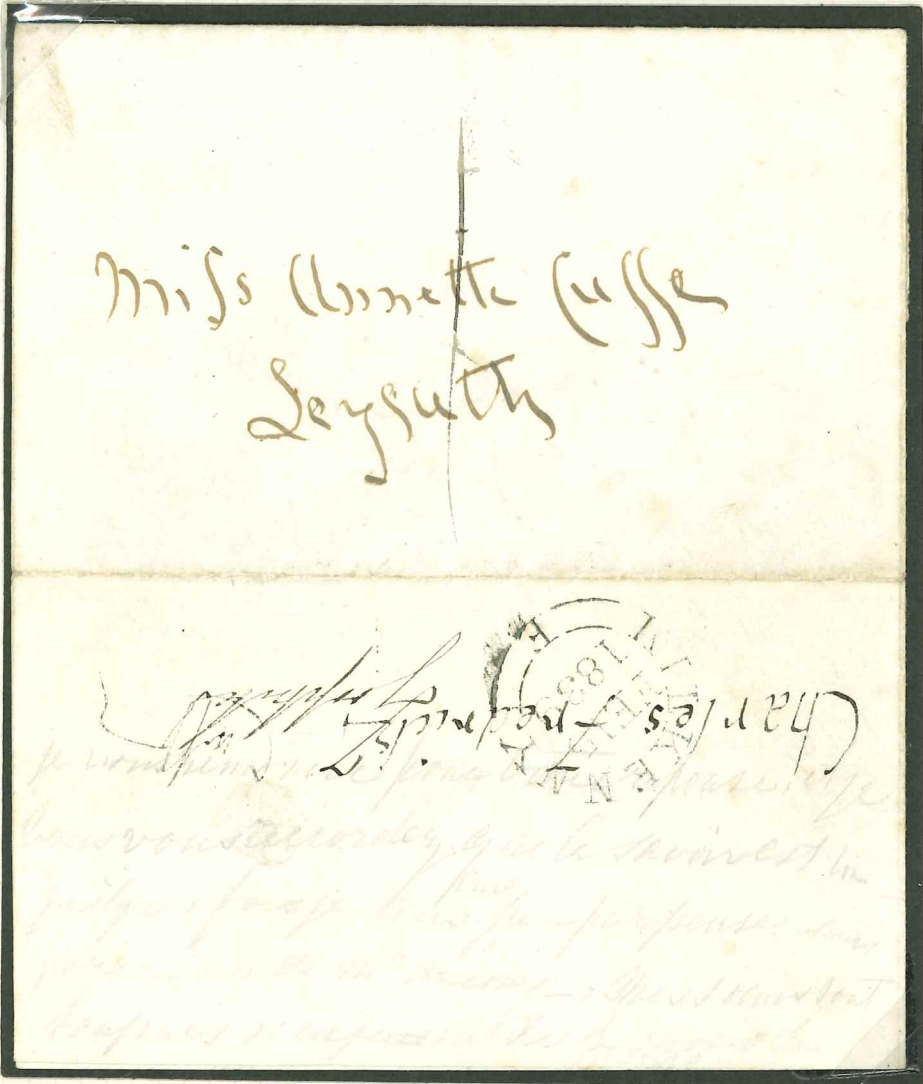


Another 1839 Valentine verse sent locally in Kilkenny,
charged the local Penny Post rate of 1d only, with
Kilkenny/Fe.15/1839 cds.

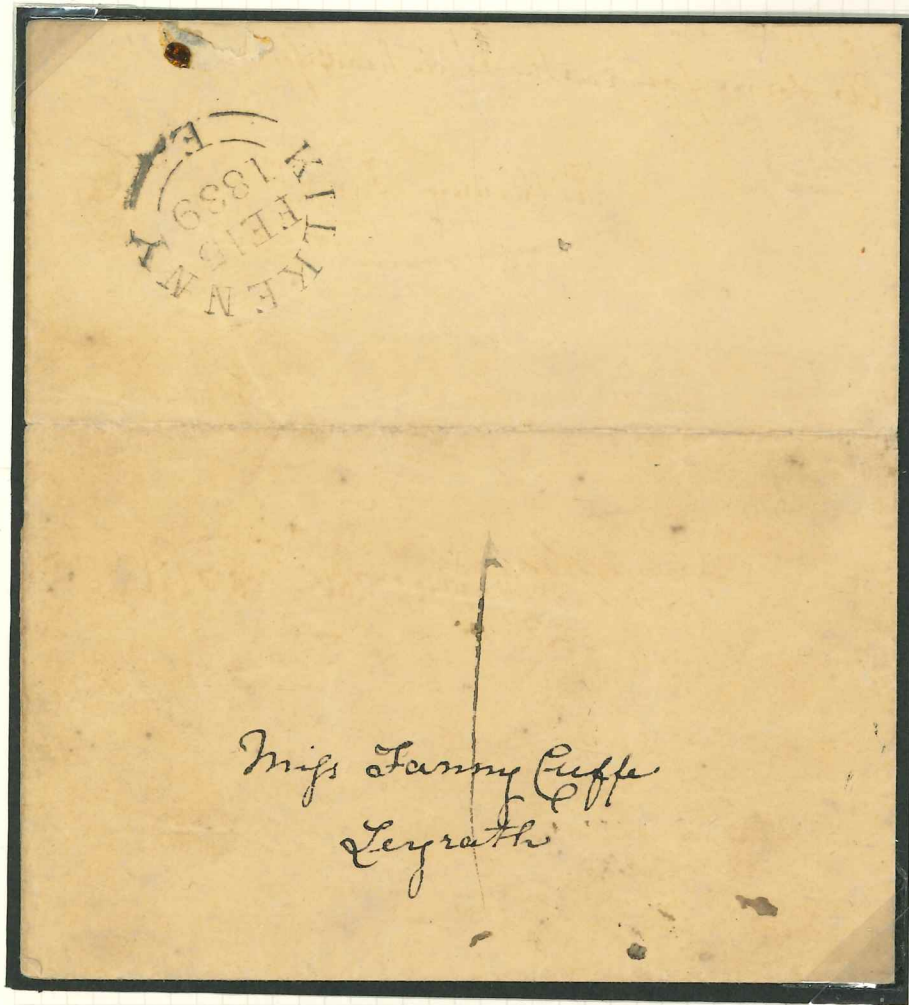


Miss Connetta Cusse
Loughsuth

A Lovelier face than thine there cannot be
N^o Nature with bounteous hands has poured her gift
N^o one has affected pride ere changed thine heart soft
E, adorned with every virtue, thou art nature's child
I then take pity my sweet nymph divine
I thou hast my heart which will be ever thine
O relenting girl I am thy
Valentine
Cusse

19-6-62

1839 Valentine verse dated February 14, addressed to
Leyrath with manuscript 1, being one penny to pay in
the local Penny Post, black Kilkenny/Fe.15/1839 cds
on reverse



Smile not blot this virgin page
With locky love - or badinage
I know they often both combine
To form the usual Valentine
No - it must be something more refined
To suit my gentle Fanny's mind -
I'd like like the Valley's sweetest flower
That fled from every field and sward
And came to share the gay feathered
The lovelier than all that flourish there
Sweet Lily thow art offering sweet
To cast at gentle Fanny's feet
Oh that my feeble pen could trace
Each youthful charm - such artless grace
To thee the richest gifts are given
As form for earth - a heart for heaven!

Kilkenny Feb 14

Received 1839