Dead letters, åa.

ARTICLE V. Dead letters, newspapers, &c. which cannot be delivered from whatever cause shall be mutually returned, without charge, monthly, or as frequently as the regulations of the respective offices will permit.

Detailed regulations.

ARTICLE VI. The two offices may, by mutual consent, make such detailed regulations as shall be found necessary to carry out the objects of this arrangement, such regulations to terminate at any time on a reasonable notice by either office.

Convention. when to commence, and how Signature.

ARTICLE VII. This convention shall come into operation on the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and shall be terminable at any time on a notice by either office of six months.

Done in duplicate and signed in Washington on the twenty-eighth day of July, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in London on the fourteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixtyeight.

SEAL.

ALEX. W. RANDALL, Postmaster-General.

[SEAL-]

MONTROSE.

Approval

Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom,

I hereby approve the aforegoing convention, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. ANDREW JOHNSON. SEAL.

By the President:

WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, July 28, 1868.

Convention between the General Post-Office of the United States of America and the General Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

The General Post-Office of the United States of America and the General November 7 Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and 24, 1868. being desirous of regulating, by means of a new Convention, the Com- Contracting munications by Post between the two Countries, the Undersigned, duly parties. authorized for that Purpose by their respective Governments, have agreed upon the following Articles : -

ARTICLE I. There shall be an exchange of correspondence between the Exchange of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States of correspondence; America, as well for letters, newspapers, book packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise, originating in the United Kingdom or in the United States, as for articles of the same nature originating in or destined for the countries or colonies the correspondence of which is forwarded through the United Kingdom or through the United States.

ARTICLE II. Each office shall make its own arrangements for the de- Each office to spatch of mails to the other office by well-appointed ships, sailing on stated despatch mails. days, and shall, at its own cost, remunerate the owners of such ships for the conveyance of the mails.

ARTICLE III. The postage on a single international letter shall be Rates of postsix pence in the United Kingdom, and shall be twelve cents in the United ago. States; and the authorized weight of a single letter shall be half an Weight of sinounce in the United Kingdom or fifteen grammes (by the metrical scale) gle letter.

in the United States. For other than single letters the same charge shall be made for every additional half-ounce or fifteen grammes, or fraction thereof.

The question of the further reduction of the letter rates of postage Further reducshall be considered at the expiration of twelve months from the commencement of this convention.

ARTICLE IV. Every international letter insufficiently paid, or wholly Letters insuffiunpaid, received in the United States from the United Kingdom, shall, in wholl addition to the deficient postage, be subject to a fine of five cents, such subject to fine. fine to be retained by the United States Post-Office; and every international letter insufficiently paid, or wholly unpaid, received in the United Kingdom from the United States, shall, in addition to the deficient postage, be subject to a fine of two pence, to be retained by the British Post-

Fines how disposed of.

ARTICLE V. International newspapers, book packets, (including Postage on printed papers of all kinds, maps, plans, prints, engravings, drawings, newspapers. &c. photographs, lithographs, sheets of music, and so forth,) and patterns and samples of merchandise (including seeds and grain) shall be transmissible by either office, under such regulations as the despatching office may from time to time lay down, and at the following charges, viz.:-

For every newspaper, not exceeding four ounces in weight, one penny in the United Kingdom, and two cents in the United States.

### For book packets and patterns.

Book packets and patterns.

When not exceeding an ounce in weight, one penny in the United Kingdom and two cents in the United States.

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When exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight two pence in the United Kingdom and four cents in the United States.

When exceeding two ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight. three pence in the United Kingdom and six cents in the United States.

For packets exceeding four ounces in weight, an additional rate of three pence, or six cents, for every four ounces or fraction of four ounces.

These regulations, however, shall include the following: -

1st. The postage shall be fully prepaid. Postage to be

2d. No book packet may contain anything which is sealed or other-Book packets. wise closed against inspection, nor must there be any letter, nor any communication of the nature of a letter, whether separate or otherwise, unless the whole of such letter or communication be printed. But entries merely stating from whom or to whom the packet is sent shall not be regarded as a letter.

3d. No book packet must exceed two feet in length, or one foot in

width or depth.

4th. Neither office shall be bound to deliver printed papers the importation of which may be prohibited by the laws or regulations of the country to which they are transmitted.

Customs duties in the United States.

Prohibited

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5th. So long as any customs duty is chargeable in the United States on the importation from the United Kingdom of any of the articles enumerated above, such customs duty shall be leviable in the United States, and the proceeds shall accrue to the United States Treasury.

6th. Except as above, no charge whatever shall be levied in the country in which international newspapers, book packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise are delivered.

Postage to be equally divided.

No other

charges.

