AN ACT making Appropriations for the Service of the Post-Office Department during the fiscal Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and shall be, appropriated for the service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six:

For inland mail transportation, including pay of route agents, postal clerks, and mail messengers, thirteen million thirty-seven thousand six hundred and fifty-three dollars: Provided, That no part of said sum shall be paid for inland transportation between Fort Abercrombie and Helena.

For foreign mail transportation, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For inland mails.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, eight thousand dollars.

For foreign mails.

For compensation to postmasters, four million five hundred and forty-six thousand dollars.

For office furniture, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For clerks for post-offices, two million dollars.

For advertising, forty thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be paid to any papers published in the District of Columbia for advertising mail routes, except in Virginia and Maryland.

For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, five hundred thousand dollars.

For detecting and preventing mail depredations and for special agents, one hundred thousand dollars; and no greater sum shall be paid special agents than is hereby provided.

For mail-bags, and mail-bag catchers, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For mail-locks, keys, and stamps, thirty-seven thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous payments, including payment of balances to foreign countries, eight hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

For preparing and publishing post-route maps, sixteen thousand dollars.

For retransfer to money-order account, being money transferred by postmasters and deposited in the treasury as postage receipts, one million dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, viz:

For steamship service between San Francisco, Japan, and China, five hundred thousand dollars.

For steamship service between San Francisco and the Sandwich Islands, seventy-five thousand dollars.

For steamship service between the United States and Brazil, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For steamship service between San Francisco and the Sandwich Islands, seventy-five thousand dollars.

For supplying deficiency in the revenues of the Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, five million seven hundred and forty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.