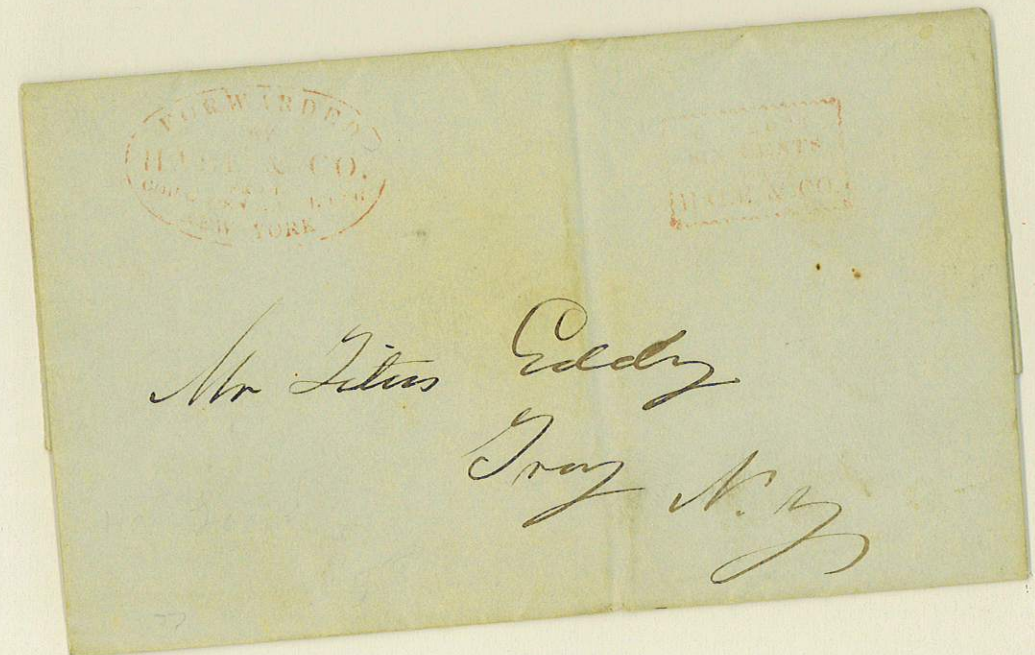


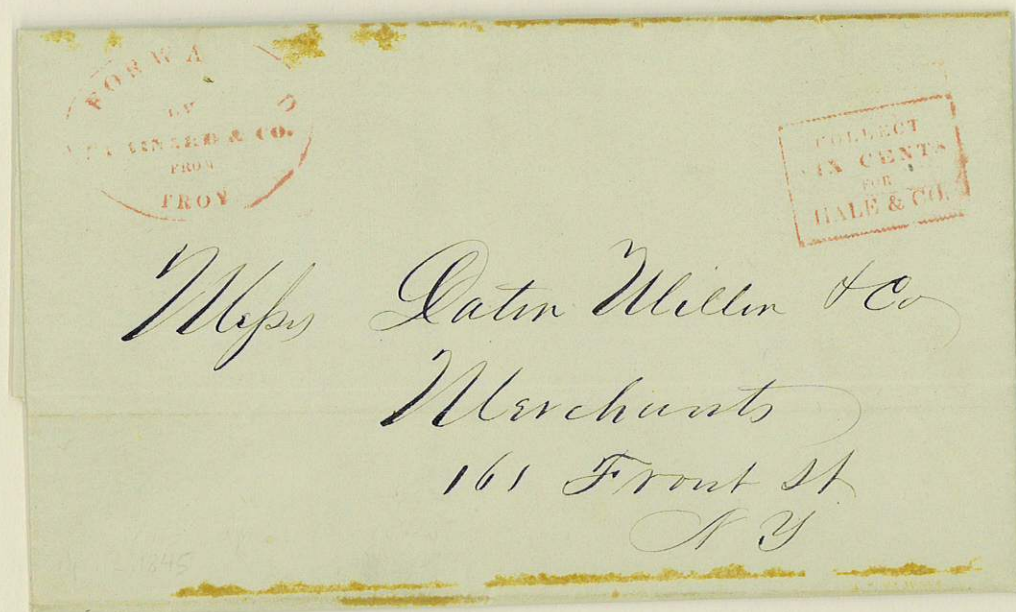
Troy, New York to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dated 4/3/45. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard forwarding handstamp.



