

# Allagash Postal History

Aroostook County, Maine

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Allagash was organized in 1886 as Allagash Plantation; disorganized in 1933. However, it did become Incorporated in 1966.

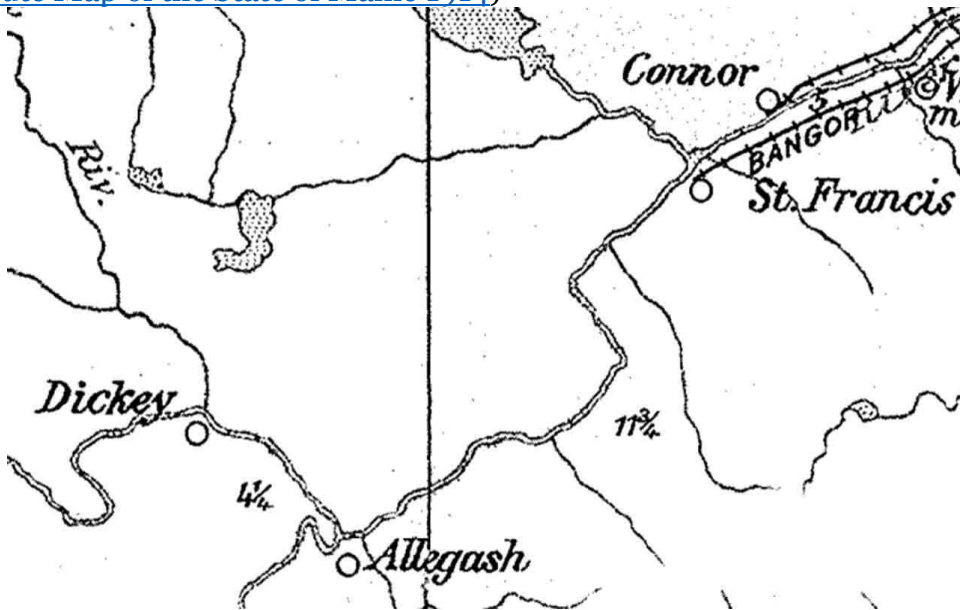
Note: Areas that became Aroostook County were set off from Hancock County to form Penobscot County in 1816, Piscataquis County in 1838, and Aroostook County in 1844.

During the history of Allagash, there have been two post offices.

Briefly, the history of these two is as follows:

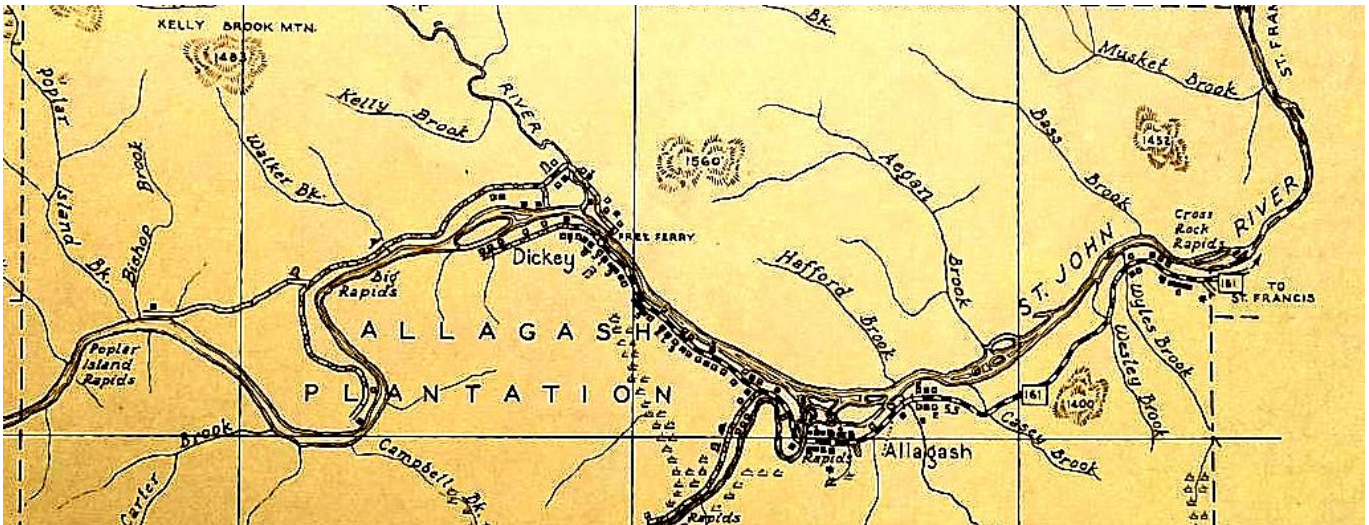
1. Allagash Post Office was established on 8 February 1894 and was renamed on 1 November 1924 as Allagash Post Office, which closed on 31 August 1926.
2. Dickey Post Office was established on 11 November 1905 and closed on 30 September 1921.

