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de Mlle. Angelique Thibault.

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INTRODUCTION.

ff ped. * ped. * ped. * *pp* *rall^o*...

Una corda.

p tempo.

ff ped. * ped. * ped. * *pp*

U.C.

Cantabile.

mf *sonore.*

ped. * ped. * ped. * ped. *

cresc. *sf* *p* *

ped. * ped. * ped. * ped. *

Elbow Creek June 4 1830

E. J. Fort Esq

Dear Sir

We have taken the liberty to send to

you a copy of letters which are forwarded to his Honor -
Wm. T. Parry relating to the appointment of Justices and
the removal of the office at this place - in which you will
perceive we have referred his Honor to yourself, T. Blampden
and Benj. Waterworth Esq for information.

If you should feel yourself at liberty to express your opinion
to his Honor on the subject we should deem it gratifying
and a particular favour

Yours Obedt Servants
C. C. Swift
A. Merchant

Monday, Gazette May 18 1811

Proposals for mail until 13th 1811

From Conroy's ad By Blooming, Am, Southampton, Boston
"New Amsterdam" Secutor, Kingston to Niagara "once a week"
Leave Conroy's Monday 6 AM & arrive at New Amsterdam ^{Tuesday} by
6 PM & at Niagara by ^{Monday 6} Friday, PM, Leave Niagara Friday 6 PM
Leave New Amsterdam Saturday 6 PM & arrive Conroy's Saturday noon

New Amsterdam to Cleveland this once in
two weeks

From New Amsterdam by Fish Creek, Catteraugus, Casada, Erie, Walnut Creek, Litchfield, Poughkeepsie, ^{from} Austinville, Hector & Enclinto Cleveland Ohio once in ^{two weeks}
Leave New Amsterdam ^{every other} Wednesday 6 PM & arrive at Cleve
land next Tuesday by 6 PM - Leave Cleve

Wednesday 6 PM & arrive at New Amsterdam. Friday 6 AM
Contracts commence 1st Oct 1811 & continue to
Dec 31 1814.

Albany to Conroy's ad via Schen, Andrus on Sec.
When to ^{proceed} to Andrus. ^{Shen} Shen on Sec
Gene a Conroy's ad - Leave Albany every day (some Sunday)
at 6 AM at Schen - 10 ^{AM} Leave Schen Monday morning &
Friday 1 PM 1 day at Schen, next Geneva - Thus from
Schen to Conroy's ad 3 times week 3 days
to Geneva & leave Geneva 6 AM & at Conroy's 10 AM

Hudson - Remove Steam Boats July 1814

Albany to Schen \$10-60th Bigger only allowed
locking only allowed 55 papers - All taken on board as
but one shore no matter how that distance \$1 each

2 to 10 years age 1/4 price - Servants half price 1/2 price
under 2 years age 1/4 price - \$1 for work day or one
at wet logs than a sheep & to be tied on deck

Albany to Schen July 21 1814 aged 41

July 1 1814 Stage Adventure into Albany

Along Conondaque
Leave Albany every morning & arrive at
Utica some day
~~leave Utica every afternoon (Sundays excepted)~~
Stops Leone Utica & Conondaque every
day (Sundays excepted) arrive at Conondaque
some day & - The mail was 3 times
a week as formerly on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays

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Early mail route
= 2 shipments 1811 to 1814
from Albany to Fayette
Hudson River Steamboat 1814

Sostenuto.

ped. * ped. * sf > cresc: riten: * ped. * sf *pp* rall: *

In tempo.

U.C. *pp* più lento. *f* risoluto. poco riten: * ped. * ped. * *pp*

Vivo.

ped. * *p* *f* brillante. dimin:

rinf. *p* rall: *p*

4 ANDANTINO ESPRESSIVO.

TEMA.

*p dolce. ped. * ped. * ped. * ped. cresc. * ped. * ped. **

*mf ped. * ped. * ped. * ped. * ped. cresc. * ped. * ped. * dimin: rall?*

*In tempo. mf ped. * ped. * ped. * dimin: f sf pesante. rall?*

Risoluto.

Echo.

pp più lento.

1º tempo.

*pp Una corda. ped. * ped. * ped. **

L.H.

Tre corde.

*mf ped. * ped. * ped. cresc. * ped. * ped. * dimin: * ped. h. ped. **

lento.

rall?

L.H.

Cherry Brook Feb 26 1854

Dear Sir

agreeable to our understanding
of yesterday I called on Mr. Bates and presented
the letter which you wrote in the subject of
removing the P. O. to the center of the town
he ridiculed the idea and said it should
not be done and that it was out of the power
of any man or set of men to effect a removal
that he could get all the Post Masters about
to sign in favor of his keeping it although
he fully admitted that it ought to go there
but they should not be gratified I urged
the importance of keeping harmony and
mutual good feelings in our Party and
that I knew it would be for his interest
to take the course suggested that we
ventured to suggest that course to him
from a desire to prevent collision and
with the kindest feelings towards him but
all in vain In fact my sermon he
did not treat me respectfully and deny
I thought and said he would think of it &
I presumed it would be a long while
before he should make up his mind
to do any such thing there are
the main out lines of the facts
I have now done laboring with him
and Brady & desirous of taking strong
and decisive measures in relation to
the office I have had a long conversation
with Lewis Mansley on the subject
of his political course I am satisfied
that it will be such as our Party will
approve and that we shall gain from
him much strength and material

Friend B. Vaill has written you
a Lin which I have enclosed & his
views I entirely concur I am satisfied
Linn S. Mandley is the man
my own opinion is that the facts
had better be embodied in a memorial
particularly in relation to the vote of
the Town Road &c & let that be signed
by the Principle officers of the Town
and then you & such other men as you
should think advisable take such other
steps as your judgement should think
most proper I have all the Papers &
will keep them I am the Town
to let me hear from you immediately
on this subject - It is not known
him what has been done

Wm V. J. Fook

Your friend
Grover

S. Grover
on Ellington P.O.

Un poco più mosso e brillante.

VAR: I.

p grazioso. *<sf* *<sf* *<sf*

ped. * *<sf* *<sf* *<sf* ped. *

mf *p* cresc: riten: 1423 a capriccio. *8a* ped. *

8a L.H. R.H. In tempo. *<sf* *<sf* *<sf* ritenuto. *p* grazioso. *<sf* *<sf* *<sf*

ped. * *<sf* *<sf* *<sf* ped. *

6 Risoluto e ben marcato. La 2^{da} volta *pp*.

VAR: 2.

La 2^{da} volta *pp*.

1^o tempo.

pp leggerissimo.

cresc:

(Confidential)

Washington August 27. 1840

Dear Sir,

I shall presume so far on your zeal in the good cause & your spirit of accommodation as to ask of you the favor to inform me of any matter in your county of special interest touching the approaching Presidential election; and particularly your estimate of the probable majority in November - You have no doubt an efficient organization that is employing means ^{of information} and efforts to the best advantage - Still I might afford a little aid perhaps in sending you some documents within my reach here, did I know what kind would be most useful -

What is the principal misrepresentation relied on by the Whigs to mislead the public in your vicinity?

Extraordinary developments are coming to light of monstrous frauds at the polls in the recent Indiana election. Too much attention cannot be given to this point in New York. Ought not committees of vigilance to be appointed for every election district to guard against illegal votes, & to prevent if possible foul play with the ballot boxes? Yours Truly

R. Hobbie

E. F. Foote Esq
Jamestown N.Y.

1ma 2da

ped: sf * pp

dimin: ben marcato il basso.

mf sf

sempre staccato.

ritenuto pesante.

Lo stesso tempo.

cre... scen... do.

sf p

4 3 2 1

ped.

cre... scen...

4 3 2 1

senza interruptione.

do. dimin: rall^o *

Primo tempo.

