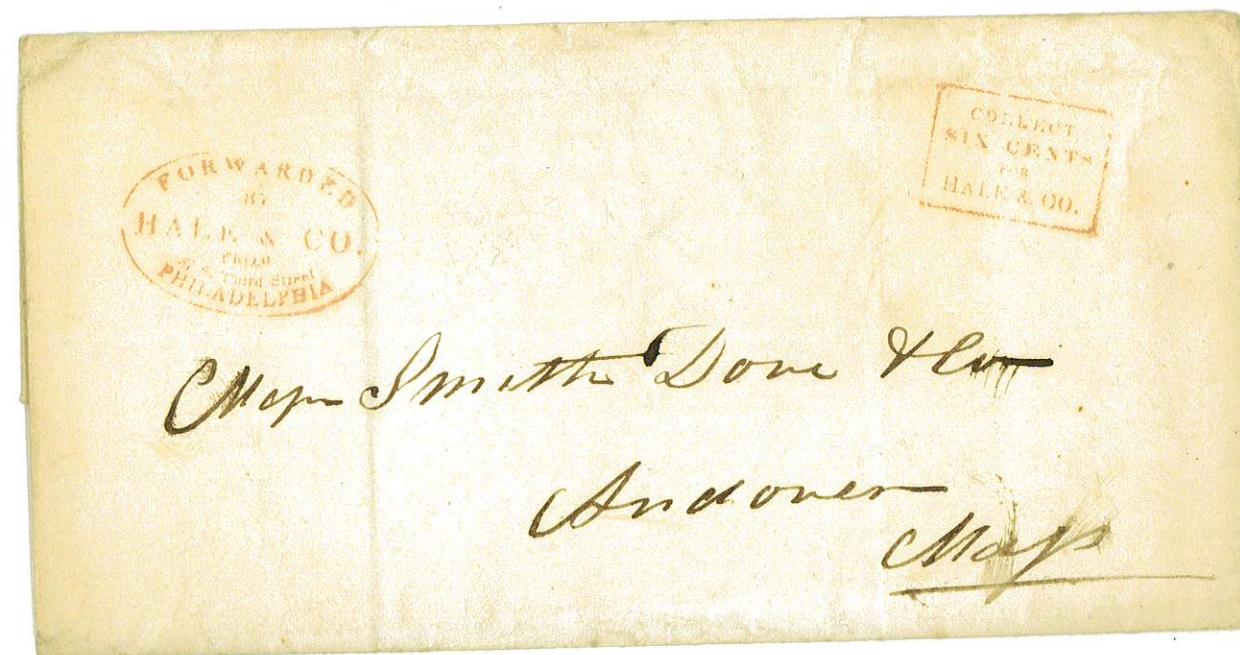


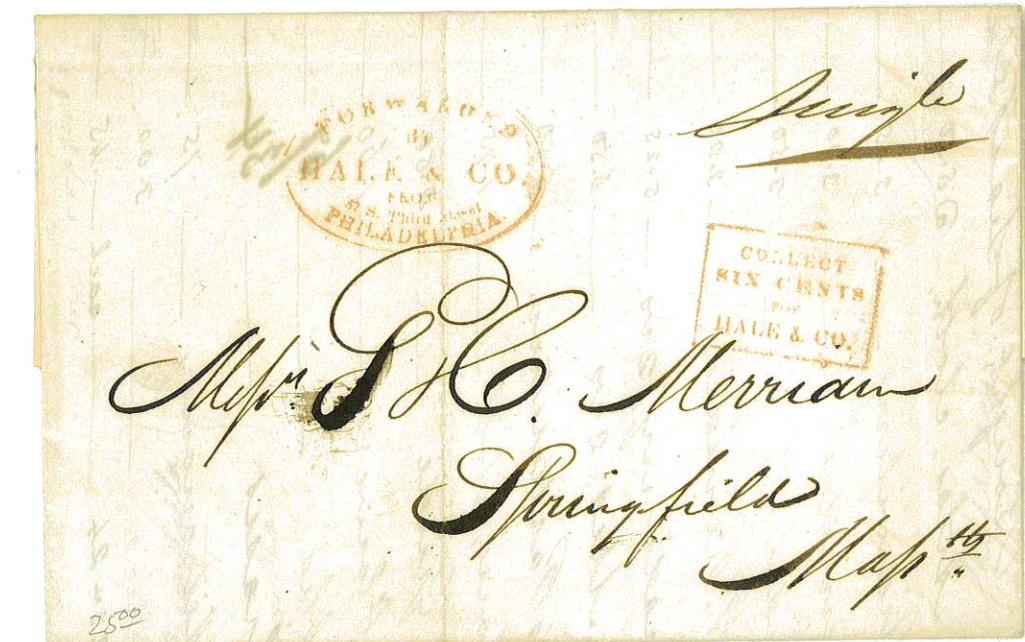
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Newington, Connecticut dated 3/9/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a 75L5. It also bears a manuscript notation "To be called for at the office in H.", presumably Hartford.



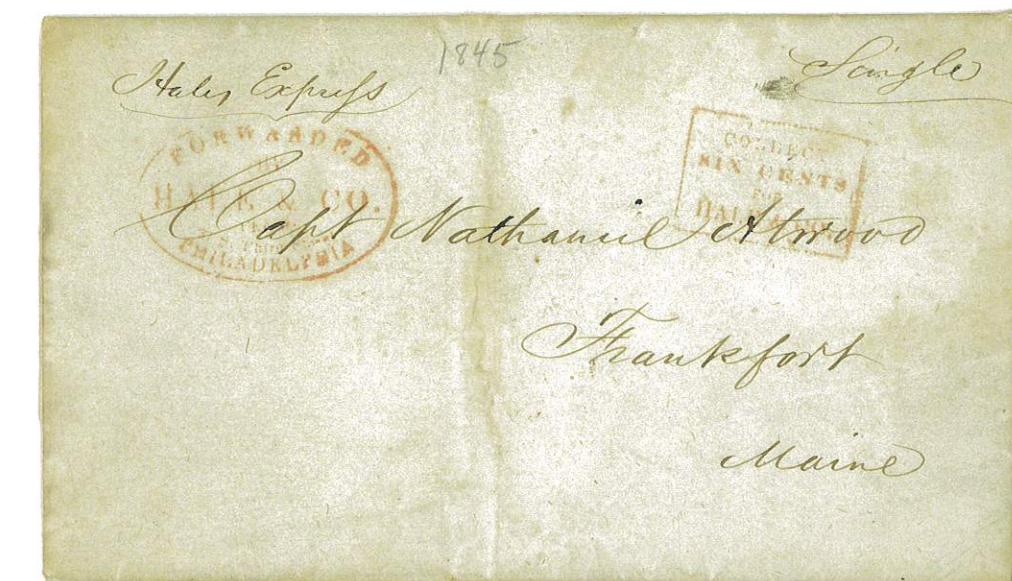
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Andover, Massachusetts dated 3/12/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 4/5/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-3 collect handstamp and the manuscript "Single" notation.



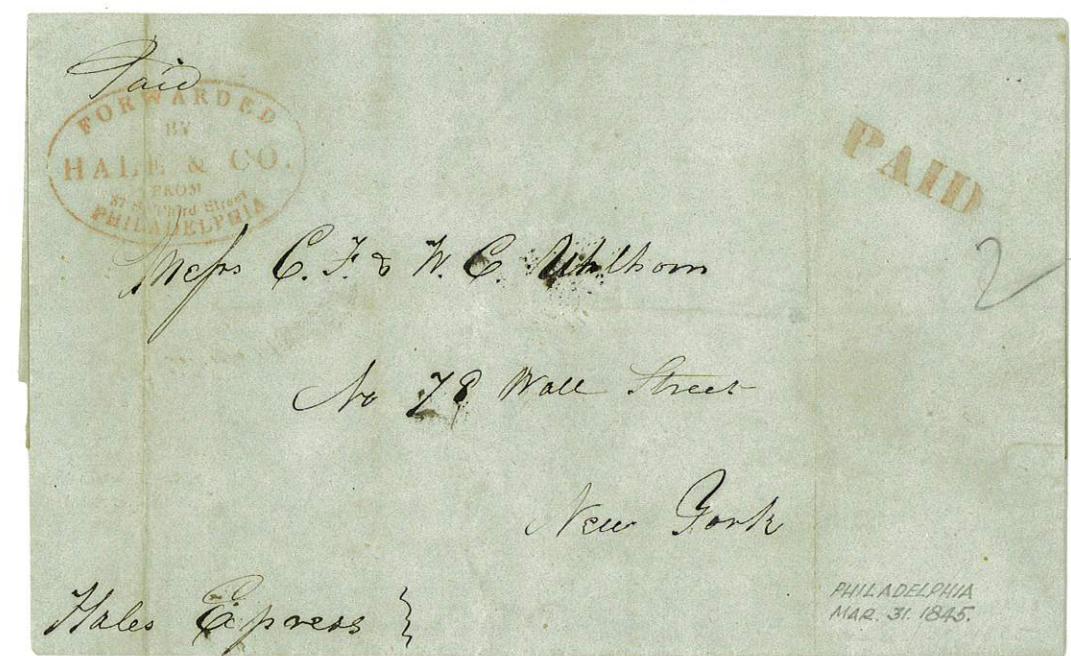
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Frankfort, Maine dated 4/8/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. It bears the manuscript notations "Single" and "Hales Express". This is the latest known letter with a Frankfort destination.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 3/24/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. A pencil notation adds the street address of 91 Maiden Lane.



