

THE
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❧ COLLECTION ❧
OF INDEPENDENT MAILS

INCLUDING THE HISTORY, FORGERIES, & FANTASIES OF
UNITED STATES, LOCAL POSTS, CARRIERS,
INDEPENDENT MAIL ROUTES, & EXPRESS CO.S

ALBANY LETTER EXPRESS

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This bogus post is a creation of S. Allan Taylor. It was first reported around 1865. It was possibly inspired by Taylor's move to Albany, New York, in 1864.

The stamp design was created by applying the center eagle design of a Boyd's City Express stamp into the frame design of a Pomeroy's Express stamp.



EXAMPLE : GENUINE
POMEROY'S FRAME



EXAMPLE : GENUINE
BOYD'S CENTER



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB5
RED VIOLET
ON LAVENDER SC



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB5
RED VIOLET
ON GREENISH BLUE SC



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB9
RED
ON MANILLA



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB9
RED
ON DEEP PINK



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB13
BLACK
ON DULL ORANGE SC



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB13
BLACK
ON PINK VIOLET SC



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM AB13
BLACK
ON PALE BLUE SC

ALBANY LETTER EXPRESS



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S3
BLUE
ON PINK VIOLET



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S3
BLUE
ON WHITE



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S3
BLUE
ON YELLOWISH



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S3
PALE BLUE
ON WHITE



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S5
GREEN
ON WHITE



BOGUS
TAYLOR - FORM S5
GREEN
ON CREAM H LAID



BOGUS
TAYLOR
BLACK
ON BUFF