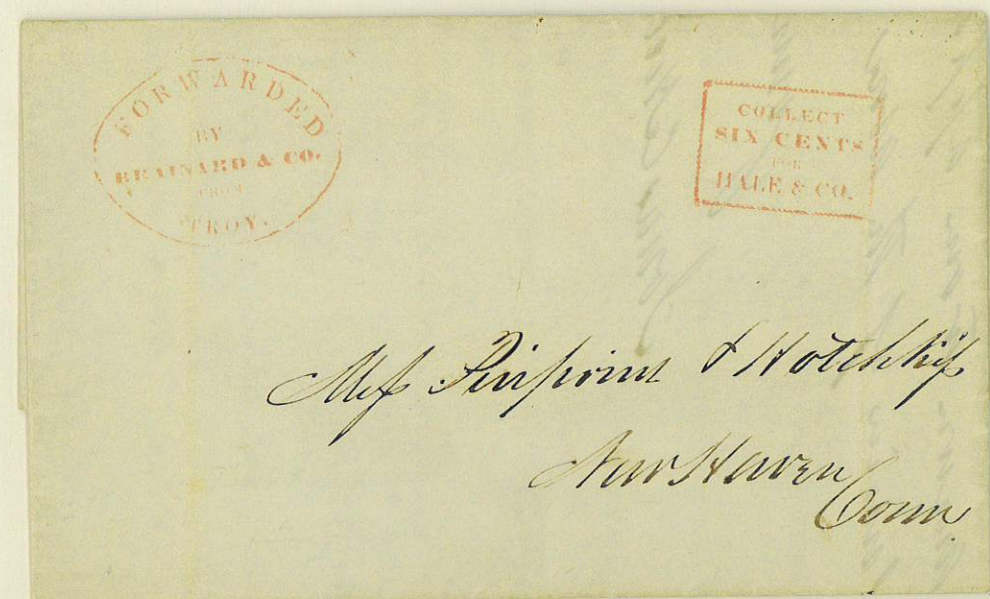
New York City, New York to Troy, New York dated August 7, 1844. This letter bears a F-28 forwarding handstamp and a C-2 collect hanstamp, both in red. This is the earliest known Hale letter with a Troy destination.



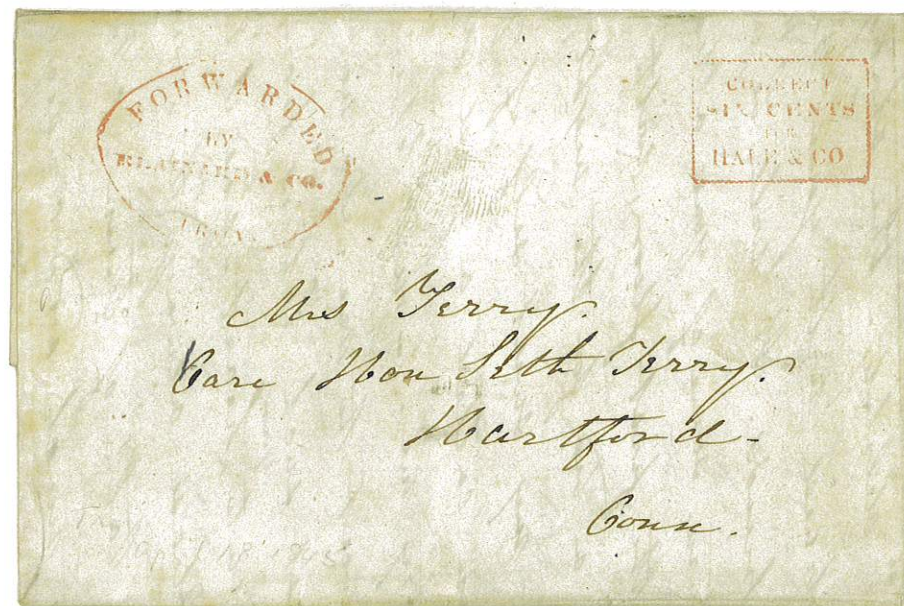
Troy, New York to Hartford, Connecticut dated April 12, 1845. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard & Co. forwarding handstamp.