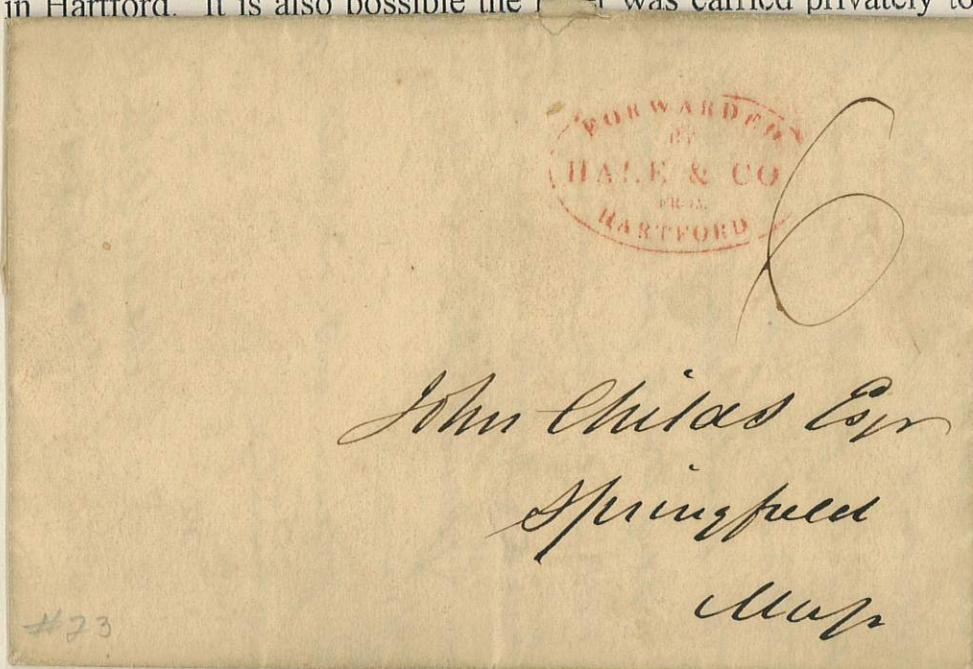
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated March 31st 1845. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. Also present are two manuscript notations "2" and "Hale's Express". The "2" indicated that local delivery in New York was desired and would be paid for by the addressee.



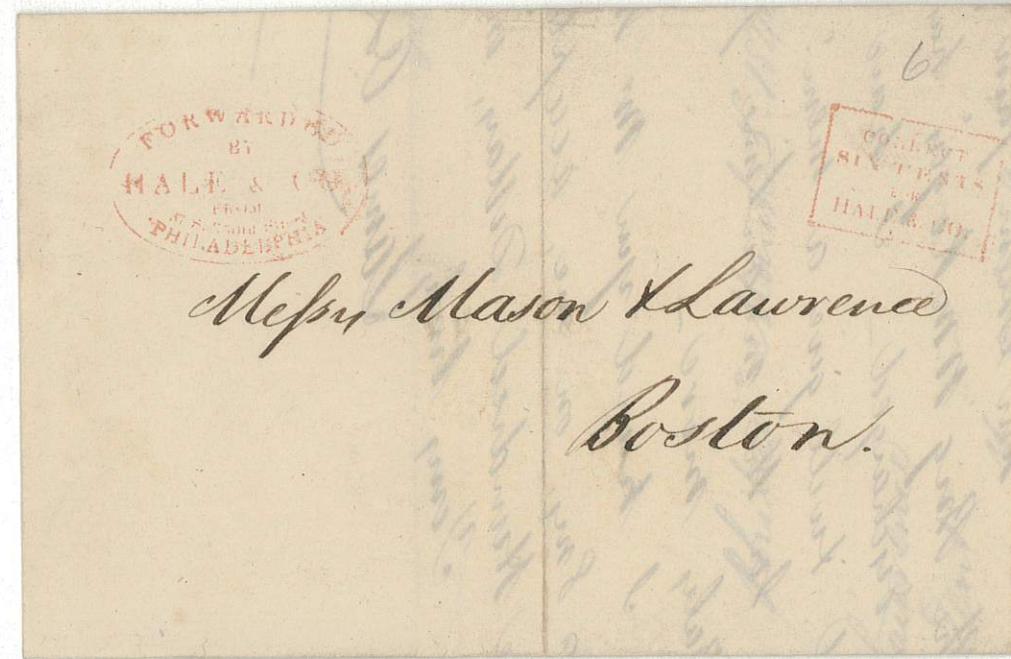
Philadelphia Pennsylvania to New York City dated 12/7/44. This letter bears a red Philadelphia F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-17 collect handstamp that may have been applied in New York.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 12/4/44. This letter bears a red F-19 forwarding handstamp and a black "6" manuscript notation. The "6" was likely the collect information. This letter appears to have escaped from Philadelphia without any forwarding handstamp with the F-19 being applied enroute in Hartford. It is also possible the letter was carried privately to Hartford.



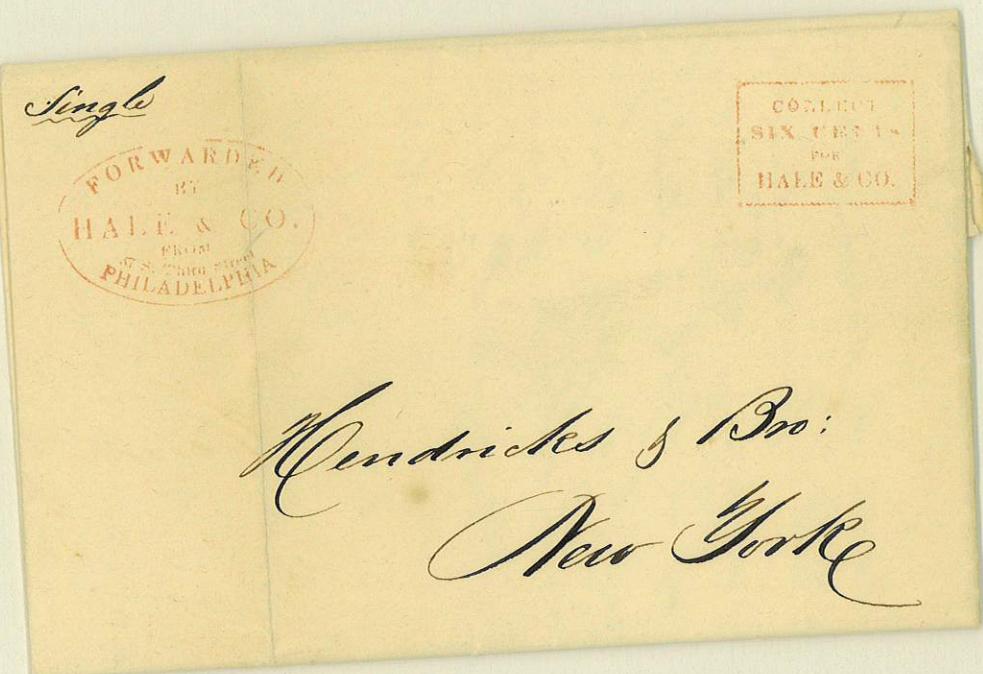
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated 3/3/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated 3/4/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 11/30/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-3 collect handstamp, and a manuscript "single" notation.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City docketed December 1, 1844. This letter bears a F-33 forwarding handstamp and a C-17 collect hanstamps, both in red. There is still some uncertainty surrounding the use of the C-17. It most likely was applied in New York but it is possible it was also in use in Philadelphia.



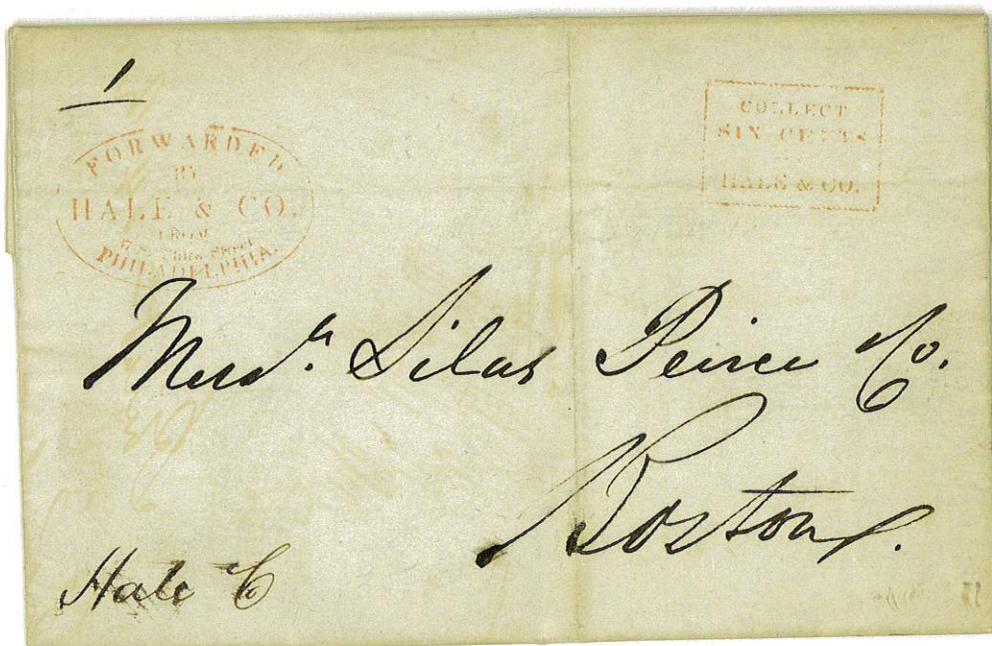
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island dated February 28, 1845. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-3 collect handstamp and a manuscript notation "Single".



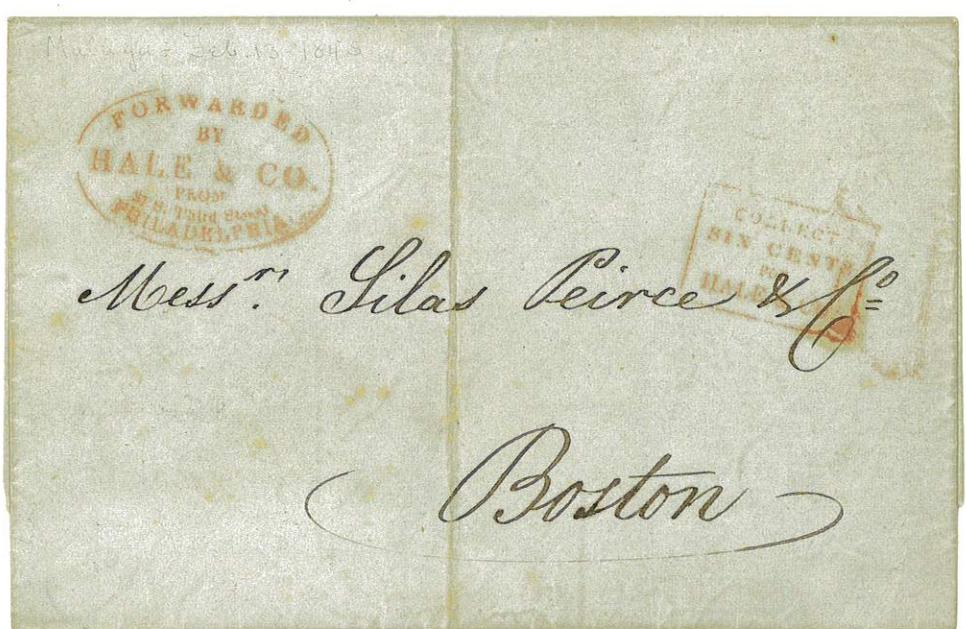
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Portland, Maine dated 11/10/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a black P-1 paid handstamp applied in Boston.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated November 14, 1844. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. Also present are manuscript notations "1" and "Hale Co".



