

June 1 and July 20, 1875.

Amended article to replace Article Three of the postal convention between the United States of America and the colonial government of New South Wales, signed at Washington the 15th day of January, A. D. 1874.

Contracting parties.

The undersigned being thereunto duly authorized by their respective Governments, have agreed to replace Article 3 of the Postal Convention of 15th January, 1874, by the following article.

Amendment of postal convention of Jan. 15, 1874. *Ante*, p. 1.

ARTICLE 3.

No accounts to be kept.

No accounts shall be kept between the Post Departments of the two countries upon the international correspondence, written or printed, exchanged between them, but each country shall retain to its own use the postage which it collects.

Rates of postage and weight of letters.

The single rate of international letter-postage shall be 12 cents in the United States, and sixpence in New South Wales, on each letter weighing half an ounce or less, and an additional rate of 12 cents (sixpence) for each single weight of half an ounce or fraction thereof, which shall in all cases, be prepaid at least one single rate, by means of postage-stamps, at the office of mailing in either country. Letters unpaid, or prepaid less than one full rate of postage shall not be forwarded, but insufficiently paid letters on which a single rate or more has been prepaid, shall be forwarded, charged with the deficient postage to be collected and retained by the Post Department of the country of destination.

Unpaid or short-paid letters.

Rates of postage on newspapers, &c.

The United States Post Office shall levy and collect to its own use, on newspapers addressed to New South Wales, a postage charge of 2 cents; and on all other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise addressed to New South Wales, a postage charge of 4 cents per each weight of four ounces or fraction of four ounces.

On other printed matter, &c.

The Post Office of New South Wales shall levy and collect to its own use, on newspapers and other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise addressed to the United States, the regular rates of domestic postage chargeable thereon by the laws and regulations of the Colony of New South Wales.

Free delivery.

Letters, newspapers, and other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise, fully prepaid, which may be received in either country from the other, shall be delivered free of all charge whatever.

Newspapers, &c., subject to laws of each country.

Newspapers, and all other kinds of printed matter and patterns and samples of merchandise are to be subject to the laws and regulations of each country respectively, in regard to their liability to be rated with letter-postage when containing written matter, or for any other cause specified in said laws and regulations, as well as in regard to their liability to customs duty under the revenue laws.

The provisions of this amended article shall be carried into operation on the 1st of July, A. D. 1875.

Signatures.

Done in duplicate and signed at Washington the twentieth day of July, 1875, and at Sydney the first day of June, 1875.

[L. S.]

MARSHALL JEWELL,
Postmaster General of the United States.

[L. S.]

J. T. BURNS,
Postmaster General of New South Wales.

Approval.

I hereby approve the foregoing amended article, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

[L. S.]

U. S. GRANT.

By the President:

HAMILTON FISH,
Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, July 29, 1875.