VAR: 3.
E
FINALE.

p e delicatamente. ped. *ped. *ped. *ped. *

4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1

rf. *dim.* *ped. *ped. *ped. *ped. *ped. *

dolce.

4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1

ped. *ped. *ped. *rf* *dim.* *ped. *ped. *cresc:* *

2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1

sf ped. *ped. *ped. *

sf ped. *rall.* ped. *

Dear Sir

Harmony 30 August 1839

With sentiments of gratitude for past favours & friendship, I most earnestly solicit a continuance of the same kindly feeling that I have no reason to doubt has existed toward me. I am about leaving this place for Farmington. It has always been my wish to stay, but Mr Burgess has ever been discontented & has always been anxious to settle in Farmington. I am aware that it is against my interest & than any other place that I should prefer but none of them would suit her. There is a great excitement in this place with regard to the P. O. & I understand that report says that I have bargained it away. It is as fair as the originators are black hearted. I will confidentially state to you my course of conduct in regard to the matter. I wrote a resignation & a recommendation in favour of Mr Cleveland, but through the means of Dr Cook who accidentally saw the paper mine was conveyed to Brown & so to Williams & a Petition in favour of Williams and a remonstrance against Dr C was immediately in circulation. Mr Rasthurn who now is seeking for the office was among the first who signed it. He also circulated it through the place. I then had a talk with Esqr By and Athery & it was agreed that I should resign in favour of Athery. Esqr B signed the Petition & Mr Cleveland concurred to it & also signed it. I have always been unwilling that a Whig should hold the Office but of two evils I thought it was best to choose the least. Mr Athery is a moderate Whig, an industrious man and a good Citizen. After Williams found that my resignation had not been sent & probably that he could not get the Office. He then bargained with his hired man, Lyman Rasthurn to make an effort. Mr R got a petition & circulated it & carried the idea that I had sold.

to Athury & that the matter was so arranged with you Judge
Osborn, Camp & Binks that the people here might set
their hearts at ease that he should obtain it. He has gone to
day to comply with his petition, what will be the
result I know not, but one thing I do know, that it is
much against the wishes of the people here of both parties as
a general thing. In the first place I will say that he
is not qualified for the Office & further he is as much a
stranger here as Dr C has only been in the place three
months, (is newly). He has been at the South about
three years, is a single man and has no interest in
the place is nothing more nor less than a travelling
Lounsey man. He appears to be mighty friendly to the
Administration and very unwilling that a rival should have
the Office, but Sir look at his course. He signed Williams
Petition, circulated it himself & now lays claim to the Office
on account of his politics. I have sent my Resignation to
the Dept & recommended Athury. Do not think Sir that I
have changed my politics. No Sir I will stick to the
party let what will come upon me & further I am not
to be bought nor sold, but what can I do. Dr C would
not on any ground have me send my resignation and
recommend for him after he learnt what was going on
& so I recommended Mr A. There are but two Administration
men in the place who are permanent residents. Mr
Cornell & Joseph L. Decamp. Mr Cornell you are
acquainted with. Mr Joseph L. Decamp is a respectable
man, a Mechanick & a member of the Baptist Church
and far more capable than Mr R. has real estate
in the place & will probably stay here. I should have
recommended him, but he did not want it.

But he now says neither than Batham should get the
Office that he will take it: for he thinks it would be
a disgrace to the party to have Dr C appointed. Now Sir
I sincerely hope that you will put your bet upon Mr R.
I have no doubt but what your feelings are somewhat
injured towards me. You probably have heard the reports
and perhaps have believed them, But Sir they are false
and I am willing if you think it expedient to publish
in the papers & statements in regard to it & make Affidavit
of it. If I have done any thing wrong I am sorry & I feel
unwilling that you should turn against me. You have been
my friend & have assisted me for which I shall always
hold you in grateful remembrance. In my letters to
my Parents I have always spoken of you as next to a father
& now Sir I cannot bear the thought that you should forsake
me. If my resignation had not gone on I would stay
in the place notwithstanding Mr B's feelings, but it is too late
to repent now. Dr C is in the place & will probably
stay. I prefer some other kind of business to the Practice
of medicine & had I a small capital I would now practice
if I could get an apartment of Dr C's medicine. I would
I would start a shop in Jamestown & try my luck but
that is out of the question. Probably I have already cured
of some patients & well done.

Yours with Respect J. D. Buzelle



S. D. Buzzell
 We commend
 Mr. Buzzell's appointment
 as Pell Honorary

Wm. J. Frote

Warrenton

By the politeness
 of Mr. Frote

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Echo. In tempo. 9

8^a

pp

pp glissando dolcissimo.

4 2 18

4 3 2 1

ped. * ped. *

ped. *sf* * ped. *dimin.* * ped. *

morendo. tremolo.

ped. * ped. * *pp* *mf* *pp*

Tutta forza.

8^a 33

ff * FINE.

ff

(H.HERZ. OP: 159.)

R.W.Tone Eng^r

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Early Mail Routes & Post Offices were
Charteraugus County
Introductory to the history of the early mail
routes and Post Offices in Charteraugus County
I will briefly allude to the earliest mail routes
and Post Offices, east and west of our County before
we enjoyed the mail facilities, and between which
offices and mail routes, our first mail route
was established. The first mail route
was established in 1804.

Buffalo Post Office
I have never been able to find any one who
could give me a history of the first Post Office
in Buffalo, or the extension of the first mail route
to it. After ^{much research & a lengthy} considerable investigation however,
I have found that a Post Office was first established at
Buffalo by the name of "Buffalo Creek" as a pri-
vate office (not then on any mail route) the latter
part of the year 1804) and that Enoch Young
was appointed the first Post Master (Here end
the ^{removals} of his office for ^{the} mail. The nearest Post Offices were at Petauice
on the East, Niagara ~~at~~ on the North, and Erie Pa.
on the West. The Post Master of Buffalo Creek pro-
ceeded the roads from Niagara ~~at~~ Office and first
to ~~the~~ his ^{his} ~~office~~ ^{office} ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{same} ~~direction~~ ^{direction}
^{then} Stephen Bates Esq. of Canandaigua was the
mail contractor from Canandaigua West as far as

as far as the mail was transported in the years 1801, 2 & 3 the mail being carried over in two loads. I think the mail during the whole or at least a portion of his contract was carried to ^{Niagara} ~~the Falls~~ ~~the Falls~~. Messrs Baker & Seale were mail contractors from Canandaigua via Avon, Caledonia, Batavia, and Cold Spring (near Lockport) to Niagara Falls in 1804, and until Oct 1 1805. John Mitealf of Canandaigua was a subcontractor & carried the mail.

In February 1805 the Postmaster General increased the compensation of Mr Mitealf ^{at the rate of} one hundred dollars a year to extend his mail route from Niagara ~~Falls~~ to Buffalo Creek, that the Post Office there might be supplied with a regular mail once in two weeks.

July 5 1805 John Mitealf of Canandaigua took a mail contract on the preceding route at the rate of \$550 a year to commence the first day of October then ensuing. By the terms of this contract he was to transport the mail "by the way of New Amsterdam (the Holland Company name for Buffalo) in going to Niagara" and in returning from Niagara to Canandaigua he pursued his old route by the way of Cold Spring & Batavia. I believe the first effort to run a stage from Canandaigua to Buffalo was by the aforesaid Mitealf in "stage waggon" in 1807. On the sixth day of April in that year Mr Mitealf procured an act of the Legislature giving him the exclusive

right to run stage waggon from Canandaigua to Buffalo for the term of seven years from the first of July 1807. I give a brief of this act not as a matter of history but as a curiosity of this day. By the terms of the aforesaid act any other person running waggon on said road as a stage line was liable to a penalty of \$500 to be recovered by the said John Mitealf - Mitealf as a condition was to provide at least three stage waggon and sleighs, with sufficient covering and also sufficient horses. Fare not over six cents a mile for a passenger and fourteen pounds of baggage - Every 150 ^{pounds} additional pounds of baggage six cents a mile or in that proportion. He was to start his stages and proceed on regular days stated for that purpose. Between the first of July and the first of October he was to accomplish said route between Canandaigua & Buffalo at least once in a week unavoidable accidents excepted. Not more than seven "grown persons" to be taken into a stage at one time unless by the unanimous consent of said seven passengers of more than seven passengers applied and could not be accommodated as aforesaid, Mitealf was required to lend an extra ^{covered} carriage for four persons. If four or more persons applied in Canandaigua to go out not less than ten miles on said route and could not be accommodated in the regular stage, were to pay eight cents a mile each, and the proprietor bound to send an extra for them. No person was prohibited from travelling in private carriages. If Mr Mitealf

neglected to perform the duties required of him he was to forfeit the exclusive grant thus made.

