

ington same days by 9 p m, and at Newbern next days, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, by 4 p m. Leave Newbern every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 6 a m, arrive at Washington same days by 6 p m, and at Tarboro every Wednesday, Friday and Monday, by 7 p m. 2122. From Stantonburg by Snow Hill, Hookerston, Kinston, Strabane and Albertson's to Kenansville, 80 miles and back, once a week. Leave Stantonburg every Thursday at 6 a m, arrive at Kenansville every Friday at 6 p m. Leave Kenansville every Tuesday at 6 a m, arrive at Stantonburg every Wednesday by 6 p m. 2123. From Warrenton by Ellisville, Williamsboro, Oxford, Roxboro, Williamsville, Legsbury, Red House and Milton to Danville, Va. 92 miles and back, twice a week in two horse stages. Leave Warrenton every Tuesday and Saturday at 3 p m, arrive at Oxford same days by 10 p m, and at Danville the next days, Wednesday and Sunday, by 9 p m. Leave Danville every Monday and Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Milton by 8 a m; leave Milton at 9 a m, arrive at Oxford same days by 9 p m; leave Oxford next days, Tuesday and Friday, at 4 a m, and arrive at Warrenton same days by noon. 2124. From Danville, Va. by West Castle, N. C. Lawson's, Rawlingsburg, Wentworth, Mount Pleasant, Madison, Rocky Spring, Blakeley and Paynesville to Salem, 83 miles; return by way of Oak Ridge and Summerfield to Danville, once a week. Leave Danville every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Salem every Tuesday by 6 p m. Leave Salem every Wednesday at 5 a m, arrive at Danville every Thursday by 6 p m. 2125. From Salem by Huntsville, Housonton, Tabor Church, Bethany Church, Statesville, Oak Grove, Hogshead, Morgantown, Brindleton, Bedfordville, Ruthertford, White Oak, Gowansville, S. C. and Milford to Greenville, 195 miles and back, twice a week in 4 horse post coaches. Leave Salem every Monday and Thursday at 4 a m, arrive at Huntsville by 8 a m, and at Statesville same days by 8 p m; leave Statesville next days, Tuesday and Friday, at 5 a m, arrive at Morgantown same days by 6 p m; leave Morgantown next days, Wednesday and Saturday, by 5 a m, and arrive at Greenville next days, Thursday and Sunday, by 11 a m. Leave Greenville every Saturday and Tuesday at 1 p m, arrive at Morgantown next days, Sunday and Wednesday, by 8 a m and Thursday, at 5 a m, arrive at Statesville same days by 6 p m; leave Statesville next days, Tuesday and Friday, at 5 a m, arrive at Salem same days by 8 p m. 2126. From Enfield by Brinkleyville to Hillsboro; return by Sycamore Alley to Enfield; equal to 18 miles and back, once a week. Leave Enfield every Thursday at 7 a m, arrive at Hillsboro by 1 p m, and at Enfield same day by 8 p m. 2127. From Lumburg by Haysville, Lynnville, Health Seat, Oxford, Young's Store and Brownsville to Clarksville, Va. 59 miles; return by Bulls, Daniel's Store, Early's Store, and Oxford, once a week. Leave Lumburg every Thursday, at 5 a m, arrive at Clarksville every Friday by 10 a m. Leave Clarksville every Friday at 12 m, arrive at Lumburg every Saturday by 8 p m. 2128. From Raleigh by Wake Forest, Lemay's M. Roads, Wilton and Pattonsville to Oxford, 47 miles and back, once a week in two horse stages. Leave Raleigh every Saturday at 4 a m, arrive at Oxford same day by 8 p m. Leave Oxford every Friday at 4 a m, arrive at Raleigh same day by 7 p m. 2129. From Raleigh by Chapel Hill, Hillsboro, Mason Hall, Hawfields, Hawk River, Albright's and Alliance to Greensboro, 85 miles and back, twice a week, in 4 horse post