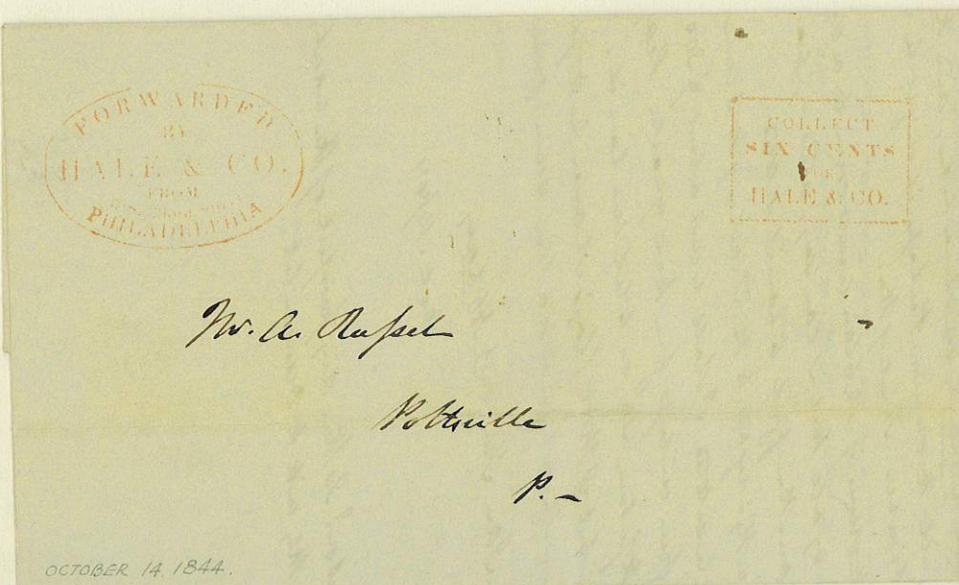
Malaga, Spain to Boston, Massachusetts via Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dated 2/13/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. On the back flat is the manuscript notation "Forwarded by Yr friend ? Morris Nubank ?, April 18th, 1845."



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Pottsville, Pennsylvania dated 10/9/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-3 collect handstamp and a manuscript "Single" notation.

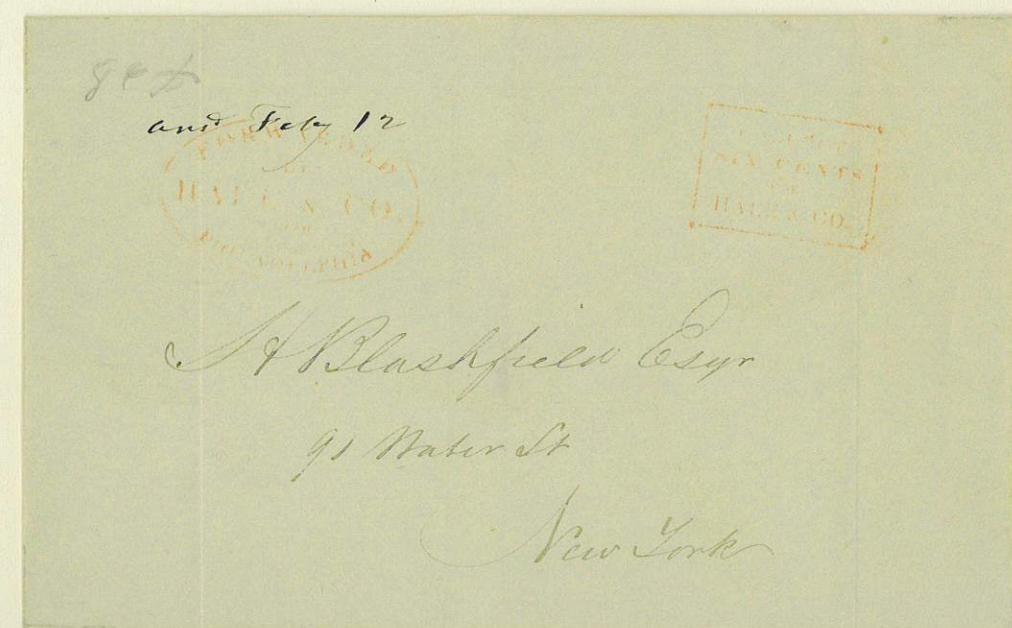


Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Pottsville, Pennsylvania dated 10/14/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. This is one of four letters known to Pottsville and is the latest known use.



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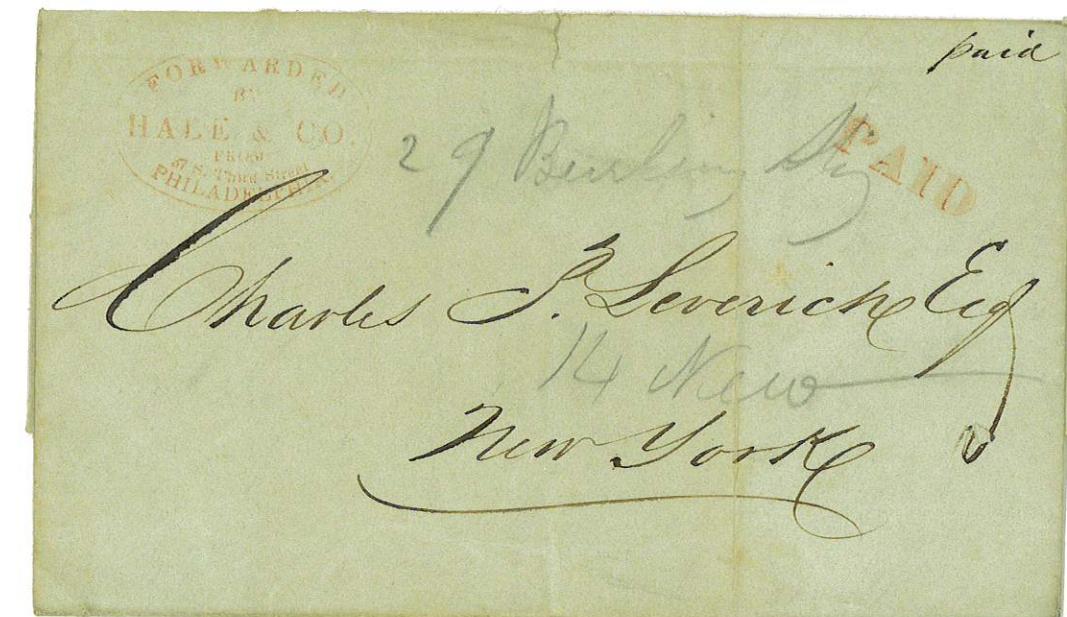
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 2/8/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-3 collect handstamp and a manuscript "ans Feb 12" notation.



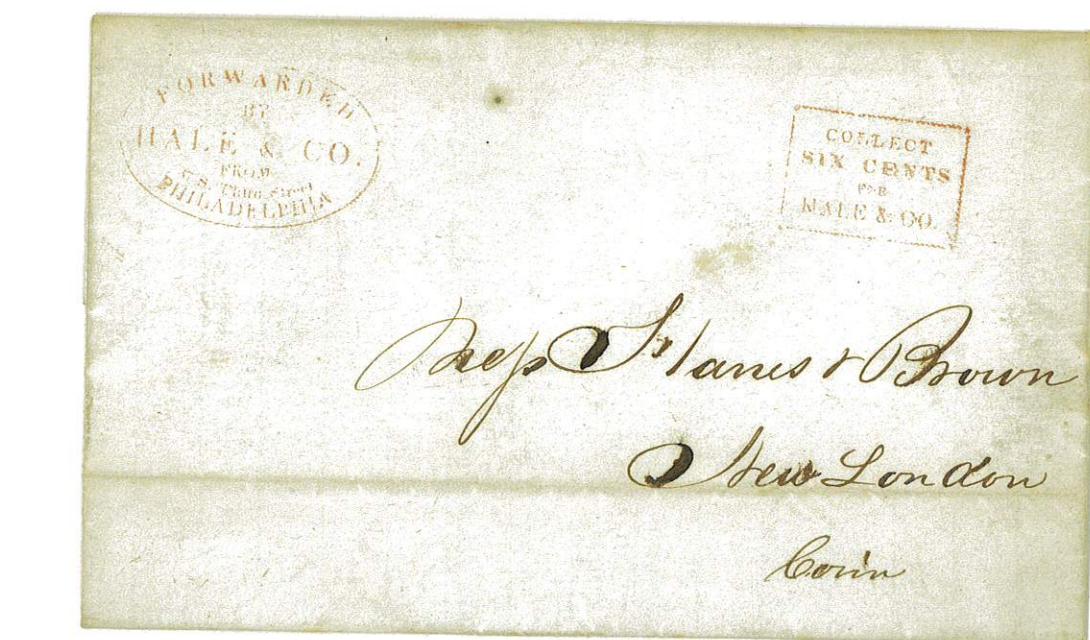
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New London, Connecticut dated 9/25/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



