

- the mail service herein provided for between Havana and Chagres: *Provided, further,* That the compensation for said service shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and that good and sufficient security be required for the faithful fulfilment of the stipulations of the contract.
- SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy to contract, on behalf of the government of the United States, for the transportation of the mail from Panama to such port as he may select in the Territory of Oregon, once a month each way, so as to connect with the mail from Havana to Chagres across the isthmus; said mail to be transported in either steam or sailing vessels, as shall be deemed most practicable and expedient.
- SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy to provide, in the contracts authorized by this act, that the Navy Department shall at all times exercise control over said steamships, and at any time have the right to take them for the exclusive use and service of the United States, and to direct such changes in their machinery and internal arrangements as the Secretary of the Navy may require; due provision being made in the said contracts for the mode of ascertaining the proper compensation to the contractors therefor.
- APPROVED, March 3, 1847.

- March 3, 1847. CHAP. LXIII. — *An Act to establish certain Post Routes and for other Purposes.*
- Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following be established as post roads:
- Maine. *Maine.* — From Dixfield, through Peru, to Canton Mills, in the county of Oxford.
From Newport, through Corinna and Dexter, to Dover, in the county of Penobscot.
From Standish, through Limington, Sebago, Denmark, and Bridge-ton, to Sweden.
From Brownsville, in the county of Piscataquis, to Katadhin Iron Works.
From Monson, by Abbot, Parkman, Dexter, and Newport, to Detroit, in Maine.
- New Hamp- *New Hampshire.* — From Exeter to the city of Manchester.
shire. From the city of Manchester to Amherst.
From the city of Manchester, through Candia, South Deerfield, Deerfield, Nottingham, Wadley's Falls, Lamprey River, Stratham, Greenland, to Portsmouth.
- Vermont. *Vermont.* — From Bakersfield, via West Enosburgh post-office, and Enosburgh Falls post-office, to West Berkshire.
From Bridgewater to Ludlow.
From Northumberland, New Hampshire, to Sutton, Vermont.
- Rhode Island. *Rhode Island.* — From Providence, Rhode Island, by Valley Falls, in Smithfield, Diamond Hill, in Cumberland, West Wentham, Franklin, Medway, and Holliston, to Framingham Depot, in Massachusetts.
From Providence, by Smithville or Clayville, to Killingly, Connecticut.
From Washington Village, in the State of Rhode Island, via Maple Root Meeting-House, Weaver's Hill, East Coheaghill, in West Greenwich, to Volentown, in the State of Connecticut.
- Connecticut. *Connecticut.* — From Thomson via the post villages of Fish-

erville, New Boston, South Bridge, Stubridge, and Brimfield, to the Palma Depot.

New York. — From Beaverkill, in the county of Sullivan, through Colchester, to Walton, in the county of Delaware. New York

From Leroy, in the county of Genesee, via Roanoke, East Bethany, Bethany, and Brookville, to Alexandria.

From Wright's Corners, in the county of Niagara, by the Hess road, to Somerset, in the same county.

From State Bridge, in the town of Lenox, Madison county, via North Bay, on the north point of Oneida Lake, to Camden, in the county of Oneida.

From Antwerp, in Jefferson county, by way of Shingle Creek, Fowler, Fullersville, Edwards's, and Russell, to Canton, in St. Lawrence county.

From Norwich, in the county of Chenango, by Plymouth, South Otselic, and West Linkaen, to De Ruyter, in Madison county.

From Canisteo, in Steuben county, by way of Purdy Creek, through Greenwood and West Union, to Andover, in Alleghany county.

From Sempronius, Cayuga county, to Scott, Cortlandt county.

From Fulton, by way of Gilbert's Mills, to Central Square, in Oswego county.

From the village of Hampton, town of Westmoreland, in the county of Oneida, via Manchester, Walesville, and New York Mills, to the city of Utica, in said county.

From Pratt's Hollow, in the county of Madison, via Pine Woods, to the village of Hamilton.

From South Bern, in the county of Albany, via Chesterville, Ormanville, Longman's Hollow, to Coeyman's Landing, in the county of Albany.

From Cannonsville, Delaware county, by Trout Creek, to Unadilla, Otsego county.

From Port Jervis, Orange county, along the line of the Delaware and Hudson Canal, to the mouth of the Lackawaxen Stream.

New Jersey. — From Burlington city, Burlington county, via Columbus, to Georgetown. New Jersey.

From Burlington city to Wrightstown.

From Stanhope to Strausburg, Pennsylvania.

From Square Village to the city of New York.

From Trenton, via Lawrenceville, to Pennington.

From Bordentown, in Burlington county, via Recklesstown, Jobstown, and New Egypt, to Freehold, Monmouth county.

From Flemington, in Hunterdon county, via Lebanonville and Cokesbury, to German valley.

From Freehold, via Turkey, Burgen Iron Works, to Tom's River, in Monmouth county.

From Flemington, via Greenville, to Ringoe's.

Pennsylvania. — From White Haven, via the State road, to Mount Pocono. Pennsylvania.

From Ebensburg, Cambria county, through the Woodland settlement, to intersect the Indiana and Curwinstown mail route at Newman's Mills Post-Office.

From Montrose, via New Milford, to Lausboro'.

From Pottstown, via Hillegass Post-Office, Upper Hanover, Montgomery county, Spinnerstown, Bucks county, to Coopersburg, Lehigh county.

From Athens, in Bradford county, to Smithfield, in said county.

From Meadville, Crawford county, via Sugar Lake, to Coopers-town, Venango county.

From York, York county, via Dover, Dillsburg, and Allen, to Carlisle, Cumberland county.

