

THE POSTAL ACT OF 1835 - INLAND RATES

The Act of 1835 came into force on 21 October 1835 after being proclaimed on 23 June 1835. The Act determined that the Government could fix rates which were set out in an attached schedule. The inland charges under the Act were based on mileage similar to the system in Great Britain. The same scale was continued by the 1838 Act and remained in force until 31 December 1849.

	Up to 15 miles	15 - 20 miles	20 - 30 miles	30 - 50 miles	50 - 80 miles	80 - 120 miles	120 - 170 miles	170 - 230 miles	230 - 300 miles
Single under ½ oz.	4d	5d	6d	7d	8d	9d	10d	11d	1/-

Additional per 100 miles or part thereof.....1d

The progression of the weight scale was given as follows (5 GUL IV No. 24, Sect 3):

Single = under ½ oz.

Double = ½ oz. and under ¾ oz.

Treble = ¾ oz. and under 1 oz.

Quadruple = 1 oz. and under 1¼ oz. etc.

The Fourpence Inland Rate



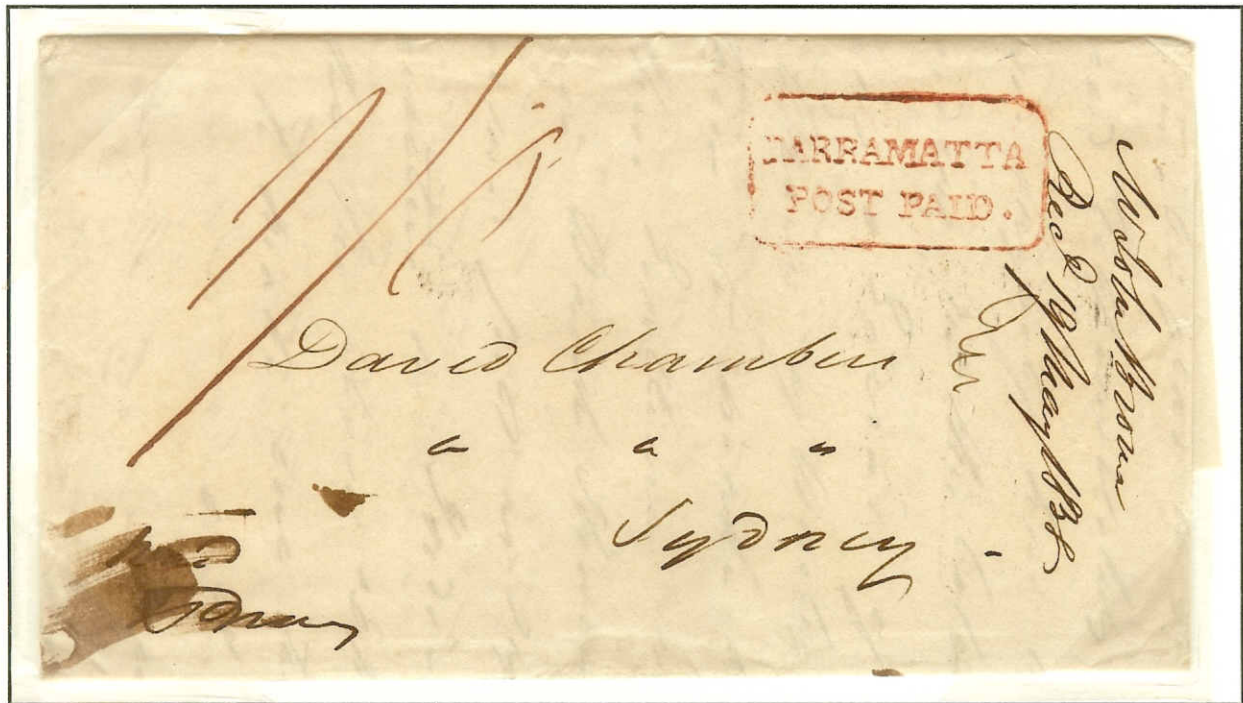
27 June 1838

Rate: Fourpence unpaid denoted by ms. "4" in black. **Route:** Parramatta to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings: "PARRAMATTA / NSW" (type C1). On reverse: "GENERAL POST OFFICE / SYDNEY" (27.6.1838, type S5).

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The Treble Fourpence Inland Rate



19 May 1838

Rate: Ms. "1/0" in red denoting pre-payment of **treble rate** (3 x 4d) for a letter weighing between $\frac{3}{4}$ oz and under 1 oz.

Route: Parramatta to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings: "PARRAMATTA / POST PAID" (type P11). On reverse: "GPO SYDNEY" (19.5.1838, type S5).

The Fivepence Inland Rate

Rate

Fivepence unpaid denoted by ms. "5" in black.