coaches. Leave Raleigh every Tuesday and Friday at 7 a m, arrive at Greensboro the next Wednesday and Saturday by 11 a m. Leave Greensboro every Wednesday and Saturday at 1 p m, arrive at Raleigh next days, Thursday and Sunday, by 8 p m. 2130. From Hillsboro by Scottsville, Pleasant Grove, Anderson's Store, Fayette's store, Stony Creek, High Rock, Leox Castle and Reed's Store, to Wentworth, 67 miles and back once a week. Leave Hillsboro every Saturday at 5 a m, arrive at Wentworth next day by noon. Leave Wentworth every Sunday at half past 12 p m, arrive at Hillsboro every Monday by 8 p m. 2131. From Raleigh by Fish Dam, Starville, Red Mountain, Mount Trazal and Fan Hook's Store to Roxboro; return the same road to Fish Dam, thence by Herddon's and Flemings to Raleigh, equal to 60 miles and back, once a week. Leave Raleigh every Friday at 9 a m, arrive at Roxboro next day, Saturday, by 6 p m. Leave Roxboro every Wednesday at 6 a m, arrive at Raleigh Thursdays by 6 p m. 2132. From Hillsboro by Hamptonville, New Castle, Walksboro, Jefferson and North Fork to Shows M. Roads, 76 miles and back, once a week, in two horse stages. Leave Hillsboro every Friday at 5 a m, arrive at Walksboro same day, by 5 p m, and at Shows M. Roads, next day, Saturday, by 10 p m. Leave Shows M. Roads every Wednesday, at 5 p m, arrive at Walksboro same

day by 8 p m; and at Hontsville every Thursday by 6 p m. 2133. From Wilkesboro by Brier Creek to Jonesville, 23 miles and back, once a week. Leave Wilkesboro every Friday, at 7 a m, arrive at Jonesville same day, by 2 p m. Leave Jonesville every Thursday at 12 noon, arrive at Wilkesboro same day by 6 p m. 2134. From Salem by Clemontville to Mocksville, 28 miles and back, once a week. Leave Salem every Thursday at 10 a m, arrive at Mocksville same day by 6 p m. Leave Mocksville every Friday at 6 a m, arrive at Salem same day by 4 p m. 2135. From Statesville by Liberty Hill, Sullivan, and Mount Pisgah to Statesville, equal to 17 miles and back once a week. Leave Statesville every Friday at 5 a m, and return to Statesville same day by 7 p m. 2136. From Huntsville to Rockford, 18 miles and back, once a week. Leave Huntsville every Thursday at 9 a m, arrive at Rockford by 2 p m. Leave Rockford half past 2 a m, arrive at Huntsville same day, Thursday, by 8 p m. 2137. From Grayson c h Va. by Bower's Store, N. C. Jefferson and Old Field to Councils Store, 71 miles and back, once in two weeks. Leave Grayson c h every other Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Councils Store next day, Tuesday by 6 p m. Leave Councils Store every other Friday at 5 a m, arrive at Grayson c h next day, Saturday by 6 p m. 2138. From Hillsboro by Oakland, Cedar Grove, Prospect Hill, Cochran's Store, McMurry's and Leasburg to Milton, 45 miles, and back once a week. Leave Hillsboro every Wednesday at 5 a m, arrive at Milton same day by 8 p m. Leave Milton every Tuesday at 4 a m, arrive at Hillsboro same day by 8 p m. 2139. From Charlotte by Maxwell's store, Morrison's Tan Yard, Surveyorsville, Fowling's store, Oakville, Jacksonville and Dillonville to Ingram's store; return by Walkersville, Findlaysville, Providence and Hemphills's store to Charlotte; equal to 52 miles, and back, once a week. Leave Charlotte every Thursday at noon, arrive at Ingram's Store, every Friday by 7 p m. Leave Ingram's Store, every Saturday 8 a m arrive at Charlotte every Monday, by 9 a m. 2140. From Fayetteville by Graham's bridge, Rockingham, Lilesville, Wadesboro, Lanesborough, Cockburn's store, Maxwell's store, Charlotte and Hontersville to