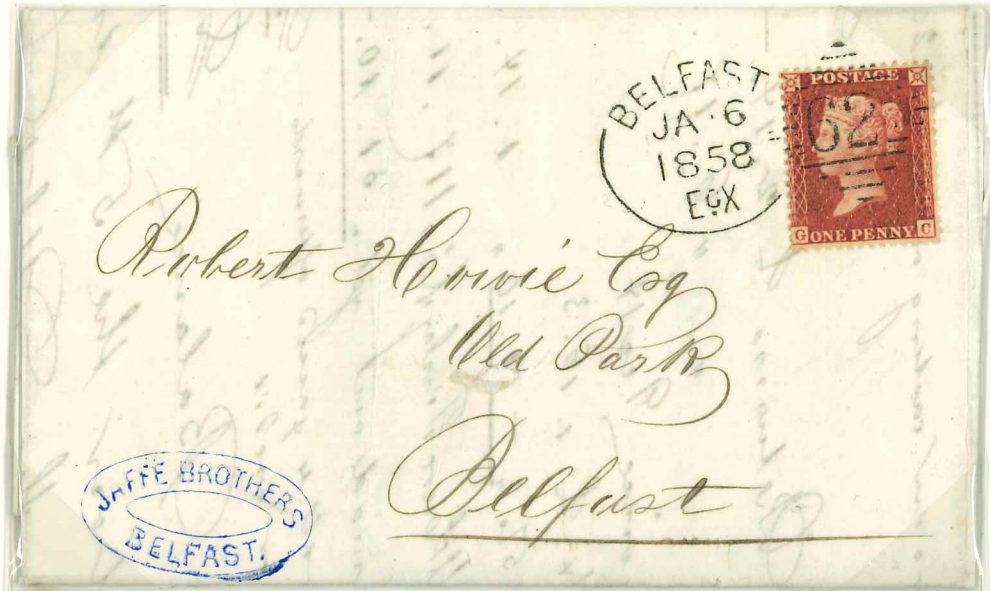


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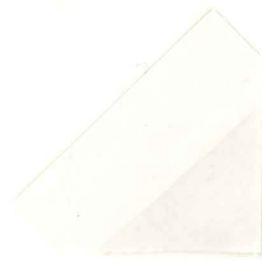
1858 Belfast Spoon
1857/58 Belfast/Kingston Spoon Errors

The Belfast cover below shows that a local agent was used by Mr Robert Howie to deal with his account owing to the Belfast Banking Company. The tedious nature of changing the slugs in the handstamp each day by the Postmaster resulted in errors.



1858 (January 6th) entire letter sent locally within Belfast showing a 1d red tied by an Irish **BELFAST/JA.6/1858/EGX** type spoon and the agents cachet **JAFFE BROTHERS BELFAST.**

1857 (October 5th) letter sent from Belfast to Ballymoney showing a 2d blue tied by an Irish **BELFAST/OC5/57** type spoon. The **code and 18 of 1857 omitted.**



1858 (January 20th) small format envelope from Kingston to Dublin with a penny red Pl. 44 JG, tied by a black Irish type **KINGSTOWN / 289** spoon, error of year (**8158** for 1858) code **D.**

Adhesive Period
1840 - 1875

1855 Wexford English Spoon
1855 Galway/Belfast English Spoons

In the *Spoon Experiment* the English type Spoon had the numeral contained within an oval. The Wexford letter leaving Liverpool by Cunard ship *Canada* was stamped 6d in error and disallowed at Liverpool as paid, where *19 CENTS*, the inland and transatlantic rate due to the U.K. Post Office was applied.

1855 (December 19th) envelope from Wexford to Madison, Indiana, with a 2d blue and 4d carmine highly glazed paper, tied by an English type **WEXFORD / DE 19 / 1855 / 448** Spoon. In Boston **Br PACKET / 11 / JAN / 24 / BOSTON** the stamps were ignored and the full charge of 24 cents to be collected, applied. A normal Treaty rate letter that was prepaid the unusual amount of 6d.

1855 (November 12th) letter from Galway to Ballinasloe showing an English type **GALWAY/NO12/1855 /E/232** Spoon in green



1855 (July 11th) letter sent from Belfast to Ballymoney showing an English type black spoon **BELFAST / JU11 / 1855**.