Route

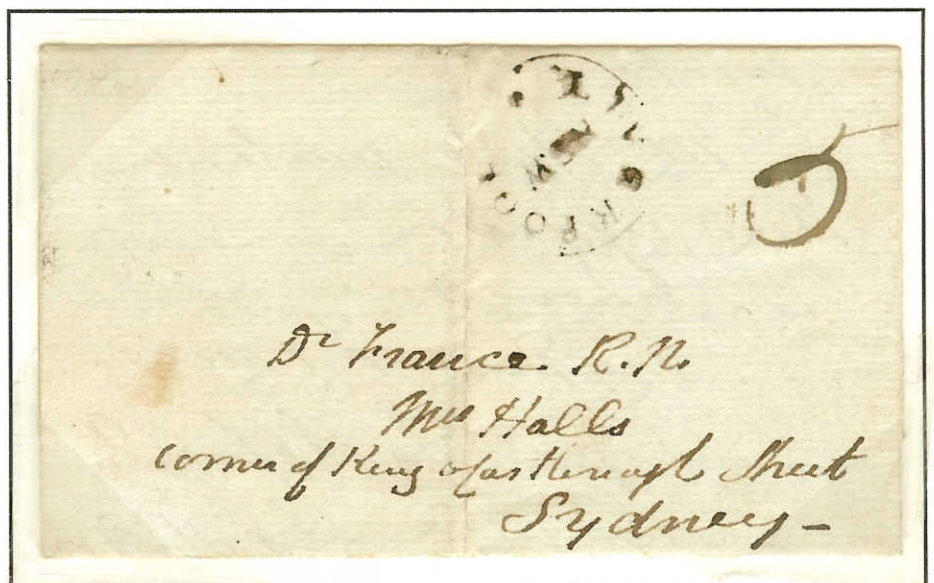
Liverpool to Sydney by mail coach on Southern Road.

Markings

"LIVERPOOL / NSW" (type C3).

On reverse:

"GPO SYDNEY" (1.6.1839, type S7).



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The Sixpence Inland Rate

Marulan: Post Office opened 28 March 1838

One cover recorded showing undated MARULAN oval.



25 November 1838

Rate: Sixpence prepaid denoted by ms "6" in red

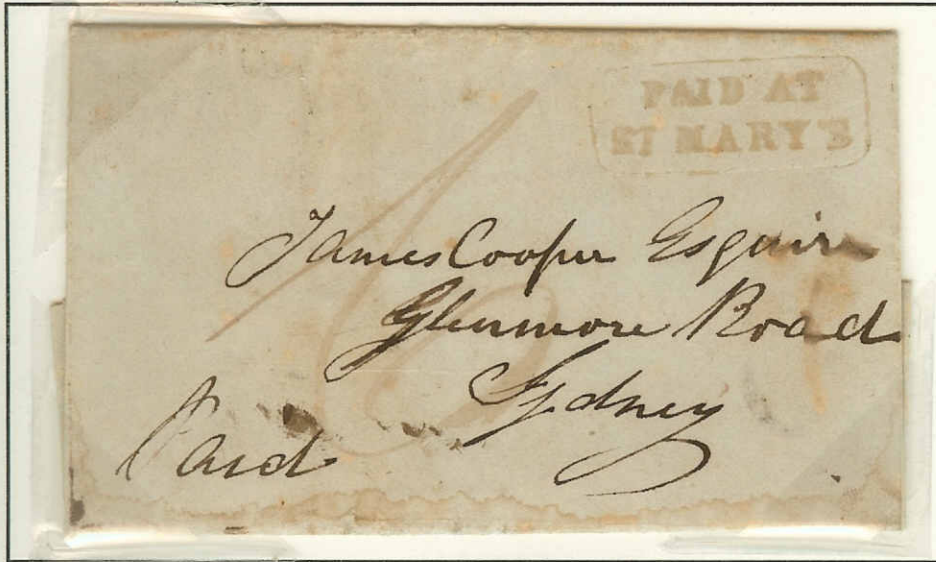
Route: Marulan to Berrima by mail coach on Southern road

Markings: "PAID / AT / MARULAN" (type P15a) and "BERRIMA / NSW" (25.11.1838, type C40)
On reverse: "MARULAN / NSW" (type C42).

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St Mary's: Post Office opened 1 October 1840.



14 April 1848

Rate
Sixpence prepaid denoted by ms. "6" in red.

Route
'Red Cow Inn', St Mary's to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings
"PAID AT / ST MARY'S" (type P15).
On reverse:
"ST MARY'S / NEW.S.WALES" (16.4.1848, type C65),
"GPO.SYDNEY"
(17.4.1848, type S11 var.).

The Sevenpence Inland Rate

Replacement Cancellation: Two recorded (only example in blue).



4 February 1839

Rate: Sevenpence unpaid denoted by ms. "7" in black. **Route:** Campbell Town to Sydney by mail coach on Southern Road.

Markings: "CAMPBELL TOWN / POST PAID" (type P11, only recorded example in blue).

On reverse: "CAMPBELL TOWN / NEW.S.WALES" (type C50), "GPO SYDNEY" (5.2.1839, type S7).

