

Post Office Dept.
29. Jan'y. 1827.

J. J. Morehead P.M.
Bowling Green N.Y.

1^o M.Y. 1^o of Jan'y. 8. is before me. I wish some changes adopted if necessary, so will better perfect the mail arrangement. & shall be satisfied that you & Mr. Erwin regulate the mails as to arrival & departure on the main line & let the spare day be at Bowling Green for Mr. Pitts account. The horse mail must be arranged to meet the Nashville mail each way on the Glasgow route. I wish you to state the actual plans that governs Mr. Pitts on his whole line as well as between Bowling Green & Russellville. An early reply is desired.

M.Y.

J. Wilson P.M.
Worcester M.
29. Jan'y.

I understand that the mail route between O & Sutton is useless. Is such the fact? Will you ascertain from the Carrier whether he is willing to give it up & if not his objections to so doing. A. early reply is requested.

M.Y.

Wm. Booker P.M.
St. Clairsville O.
29. Jan'y.

I wish you to send Mr. Hamerly out with his mail on Mondays instead of Tuesdays, as it will accommodate y^r printers & consequently y^r subscribers.

M.Y.

R. Hubbard P.M.
Paris M.
29. Jan'y.

I have y^r of Jan'y 17. Is the mail carried to & from Monmouth by steamer Richmond? if so, you may take my peron as security. No payt. will be made without the service is performed. The boat is not important.

M.Y.

A. Stewart P.M.
Giles Co. Va.
29. Jan'y.

I wish you to inform one without delay, who is conveying the on route 81. & when he began.

M.Y.

P.M. Cabell Co. Va. } Same.

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J. Penney P.M.
Stockbridge M.
29. Jan'y.

I wish you to ascertain & inform me the terms for which the mail can be carried 3 add'l. times each week between Springfield & Albany, & also how much the expense will be increased by sending six mails each week between Albany & Hartford. An early reply will oblige me.

M.Y.

J. A. Franklin P.M.
Union, or Monroe Co. Va.

29. Jan'y.

I wish you to inform the carrier of the mail on route N^o 81. that he must carry the mail on S^o. route agreeably to the views expressed in my letter to the Hon. Mr. Smith on the subject & which letter he will communicate to you.

M.Y.

Asher Minor
West Chester Pa.

30. Jan'y.

From the reception of this letter I wish you to convey 4 add'l. mails each week between West Chester & Downingtown at the rate of \$200 a year, rather less than the ratio now paid you. the mail to be arranged under the direction of y^r P.M. Let me know when you begin, that I may give the proper credit.

M.Y.

R. H. Becker
Bacon Castle Va.

30. Jan'y.

I wish you to leave Smithfield on Thursdays instead of Tuesdays & to arrive at Cabin Point on Saturdays instead of Tuesdays. The change will be favorable to the circulation of the papers printed at Richmond & subject you to no add'l. expense. Take it you visit all offices on the route each way.

M.Y.

F. Monroe P.M.
W. City.

30. Jan'y.

I have directed the mail for Shepherdstown to leave this City on Tuesday morning, as soon as the N^o papers printed in this City can be deposited in y^r O.

M.Y.

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30 Jan'y 1827

A. Mylic P.M.

Washington D.C.

Do you continue to send Hdg. mails in Linen bags. I hope you do, as the late arrangement was not intended to supersede that plan. Let that plan continue until you are further instructed.

D. Grant P.M.

Grantsville Ga.

30 Jan'y.

M.L.

I have yr. I trust you will supply yr. a. as heretofore with the mail from Greenville, so that you have regular weekly mails. Let me know when you begin the crop mail this year.

M.L.

R. Davis P.M.

Davis's Store, Bedford Co. Va.

29 Jan'y.

I have yr. of the 20th inst. in relation to a change in the disposition of the mail between yr. a. & those of New London, St. James Church &c. Should the P.M. at the Church concur with you in the proposed arrangement it will be adopted. Let me know the result & if favorable name a day suitable to convey the mail.

