

Arrive at Catawba Station by 5 p m... Bond required with bid, \$200.

13291 From Rutherfordton, by White Oak Hall, Earlesville (S. C.), Greenesville, Whiteside's Factory, and Chick's Springs, to Greenville C. H., 504 miles and back, once a week.

13292 From Rutherfordton, by Logan's Store, Green's Grove, Oak Sprinz, First Broad, Duncan's Creek, Grassy Branch, and Camp Call, to Gardner's Ford, 44 miles and back, once a week.

13293 From Rutherfordton, by Brittain, Patton's Home, Golden Valley, and Dysertville, to Marion, 35 miles and back, once a week.

13294 From Rutherfordton, by Cuthbert, Valley Springs, Otter Creek, and Surar Hill, to Marion, 37 miles and back, once a week.

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force a justice of the peace or any other officer not using a seal, except a justice of the peace of a court of record, shall be added, under his seal of office, that the person who administered the oath is duly qualified as such officer.

The proposal must be signed by the bidder or bidders, and the date of signing affixed.

Direct to the "Second Assistant Postmaster General, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C.," marked "Proposals, State of North Carolina."

**BOND.**

Directions.

Insert the names of the principal and sureties in full in the body of the Bond; also the date. The signatures to the Bond should be witnessed, and the certificate on the inside should be signed by a Justice of the Peace, adding his official title, or, if signed by a Notary Public, he should affix his seal.

Know all men by these presents, that I, \_\_\_\_\_, of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the United States of America in the just and full sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, lawful money of the United States, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 187-.

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Office of Postmaster General, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1875, and for other purposes," it is provided: "That every proposal for carrying the mail shall be accompanied by a bond, to be given by the bidder, with sureties approved by the postmaster, in pursuance whereof, and in compliance with the provisions of said law, this bond is made and executed by the Justice of the Peace, adding his official title, and prescribed, to accompany the foregoing an annexed proposal of \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

Now, the condition of the said obligation is such, that if the said \_\_\_\_\_, bidder, as aforesaid, shall, within such time after his bid is accepted as the Postmaster General may determine in law, said advertisement, enter into a contract with the United States of America, with good and sufficient sureties to be approved by the Postmaster General, to perform the service proposed in the said bid, and further shall perform said service according to his contract; then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law. In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 187-.

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_, ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, ss.  
On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 187-, personally appeared before me \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, Justices of the Peace, and \_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public, for the State of \_\_\_\_\_, who being duly sworn, depose and say, he has executed and sworn to the foregoing advertisement, and that he is the owner of real estate worth the sum hereinafter set against his name over and above all debts due and owing by him, and all judgments, mortgages, and executions against him after allowing all exemptions of every character whatever, the total sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, being double the amount of the foregoing bond.

Subscribed and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 187-, [L. S.] \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.

NOTE.—When the above oath is taken before a justice of the peace, or any other officer not using a seal, except a Justice of the Peace, or a Notary Public, the person who administered the oath is duly qualified as such officer.

**PROPOSALS ALTERED BY ERASURES.**

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, ROUTE, THE SERVICE, THE YEARLY PAY, OR THE NAME OF THE BIDDER, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

**PROPOSAL.**

The undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_, whose post-office address is \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, proposes to carry the mails of the United States from July 1, 1876, to June 30, 1880, on Route No. \_\_\_\_\_, between \_\_\_\_\_, State of North Carolina, under the advertisement of the Postmaster General, dated October 1, 1875, "With Certainty, Certainty, and Security."

For the annual sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, and this proposal is accepted, he will enter into contract, with sureties to be approved by the Postmaster General, within the time prescribed in said advertisement.

This proposal is made with full knowledge of the distance of the route, the weight of the mail to be carried, and all other particulars in reference to the route and service, and also, after careful examination of the laws and instructions attached to advertisement of mail service.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 187-.

Bidder, \_\_\_\_\_.

**Oath required by section 245 of an act of Congress approved June 23, 1874, to be affixed to each bid for carrying the mail, and to be taken before an officer qualified to administer oaths.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal to the day and year aforesaid.

NOTE.—When the oath is taken before a justice of the peace, or any other officer not using a seal, except a Justice of the Peace, or a Notary Public, the person who administered the oath is duly qualified as such officer.

**CERTIFICATE OF POSTMASTER.**

I, the undersigned, postmaster at \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, after the exercise of due diligence to inform myself of the contents of the advertisement of this date in pamphlet form, inviting proposals for mail service in North Carolina, to be found at all the post offices on the above route, and to be had on application to the Second Assistant Postmaster General.

Bids should be sent in sealed envelopes, superscribed "Mail proposals, State of North Carolina," and addressed to the Second Assistant Postmaster General.

**MARSHALL JEWELL,**  
Postmaster General.

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