

Mr David Hoover Junr, Honors Mills Montf. C. & May 19 1813
I have receiv'd your application for a Postoffice & I must ask
you to confide your application to the agency of your member
of Congress, by whose opinion I shall be guided. Q. G.

Wm Trigg Esq Abingdon Va May 19 1813
I have yours of the 2^d. I must refer you to Colonel Francis
Preston to whom I have sent blanks & requested him to ap-
point the most proper person Q. G.

William Gray Esq Salem N.Y. May 19. 1813
I have before me yours of the 7th & John Savages of the same
date and Billings &c of the 6th. I have deemed it prudent
to continue you in office and as your resignation is entered on re-
cord it is proper for you to execute a new bond with good sure-
ty for that purpose one is enclosed Q. G.

Hon^r David Thomas Albany N.Y. May 19. 1813
I lately appointed Mr Reab P.M. at Salem, this appoint-
ment is violently opposed by the People among other reasons
they assign his being a stranger among them. At the
same time William Gray has requested to be permitted to
hold the office & say he did not intend to resign unconditionally
under all circumstances I have concluded to restore Mr Gray
to the office Q. G.

Hon^r A Hill P. M Boston M^r May 19. 1813
Yesterday I fined the Sea Show Contractors from New
Haven to Boston for every failure. & I expect they will
refuse. yours of the 13th is before me Q. G.

Geo. Reab Esq P.M. Salem N.Y. May 19. 1813
I find some considerable uneasiness exists at my appointing you
Post Master at Salem & among several objections, none of which
touch your character or honour as a man, one that is assigned
is that you are a stranger to the place which I knew not.
Mr Gray has also stated that he wishes to retain the office
& that he did not consider his letter as an absolute & full resig-
nation, I have therefore considered & concluded to let him continue
in office as he gives satisfaction to all. If you have assumed the
duties & you will restore the office & settle with us. Q. G.

Geo. Potter Esq P.M. Pottersville Q. May 19. 1813
Yours of the 15th is before me. Your Clerks are not exempted from
Military duty. Q. G.

Newcomb Tenney Chelsea Ct May 19 1813
I have yours of the 14th the Public can ill afford to expend one
dollar more on your road, and the mails are as frequent to you as
to our most active armies. yet I may give some small sum to
convince your People that though they may refuse to assist
Government. Government will not so far forget itself as to neglect
them. What is your lowest price? yesterday I again ordered you
fined for two failures. every penalty will be exacted Q. G.

Petre W. Gates Esq Pompey N.Y. May 19. 1813
I have received your remonstrance against the P.M. at Pompey
& demanded of him his defence to the charges. I deemed this
the most prudent course Q. G.

Danl Wood Esq. P.M. Pompey N.Y. May 19. 1813
I have before me a remonstrance against your being kept in office & you are charged

- 1st With indolence & inattention to your office
- 2^d With allowing the mails to remain a long time unopened
- 3^d With allowing many persons to be present when opening the mail
- 4th With a temper volatile capricious & petulant which is displayed in official acts.
- 5th With violent opposition to Government & circulating free of postage, hand bills & pamphlets, calculated to aid opposition & injure administration
- 6th With openly justifying the enemies of this Nation & maintaining that England is waging a just war against this Nation.

In addition to those I have before me the deposition of L. Marsh, S. S. Baldwin, & J. Seymour stating that on the 20th of April you declared you would rather kill Henry Seymour (a respectable merchant) than fight the Canadians, because you should be instigated, in the first case by the Devil & the other by James Madison, & you should prefer being instigated by the Devil. I pray your immediate answer & defence to those charges.

While I never interfere with the free exercise of the elective franchises or freedom of fair honorable discussion, I allow no man to libel Government or neglect his duty. J. G. P.

Richard Douglass P.M. New London Ct. May 19. 1813
I have received yours of the 14th & ordered some money remitted to you. you were correct on in the charge you made on the newspapers. If a similar instance occurs send the intelligence to the P. Master where the paper is entered, and have the writer fined. I instruct you not to receive any letters from any place subjects to the control of the Enemy to forward by

mail or to deliver in your city, unless the same have been examined by the commanding officer or one of your Judges & are certified to be innocent and safe. It could never have been intended that the sanctity of our institution should furnish our enemies opportunities to receive or transmit intelligence. J. G. P.