M.L.

G. Schley P.M.

Savannah Ga.

29 Jan'y.

I have rec'd. yr. of the 19th Inst. reporting a failure with mails. It is requisite in all cases of this nature to bring a difference procedure & report them, so this a correction may be applied. Should they have subsequently recovered their irregularity

M.L.

J. A. Franklin P.M.

Union, Monroe Co. Va.

29 Jan'y.

Yr. of the 17th inst. has been rec'd. Previous to its reception, the subject to which it relates, had been submitted to my consideration by the Hon. Mr. Smith, & a reply made to him therea.

M.L.

Post Office Dept.

30 Jan'y 1827

D. W. Haley
Washington D.C.

I have been advised by the P.M. at Mattox, stating that failure took place on the last Friday in Dec. & 1st Monday in Jan'y. You are sufficiently aware of the nature of yr. engagements, & I cannot permit them to be violated with impunity. In future you will be fined without further notice on the subject.

M.L.

J. W. Jeancott

Charleston S.C.

29th Jan'y.

The Hon. Mr. Mitchell has submitted to my consideration, yr. letter addressed to him, under date of the 10th Inst. There is no objection to a change in the Ferry on yr. route, if its regulation should retard the requisite despatch of the mail, or be otherwise inconvenient. The Dept. will only require of you, the observance of yr. Contract & the punctual delivery of the mails at Charleston & Georgetown, as designated.

M.L.

Michael Hill

Shepherdstown W. Va.

30 Jan'y.

I wish you from the reception of this letter to leave Shepherdstown on Sunday, arrive here on Monday, depart on Tuesday by 8 A.M. & return to Shepherdstown on Wednesday by 7 P.M. The change will not prove inconvenient to you I apprehend, nor can it increase yr. expenses.

M.L.

Barry Power

Richmond Va.

30 Jan'y.

Yr. of Jan'y 25. is rec'd. I have directed the mail to leave Cabin Point hitherto as you propose, but I cannot adopt the other changes you suggest without incurring an extra expense, & which may be avoided as the P.M. at Power's will receive my instruction to him, by a letter of this date.

M.L.

Benj'n. Edington

Frankfort Ky.

30 Jan'y.

I wish you to carry the mail from Bedf'd to Frankfort & to visit the P.D. at Brown's Creek. For the postage I will pay you twice from the day you begin. You will procure certificates of P.D.

on the route, as to distance, and transmit them to me, to fix your credit.

J.M.C.

Post office Department

31 January 1827

William Wilson Esq P.D.

Lexington Va.

Jr. I have been informed that Satterlee's property is very indifferent - is such the fact - are his horses and stages adapted to carry the mail with safety and expedition and can passengers be comfortably accommodated in his stages? Your early reply is requested

Respectfully yours D.M.C.

Jesse Lankford Esq

P.M. Powers Va

31 January 1827

You can avail yourself of the opportunity of sending mails to Smithfield for offices westward of that place as well as on the road to Norfolk in addition to your communication with western offices on the route via Cabin Point if the mail is carried agreeable to my expectations. J.M.C.

Hon^{ble} Gabriel Moore

House of Reps

31 Jan 1827

I have the honor to inform you in reply to your inquiry, that the claim of Mr Harton to a credit of \$5 for a "letter case" has been allowed, and that a draft has recently been made on him for the balance due after deducting said credit. J.M.C.

James Fanning Esq

P.M. Norieches N.Y.

31 January 1827

Agreeably to your request in your letter of the 1st inst. a statement of your account is enclosed. On examining the records of this office I find that you are under a misapprehension as to the charge for letters delivered to the collector of the revenue being disallowed. In your account for the quarter ending July 1. 1826 you charged for postage

on letters delivered to the Commissioners of Revenue \$3.52 which is allowed. you charge it under the item of contingent expenses where it did not properly belong. it was struck out of the bill and sent to your credit under the item of letters overcharged in your account of mails received.

J.M.C.

Thos H. Smith Esq P.D.