In 1914, there were two post offices in Allagash: Allegash and Dickey. (source: [Post Route Map of the State of Maine 1914](#))



(click on the image to enlarge)

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Allagash Plantation, which is nearly the size of four full townships, has two settlements that had post offices, Dickey and Allagash. This image from the 1938 Maine General Highway Atlas, published by the State Highway Commission, illustrates the pattern of settlement.

Post Offices from Allagash are listed below. In addition, postmarks collectors have provided from the town of Allagash for this project have been included and highlighted in Blue.


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### Allagash

1 November 1924:  
 The former Allegash Post Office was renamed as Allagash Post Office.

29 March 1920:  
 Gladys Gardiner became Postmaster for Allegash Post Office and remained as Postmaster when the name changed on 1 November 1924 to Allagash Post Office.

Page No. CAUTION.—Dispatching office must draw a diagonal line across any blank spaces after the last entry. See Sec. 891, P. L. & R. Form 3830 (B)

| REGISTERS. | *Original Reg. No. or Jacket or Lock Nos. | OFFICE OF ORIGIN.   |  |
|------------|---|---|--|
|            |   | Postmark of Office or R. P. O. dispatching the registered mail. |  |
| 1          | 174 ✓                                     | Allagash Me   |  |
| 2          | 175 ✓                                     | " " " "   |  |
| 3          | 176 ✓                                     | " " " "   |  |
| 4          | 177 ✓                                     | " " " "   |  |
| 5          | 178 ✓                                     | " " " "   |  |

RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_ articles described above. (Write Number)

Receiving office or clerk must note on this card any articles received (specify quantity) and correct errors thereon, if any, as prescribed by Sec. 117, P. L. & R.  
\*Write "L" before number if piece is dispatched loose in pouch, "O" if outside piece. (Write signature. See Sec. 930, P. L. & R.)

5 May 1925:

The circular postmark is 32 mm in diameter with a four-bar (B) killer.  
(Click on the image to enlarge)

31 August 1926:

Allagash Post Office is closed. Mail sent to Saint Francis.

## **Allagash**

1894 February 8:

Allagash post office was established.

