

### XIII. The regional ship mail services

The Nordland line

S/S Prinds Gustav :

Bergen - Hammerfest 1851 - 1860  
Trondheim - Hammerfest 1860 - 1865

Mr. Christian Fredrik Müller was sub-postmaster on board "Prinds Gustav" from 1853 to 1865. He used three different types of pen manuscript cancellations on the postage stamps of letters handed in at the post office on board

**Type 1:** Pr Gustav  
on one line and date below:



"Pr Gustav 18-7"  
in use from 1855 to 1856

**Type 2:** Crossed lines and  
Pr Gustav and date in sectors:



"Pr Gus - tav 3-8"  
21st southbound trip between  
Hammerfest and Tromsø in 1857  
in use from 1856 to 1862

**Type 3:** Crossed lines  
and date in sectors:



"12-9-1861"  
28th northbound trip between  
Tromsø and Hammerfest  
in use from 1859 to 1864



Double-weight local letter of February 23, 1860, handed in on "Prinds Gustav" in Hammerfest on the 3rd southbound trip to Tromsø; franked with 2 x 4 Sk Oscar; cover with postal manuscript "Pr. Gustav 23-2-60"; postage stamps with type 3 manuscript cancellation "23-2-1860"

Two letters with the type 3 manuscript cancellation are known from "Prinds Gustav"