Shelby C.H. Ala

31 Jan 1827

Mr Walker must be governed in his arrangements by a fixed hour and days and have a regular plan for his government without it we shall be confused - I shall write to him on the subject

J.M.C.

Postmaster

Bowling Green Va

31 Jan 1827

I wish you to instruct the carrier on the route to Hanover C.H. to visit the Post office at Newfound Mills it will increase his ride about two miles & for which he shall be paid no extra from this day he begins let me have your reply

J.M.C.

Postmaster

Russellville Ky

31 Jan 1827

I wish three mails to be sent each way between your office and Nashville in fact till I receive your letter I believed it was now - the Howells Mr Johnson your Representative has also called my attention to the subject - the expense must not exceed the rate of seven hundred and fifty dollars less if possible - let me know with whom you contract when he began, and the days of performance as quick as possible - this measure will supersede Mr Evans' contract

J.M.C.

Sam'l Newell Esq

Bellefontaine O.

31 Jan 1827

I have your letter of the 16th inst. there is no post road established between Bellefontaine and Sandusky City - therefore cannot send a mail thence

J.M.C.

John Halever Esq.

Post Office Department

Pto. Montgomery Ala

31 Jan 1827

I have yours of Jan'y 13th they
bahaha mail must not depart before the eastern mail
arrives under any circumstances - this mail may proceed
to bahaha on the north side of the river and return
on the other

J. MCL

J. Jenkins Esq Pto.

31 Jan'y 1827

Banandaigua N.Y.

I have yours of the 22^d I wish
you to send two mails a day as long as the present plan
remains - and when that ceases - the contractors must proceed
with the mail to Rochester without suffering any unnecessary
delay to take place at your office

J. MCL

J. W. Prince Esq

31 Jan 1827

near South Berwick Me.

I have received your letter of Jan'y
23^d and I exceedingly regret to find that the late change
of the mail between Bath and Portland has produced a
delay in the mails to and from Berwick & cover'd my attention
has been called to the subject complained of by you, before
your letter reached me, and I had taken measures to cor-
rect the error that had very unexpectedly followed the
change - I trust that before this letter reaches you
that your mails will be in their usual train as to speed and
regularity

J. MCL

J. Williams Esq Pto.

31 Jan 1827

Williamsburgh Penn

I am not satisfied to accept of your son as your
substitute unless he will take the route as your bid - but I will
allow either him or Mitchell to take the contract giving him
who will do it for the least sum - and the sum not to exceed
two hundred & fifty dollars, and I wish each of them to send me
a sealed offer, for my decision, as soon as may be you will be
before informed concerning the mode and be paid for so long as
to our agreement

J. MCL

Post Office Department

31 Jan 1827

Mr Isaac Wells

Homer N.Y.

I wish you to extract your mail from Tully & Houston
from the reception of this letter and for so doing I will allow you forty dollars
a year let me have your immediate reply

J. MCL

J. Amasa Spencer Esq Pto.

31 Jan 1827

McDonough Ga

The failures noticed in your letter of the 13th were
caused by a proposer failing to comply with his bid - the evil is now
corrected a postroad will be probably established to McEntosh's mill
place this session

J. MCL

Mr Joshua Conger

Lancaster Penn.

31 Jan 1827

From the reception of this letter I wish you to proceed
from Lancaster by carriage and round lish to Lebanon and back the
same route instead of going to Alexandria as you now do for your
increased distance I will pay you four dollars a mile distance one
way - I wish you to state the day you begin that the proper on
will be given you - you may perform the trip in two days
without difficulty - the P.M. at Lancaster will regulate the days

J. MCL

Mr Gilbert Sterrett

31 Jan 1827

Columbia Mis.

I agree that you carry the mail as set forth in
your letter of the 21st ulto provided the P.M. at Jackson does not
disagree to it - I have written to him on the subject and I appre-
hend he will concur your contracts have been all forwarded

J. MCL

Robt Random Esq Pto.