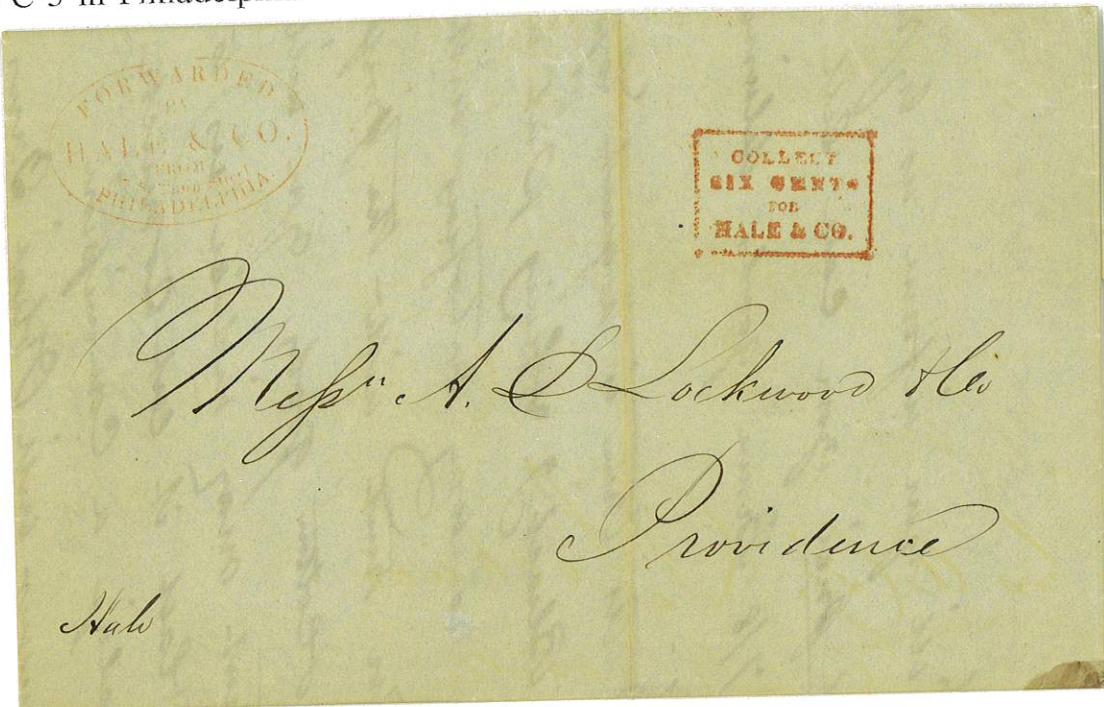
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 11/23/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. It also bears a manuscript "paid" cancel.



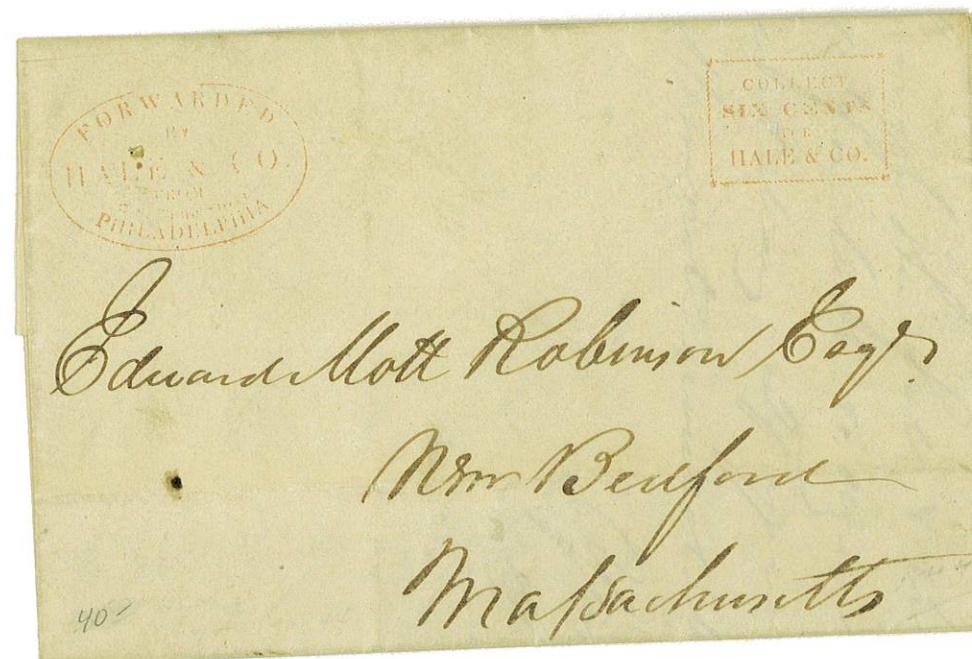
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New London, Connecticut dated 11/28/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



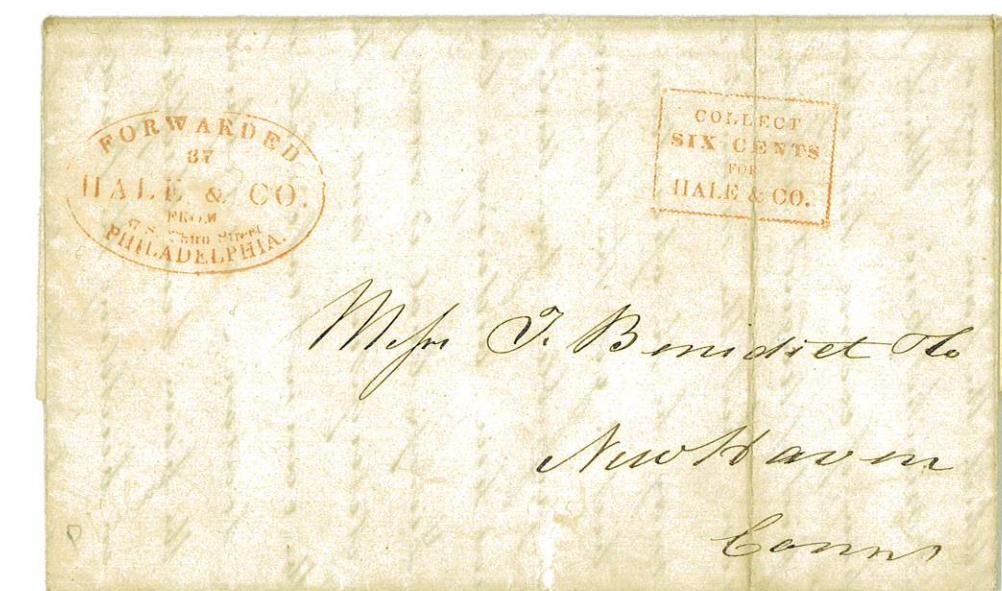
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island dated 9/14/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. The letter also bears a manuscript "Hale" notation. This is the earliest known use of the C-3 in Philadelphia.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New Bedford, Massachusetts dated 9/25/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



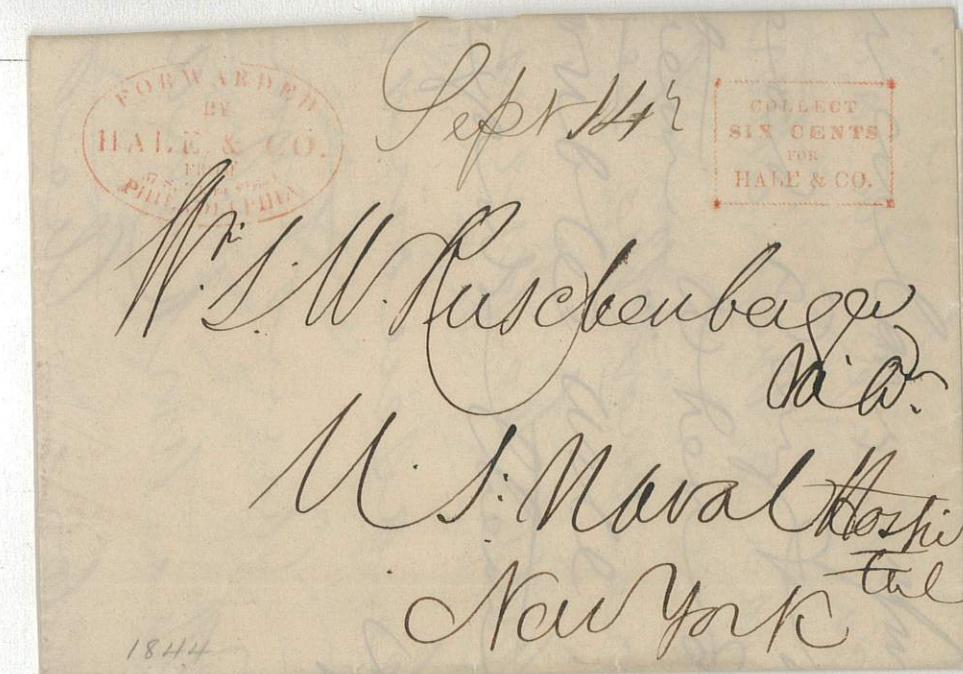
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New Haven, Connecticut dated 11/21/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 8/19/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red manuscript "6". The "6" was likely the collect marking as the C-3 collect handstamp was not yet in use.



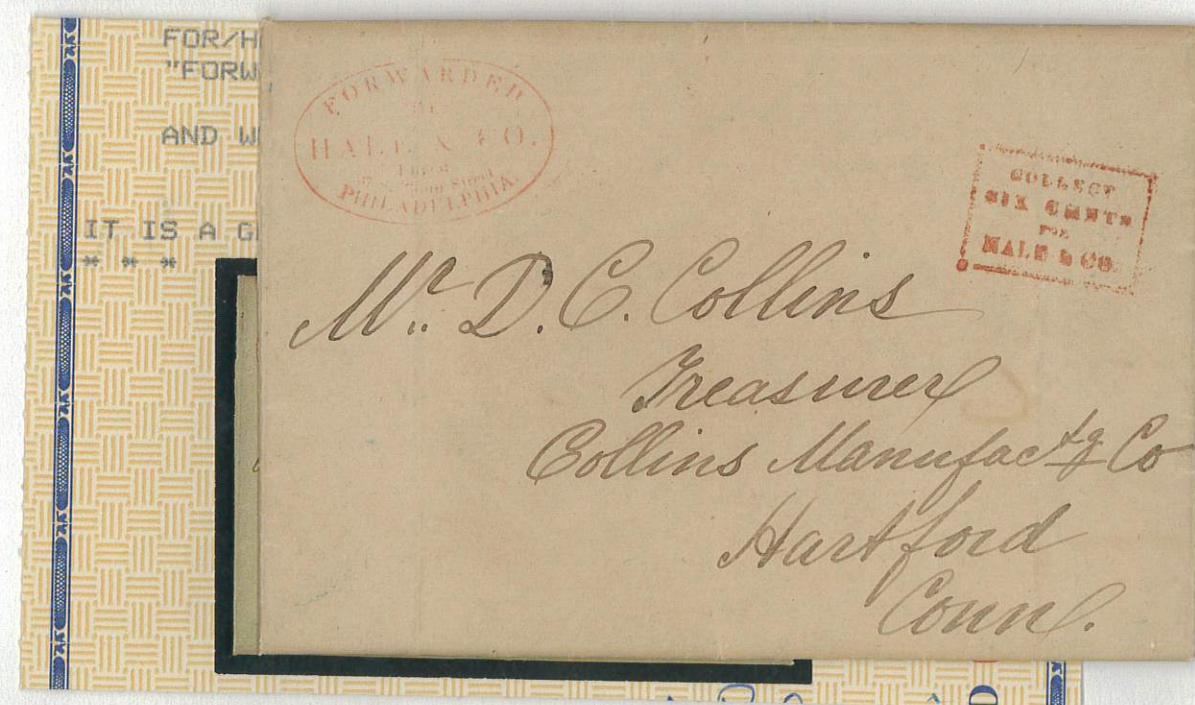
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated September 13, 1844. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. Also present is a manuscript notation "Sept 14". This is the **earliest known use of the C-3 in Philadelphia**.



