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General Post Office,

19 May 1861

Any letter, prepaid by a payment in coin of one penny, or by an adhesive postage stamp of that value placed thereon, can be posted at any Post Office, within this island for delivery at call from that office, to the person to whom such letter may be addressed. Any letter, prepaid by a payment in coin of two pence or by an adhesive postage stamp of that value placed thereon will be forwarded from the office whereat it shall have been posted to any other post office within the parish for delivering to the person to whom it may be addressed.

(Signed) ALEX. JAS BRYMER.  
Postmaster for Jamaica.

### 3 Oct 1861; Uniforms for Post Men [Gazette 3 Oct 1861]

Query source of this announcement?

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

General Post Office, Oct 2, 1861

Tenders will be received at this office up to Wednesday, the 9th instant, for the supply of the following uniforms to be worn by the messengers of this department.

Four Blue. Cloth Frock Coats, 'turned up', Red at collar and cuffs, and with plain Plated: Buttons.

Four Blue Cloth Caps, having the letters G P.O. in white, above the peak.

FRED SULLIVAN, acting for the  
"Postmaster for Jamaica.

### 20 Nov 1861; ½d bisect for Book Post [Timbre Post / LP]

No. I. General Post Office,

20th November, 1861.

For the greater convenience of persons availing themselves of the facilities afforded by the book post, and also for the pre-payment of newspapers forwarded within the Colony, His Excellency, the Governor, in Executive Committee, has been pleased to authorise the recognition of one-half of the present Penny Postage Label in pre-payment of the Half Penny Rate of Postage. The Label must be divided diagonally so as to render the Half Penny triangular, the only shape in which it will be recognised in pre-payment of postage.

(Signed) ALEX. BRYMER.  
Postmaster for Jamaica.

Collett p52 states:

A great number of these bisected penny stamps were on letters addressed to Mr. W. A. Feurtado, Chief Clerk, Provost Marshal's Office, Spanish Town :

SIR,

. . . Whilst I was Chief Clerk in the Provost Marshal General's Office

in Spanish Town from 1865-69 I used to receive returns and letters from the Deputy Marshals all over the island. Book post packets were ½d. postage from 1861 and as there were no postage stamps in use at that time (1861) for less than a penny, the Postmaster gave permission to have the 1d. stamps (blue) cut in two, diagonally . . .

The envelopes and covers bearing my name with stamps on them were delivered over to the Supreme Court Office when the Provost Marshal General's Office was abolished in 1872, and these papers I understand have lately been disturbed by Stamp Collectors.

Yours truly,

Cottage Grove, (Sgd.) W. A. FEURTADO.

Franklin Town,

21 April, 1902.

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