Wrd Lindsley Esq. Lindsleytown N.Y.
I have yours of the 1st. The law does not allow me to increase your compensation. J. G. P.

William Lambert Esq. Warrimoy Md. May 20 1813
I have yours of the 16th & you have my ascent to your visiting this place. J. G. P.

David Price Esq. Serry ch. Va. May 20. 1813
Yours of the 18th is before. I have no objection to your running your express mail in a stage provided you can use equal speed & certainty. I know not how long it will be necessary. J. G. P.

Louis Hasbrook P.M. Ogdensburg N.Y. May 20 1813
I have received yours of the 7th & ordered Coff's receipt of \$15 for transporting the mail to be placed to your credit. your mail was suspended, not by order of this office but by the commanding officer. Dr. Shaw, as agent of this office, was directed to cooperate with that Commander in every thing relating to intelligence & to execute such orders as he might receive from the General. I suppose the suspension is very temporary & that the mail will soon pass through Ogdensburg into Canada. J. G. P.

105 / Hon. Nathaniel Parker Fitz William N.Y. May 21 1813
I have just been favoured with yours of the 11. and have
to inform you that on the 4. March the office at Marlboro
was discontinued
G. G.

David Parish Philad^a Pa May 21. 1813
I have yours of the 18th. The Bogdensburg mail was stopped
by order of the commander in chief of the Army to lessen the
chances of the Enemy's gaining intelligence of the plan of our
operations. My Agent Dr. Shaw late of Congress is instructe
ed to execute such orders in relation to this office and in
the neighbourhood of the main Army as he may receive from
that Commander. I presume the suspension will be very
temporary.
G. G.

Saml Clark Bordman (Trembule C^o) Ohio May 21 1813
Your letter of the 8th to my junior Assistant is before me
I authorize you to carry the mail between your office & Poland
on those days that will best accommodate the inhabitants
of Bordman & for that service I grant you three fifths of the
profits of your office in addition to your compensation as
Postmaster
G. G.

Obthial Looker Cincinnati Ohio May 21 1813
Four four weeks preceding the 7 instant, we are informed that
your carrier did not deliver a mail at the P office in Piqua
your mail must be placed under the direction of vigilant
persons, or I must place it in other hands, you are fined
for those failures.
G. G.

109 / A. Brandon Pm. Piqua Ohio May 20 1813
I am favoured with yours of the 7th inst your proceedings I
highly approve, the expence you have & may incur shall be
repaid to you. I wish you to act up to the letter & spirit
of my circular of Nov. 18th. I have this day sent you another
circular of that date from the fear that the other miscarried,
the primary consideration is to have every mail faithfully
carried. If the regular carrier fails - the failures must be
made up by express - to encourage them, pay them a fair
price
G. G.

John Johnston & others Piqua Ohio May 20. 1813
Your letter of the 7th inst is before me. I deeply regret to learn
that the contractor who stipulated with this office to faith
fully & regularly deliver a mail at Piqua - should be so
lost to all his sense of duty as a contractor and as a Patriot
as to neglect or fail to do his duty at this extremely inter
esting period - he is fined - every penalty he has incurred
shall be enforced. I have made provision for the future accom
modation of Piqua.

Miss David Long & oth^r Battavia N.Y May 22 1813
I have received your application for an office of May 20th post
marked Battavia May 10 for a post office at Pembroke
& recommending Noah Pease for that appointment: at the same
time objecting to the appointment of James Richardson.
Previous to the receipt of your letter I had established the
office & appointed Mr. Richardson on the application of and recom
mendation of Josiah Lee, Saml Jones, & 13 others.
I have further to observe that if very material cause exists
why Mr. R. should not be continued in office I wish the facts
stated & certified to me. If you consider this necessary or proper your
conduct will lead you to inform him that the investigation
G. G.