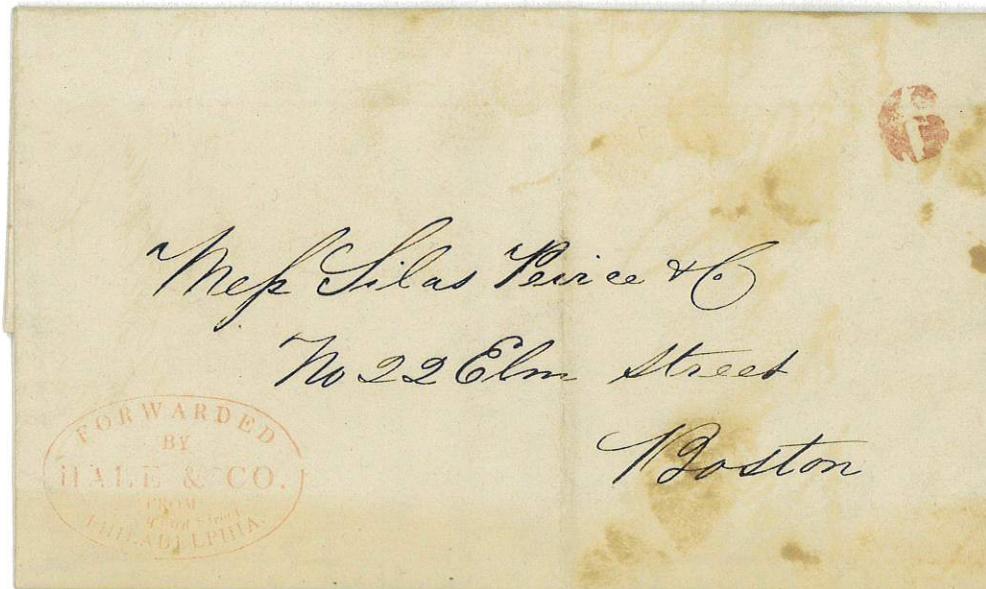
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Springfield, Massachusetts dated 8/29/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-2 collect handstamp. This is one of three Philadelphia letters known with the C-2 handstamp. They were between 8/2/44 and 9/5/44 and predated the use of the C-3 in Philadelphia. All three letters probably passed through the New York City office where the C-2 was likely applied.



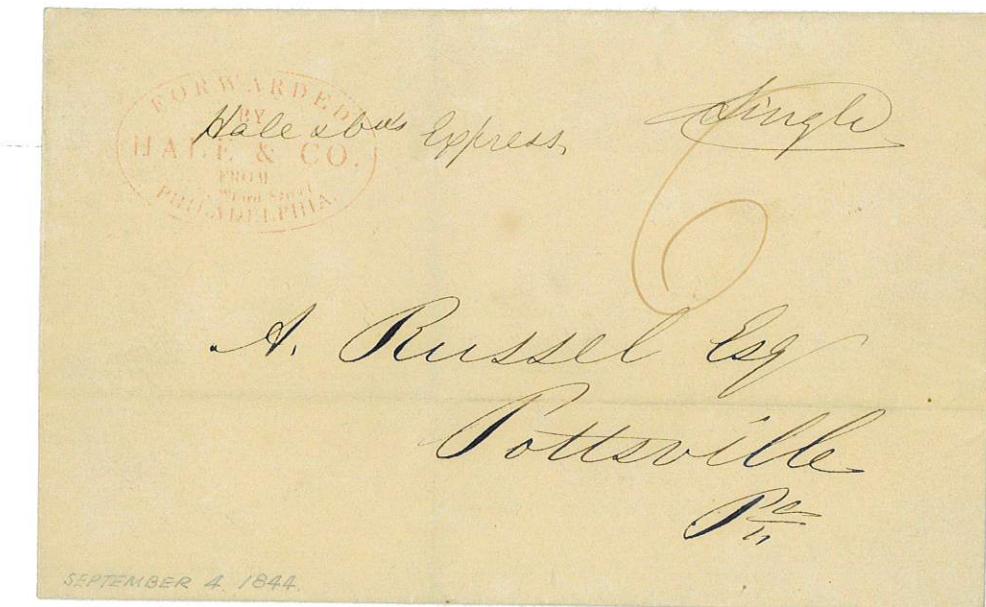
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Hartford, Connecticut dated September 14, 1844. This cover bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated 7/31/44. This letter bears a red C-12 collect handstamp. This is the only Philadelphia letter with a C-12 handstamp which was in use in New York and predates the C-3 collect handstamp used in Philadelphia. Therefore it is likely that the C-12 was applied in New York.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Pottsville, Pennsylvania dated 9/4/44. This letter bears red F-33 forwarding handstamp and manuscript notations "Single", Hale & Co's Express" and "6". The "6" is probably the collect notation as the C-3 was not yet in use in Philadelphia. This is the earliest known of four letters with a Pottsville destination.



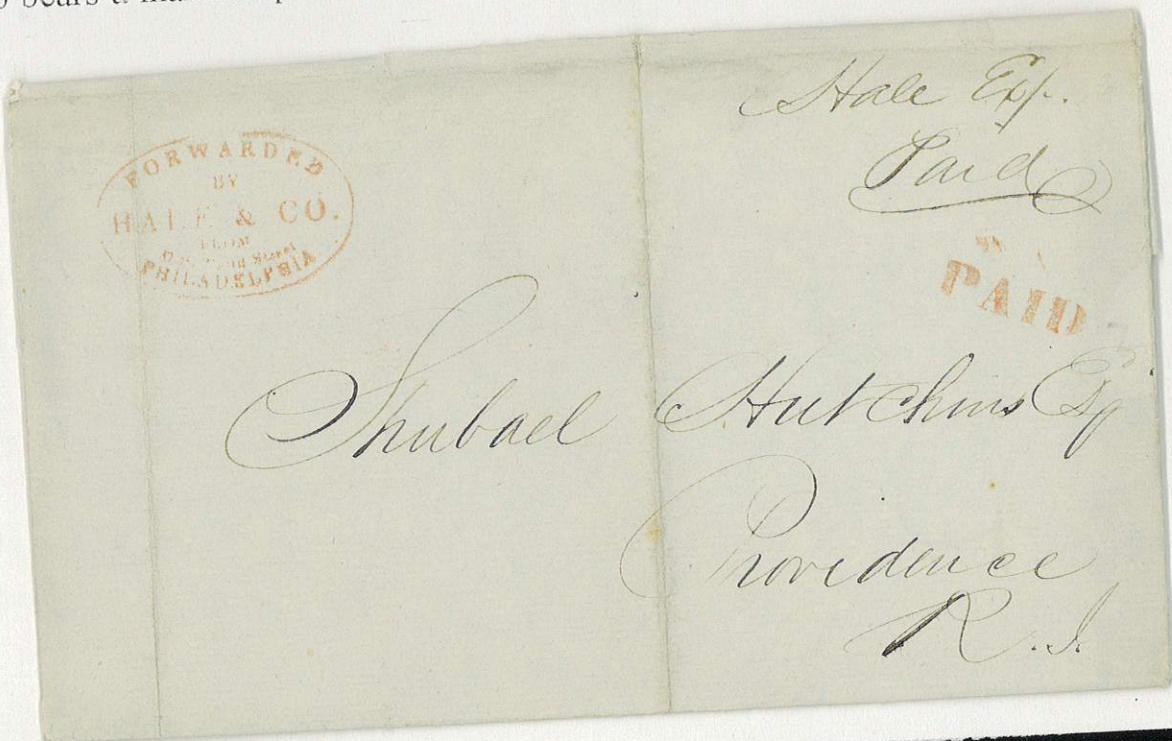
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated 8/19/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a 75L1 with an indistinct red cancel. This is the earliest known use of a Hale adhesive from Philadelphia.



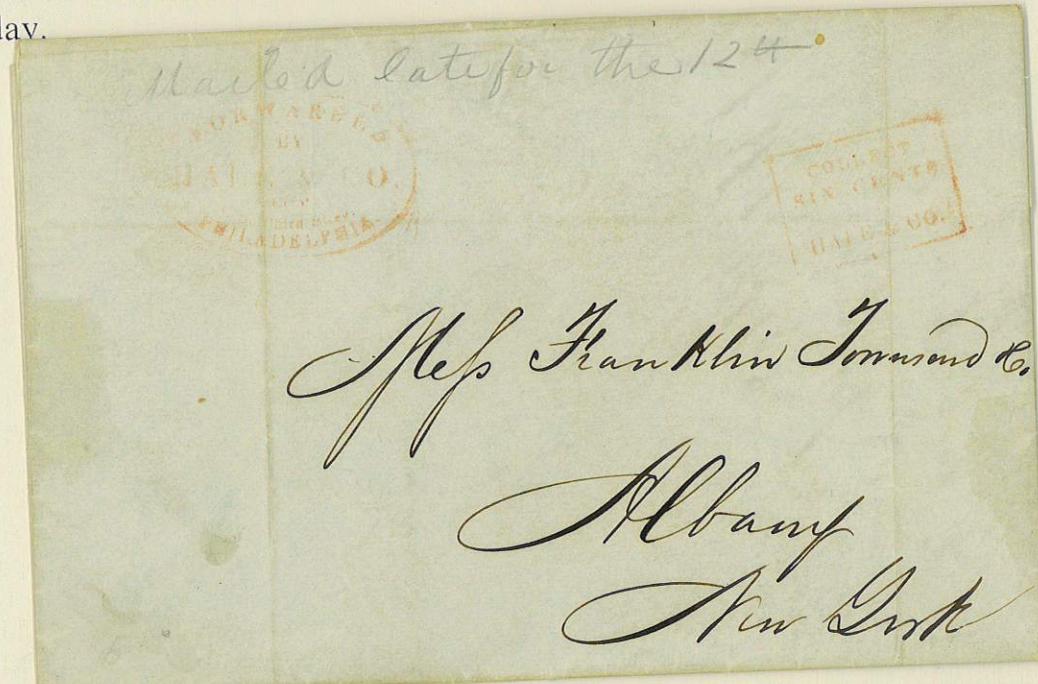
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New Haven, Connecticut dated 9/5/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-2 collect handstamp. It is likely the C-2 was applied in New York as the C-3 was not yet in use in Philadelphia.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island dated 4/14/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. It also bears a manuscript notation "Hale Exp. Paid".



