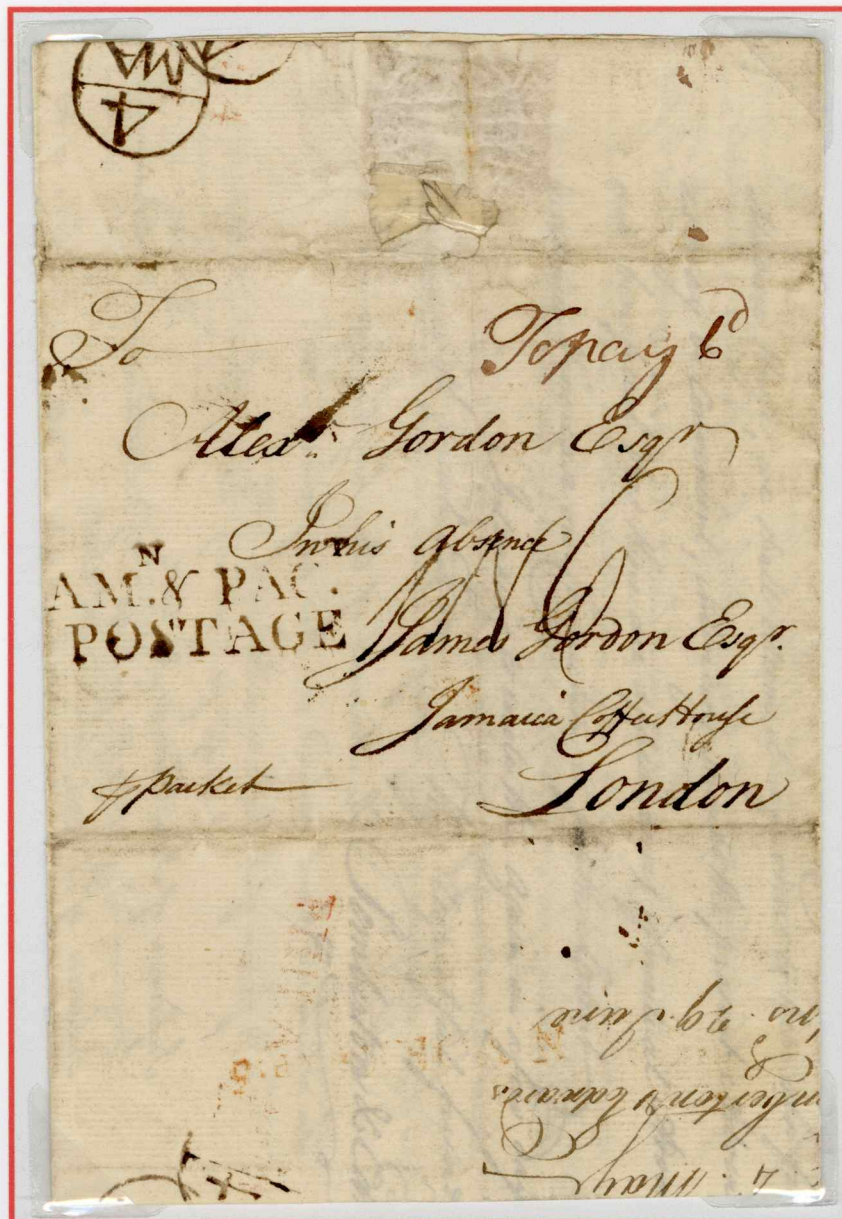


British Contract Sailing Ship

GPO London's Collection of Unpaid American Postage



Philadelphia, 4 April 1775

Sent unpaid. New York rated **To pay 6d** in red,
a debit to London for colonial inland postage.

Packet *Duke of Cumberland* : New York 6 April, Falmouth 4 May, London backstamp 4 May 33 days

AM.^N & PAC.^T/POSTAGE applied in London, where rated **1/6** due for colonial inland plus packet postage

**AM.^N & PAC.^T
POSTAGE**

The only
recorded example

PHILA APR: 4

Two recorded on
foreign mail

Letter discusses the great scarcity of money. Two weeks to the day after this letter was written, Paul Revere warned Sam Adams that 100 British soldiers were on their way to Concord to destroy arms.