The first Post Office at Erie Pa is said to have been established about 1798 at the termination of a two weeks horse mail route from Pittsburgh to Erie - I have no definite information about the mail route from Pittsburgh to Erie before 1811, when John Gray, who was the Post Master at Erie was mail contractor for a weekly horse mail at a compensation of \$920 a year - Post Masters were not then, as now prohibited from being mail contractors.

John Hay Esq. was Post Master at Erie Pa in 1800 and his quarterly returns for April 1st of that year show a balance due the General Post Office of \$36⁰⁰ when he entered upon the duties of the office or when he entered from it I am not advised.

in 1802, but had no mail route into or through it until 1806. In 1805 a post route was established by act of Congress between Presque Isle (Erie) and Buffalo creek - John Mitchell took a contract for transporting the mail on this route once in two weeks, commencing the first part of the year 1806, which was carried most of the time on foot in a small hand mail bag, a kind of satchel and some of the pioneer settlers of that period say it was first carried in a pocket handkerchief for want of a mail bag. John Edwards from Britains Co. usually carried the mail during Mitchell's contract.

A Post Office, the first in the county, was established on this route by the name of Chautauque May 6 1806 and James Mc Mahan Esq. appointed Post Master. He then resided and for many subsequent years at his farm a little west of the original Post Office. The farm is now 1861 owned by Sheriff Vorce. Col Mc Mahan held the office there until 1818 when it was discontinued and the West field office established as more central. A barndaway office (the 2nd in the county) was established June 18 1806 and Deacon Erasmus Holmes a soldier of the Revolution was appointed Post Master. This office was located at the excellent farm of the Post Master near the center of the present town of Sheridan about four miles east of the present village of Fredonia. At this time the town of Chautauque, in the vicinity of Guesic embraced the whole of the county - barndaway office was discontinued August 6 1817. The first leading Post Office was the only one for some years, subsequently.

From October 1 1807 to October 1 1809, Edward Fratherly Post Master of Jefferson Ohio was the mail contractor from Erie Pa to New Amsterdam N.Y. for the transportation of a mail on horse back once in two weeks at a compensation of \$420 per annum. Pomfret Post Office the 3rd in the county was established May 6 1809 and Samuel Perry Esq. appointed Post Master. Balon is the General Post Office

from this office Oct 1 1809 was \$191. Jacob Kuyler
 was appointed Post-Master August 19 1813.
 Morley W. Abell appointed P.M. April 22 1816
 Name of the office changed to Frederick
 in January 1817. Balance due the General P. Office
 for the quarter ending July 1 1817 was \$67.37/100
 From Oct 1 1809 to Oct 1 1811 John Miller
 was contractor for transporting the mail
 from New Amsterdam to Jefferson, Ashaba
 Co county Ohio for a mail on horseback once in
 two weeks, at a yearly compensation of \$688.
 By an act of Congress reorganizing mail
 routes in 1810, a route following 2 out
 "Eric to New Amsterdam, via Casada, Cata-
 wagus and Fish Creek"
 was from July 1 1811 to Dec 1 1814 John Gray
 was the contractor for carrying this mail on
 horseback once in two weeks from New Amst
 to Steadman to Cincinnati Ohio for \$950 a year
 services commencing Oct 1 1811.

By a law of Congress, a mistake not, a
 section of the General P. Office department
 to furnish the mail facilities to the States of
 all counties where courts were held.
 The county of Chautauque was organized in 1811
 at Mayville by the name of Mayville July 1
 1812. Caspar Pease Esq. a pioneer in the
 from Paris to New Orleans the first settled
 Mayville was appointed Post-Master. The office

on any mail, the Post-Master procured and
 sent his mail to the Chautauque Post Office
 at the roads receiving the encumbrance of his
 office as his compensation for transporting the mail
 Caspar Pease the new Post-Master died Dec 25
 1812. Anselm Potter Esq. a young attorney of
 Mayville recently from Plymouth Co. was
 appointed P.M. July 19 1813, but declined the
 office - Charles B. Pease, a brother of Caspar, was
 appointed P.M. vice Potter declining, Feb 12 1813.
 George Mc Gonagle Merchant of Mayville of
 the farm of Herrickville formerly of
 Meadville Pa was appointed P.M. vice Pease
 removed, for cause, Nov 1 1816.

Jedidiah Tracy Esq. formerly of Norwich Ct
 a pioneer to the west was appointed P.M. May
 29 1819 vice Mc Gonagle resigned. Mr Tracy held
 the office many years, at his farm in Mayville, and was
 a trusty valuable officer.

until about the 1st of January 1817 Mayville was
 the only Post Office in the County south of the ridge
 nearly all persons then settled in the south part of the
 county being dependent on this office for their mail matter.

Waterford Po was established 1812 and Foster
 Young Esq. P.M. John Mook was appointed his suc-
 = cess or July 28 1814. Office discontinued Dec 4 1817

Burgottown Po was established at the present village of
 North Fork Erie Co. Stephen S. Stephens was P.M. It was the only Po
 between the State line and Erie for many years.

Jamestown Post Office

From the first settlement of Jamestown and I may say of the entire south-east part of Chautauque County until the Jamestown Post Office was established the people previous to A. 1812 were compelled to send to the Woods or Canada way the nearest office for letters or papers.

In A. 1812 a "private P. Office" was established at Mayville which was the nearest office until the ~~office~~ the Jamestown office was established. When it first led to Jamestown in the Spring of A. 1813, the nearest Post Office south was Franklin Pa 60 miles. Meddville is 60 miles Pa. South west 50 miles. Olean on the east 60 miles and Fredonia on the north 30 miles and Mayville on the west 22 miles. This extent of country was without a Post Office except Jamestown for some years after the Jamestown Post Office was established. Hence we were in the habit of embracing every opportunity by persons who were going to Mayville to the land office or otherwise to send and receive letters. This became so common that every respectable person from every part of the county known to the Post Office at Mayville would call and get all the letters ^{or papers} for his neighbors and pay the postage and bring them to the owners. Hence there was hardly a day but letters were received or sent to Mayville. Very few regular papers were taken in Jamestown or its vicinity by mail. I recollect that Judge Prendyost received the weekly "Albany Gazette" published by Messrs Webster & Skinner. Joseph Akin took a weekly paper from New York, and for me at Griffith the New York Evening Post. The people however were in the habit of receiving scattering papers by mail & private conveyance but they were a long time coming. When a paper was received it was read by the owner and lent to others and read by one after another until it was worn out.

2/ There was no paper published near the Buffalos and I soon commenced taking the Buffalo Gazette and continued it until the Chautauque Gazette was established at Conodoway which was the first paper published in the country. I did not usually receive a letter from my parents in Cherrango County until two weeks after it was mailed and I never calculated on receiving a letter in answer under four weeks from the time I wrote them. The result of our State elections was not known until ^{some} weeks after the election the election was held. Indeed the result of the election in our own Assembly district was not infrequently known until two weeks after the election. We were truly an isolated people and nearly separated in correspondence from our country.

