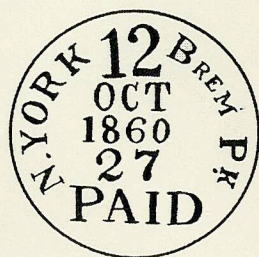


III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 15¢ Rate Prepaid



15¢ rate prepaid from Columbia, South Carolina, 29 November 1853 to Bremervorde, Hanover, by Germania (Fritze Line), New York 3 December 1853, Bremen 1 January 1854.

U.S. internal under the Convention reduced from 5¢ to 3¢ on 17 July 1858.



12¢ credit to Bremen for 6¢ sea, 1¢ Bremen and 5¢ G.A.P.U..



15¢ rate prepaid from New York 27 October 1860 to Merseburg am Saale, Prussia, by New York (North German Lloyd Line), New York 27 October 1860, Bremen 16 November 1860. 5¢ Brown Type II strip straddling center guide line showing portion of stamp from adjoining pane.

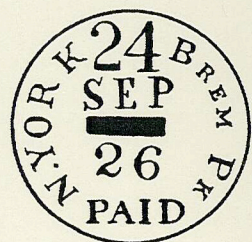
	5¢ U.S. Portion		3¢ U.S. Portion	
U.S. internal	5¢	] 10¢ credit to Bremen	3¢	] 12¢ credit to Bremen
Sea	4¢		6¢	
Bremen	1¢		1¢	
G.A.P.U.	5¢		5¢	
Prepaid	15¢		15¢	

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 15¢ Rate Prepaid



2 sgr G.A.P.U. 4½
sgr international
portion not indicated.

Single 15¢ rate prepaid from St. Louis, Missouri, 29 June 1864 to Gleichamberg, Sachsen-Meiningen, by Hansa (North German Lloyd Line), New York 2 July 1864, Bremen 17 July 1864.



24¢ double rate credit
to Bremen for 12¢ sea,
2¢ Bremen, and 10¢
G.A.P.U.



Double 15¢ rate prepaid from St. Louis, Missouri, 23 September 1863 to Abterode, Kurfürstentum Hessen, by Hansa (North German Lloyd Line), New York 26 September 1863, Bremen 10 October 1863.

0/4 in upper left indicates international rate was fully paid (so nothing more is due) and 4 sgr G.A.P.U. portion.

	Single Rate		Double Rate	
U.S. internal	3¢	] 12¢ credit to Bremen]	6¢	] 24¢ credit to Bremen]
Sea	6¢		12¢	
Bremen	1¢		2¢	
G.A.P.U.	5¢		10¢	
Prepaid	15¢		30¢	
		4½ sgr		9 sgr
		2 sgr		4 sgr
		6½ sgr		13 sgr

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 15¢ Rate Prepaid



Posted after the
regular mail closed.

15¢ rate and 15¢ supplementary fee prepaid from New York 21 July 1866 to Osnabrück, Hanover, by *America* (North German Lloyd Line), New York 21 July 1866, Bremen 2 August 1866. New York kept a **SUPPLEMENTARY / MAIL**. mailbag open at dockside and charged double the single letter rate for letters posted after the regular mails closed. **12¢** credit written in crayon.

Supplementary mail fee	15¢	
U.S. internal	3¢	
Sea	6¢	
Bremen	1¢	
G.A.P.U.	5¢	
Prepaid	30¢	
		12¢ credit to Bremen

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 12¢/13¢ Rate Prepaid

A lower rate applied to Oldenburg than to the other German states. Generally, the rate was 13¢. However, the 1 September 1857 U.S. Postal Laws and Regulations stated a 12¢ rate to Oldenburg. This applied in the U.S. until 1859 (but apparently not on westbound mail). The lower rates to Oldenburg reduced the usual 12¢ credit to Bremen (on mail carried by a Bremen packet) to 9¢ for the 12¢ rate and to 10¢ for the 13¢ rate.



12¢ rate prepaid from Galveston, Texas, 7 September 1858 to Bardenfleth, Oldenburg, by *Bremen* (North German Lloyd Line), New York 25 September 1858, Southampton 9 October 1858.

The *Bremen* called at Southampton for repairs and did not arrive in Bremen until 21 October 1858. Warfleth 17 October backstamp indicates letter was taken off at Southampton and sent to Bremen another way.



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The 2¢ lower rate resulted in a credit to Bremen of 2¢ less than the usual 12¢ credit.

13¢ rate prepaid (overpaid 2¢) from New York 4 November 1865 to Varel, Oldenburg, by *Hansa* (North German Lloyd Line), New York 4 November 1865, Bremen 18 November 1865.