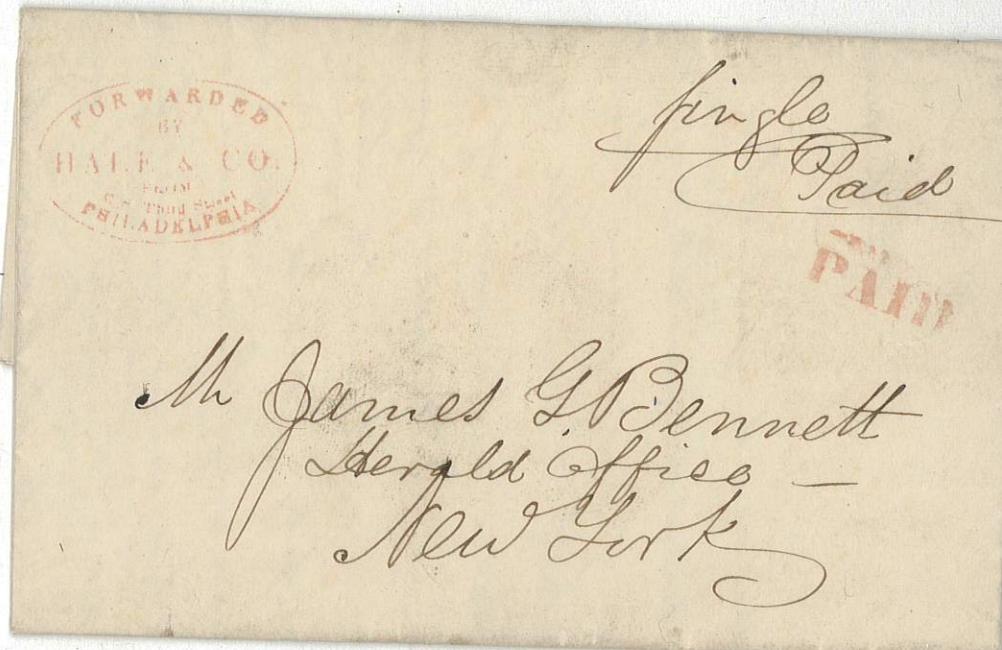
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Albany, New York dated May 12, 1845. This letter bears a F-33 forwarding handstamp and a C-3 collect handstamp, both in red. Also present is a manuscript notation "Mailed late for the 12th". This letter was received in the Hale Philadelphia office after the mails closed and was sent the next day.



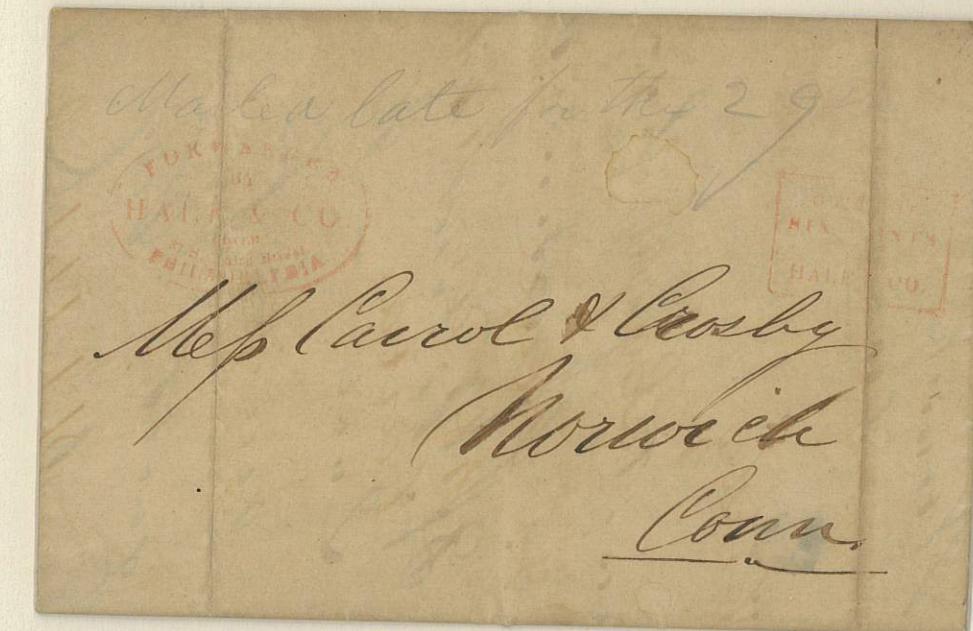
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Baltimore, Maryland dated 4/22/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. The Baltimore office was not opened until late April 1845 and therefore only seven letters are known with Baltimore as their destination, three of which originated in Philadelphia.



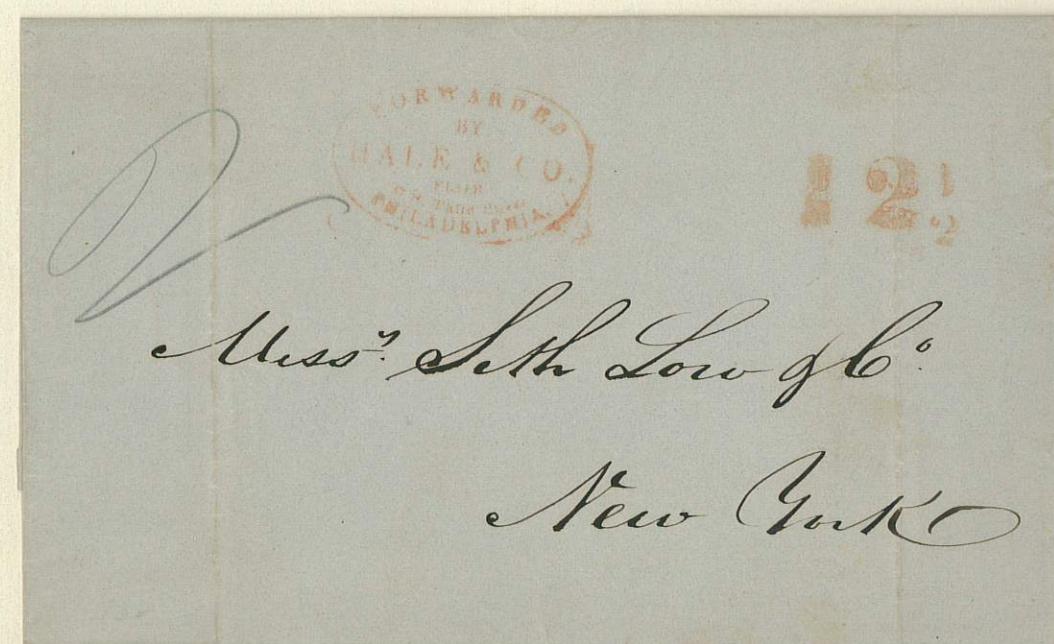
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated May 8, 1845. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. Also present are manuscript notations "Single" and "Paid".



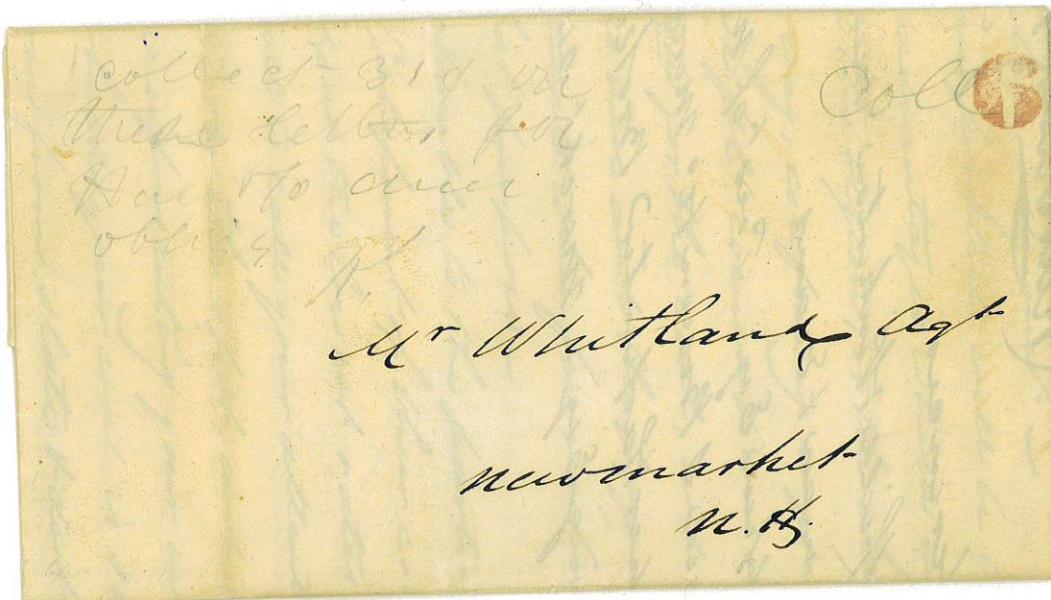
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Norwich, Connecticut dated 5/29/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. There is a pencil notation "Mailed late for the 29".