Lincolnton, 159 miles, and back once a week. Leave Fayetteville every Wednesday, 4 a m, arrive at Wadesboro every Thursday, by 10 a m; leave Wadesboro at 11 m, arrive at Charlotte every Friday by 10 a m; leave Charlotte, at 11 a m, arrive at Lincolnton same day, by 7 p m. (Proposal will be received for twice a week.) Leave Lincolnton every Wednesday, at 4 p m, arrive at Charlotte every Thursday, at 11 a m; leave Charlotte at 12 noon, arrive at Wadesboro every Friday, by 10 a m; leave Wadesboro at 11 a m, and arrive at Fayetteville next day, Saturday, by 4 p m. 2141. From Hopewell to Beaties Ford, nine miles, and back, once a week. Leave Hopewell every Friday, at 5 a m, arrive at Beaties Ford, same day, by 7 a m. Leave Beaties Ford every Friday, after the arrival of the mail from Salisbury, arrive at Hopewell in two hours. 2142. From Charlotte by Steel Creek and Stowesville to Hoylesville, 29 miles and back, once a week. Leave Charlotte every Friday at 11 a m, arrive at Hoylesville same day by 8 p m. Leave Hoylesville every Thursday at noon, arrive at Charlotte every Friday, by 9 a m. 2143. From Raleigh by Princes' Bridge, Pittsboro, Dorsetsville, Marley's Mills, Ashboro and Spencer's to Salisbury, 118 miles and back, twice a week, in 4 horse post coaches. Leave Raleigh every Tuesday and Friday, at 10 a m, arrive at Salisbury next Thursday and Monday by 11 a m. Leave Salisbury every Tuesday and Friday, at 1 p m, arrive at Raleigh the next Thursday and Monday by 4 p m. 2144. From Salisbury by Mirando, Mount Mourne and Beaties Ford to Lincolnton, 51 miles and back, once a week, in two horse stages. Leave Salisbury every Thursday at 2 p m, arrive at Lincolnton on every Friday by 6 p m. 2145. From Lincolnton every Wednesday at 16 m, arrive at Salisbury every Thursday by 11 a m. 2146. From Salisbury, by Houston's to Statesville, 32 miles, twice a week, in four horse post coaches. Leave Salisbury every Monday and Thursday, at noon, arrive at Statesville same days by 9 p m. Leave Statesville, Tuesday and Friday, at 3 a m, arrive at Salisbury same days by noon. 2146. From Charlotte by Jourdansville, China Grove, Pleasant Valley, Bell Air, S. C. Harrisburg, Lancaster c h Pleasant Hill, Sandtown, and Flat Rock to Camden, 80 miles, and back, twice a week, in two horse stages. Leave Charlotte every Monday and Thursday, at noon, arrive at Camden next days, Tuesday and Friday by 8 p m. Leave Camden every Monday and Thursday, at 4 a m, arrive at Charlotte next days, Tuesday and Thursday, by 11 a m. 2147. From Pittsboro by Rocky Rest,

Creek, Hickory Mountain, Rocky River, Sandy Grove, Long's Mill's, Holt's Store, and Clapp's to Greensboro 68 miles and back, once a week. Leave Pittsboro every Wednesday at 6 m, arrive at Greensboro every Thursday by 6 p m. Leave Greensboro every Friday, at 6 m, arrive at Pittsboro every Saturday by 6 p m. 2148. From Salisbury by Mount Vernon County Line, 25 miles, and back, once a week. Leave Salisbury every Thursday at noon, arrive at County Line same day by 8 p m. Leave County Line every Friday at 5 a m, arrive at Salisbury same day by noon. 2149. From Raleigh by Webb's Mills and Buckhorn Falls to Haywood, return by Selby's Store to Raleigh, equal to 34 miles and back, once a week. Leave Raleigh every Friday at 8 a m, arrive at Haywood same day by 8 p m, and Raleigh every Saturday by 6 p m. 2150. From Salisbury by Spring Grove, Surrill's Ford, Mountain Creek, Lincoln, Wilford's Mills, Morgantown, Low Creek, and Fort D. France, to Wilkesboro, 150 miles and back, once a week. Leave Salisbury every Monday