	12¢ Rate		13¢ Rate
U.S. internal	3¢		3¢
Sea	6¢		6¢
Bremen	1¢	] 9¢ credit to Bremen	1¢
Transit to Oldenburg	2¢		5¢
Prepaid	12¢		13¢

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 13¢ Rate Prepaid / Part Paid



5½ sgr (13¢) rate prepaid from Brake, Oldenburg, 25 August 1865 to Baltimore, Maryland, by *America* (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 27 August 1865, New York 11 September 1865.



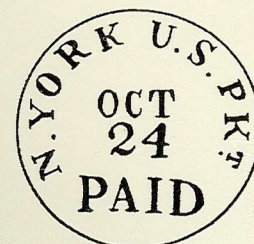
Paid to Bremen

Applied by the Bremen
State Post Office.

10¢ Paid to Bremen rate from New York 10 May 1866 to Elsfluth, Oldenburg, by *Mississippi* (North American Lloyd Line), New York 10 May 1866, Bremen 28 February 1866. The North American Lloyd Line made only 10 round trip voyages. The *Mississippi* was chartered for only this one voyage. **Paid to Bremen** marking struck by Bremen State Post Office.

From Oldenburg			Part Paid to Oldenburg		
Transit from Oldenburg	1 sgr	3¢	U.S. internal	5¢	5¢
Sea	] 4½ sgr	6¢	Sea	4¢	4¢
Bremen		1¢	Bremen	1¢ credit to Bremen	1¢
U.S. internal		3¢	Transit to Oldenburg		3¢ = 1 sgr due
Prepaid	5½ sgr	13¢	Totals	10¢ prepaid	13¢

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 15¢ Rate Prepaid



Used from March 1854 to April 1867.

6½ sgr (15¢) rate prepaid from Uelzen, Hanover, 29 September 1856 to Longgrove, Iowa, by Hermann (Ocean Line), Bremerhaven 4 October 1856, New York 24 October 1856.

1/15 Thaler or 2 Sgr (5¢) paid by a stamp. 3 grote, 8 pfennige (11¢) balance paid in cash, included a 4 pfennige (1¢) local fee.

W.F. Kost

weiterfranco 32 kr Shows foreign postage credited to Thurn & Taxis.



Double 22 kr (15¢) rate prepaid from Stuttgart, Württemberg, 19 April 1866 to New York by New York (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 22 April 1866, New York 7 May 1866.

	From Hanover		From Württemberg	
G.A.P.U.	2 sgr	5¢	12 kr	4 sgr
Bremen		1¢		2¢
Sea	4½ sgr = 10¢	4¢	32 kr	9 sgr = 20¢
U.S. internal		5¢		12¢
Totals	6½ sgr	15¢	44 kr	13 sgr
				30¢

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 15¢ Rate Prepaid



PAID. 10

Integral marking
showing the 10¢
international rate
applied in Bremen

6½ ngr (15¢) rate prepaid from Leipzig, Saxony, 17 October 1867 to New York
by *Hermann* (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 19 October 1867, New York 2 November 1867.



PAID. 10

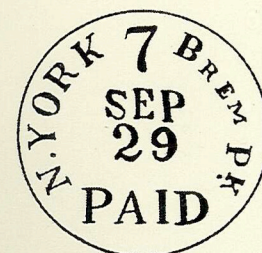
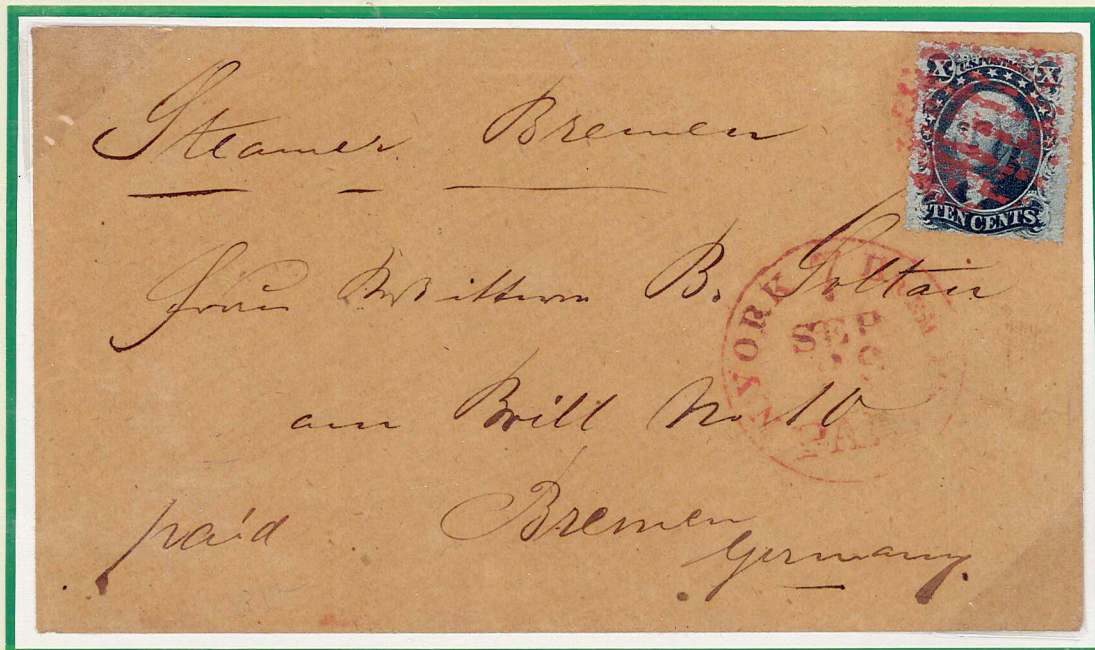
Separate handstamps
showing prepayment of
the 10¢ international rate
applied in Bremen.