From York, York county, by east Berlin, to York Sulphur Springs, (Petersburg,) Adams county.

From Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, to Anandale, Butler county.

From Montourseville, in Lycoming county, via Warrensville, Isaac Bailey's Mill, J. K. Thomson's, James Williamson's, Bictel's Mill, to Jersey shore, in said county.

From Mercer, in Mercer county, to West Middlesex, in said county.

From Collomsville, in Lycoming county, via Susquehanna township, to Williamport, in said county.

From Miffintown, via McCoystown, Juniata county, and Peru Mills, Bolingerstown, to Shade Gap, in Huntington county.

From Warren, in the county of Warren, via Wattsburg, Beaver Dam, Columbus, Wrightsville, Pittsfield, Youngsville, and Irvine, to the city of Erie.

From Brookville, in Jefferson county, via the State road, to Smickburg, in the same county.

From Grahamsville, in the county of Pike, to the mouth of the Lackawaxen.

From Ligonier, in the county of Westmoreland, to Donegal, in the same county.

From Reedsville, in Mifflin county, via the Kishacoquilla's Valley, to Lock's mill.

From McConnellsburgh, Bedford county, via Webster's Mills, to Hancock, Washington county, Maryland.

From Berrysburg, Dauphin county, via Uniontown, to Georgetown, in Westmoreland county.

From Mercer, to Harrisville, Butler county, via Union Mills.

Virginia. — From Osbornsford, Scott county, Virginia, to Letcher Court-House, Kentucky.

From Saltville, Washington county, to Hendrick's Mills, Russell county.

From Mechanicsburg, by the house of James Davidson at the Rocky Gap; thence along the valley of the South or Muddy Fork of Wolf Creek, by the house of Pleasant Murphy, to Tazewell Court House; to return by the valley of Clear Fork of Wolf Creek, by the house of Henry W. Dills and Rocky Gap, to Mechanicsburg.

From Blacksville, Monongalia county, to Warren, in said county.

From De Kalb, Gilmer county, to Harrisville, Ritchie county.

From Pedlar Mills, in Amherst county, to Fairfield, in Rockbridge county.

From Fairmount, via Jeremiah Hess's, to Salem, in Harrison county.

From Fairmount, Marion county, through Pruntytown, Taylor county, and Philippi, the county seat of Barbour county, to Buchanan, in Lewis county.

From Smithfield, on the national road, by Brandonville, Kingwood, Evansville, to Philippi.

From Staunton, via Beverly, Weston, to Parkersburg, on the Ohio River.

From Parkersburg, by Burning Spring and Glenville, to Bulltown.

From Fincastle, Botetourt county, to Blackburg, Montgomery county, via Catawba.

From Clarksville, to Halifax Court-House.

From the village of Trenton, on Willis River, Cumberland county, to Columbia, in the county of Fluvanna.

From Wytheville to Grayson Court-House.

From Yellow Branch, in Campbell county, via Maston Clay's Mills, and Arnoldtown, to Leesville.

From Sperryville, Rappahannock county, to Robsonville, Madison county

From Salem, in Roanoke county, to Boon's Mill, in Franklin county.

From Holston Post-Office, via Holston River, to Saltville, in Washington county.

From the Red Sulphur Springs, in Monroe county, to Princeton, in Mercer county.

From Glade Spring to Emory and Henry College, in Washington county.

From Lebanon to Sand Lick, in Russell county.

From Fredericksburg, to the store of William Colton.

From Louisburg, via the Sulphur Springs, Fleshman's, on Sewell Mountain, on the old Kanawha road, and Hughart's, to Fayette Court-House.

North Carolina. — From Powell's Point or Elizabeth City, to Nag's Head, North Carolina, touching at Roanoke Island. North Carolina.

From Jefferson, North Carolina, via Helton, to Shadrick Greer's, in Grayson county, Virginia.

From Johnsonsville or Murchison's Mills, to Harrington.

From Marion, up Crooked Creek, to Hendersonville.

From Albemarle, via Morgan's Mills, to Clear Creek, North Carolina, to return by Thomas Rowland's.

From Salisbury, via Brengle's Ferry, to Troy.

From Fayetteville, via Averasboro, to Smithfield, sixty miles.

From N. S. Jarrett's, in Macon county, North Carolina, via Fort Emmery, on Hiwassee River, to Blairsville, Georgia.

From Lenoir to Deal's Mill, in Caldwell county, North Carolina, fifteen miles.

From Washington, Beaufort county, to Durham's Creek, same county.

From Creed's Bridge, Virginia, to Knott's Island.

From Ridgway, via Bullock's Store, Palmer's Springs, St. Tammany, Fitt's Store, to Ridgway.

From Strickland's Depot, to Taylor's Bridge, in Sampson county.

From Jefferson, via Mouth of Wilson, to Grayson Court-House, Virginia.

From Elizabethtown, via house of Thomas Lewis, to Gravelly Hill.

South Carolina. — From Earlesville to Limestone Springs, South Carolina. South Carolina.

From Aiken, by Merritt's Bridge, to Leesville, South Carolina.

From Aiken to Burcalow, Orangeburg District, South Carolina.

From Leesville to Orangeburg Court-House.

From Lewisville to Vance's Ferry.

From Aiken to Erwington.

From Athens, Georgia, to Pendleton, South Carolina.

Georgia. — From Villa Rica (Georgia) to Tallapoosa, and Shady Grove to Jacksonville, Alabama.

From Covington, via Lofton's Store, Indian Springs, and Gullettsville, to Forsyth.

From Lagrange, via Vernon, Wehadkee, and Roanoke, to Wedowee, Alabama. The Fredonia route to commence at Vernon, and the Mount Hickory route to end at Roanoke.