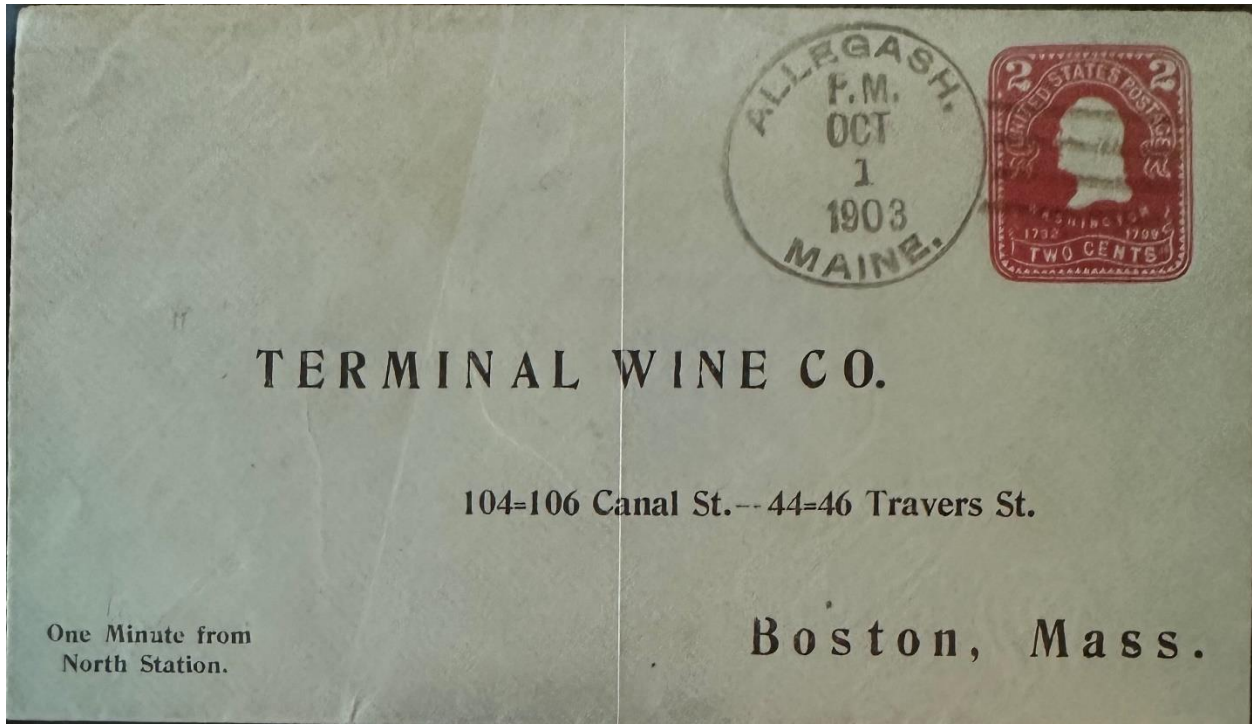
1894 February 8:

William H. Henderson became Postmaster for Allagash Post Office.

11 October 1902:

Isabell Gardiner became Postmaster for Allagash Post Office.

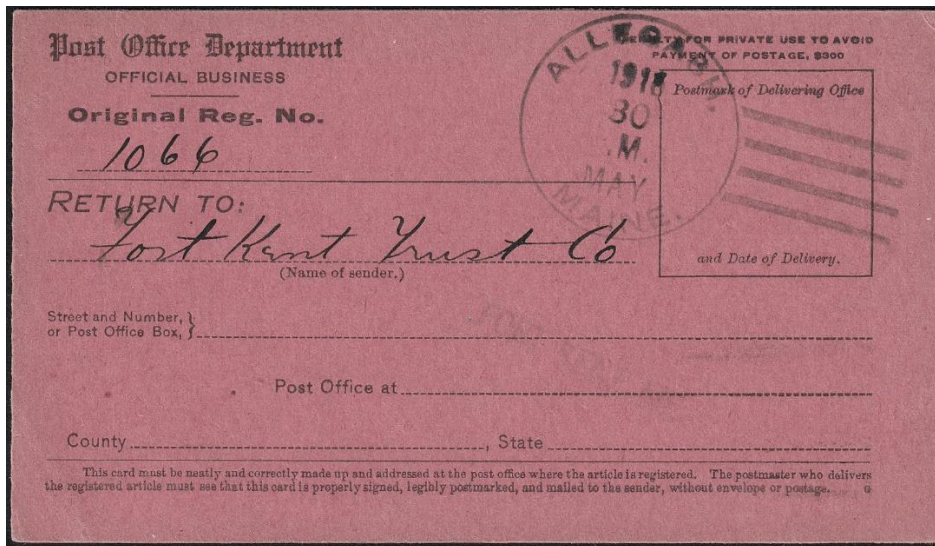




The circular postmark is 33 mm in diameter with a four-bar (A) duplex killer (with the year at the bottom).

12 May 1904:

Lucinda Gardiner became Postmaster for Allagash Post Office.



30 May 1910

The circular postmark is 32 mm in diameter with a four-bar (A) duplex killer (year at top).

4 March 1914:

Ella J. Gardiner became Postmaster for Allagash Post Office.

