boyd's markings shown in this section Oval Marking of East 23rd Street Special delivery marking

Oval Marking

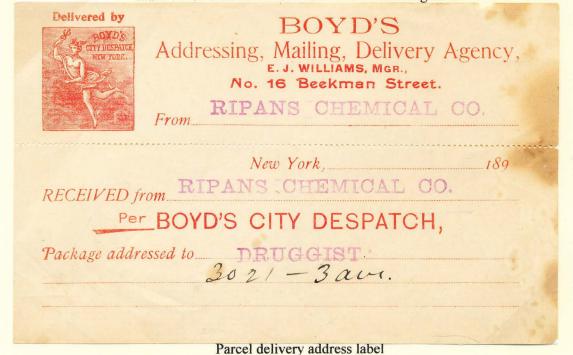
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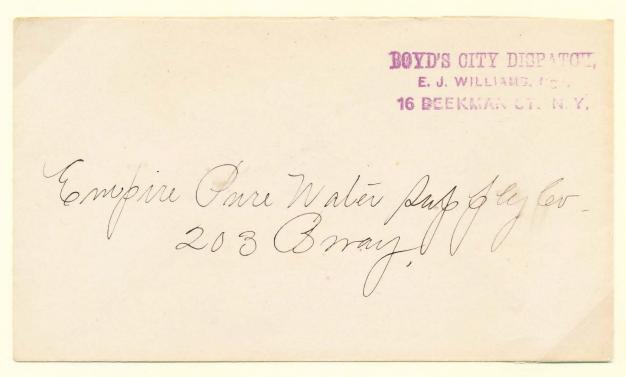
Circa 1890's



Oval Marking

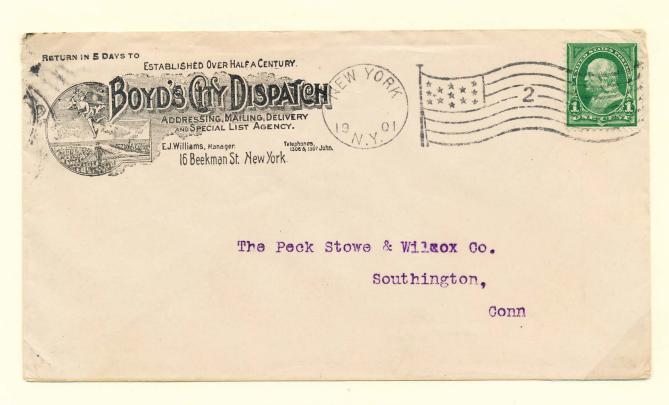
Not known if East 23rd Street address was branch or processing center for circulars & magazines or a main office. However, it is known that Boyd's did not move to this address as a main office until much later than date of this magazine.





This may be an advertising or return address handstamp rather than postal marking

1901



Though there was no longer a need for adhesives, Boyd's retained using Mercury as a symbol for its business. DELIVERY of Circulars, Catalogues, Price Lists, Reports, Samples, etc., in New York City and Brooklyn.

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Thanking you for favor received and hoping for a continuance of same, we remain,

Yours very truly,

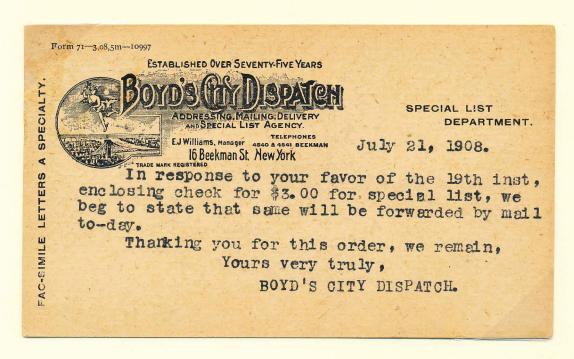
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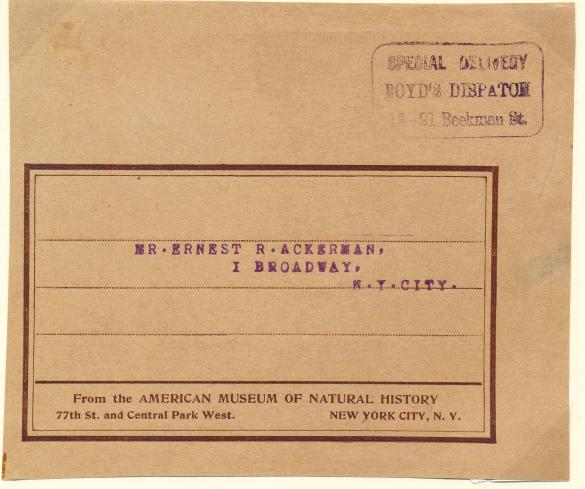
Letter describing confirmation of order for Boyd's addressing services LL in lower left is office supervisor & exhibitor's grandfather. Andrew Lemon, a NYC attorney & former city magistrate easily would have had need of Boyd's addressing services for a mailing as he also was member of Bar Association, Bushwick Club, Canarsie Yacht Club, Masonic Order & order of Odd Fellows.