31 Jan 1827

Warrenton N.C.: I have yours of Jan 23^d if Mr Sanford
wants another day grant it but he must conform to the arrangement
lately suggested to you for his government

J. MCL

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J. Lewis Powell Esq P.M.
Tuscaloosa Ala

Post Office Dept
31 Jan 1827

I have received yours of Jan 28th I wish the mail to pass but once a week between your office and Columbus and such was my intention before the contract went out for twice instead of once a week as was my intention on the reception of this letter you will instruct Mr Cummings carrier to go but once a week and I wish you to do away the route as to supply each office on it - and to give him such additional time as in your opinion will be just and proper. I wish you to inform me without delay when the second trip ceased the actual increase of distance that the rider has to travel by the change you adopt and the schedule you prescribe for his government your special attention is called to this subject as I wish not only to correct the error but to extend the mail to the offices not supplied - I hope however that you have anticipated my wishes in respect to the latter object

J. M.C.

J. Mr G. W. Hopkins

31 Jan 1827

Salem Va

I have received your letter of Jan 22nd from your representations there is a great inequality of distance on your road and that of Mr Satterlee, I was led into an error by Mr Reider who was here when I wrote to you and Satterlee, and he recommended the place of interchange at Pattonsburgh - the prudent and fair course will be for you to offer Satterlee a choice of such division as you may make, but I will inform Satterlee, that I shall pay upon and pay him in proportion to actual duties taking into consideration the goodness of roads, distances and expense of tolls &c

J. M.C.

Postmaster

Jackson Miss

31 Jan 1827

M. Stovall wishes to receive at your office by 2 P.M. on Mondays and depart on Tuesdays by 10 A.M. If you see no distinct objection to his plan agree to it

J. M.C.

J. Mr. Satterlee Letter

Pattersonburgh Va

Post Office Dept

31 Jan 1827

I was led into an error when I wrote to you about a division of the route by Mr Reider who it appears was mistaken in regards to the distance of the road assigned you and the road assigned Mr Hopkins he thought your route about two miles the shortest but the most - I am now informed that the division is unequal and in justice I must pay on each as the ratio of duty performed and expenses incurred - if your end is the worst road and most difficult it of course should be as much the shortest as to counterbalance the difference of the bad state of road you will therefore have to extend your route westward of Pattersonburgh or take less than half the pay if you and Hopkins cannot agree about a division refer the subject to man who will do you both justice, as you are I trust a just man your stages & horses are much complained of

J. M.C.

J. Mr John B. Blum

Salem N.C.

31 Jan 1827

Your carrier would visit the Post Office at Leethwood store - you will be paid pro rata for the increased travel if your rider has not called there he has subjected you to a fine by reference to my notes appended to my advertisement I find the postroute no 95 was intended to deliver a circumstance I trust that do not make your notice before you proposed for the routes although it escaped my recollection when I wrote to you - I have therefore allowed you of 550. a year

J. M.C.

J. Mr H. A. Cooke

Bacon Castle Va

30th Jan 1827

A new office having been established at Copper house Spring on the route from Bettis point to South Lucy you are instructed to supply it with a mail - expenses allowed will be made good for the service

J. M.C.

J. B. Coleman Esq
Post Office Dept
Pm. Pindartown Ga 31 Jan 1827
I have yours of the 13th Jan'y the mail
must meet at your office and of the Millidgeville carrier is
not efficient he must be dismissed I wish you to
inform him. I also wish to know when the Millidgeville
post reached your office the present year
J. McC

W. Murphy Esq P.M.
Maysville Ky 31 Jan 1827
I have yours of the 17th, ¹⁸²⁶ the order to
send the Kentucky mail in linen bags at the time you
mention and I fear that the P.M. at Washington has not car-
ried my instructions into effect, I have reminded of his
duty in that particular. You ought to have sent
the mail left by the driver by express or a special
carrier and charged the expense to this Department and
the fine imposed on the contractor would have covered
the charge made by you
J. McC