From Lagrange, via Houston, to Franklin.

From Fayetteville to Greenville.

From White Sulphur Springs, via Warm Springs, to Talbotton.

From Dahlonega, by Tuccoah, to Benton, Tennessee.

From Villa Rica, via Powder Springs.

From Marietta, Roswell Factory, Social Hill, in Cherokee county, Allenville, Cumming, and Coal Mountain, Forsyth county, Crossville, and Auroria, to Dahlonega.

From Hawkinsville to Troupville.

From Lawrenceville, via Gainsville, to Clarksville.

From Talbotton, by Nemsom's Mills, in Macon county, to Lanier and Traveller's Rest, in Dooly county.

From Columbus, via Fort Mitchell and Oswichee, in Alabama, to Florence in Georgia, discontinuing the present route from Florence to Fort Gaines, via Eufaula.

From Columbus, via Villula, (in Alabama,) Glennville, and Eufaula, to Fort Gaines.

From Washington to Crawfordville.

From Columbus, (Georgia,) via Borum's, (in Russell county, Alabama,) Union Springs, Aberfoil, Union Hill, Montezuma, and Nathansville, to Blakely.

From Penfield to Union Point.

From Jasper, Marion county, Tennessee, by Rankin's Ferry, on the Tennessee River, Boiling Springs, to Trenton, Dade county, Georgia.

Alabama.

Alabama. — From Geneva, Alabama, to Uchee Anna, Florida.

From Decatur to Moulton.

From Double Springs to State Line, Georgia.

From Abbeville, via Freeman's Store and Skipperville, to Newton Court-House.

From Black's Bluff to Poole's Store.

From Americus, Georgia, via Lumpkin, Florence, Georgetown, Eufaula, Clayton, Louisville, Monticello, and Troy, to Greenville, Alabama.

From Lebanon to Langston.

From Barnes's Cross Roads, via Indigo Head, to Louisville.

From Montgomery to Youngsville — changed so as to include Mount Jefferson.

From Village Springs to Aurora Post-Office.

From Eufaula, via Abbeville, Columbia, Woodville, to Marriana, Florida.

From Double Springs to Jacksonville.

From Double Springs, by Ashville and Springville, to Elyton.

From Double Springs to Rome, Georgia.

From Tuscaloosa, via Wilson Sheppard's Post-Office, Isaac Cain's Post-Office, to Jasper.

From Jasper, via Eldredge, to Pikeville.

From Point Smith to Buzzard Roost.

From Decatur, via Houston's Store, to Jasper.

From Jacksonville, Benton county, Alabama, via Terrapin Creek, Augustin Young's, to Van Wert, Paulding county, Georgia.

From Blountsville, by Murphey's Valley, to Aurora.

From Ashville to Montevalo.

From Carrollton, Georgia, to Rockdale, Randolph county.

Florida.

Florida. — From Pensacola, by Apalachicola, St. Mark's, Cedar Keys, and Tampa Bay, to Key West.

From Key West, by Miami River, Indian River, and Mosquito Inlet, to Charleston.

From St. Mary's, Georgia, by Nassau Court-House, to Jacksonville, Florida.

From Jacksonville to Alligator, by Brandy Branch.

From Milton to Sparta.

From Okahumpka to Fort Butler.

- Mississippi.* — From Houston to Starkville. Mississippi.
 From Delta, Coahoma county, to Panola.
 From Pontotoc to Ragsdale's Stand.
 From Fulton to Houston.
 From Houston to Columbus.
 From Columbus to Hopewell.
 From Louisville to Starkville.
 From Jackson, via Paulding, and Leashville, to Mobile, Alabama.
 From Hillsboro', via Ludlow and Densentown, to Canton.
 From Hernando to Chulahoma.
 From Jacinto, Tishemingo county, via Danville, New Hope, to Matamoras, Tennessee.
 From Starkville, Octibbehaw county, via Springfield, Drane's Mills, to Shongalow, Carroll county.
- Louisiana.* — From Vidalia to Lake Providence, via Sicily Island, Louisiana.
 Deer Creek, and Bayou Macon.
 From Shreveport to Logansport.
 From Trinity, in the parish of Catahola, down Black River, to Howe's, in the parish of Concordia, Louisiana.
 From St. Joseph, via Winnsboro', to Monroe.
 From Yazoo city, in the State of Mississippi, via the court-house of Josequina county, Providence, Louisiana, Bastrop, to Monroe, Washita county, Louisiana.
 From Mansfield to Logansport, De Soto parish.
 From Mansfield to Pulaski, Panola county, Texas.
 From Pulaski, via Steele's, Caddo parish, to Greenwood.
 From Washington, parish of St. Landry, to Bayou Rouge, via Hedsturn's, McBride's, and Morgan's.
 From Covington, via John Parkins's, and Wadsworth's, to Pear River, in the parish of St. Tammany.
- Arkansas.* — From Pine Bluffs, via Princeton and Dallasport, to Arkansas.
 Washington.
 From Batesville, up Poke Bayou, via John Martin's, to Pilot Hill.
 From Helena to the mouth of White River.
 From Eldorado to Warren's, in Bradley county.
 From Clarendon, Monroe county, to Surrounded Hill.
 From Oakland Grove to Des Arques Bluffs, on White River.
 From Pilot Hill to Rockbridge, Ozark county, Missouri.
 From Benton, Saline county, via Preston Bland's, to Perryville, Perry county.
 From Benton, via Joel Brown's, Perriman McDaniel's, and Keezee's Mill, through Colbreath's Settlement, to Warren's, Bradley county.
 From Gainesville, in Greene county, crossing Black River at Sherky's Ferry, via Dockworth's Ferry, on Current River, Fourche Dumas, and the Medical Springs, to Charles Hatcher's, on Eleven Point River.
 From Yellville, Marion county, via Joseph Coker's, to Forsythe, Taney county, Missouri.
 From Smithville, Lawrence county, via Thomas Esta's, to Pilot Hill.
 From Huntsville to Lebanon.
 From Bentonville to Maysville.
 From Elizabeth, in Jackson county, to Walcott.
 From Marion, Crittenden county, via James Deeron's, to Smith's, Poinsett county.
 From Dwight, Pope county, to Clinton, in Van Buren county.
 From Clarksville, Johnson county, to St. Paul.
 From Rock Roe to Bearkly.