7 August 1915:

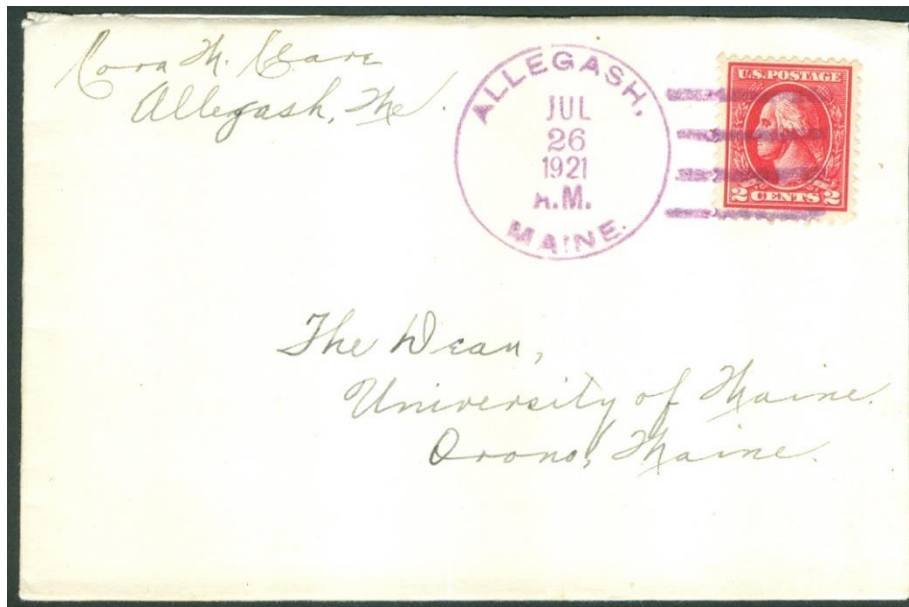
Ida Mae Kelley became Postmaster for Allegash Post Office.

7 June 1918:

Ida M. Grant became Postmaster for Allegash Post Office.

29 March 1920:

Gladys Gardiner became Postmaster for Allegash Post Office.



26 July 1921

The circular postmark is 32 mm in diameter with a four-bar (B) duplex killer (month at top).

1 November 1924:

Allagash post office was renamed Allagash Post Office.

### **Dickey:**

11 November 1905:

Dickey Post Office opened.

11 November 1905:

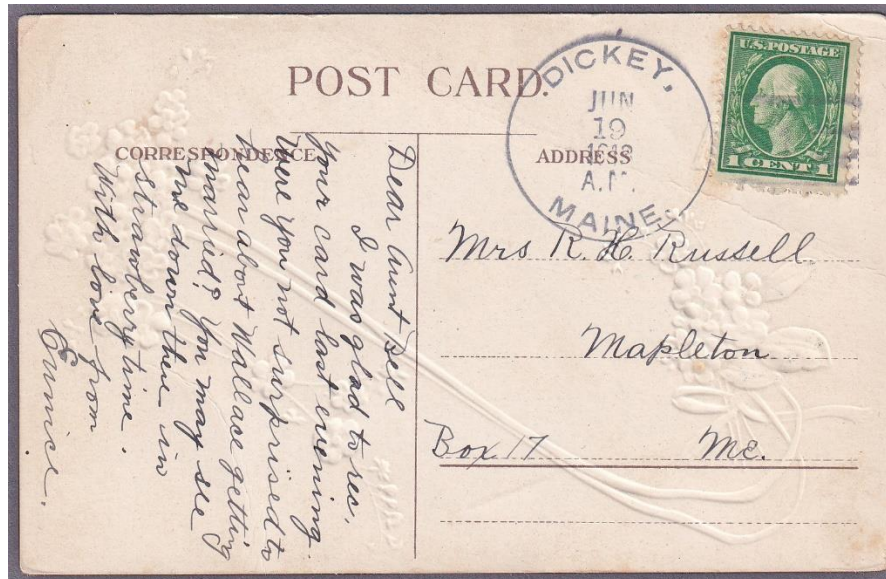
George Henderson became Postmaster for Dickey Post Office.

6 August 1910:

Annie Kelly became Postmaster for Dickey Post Office.

16 May 1913:

Clara Henderson became Postmaster for Dickey Post Office.



19 June 1913

The circular postmark is 32 mm in diameter with a four-bar (A) duplex killer.

30 September 1921:

Dickey Post Office closed. Mail to Allagash.

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Sources:

The Post Offices of Maine 2022, Maine Philatelic Society:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/TPOOM>

Additional material, including links to official records of postmaster appointments, can be found at Sources for Researching Maine Post Offices, Postmasters, and Postal History: <http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf>.