ARTICLE VI. The postage collected in the two countries on international letters, newspapers, book packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise, together with the fees for registration, (but exclusive of fines for unpaid or insufficiently paid letters,) shall be equally divided between the two offices. And in making said division the two offices shall account to each other for the following rates per ounce or per pound, according to the weight in bulk of each class of international correspondence.

British Post-

Rates.

I. The British Post-Office shall account to the United States Post-Office for twenty cents an ounce on all paid international letters sent to the United States; for twenty cents an ounce on all unpaid international letters received from the United States; for seven and a quarter cents per pound on international newspapers sent to the United States; and for sixteen cents per pound on international book packets and patterns sent to the United States.

United States

2. The United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office for twenty cents an ounce on all paid international letters sent to the United Kingdom; for twenty cents an ounce on all unpaid international letters received from the United Kingdom; for eight and three quarter cents per pound on international newspapers sent to the United Kingdom; for sixteen cents per pound on international book packets sent to the United Kingdom; and for nineteen cents per pound on patterns sent to the United Kingdom.

Postage on transit letters,

ARTICLE VII. That portion of the postage of transit letters, transit newspapers, book packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise which represents the charge for the sea conveyance between the United Kingdom and the United States, shall belong wholly to the despatching office.

Charge for sea letters, newspapers, &c.

For the purposes of this article the charge for the sea conveyance of letters in closed mails across the Atlantic shall be computed at twenty cents per ounce or per thirty grammes, and the charge for the sea conveyance across the Atlantic of newspapers, book packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise shall be computed at three pence per pound or twelve cents per kilogramme.

ARTICLE VIII. The United States Post-Office may deliver to the Registered let-British Post-Office letters or other postal packets, which have been registered, addressed to the United Kingdom. Reciprocally, the British Post-Office may deliver to the United States Post-Office registered letters, or other postal packets which have been registered, addressed to the United States.

The postage of registered letters and so forth shall always be paid in Postage of readvance.

In addition to this postage, there shall also be charged a registration Registration fee-

fee, the amount of which shall be fixed by the despatching office. ARTICLE IX. The United States Post-Office may further deliver to the

British Post-Office registered letters and so forth, addressed to those countries or colonies to which registered letters can be sent from the United Kingdom.

The United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office Postages to be accounted for (in addition to the postage due to the British Post-Office) for such sum as shall be chargeable to the inhabitants of the United Kingdom for the registration from the United Kingdom of every registered letter and so forth addressed to the countries or colonies above mentioned. On its side, the British Post-Office may deliver to the United States Post-Office registered letters and so forth addressed to those countries to which registered letters can be sent from the United States.

The British Post-Office shall account to the United States Post-Office (in addition to the postage due to the United States Post-Office) for such sum as shall be chargeable to the inhabitants of the United States for the registration from the United States of every registered letter and so forth addressed to the countries above mentioned.

ARTICLE X. The British Post-Office engages to grant the transit Transit of through the United Kingdom, as well as the conveyance by British mail through each packets, of the closed mails which the United States Post-Office may ex- country. change, in either direction, with the post-offices of United States possessions or of foreign countries; and the United States Post-Office engages to grant the transit through the United States, as well as the conveyance by United States mail packets, of the closed mails which the British Post-Office may exchange, in either direction, with the post-offices of British possessions or of foreign countries.

The country which sends or receives closed mails through the other Account renshall render an account of the letters, newspapers, book packets, and patterns contained in such closed mails.

ARTICLE XI. The rates of postage to be mutually paid for the terri- Rates of posttorial transit (including the passage of the English Channel) of all letters transit of letters. sent from one country to the other for transmission to places beyond, in closed mails, shall be as follows: -

The British Post-Office shall account to the Post-Office of the United States for three and three quarter cents an ounce for the conveyance of such letters through the United States; and the Post-Office of the United States shall account to the British Post-Office for 11d. (one penny one farthing) per ounce for the conveyance of such letters through the United Kingdom.

The transit rates of postage to be mutually paid for newspapers, book of newspapers, packets, and patterns or samples of merchandise sent in closed mails shall be four pence per kilogramme for transit through the United Kingdom, and six cents per pound for transit through the United States.

ARTICLE XII. When, in any British or United States port, a closed ferr of closed mail is transferred from one ship to another, without any expense de- mails not to be volving on the office of the country owning such port, such transfer deemed territoshall not be deemed a territorial transit, and shall not give rise to any rial transit. charge for territorial transit.

