

THE  
MIKE FARRELL  
❧ COLLECTION ❧  
OF INDEPENDENT MAILS

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

EARLE EXPRESS CO.

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# EARLE EXPRESS CO.

## COMPANY HISTORY

### EXPRESS NOTICE.

EARLE & CO'S Boston and Providence and Warren and Bristol Express, and Lawton & Co's Stonington and New London Express, having been consolidated into one company, under the name and style of The Earle Express Co., are now prepared, under the above name, to receive and forward such freight as is usually forwarded by Express to all stations on the above named routes. Experienced messengers accompany each Passenger Train to receive such freight as may be intrusted to their care; and have under their care and custody an iron safe for the better security of money and other valuable packages. The Earle Express Co. connects in Boston with all the Expresses for the north and east, including the Canadas; and at Providence with the Harnden Express for New York and all points south and west, and with the Adams Express Co. for all points in Connecticut; and with Kissley's Express for Newport; and with Ross's Express for Worcester. Particular attention paid to the payment and collection of Notes, Drafts, Bills, &c. GEO. B. EARLE, President.

W. B. LAWTON, Treasurer.  
Office in Providence corner of Dorrance and Middle streets; in Boston, 33 Court Square. H. Pollard, Agent; in Warren, Main st. H. D. Maxfield, Agent; in Bristol, State st. N. Warren, Agent; in Stonington, Water st. J. H. Palmer & Co., Agents; in New London, State st. P. Turner, Agent. d15

This regional express mail and package delivery company operated between Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut via the Boston and Providence Railroad. The express started operations as early as 1839, and was originally known as Earle's Express or Earle & Co.'s. In 1859, they consolidated with several other lines, with George B. Earle as president. Around 1868, the company became Earle & Prew's Express.

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### EXPRESS MONEY PACKAGE

13  
The Earle Express Company

\$ 100

For L Burbank

From Navy Office

Montockit  
R I

Post May 13

1862.

EARLE EXPRESS CO.  
EXPRESS MONEY PACKAGE

These envelopes were printed by the Earle Express Company for use when delivering money.

*Return Receipts by Express*

**Earle Express Company.**

*Paid 2/-*

*\$43.62*

MONEY PACKAGE.

*For E. J. Ham, Apt*

*No 13 Watchmen Building*

*Providence*

*From Canadian Wales*

*Worcester May 12<sup>th</sup> 1865*

Seal this with WAX before sending off.

**EARLE EXPRESS CO.**

**EXPRESS COLLECTION ENVELOPE**

**EARLE EXPRESS COMPANY**

**FOR COLLECTION.**

157  
Order \$ 9-00 Cash  
From Lilpha Burbank  
Monrocks  
N.Y.

On Navy Agent  
Buckton

March 6th 1863

**INSTRUCTIONS.**

If the enclosed be a **NOTE, DRAFT, or CHECK**, and is not paid at maturity, it should be **PROMPTLY PROTESTED**, (unless otherwise ordered,) and returned at once to the office from which it was received.

If a simple **BILL TO COLLECT**, the Agent will present the same promptly, and if not paid, report the same, with reasons, to the office from which it was received, and after a reasonable time, return it as not collectible.

Agents will be held personally responsible for neglect of instructions.

**REMARKS.**

EARLE EXPRESS COMPANY - COLLECTION ENVELOPE - BLACK ON WHITE - 1863

EARLE EXPRESS CO.

EXPRESS COLLECTION ENVELOPE

150  
**EARLE EXPRESS CO.**

98 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON.

**FOR COLLECTION.**

Order \$ 12

From Lilpha Burbank  
Moosehead  
N.H.

On Navy Agent  
Boston

Aug 16th 1864

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