From Searcy, White county, via the Chickasaw crossing and Oakland, to Helena, in Philip county.

From Little Rock, via Alexander Murphy's and Kinderhook, to Richwood, Izard county.

From Fort Smith to Tumlinsonville, Scott county.

From Arkansas Post, via Lagrew's Springs, to Crocket Bluffs.

From Helena, in Philips county, via Spring Creek settlement, Oakland Post-Office, in St. Francis county, to Batesville, Independence county.

From Van Buren, Crawford county, to Fayetteville, via James Gin's, William Howard's, Hathaway's Store, and Enos Harris's.

From Smithville, Lawrence county, to Richwood's, Izard county, via Thompson's Mills, Mount Vista, and Criswell's Ferry, across White River.

From Whittington's, Hot Spring county, to Dallas, Polk county, via Mount Ida, and Caddo Cove.

From New Madrid, Missouri, to Memphis, Tennessee, via Hickman's Bend, Mill Bayou, Osceola, Pecan Point, Frenchman's Bayou, Oldham, and Marion, in Arkansas.

From Jasper, in Newton county, to Lebanon, Searcy county, via Thomas Jones's, at the mouth of Big Creek.

From Eldorado, Union county, to Monroe, Ouachita parish, Louisiana, via William Chapman's Store, William F. Bond's Store, in Union Parish, Louisiana, and Ouachita city, Louisiana.

Missouri.

Missouri. — From Versailles, via mouth of Big Buffalo, to Bolivar.

From Independence, via Bent's Fort, to Santa Fe.

From Independence to Astoria, in the Territory of Oregon.

From Dade Court-House, via Buck Prairie, to McDonald.

From Cassville, via John B. Williams's, to Forsythe.

From Georgetown to Lexington.

From Warsaw, via Ocoola and Batesville, to Fort Scott, in the Indian Territory.

From Washburn's Prairie, via John B. King's, to Maysville, Arkansas.

From Bolivar, via Homansville, to Ocoola.

From Thomasville, via the county seat of Texas county, Ellsworth, and Wickliffe, to Little Piney.

From Thomasville to Rockbridge.

From Canton, via Monticello, Sand Hill, and Memphis, to Lancaster, Schuyler county.

From Bolivar, via Buffalo, to Woodbury.

From Harrisonville to Little Osage.

From Georgetown to Cole Camp.

From Sarcoxie, via Union Grove to Blytheville.

From Warsaw, via Erie, to Waynesville.

From Warsaw to Buffalo.

From Arcadia, via Big Creek and Camp Grove, to Cane Creek, in Wayne county.

From Weston, via Bloomington, to St. Joseph's.

From Harrisburgh, Lafayette county, to Rose Hill, in Johnson county.

From Bolivar to Cedar Court-House.

From Hannibal to Belmont, in the State of Illinois.

From Springfield to Rockbridge.

From St. Joseph's, via the county seats of Clinton, Caldwell, Livingston, Linn, Macon, Shelby, to Palmyra.

From Alexandria, Clarke county, via the county seats of Clark, Scotland, Schuyler, Putnam, Mercer, Harrison, and Gentry, to Lindon, in Atchison county.

From the county seat of Scotland county, via Monticello, to Quincy, Illinois.

From Bates Court-House to Carthage in Jasper county.

From Carthage to Neosho.

From Palmyra to Indian Creek.

From Florida, in Monroe county, to Mexico, in Andrain county.

From Weston, via Estill's Mill, to Plattsburgh.

From Waterloo, via Chambersburgh, Wood's Mill, to Bloomfield, in Iowa.

From St. Louis to Femme Osage, via the old Bonhomme road.

From Tully, Lewis county, to St. Joseph's in Buchanan county, via the county seat of Scotland, Macon, Putnam, Mercer, Harrison, and Gentry.

From St. Joseph's, via the county seat of Gentry, Harrison, Mercer, Putnam, Schuyler, Scotland, and Clark, to Alexander.

Illinois. — From Otsego, via Antioch, to Solon Mills.

Illinois.

From Cass, via Barber's Corners and Du Page, and Vermont, to Oswego.

From La Salle, via the south side of Vermillion River, through Lowell, Galloway, and Moon's Point, to Pontiac, in Livingston county.

From Rock Island, via Camden, Independence, and James Gingle's, to Millersburgh.

From Fulton city, via Genesee Grove, Milledgeville, Elkhorn Grove, and Buffalo Grove, to Oregon, in Ogle county.

From Rock Island, via Camden, and Hollister's Mill, in Rock Island county, Thomas R. Morey's, Berlin, and Oxford, in Henry county, and North Prairie, to Hendersonville.

From Cedar Creek Mills, via Oneco, to Monroe, in the Territory of Wisconsin.

From Olney, Richland county, via St. Mary, to Newtown.

From Decatur, via Clinton, to Bloomington.

From Greenup, via Salisbury, to Charleston.

From New Harmony, in the State of Indiana, via Grayville, to Albion.

From Middleport, to Urbana.