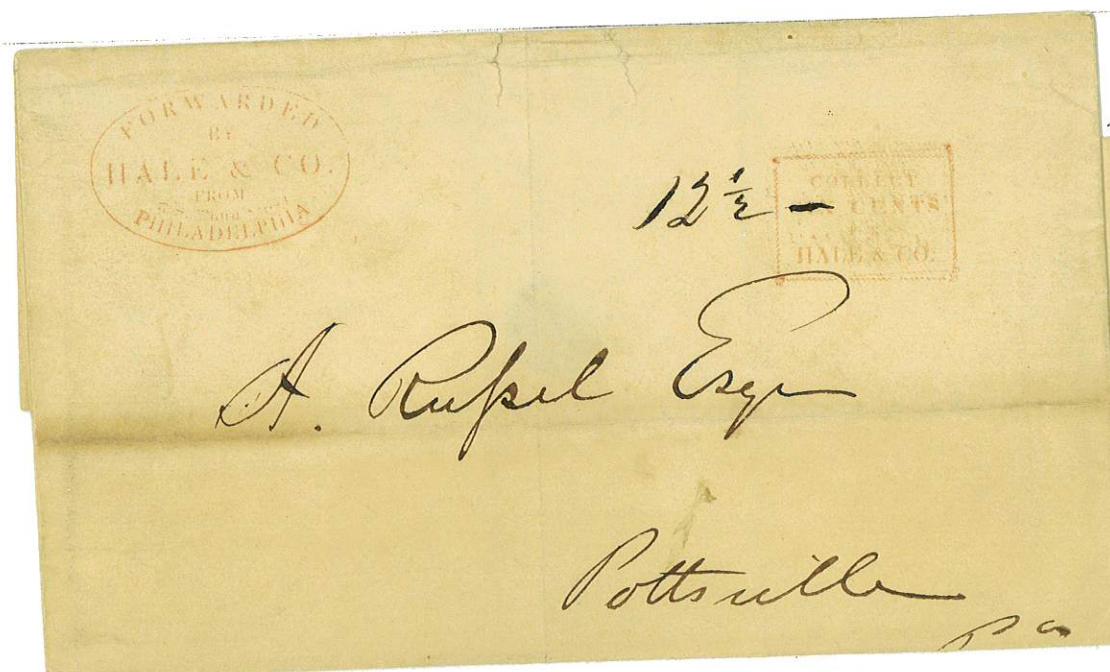
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to New York City dated 6/2/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-17 collect handstamp. The C-17 was likely applied in New York as this was the only city that used the C-17. A manuscript "2" is also present perhaps indicating local delivery in New York was desired.



Pottsville, Pennsylvania to Newmarket, New Hampshire dated July 1844. This letter bears a red C-12 collect handstamp probably applied in New York. This is the only known Hale letter associated with Newmarket NH. and is the earliest known Pottsville originating letter.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to **Pottsville, Pennsylvania** dated September 16, 1844. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. This is one of five known letters with a Pottsville destination.



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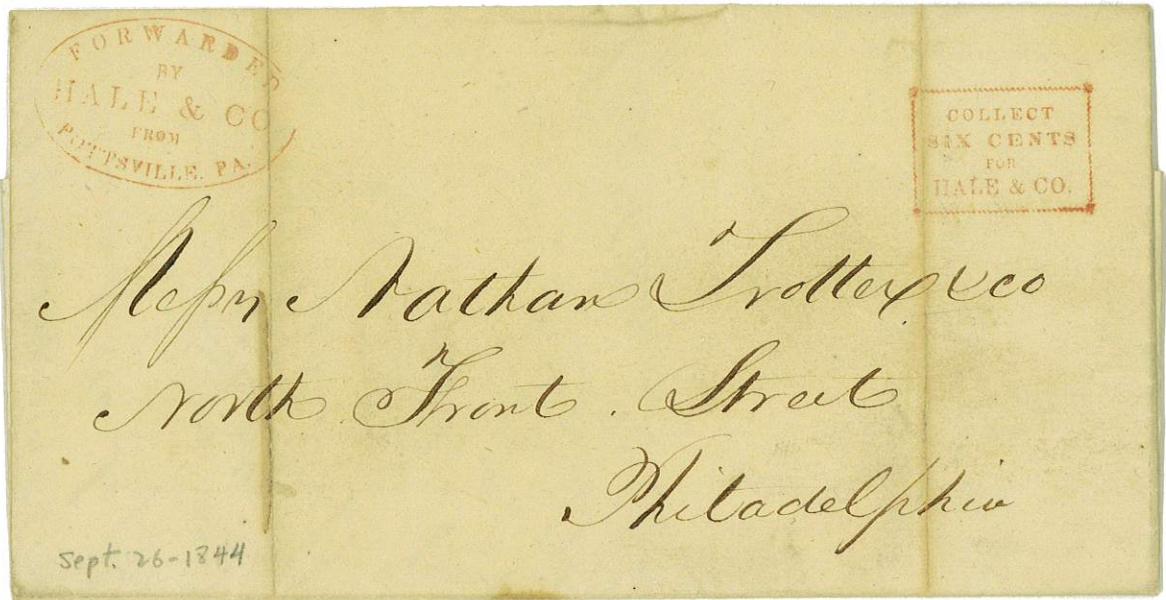
New York City, New York to **Philadelphia, Pennsylvania** undated frontpiece. It bears a red F-29 forwarding handstamp and red C-3 and C-17 collect handstamps. Also present are manuscript notations "12 1/2" and "2", the latter indicating local delivery in Philadelphia was desired. This is **one of only two known** Hale letters with a Philadelphia destination that indicate local delivery was available.



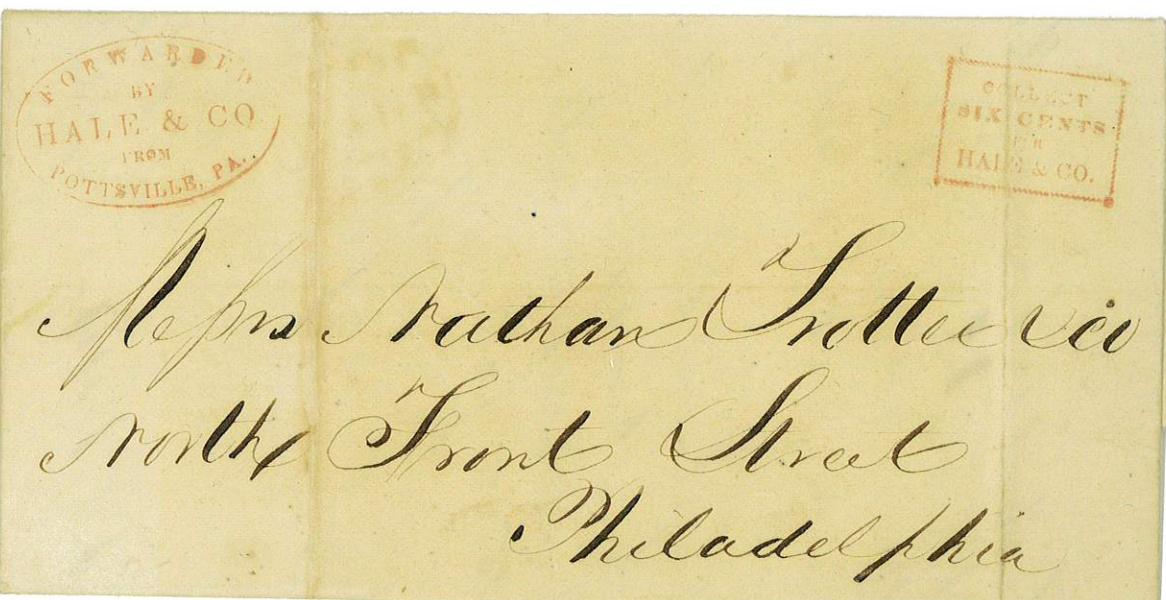
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island dated 6/26/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. It also bears a manuscript "Hale & Co" notation. There is a pencil notation "24" that may indicate this was a quadruple weight letter but that is not evident. This is also the latest known use of the C-3 collect handstamp.



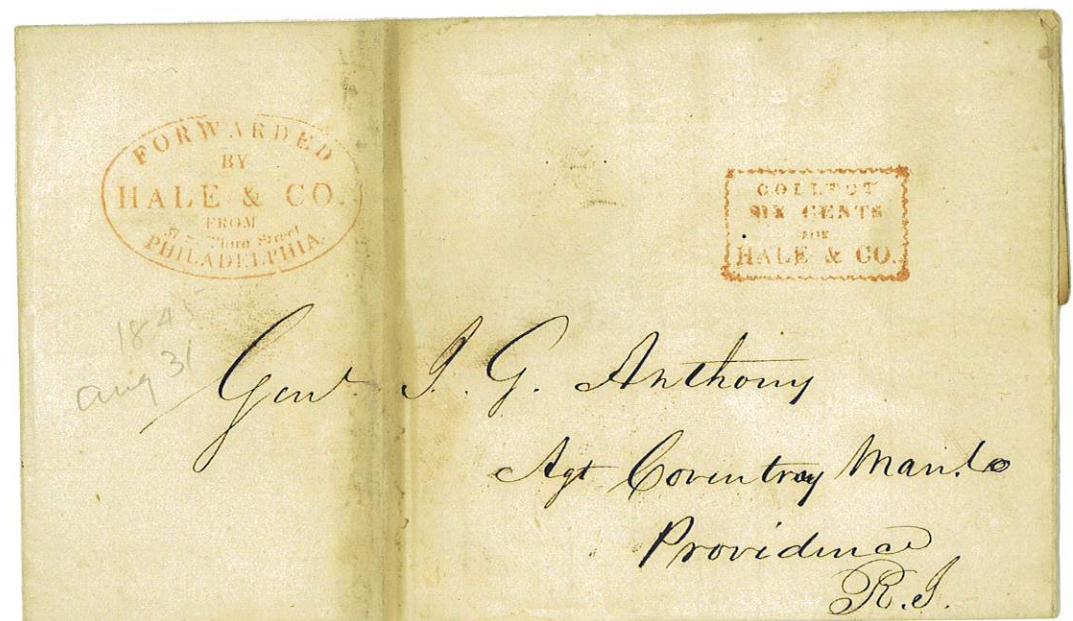
Pottsville, Pennsylvania to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dated September 26, 1844. This letter bears a red F-35 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp, the latter applied in Philadelphia. This is the earliest known use of F-35.