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ARTICLE XIII. The rates of postage to be paid by the British Post-Office to the United States Post-Office for the sea conveyance, other than across the Atlantic, of correspondence sent from the United Kingdom to the United States, in closed mails, for transmission to places beyond, or brought to the United States from places beyond, in closed mails, for transmission to the United Kingdom, shall be the same that are paid by the inhabitants of the United States; reciprocally, the rates of postage to be paid by the United States Post-Office to the British Post-Office for the sea conveyance, other than across the Atlantic, of correspondence sent from the United States to the United Kingdom, in closed mails, for transmission to places beyond, or brought to the United Kingdom from places beyond, in closed mails, for transmission to the United States, shall be the same that are paid by the inhabitants of the United Kingdom.

Combined territorial and sea

tween the post-

offices.

Accounts be-

ARTICLE XV. The British Post-Office shall account to the United United Kingdom.

Exchange of correspondence between the Panama, Colon, and San Juan.

British Postquarterly sepa-

rate accounts.

Accounts to be incorporated in general ac-

Equivalent of dollar.

Official communications not to be accounted.

Regulations to how terminable.

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ARTICLE XIV. The combined territorial and sea rates upon transit correspondence sent in ordinary mails to be accounted for by one office to the other, shall be the same that are paid by the inhabitants of the country through which the correspondence is forwarded.

States Post-Office for the sum of two cents upon every single paid letter sent through the United Kingdom in ordinary mails addressed to the United States, and the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office for the sum of one penny upon every single paid letter sent through the United States in ordinary mails addressed to the ARTICLE XVI. There shall be an exchange of correspondence be-

tween the United States of America and the British Post-Office agencies established in the Danish colony of St. Thomas, in Panama, in Colon, and and St. Thomas, in San Juan, (Porto Rico.) The postage to be accounted for on such correspondence shall be fixed from time to time by the mutual consent of the two offices.

ARTICLE XVII. The British Post-Office shall prepare, at the expira-Office to prepare tion of every quarter, separate accounts, exhibiting the results of the exchange of correspondence, whether in ordinary mails or in closed mails, between the respective offices.

Such accounts shall be founded upon the acknowledgments of receipt of the respective offices during the quarter.

The separate accounts shall be incorporated in general accounts which shall be compared and settled by the two offices, and the balance shall forthwith be paid, in the money of the country to which the payment is to be made, by that office which is found to be indebted to the other.

In converting United States currency into sterling, or sterling into the United States United States currency, four shillings and two pence shall be considered as the equivalent of a dollar.

ARTICLE XVIII. Official communications addressed by the United States Post-Office to the British Post-Office, or by the British Post-Office to the United States Post-Office, shall not give rise to any account between the two post-offices.

ARTICLE XIX. The two offices shall, by mutual consent, make detailed regulations in accordance with the foregoing articles, such regulations to be terminable on a reasonable notice by either office.

ARTICLE XX. The convention for regulating the communication by post between the two countries signed in London on the 18th June, 1867, shall cease to have effect on and from the date on which the convention, now to be concluded, shall be put in operation.

ARTICLE XXI. This convention shall come into operation on the 1st January, 1869.

ARTICLE XXII. This convention shall be terminable at any time, on a notice by either office of one year.

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Done in duplicate and signed in London the seventh day of November, and at Washington the twenty-fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

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MONTROSE. Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom. ALEX. W. RANDALL,

Postmaster-General of the United States.

I hereby approve the aforegoing convention, and in testimony thereof, I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. ANDREW JOHNSON.

By the President:

WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State. Washington, November 24, 1868.

#### DETAILED REGULATIONS

Arranged between the General Post-Office of the United States of America Nov. 7 & 24, and the General Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Execution of the Convention of the twenty-fourth Day of November, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

ARTICLE I. Each office shall send mails by well-appointed steamships Each office to of approved speed, sailing on stated days between Liverpool and New send mails, on York, or Boston and New York, or Boston and Liverpool via Queens- steamships, &c. town; and also between Southampton and New York, and New York and Southampton, as often as such steamships shall be despatched; Provided that the mails so sent shall not be delayed by such mode of despatch, and provided that the cost of transit can be arranged by each office in accordance with the rates which that office may think it right to pay for the conveyance of mail matter.

If it be shown by either office that the sending of any portion of the international letters to any designated port causes a delay to such letters, it is agreed that the other office shall cease to send such letters to said port unless when letters are specially addressed to be so sent.

ARTICLE II. Accommodation for the sortation of letters on board Sorting of letshall be provided by the despatching office when desired by the office to officers. which the mails are sent; the two offices to determine, by mutual consent, whether sorting officers, if employed, shall belong to the British or to the United States Post-Offices, or partly to the one and partly to the other; the salaries of the sorting officers to be paid by that office to which the officers shall belong.

ARTICLE III. The following shall be the regulations for the exchange Regulations for exchange of of mails between the British and the United States Post-Offices: -

- 1. The office of London shall exchange mails with the offices of Bos- London. ton, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco.
- 2. The office of Liverpool shall exchange mails with the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco.

