

Settlement of Further Details under the Postal Treaty with Great Britain.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES

November 25
and December
12, 1853.
See post, p. 841.

To the Articles agreed upon between the Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post-Office of the United States of America for carrying into Execution the Convention of December fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

Ante, p. 787.

IN pursuance of the power granted, by Article XXI. of the convention of December fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States of America, to the two Post-Offices, to settle the matters of detail, which are to be arranged by mutual consent, for insuring the execution of the stipulations contained in the said convention, the undersigned, duly authorized for that purpose by their respective offices, have agreed upon the following articles:—

New office of
exchange estab-
lished at Phila-
delphia.

ARTICLE I. There shall be established, on the part of the United States, a new office of exchange at Philadelphia, which shall exchange mails with the British offices of London and Liverpool, by means of the British and of the United States mail packets plying between Liverpool and Boston, or New York, respectively, and by means of the United States mail packets plying between Southampton and New York.

Mails forward-
ed from Philadel-
phia to comprise
what, when de-
spatched from
Boston or New
York to Liver-
pool;

ARTICLE II. When the packets are despatched from Boston, or from New York, to Liverpool, the mails forwarded from the office of Philadelphia to the office of Liverpool shall comprise the correspondence for all parts of the United Kingdom, with the exception of the city of London and its suburbs.

The mails for London shall comprise all the correspondence for that city and its suburbs, and for countries in transit through the United Kingdom.

when from New
York to South-
ampton.

ARTICLE III. When the packets are despatched from New York to Southampton, the mails forwarded from the office of Philadelphia to the office of London shall comprise the correspondence for all parts of the United Kingdom, with the exception of Southampton, and for foreign countries, (France and countries on the continent of Europe addressed via Southampton and Havre excepted,) and for British colonies and possessions in transit through the United Kingdom.

The mails for Southampton shall comprise all the correspondence for that town, and for France, and for countries on the continent of Europe specially addressed via Southampton and Havre.

Separate mails
for Philadelphia
by packets from
Liverpool;

ARTICLE IV. Reciprocally, when the packets are despatched from Liverpool to Boston, or to New York, separate mails for Philadelphia shall be forwarded from the offices of London and Liverpool, comprising all the correspondence for the city of Philadelphia.

or Southamp-
ton.

ARTICLE V. When the packets are despatched from Southampton to New York, separate mails for Philadelphia shall be forwarded from the offices of London and Southampton, comprising all the correspondence for the city of Philadelphia.

Present articles
additional to for-
mer ones;

ARTICLE VI. The present articles shall be considered as additional to those agreed upon between the two offices for carrying into execution the convention of December fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, signed at Washington the fourteenth of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

Ante, p. 788.
when to go
into operation.

Done in duplicate and signed at London on the twenty-fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and at Washington on the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

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Approved :
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To the Articles agreed upon between the Post-Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post-Office of the United States of America for carrying into Execution the Convention of December the fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

March 20 and
April 9, 1856.
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IN pursuance of the power granted to the two Post-Offices by Article XXI. of the convention of December the fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States of America, to settle the matters of detail, which are to be arranged by mutual consent, for ensuring the execution of the stipulations contained in the said convention, the undersigned, duly authorized for that purpose by their respective offices, have agreed upon the following articles :—

Ante, p. 787.

ARTICLE I. Letters posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the United States, or posted in the United States addressed to the United Kingdom, and intended to be forwarded between the United Kingdom and the United States, by British or United States packets, may be registered on the application of the persons posting the same, but such registration shall not render the Post-Office Departments of the United Kingdom or the United States liable for the loss of such letters or the contents thereof.

Letters may be registered.

No liability for loss.

It is understood that this regulation applies equally to letters between the United Kingdom and California or Oregon, whether conveyed via New York, via Boston, or via Panama.

ARTICLE II. The conditions under which registered letters shall be received and delivered, and the forms to be observed in their transmission from the place at which they are posted to the office of exchange, or from the office of exchange to the place of their destination, shall be regulated by the rules in force in the two countries respectively.

Conditions of the receipt and delivery of registered letters.

ARTICLE III. The postage upon registered letters shall invariably be paid in advance, including not only the ordinary postage to the place of their destination, but also any registration fee to which letters of this class may be liable, according to the regulations of the country from which they are sent.

Postage to be prepaid.

ARTICLE IV. The Post-Office of the United Kingdom shall be at liberty to fix the amount of the registration fee to be levied upon all registered letters forwarded from the United Kingdom to the United States; and, in like manner, the Post-Office of the United States shall be at liberty to fix the amount of the registration fee to be levied upon all registered letters forwarded from the United States to the United Kingdom.

Amount of registration fee how determined.