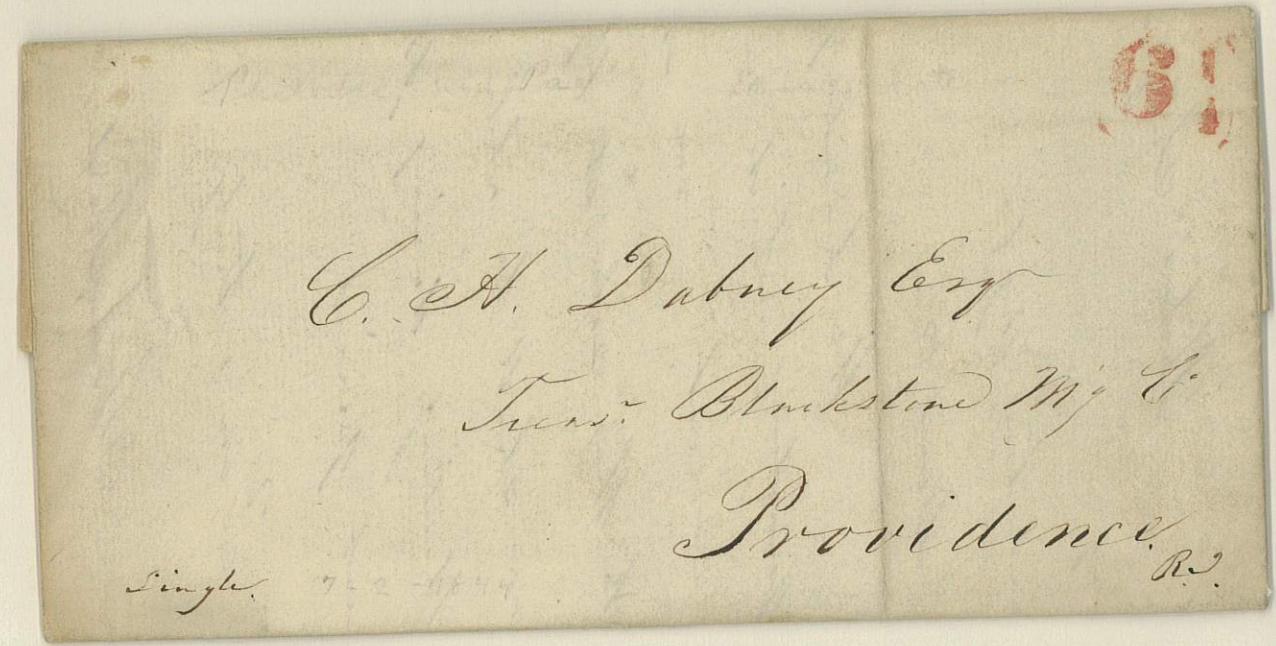
Pottsville, Pennsylvania to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dated 10/8/44. This letter bears a red F-35 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. The latter may have been applied in Philadelphia. This is the latest known of four letters originating in Pottsville.



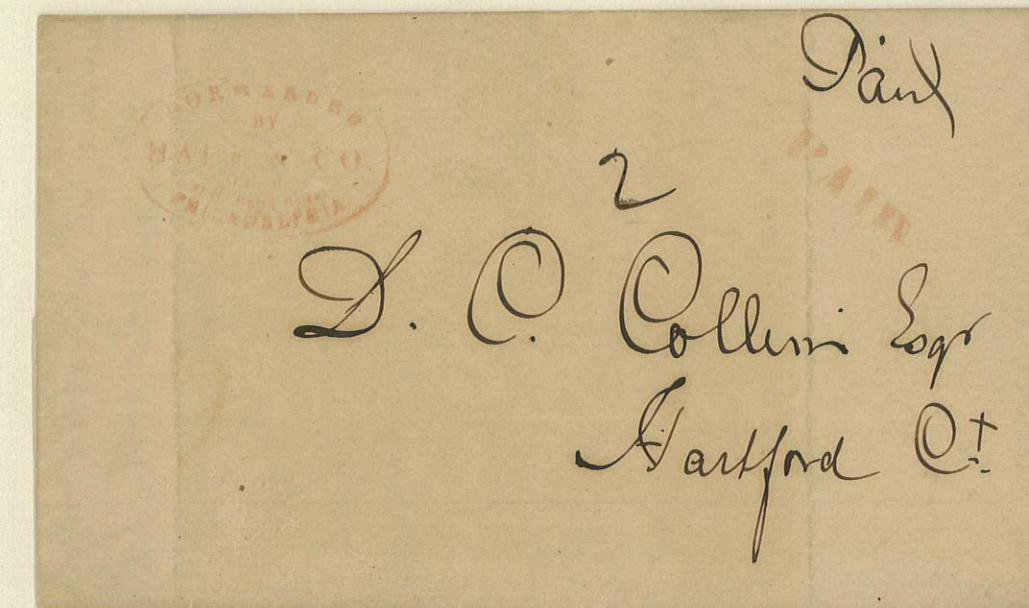
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island docketed August 31, 1845. It bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. Since Hale ceased operation on June 30, 1845 it is likely this letter was incorrectly dated or the docketing is not reflective of the actual originating date.



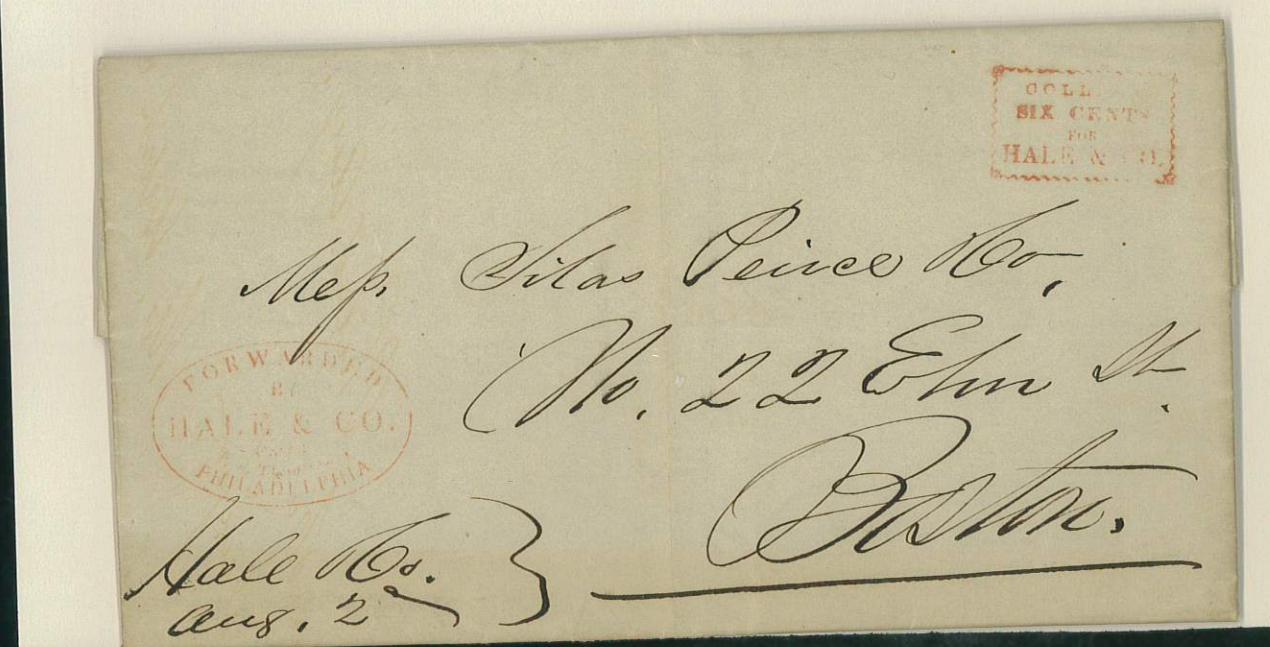
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Providence, Rhode Island dated June 29, 1844. This letter bears a red C-14 collect handstamp that was likely applied in the New York office. This is the earliest known Hale letter with a Philadelphia origin.



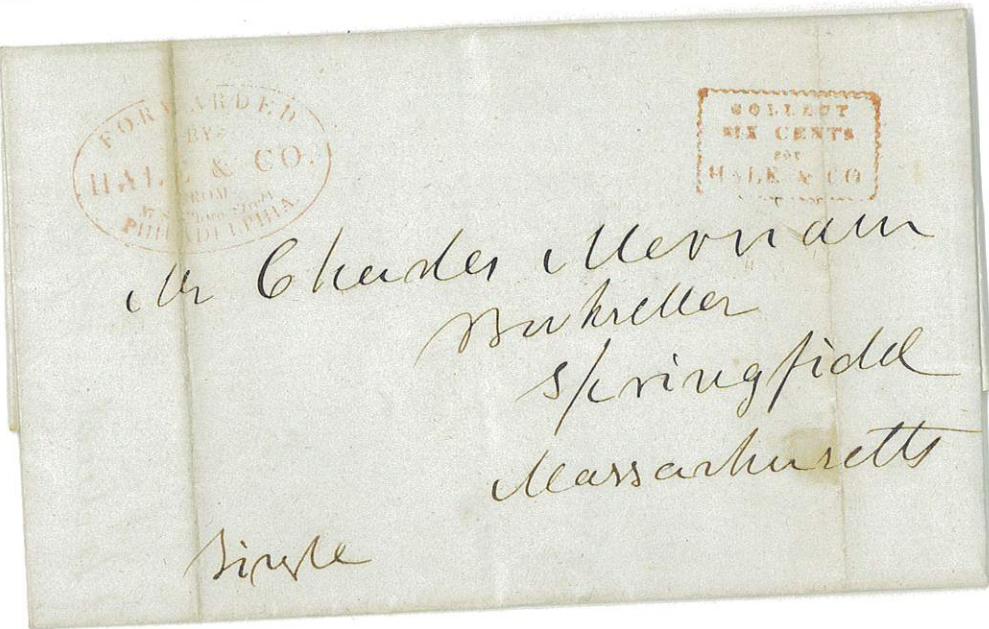
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Hartford, Connecticut dated 6/9/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red P-8 paid handstamp. It also bears two manuscript notations "Paid" and "2". The "2" signified payment had been made for local delivery in Hartford. This is the latest known use of the P-8 handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Boston, Massachusetts dated August 2, 1844. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, and a red C-2 collect handstamp, the latter probably applied in the New York office. Also present is a manuscript notation "Hale & Co. Aug. 2".



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Springfield, Massachusetts dated September 30, 1844. It bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp, a red C-2 collect handstamp and a manuscript "Single" notation. The C-2 was probably applied in New York.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Hartford, Connecticut dated 2/19/45. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Pottsville, Pennsylvania dated 10/5/44. This letter bears a red F-33 forwarding handstamp and a red C-3 collect handstamp. This letter may be the smallest letter carried in the Hale system.