This handstamp is similar to the ones supplied to Post Offices in 1840, and was in use at Campbell Town from February 1839 as the original handstamp (type C2) had been lost or worn out. Type C2 is last recorded used on 29.1.1839.

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The Sevenpence Inland Rate

Penrith: Post Office opened 1 March 1828.



Rate
Sevenpence unpaid denoted by ms."7"
in black.

Route
Penrith to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings
"PENRITH / N.S.W." (type C6).
"GPO SYDNEY"
(12.1.1837, type S5).

11 January 1837

Camden: Post Office removed from Cawdor 1 May 1841



Rate
Sevenpence prepaid denoted by ms."7" in red

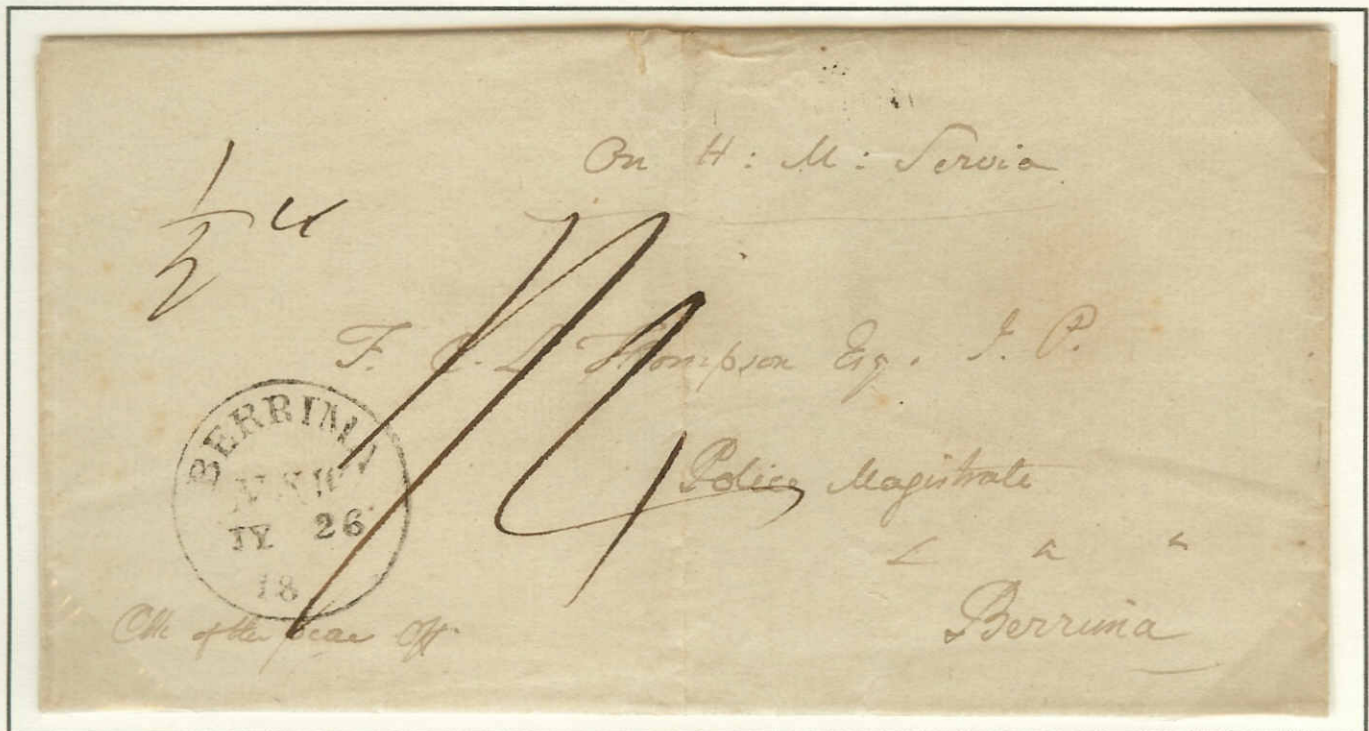
Route
Camden to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings
"PAID AT / CAMDEN" (type P15).
"CAMDEN / NEW.S.WALES"
(6.7.1848, type C65).

6 July 1848

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The Double Eightpence Inland Rate



25 July 1838

Rate: Ms. "1/4" in black denotes double 8d Inland Letter rate for a letter weighing ½ oz.

Route: Sydney to Berrima by mail coach on Southern Road.

Markings: "BERRIMA / NSW" (26.7.1838, type C40), "GPO SYDNEY" (25.7.1838, type S6).

The Treble Ninepence Inland Rate



3 July 1838

Rate: Ms. "2/3" in red denotes pre-payment of treble 9d Inland Letter rate for a letter weighing ¾ oz.

Route: Queanbeyan to Berrima via Sydney.

Markings: "POST PAID" (type P14, Queanbeyan only),

"QUEANBEYAN / POST OFFICE / NSW" (type C31).

On reverse: "GPO SYDNEY" (3.7.1838, type S5) and "BERRIMA / NSW" (5.7.1838" (type C40).