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We are prepared to furnish lists of General Manufacturers, Jobbers, Steam Users, etc., or restricted to Responsible concerns, if desired

state or city desired.

In addition to supplying lists, we have an Addressing Department, to address envelopes to any list desired (orders for large lists, Physicians, Farmers, Retail Grocers, etc., etc., are generally for addressing); a Mailing Department, where we fold and enclose circulars, etc., and mail all classes of advertising or other matter; a Delivery Department which has, for over 75 years, made a specialty of the del books, catalogues, ci culars, samples, etc., in New York City, Brooklyn, or other cities, addressed or unaddressed; a Typewriting Depart where we prepare our fac-simile typewraten lesters, which we consider to be the most effective form of modern circularizing, filling in nar addresses to match body of letter, and addressing envelopes by typewriter.

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401:Acetylene Gas and Gas
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225 Acid Mfrs.
31:Acid, Nitric, Mfrs.
26 Acid Phosphate Mfrs.
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77 Local Advertisers
Manilla Papers, P.
78 Advertising Agents 1,757 Advertising Agents
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55 AdvertisingNoveltyMfrs.
Germany
42 Importers of Advertising Novelties and Art
Goods
39 Advertising Sign Mfrs.
308 Advertising Writers, Advisors, Constructors, etc.
24 Agate Ware Mfrs.
315 Agents' and Canvassers'
Whol. Supply Houses
1,000 Prospective Women
Agents, New Eng. and
Middle Atlantic States
1,388 Agricultural Implt. Mfrs. 1,388 Agricultural Implt. Mfrs. 876 " " Resp. 664 " " Prom. 004
15,750 Agricultural Implt. Dirs.
15,750 do do Resp.
1,103 do do Prom.
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597 Agricultural Implt. Dlrs. and Importers, France and Roumania 3,414:Agricultural Implt. Users and Plantation Owners, Mexico 175 Air Compressor Mfrs. 28 Album Mfrs. 9 Alligator Skin Dlrs., and Leather Mfrs. Leather Mfrs.

188 Aluminum and Aluminum Goods Mfrs.

8,739: Amateur Photographers

124,814 Americans, Wealthy

16,217 "Wealthiest

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Towns under 5,000 Population 1ation
45,804 Americans, Wealthy, in
25 Largest Cities in U.S.
196 Ammonia Mfrs.
298 Amidiation

See also Flats and Apart-ment Houses
690 Apple Shippers and Wholesale Dealers Wholesale Dealers
125 Apron Mfrs.
8,028 Architects
1,018 "Selected
67 "Mexico
136 "South Africa
419 "South Africa
419 "South Aparica "South America
and Central America
Brewery Architects
Landscape Architects
Naval Architects and
Marine Engineers

271 ApartmentHouses&First
Class Hotels, Largest, giving name of Manager and
Owner, Central Park W.
to River, 59th to 96th

2,150 Architectural and Interior Wood Workers
14 Armature Mfrs.
22 Armature Winders
22 Armored Cable Mfrs. 22 Armored Cable Mrs.
137 Arms and Ammunition
Dlrs., Mexico
44 Arsenals
2 " P. I. and Cuba
12,373 Art and Book Lovers
117 Art Publishers
772 Dept. Stores handling
Art Goods
Art and Stained Glass Art Goods
Art and Stained Glass
Mfrs., see Glass
387:Art Schools
4,495 Art Stores & Picture Dlrs.
1,410 do do Resp.
709 do do Prom.
40 do do Cuba. Mex-

394 Artificial Flow 260 Artificial Flo Feather Mfrs. 133 Artificial Limb 859 Artists' Supply 52 Asbestos Mfrs. 454 Asphalt Pavers 59 Asphalters, Au 90 "En 1,164 Assayers and . Chemists, Fore 591:Assayers, Chemists, Chemists, Chemists, Chemists, Chemists, Chemists, Chemistry, 591:Assayers, Cher Geologists 7,633:Asylums, Hosp Compiling Special Lists; Addressing to all Trades, Professions. Etc. Facsimile Letters Reproduced; Typewriting: Wrapping; Folding; Mailing. Delivery of Circulars, Catalogues, Samples, Books, Etc. in New York.

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Upon receipt of order together with amount covering we will promptly copy and forward list desired. charges paid by us. or upon receipt of advise as to territory desired in detail, we will submit revised quotation upon application .

Awaiting an early reply, we remain,

Yours very truly.

IX. **EPILOGUE**

Mailing List Service

Boyd's is still in business in Millerton, NY, selling mailing lists of affluent people to nonprofit organizations & financial planners.



Recently, Boyd's has refined through use of computer software its mailing list sales to nonprofit organizations targeting affluent individuals that have contributed to similar causes in the past.