

Circular dated handstamp type 1:

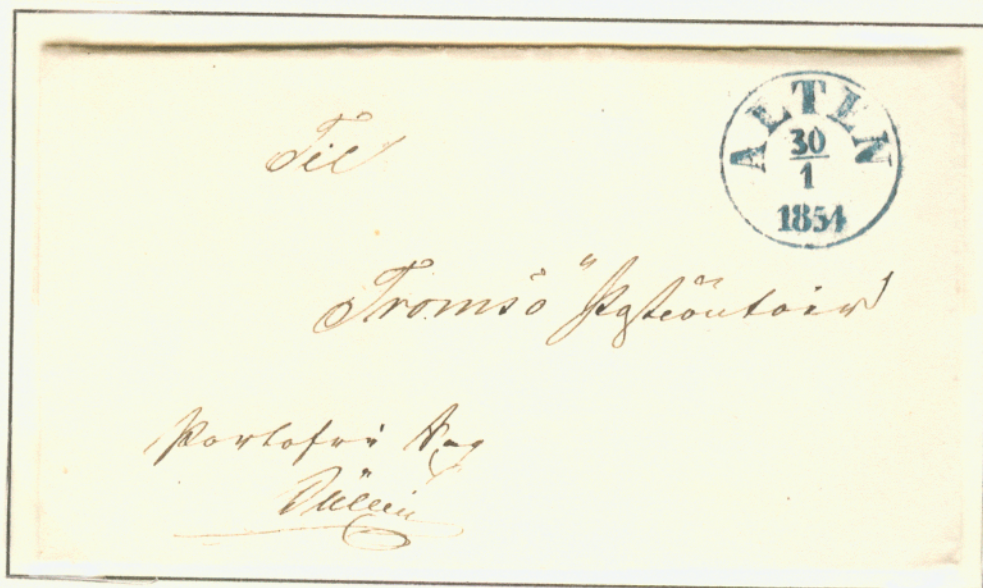
Alten

In 1850 Alten Class 2 post office was the superior re-transmitting post office for altogether ten Class 3 post offices in Finmark. The post office got its first 1-ring circular date-stamp in December 1848



Money letter of January 26, 1850, from Vardø to Tromsø, inscribed "Avissag" (newspaper subscription) and "1 Spd 40 Sk" (enclosure), re-transmitted and postmarked "ALTEN" in black at the superior Class 2 post office in Alten on February 9

Postage paid: 6 Sk for letter (weight 3/4-1 lod, distance > 200 km); registration 4 Sk; insured value (1/2 letter postage rate < 50 SpD) 3 Sk; plus 1 Sk for delivery, in total 14 Sk (marked on reverse of cover)



Official free-letter ("Portofri Sag") of January 30, 1854, from Alten to Tromsø, postmarked "ALTEN" in blue ink at the despatching post office