From Bristol, in Kendall county, via Sugar Grove, Grouse, Blackberry, Avon, and Line, to Sycamore.

From Josephine to Ottawa.

From Springfield, the seat of government, via Hillsboro', Greenville, Carlyle, Washville, Pinckneyville, Murphysboro, Saratoga, Jonesboro, and Unity, to Cairo City.

From St. Louis, Missouri, by Belleville, Sparta, Murphysboro, Saratoga, and Vienna, to Metropolis City, on the Ohio River.

From Penn, on the Illinois River, passing tri-weekly through the county seats of Bureau and Henry counties, to Rock Island, on the Mississippi River.

From Warsaw, in Hancock county, to Oyuacoka, via Keithsburgh, to New Boston, so as to intersect the route from Boston to Rock Island.

From Dutchman's Point, via Sherman and Emmett, to Little Fort.

From Milwaukie, via Otsego, Dulanty, Elmsley, and Grass Point, to Chicago.

From La Salle, via Princeton and Cambridge, to Millersburgh.

From Dundee, via Barrington, Lake Zurich, Gilmer, and Libertyville, to Little Fort.

From Pittsfield, in Pike county, to Carrolton, in Greene county.

From Williamsburgh, in Shelby county, to Van Buren, in Montgomery county.

From Ottawa, via Norway and Holdeman's Grove, and Cass, to Summit.

From Caledonia, in Pulaski county, to Jonesboro', in Union county
From Chicago, via Noyesville, Eldridge, Bonaparte, Warrentonville,
and Snyder's Mills, to Aurora.

From Pulaski, in Hancock county, via Big Elm Grove, Clayton,
Walker's Neck, and Cacanay's Mills, to Perry, in Pike county.

From Evansville, in Indiana, via Albion and Fairfield, to Salem.

From Paducah, in Kentucky, via Metropolis, Vienna, Marion, and
Benton, to Mt. Vernon, to intersect with the route from Shawnee-
town to Salem.

From Friendsville to Albany.

Indiana. — From Rockport to Newburg.

From Jasper, in Dubois county, to Paoli, Orange county via
Haysville.

From Leavenworth, Crawford county, via Magnolia, to Jasper, by
the present State road.

From Evansville, Vanderburg county, via New Harmony, Indiana,
and via Graysville and Albion, Illinois, to Fairfield, Illinois.

From Plymouth, Marshall county, to Goshen, Elkhart county, via
the State road between those points.

From Monticello, in White county, via Winimac, Pulaski county,
Barber's, Marshall county, and Dover, St. Joseph county, to South
Bend, in said county.

From Door Village, Laporte county, via Bigelow's Mills, and John
McIntosh's, to Tassinong, Porter county.

From Marion, Grant county, via Etna, to Huntington, Huntington
county.

From Middletown, Henry county, via Yorktown, to Wheeling,
Delaware county.

From Marion, Grant county, to Hartford, in Blackford county.

From Lafayette, Tippecanoe county, via Rossville, Middle Ford of
Wild Cat on the Michigan road, Richardville, Cocomo, to Marion,
Grant county.

From Frankfort, Clinton county, to Canton, Tipton county.

From New Trenton, Franklin county, via South Gate, Kilrail, and
Summan's, to Napoleon, Ripley county.

From Bowling Green, Clay county, to Point Commerce, Green
county.

From Hagerstown, Wayne county, to Winchester, Randolph county.

From Aurora, Dearborn county, via Wilmington, and Moor's Hill,
to Versailles, Ripley county.

From Lawrenceburgh, via Wilmington, Dillsboro', Hart's Mills,
Cross Plains, and Canaan, to Madison, Jefferson county.

From Vernon, Jennings county, up the valley of Big Otter, to Otter
Village.

From Charlestown to New Albany.

Tennessee. — From Double Springs, Jackson county, via Poplar
Shade, to Smithville, De Kalb county.

From Whitleysville, via Witcher's Cross Roads, to Lafayette.

From Bean's Station, Tennessee, via Morristown, to the mouth of
Chucky.

From Columbia, Maury county, to Williamsport, said county.

From Spencer, via Wallsbridge, Isaac Miller's, crossing Collin's
River at the Flat Shoals, to Smithville.

From Benton, Polk county, Tennessee, to Cohutta Springs, Georgia.

From Raleigh, via Portersville, to Covington, discontinuing the
present route from Randolph to Belmont.

From Raleigh, through Portersville, Covington, and Ripley, to
Dyersburg.

From Smithville, via Mechanicsville, to Woodbury.

Indiana

Tennessee.

From Sparta, up the Calf Killer River to its source, thence crossing the old Walton road, west of Robert Officer's, via James M. Goodbar's, Magnus Looper's, to West Fork Post-Office.

From Fayetteville, Lincoln county, via Cold Water and Kelly's Creek, on the south side of Elk River, to Elkton, in Giles county.

Kentucky. — From Columbus, via Blandville, to Paducah.

Kentucky.

From Paducah, via Benton, Waidshoro', and Murray, to Paris, in Tennessee.

From Paducah, via Lovelaceville, Blandville, and Milburn, to Clinton.

From Prestonsburg to Hazard, Perry county.

From Princeton to the Empire Iron Works.

From West Liberty, via Little Sandy, head of Paint, to Paintsville.

From Smithland, via Benton, to Mayfield.

From Pikeville, Kentucky, via Whitesburg and Pound, to Bickley's Mills, in Virginia.

From Blandville, via Hazle Creek, (Kentucky,) to Caledonia, Illinois.

From Eddyville, via Benton, to Mayfield.

From Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to Logan Court-House, Virginia.

From Rome Post-Office, in Knox county, via Daniel Baker's, to the Steam-Mill, in Clay county.