A. 1816

By an act of Congress passed I think in March A. 1816 a new mail route was established from Madville Pa. by the forks of Oil Creek "Warner Pa." (no doubt meaning Warren Pa.) outlet of Chautauque Lake to Madville N.Y. Messrs. Brodley & Johnson of Madville Pa. or vicinity became contractors for transporting a weekly mail on the above route for three years commencing Nov. 1 1816 extending into Nov. 1 1819 at \$420 a year or \$110 a quarter. Distance by the circuitous route about 107 miles. The trip was performed in about 4 days the mail lying by in the meantime at Madville. A small horseback postman was not half filled by the mail for sometime after the mail commenced on this route.

Jamesstown Post Office A. 1816

James Prendergast Esq. was appointed Postmaster at Jamesstown December 13 1816 on the private

application of himself, and his eastern friends,
and Dr. Labon Hazeltine became his official bond
for the sum of \$500.

Judge Prendergost first quarterly returns were made
1817 April 1st Balance Due Gen Office was \$3.10
1821 Jan 1 " " " " " " " " " " \$15.32
1822 " " " " " " " " " " 18.50.

Judge Prendergost kept the Post Office matters, letters
and papers in a small desk behind the counter, in
Messrs. of J. M. Prendergost store at the N.W. corner of Main
and first street while he held the office, and Thomas Dishon
a clerk of the Messrs Prendergosts was his deputy, and
discharged nearly all the duties of the office. Judge
Prendergost held the office about 27 years. He
resigned the office in October 1824, and recom-
mended the appointment of Dr. Labon Hazeltine
as his successor who was appointed solely on his recommendation.

1824 Doctor Labon Hazeltine was appointed Post Master
October 5th 1824. James Prendergost Dr. Hazeltine's office
bail. Doctor Hazeltine removed the office to his
living house being the 1/2 story building he bought of
John Blodgett on lot No. 3, on the West side of Main street
and continued the office there while he was Post Master.

The doctor was pretty extensively engaged in country
practice and much of the time from home, and hav-
ing no clerks the duties of the office was mostly
discharged by Mrs. L. F. Hazeltine the doctor's wife,
while he held the office, although a short time before
his removal. Melrose Rowe became a student in his
office and discharged most of the duties.

on the expiration of Messrs Johnson & Brodley's
mail contract Nov 1. 1819. James Browley one of the
old contractors with addition to his route from Moriyallite Westfield.

1819
James Browley, Contractor from Morville Pa (once a week)

4/ on horseback^m via Forks of oil creek; Brothertown,
Youngsville, Irvine, Warren & N; Fair banks,
Jamestown, Mayville to Westfield, from which
it will be seen that this route was extended
to embrace a part of another route viz between
Westfield and Mayville.

1824

A mail stage having commenced running in
waggons from Buffalo via Fredonia & Mayville
to Erie Pa. the citizens of Jamestown felt anxious
to have a public conveyance to that point. A
subscription was circulated to induce Capt
Gilbert Ballard, Innkeeper of Jamestown, to run
his wagon line to Mayville (privately stated
once a week) three times a week, and consider-
able sums were subscribed to carry the project
into effect; and Capt Ballard immediately
run his stage to Mayville three times a week
leaving Jamestown in the morning and arriving
at Mayville by noon and returning the same
evening. The teams were generally good horses
but at first a more arduous stout horse
waggon without cover & board seats (without backs)
on wooden springs. Finally covered stage waggons
were used. The stage went & returned on the east side
of the Lake. A petition was finally circulated asking
the Post Master General to have the mail transported
by stage from Jamestown to Mayville three times a week
and two hundred dollars to be allowed as a ^{very} compensation.
The following letters from the Post Master General
show the result of the petition and are reliable data
for the future historian.

Gen. P. O. Washington City August 23rd 1825

Post Office Jamestown N.Y.

Sir - I have received yours of the 3rd Inst & petition
As stages pass now three weekly between Jamestown

and Mayville N.Y. I wish the proprietors to convey⁵
the mail as often as the stages run but I cannot allow
two hundred dollars but will allow one hundred and eighty
dollars provided they convey the mail three weekly
on the above route, and they may begin as soon as
this letter reaches you. If they accept the offer you
will state the day and hours, which govern them as
well as the name of the person with whom I shall con-
tract, as a bond and contract will be forwarded for the
contractors' perusal. When they do begin you will
direct Bradley (who was their contractor) to proceed
no farther than your office with the mail
of copy. Respectfully &c.
Jesse Leon Pelly

Post Master General to James Bradley Contractor
Genl P. Office Washington City Aug 23/25
Mr James Bradley & Co. Mayville Pa.
It is probable that the mail will
be carried in the line of stages passing between Jonestown
and Mayville to Wofford, in a few days. If so you will
convey the mail no farther than Jonestown. Your pay
will be reduced in proportion to the reduction of your service.
Your whole travel is estimated at 117 miles your ride
will be shortened 31 miles (the estimated difference be-
tween Jonestown and Wofford N.Y.) You will be regulated, as
this change by the Post Master at Jonestown, to which
I have this day written. (Copy) Respectfully &c.
Jesse Leon Pelly

1825
Capt Gilbert Ballard the stage proprietors immediately
commenced carrying the mail three weekly in his stages.
By some subsequent arrangement he only carried the
mail from his stage to Mayville, & another carried the
mail in a stage more frequently from Mayville to Wofford.
Our first mail stage to Jonestown, was, about the first
day of September 1825. The following will be recommended

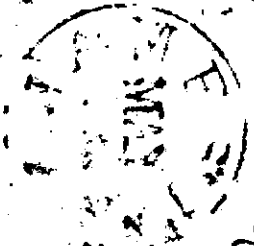
6/ I have not time now to go into a detail of the
route - The stage from Johnston to Hedonia was the exp
... ..
... .. 1829

But to return to the Post Office at Jonestown.
Ultimately considerable dissatisfaction arose as
to the manner the duties of Post Master was dis charged
by Mr. Hazeltine. Specific charges were made and
forwarded to the Post Master General. Petitions were also
circulated for the removal of Dr. Hazeltine and
my appointment. Affidavits sustaining the charges were
forwarded, and Dr. Hazeltine was called in by the
Department to answer the charges. A remonstrance
was also solemnly signed by Dr. Hazeltine's political
friends against his removal. Political Antimasonry
ran high, and parties were much excited.
Dr. Hazeltine was removed from the office after
having held the office nearly five years and
I was appointed in his stead.

Eliel T. Foote was appointed Post Master at Jonestown
N.Y. June 13th 1829 and gave Horace Allen \$1000
warrant as official bond in the sum of \$500 & immediately
entered upon the duties of the office. He remo-
ved the office to his apothecary store on the east-
side of main street on the south part of lot No 6. The
south side of the store was 50 1/2 feet north of second street.
My predecessor had kept all the mail matter in a case
board in ^{his study room} a lean to addition to the rear of his house with
iron boxes for apertures made for routes or letter boxes
and the Post marking of letters had all been done with
a pen, and the room being adjoining the kitchen and the
children frequenting the room & handling matter was ^{one of} the
grounds of complaint. I immediately fitted up the rear
room in my drug store for the use of the Post Office and
procured a case of letter boxes containing about 80 boxes.

written glass fronts and numbered after the style of those
 in cities - This case faced into the post ^{or store} room - I also had
 a letter box prepared for the reception of letters and ^{at the front door &} boxes
 for opening mails &c. My clerk David M. Bate was in
 the habit of sleeping in the store and he was my first
 assistant Post Master. I procured Post office stamps the
 first used in the county - I permitted every busi-
 ness man in the village who was in the habitual
 receipt of letters and papers to choose a letter box
 and opened an account with him for postage
 I never charged anything for boxes sent while I held
 the office, for I deemed it as much for my own
 accommodations as for customers of the office.