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Addison Lewis Esq. Fort Stoddert Md. T. May 22. 1813
yours of the 7 ult. did not reach this office till this morn-
ing & I had previously appointed Mr Wilkinson P.M. at Mo-
bile on the recommendation of a number of Public charac-
ters
Yours &c
G. G.

Wm. Gales Jones & others Raleigh N.C. May 21. 1813
I have received yours under date of the 26 ult. we extended the post
road from Westhays Mills (near North c.h.) to Tarboro & adopted
the present arrangement of the mail that passes between Raleigh
and Tarboro with a view to the better accommodation of your
banking Institutions. If the plan you have suggested will not
interfere with that object we will make the alteration that
you have proposed. will you be good enough to say whether your
plan does or does not interfere with that object. G. G.

Christophers Christophers Raleigh N.C. May 21. 1813
I will thank you to call at the Postoffice established at Cherry Plains
where L. Alfred is appointed P.M. G. G.

Joseph Kellogg Somerset Md. May 21. 1813
I have received yours of the 12 Inst. is the road now travelled by the
stage better or shaler than the road which goes by your office
I wish to ascertain the fact before I make a decision in your
case
G. G.

John P. Gray near Liberty Va. May 21. 1813
My advertisement will be issued in a few days when we will
be glad to see your proposal for carrying the mail. G. G.

John L. Love near Prospect Hill May 21. 1813
Extreme irregularities prevail on your Ft. Stoddert route failure
after failure takes place the penalties incurred for failures must
be exacted, their amount will be large; your personal attendance
appears to me to be indispensable & one of your carriers in a letter
of the 7 inst says that failures arise from want of payment
G. G.

+ Miss Shirley.

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William Musum Esq. Norfolk Va. May 21. 1813
I shall thank you to direct Mr Sawyers rider to call at the Postoffice
established at Blackwater with the mail G. G.

Matthias Day New Ark N.J. May 21. 1813
I have received yours of the 13 Inst. Mr Burnett's cannot at this
period increase he must & is bound to call at all offices on his
route.
G. G.

Thomas B. Johnston P.M. New Orleans Louis. May 22. 1813
There is a great complaint here of the non arrival of your news papers
here & generally in the Atlantic States. I have ordered & large post
manteau on the route via Athens. If you want larger procure them
& be careful to have the papers forwarded. I wish you to send my pa-
pers under cover as a letter that they may be certain. It is impos-
ible to know what papers with you. G. G.

Eraetus Granger P.M. Buffalo N.Y. May 22. 1813
Though our expresses by Bath, Painted Post, &c. comes regularly
the last in 5 days, yet we get no news by them & there must
be some error. pray mail direct for Washington City by express
houses from Avon, and give the same directions to the P.M.'s
on Niagara River, & advise sending duplicates by it. My
news from our Army is not as late as it ought to be
by 12 days - do by each express in one line say what has
papers
G. G.

Warren Alfred Esq. Alfordville N.C. May 24. 1813
I have received your letter of the 17 Inst. at the time the
Blanks were forwarded a bond & oath were forwarded & as
the same have miscarried. I now enclose you a duplicate
which you will be pleased to have executed & returned to the
office & when so received your commission will be
G. G.

William Polk Esq Post State Bank Raleigh N.C. May 18. 1813
 I have received your letter of the 28th in which you observe that your communications with Edenton & Tarboro are protracted an unnecessary time & also propose the extension of a route 28 miles & an alteration of the Raleigh, Nash ch. route as a remedy.

sent on same day as written

On referring to our schedules it appears that a mail sent from Raleigh by Warrenton to Edenton will be 3 1/2 days on its passage and the like on its return & that no other route could be substituted to advantage. The mail is less than two days in passing from Raleigh by Warrenton to Tarboro. and the same on its return. The distance from Raleigh by Nash ch. to Tarboro appears by our books to be 83 miles & to carry the mail as expeditiously by this route as it is conveyed by the Warrenton route would make an additional expence of 170. \$ol a year which is probably ten times greater than than the whole value of the postage of letters passing between the two offices.