From Boonsville to Levi Pennington's.

From Piketon, via mouth of Pond Creek, to Logan Court-House, Virginia.

From Princeton, via Wallonia, to Cadiz.

From Russellville, in Logan county, via Franklin, Simpson county, Scottsville, Allen county, Tompkinsville, Monroe county, to Livingston, Tennessee.

From Hickman, via Feliciana and Mayfield, to Paducah.

From Caseyville, via Cypress and O. P. Griswold's to Providence.

From Madisonville, via Ashbysburgh, to Owensboro'.

Ohio. — From Kinsman, via Johnstonville, to Warren.

Ohio.

From Steubenville, via Browning's Mills, on Island Creek, Knoxville, New Somerset, Mitchell's Salt Works, Moore's Salt Works, Croxton, Salineville, and Gaver's, to New Lisbon.

From Columbus, via New Albany, Johnstown, Utica, Martinsburg, Bladensburg, East Union, and West Bedford, to Roscoe, Coshocton county.

From Columbus Grove, Putnam county, to Waterville, Lucas county.

From New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas county, via Joseph Murphey's and Rogersville, to Chili, Coshocton county.

From Locust Grove, Adams county, via Marble Furnace, Tranquillity, Youngsville, to Eckmansville.

From Cleveland, via Royalton, Hinkley, Granger, and Sharon, to Wadsworth.

From Sidney, via Palestine, to Urbana.

From Cleveland, via Gates's Mill, Munson, Claridon, Huntsburg, Windsor, to Meadville, in Pennsylvania.

From Ithaca, Darke county, through New Baltimore and Philipsburg, to Union, in Montgomery county.

From Lowell, Washington county, via Reigner's Mills, Jackson and Olive Townships, in Morgan county, to Sharon.

From Ashland, Ashland county, via Jeromeville, Mohecanville to Loudenville, in Richland county.

From Canal Fulton, in Stark county, to Ashland, in Ashland county.

From St. John's, in Allen county, via Frysburg, to Dinsmoore, in Shelby county.

From Marion, in the county of Marion, via Kenton, in Hardin county, Huntersville, and Lima, in Allen county, to section ten, on the Miami canal.

From Xenia, in Green county, through Paintersville, in the same county, to Port William, in Clinton county.

From Jackson, in Jackson county, by the way of Vinton to Cheshire, in Gallia county.

From Nashport, in Licking county, via Elizabethtown, to Hanover.

From Woodville, in Sandusky county, via Hartford and Port Clinton, in Ottawa county, to Sandusky City.

From Bethel, Clermont county, via Brownsville, to Feesburg, in Brown county.

From Fayetteville, Brown county, via Westborough, to Cuba, in Clinton county.

Michigan.

Michigan. — From Grand Haven to Milwaukie, State of Wisconsin. From Owosso, in the county of Shiewassee, to Lyons, in the county of Ionia.

Iowa.

Iowa. — From Washington to the county seat of Jasper county.

From Tipton, via Pioneer Grove, to the county seat of Benton county.

From Oskaloosa, via Eddyville, to Clarksville, in Monroe county.

From Ottumwa to the county seat of Appenoose county.

From Burlington to Keosauqua.

From Jacksonville, via Mononah and McGregor's landing, to Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin Territory.

From Keokuk, via Fairfield, Ottumwa, and Oskaloosa, to the Barracks at the Racoon Fork of the Des Moines River.

From Wapello, via Columbus City, to Iowa City.

From Oskaloosa to Newton city, in Jasper county.

From Canton, Jackson county, via Pioneer Grove, to Ivanhoe, in Linn county.

From Torlesboro, via Walling's Landing, to Bloomington.

From Iowa City, via the county seats of Iowa, Powisheek, and Jasper counties, to Fort Des Moines, the county seat of Polk county.

From Fairfield to Bloomfield.

From Iowa City, via Tipton and Dewitt, to Albany, Illinois.

From Dubuque to Fort Atkinson.

From Burlington, via Columbus City, Hillsboro, and Port Allen, to Iowa City.

From Keokuk, via Charleston, Winchester, Birmingham, Agency City, Delonega, Oskaloosa, to Fort Des Moines, county seat of Polk county.

Texas.

Texas. — From Liberty to Beaumont.

From Buffalo (on Trinity River) to Springfield.

From Greenwood, Louisiana, via Mount Mourne, Grand Bluffs and Pine Hills, in Panola county, and Rhodes, to Gaye's Post-Office, Rusk county.

From Lagrange, via Scallon's, Hamlet, and Cedar Creek, to San Marco.

From Galveston, via Virginia Point, Liverpool, Hinds, Brazoria, and Caney, to Matagorda.

From Mansfield, Louisiana, via Ezekiel Jones', A. G. Turneys, Edward Smith's, and John Grave's, to Marshall.

Wisconsin.

Wisconsin. — From Falls of St. Croix, to Lapointe, in St. Croix county.

From Rochester, in Racine county, to Sugar Creek, in Walworth county.

From Galena, State of Illinois, via New Diggings, to Mineral Point, in Iowa county.

From Potosi Grant county, via Platteville, Head of Platte, Blue

River, and Muscoday, in Iowa county, to the county seat of Richland county.

From Racine, in Racine county, to Beloit, in Rock county.

From Southport, in Racine county, via Beloit, Rock county, to White Oak Springs, in Iowa county.

From Janesville, via Catfish, in Rock county, to Christiana, in Dane county.

From Racine, in Racine county, to White Water, in Walworth county.

From Prairieville, in Waukesha county, via Pemankie and Warren, to Rubicon, in Washington county.