at 12 m, arrive at Wilkesboro every Thursday by 5 m. Leave Wilkesboro every Friday at 5 m, arrive at Salisbury every Monday by 9 a m. 2151. From Lincolnton by Wilsonville, Garner's Ford, Duncan's Creek, Ruthertford, Edinville, and Arraysville, to Lincolnton, 110 miles and back, once a week, in 2 horse stages. Leave Lincolnton every Saturday at 4 m, arrive at Ruthertford same day, and at Ashville every Sunday by 8 p m. Leave Ashville every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Lincolnton every Tuesday by 6 m. 2152. From Ruthertford, by Hogshead, Moorboro, Beaver Dam, and Edinville, to Buffalo, 45 miles and back, once a week. Leave Ruthertford every Sunday at 5 m, arrive at Buffalo same day by 7 p m. Leave Buffalo every Monday at 4 a m, arrive at Irwinstville by 7 a m, and at Ruthertford same day by 5 p m. 2153. From Salisbury, by Fulton, to Lanesville, return by Mocksville to Salisbury, once a week. Leave Salisbury every Thursday at noon, arrive at Lanesville same day, and at Salisbury every Friday by 11 a m. 2154. From Morgantown, by Pleasant Garden, Old Fort, and Swannano, to Ashville, 60 miles and back, once a week, in 2 horse stages. Leave Morgantown every Sunday at 4 m, arrive at Ashville same day by 6 p m. Leave Ashville every Sunday at 5 a m, arrive at Morgantown same day by 10 p m. 2155. From Morgantown by Bear's Forge and Little River, to Statesville, 61 miles and back, once a week. Leave Morgantown every Monday at 6 m, arrive at Statesville every Tuesday by 5 p m. Leave Statesville every Wednesday at 6 m, arrive at Morgantown every Thursday by 5 p m. 2156. From Charlotte, by Alexandrian, Hickory Grove, Mount Mourne, Statesville, Mount Pleasant, Stony Point, and Bogles, to Wilkesboro, 79 miles and back, once a week, in stages. Leave Charlotte every Thursday at 11 a m, arrive at Statesville same day by 9 p m. Leave Statesville every Friday at 5 a m, arrive at Wilkesboro same day by 4 p m. Leave Wilkesboro every Thursday at 3 m, arrive at Charlotte every Friday by 11 a m. 2157. From Chapel Hill, by Clover Garden, Newlin's Long's Mills, Troy's Store, New Salem, New Market, Hunt's Store, and Brumms to Lexington. Return by way of Fair Grove, Le Grange, and New Market, equal to 82 miles and back, once a week. Leave Chapel Hill every Saturday at 5 m, arrive at Lexington Sunday by 6 p m. Leave Lexington every Monday at 6 a m, arrive at Chapel Hill every Tuesday by 6 p m. 2158. From Ashville, by Mill Run, Clayville, Cathey's Creek, Toxaway, S. C. Keowee, and Pichens c h. to Pendleton, 92 miles and back, once in two weeks. Leave Ashville every other Monday at 6 a m, arrive at Pendleton the next Wednesday by noon. Leave Pendleton every other Thursday at noon, arrive at Ashville the next Saturday by 6 p m. 2159. From Ashville, by Turkey Creek, Haywood c. h. or Waynesville, and Frankton, to Clayton, Ga., 98 miles and back, once a week. Leave Ashville every Monday at 6 a m, arrive at Clayton every Wednesday by 6 a m. Leave Clayton every Friday at 6 a m, arrive at Ashville every Sunday by 4 p m. 2160. From Chapel Hill, by Pittsboro, Haywood, and Reid's Store, to Fayetteville, thence by Northington's Martha's Vineyard and Haywood, to Pittsboro and Chapel Hill; equal to 73 miles and back, once a week. Leave Chapel Hill every Saturday at 5 m, arrive at Fayetteville every Monday by 4 p m. Leave Fayetteville every Tuesday at 9 m, arrive at Chapel Hill every Wednesday by 6 p m. 2161. From Morgantown, by Little River, North Cove, Bear Creek, Bakersville, Greensville, and Ivy, to Ashville, 91 miles and back, once a