Troy, New York to New Haven, Connecticut dated 3/8/45. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard forwarding handstamp.



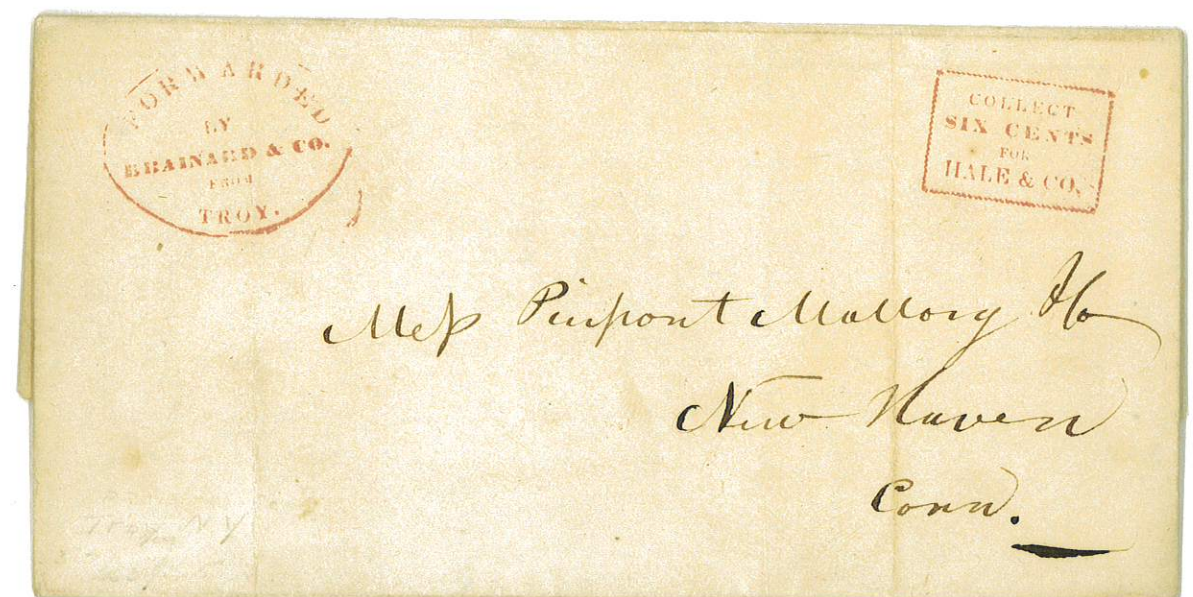
Troy, New York to Hartford, Connecticut dated April 18, 1845. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard & Co. forwarding handstamp.



Troy, New York to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 3/13/45. This letter bears two red C-3 collect handstamps and a red Brainard forwarding handstamp. Two handstamps sometimes indicated a double weight letter or a letter with an enclosure. It is also possible that Brainard was not Hale's agent in Troy and one C-3 was for the Troy to Albany part of the route and the second C-3 was for the Albany to Springfield part of the route.



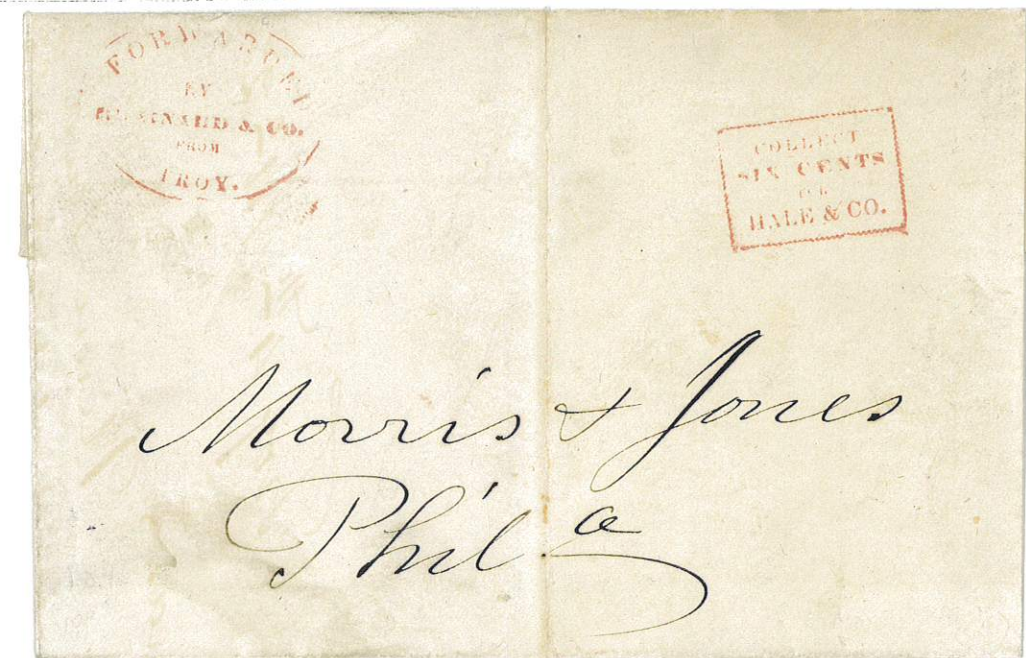
Troy, New York to New Haven, Connecticut dated 3/28/45. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard forwarding handstamp.