3. The office of Southampton shall exchange mails with the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.

4. The office of Dublin shall exchange mails with the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco.

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5. The office of Cork shall exchange mails with the offices of New York and San Francisco.

Londonderry.

6. The office of Londonderry shall exchange mails with the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San

Glasgow.

7. The office of Glasgow shall exchange mails with the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco.

New York.

8. The office of New York shall send mails to the British packet office at St. Thomas, (West Indies.)

Panama.

9. The British packet office at Panama (United States of Colombia) shall exchange mails with the offices of New York and San Francisco.

Colon.

10. The office of New York shall send mails to the British packet office at Colon.

New York.

11. The office of New York shall send mails to the British packet office at San Juan, (Porto Rico.)

Mails from New York to St. Thomas:

ARTICLE IV. The mails which are sent from the office of New York to the British packet office at St. Thomas shall comprise correspondence passing between the United States of America and the British and Foreign West Indies.

Upon the correspondence despatched from New York to St. Thomas, addressed to any foreign port in the West Indies, the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office at the rate of four pence per half ounce for letters and one penny each for newspapers.

between Panama, New York, and San Fran-

The mails which are exchanged between the British packet office at Panama and the offices of New York and San Francisco, shall comprise correspondence passing between the states on the western coast of South America or the British colonies of Australia and New Zealand and the United States of America.

Correspondence how to be accounted for.

Upon the correspondence despatched from New York or San Francisco to Panama, addressed to any of those states or colonies, the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office as follows: --

- 1. Upon correspondence addressed to the states on the western coast of South America:
  - 1s. 0d. for each half-ounce letter.
  - "2d. for each newspaper.
  - "3d. per 4 oz. for book packets.
- 2. Upon correspondence addressed to the British colonies in Australia or to New Zenland.
  - -" 6d. for each half-ounce letter.
  - "2d. for each newspaper.
  - "3d. per 4 oz. for book packets.

The same rates shall be accounted for by the United States Post-Office upon unpaid letters and newspapers originating in the states on the western coast of South America, in Australia or New Zealand, despatched from Panama, addressed to the United States.

Mails between Colon and New York;

The mails which are exchanged between the British packet office at Colon and the office of New York, shall comprise correspondence passing between the United States of Colombia and the United States of America

Upon the correspondence despatched from New York to Colon, addressed to the United States of Colombia, the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office at the rate of four pence per halfounce letter and one penny each for newspapers.

New York and The mails which are sent from the post-office of New York to the San Juan, Porto British packet office at San Juan (Porto Rico) shall comprise correspondence passing between the United States of America and the Island of Porto Rico.

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Upon the correspondence despatched from New York, addressed to Porto Rico, the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office at the rate of four pence per half-ounce for letters and one penny each for newspapers.

ARTICLE V. Upon ordinary correspondence despatched from the Accounts between the Unite United States in ordinary mails, by way of the United Kingdom, ad-States and Brit dressed to the countries and colonies enumerated in Table A, annexed to ish Post-Office. the present regulations, the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office for the rates of postage set forth in that table.

ARTICLE VI. Upon ordinary correspondence despatched from the United Kingdom, in ordinary mails, by way of the United States, addressed to the countries and colonies enumerated in Table B, annexed to the present regulations, the British Post-Office shall account to the United States Post-Office at the rates of postage set forth in that table.

ARTICLE VII. The exchange of registered letters and other postal packets between the post-offices of the United Kingdom and the post- and postal offices of the United States shall be regulated as follows: -

The letters, &c. shall be entered, with all the necessary details, on special lists according to the form C annexed to the present regulations.

The registered letters, &c. and the nominal list, shall be then tied together with a cross-string and placed in a canvas bag, of an orange color, which shall be securely tied at the neck by a string, the ends of which shall be sealed with the scal of the despatching office.

The registered letters, thus made up, shall be placed in the mail of

which they form part.

The number of registered letters entered on the special lists must be specified at full length, in words, in the place reserved for the purpose at the foot of the letter bill.

If it should happen that there are no registered letters to be forwarded, a blank list shall be enclosed as usual in the orange-colored can-

The special lists shall be retained by the office to which they are sent, which shall simply acknowledge the receipt, numerically, of the registered letters received by it, by the next list which it shall have to send to the

In case of any difference or error being discovered on the opening of the mails, the attention of the despatching office shall be called to the cir-

cumstance by the first post.