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The Ninepence Inland Rate



13 November 1838

Rate

Ninepence unpaid denoted by ms. "9" in black.

Route

Braidwood to Berrima by mail coach on the Southern Road, travelling via Bungonia.

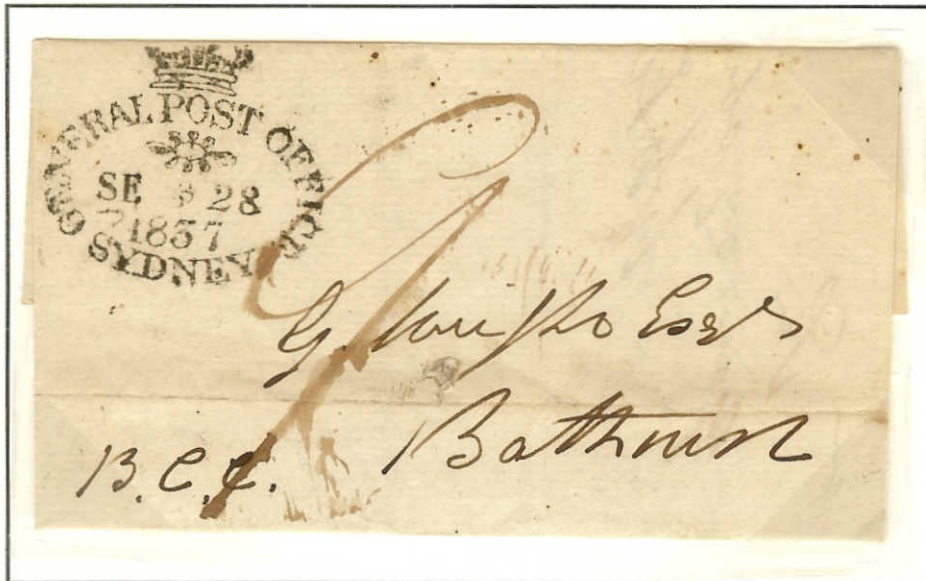
Markings

Boxed "FREE" (type F12) of Braidwood (deleted),
"BUNGONIA / NSW" (type C32, **only recorded example**),
"BERRIMA / NSW" (13.11.1838) (type C40).

On reverse: "BRAIDWOOD / NSW / POST OFFICE" (type C35, **two examples recorded**).

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Ninepence Inland Rate



Rate

Ninepence unpaid denoted by ms. "9" in black, due from addressee.

Route

Sydney to Bathurst.

Markings

"GENERAL POST OFFICE / SYDNEY" (28.9.1837, type S6, used 1837-1838).

28 September 1837

Rate

Ninepence unpaid.

Route

Bathurst to Parramatta by coach.

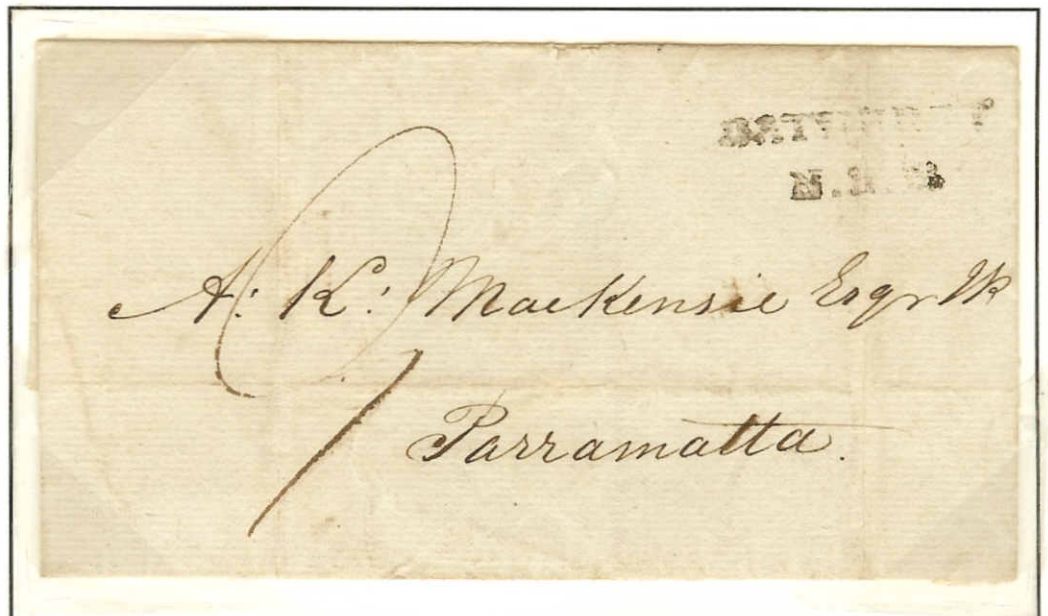
Markings

"BATHURST / N.S.W." (type C5).

On reverse:

"PARRAMATTA / NSW" (type C1).

