

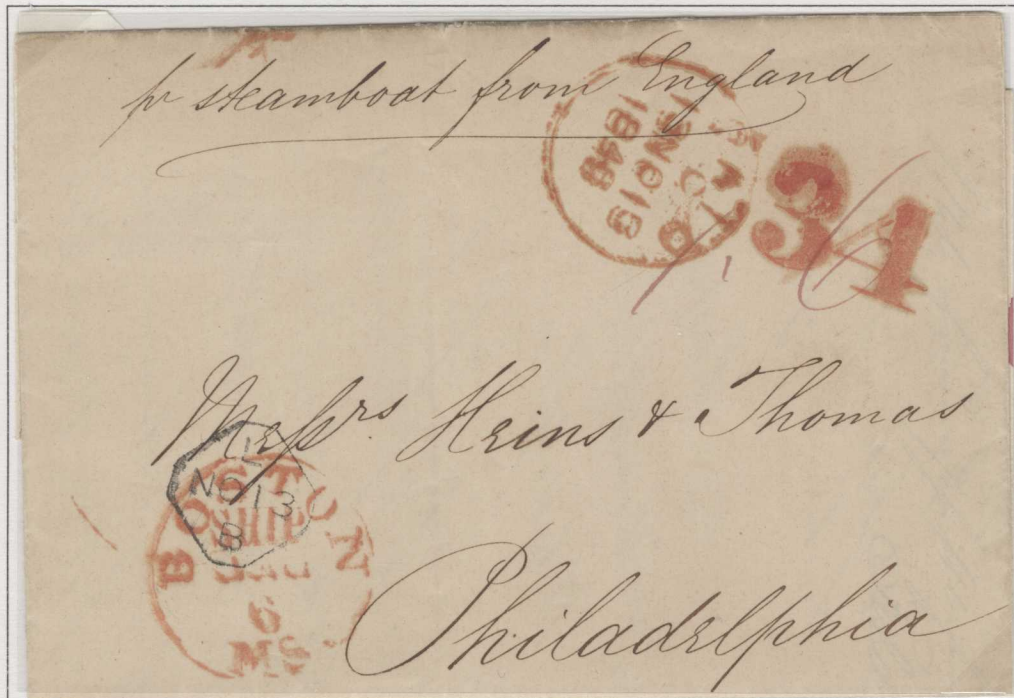
RETALIATORY

U.S. – British Postal Treaties

Pre 1848 Treaty
British Contract Steamship

1840–1849
27 June 1848–3 January 1849

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Folded Letter: Hamburg to Philadelphia, 10 November 1848

Ship: *Britannia*

Company: British & North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company
(Cunard Line)

Depart: Liverpool, 18 November 1848
Arrive: Boston, 6 December 1848

Rate: 22 schillinge prepaid for single rate (not shown)
1/6d Hamburg credit to G.B.
34¢ postage due (10¢ inland and 24¢ retaliatory fees)

Notes: Letter carried on 22nd Cunard mail voyage to the U.S. under the retaliatory order. Prepayment in Germany covered all transit fees through French and British mail system to U.S. port. Retaliatory order applied to mails from all foreign countries transiting through G.B., carried to U.S. by foreign vessels. Retaliatory rate covers from anywhere other than G.B. are uncommon.