ARTICLE VIII. The United States Post-Office may deliver to the Registered let-British Post-Office registered letters, newspapers, book packets, and pat- &c. to certain terns or samples of merchandise addressed to the under-mentioned coun-countries or tries or colonies, viz. : --

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Cape of Good Hope. Ceylon. Constantinople. Enst Indies. Egypt, viz.: Alexandria, Suez, and Cairo. Falkland Islands. Gambia. Gibraltar. Gold Coast. Hong-Kong. Java. Lagos. Labuan. Liberia. Malta. Mauritius.

Exchange of packets.

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On its side, the British Post-Office may deliver to the United States Post-Office registered letters addressed to the under-mentioned colonies: -

> Canada. New Brunswick. Nova Scotia.

to registered

Regulations as ARTICLE IX. The following regulations shall be observed with respect to the registered letters referred to in the preceding article:

The United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office for the sum of four pence, in addition to the postage due to the British Post-Office upon every registered letter, newspaper, book packet, and pattern or sample of merchandise originating in the United States and addressed to any of the countries or colonies enumerated in the preceding article.

On its side, the British Post-Office shall account to the United States Post-Office for the sum of eight cents, in addition to the postage due to the United States Post-Office upon every registered letter originating in the United Kingdom and addressed to any of the colonies enumerated in

the preceding article.

Letter bills and receipts.

ARTICLE X. Every mail passing between the offices of exchange of the respective post-offices shall be accompanied by a letter bill specifying the amount of postage due to each office on each class of correspondence.

The office to which the mail is addressed shall acknowledge the receipt

by the next post.

The letter bills from the offices of London, Liverpool, Southampton, Dublin, Cork, Londonderry, and Glasgow, for the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco, shall be in conformity with the form D annexed to the present

The forms of letter bills which the offices of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland, Detroit, Chicago, and San Francisco shall use, in their communications with the foregoing British offices of exchange, shall agree with the patterns above described.

The letter bill from the offices of New York and San Francisco, for the British packet office at Panama, shall be in conformity with the form

F annexed to the present regulations. See p. 867.

The letter bill from the office of New York, for the British packet office at Colon, shall be in conformity with the form G annexed to the

present regulations.

The letter bill from the office of New York, for the British packet office at St. Thomas, shall be in conformity with the form H annexed to

the present regulations.

Sec p. 868. Marks in red and black ink.

See p. 867.

ARTICLE XI. The respective offices of exchange shall mark with red ink, in ordinary figures, on the upper right-hand corner of the address of paid letters passing in transit, the amount due to the office to which the letters are transmitted; and, in like manner, shall mark, with black ink, on unpaid letters passing in transit, the amount due to the despatching office.

ARTICLE XII. The respective offices of exchange shall divide the Distinct pack-

correspondence which they shall mutually exchange into as many distinct entities. packets as there are different articles in the letter bills.

To each packet shall be attached a label showing the number of the in colors to dearticle in the account, as well as the amount of postage to be brought to note what account in respect to the matter covered by the label.

The labels which the respective offices of exchange shall make use of, in virtue of the provisions of the present article, shall be printed as follows: --

1. On pink paper for paid international correspondence.

2. On yellow paper for paid transit correspondence.

3. On white paper for unpaid correspondence, whether international or

4. And on blue paper for matter giving rise to no account.

ARTICLE XIII. Dead letters, newspapers, &c. which cannot be deliv. Dead letters, ered, from whatever cause, shall be mutually returned after the expiration

Such of those letters, &c. as shall have been charged in the account, shall be returned for the same amount of postage which was originally charged by the sending office, and shall be allowed in the discharge of

the account of the office to which they were transmitted.

Dend letters, &c. which may have been received in closed mails, and which cannot be produced by the office which has to claim the amount, shall be admitted for the same weight and amount of postage which was originally charged upon such fetters, &c. in the accounts of the respective offices, on a declaration, or on lists vouching for the amount of postage

ARTICLE XIV. Letters forwarded for the purpose of annoying or Malicious, &c. injuring the parties to whom they are addressed (the postage of which letters. both offices are authorized to return to the public even after they have been opened) may be included and admitted with the dead letters mutu-

ally returned. ARTICLE XV. Ordinary or registered letters, book packets and patterns of merchandise, misdirected or missent, shall be reciprocally returned, without delay, through the respective offices of exchange, for the same weight and amount of postage at which they were charged by the despatching office to the other office.

The articles of a like nature addressed to persons who have changed their residence shall be mutually forwarded or returned, charged with the rate that would have been paid by the receivers.

ARTICLE XVI. The detailed regulations agreed upon between the Former articles set of the United Kingdom and of the United States in the post-offices of the United Kingdom and of the United States, in the con- these take effect. vention signed at London on the 18th June, 1867, shall cease to have effect on and from the day on which the present detailed regulations shall be put into operation.

Done in duplicate and signed in London the seventh day of November, and in Washington the twenty-fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

JOHN TILLEY, [SEAL.] Secretary General Post-Office, London.