From Janesville, in Rock county, via Exeter and Yellow Stone, in Green county, to Mineral Point, in Iowa county.

From Madison, Dane county, via Cross Plains, Groetsville, Reeveville, and Helena, to Dodgeville, in Iowa county.

From Monroe, Green county, via Greenville, to Blue Mounds, in Iowa county.

From Milton, Rock county, via Goodrich's Ferry, to Cottage Grove, in Dane county.

From Madison, Dane county, to Prairie du Chien, in Crawford county.

From Madison, Dane county, via Watertown, to Milwaukie, in Milwaukie county.

From Prairie du Chien to Cassville, in Grant county.

From Watertown, Jefferson county, to Waupan, Fond-du-Lac county.

From Watertown to Fond-du-Lac, in Fond-du-Lac county.

From Janesville, Rock county, via Lima, to Whitewater, in Walworth county.

From Janesville, via Indianford, to Madison, Dane county.

From Beloit, via Monroe, in Green county, and Winslow, to Galena, Illinois.

From Beloit, Rock county, to mineral Point, Iowa county.

From Plover Portage to Big Bull Falls, in Portage county.

From Manitowoc Rapids, via Manitowoc, to Twin Rivers, in Manitowoc county.

From Milwaukie, via West Bend, in Washington county, to Fond-du-Lac, in Fond-du-Lac county.

From Green Bay to Menomonie City, in Brown county

From Green Lake, in Marquette county, via county seat of Winnebago county, to Green Bay, in Brown county.

From Sac Prairie, by Barahoo, to Fort Winnebago.

From Grafton, by Rubicon, in Washington county, and Hustis Rapids, to Oak Grove, Dodge county.

From Oak Grove, in Dodge county, via Burnett and Chester, to Wampum, in Fond-du-Lac county.

From Potosi to Lancaster, in Grant county.

From Dubuque, Iowa, via Wild's Ferry and Potosi, to Platteville.

From Green Bay, via Thomson's Mills, to Plover Portage.

From Fort Winnebago, via the county seat of Winnebago county, to Neenah.

From Summit, via Ocanemawac and Hustis Rapids, to the county seat of Dodge county.

From Prairieville, via Pewankie, Lisbon, Warren, Erie, Wright, to Addison, Washington county.

From Janesville, via Fulton and Cooksville, to Rutland, in Dade county.

From Big Foot, via Solon, Antioch, Angola and Franklin, to Little Fort, Illinois.

From Oak Grove, via Laurel and Elhah, in Dodge county, to Columbus, in Columbia county.

Oregon. — From Oregon City, via Fort Vancouver and Fort Nesqually, to the mouth of Admiralty Inlet.

From Oregon City, up the Willamette Valley, to the Kalamet River, in the direction of San Frisco.

When said routes shall go into operation. SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the above routes shall go into operation on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, or sooner, should the funds of the department justify the same:

Proviso. *Provided*, That as soon as a responsible contractor shall offer to transport the mails over any portion of the routes included in this bill, for the revenues arising therefrom respectively, the Postmaster-General shall have the power forthwith to put them under contract.

Mails from New Orleans to Tampico. SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster-General be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to cause a mail to be transported once a week, and oftener, if he shall think the public interest requires it, from New Orleans, via Galveston, Passo Callo, Brasos de St. Iago, to Tampico, with return mails, the service to be performed by contract, or by the use of the public steamers now in the service of the War Department in the Gulf of Mexico, with the consent of the head of that department; and for this service the sum of thirty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated.

Letters, &c., to persons belonging to the army in Mexico to be free. SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all letters, newspapers, and other packets, not exceeding in weight one ounce, directed to any officer, musician, or private of the army of the United States in Mexico, or at any post or place on the frontier of the United States, bordering on Mexico, shall be conveyed in the mail free of postage: *Provided*, That all letters or other packets directed to any person in the army shall contain, as a part of their direction, the words, "belonging to the army."

Proviso.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the two preceding sections shall continue in force during the present war, and for three months after the same may be terminated, and no longer.

The two preceding sections to continue in force during the present war.

Mail from Charleston to Chagres, and from Panama to Astoria.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized to contract for transporting a mail from Charleston, South Carolina, to Chagres, touching at St. Augustine and Key West, and also at Havana, in the Island of Cuba, if deemed expedient, and across the isthmus to Panama, and from thence to Astoria, or the mouth of the Columbia River, touching at Monterey, St. Francisco, and such other places on the coast as the Postmaster-General may direct; the mail to be conveyed from Charleston to Chagres, and from Panama to Astoria, in steamships, and to be transported each way once every two months, or oftener, as the public interest may require: *Provided*, That the expenditure for said service shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars per annum.

Expense not to exceed \$100,000 a year.

Post-Office to be established at Astoria.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish a post-office and appoint a deputy postmaster at Astoria, and such other places on the coast of the Pacific, within the territory of the United States, as the public interest may require; that all letters conveyed to or from Chagres shall be charged with twenty cents postage: and all letters conveyed to or from Havana shall be subject to twelve and a half cents postage; and letters carried to or from Panama shall pay a postage of thirty cents, and letters to or from Astoria, or any other place on the Pacific coast, within the territory of the United States, shall pay forty cents postage.

Rate of postage.

Contracts to provide for the purchase of the steamships em-

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That any contract made in pursuance of this act shall provide for the purchase, by the United States, of the steamships to be employed in conveying the mail, at its

option, agreeably to the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to provide for the Transportation of the Mail between the United States and foreign Countries, and for other Purposes," approved the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five: *Provided*, That the departure and return of said mail may, at the discretion of the Postmaster-General, be either from Charleston, New York, Savannah, Pensacola, or New Orleans, as may be deemed most consistent with the public interest.

employed in conveying mails.
1845, ch. 69.
Proviso.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the service herein provided for, to be paid from the general appropriation for mail transportation.