Thos Shore Esq P.M.
Petersburgh Va 31 Jan 1827
I have to request you to send a
mail or mails for Murfreesboro by Percival's from whence
a weekly mail passes to that place, you will send
the second mail on the evenings of Monday to the first
named place.
J. McC

Mr Mr T. Gibson
Gholonville Va 31 Jan 1827
I wish you from the reception of this
letter to depart from Percivals on Tuesday Morning
and to arrive at Murfreesboro on the evenings of Wednesday
say by 7 P.M. leave there on Thursday at 6 A.M. and
arrive at Percivals on Monday evening
J. McC

John Wheeler Esq
Post Office Dept
Pm. Murfreesboro N.C. 31 Jan 1827
I have received yours and arranged so as to send
you an extra mail by Percivals to which will reach
you on the evening of Wednesday and depart the next morning
J. McC

John Smith Esq
Culpeper C.H. Va 31 Jan 1827
I have received yours of the 25th and beg leave
to refer you to the Postmaster of Staunton for further infor-
mation upon the subject proposed
J. McC

Josh Griggs Esq P.M.
Leatherwood Store N.C. 31 Jan 1827
I have your letter of the 3d tell the
carrier if he does not wish your office that he shall be dismissed
as well as his employer will be fined
J. McC

Postmaster
Halifax C.H. Va 31 Jan 1827
From the reception of this letter you will suspend the
departure of the Salem (N.C.) mail until the northern mail ar-
rives on Saturday the carrier can then reach Salem the next day
by 10 A.M. leave there at 1 P.M. and return to your
office by 11 A.M. on Saturday he must also visit leather-
wood store
J. McC

John Murray Esq P.M.
Warrenton Va 31 Jan 1827
I have yours of the 26th I wish you to
have the mail carried to Washington by the lowest good bids
at a rate not exceeding five dollars a mile
J. McC

✓ Mrs B.C. Dugan Post Office Dept
Leavenworth O. 31 Jan 1827

Madam

To enable me to give you the extra credit for carrying the mail with four mites of two horses it will be necessary for you to show by the certificate of a P.M. on your mail route when you applied four instead of two horses to your last line your own exhibits and which is now before me leaves no doubt upon my mind when it should begin but I must exact from you what I ask from others the extra ferrage will be allowed you

J. McC

✓ Postmaster

Bairbridge Pa

31 Jan 1827

I have understood that the lock was not fast on the mail which travels your route where did the error take place.

J. McC

✓ John Haynesworth Esq
Dr. Simpterville S.C.

31 Jan 1827

I have yours of the 17th inc
Mr Macon will be paid for the second mail - as agreed upon and I wish it to continue

J. McC

✓ Mr Levi Street
Macon N.Y.

2nd Feb 1827

I have yours of the 20th and the petition therein enclosed it does not appear to be necessary to send a second mail on the road proposed by the petitioners

J. McC

✓ Mr Christopher J. Gill Post Office Dept
Chester S.C. 2nd February 1827

I have yours of the 15th the postroute mentioned in your letter was not assigned to you J. McC

✓ Aaron Still Esq PM

Boston Mass.

2nd Feb 1827

I wish you to let the printers of your city know that they can have their newspapers immediately after they arrive at your office and are assort'd. Also I wish to inform them that I have decided to allow them to deposit Newspapers one hour, before the mail or mails regular hour of departure from your office in each direction, and which you will of course forward by the first mail. If it will be useful let Mr Lane put all newspapers for your printers into a separate bag. You would then want but little time to deliver them out

J. McC

✓ J. Gray Esq PM

Louisville Ky

2nd Feb 1827

Your letter of Jan'y 16th is before me. A schedule was prescribed for the government of Mr Potts by this department and which has been partially varied by the consent of the Postmaster at Bowling Green and Nashville. It is my wish to make the arrangement accommodating to Post Masters though my first duty is to suit public convenience

J. McC

✓ Jas Stasley Esq PM

Halifax Va

2nd Feb 1827

If any person of suitable character will carry the mail to Black Walnut for a sum you give Mr Tucker, let the lowest bidder have the mail, and I will send you a contract

✓ W. Decourcy

Alexandria Ky

J. McC
31st Jany. 1827

It appears to me most advisable to defer incurring any additional expence in Kent at present by granting additional accommodations as we shall the ensuing summer revise all the Post routes in that State preparatory to advertising them and make such improvements as the case requires. I think you will concur with me as to the propriety of deferring to make a change in your route

J. McC

Arch McLean Esq P.M

Post Office Dept

Esq P.M.

