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OF INDEPENDENT MAILES

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UNITED STATES, LOCAL POSTS, CARRIERS,
INDEPENDENT MAIL ROUTES, & EXPRESS CO.S

HILL'S POST

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HILL'S POST

Hill's Post was established by Oliver B. Hill in Boston, Massachusetts. Newspaper articles identify Hill as a "penny-post" as early as 1847. Most of the few surviving covers are dated around 1849.



81L1 : 1¢ BLACK ON ROSE
GENUINE ON COVER
TIED BY RED BOSTON 5¢ CDS
DECEMBER 18, 1849 (DOCKETING)
PF CERT #0346633

The example above is the only known example of a Hill's Post stamp tied to cover. Most known Hill's stamps were mailed uncanceled by the post, this example just happens to be cancelled by the Boston post office handstamp.