16 April 1838



Rate

Ninepence unpaid.

Route

Bungendore to Braidwood by coach, via Bungonia

Markings

"BUNGENDORE / NEW.S.WALES." (type C65).

"BUNGONIA / NEW.S.WALES" (type C65).

14 February 1844



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The Tenpence Inland Rate

Rate

Tenpence prepaid denoted by ms. "10" in red.

Route

Braidwood to Sydney by mail coach on Southern Road.

Markings

"BRAIDWOOD / POST PAID" (type P12).

On reverse:

"BRAIDWOOD / NEW.S.WALES"

(30.10.1848, type C67)

"GPO SYDNEY" (2.11.1848, type S9).

30 October 1848



Rate

Tenpence unpaid denoted by ms. "10" in black.

Route

Cassilis to Maitland by road, via Merriwa.

Markings

On reverse:

"CASSILIS / NEW.S.WALES"

(20.2.1848, type C65)

"MERRIWA / NEW.S.WALES"

(21.2.1848, type C67)

"MAITLAND / POST OFFICE"

(22.2.1848, type C61)

20 February 1848



The Elevenpence Inland Rate

Rate

Elevenpence prepaid denoted by ms. "11" in red.

Route

Sydney to Yass by mail coach on Southern Road.

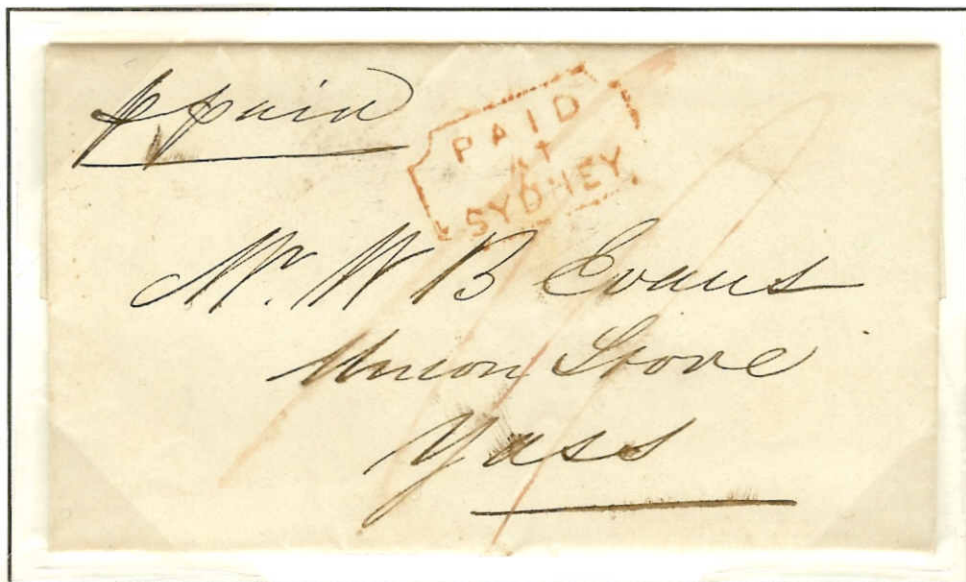
Markings

"PAID / AT / SYDNEY" (type P4a).

On reverse:

"GPO SYDNEY" (18.5.1849, type S10).

18 May 1849



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The One Shilling Inland Rate

Braidwood: Post Office known as Strathallan till 1 January 1837.

Two examples recorded of undated BRAIDWOOD circular handstamp.



28 October 1838

Rate
One shilling postage unpaid denoted by
ms. "1/-" in black.

Route
Braidwood to Bathurst by mail coach,
via Sydney.

Markings
"BRAIDWOOD / NSW / POST
OFFICE" (type C35)
"GPO SYDNEY" (28.10.1838, type S5).

Cooma: Post Office opened 1 January 1847.



21 May 1849

Rate
One shilling postage prepaid
denoted by ms "1/-" in red.

Route
Cooma to Sydney by mail coach.

Markings
"COOMA / PAID" (type P16),
"COOMA / NEW.S.WALES"
(21.5.1849, type C67).

On reverse:
"GPO SYDNEY"
(21.5.1849, type S12).

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An intracolony ship letter rate was set at 4d. This rate had been introduced with effect from 1 October 1834.

Fourpence Rate: 4d Intracolony (Local) Ship Letter Rate.

Raymond Terrace: Post Office opened 30 August 1834.



14 October 1843

Rate
Fourpence prepaid denoted by ms.
"4" in red.

