

### XIII. The regional ship mail services

#### The Eastern Finmarken service

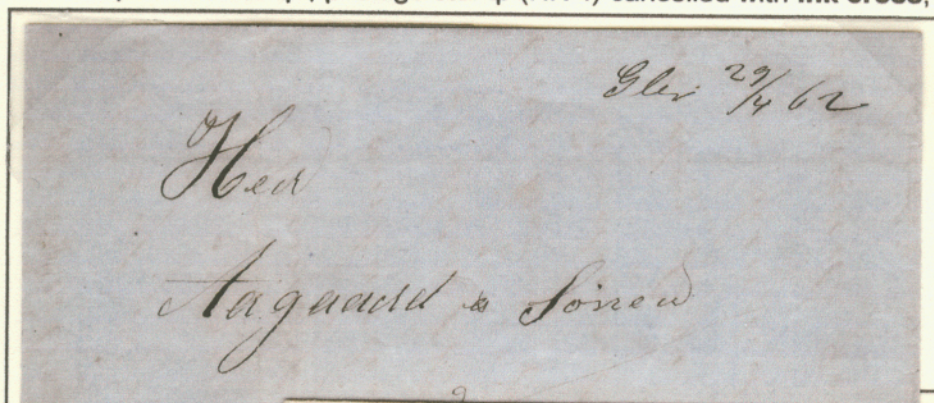
S/S Gler

(Tromsø) - Hammerfest - Vadsø 1853 - 1868

S/S Gler sailed in the Eastern Finmarken route from 1856 to 1863. The postal clerksman alternatively used ink cross or dated or undated pen manuscript of the ships name to cancel letters handed in on board



Cover of October 2, 1860, posted on board S/S Gler and inscribed "Gler 2-10-60" in pen manuscript; postage stamp (NK 4) cancelled with ink cross, sent to Vadsø



Local letter of April 29, 1862, handed in on board S/S Gler (5th westbound trip) in Gamvig (inside); cover and postage stamp (NK 4) with dated manuscript cancellation "Gler 29-4-62", sent to Hammerfest



Domestic letter of June 15, 1863, to Drammen; handed in on board S/S Gler on the 10th westbound trip in the Eastern Finmarken service; cover inscribed "Gler 15-6-63" and

postage stamp (NK 4) cancelled with the ship's name "Gler" in pen manuscript; in Hammerfest transit postmarked "HAMMERFEST" on June 19; sent southwards with the coastal steamship S/S Æger in the Nordland line on the 17th southbound trip from Hammerfest