Post Office Dept.

Archville Va

31 Jany. 1827

31 Jany 1827

I wish you to carry the mail between Fishing Creek and Listerville on the Virginia side of the river. I am told the road is good and not obstructed at all by water courses.

J McL

McKensburg Pa.

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J Mackay Esq P.M

31 Jany 1827

J McL

Fayetteville NC Sir I am surprised to learn that the Salisbury mail is not carried between your office and that neither are advertised, nor according to the contract, sent for execution by Mr Waddle, and the consequence is that a number of Post Offices are omitted. It may not be necessary for Mr Waddle to visit Grahamsbridge. Why has he not carried the mail through. Why has he omitted sundry offices, and why have I not been informed of a deficiency of his duties and a neglect of sundry offices? An early reply is required.

J McL

Mr Chas Williams

31 Jany 1827

31 Jany 1827

Cashcopton O I have received your letter of Jany 24th and am satisfied you commenced carrying the mail pr stage on the first of April to Wooster such offices as are off the direct route you may supply by horse mails

J McL

McChester Bailey

31 Jany 1827

31 Jany 1827

Phila Pa I have received your plan of expediting intelligence. It may be a useful one but I do not think it expedient to give it a trial now. When you submit your plan about the steam boat accommodation I will give it a fair consideration

J McL

Mr C Austin

31 Jany 1827

2 Feb. 1827

Austinburg Ohio Your terms for a third mail as expressed in your letter of the 18th are reasonable and I am satisfied that the public interest calls for the additional mail

J McL

John Wallace Esq

31 Jany 1827

2 Feb. 1827

Co. Covington N.Y. I agree that you have a second weekly mail conveyed between Covington and Malone at the annual compensation of six dollars a mile per annum. Distance one way. When you shew the distance and by you begin I will send you a contract. I shall wish to know the day you carry the mail

J McL

Post Office Dept

Esq P.M.

Post Office Dept.

McKensburg Pa.

31 Jany 1827

If the contractor does not comply with the instruction communicated to you through my letter of the 16th instant you will in that event adopt a plan and send the mail each alternate to Orwigsburg so as with your present accommodation to obtain a weekly mail. For this service you may pay twenty dollars a year. I wish a reply

J McL

Esq P.M.

31 Jany 1827

Fishing Creek Va I have directed the mail to be carried on the Virginia side of the River between your office & Listerville for the present

J McL

Esq P.M.

31 Jany 1827

Lovington Va. As I have directed the mail on the route Charlottesville & Lynchburg to pass the Office at "Pye River" The mail to Steele's may pass between that place instead of Lovington. Who carries this mail? That is to Steele's. How much should his ride be reduced by stopping short at Pye River instead of coming to your office

J McLan

Saml Reeve Esq P.M.

31 Jany 1827

Salisbury NC. It is not necessary to continue Mr Holmes in service any longer as the stages pass twice a week between your office and Salem. I am surprised that the Fayetteville horse mail has not reached your office. Waddle the late contractor has charge of said mail

J McL

Thos W Bassett Esq P.M.