week. Leave Morgantown every Saturday at 4 m, arrive at Ashville every Sunday by 8 p m. 2162. From Statesville by Thomas' Ferry, to Mountain Creek, 20 miles and back, once a week. Leave Statesville every Monday at 1 p m, arrive at Mountain Creek same day by 7 p m. Leave Mountain Creek every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Statesville same day by 11 a m. 2163. From Pittsboro, by Ramsey's Mills, Tick Creek, Underwood's Store, Allen's Store, Muffie's Mills, Brower's Mills, Waddle's Ferry, Tyson's Store, Gulph, and Pedlar's Hill, to Pittsboro; equal to 43 miles and back, once a week. Leave Pittsboro every Wednesday at 8 a m, and return so as to arrive at Pittsboro every Friday by 4 p m. 2164. From Wentworth, by Troublesome Iron Works, Martinsville, Greensboro, Centre, Mendenhall's Mills, and Gardner's Store, to Ashboro, 54 miles and back, once a week. Leave Wentworth every Thursday and Sunday at 3 p m, arrive at Ashboro every Friday and Monday by 6 p m. Leave Ashboro every Wednesday and Sunday at 10 a m, arrive at Wentworth every Thursday and Sunday by 12 noon. 2165. From Fayetteville, by Packet Office, Cartilage, Lechner's Hill, Caledonia, and Hill's Store, to Salisbury, 142 miles and back, once a week. Leave Fayetteville every Monday at 6 m, arrive at Salisbury every Thursday by 10 a m. Leave Salisbury every Thursday at 3 m, arrive at Fayetteville every Sunday by 5 p m. 2166. From Fayetteville, by New Giltau, Butler's Mills, Lawrenceville, Morgan's Store, and Chisholm's Store, to Salisbury, 120 miles and back, once a week. Leave Fayetteville every Friday at 6 m, arrive at Salisbury every Monday by 9 m. Leave Salisbury every Monday at 3 p m, arrive at Fayetteville every Thursday by 4 p m. 2167. From Cheraw, S. C. by Sneed's, N. C. Morven, Sharp's store, Wadesboro, Beard's store, Norwood's, Smith's Store and Kendall's to Salisbury, 86 miles and back, twice a week, in 2 horse stages. Leave Cheraw every Sunday and Wednesday at 6 a m, arrive at Salisbury every Monday and Thursday by 11 a m. Leave Salisbury every Tuesday, and Friday at 4 a m, arrive at Cheraw every Wednesday and Saturday by 11 a m. 2168. From Rockingham to Cheraw, S. C. 92 miles and back, once a week. Leave Rockingham every Wednesday at 4 a m, arrive at Cheraw same day by 11 a m. Leave Cheraw every Wednesday at noon, arrive at Rockingham same day by 6 p m. 2169. From Lumberton by Philadelphia, Moorhead, Bolivar, Cowper Hill, Stewartsville, Queensdale, and Alfordville to Lumberton, equal to 48 miles and back, once a week. Leave Lumberton every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Stewartsville every Tuesday by 9 a m and at Lumberton the same day by 7 p m. 2170. From Warrenton by Kanson's Bridge, Belford, and Hillsboro to Nashville, 44 miles and back, once a week. Leave Warrenton every Tuesday at 10 a m, arrive at Nashville every Wednesday by 10 a m. Leave Nashville every Wednesday at 2 p m, arrive at Warrenton every Thursday by 2 p m. 2171. From Halifax by Dawson's M. Roads, Scotland Neck, Palmyra, and Clark's Store, to Halifax, 48 miles and back, once a week. Leave Halifax every Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Halifax same day by 7 p m. Leave Halifax every Wednesday at 5 a m, arrive at Halifax same day by 7 p m. 2172. From Tarboro by Davis's Store, Hamilton, Williamson, Garner's bridge, Plymouth, and Cool Spring to Columbia, 100 miles and back, once a week. Leave Tarboro every Thursday at 10 a m, arrive at Hamilton same day by 6 p m. Leave Hamilton next day at 6 a m, arrive at Plymouth every Friday by 4 p