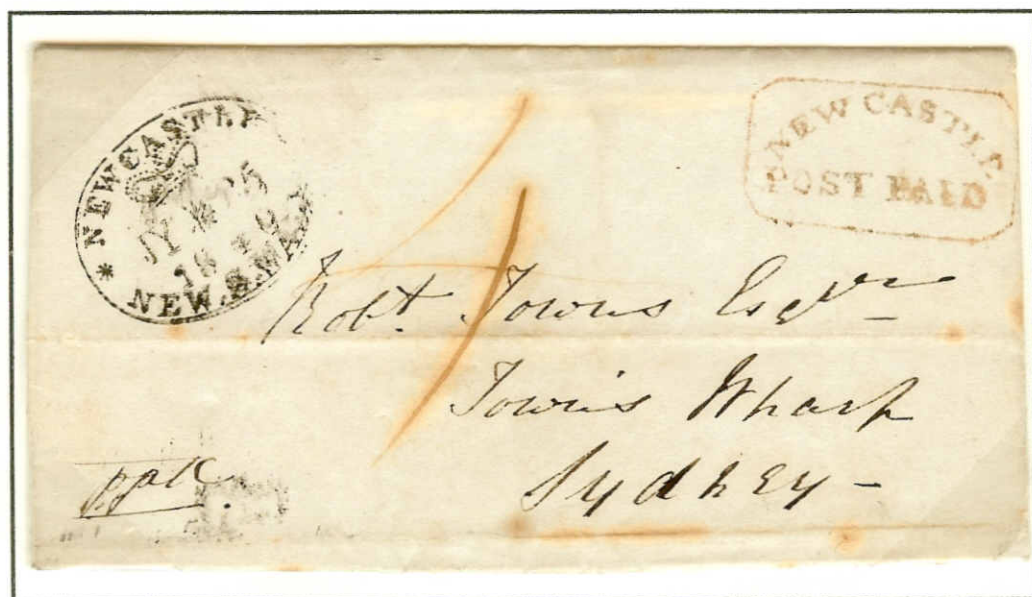
Route
Raymond Terrace to Sydney by
coastal vessel.

Markings
"RAYMOND TERRACE / POST
PAID" (type P12).

On reverse:
"RAYMOND TERRACE /
NEW.S.WALES"
(17.10.1843, type C65),
"GPO SYDNEY"
(18.10.1843, type S8).

Newcastle: Post Office opened 1 March 1828.

Rate
Fourpence prepaid.
Route
Newcastle to Sydney by coastal vessel.
Markings
"NEWCASTLE / POST PAID"
(type P12)
"NEWCASTLE / NEW.S.WALES"
(25.7.1846, type C65).
On reverse:
"GPO SYDNEY"
(27.7.1846, type S11 var.).



25 July 1846

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Fourpence Rate: 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Morpeth: Post Office opened 1 August 1838.



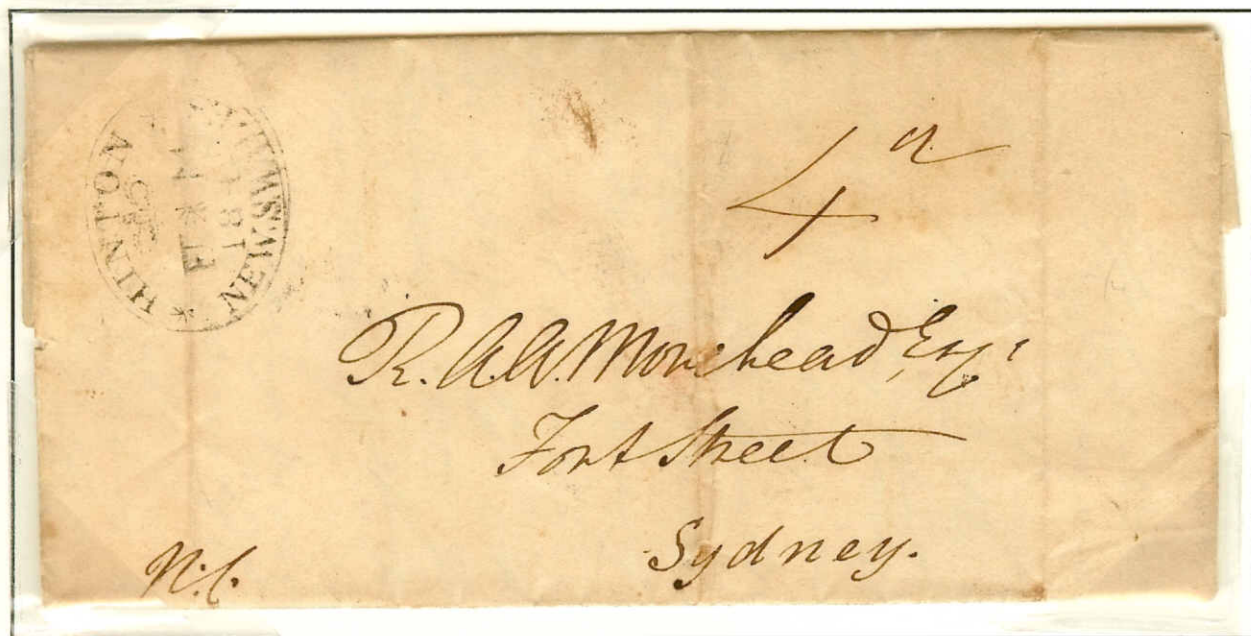
7 May 1842

Rate
Fourpence unpaid denoted by ms. "4" in black.