6½ sgr (15¢) rate prepaid from Braunschweig 13 January 1859 to Philadelphia
by *Bremen* (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 9 February 1859, New York 26 February 1859.
2 sgr (5¢) paid by a stamp. Crayon 4½ indicates 4½ sgr international rate, which was paid in cash.

G.A.P.U.
Bremen
Sea
U.S. internal
Totals

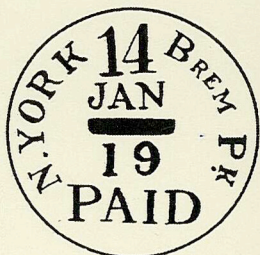
2 sgr 5¢
4½ sgr = 10¢ [1¢
6½ sgr 4¢
15¢

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 10¢ Rate to and from Bremen Prepaid



7¢ single rate credit to Bremen; 6¢ sea and 1¢ Bremen.

10¢ rate to Bremen prepaid from New York 29 September 1860 to Bremen by Bremen (North German Lloyd Line), New York 29 September 1860, Bremen 14 October 1860.



14¢ double rate credit to Bremen; 12¢ sea and 2¢ Bremen.

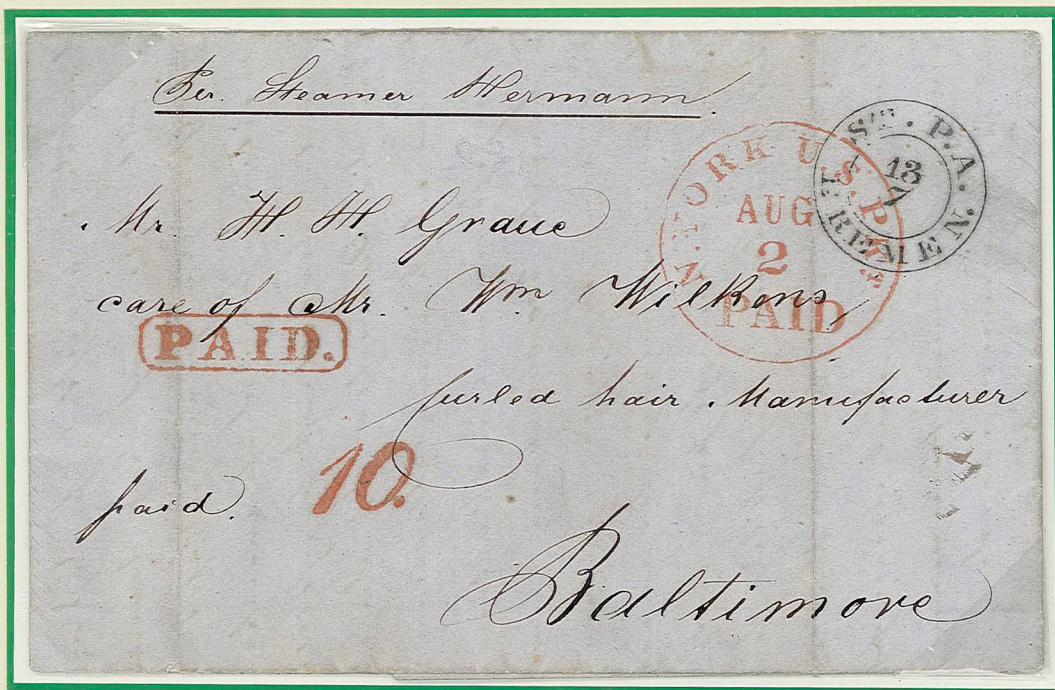


Double 10¢ rate to Bremen prepaid from New York 19 January 1861 to Bremen by Bremen (North German Lloyd Line), New York 19 January 1861, Bremen 2 February 1861.

	Single Letter		Double Letter	
U.S. internal	3¢		6¢	
Sea	6¢	] 7¢ credit to Bremen	12¢	] 14¢ credit to Bremen
Bremen	1¢		2¢	
Prepaid	10¢		20¢	

Lack of a Bremen exchange marking may show that a separate mail bag was delivered directly to the Bremen city post office.