If letters are longer in passing between the two places than I have stated, it must be a fault in the execution and not in the arrangements, this can be easily ascertained, at the P office in Raleigh & I shall be glad to be advised, of it, that I may ascertain where the error lies & correct it. I hope however you will perceive with me that neither the Banks, individuals or the public are not greatly injured, by the arrangement.

Q. G.

Messrs: Ewd Paine, Young Gersham, & oth. Athens Ga. May 24. 1813
 I have received your representation in favour of a post route from Carnesville, as the law does not authorize me to comply with your request. I can only inform you that as soon as the Com^{tee} of postroads shall be formed I shall be careful to submit it to their consideration

Q. G.

Gov Aaron Hill P.M. Boston M. May 24. 1813
 Altho Bradford and Read's publication is clearly to evade the law, yet it comes within the legal definition of a pamphlet, and as such must be circulated, Q. G.

Col. John Taylor. Present. May 24. 1813
 It is probable that the Presidents message will be delivered tomorrow. It will become necessary to forward it by the horse & letter mail. If any order be necessary for you to give, we entertain no doubt of your readiness to give it. Q. G.

Robert Patton P.M. Philad^a May 24. 1813
 I have this moment received yours of the 23rd before it arrived, I had instructed Mr. Bailey to meet theirs with his stages if he could perform his part, my reason for it was that we will not be able to get Cummings &c to continue the sulkeys. But since your last I have instructed Dr. Bradley to look up Bailey & make arrangements for running the line through.
 Note Untill Bailey returns please direct his people to such course as you think best. Q. G.

Genl John N. Cummings New Ark D. I. N. J. May 24. 1813
 I am this moment informed that you have stop'd the Sulkeys & that your stages do not and cannot arrive in season. In the state of the Nation the mails must be bro't up at all hazards & expence. Yet I know it is hard to face the company which you belong to run it in Sulkeys. I therefore offer to take the whole mail route under the immediate direction & management of this office, & establish such lines for the Public service as may provide produce certainty of arrival with economy of Public money. I pray your immediate answer in the mean time till the proposed arrangements can be made.

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I confide in your making them a seasonable arrival of
the mails.
J. C. P.

Saml. Starnes Augusta Georgia May 24. 1813
I have again to request that you will send your Carnes-
ville mail rider by Danielville Madison Co. Ga. &
he will leave the direct road near Elberton, & go from
thence by Danielville on his way to Carnesville & your
pay for this increased travel shall be at the rate of six
dollars per mile per annum. counting the distance one
way. It is expected, that you will give immediate direc-
tions to carry this object into effect & that you may receive
proper credit, you will furnish this office with certificates
of the actual increased travel & from the P.M.s residing
on the route.
J. C. P.

Smith & Ferrell Carnesville Ga. May 24 1813
Until Congress shall have established as Postroads, the two
roads pointed out in your letter of the 10 Inst. I cannot send
mails there at the Public expence. If Congress should
establish any Postroads the ensuing session, it is proba-
ble they may deem it proper to establish a Road from
Carnesville to Athens.
J. C. P.

Col. Washburn near Albany, N.Y. May 25 1813
The Postmaster of Richfield says that you have re-
peatedly failed to call at his office with the mail &
to what cause is your negligence owing & a prompt
answer is requested.
J. C. P.

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Jonath. Pierce Worcester Ms. May 25. 1813
You are permitted to carry the mail entrusted to you in the
manner pointed out in your letter of 11 Inst. viz. leave Worces-
ter every Wednesday at 9 A.M. arrive at Keene the next
day by 7 P.M. Leave Keene every Monday at 8 A.M. arrive
at Worcester on Tuesday by 7 P.M.
J. C. P.

Jury Holland Richfield N.Y. May 25. 1813
I have written to Mr. Cole & Washburn on the subject of
failing to call at your office with the mail, until we
hear from them. I hope you will continue to meet their stage
on the Turnpike you can credit your self with 50 cts for each
time you meet the mail after this letter reaches you, in your
account current, until you shall have further advice from
this office.
J. C. P.