2 Feb. 1827

Charleston SC I wish you to tell me how "Neville" is supplied with a mail in what way & how often

J McL

Mr Robert H Payson

2 Feb. 1827

Pedlers Mills Va. From the reception of this letter I wish you to visit the Post Office at Pye River Mills or Mapies Mills on your road between Rases Mills and Pealiquor. For the increased travel you shall be paid pro rata. The increase of distance is represented to be about nine miles but can establish the fact as to distance by the certificate of one or more Post Masters living on the route

J McL

Mr Hix Sanford

3 Feb. 1827

Washington NC. The Post Master at Edenton thinks the route by the Merry Hill road will impede the mails regularity. He reports failures on the 21st ult. No word no pay. Recollect our agreement

J McL

W. W. Ingram

Post Office Dep

3^d Feby. 1827

Waynesville Va.

The Post Master at Barnesville reports a failure of your mail on the 17th, for which you are fined

J McL.

✓ N. B. Madera Esq. P.M.

3^d Feby. 1827

Morgantown Va. Before your letter &c. Mr. Ray's was received I had directed the mail between Blacksburg & Uniontown as it was last year that is, it is to arrive at Uniontown & depart also on Saturdays. That is believed to be the best arrangement that can be made

J McL.

✓ Geo. Schley Esq. P.M.

3^d Feby. 1827

Savannah Ga. I have yours of the 24th Ult. as well as several previous ones about the western mails delay. Mr. Street does not evince the energy that was ascribed to him. He is fined for failures

J McL.

✓ Mr. H. G. Street

3^d Feby. 1827

Charleston S.C. Your successive failures at Savannah evince that your means are inadequate to the fulfillment of your contract. I shall fine you for the delays and failures and as you must know when they occur it will not be necessary for me to state them

J McL.

✓ Messrs. Peck & Wellford

3^d Feby. 1827

Fredericksburg I have your letter of Jan'y 29th. You appear to be under a mistake in regard to the extra distance by visiting Salem. Our estimate makes it but ten miles which is but half the distance you estimate it to be. I addressed your associate in the agency (Mr. Moring) in regard to visiting Salem, but he has not forwarded me with a reply. My direction to him were that he must give as much more speed to his stage as though he did not pass Salem, that is I intend to accommodate that office and keep up the speed agreed upon by you

J McL.

✓ Mr. D. J. Jackson

3^d Feby. 1827

Near Weston Va. I have yours of Jan'y 8th. An acceptance was sent to you and which appears by your letter to have miscarried

J McL.

✓ Mr. C. J. Shelton

3^d Feby. 1827

Ashley's Mills Ga. I have your letter of Jan'y 9th. To entitle you to a credit for visiting Appleton Ch. you must procure certificates, having reference to the increase of distance from some Post Master who has a knowledge of the route

J McL.

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3^d Feby. 1827

✓ Mr. Williamson Esq. P.M.

Wilmington Del.

3^d Feby. 1827

I wish you to direct the mail carriers to deliver the mail to deliver the mail at Cecilton by 5. P.M. Let me have your reply
P.S. They should take the mail from that place by 9 A.M.

J McL.

3^d Feby. 1827

✓ Genl T. M. Gorman

Cecilton Md. I have directed the Wilmington mail to be delivered at Cecilton by 5. P.M. since the reception of your letter of Jan'y 24th and the departure will be as near the time you mention as circumstances will justify

J McL.

3^d Feby. 1827

✓ Wm Pearce Esq. P.M.

Cecilton Md. I have your letter of Jan'y 24th. I have given directions to have the Wilmington mail delivered at your Office by 5. P.M. At what hour does it usually depart? I wish your answer?

J McL.

3^d Feby. 1827

✓ Mr. J. Watson

Whiteville N.C. Although I am not disposed to doubt your statement for letter of Jan'y 20th in regard to the extra mail being sent with four horses yet I have in all cases required a Post Masters certificate to prove the fact and must do so in this instance

J McL.

3^d Feby. 1827.

✓ Daniel Gallant Esq.

Whitehall N.C. I have your letter of the 19th Ult. The contractors ought to take all horses that are good & substantial, which were used to transport the mail. Here I disposed to sell horses to Thomas Davis. I should expect that he would not stipulate to pay what he did not intend to perform

J McL.

3^d Feby. 1827

✓ R. C. Stockton Esq.