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 10¢ Rate to and from Bremen Prepaid



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Used from December 1852 to January 1868.

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Used from January 1854 to May 1867.

10¢ rate from Bremen prepaid from Bremen 13 July 1854 to Baltimore, Maryland, by Hermann (Ocean Line), Bremen 14 July 1854, New York 2 August 1854



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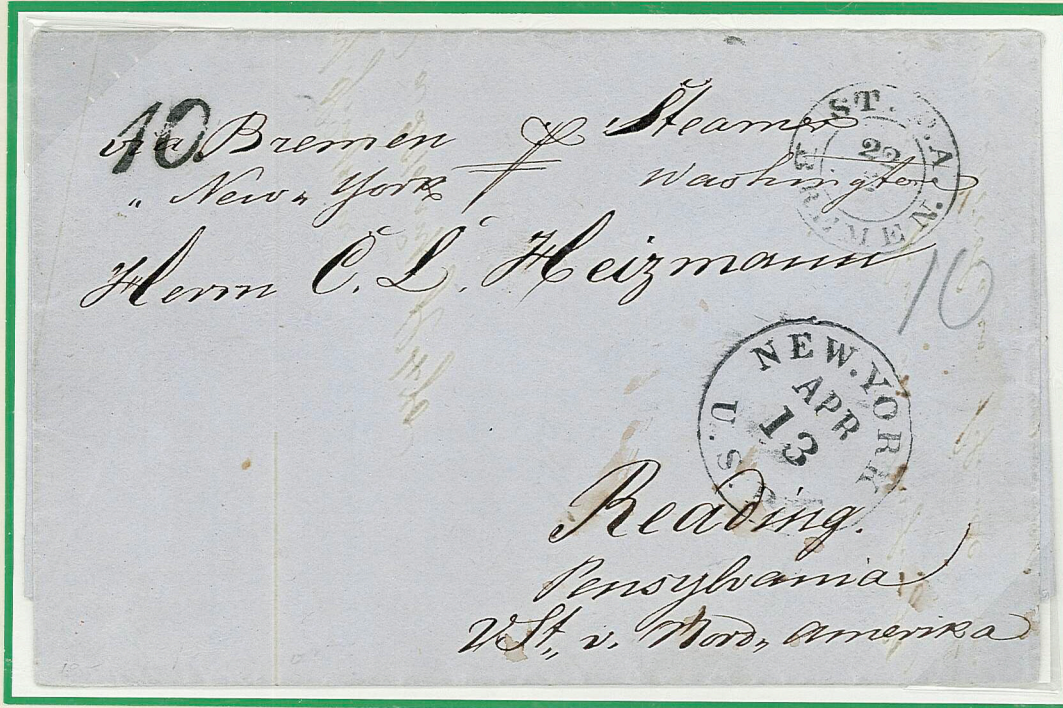
Used from February 1864 to December 1867.

10¢ rate from Bremen prepaid from Bremen 3 June 1864 to Baltimore, Maryland, by Hansa (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 7 June 1864, New York 23 June 1864.

	<u>U.S. Packet Letter</u>	<u>Bremen Packet Letter</u>
U.S. internal	5¢	3¢
Sea	4¢	6¢
Bremen	1¢	1¢
Prepaid	10¢	10¢

U.S. internal under the Convention reduced from 5¢ to 3¢ on 17 July 1858.
Neither cover shows a credit for U.S. internal or U.S. packet fee.

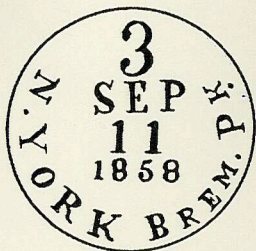
III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 10¢ Rate to and from Bremen Unpaid



10.

10¢ due. Applied
in Bremen.

10¢ rate from Bremen unpaid from Bremen 22 March 1855 to Reading, Pennsylvania,
by *Washington* (Ocean Line), Bremen 23 March 1855, New York 12 April 1855.
Carried privately from Neukirchen bei Adorf, Saxony, to Bremen. Forwarded by H.R. Meier & Co.



3¢ debit to Bremen
for U.S. internal.



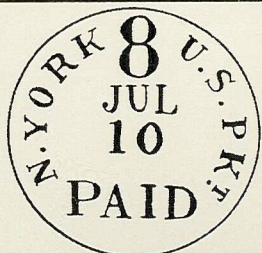
10¢ rate to Bremen unpaid from New York 11 September 1858 to Bremen
by *New York* (North German Lloyd Line) (first voyage), New York 11 September 1858, Bremen 24 September 1858.