§30,000 appropriated.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster-General be authorized and directed, when in his judgment the public interest or convenience may require it, to establish one or more branch post offices, to facilitate the operation of the post-office, in any city or place which, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General, may require such additional accommodation for the convenience of the inhabitants; and it shall be the duty of the Postmaster-General to prescribe the rules and regulations for the branch post-offices which may be established by virtue of this act; and no additional postage shall be charged for the receipt or delivery of any letter or packet at such branch post-office.

Branch post-offices.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That, to facilitate the transportation of letters in the mail, the Postmaster-General be authorized to prepare postage stamps, which, when attached to any letter or packet, shall be evidence of the payment of the postage chargeable on such letter; which said stamps the Postmaster-General may deliver to any deputy postmaster who may apply for the same, the deputy postmaster paying or becoming accountable for the amount of the stamps so received by him; and if any of said stamps shall not be used, but be returned to the General Post-Office, the amount so returned shall be credited to such deputy postmaster; and such deputy postmaster may sell or dispose of any stamps so received by him, to any person who may wish to use the same; but it shall not be lawful for any deputy postmaster to prepare, use, or dispose of any postage stamps not authorized by and received from the Postmaster-General; and any person who shall falsely and fraudulently make, utter, or forge any postage stamp, with the intent to defraud the Post-Office Department, shall be deemed guilty of felony, and on conviction shall be subject to the same punishment as is provided in the twenty-first section of the act approved the third day of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, entitled "An Act to reduce into one the several Acts establishing and regulating the Post-Office Department.

Postage stamps.

Penalty for forging &c. such stamps.

1825, ch. 64.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the sixth section of the act to which this is supplementary as requires the Postmaster-General to cause accounts of the postage that would be chargeable by the rates prescribed in said act upon all matter passing free through the mail, and that the same shall be paid to the Post-Office Department from the contingent funds of the two Houses of Congress, and of the other departments of the government for which such mail service may have been performed, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and that in lieu of such payment, and in compensation for such mail services as may be performed for the several departments of the government, there shall be paid to the Post-Office Department, from the treasury, for each year's service, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, which is hereby appropriated for that purpose, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

Repeal of so much of the 6th sec. of act 3d March 1845, ch. 43, as requires accounts to be kept of the postages of the pub. depts. &c.

§200,000 appropriated in lieu thereof.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful to deposit in any post-office, to be conveyed in the mail, two or more

Penalty for depositing in any post-office two

or more letters to different persons under the same envelope.

Proviso.

All newspapers, with certain exceptions, handbills, &c. to be subject to postage.

Contractors or mail carriers may transport papers out of the mails, &c.

What publications shall be considered as public documents, and may be franked as such.

Compensation of postmasters.

Receipts from boxes.

Repeal of so much of the act of May 3, 1845, ch. 43, as is inconsistent herewith.

letters directed to different persons enclosed in the same envelope or packet; and every person so offending shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered by action *qui tam*, one half for the use of the informer, and the other half for the use of the Post-Office Department: *Provided*, That this prohibition shall not apply to any letter or packet directed to any foreign country; and all newspapers conveyed in the mail shall be subject to postage, except those sent by way of exchange between the publishers of newspapers, and except those franked by persons enjoying the franking privilege; and newspapers not sent from the office of publication, and all handbills or circulars, printed or lithographed, not exceeding one sheet, shall be subject to three cents postage each, to be paid when deposited in any post-office to be conveyed in the mail; and it shall be lawful for any contractor or mail carrier to transport newspapers out of the mail for sale or distribution to subscribers, and the Postmaster-General shall have authority to pay or cause to be paid a sum, not exceeding two cents each, for all letters or packets conveyed in any vessel or steamboat not employed in carrying the mail from one post or place to any other post or place in the United States, subject to such regulations as the Postmaster-General may prescribe; and such publications or books as have been or may be published, procured, or purchased by order of either House of Congress, or a joint resolution of the two Houses, shall be considered as public documents, and entitled to be franked as such; and it shall not be lawful to make any allowance or compensation to deputy postmasters in addition to their commissions as authorized by law, excepting the receipts from boxes, of which all beyond two thousand dollars shall be applied in defraying the expenses of their offices, and to be accounted for in the same manner as they are required to account for their commissions, and excepting the special allowance made by law to the postmasters at Washington city and New Orleans.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the act approved the third day of March, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-five, entitled "An Act to reduce the Rates of Postage, to limit the Use, and correct the Abuse, of the Franking Privilege, and for the Prevention of Frauds on the Post-Office Department," and of all other acts relating to the Post-Office Department, or the service of that department, as is inconsistent with this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1847.

March 3, 1847.
1845, ch. 25.

CHAP. LXIV. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend 'An Act to carry into Effect in the States of Alabama and Mississippi the existing Compacts with those States with Regard to the five per cent. Fund and the School Reservations.'"*

Provisions of the act of February 26, 1845, extended so as to enable the State of Alabama to locate a certain quantity of land.
1845, ch. 25.
1849, ch. 72.

Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to carry into Effect in the States of Alabama and Mississippi the existing Compacts with those States with Regard to the five per cent. Fund and the School Reservations,'" approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and forty-five, be, and the same are hereby, extended so as to enable the State of Alabama to locate a quantity of land in any of the States or Territories equal to the quantity now due to the inhabitants of the township within the Chickasaw cession within said State: *Provided*, That they shall be made subject to the restrictions and limitations of the act the title of which has been cited, as far as the same may be applicable.

APPROVED, March 3, 1847.