I continued the Post office in my Apothecary store
 until that with some six or seven other buildings
 were destroyed by fire on Saturday night March
 18/37. The fire commenced in the second store north
 of mine, about eleven o'clock at night and was all
 in flames before discovered - I saved all the Post office
 property except the principal Post office stamps
 which were burned or lost - They were the first ^{on granite} P.O.
 letter stamps used in the county, and I give im-
 pressions of them cut from old letters, that
 they may be preserved for future generations
 to look at.



FREE
 (Jameson)
 NY

I also give impressions from my second letter stamps which
 I believe are still used in that office. These were procured
 from the Genl Post office in April 1837



8/ In the morning after my Apothecary and paints store was burned I removed the office to a brick building (then vacant) which had formerly been used by Messrs Yates and Chapman and Sears and Chapman as a dry goods store on the north side of B Street adjoining Paltus alley now occupied by Capt Elie or Orino Jones as a meat market, and the upper story as the law office of the Hon Abner Huxillorne attorney. I still sold the dyes medicines & paints &c before the fire and Capt Joseph Huxillorne then owned them and was my clerk in the Post Office. I continued the office in Capt Joseph Huxillorne's dry store while I held the office. He was universally esteemed an honest competent officer and a worthy man.

While I held the office of Post Master the following persons acted as my assistants in the order named: Daniel M Bate, Nelson Rowe Charles D. Foote ^{Joseph C. G. G. G.} Smith Seymour and Joseph Kenyon.

1841
When Harrison having been elected President (and whose election I had strongly opposed) on entering upon the duties of the office appointed Mr. Fox as George P. G. with whom I had formerly been in the Legislature where we were political opponents. I anticipated a removal - I am not aware that any effort had ever been made to remove me while I held the office until now. No charges were preferred against me and I know of no petition for my removal although there might have been one or about the 17 day of June 1841, I received from letter from Mr. Washington that I had been removed & Alvin Plumb appointed in my stead - I immediately wrote Mr Plumb and notified him I was ready to surrender the office tending the Post Office Property that I owned in the office at a fair price if he desired &c. He immediately answered that he desired me to retain the office until the first day of July ensuing.

(A Copy)

Know all men by these Presents,

That we, *Eliel T. Foote* of *Lamestown* in the County of *Chautauque* and State of *New-York* and *Horace Allen* & *Joseph Wait* of the same place

are held and firmly bound unto the Postmaster General of the United States of America in the just and full sum of *Five hundred* Dollars, for the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this *Thirteenth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *twenty nine*

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas the above bounden *Eliel T. Foote* is Postmaster at *Lamestown* aforesaid; Now if the said *Eliel T. Foote* shall well and truly execute the duties of the said office, and faithfully once in three months, and of honor, if thereto required, render accounts of his receipts and expenditures, as Postmaster, to the General Post-Office, in the manner and form prescribed by the Postmaster General in his several instructions to Postmasters, and shall pay all monies that shall come to his hands for the postage of whatever is by law chargeable with postage, to the Postmaster General of the United States for the time being, deducting only the commission and allowances made by law for his care, trouble, and charges, in managing the said office: and shall also faithfully do and perform, as Agent for the General Post-Office, all such acts and things as may be required of him by the Postmaster General; and moreover shall faithfully account with the said Postmaster General for all Monies, Bills, Bonds, Notes, Receipts and other vouchers which he, as Agent, as aforesaid, shall receive for the use and benefit of said General Post-Office; then the above obligation shall be void, and of no effect.

Signed, sealed, and delivered }
in the presence of
Rufus Pier
Howard

E T Foote
Horace Allen
Joseph Wait



I HEREBY CERTIFY, That *Horace Allen* and *Joseph Wait* are good and sufficient sureties, severally, to the amount of the penalty above annexed.

Rufus Pier one of the Justices of the Peace of *Chautauque Co* residing in the village of *Lamestown*

Please to insert the names of sureties: also the date. It is also necessary that the signatures should be witnessed.

(copy)

Copy of Bond
8/17/1801 H. Allen
Print to Mr. Allen
Per Mr. Allen's order

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1801

Post Office Rochester

July 3^d 1829

Dear Sir

Your favour of 29th ult is in
 my object in addressing you was to ascer-
 tain if you had learned something
 definite, relative to this Office strong
 efforts by a few individuals, who want
 my plan, are making, to effect my
 removal - If you can address some
 one, either Mr. VanBuren Col. Gardner
 Rev. O. S. Brown, or Mr. Barry - and feel
 free to do it, I shall consider it a
 particular favour Judge Whelan told
 me before, and after he left the Department
 that it was not possible, that my remo-
 val would be contemplated. But how
 far the consideration of rotation in Office
 will influence removals in the
 Post Office Department I am not able
 to say - I am in haste but in truth

Your friend & servant

J. Reynolds



John W. ...

received his answer
from P. O. July 1849



Chas. S. Foster Esq

Paul Martin

Sumner Town
Chautauque Co

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DEUX AIRS VARIÉS

Sur des motifs favoris de DONIZETTI

par F. BEYER op. 68.

N^o 2.

Allegro moderato.

INTRODUCTION.

ff. marcato. *cres poco a poco*

ff *fz* *Vivo e leggiero.* 8^a

THEMA.

All^o moderato.

f *dol.* *cres.* *fz* *Ped **

ff marcato. *mf* *cres.* *f* *Ped **

ff *dol.* *cres.* *fz* *Ped **

Dear

Continuous Stop Jonestown Warren Pellet's

Washington

Jan 11 1846

Gen E. I. Foot

Dear Sir

Your letter of 3^d

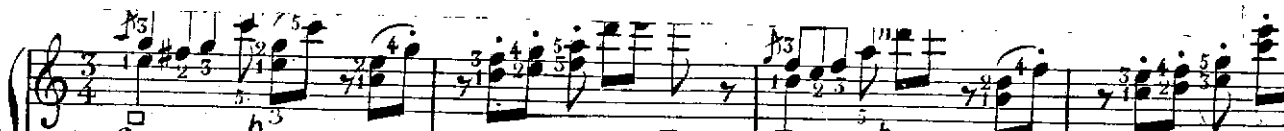
inst is rec^d. I am glad that the
decision of the P.M. 4. upon Birds
Contract from W. to J. meets with
your approbation. I presume it is also
satisfying to all our citizens, and
I hope now that the original
Contract will be taken by some
person or persons in J. with the
intervention of a post-office-
Contract-breaker who must make
his profit of 50 or 100 per cent

The other matters suggested in your
letter shall be attended. It is doubtless
important to our plan to have a
regular daily continuous line
of stops from J. to P.M. via Warren
Franklin &c. But this I ~~cannot~~
cannot be accomplished till the
time arrives for the regular letters

13 I will however see what can be done

You will have noticed that I am on the Committee of the P. O. & R. Roads which is a very laborious Committee owing to the claims which are presented for relief. You will see to that I am the only Northern Man on the Committee.

My health is very good indeed except a slight cough I have had for some time. Pray make my respects to all my good friends
Very Respectfully
R. P. Marvin



(copy) P O Conestoga N.Y.