	U.S. Packet	Bremen Packet
U.S. internal	5¢	3¢ debit to Bremen
Sea	4¢	6¢
Bremen	1¢	1¢
Due	10¢	10¢

U.S. internal under the Convention reduced from 5¢ to 3¢ on 17 July 1858.

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 22¢ Rate

The 15 August 1853 rate reduction to 15¢ did not apply to German states that had not reduced their postage to the equivalent of 5¢ or less. For those states the total rate usually was 22¢. This represented the sum of a 15¢ international rate (5¢ U.S. internal, 9¢ sea postage, and 1¢ Bremen postage) plus 7¢ German internal postage.



8¢ credit to Bremen: 1¢ Bremen and 7¢ German internal.



22¢ rate prepaid from Louisville, Kentucky, 1 July 1858 to Darmstadt, Hessen, by *Ariel* (Vanderbilt Line), New York 10 July 1858, Bremen 25 July 1858.



Fr. 3.

Applied by the Hanover Post Office in Bremen to indicate 3 sgr credit for German internal postage. Used August 1852 to November 1853.

22¢ rate prepaid (5¢ overpaid) from Summer Hill, Pennsylvania, 24 October 1853 to Horb, Württemberg, by *Hermann* (Ocean Line), New York 5 November 1853, Bremen 23 November 1853. Hanover applied **AMERICA ÜBER BREMEN** without FRANCO since **Fr. 3.** indicated letter was paid.

U.S. internal	5¢			
Sea	9¢			
Bremen	1¢			
German internal	7¢	=	3 sgr	8¢ credit to Bremen
Totals	22¢			

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 22¢ Rate

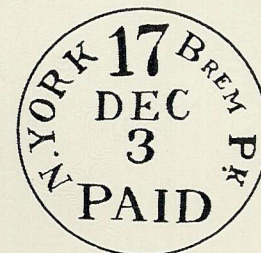
Before Thurn & Taxis reduced its rates from all locations to Bremen during 1859, German internal postage per loth was 1 sgr or 3 kr up to 10 German miles, 2 sgr or 6 kr up to 20 German miles, and 3 sgr or 9 kr above 20 German miles. This was added to the 6¾ sgr or 24 kr international rate. A German mile generally equaled 4.61 U.S. miles.

15.

15¢ international rate.
Used in red from
September 1853 to
February 1860



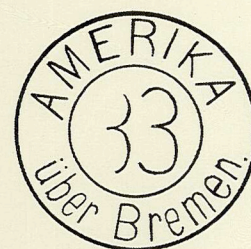
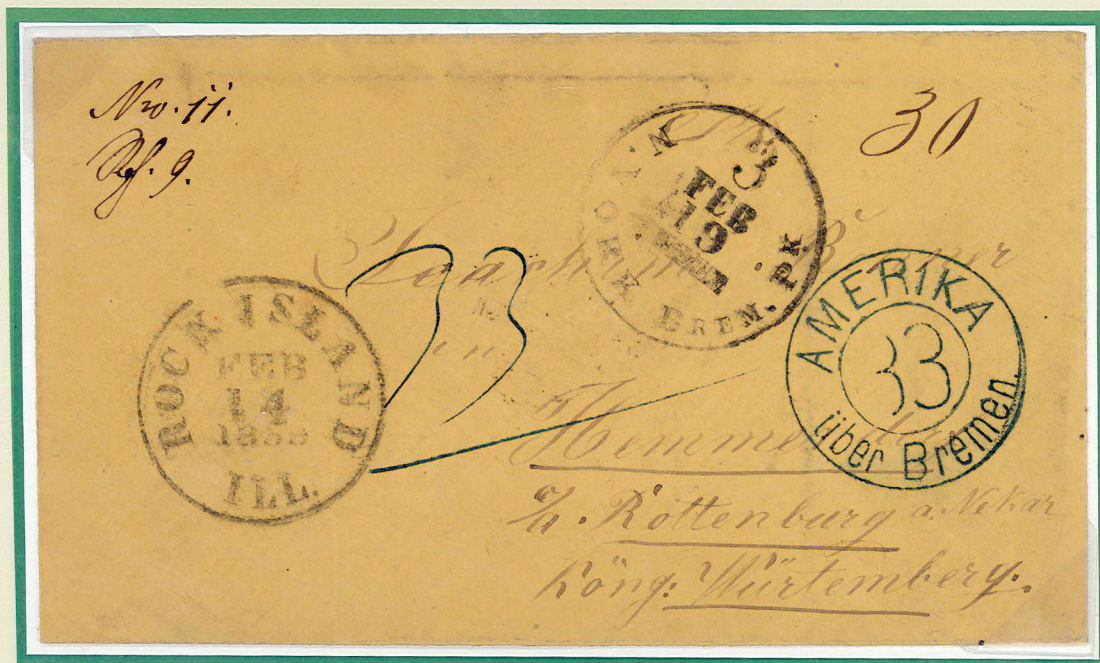
9¾ sgr (22¢) rate from Sontra (68), Kurfurstenturm Hessen, 2 May 1859 to Detroit, Michigan, by New York (North German Lloyd Line), Bremen 14 May 1859, New York 29 May 1859.



