

Art. 1. There shall be an exchange of correspondence between the United Kingdoms of Sweden and Norway and the United States of America. This exchange of correspondence shall embrace: 1. Letters, ordinary and registered. 2. Newspapers, books, prints of all kinds (comprising maps, plans, engravings, drawings, photographs, lithographs, and all other like productions of mechanical processes, sheets of music etc.), and patterns or samples of merchandise, including grains and seeds. Such correspondence shall be exchanged whether originating in either of the United Kingdoms and destined for the United States or vice-versâ — or originating in or destined for such foreign countries to which the contracting countries may serve as intermediaries.

Art. 2. The offices for the exchange of mails shall be: on the part of Sweden, 1. Göteborg, 2. The Travelling Post Office N:o 1. between Göteborg and Stockholm, 3. The Travelling Post Office N:o 2. between Malmö and Falköping. On the part of Norway, 1. Christianssand, 2. Christiania, 3. the sea post office on the steamboat line between Hammerfest and Hamburg; and on the part of the United States, 1. New York, 2. Chicago.

The respective Postal Administrations are authorized, if circumstances should require it, to discontinue any of the offices designated for the exchange of mails or to establish others in their place.

Art. 3. The Post Offices of Sweden and Norway shall make their own arrangements for the despatch of mails to the United States, and in like manner the Post Office of the United States shall make arrangements for the despatch of mails to Sweden and Norway. The mails shall be forwarded by regular routes of communication, and each office shall, at its own cost, pay the expense of the intermediate transportation (sea and territorial) of the mails which it despatches to the other country. It is agreed that the cost of the international, ocean and territorial transit of closed mails exchanged in either direction between the frontiers of the respective countries shall be first defrayed by that one of the offices which shall have obtained from the Post Offices of the intermediary countries the most favorable

terms for such conveyance, and any amount so advanced by one office, for and on account of the other, shall be promptly re-imbursed.

Art. 4. The standard weight for the single rate of postage shall be:

1. For letters 15 grammes.

2. For all other correspondence mentioned in the second paragraph of the first article, that which each office adopts for the mails which it despatches to the other, adapted to the regulations prescribed for such correspondence in the despatching country. Each office shall however give notice to the other of the standard weight it adopts and of any subsequent change thereof.

The rule of progression shall be an additional single rate for each additional single weight or fraction thereof.

The weight stated by the despatching office shall always be accepted, except in the case of manifest error.

Art. 5. The single rate of postage for letter correspondence exchanged in direct mails between either of the United Kingdoms and the United States shall be:

I. By closed mail viâ England, without regard to the forwarding of the correspondence, whether to or from a Swedish or Norwegian sea-port or through Germany.

1. For letters from Sweden for the United States,

a) when prepaid in Sweden, 36 öre.

b) when paid in the United States, 14 cents.

2. For letters from the United States for Sweden,

a) when prepaid in the United States, 9 cents.

b) when paid in Sweden, 56 öre.

3. For letters from Norway for the United States,

a) when prepaid in Norway, 12 skilling.

b) when paid in the United States, 15 cents.

4. For letters from the United States for Norway,

a) when prepaid in the United States, 10 cents.

b) when paid in Norway, 18 skilling.

II. By direct regular steamship communication between ports in the United Kingdoms, whether the port be Swedish or Norwegian, on the one side, and ports in the United States on the other side.