(14)

Oct 7th 1829

J Bradley Esq

My son of the 28th lett has just arrived. I think that I stated to you the time that Cowden would commence carrying the mail on route No 277. He commenced on Wednesday the 23rd of September & had gone from here on his second trip. This day

You say Heber Cowden will be received at the contractors & Cowden's ^{station} home is Heber

You ask me to report the amount expended by myself & predecessor on the above route & I regret that I had been requested to do it before I ^{to you} sent you the several bills for expenses & the receipts which I think you must have received. The total amount expended was \$74.98 viz under my predecessor \$38.46 since my appt \$36.52 - I have paid the \$74.98 & forwarded the bills & receipts in my letters of the 14th & 22nd lett & if not already done I will the amount paid to my credit on the books of the office & a Receipt or certificate of the same forwarded to me

Very Respectfully
E. J. Foote Pd

Copy

Letter to P. P. R. 1829

Oct 7th 1829

The enclosed to his of the 28th

is a copy of the conditions

proposed contracts for

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U. S. Post

Jamestown N.Y

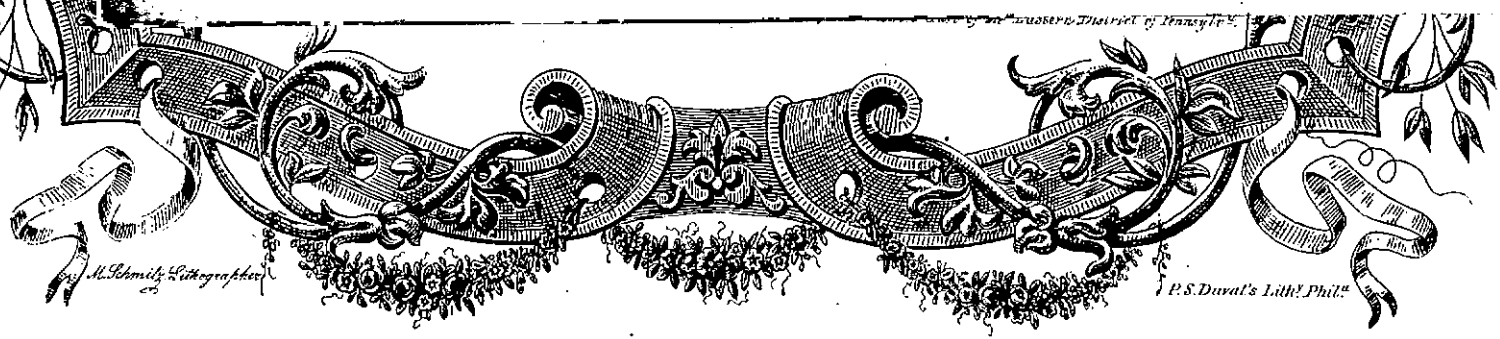
Genl Postoffice Sent

23. Sept. 1892

Sir
 I have review of the ult. your proposal was the
 lowest that was offered for the route you refer to. but the
 Postmaster ^{Genl} thought your demand higher than the services to be
 performed were worth. he therefore declined its acceptance -
 had your proposal been thought reasonable it would
 have been (unquestionably) accepted. Yours very truly

Abm Br. Dugg

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Valse Sentimentale
avec Variations
par Joseph Plich

Philadelphia Published for the Author by Lee & Walker, 120 Walnut St

Entered according to act of Congress in the Year 1847 by Joseph Plich in the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the Eastern District of P^a

INTRADA.

Vivace. *ff*

8va

loco.

VALSE. Un poco moderato. M.M. ♩=38.

mf con sentimento.

*Ped **

8va

*Ped. **

24th July 1826.

Sir I enclose is a letter this morning Recd
 from P.M.G. after you have perused it
 you will send it back to me
 when is Jones's Office now kept, do you know
 the man recommended for P.M. is he a fit
 man for the appointment. Ought the
 Office to be removed further East, if so,
 would it be on port North - does
 Newbury lie on port North, if not, what
 is the distance, I have in the Road, answer
 me these questions in a letter that I can
 if necessary send P.M. Gent

In haste
 your with
 Respect
 J. G. Murray

It would it be policy to discontinue
 Jones's Office

P. O. Jamestown N.Y. (18)

Feb 16th 1830

O B Brown Esq Sir: In reply to
yours of the 18th ult., requesting information
concerning ^{mail} route No 280, from Jamestown N.Y.
via Randolph &c. to Little Valley, I
have to state that the name of the Contractor,
^{on said route} is Easmon Prescott, that the mail is
carried by him once in each week on horse-
back, & that the names of the Post Offices,
the order in which they are situated, and the distances
nearly as I can ascertain are as follows (viz)

From Jamestown to Waterboro	11 miles
" Waterboro " Randolph	4 1/2
" Randolph " Napoli	5 1/2
" Napoli " Little Valley	8
	<hr/>
	29 miles

Very Respectfully

Your obed^t Serv^t

N. Rowe,
for E. J. Foots P.M.

Em. J. O. Phelps
distance to on farm
mile No 280
Parisstown NY
to Little Valley
July, 16th 1830

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Washington 13th July 1826

Sir I took the Petition for the
Union P.O. to the Post Master
General. he has appointed
Stephen Newbury Dill. & the key
to open the same is forwarded
to Gley — I am sick with
a cold —

Yours with
Respect
J. G. Garrison

Stockton March 6th 1826

(20)

Sir Yours of the 15th inst. recd. recd. by last
Sunday's Mail with pleasure; and I again
am pleas'd to address you, and continue the
communication; it has been quite sickly here
with the same disease which you mentioned in
yours; very few have escaped it; but they generally
are getting better. It would be needless for me to mention
here the anxiety & general Interest excited, in this
county in respect to the state road; because I presume
you are well enough acquainted with that fact; the people I believe
have generally concluded, that an act will be pass'd by the
Legislature for the contemplated road, at the present
Opinion, they at least anxiously hope for it; because
they consider it a great and important object;
the point of its termination on Lake Erie now is the
principal subject of controversy here; and it most
certainly is an interesting subject. It is mine & I believe
a general Opinion here, that should it terminate
short of going through this county and terminate
at Portland, the grand object first had in view
would not be fully accomplished; yet I feel dispos'd
to believe whatever may be result of the state
road the subject will have a thorough investigation
and that the patriotism & wisdom of our Legislature
will make such a decision as will be for the interest
general welfare and honor of the state.

I shall be pleas'd to receive any communications
from you and as often as may be convenient.

Your Obedt.

C. J. Foote Esq.

Benjamin S. Paine

My dear Sir
P.M. 21, Dec. 1839

I am here in reference to our main
and stage arrangements after the first day of Jan
next, at five different places to encounter at every
Old Stage proprietors & Tavern keepers, and
who would enter into the business ~~make~~ make
an unpleasant business, I shall get on
in a manner I trust which will insure your
facilities to the public & better profit to
the proprietors. ^{with} ~~then~~ ^{to} ~~his~~ ^{the} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~engaged~~ ^{engaged} by
us. We shall convene about the first
of January, under circumstances, by disas-
tours, having too little time for the usual
preparation, I hope however that by some
not to see all things in as good order as
the roads & circumstances of the county will be
I have combined the whole road from
to some place making it one continuous road
~~from~~ & have connected with it the branch
from Homersville to Poughkeepsic shall work
equal divisions of the receipts for Passages
on both roads including the section from Old
to Angelica. This a way will well be made up

The 9. Party for Louiston & at
 for Pay & both. All interests
 in the Republic & the noble lady
 The ship will reach Louiston the 30
 noon or earlier from both of Louiston
 to day to take of Bonacasa the second
 wolf & the 30th morning to your place
 my wish that some one in your
 shall see the first team to Randolph
 you buy it about 1000 dollars from
 I have learnt from you & others
 that a man of his will
 to I will note to you again
 as I am so I shall get all
 finally settled east of Annsville

Very Respectfully Yours

John Clayton

P.S. The interest to Louiston Operations
 with the Steamer County Bank early in July
 8th or 12th have you any specie
 to spare & what will be the terms upon
 what you will accommodate us with it
 It will be more convenient transporting it
 from Louiston than from Albany at the
 season when it will be wanted. favor me
 with a note on this subject addressed
 me at Westfield for your haste
 J. C.

Musical score for "Valse sentimentale". The score is written on three staves. The first staff contains a melodic line with a fermata over the first two measures, marked "riten.". The second staff contains a bass line with a "loco." marking above it. The third staff contains a bass line with a "riten." marking below it. The piece concludes with a "Segue." marking.