JOSEPH H. BLACKFAN. Superintendent Foreign Mails, General Post-Office, Washington.

SEAL.

# A.

See p. 857.

Table showing the Rates of Postage to be accounted for by the United States Post-Office to the British Post-Office upon Letters, Newspapers, Book Packets, and Patterns or Samples of Merchandise conveyed in transit through the United Kingdom in ordinary Mails between the United States and the under-mentioned Countries and Colonies.

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Countries and Colonies.	Rate for a Singlo Lotter.	Rate for each Nows- paper.	Rate for a Book Packet or Packet of Patterns not exceeding § ox.	Rate for a Single Latter	Rate for each Nows-	Ruto for a Book Parket or Packet of Patterns not exceeding 4 ox.
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" Marseilles. Austria Azores. Baden. Bavaria. Belgium. Borneo via Southampton. " Marseilles.	20 12 (a) 12 (a) 12 (a) 12 6 24	(b) 4 (b) 6 (b) 4 (b) 4 (b) 2 4	12 8 8 8 8 8 8	28 24 (c) 24 (c) 20 (c) 20 14 32 40	6 4 8	12 — — — — 8 12
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Frankfort. Gambia Gibraltar Gold Const. Greeco. Hamburgh. Hanover.	12 12 12 12 (a) 16 12 12	(b) 4 2 2 2 (b) 2 (b) 4 (b) 4	8 6 6 8 8	24 20 20 20 20 (c) 24 24 24	4334	1 6 6 6 1 1

Norz i.—The rates of postage having the letter (a) prefixed increase by an additional rate for every figurammes or fraction thereof. Those marked (c) increase according to two different principles, —6 conto being-reckoned for each rate of 15 grammes, and the remainder for each rate of 74 grammes. Upon letters for all other piaces an additional rate is to be reckoned for every 15 grammes or fraction of 15 grammes.

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Table showing the Rates of Postage to be accounted for by the United States Post-Office to the British Post-Office, &c.

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Nors 2. — When the letter (b) is prefixed an additional rate is to be accounted for for each 4 ounces or fraction of 4 ounces, if a single newspaper exceeds 4 ounces in weight. In all other cases the postage is for each newspaper without regard to its weight.

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# A. (Continued.)

Table showing the Rates of Postage to be accounted for by the United States Post-Office to the British Post-Office, &c.

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COUNTRIES AND COLORIES.	Rata for a Bingio Letter	Rate for each News-	Rate for a Rock Packet or Packet of Patterns not exceeding 4 oz.	Ratu for a Singla Lotter	Rate for each Nuvs. psper.	Ratu for a Book Pucket or packet of Fatterns not exceeding 4 or
Sweden. Switzerland Tasmania via Southampton. " " Marseilles.	Cents. 12 (a) 12 (a) 10 12 20	Cents. 2 (b) 4 (b) 8 (b) 4 4 6	Cents. G 8 10 8 9	Cents. 20 (c) 20 24 (c) 20 20 28	Ceuts. 2 - 4 6	Centa. 6 — — — 8 12
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Benha, Birket-el-Sub, Damanour, Kaferzajat, Tanta. Miholla, Samanud, Yagasik, Zifta. Damietta, Mansoura. Porto Said. Victoria va Southampton. " " Marseilles. Wurtemburg.	22 24 28 32 12 . 20	6	- - 8 12	34 36 40 44 20 28 (c) 20	4 6 in a	8 12
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Norz 3. — The rates set down for book packets and patterns are to be accounted for for each 4 ounces or fraction thereof.

Norz 4. — The book and pattern post to Egypt via Southampton and via Marselllas extends only to Alexandria, Cairo, and Suez.

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B.

See p. 867.

Table showing the Rates of Postage to be accounted for by the British Post-Office to the United States Post-Office upon Letters, Newspapers, Book Puckets, and Patterns, or Samples of Merchandise, conveyed in transit through the United States in ordinary Mails between the United Kingdom and the under-mentioned Countries and Colonies.

	Rate for a Single Letter.	Rate for each Newspaper.	Rate per pound for Book Pack- ets or Packets of Patterns.
	Cents.	Cents.	Cents.
Acapuico			
Aspinwall			
Belize, British Honduras			
Brazils			
British North American Provinces and			
Possessions			
Central America, Pacific Slope, via			
Рапата			
China			
Costa Rica			
Cuba			
Guatemala	- 10	2	20
Japan			
Mexico, direct from New York			
Nicaragua, Pacific Slope, via Panama			
Panama			
Sandwich Islands			
St. Thomas, by Brazilian line of United			
States Packets from New York			
Venezueia, by American and Venezuelan		1	
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West Indics, British			

Date	stamp.