Mrs. Isaac H. & Abm. Borden & J. Troy Bristol Co. Ms.
I have in consequence of your application & May 24 1813
directed the postmaster not to remove his office from your village
without the order of this office, and in case he applies
for that order to give you notice, that every thing relating
to the subject may come fairly before me.
J. C. P.

Charles Pittman Esq. Troy Bristol Co. Ms. May 25 1813
I have received a remonstrance stating that you were about
to remove your office to an inconvenient place. I have to
request you not to remove the same without the direc-
tion of this office, and if you make application for that
purpose to notify your neighbors, that every thing rela-
ting to the subject may come fairly before me.
J. C. P.

A True Esq. P.M. Charlotte N.C. May 25. 1813
 I have inclosed blank bonds & contracts which I wish
 you to have the goodness to complete & to obtain the sig-
 nature of Mr. Robinson when done & the papers return-
 ed to this office we shall send a counterpart of the con-
 tract to Mr. Robinson. Q. Q.

John Sutton Esq. near Trumansburg N.Y. May 25. 1813
 I have received yours of the 10th Inst. the present annual ex-
 pence of the Postroad leading from Ovide to Attica is -
 eighty dollars the neat proceeds of the roads are less than twenty
 dollars with these facts before me I cannot with any
 propriety augment the expence of that route. Q. Q.

Mr. E. Balfour P.M. Salisbury N.C. May 26 1813
 In reply to yours of the 17th inst. I have no power to confirm
 a contract for carrying mails on any other Postroads than those
 established by Congress unless it be a private Postroad on which
 the mail is carried for the neat emolument of the postroad &
 the expence that shall have accrued by sending the mail
 by Express to meet the Charlotte mail at Beatties Ford up
 to the time that this letter reaches you can be passed to
 your credit in your accounts current under my circular let-
 ter of Nov^r 18. 1812. Your conduct in this transaction was
 correct in as much as Mr. Gallant would not carry the
 mail as it was his duty to have done. I will thank you
 to purchase a Portm^t of sufficient size to cover the whole
 mails Mr. Gallant must cause it to be conveyed if
 the weight of the mail shall average more than 80 lb.
 must.

must have an additional compensation for we consider that
 weight to be sufficient for one horse. Q. Q.

Hon. Jonathⁿ Robinson in Senate May 27 1813.
 As your son Henry Robinson who was lately made Postmaster
 at Bennington had accepted an office which requires his resi-
 dence in this city it becomes my duty to consider his office va-
 cant. I therefore pray you to nominate his successor.
 The Civil authority & select men of Benson have repre-
 sented that their Postmaster is an officer in the army & for
 his successor they have nominated Col. Oliver Root. on this
 subject also I solicit your advice. Q. Q.

Thomas B Adams Esq. Quincy M^s May 26. 1813
 Before the receipt of yours of the 31st on the advice of your venerable
 & highly respected father I had appointed Mr. Kezey. Q. Q.

Robt. Patton Esq. P.M. Philade! May 27. 1813
 I have yours of the 25 you may be assured that I shall use ev-
 ery opportunity to procure a law to lessen the circulation of
 matter useless to the Nation in the mails. I am happy to
 find your Ideas correspond with mine. Q. Q.

Samuel Foote Sherburne N.Y. May 26. 1813
 I have particularly to request that you will cause your mail
 to be delivered at Hamilton by 5 P.M. on the day of its de-
 parture from Attica. Q. Q.

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Mr. Hawes Representative in Congress May 27 1813
I enclose you an application for a post office at Sumner,
Vt. & a recommendation of Thomas Samuel for Postmaster.
I pray you to return it with your opinion as to the office
& Candidate. Q. Q.

William Chadwick & Co. Portland Me May 27 1813
I have received your application for the appointment of
a new postmaster which was so general I should not have
known the cause of uneasiness had I not received particu-
lar & exact information from a citizen of Maine with
whom I have long had an intimate acquaintance.