Valse sentimentale.

Stockton March 6th 1826

(20)

Your favor of the 15th inst. was recd. by last
Tuesday's Mail with pleasure; and I again
am pleased to receive you, and continue the
communication; it has been quite sickly here
with the same disorder which you mentioned in
yours; very few have escaped it; but they generally
are getting better. It would be needless for me to mention
here the anxiety & general interest excited in this
county in respect to the state road; because I presume
you are well enough acquainted with that fact; the people I believe
have generally concluded, that an act will be passed by the
legislature for the contemplated road, at the present
session, they at least anxiously hope for it; because
they consider it a great and important object;
the point of its termination on Lake Erie now is the
principal subject of controversy here; and it most
certainly is an interesting subject. It is mine I believe
a general opinion here, that should it terminate
short of going through this county, and terminate
at Portland, the grand object first had in view
would not be fully accomplished; yet I feel disposed
to believe whatever may be result of the state
road the subject will have a thorough investigation
and that the patriotism & wisdom of our Legislature
will make such a decision as will be for the interest
general welfare and honor of the state.

I shall be pleased to receive any communications
from you and as often as may be convenient.

C. J. Foote Esq.

Your Obedt.
Cheever Esq.

My Dear Sir
Pitt 21, Dec. 1839

I am here in reference to our mail and these arrangements after the first day of July next, at five difficulties to incidentally at my part. All these proprietors & Tavern, Messrs, and those who would enter into the business make make it an unpleasant business, I shall get on however in a manner I trust which will insure greater facilities to the public & better profit to the proprietors. These has been enjoyed by letters, we shall come about the first of January next, under circumstances by disallowing copies having too little time for the necessary preparation, I hope however that by some fit to see all things in as good order as the roads & circumstances of the winter will justify. I have combined the whole route from here to your place making it one continuous route from 1839, have connected with it the branch from Homersville to Quincy. I shall make the equal division of the receipts for Passengers on both roads including the section from Ohio to England. This a very bill will be made up

The musical score is written on two staves. The top staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains a melodic line with a long slur over several measures. The first measure has a '1' above it, and the second has an 'x' above it. The second staff begins with a bass clef and contains a bass line. The word 'riten.' is written above the first measure of the top staff and below the first measure of the bottom staff. The word 'Segue.' is written below the bottom staff towards the end of the piece.

Valse sentimentale.

at Matt. & Ray. for Lamontown & at
 Lamontown for P. & B. All interests
 will there be deposited & the travel be fairly
 treated. The stop will be at Lamontown the 3rd
 day at noon or earlier for both of course
 the first day to Oak & Concordia. This is
 to be revised & the 3rd day to go in
 the morning. This is done in the
 plan. I shall then the first day to
 of it. I will buy it about 1/2 of the
 what I have bought for you & other
 that in particular I will buy
 so into it. I will note to you
 I shall set all
 matters generally settled east of
 I will set
 E. & P. to be

P.S. The citizens of County
 with the State County Board early in (H.C.)
 say. The 82 or 122 have you any
 to Spain & what will be the terms upon
 which you will accommodate us with
 It will be more convenient transporting it
 from Lamontown than from other
 season when it will be more
 with a note on the subject
 me at Matt. J. C.

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dog at
the fire
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go with
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mother

John Meyer

letter
Pine Dec 21 1838

Dear
E. S. Foster
P. M. Hamiston
Chautauque

E. S. Foster

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Dep't of Post-Office Department
off. of App'ts.
1. July 1829

Dear Sir,

You may rely on your
caution, relative to the establishment of
new P. Offices, being duly regarded.

Whenever, in your quarter, we want
information of writers - you will be
consulted.

The rule of the Department
is, to charge postage by the shortest
route on which a mail is carried,
not by the shortest road - nor yet
by the circuitous routes by which a
letter may happen to be brought.

I am, with great respect
very truly yours

T. Foote Esq.

P. M. Jamestown N. Y.

Ch. Gardner

January 1829

(23)

The following are answers to your circular, containing enquires respecting

mail routes Nos 117 & 121

No. 121 From Jonestown via Mayville to Portland Harbor

From Jonestown to Fuvanna	4 miles
Fuvanna to Ellery	8
Ellery " Swettville	5 1/2
Swettville " Mayville	4 1/4
Mayville " Westfield	6 1/2
Westfield " Portland Harbor	1 1/2
	<hr/> 29 3/4

Gilbert Ballard of Mayville is the contractor & now carries the mail - The mail is carried ^{by stage} pretty uniformly 6 times ^{a week} & much of the time daily - It is for a part of the way in an open waggon - on the summer season it is transmitted from the to Mayville by a steam boat, and a small mail is sent from Mayville to this place along the east side of the lake every wednesday to supply the intermediate offices between this & Mayville, & returns to Mayville the same day.

No. 117 From Jonestown ~~via Jerry~~ to Dunkirk

From Jonestown to Vermont	7 1/2 miles
Vermont " Jerry	5
Jerry " Pulaski	5
Pulaski " Indonia	9
Indonia " Dunkirk	3 1/4
	<hr/> 29 3/4

I believe Walter Smith is the contractor, & that the mail is transmitted by or under the superintendance of Smith & Harry Eaton. It ^{has been} carried ^{but is generally carried in a stage waggon} ~~in a stage waggon~~ ^{most of the summer} ~~most of the summer~~ ^{It was carried daily} ~~It was carried daily~~ ^{transmitted three} ~~transmitted three~~ times in the course of each week - I shall make a further communication to the Department respecting the above routes which I think important to the Department in a preliminary point of view - The above, however is intended to a full answer to your enquires - In haste
Respectfully yours
G. T. Foster

Letter to Gen P. Offin
in answer to his earlier inquiry
concerning my putty mail route
Nov 117 & 121 -

(Copy done - 28th - 1829)
P. Offin & Co
Dunkirk, N. Y.

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Warren Jan'y 5th 1829

E. J. Foot Esq

Dear Sir

Your's of the 3rd is recd and I am much
 please at the reception or contemplated stage soon to be underway
 It very nearly answers to the one I have in view (although it
 this term out of the question) by from this to Big valley
 then to the ~~the~~ ~~Chassis~~ ~~village~~ ~~at~~ Pike's hollow to Gannepoo
 Yours is a little farther but has every other advantage
 such as passing through a safer & better country - and two or three
 more villages - in short is the only practicable route - and is
 in fact an important one - and the only difficulty to its
 being established and well profitable is want of a good
 or tolerable road - In regard to ^{the} road to Montpelier we
 are now ~~at~~ ~~work~~ on the subject - The members of Assembly
 from Benning by Mr Galbreath - will be on active and
 I have no doubt an influential one - I had an interview
 with him previous to leaving home - and I know he will
 use his utmost exertions to get an appropriation on the
 road - pilchons have already been presented for that purpose
 one in stone will be omitted to be turned to effect the
 object - in fact we are determined to importune until we
 get it this done and no obstruction remains for a near
 and cheap route from ~~the~~ ~~Pittsburg~~ to be Warren + Danvers

to Buffalo - and if you can get a line to Ellwoodville through
to Canandaigua so much the better it will be taken by all
going east - unless business or curiosity leads them by the
Lake - I have not seen the contract for ~~the~~ carrying the mail
from Frankton here but from what I know or have learned
it was to have been easy in the stage and the reason
~~why~~ I have not investigated and informed against him
is the extreme length of the road which in my view is
impracticable a part of the way for a stage - He is now
wishing to see what our Legislature will do - at the same
time fully persuaded that it is too important a road to
long remain unimproved - and we think individual exertion
can be brought to bear sufficiently here to force a road
& stage through - Go on with yours by all means
and it will have a powerful effect on us - In the mean
time do not omit to let us know your progress & prospects -