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C. REGISTERED LETTER LIST FOR THE UNITED STATES.

Addresses of Registered Letters forwarded from the Post-Office to the Post-Office \_\_\_\_\_, in the mail of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186-, by the Ship -

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Credit to the United States (included in the entries on the Letter Bill) on account of the letters sent herewith.

Article in Letter Bill.	Art. 6.	1		1				ı		Art.				Art.	
Statement by British Office.	lbs. ozs.		Cts.	Dolis.	Cts.	ibe.	025.	lbs.	018.	Dolls.	Cts.	Dolla.	Cts.	Dolls.	Cu
Statement by U.S. Office.															

Signature of Receiving Officer.

Signature of Despatching Officer.

\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF	THE	RECEIPT	OF	REGISTERED	LETTERS
FROM	THE	IINPTED	ST	ATES.	4

The Registered Letters despatched from the Post-Office to the Post-Office , by the mail of the and t despatched by the mail of the have been duly received.
(Signed) ———
Post-Office

· Here state in writing the number of letters.

D.

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	LETTER BILL
For	the correspondence between the United Kingdom and the
	United States Mail from to, by the
	Ship ———
	POST-OFFICE ———, —— day of ———, 186—.

The following articles are sent herewith, the receipt of which it is requested may be acknowledged: --

ABLE 1 Unpaid correspondence to the credit of the British Office.	Statement b British Off	y the	Statement ( U.S.OII	
1. Unpaid and insufficiently paid international	Grammo	5.	Gramm	C5.
letters, at 20 cents per 30 grammes	Dolls.	Cts.	Della.	Cta
2. Unpaid letters for countries in transit through the United States, at 10 cents per 15 grammes each letter.  3. Unpaid letters from countries in transit through the United Kingdom.  4. Unpaid newspapers, Charge from place of United	577155		·	
book packets, and patterns of merchandise from countries in transit through the United Kingdom to United States at 12 cents per kilogramme	Оганине		Grainm	
5. Missent, redirected, and returned letters received from the United States	Dolls.	Cts.	Dolls.	Cta
Fantz 2. — Paid correspondence to the credit of the United States Office.	lbs.	ezs.	lba.	052
6. Paid international fetters at 20 cents per ounce				_ _
7. Paid letters for the United States from countries in transit through the United Kingdom, at 2 cents per half-ounce each.  8. Paid letters for countries in transit through the United States.	Dolls.	Cts.	Dolis.	CF
9. Paid newspapers for the United States, at	ibs.	0328.	lbs.	02
74 cents per pound.  10. Paid book packets and patterns of merchandisc for the United States, at 16 cents per pound.				
11. Paid newspapers for countries in transit	Dolls.	Cts.	Dolls.	Ct
through the United States.  12. Paid hook packets and patterns of merchandise for countries in transit through the United States.	and the second s			
<ul> <li>13. Fees on registered letters, &amp;c. the postage being included in the foregoing articles.</li> <li>14. Sum represented by the postage stamps affixed to insufficiently prepaid letters brought</li> </ul>	***************************************			

Registered Letters are sent in this mail, the addresses of which are entered vol. xvi. Treat. — 55

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<sup>†</sup> This space must be used when two mails have been received since the last mail was despatched.

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United States.

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Havana.

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Canada.

Belize.

Panama.

Colon.

Honolulu.

Nova Scotia.

New Brunswick.

British Columbia

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Vancouver's Island.

Tanks 3. - Correspondence which forms no account be-

 Letters from countries in transit through the United Kingdom, the United States postage upon which has not been paid.....

Table 4.—Closed mails for the United States and countries in transit through the United States.

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Paris to Calais...

Belgium, Ostend.....

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London

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Traveling office | Lille to Calais. . |

Antwerp..... Traveling office

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Number.	§1. Correspondence for the Western Coast of South America.  Paid letters at 1s. per half-onnee Paid book packets  §2. Correspondence for Australia or New Zeuland.  Paid letters at 6d. per half-onnee	Dollars.	Cents.	Dollars.	Cents.	
	Paid newspapers at 2d. cach Paid book packets			stmaster of	[	
	G.					See p. 8
	LETTER 1	BILL				

The following articles are sent herewith, the receipt of which it is requested may be acknowledged:  $\rightarrow$ 

	Paid letters, &c. to be placed to the credit of the British Office.	Statement United State		Verification by the British Office.	
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	for foreign ports				
	Total				

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§I.	Paid letters, &c. to be placed to the credit of the British Office.	Statement United Stat		Verification by the British Office.	
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Additional Convention to the Convention concluded on the 7th - 24th December 8-14, November, 1868, between the General Post-Office of the United States of America and the General Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

THE General Post-Office of the United States of America and the General Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, being desirous of effecting, by means of an additional convention, a reduction in the rate of postage chargeable upon letters conveyed between the United Kingdom and the United States, the undersigned, duly authorized for that purpose by their respective governments, have agreed upon the

following.articles: --

ARTICLE L The postage to be collected in the United Kingdom upon Rates of letter paid letters posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the United postage; States, as well as upon unpaid letters posted in the United States addressed to the United Kingdom, shall be three pence per half ounce or fraction of half an ounce. Reciprocally, the postage to be collected in the United States upon paid letters posted in the United States addressed to the United Kingdom, as well as upon unpaid letters posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the United States, shall be six cents per fifteen grammes or fraction of fifteen grammes.