Scarce 17¢ credit marking to Bremen; 9¢ sea, 1¢ Bremen and 7¢ German internal. Used October to December 1853.

22¢ rate prepaid from Tremont, Ohio, 28 November 1853 to Hessen by Germania (Fritze Line), New York 3 December 1853, Bremen 1 January 1854.

From Hessen			From Tremont		
U.S. internal		5¢	U.S. internal	5¢	
Sea		9¢	Sea	9¢	
Bremen		1¢	Bremen	1¢	
German internal		7¢	German Internal	7¢	
Totals		22¢	Totals	22¢	
	6¾ sgr = 15¢ international rate				17¢ credit to Bremen
	3 sgr				
	9¾ sgr				



33 kr due. Only two examples recorded of this marking used to Württemberg. Scarce since Hanover began using double circle due markings in place of fractional markings at the end of 1858 and the 22¢ (33 kr) rate ended 1 March 1859.

22¢ rate unpaid from Rock Island, Illinois, 19 February 1859 Rottenburg am Neckar, Württemberg, by New York (North German Lloyd Line), New York 19 February 1859, Bremen 5 March 1859.



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Shows the division of the 22¢ rate: 7¢ German internal, 15¢ international rate.

22¢ rate unpaid from Brackenheim, Württemberg, 19 March 1854 to Ohio by Hermann (Ocean Line), Bremen 26 March 1854, New York 14 April 1854, returned to New York, which struck **NOT CALLED FOR**, and sent back by Washington (Ocean Line), New York 24 February 1855, Bremen 13 March 1855. Since country returning unpaid letters got a credit equal to that country's portion of the postage, due postage increased by 8kr (5¢).

From Rock Island		
U.S. internal	3¢ debit to Bremen	8 kr
Sea	11¢	14 kr
Bremen	1¢	2 kr
German internal	7¢	9 kr
Due	22¢	33 kr

From Brackenheim		
U.S. internal	5¢	16 kr
Sea	9¢	14 kr
Bremen	1¢	2 kr
German internal	7¢	9 kr
Württemberg local		2 kr
Totals	22¢	41 kr
		43 kr

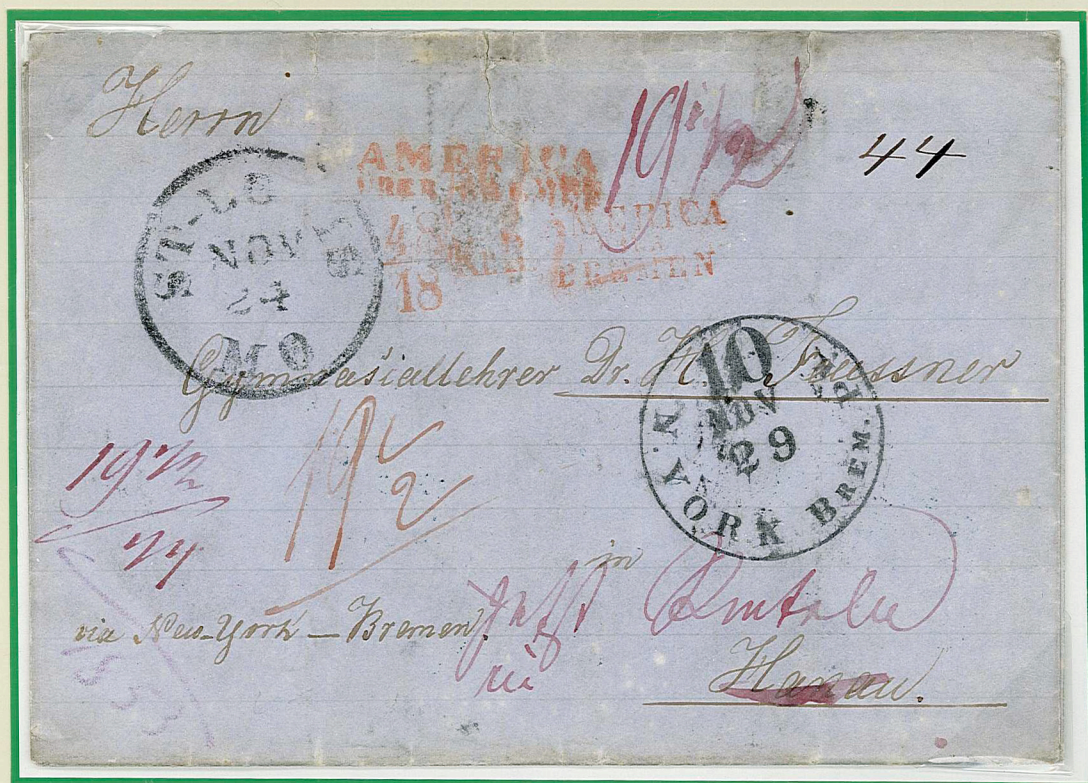
III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - 22¢ Rate