As no instance of an injury to the public service is
stated, I have thought it most prudent to address the
Incumbent in a manner calculated to convince him of my
determination to do my duty & of my regard for ~~me~~ him
& his family. I fondly hope you will have no further cause
of complaint should it be otherwise be assured you shall
your office conducted by a discreet, able, & faithful citi-
zen. Q. Q.

S. H. Hubbard Esq. Post Office Hamilton N.Y. May 26 1813
Since the receipt of your letter of the 6 Inst I have direc-
ted the mail to be delivered at your office by P.M. on
the day that it departs from Utica. Q. Q.

Gen. Gill near Charlotte. C. H. N. C. May 28 1813
I have established a Postoffice at Springfield S. C. & have
appointed John Springs P.M. If you can without material
inconvenience accommodate that office with the mail I
wish you to do so you can in that case omit going by
road - may we hear from you on this subject. Q. Q.

Person, Smith, Preacher, & Co. Springfield near Pine Hill
S. C.
The Hon. Mr. Bibb member of Congress has handed me May 27. 1813
your letter to him under date of Apr. 27. I shall establish
the office upon condition that the Contractors can without
material inconvenience call at that place with the mail
& under the belief that he can accommodate that office.
I shall send an appointment to John Springs Esq. Q. Q.

Hon. W. Bibb, M. Congress May 27. 1813
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
of the 26 Inst enclosing papers relative to the establishment
of a Postoffice at Springfield S. C. I have conditionally es-
tablished the office & I have written to the petitioners on
the subject. Q. Q.

James Abbot now at Chilicothe O May 29. 1813
Yours of the 22 is before me. I have this day requested Genl.
Pindley to examine into the charges against you & to do
the needful. When this petty business is lost I advise
you to publish a cool & fair statement in the Chilicothe
paper & send copies of it to the officers & Western members
for a current is running against you. In the full
belief of your innocence. Q. Q.

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Dear Mr John G Rives Pittshetts Sta N^o May 29 1813

The Hon^{ble} Mr Gholson who represents your district has pressingy urged me to cause Mr Robert Wallace to carry the mail which accommodates your office agreeably to his contract. untill that gentlemans representations were made known we understood that Wallace did carry this mail as he had stipulated to do. for the returns we had received shew ed that he had done his duty w^{ch} which it seems has been evaded. G. G.

Wm Ruffin Esq Cincinnati. Ohio. May 29th 1813

With a view to the better accommodation of the Post route contracted for by Mr Looker, I have this day authorized him to carry a mail from your office by Hamilton & Lebanon to your office. he will be governeed on this line by a schedule precisely like the one under ~~his name~~ ^{which he now acts} you will give to each of his riders the mails most proper for them to deliver. will you state to us when he actually resigns. G. Granger

John Hith Jr^{sen} Quarlesville Va May 29th 1813.

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Messrs Carpenter, Williams & others Hamilton Ohio 29 May 1813

I have received your petition. Postmarked the 20th inst. and with a view to better accommodate your citizens and many other persons near the different offices on the Post route contracted for by Mr Looker. I have requested Mr Looker to carry a mail direct from Cincinnati by Lebanon. he will as usual continue his other mail on his riders will you direct intelligence from Cincinnati and the other will come it directly to that place. I am confident that this arrangement will be more beneficent to the public and I trust as satisfactory to you as the plan you have suggested. G. G.

Mr Newcomb Kinney Norwich Ct May 29th 1813

I am favored with your letter of the 24th inst. I have not heard of any effort being made to supercede your interest in the mail stage while I feel much for my Republican friends - yet I must bear in mind the high responsibility of my situation and prefer as mail contractors such people as are most active and energetic. and I must enforce penalties against such as are delinquent without regard to personal esteem or friendship. I do not think that the failures are attributable to yourself. but to some of your concern - you have time enough to perform your route provided that you should depart from New Haven by 10th P.M. and why you have not departed at farthest by that hour I cannot tell. as you have stipulated to deliver the mail in Boston by 5 et all without specifying in what manner we did not consider it necessary for us to instruct you. If you an inclination to send a daily mail we can allow you for that service a consideration not exceeding the rate of three hundred dol^{rs} per annum. G. G.