Route
Morpeth to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings
"MORPETH / NEW.S.WALES"
(7.5.1842, type C65),
On reverse:
"GPO SYDNEY (18.5.1842, type S8).

Hinton: Post Office opened 28 August 1835, closed 1846.



13 February 1842

Rate: Fourpence unpaid denoted by ms. "4" in black.

Route: Hinton to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings: "HINTON / NEW.S.WALES" (14.2.1842, type C65). On reverse: "GPO SYDNEY" (15.2.1842, type S8).

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Inland Rate plus 4d Intracolony Ship Letter Rate.

	Up to 15 miles	15 - 20 miles	20 - 30 miles	30 - 50 miles	50 - 80 miles	80 - 120 miles	120 - 170 miles	170 - 230 miles	230 - 300 miles
Single under ½ oz.	8d	9d	10d	11d	1/-	1/1d	1/2d	1/3d	1/4d

Additional per 100 miles or part thereof.....1d

Eightpence Rate: 4d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Paterson: Post Office opened 1 August 1832.



Rate

Eightpence unpaid denoted by ms. "8" in black.

Route

Paterson to Maitland by road, thence to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings

"PATERSON / NEW. S.WALES"

(15.8.1845, type C65).

On reverse:

"GPO SYDNEY"

(18.8.1845, type S8).

15 August 1845

Ninepence Rate: 5d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Rate

Ninepence unpaid denoted by ms. "9" in black.

Route

Newcastle to Raymond Terrace by coastal vessel, thence to Port Stephens by road.

Markings

"NEWCASTLE / N.S.W" (type C4).

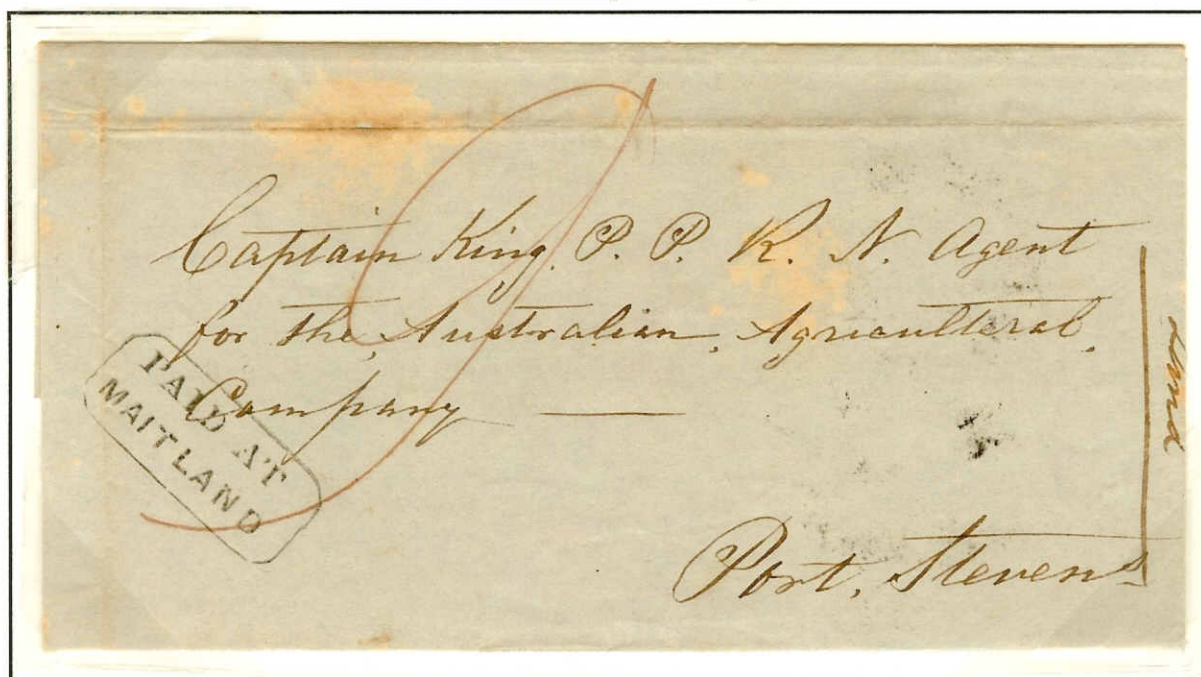
30 July 1838



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Ninepence Rate: 5d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Maitland: Post Office opened 1 September 1829.