$\frac{24}{9}$ KrR AMERICA
ÜBER
BREMEN

Three line America über Bremen used in red from December 1853 to December 1857. Shows the division of the 33 kr single rate due: 24 kr U.S. internal & sea plus 9 kr German

22¢ rate unpaid from New Philadelphia, Ohio, 22 August 1854 to Württemberg, by Hansa (Fritze Line), New York 25 August 1854, Bremen 10 September 1854.



$\frac{48}{18}$ KrR AMERICA
ÜBER
BREMEN

Used from November 1853 to October 1858. Shows the division of the 66 kr double rate due: 48 kr U.S. internal & sea plus 18 kr German internal. Values in kreuzer "Rheinisch."

Double 22¢ rate unpaid from St. Louis, Missouri, 24 November 1853 to Hanau, Hessen, by Hansa (Fritze Line), New York 29 November 1853, Bremen 23 December 1853. 24 kr charged for forwarding letter to Rinteln. The Fritze Line made only eight round trip voyages.

	Single Rate		Double Rate		
U.S. internal	5¢	8 krR	10¢	16 krR	$\frac{48}{19\frac{1}{2}}$ sgr = 13½ sgr
Sea	9¢	14 krR	18¢	28 krR	
Bremen	1¢	2 krR	2¢	4 krR	
German internal	7¢	9 krR	14¢	18 krR	
Due	22¢	33 krR	44¢	66 krR	
		24 kr total treaty rate		48 kr total treaty rate	

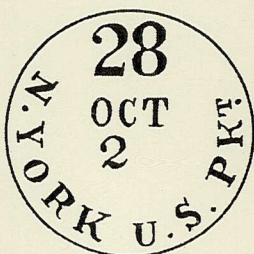
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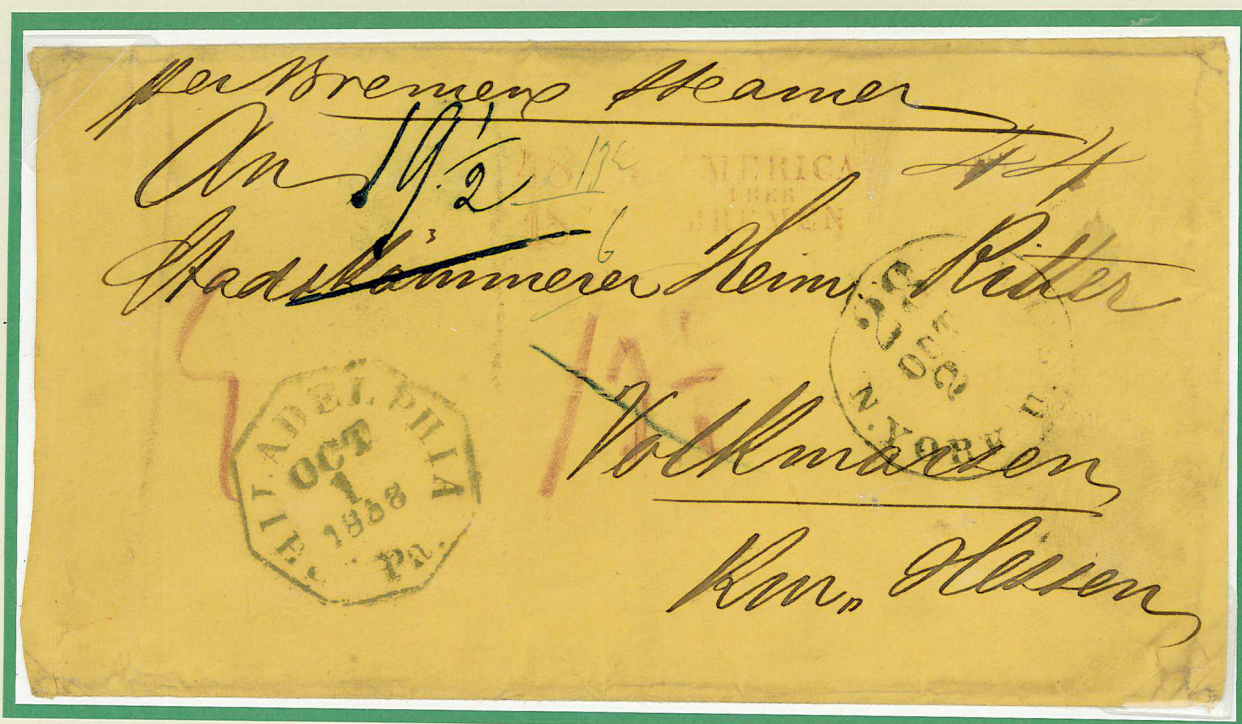
**24
9 KR AMERICA
ÜBER BREMEN**

Two line America über Bremen used from October 1853 to June 1855. Shows the division of the 33 kr due: 24 kr U.S. internal & sea plus 9 kr German internal.