Baltimore Md. I wish you to read and return the enclosed letter with such remarks as you deem applicable to the subject

J McL.

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✓ J. P. Crum Esq. P.M.

Nashville Tenn. I have received yours of Jan'y 16th. Aware of the importance of the Post Office at Russellville I have directed the Post Master of that place to send three mails weekly between his office and yours which will supersede the necessity of your sending a mail to that place. I wish you to inform me distinctly the days, hours & on which the Louisville arrives and departs from your office, also the plan pursued by Mr. Abbott from Louisville in regard to the mails to transport. I wish to ascertain whether he conforms to my views as to speed &c

J McL.

F. Malcolm Esq. P.M.

Post Office Dep.

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Nicholas Lk. Va.

The mail carrier must depart with your mail from Gauley as soon as the Eastern shall have arrived at that place

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Esg. P.M.

Sayette Miss. I wish you to send a weekly mail to the Post Office at Malcolm where Mr. Gilechrist is appointed Post Master at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile. Let me know with whom you contract, and when it begins, the day the mail is carried and the price given. I can then send you a contract to be executed by the contractor

J McL

Mrs. D. H. Rogers

Knoxville Tenn. Your letter is before me. The Post Master at Knoxville can let you depart at such hours as he thinks expedient on saturday so as to give you more time. The Kentucky mail leaves Clinton at noon on sunday so you must be there before it departs

J McL

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Augustus Quincy Esq. P.M.

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Abingdon Va. It appears an unnecessary failure lately occurred on the route to Lebanon. The contractor is of course fined. Let him know it

J McL

Benj'n Sewall Esq. P.M.

3 Feby. 1827

Lebanon Va. I have received your letter of the 20th ult. and I have fined the contractor

J McL

Wm. Seal Esq.

3 Feby. 1827

Springfield Tenn. Before your letter of Jan'y 11th was received, I had directed three mails a week to be conveyed between Nashville & Russellville and which had been erroneously withdrawn from said road

J McL

Esg. P.M.

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Bellville Va. Until provision is made to supply your office ^{with a mail}, you can send to Millboro for it and charge the expense to this department as an offset against the balance found due to it from your office. But no more must be expended than you collect

J McL

Lewis Summers Esq.

Post Office Dep.

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Nut Grove Va.

3 Feby. 1827.

I agree to the transfer of Post route No. 74. as you have recommended. The mail in consequence of the change of contractors become in some degree confused. All is, I trust now regular on the mail route from Staunton to your section of country

J McL

Wm. Long Esq. P.M.

3 Feby. 1827.

Martinsburg Va. I have yours of Jany 29th. Let the Hagerstown mail be carried on saturdays instead of Friday

J McL

Mr. Louis Gould

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Newberry Vt. As the Post Master at Post Mills appears satisfied with your explanation I shall remit the penalty

J McL

McDavid Wing

3 Feby. 1827.

Near Schenectady N.Y. The Post Master at Bordina appears to have just cause to complain of your carrier who if not punctual as well as faithful must be discharged

J McL

David Badde Esq. P.M.

3 Feby. 1827.

Bordina N.Y. I have your letter and have written to the contractor on the subject complained of by you

J McL

Sam'l Henderson Esq. P.M.

3 Feby. 1827

Indianapolis Ind. I have yours of the 6th ult. The western mail should be retained till 2 or 3 P.M. to prevent a failure when the eastern mail has not arrived in due time

J McL

Wm. Morton Esq. P.M.

3 Feby. 1827.

Russellville Ky. Before your letter of Jan'y 11th reached me I had addressed a letter to you & requested you to send three mails a week to & from Nashville to remedy the error committed by the contractor in removing the horserail time

J McL

David Terrill Esq.

3 Feby. 1827.

Nut Grove near Knoxville Ga. The application to appoint you Post master has been received. As you do not appear to live on an established post route, I propose to appoint you a Post master, provided you will procure a weekly mail to be carried to & from Knoxville for the net balance of postage that may be collected in your office your office will in that case be a private office

J McL