Troy, New York to Boston, Massachusetts dated 9/14/44. This letter bears a red F-1 forwarding handstamp, a red PAID handstamp, and a manuscript "Paid" notation. The PAID handstamp is not a Hale marking. This letter probably entered the Hale system in Albany.



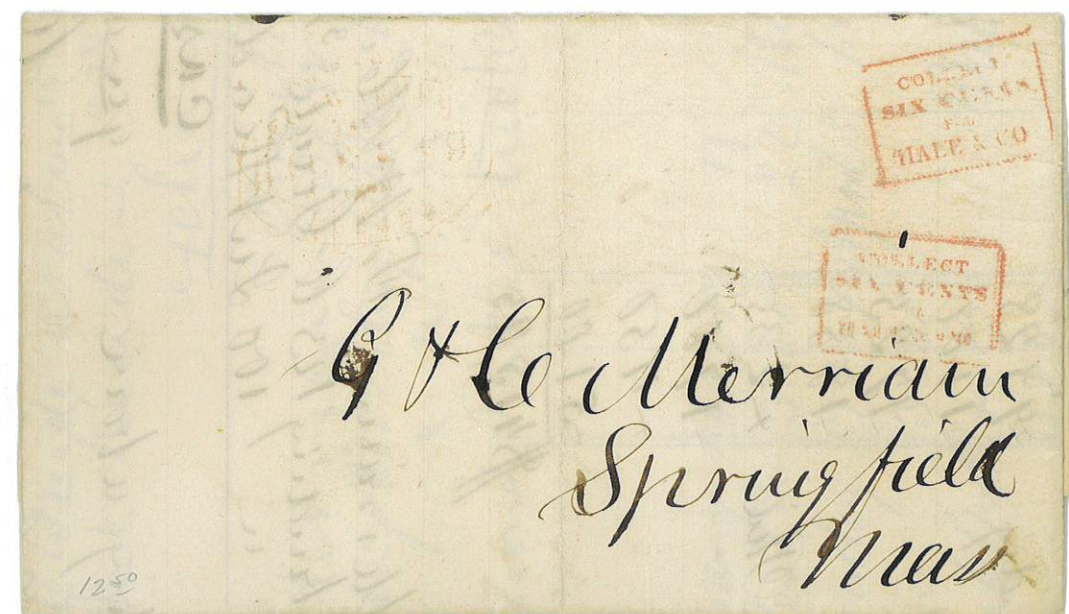
Troy, New York to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dated May 4, 1845. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp and a red Brainard & Co. forwarding handstamp.



Troy, New York to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 9/21/44. This letter bears a red C-12 collect handstamp and a red Brainard forwarding handstamp. If this letter went through New York the C-12 could have been applied there but it is more likely it is a Brainard marking and this letter may have never entered the Hale system.



Troy, New York to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 5/23/45. This letter bears a very faint F-1 forwarding handstamp and two C-3 collect handstamps. This letter probably entered the Hale system in Albany. The two C-3's may have indicated a double weight letter or an enclosure.



Troy, New York to Boston, Massachusetts undated. This letter bears a red C-3 collect handstamp, a red Brainard forwarding handstamp and a manuscript "8" notation. The "8" indicated local delivery in New York was desired.