22¢ rate unpaid from Reading, Pennsylvania, 3 October 1854 to Hofgeismar, Kurhessen, by Hermann (Ocean Line), New York 7 October 1854, Bremen 24 October 1854.



28¢ double rate debit to Bremen; 10¢ U.S. internal and 18¢ sea. Used October 1854 to October 1858.



Double 22¢ rate unpaid from Philadelphia 1 October 1858 to Volkmar, Kurhessen, by Vanderbilt (Vanderbilt Line), New York 2 October 1858, Bremen 15 October 1858.

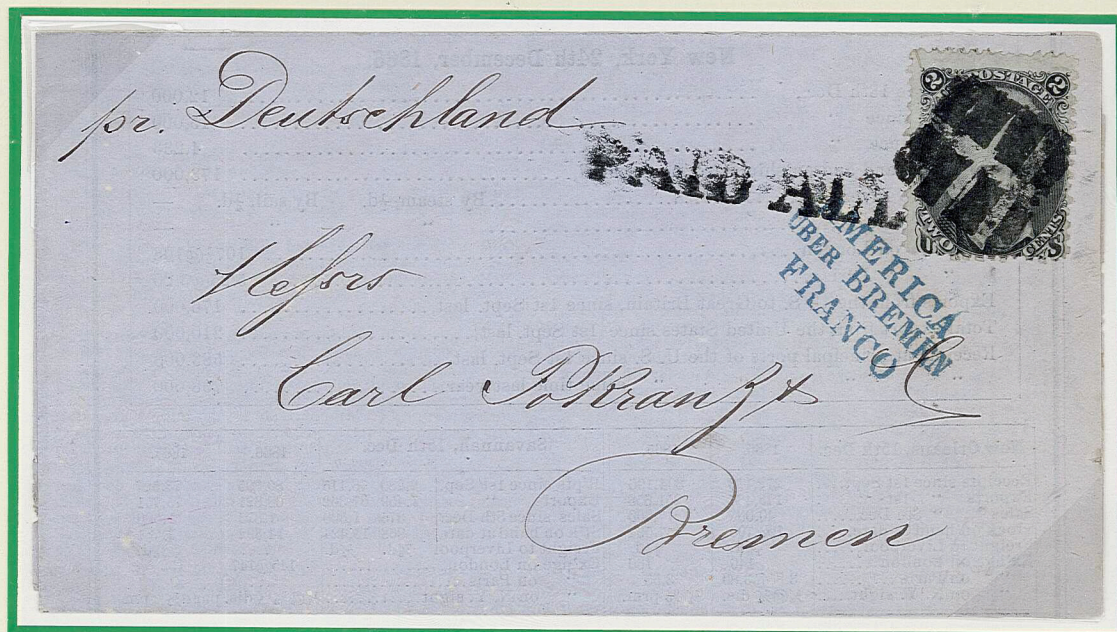
	Single Rate			Double Rate			
U.S. internal	5¢	14¢ debit	8 kr	10¢	28¢ debit	16 kr	] 48 kr total treaty rate = 13½ sgr
Sea	9¢	to Bremen	14 kr	18¢	to Bremen	28 kr	
Bremen	1¢		2 kr	2¢		4 kr	
German internal	7¢		9 kr	14¢		18 kr	
Due	22¢		33 kr = 9 ¾	44¢		66 kr	6 sgr 19½ sgr

III.C. 1847 U.S.-Bremen Convention - 1853 Rates - Newspaper and Printed Matter Rates

Before 1867, Article V set the newspaper rate as 2¢ to Bremen and as 3¢ to other parts of the G.A.P.U., both up to 3 ounces. Newspapers could be prepaid only to the border of the G.A.P.U. The U.S. credited 1¢ to Bremen if carried by Bremen packet and an additional 1¢ if sent beyond Bremen. This accounting was not shown on the circular. Circulars were rated as newspapers since pamphlets and magazines could not be fully prepaid to the destination. Thus, the PAID ALL handstamp indicated treatment as a newspaper.



2¢ newspaper rate prepaid from New Orleans 7 January 1860 to Cromfort, Rhenish Prussia, by Bremen (North German Lloyd Line), New York 21 January 1860, Bremen 5 February 1860.



2¢ newspaper rate prepaid from New York 29 December 1866 to Bremen by Deutschland (North German Lloyd Line), New York 29 December 1866, Bremen 12 January 1867.