ARTICLE II. The British Post-Office shall account to the United States of internation-Post-Office for ten cents an ounce on all paid international letters sent to al letters. the United States, and for ten cents an ounce on all unpaid international letters received from the United States; and the United States Post-Office shall account to the British Post-Office for ten cents an ounce on all paid international letters sent to the United Kingdom, and for ten cents an ounce for all unpaid international letters received from the United Kingdom

ARTICLE III. Every international letter insufficiently paid, or wholly Fine upon ununpaid, received in the United Kingdom from the United States shall, in paid international addition to the deficient postures be subject to a fine of these received in all letters. addition to the deficient postage, be subject to a fine of three pence, to be retained by the British Post-Office; and every international letter insufficiently paid, or wholly unpaid, received in the United States from the United Kingdom shall, in addition to the deficient postage, be subject to a fine of six cents, such fine to be retained by the United States Post-

ARTICLE IV. The charge for the sea conveyance across the Atlantic of Charge for sea letters sent in closed mails through the United Kingdom, or through the conveyance of United States, shall be computed at six cents per ounce or per thirty neross the sea in

ARTICLE V. The conditions of the convention between the General Inconsistent Post-Office of the United Kingdom and the General Post-Office of the conditions re-United States, signed in London the seventh day of November, and in posted. Washington the twenty-fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, so far as they are contrary to the preceding articles, are repealed

ARTICLE VI. The present convention, which shall be considered as When this additional to the convention of 7th - 24th November, 1868, shall come convention takes into operation on the 1st of January, 1870.

Ante, p. 851.

[L. S.]

JNO. A. J. CRESWELL. Postmaster General of the United States. HARTINGTON,

[L. S.]

Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom

ApprovaL

I hereby approve the aforegoing convention, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. U.S. GRANT.

[L. S.] By the President:

Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State.

Washington, December 3, 1869.

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Postal Convention between the United States and France.

#### ARTICLES

Agreed upon between the General Post-Office of the United States of March 2, 1857. America, by James Campbell, Postmaster-General, in Virtue of his constitutional Powers, and the General Post-Office of France, by Count de Sartiges, Minister of his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of the French, and invested with special Powers to this Effect, to wit : -

ARTICLE I. There shall be an exchange of correspondence between Correspondence the French Post-Office and the United States Post-Office by the means of changed. communication and of transportation hereinafter designated, to wit: -

Ist. By packets and other steam-vessels performing regular service between the ports of France and the ports of the United States.

2d. By United States mail packets plying between the ports of the United States and the ports of Great Britain.

3d. And, finally, by British packets and other British steam-vessels performing regular service between the ports of Great Britain and the ports of the United States.

ARTICLE II. The French Post-Office shall pay the expenses resulting French Postfrom the transportation between the United States and France of all Office to pay what expenses. mails which shall be transported by packets and other steam-vessels departing from or bound for France, except those which shall be brought to France or sent from France by the United States mail packets.

The French Post-Office shall pay, besides, as follows: --

1st. The expenses resulting from the transportation between France and England of all mails which shall be exchanged between the French and United States Post-Offices by way of England.

2d. The transit charges due to the British Post-Office for the said

mails.

3d. And, finally, the expenses of sea transportation due to the same office for mails exchanged between the French Post-Office and the United States Post-Office by means of British packets and other British vessels bound for or departing from the ports of Great Britain.

On its side, the United States Post-Office shall pay as follows: ---

1st. The expenses resulting from the transportation between the States to pay United States and France of mails which shall be despatched from one of the two countries to the other by United States mail packets plying between France and the United States.

2d. The expenses resulting from the transportation between the United States and Great Britain of mails which shall be exchanged between the French and United States Post-Offices by means of United States mail packets plying between the ports of the United States and the ports of Great Britain.

ARTICLE III. The exchange of correspondence between the French Exchange to and United States Post-Office Departments shall take place through the what offices. following post-offices:—

#### ON THE SIDE OF FRANCE.

- 1. Havre.
- 2. The travelling office from Paris to Calais.