m. Leave Plymouth every Saturday at 5 a m, arrive at Columbia every Saturday by 7 p m. 2173. From Washington by Bath, Pantego, Log House Landing, Germantown, Swindall, and Lake Landing to Middleton, 84 miles and back, once a week. Leave Washington every Friday at 5 a m, arrive at Middleton every Saturday by 8 p m. 2174. From Raleigh by Smithfield, Waynesboro, Spring Bank, Kinston, Cog's Bridge, and Cove Creek to Newbern, 130 miles and back, twice a week, in 2 horse stages. Leave Raleigh every Monday and Thursday at 10 a m, arrive at Newbern every Wednesday and Saturday by 4 p m. Leave Newbern every Monday and Thursday at 6 a m, arrive at Raleigh every Wednesday and Saturday by 4 p m. 2175. From Fayetteville by Elizabethtown, and West Brook to Wilmington, 88 miles and back, three times a week in 2 horse stages. Leave Fayetteville every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 4 a m, arrive at Wilmington next day by 11 a m. Leave Wilmington every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1 p m, arrive at Fayetteville next days by 5 p m. 2176. From Newbern by Tront Bridge, Cross Roads, Swansboro, French Mills, and Onslow c h. to Wilmington, 120 miles, once a week and back, in 2 horse stages. Leave Newbern every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Wilmington every Wednesday by 11 a m. Leave Wilmington every Wednesday at 1 p m, arrive at Newbern every Friday by 8 p m. 2177. From Wilmington by Drion to Smithville, 29 miles and back, twice a week in 2 horse stages. Leave Wilmington every Sunday and Wednesday at 1 p m, arrive at Smithville same days by 8 p m. Leave Smithville every Sunday and Wednesday at 4 a m, arrive at Wilmington same days by 11 a m. 2178. From Wilmington by Beattie's Bridge to Gravelly Hill, 40 miles and back, once a week.

Leave Wilmington every Wednesday at 2 p m, arrive at Gravelly Hill every Thursday by 5 p m. Leave Gravelly Hill every Tuesday at 9 a m, arrive at Wilmington every Wednesday by 10 a m. 2179. From Fayetteville by Clinton, Dupin Old c h., Wrightsville, Keenansville, Comfort and Trenton, to Newbern, 137 miles and back, once a week. Leave Fayetteville every Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Newbern every Saturday by 6 p m. Leave Newbern every Monday at 5 a m, arrive at Fayetteville every Wednesday by 6 m. 2180. From Kenansville by Rockfish to Wilmington, 56 miles and back, once a week. Leave Kenansville every Friday at 2 p m, arrive at Wilmington every Saturday by 6 p m. Leave Wilmington every Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Kenansville every Friday by 10 a m. 2181. From Onslow c h. to Richlands, 14 miles and back, once a week. Leave Onslow c h every Thursday at 3 p m, arrive at Richlands same day by 7 p m. Leave Richlands every Thursday at 8 a m, arrive at Onslow c h by 11 a m. 2182. From Newbern by Bodensville to Beaufort, 46 miles and back, once a week. Leave Newbern every Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Beaufort same day by 7 p m. Leave Beaufort every Wednesday at 6 a m, arrive at Newbern same day by 7 p m. 2183. From Smithfield by Whitley's to Stantonburg 39 miles and back, once a week. Leave Smithfield every Wednesday at 5 a m, arrive at Stantonburg same day by 7 p m. Leave Stantonburg every Thursday at 5 a m, arrive at Smithfield same day by 6 p m. 2184. From Currituck c h to Poplar Branch 7 miles and back, once a week. Leave Currituck c h every Friday at 2 p m, arrive at Poplar Branch same day by 6 p m. Leave Poplar Branch every Friday at 6 a m, arrive at Currituck c h same day by 10 a m.