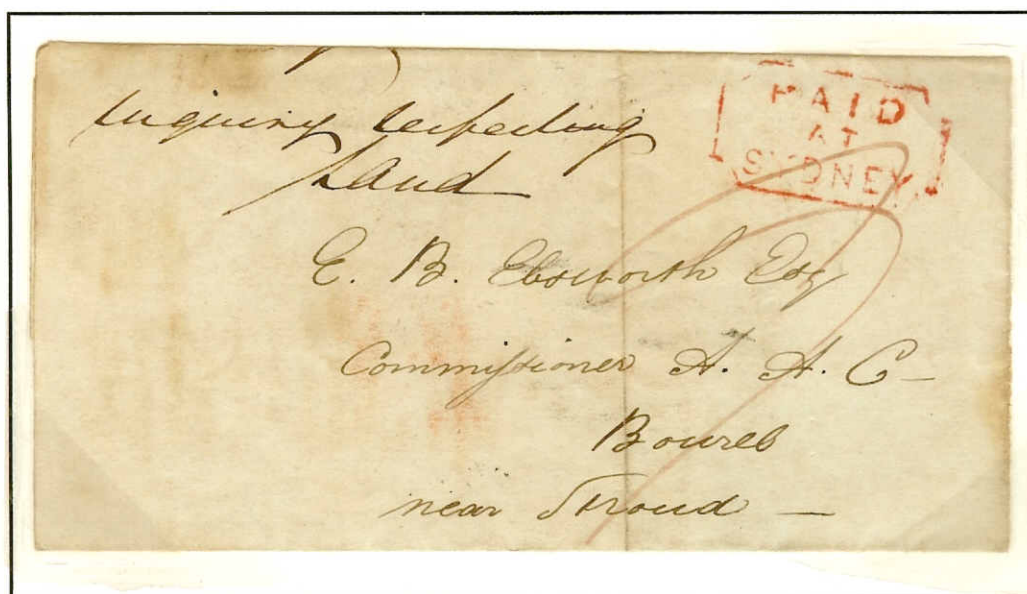
13 June 1849

Rate: Ninepence prepaid denoted by ms. "9" in red.

Route: Maitland to Raymond Terrace by coastal vessel, thence to Port Stephens by road.

Markings: "PAID AT / MAITLAND" (type P15) in black contrary to regulations.

On reverse: "MAITLAND / NEW.S.WALES" (13.6.1849, type C67), and "RAYMOND TERRACE / NEW.S.WALES" (14.6.1849, type C65).



31 July 1849

Rate: Ninepence prepaid denoted by ms. "9" in red.

Route: Sydney to Raymond Terrace by coastal vessel, thence to Stroud by road.

Markings: "PAID / AT / SYDNEY" (type P4a). On reverse: "SYDNEY / NEW SOUTH WALES" (1.8.1849, type S13).

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Tenpence Rate: 6d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Darlington: Post Office opened 1 September 1829, renamed **Singleton** 1 December 1841.



21 May 1839



9 January 1849

Rate: Tenpence prepaid denoted by ms. "10" in red.

Route: Darlington to Maitland by road, thence to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings: "SINGLETON / POST PAID" (type P11).

On reverse: Ms. "Singleton 9/1/49" as date-stamp had been sent to Sydney for year 'date-slug' alteration, and "GPO SYDNEY" (11.1.1849, type S10).

Rate

Tenpence prepaid denoted by ms. "10" in red.

Route

Darlington to Maitland by road, thence to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings

"DARLINGTON / POST PAID" (type P11).

"DARLINGTON / NSW" (21.5.1839, type C9).

On reverse:

"GPO SYDNEY" (23.5.1839, type S7).

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One Shilling Rate: 8d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Scone: Post Office known as Invermein 1 January 1839.



20 May 1847



2 December 1847

Rate: One shilling unpaid denoted by ms. "1/-" in black.

Route: Sydney to Raymond Terrace by coastal vessel, thence to Scone by road.

Markings: "SCONE / NEW.S.WALES" (8.12.1847, type C65). On reverse: "GPO SYDNEY" (4.12.1847, type S12).

Rate

One shilling prepaid denoted by ms. "1/-" in red.

Route

Sydney to Raymond Terrace by coastal vessel, thence to Scone by road.

Markings

"POST PAID / AT SYDNEY" (type P3).

On reverse:

"SCONE / NEW.S.WALES" (26.5.1847, type C65)

"GPO SYDNEY" (20.5.1847, type S12).

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One Shilling & One Penny Rate: 9d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Murrurundi: Post Office opened 11 May 1837.



27 May 1848

Rate

One shilling & one penny unpaid denoted by ms. "1/1" in black.

Route

Murrurundi to Maitland by road, thence to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings

"MURRURUNDI / NEW.S.WALES"
(27.5.1848, type C65).

On reverse:

"GPO SYDNEY" (30.5.1848, type S19).

One Shilling & Threepence Rate: 11d Inland Rate plus 4d Local Ship Letter Rate.

Armidale: Post Office opened 1 March 1843.



13 January 1849

Rate

One shilling & threepence unpaid denoted by ms. "1/3" in black.

Route

Armidale to Maitland by road, thence to Sydney by coastal vessel.

Markings

On reverse:

Ms. "Armidale Jany 17th 1849" as date-stamp had been sent to Sydney for year 'date-slug' alteration.

"GPO SYDNEY" (20.1.1849, type S12).