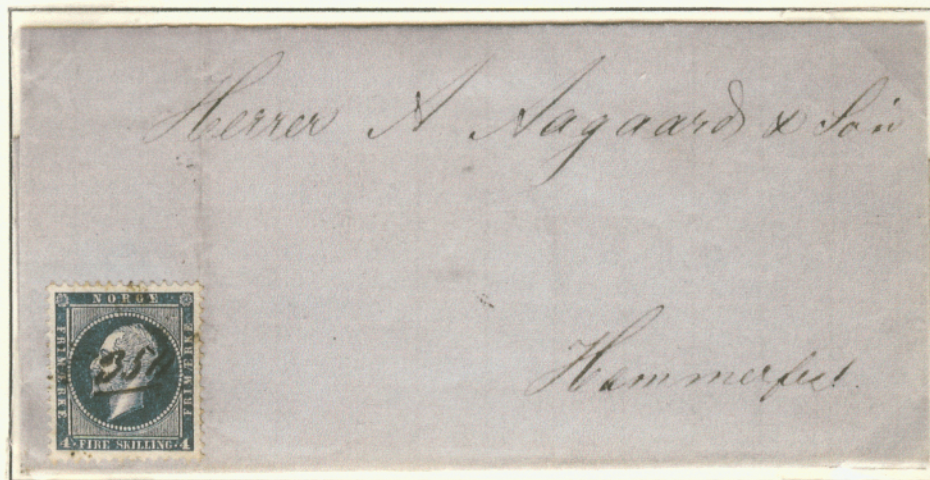


**Numeral postmark in pen manuscript:**

Due to scarcity of mail, 17 smaller Class 3 post offices in Finmark were not immediately substituted with new date-stamps (Circular letter of December 15th 1858). The sub-postmasters at these places were inclined to help themselves as best they could in postmarking the mail

The sub-postmaster at the class 3 post office in Øxfjord, Mr. Marcus Arnt Buck, continued to use the old numeral assignment of the post office ("350"), written in pen manuscript, on the postage stamp. A datestamp was not delivered until 1875



Domestic cover from "Øxfjord den 23de Juni" (1863) to Hammerfest; tied with 4 Sk Oscar and cancelled with numeral "350" (Øxfjord) in manuscript



"350" 28/1-57."  
4 Sk Coat of Arms I



"350"  
4 Sk Oscar

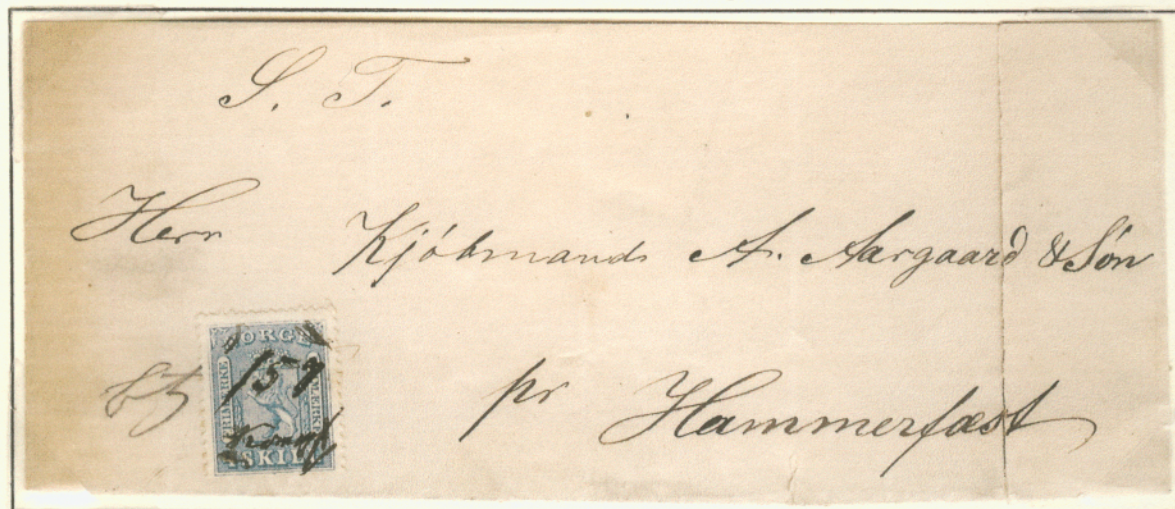


"350."  
4 Sk Coat of Arms II



"350."  
3 Sk post horn

The sub-postmaster Jens Nicolay Kraft Buck at the class 3 post office in Komagfjord used the name of the post office, or the numeral "157", or a combination of the two, written with pen on the postage stamp affixed to the letter. A datestamp was not delivered until 1876



Single-weight domestic cover franked with 4 skill Coat of Arms II postmarked "157" (Komagfjord) and "Komagfj" in pen manuscript; sent locally to Hammerfest