NOTES. 1. The Postmaster General reserves the right to expedite the mails, and to alter the times of their arrival and departure, at any time during the continuance of the contract, by giving an adequate compensation, never exceeding a pro rata allowance, for any extra expense which such alteration may require. 2. Seven minutes shall be allowed for opening and closing the mail at each office, when no particular time shall be specified. 3. For every ten minutes delay in arriving at any point after the time prescribed in any contract, the contractor shall forfeit five dollars. If the delay shall continue beyond the time for the departure of any pending mail, the forfeiture shall be equal to twice the amount allowed for carrying the mail one trip. If it be made to appear that the delay was occasioned by an unavoidable accident, of which the Postmaster General shall be the judge, the forfeiture may be reduced to the amount of pay for a trip; but in no case can that amount be remitted. The forfeitures are otherwise unconditional, and will in all cases be enforced. 4. Persons who make proposals will state their prices by the year; payments to be made quarterly, in the months of May, August, November, and February, one month after the expiration of each quarter. 5. None but a free white person shall be employed in carrying the mail. 6. Proposals should state whether the person proposes to carry the mail in a stage, or otherwise. 7. If the person offering proposals wishes the privilege of carrying newspapers out of the mail, he must state it in his bid; otherwise, he cannot enjoy that privilege. 8. Proposals for improvements in transporting the mail may be stated in the proposals, and will be duly considered. 9. The number of the route, and its beginning and termination, should be stated in every bid; and the proposal must be sealed, directed to the "General Post Office, office of Mail Contracts," and superscribed "Proposals." The following is a proper form for a proposal: "I will convey the mail, agreeably to advertisement, on route No. _____, from _____ to _____, for the yearly compensation of _____ dollars." He must state the place of his residence; and, if not a contractor, must accompany his bid with satisfactory recommendations. 10. The distances, as stated, are believed to be substantially correct; but if any mistakes have occurred in relation to them, no increase of compensation will be allowed on that account. The contractor will inform himself on that point. 11. The Postmaster General reserves the right of annulling any contract whenever repeated failures to arrive within the contract time shall occur, or whenever one failure shall happen amounting to the loss of a trip. 12. In every case where the mail is transported in stages, and the present contractor shall be underbid, and the underbidder shall not have such stage property as may be necessary for the performance of the contract, he shall purchase from the present contractor, at a reasonable valuation, the whole, or any part of the stage property, including horses, that may be suitable for the service, and make payment for the same by reasonable instalments, as his pay shall become due, or as may be otherwise arranged. Should they not agree as to the suitability of the property, its value, the terms of payment, and its security, each may choose a person, who may appoint an umpire, and their decision shall be final; or if the underbidder declines to do this, the Postmaster General will name the umpire. This will be made a condition of any bid under that of a present contractor; and should the underbidder fail to comply, his bid will be offered to the present contractor; but should he decline it, the proposal of the underbidder, will be accepted unconditionally. 13. No bid shall be withdrawn after the time for receiving it has expired; and should any person refuse to take a contract at his bid, he shall forfeit all other contracts that he may have with the Department, and be held responsible for all damage that may result from his failure to comply. 14. No contract can be transferred without the approbation of the Postmaster General, and the assignment of a contract without his consent, shall forfeit it. This rule will never be departed from. 15. If a contractor or his agent shall violate the Post Office law, or shall transmit violent intelligence by express more rapidly than the mail, his contract shall be forfeited. 16. The Postmaster General reserves the right of curtailing or of discontinuing any route, when, in his opinion, the public interest shall require it; and in such cases the contract shall cease, so far as relates to the part curtailed, or to the whole, if discontinued—an allowance of one month's extra pay being made the contractor. 17. All contracts for routes embraced in this advertisement shall commence on the first day of January next, and continue four years. Decisions on bids will be made known on the 9th day of October next. WILLIAM T. BARRY, Postmaster General.