I shall send your letter to Mr. Galbreath of Massena
in order to stimulate him to new exertions - We mean to
have a stage & road to Frankton -

Yours with Respect

Arch. T. Knapp

NB Our nearest route to Canandaigua is by Big Valley
and some think it now practicable for a stage of road
would prefer it - but at the same time both routes will
be worked in time - All all to want the Frankton road made

Pike 27. Dec. 1932 51

Dear

I enclose you a hurry note, this money per
mail. I have since closed matters respecting the
mail west of this place. Mr Carpenter leaves the
road, with great reluctance, Mr Walker who stands
by him is a carrier in this section, and whose opinion
I am pleased with, has the road from Somerville
to your place. He pays through on money, & will
show you his contract with me. It is understood
that he is to put the route from Somerville to
Rondolph into the hands of some competent
person at Somerville, we want if he wishes it
or such person as you shall recommend -
Mr Walker has had a hard time to get rid
of Carpenter, and has no doubt made a considerable
sacrifice in his settlement with him, say some
3 or 4 hundred dollars. This was necessary to insure
a good state of things on the route, and ~~the~~ the
individual who takes the team out of Somerville
ought to be liberal with Walker. I know he
has had much trouble in getting this matter
where it is and ought not to suffer too largely
this route with the present conditions must be
good in the course of a year. The condition is
now complete from Ithaca & Conandagea to
your place. The road is in great demand
here. Two routes have been sold by city.
Ledy, from Pay to Somerville for \$750 - in other
words he has sold a tolerable good team & an
old coach with the road mentioned for \$1290.00
The stock is not worth more than \$400 - This

Should not be taken as a guide however in
reference to the team coming into your place
as the price here was advanced ^{by} the conflicting interests
of Town proprietors. If the road supports itself
the first ^{year} it will meet my calculations, but Stock
upon it must prove to be a good property in a
short time. I hope the citizens of Somerton will
see & feel the importance of this road, ^{as} apart from
Walker in coming his objections upon it - should
he fail in the attempt to stop the mail out of
your place will you oblige me so far as to send
it to Randolph on horseback as far as Randolph at
my expense for a few trips until Mr Walker is
prepared to take charge of it - he will then
you the schedule

Very Respectfully
Your obedient Servant.

John Major

The Hon
E. S. Hoote.

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The Honorable E. J. Foote
Lomistown

Feb 21/1882

Pentagon

Albany Feb 18. 1832

Dr Sir

We take the liberty of forwarding to you the enclosed list of Post-offices in your County, with a request that you will designate at each of the offices, some suitable person, a decided Jackson republican, to whom papers and documents can be sent from time to time, during the ensuing political Campaign.

It would be preferable to name the Post Masters, where they are known to be decidedly friendly to the administration of Genl Jackson, and to his reelection. In other cases, some person residing near the Post office, who is known to be thus friendly, and who will circulate in a proper manner, such documents as may be transmitted.

Respectfully Yours &c
Croswell, Post Pentagon & West

E. T. Foote Esq

P.S. Please return the same as soon as convenient.

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E. T. Foote

Albany Feb'y. 18. 1832

Olean July 31st 1839

E. J. Foot Esq

Dear Sir

Person. the admitted acquaintance that we
 have had the opportunity of having. You
 may think it singular that I should
 presume to trouble you with the subject
 of which I am by the request of our political
 friends a bearer to communicate and in which
 we have presumed to ask your aid in the premises.
 We think it due to us as friends to the Administra-
 tion that a man of our party in politics should
 hold the office of Postmaster in the Town
 of Olean G. S. Martin our present post master
 is one of the most active Whigs we have in
 the county one who goes as far as any other
 man to carry into effect his political
 purposes he is the first man in all cases
 where he thinks it will answer to draw the
 party lines he in fact uses all the means and
 influence in his power from what ever source
 it may be derived to effect his political
 purposes We think we have the right to ask
 his removal on political grounds if no other
 existed But Sir if it is necessary we can
 prove that he has broken open a letter belonging
 to a

(27)
Concord N. H., June 4th 1830

(Confidential)

My Dear Sir I have been conversing with some of
our friends in this Section who give their
opinions in strict accordance with my own
viz - that we had better keep entirely still
in this mail business for eight or ten days
and not go to Buffalo or make any kind
of move, but rather let it go to the world
for dead at present. & Then at the end
of say a week or ten days go to Buffalo
& give a thorough search, there and else-
where - I think Doctor G. Sargent will be
willing to go along as he has given me sound
encouragement to this effect - One thing is to
be certain that while we keep up the present
excitement we shall not arrive at much of
gatherings I would give more for one
well unsuspected investigation than for
half a dozen with noise & bustle, and
gatherings if we give out to go on a certain
day. Every body knows it and all will
be prepared to guard against anything
which might operate against themselves
- besides we shall probably hear from the
Eastern Cities by say a week or ten days -
I will probably see you in a few days
as I contemplate going to Erie Pa. & will
call - If you should think it advisable
for me to go to Buffalo the first of the
next week please to say so to me by letter
as I wish your advice & wish to take the
course best calculated to effect the object.
Yours truly
E. T. Booth (in haste) Saml. D. P. Truly Yours
N. H. Loring

Private File

Mr. E. J. Forte
Postmaster

Amietown
Cham Co. N.Y.

Chewings Pt.
June 4 '03

W. Bowery
June 4

Miss Robbins
Buffalo Opera Institute

James S. Pro

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Handwritten musical score on the right side of the envelope. It consists of several staves with musical notation, including notes, rests, and dynamic markings such as 'p' (piano) and 'Ped' (pedal). The notation is in a cursive, handwritten style. At the bottom of the score, there is a note that reads 'Please send to Convent'.

Conemaugh Pa June 23 1830 (28)

Now E. T. Fooker Jr I recd a letter from Mr
Quitan a few days since, wishing to
know when he would be down to
go into an Examination &c -

I have not any great confidence in
an Examination here at this time - but
I think better to go down and examine
pretty thoroughly before long -

I wish Mr Quitan that he would
write you - and I thought he would
be down in ten or twelve days

I expect the P.M. Gen will be at
Buffalo about the 1st July, would
like to be there about the time he

(the P.M. Gen) gets there - I hear nothing
new respecting any cash lost - I presume
you have seen the age of the robbery

between Wheeling & Pittsburg - of \$1000 - being
money inclosed by Mr Wilson of Wheeling
for Pitts - the villain appears to be a

man worth ten or twelve thousand
dollars - heretofore of good character
and probably engaged in the mercantile

business - the robbery is perfectly in
character with the robbery of my letter
by letter sent - on a white paper

inclosed writing on it &c - however the
P.M. at Pitts and Washington Pa were
soon on the alert - and caught the fellow

(viz Mr Weirich P.M. at Clayville) with the
cash about him

In haste, Yours truly
E. T. Fooker Jr
Please say when you can
conveniently go down

(Copy) Pofamistown N.Y.
January 30th 1830

29
Hon W^m Barry Pell

Sir, The Pell of Buffalo N.Y. received
order a few days since to investigate the loss of \$450
mailed by N. Lowry Esq. Pell of Coneywago Pa to
Albany N.Y. in March last. Mr. Goetsch Pell Buffalo
in pursuing his investigation suspended a clerk in my office
Mr. Nelson Rowe, medical student, and he was arrested.

Anatomization was had before four of our most
able magistrates and a full investigation of two days and
one night - The investigation closed yesterday and he
was acquitted by the unanimous decision of the Court.

The prosecution was ably conducted and I believe all
unprejudiced minds that witnessed the examination perfectly
concur in the opinion of the Court.

Although not specially charged with the investiga-
tion I will forward you a brief statement of the trial, in a
few days - I sincerely hope that the villain who
committed the robbery may yet be brought to justice.

Mr. Lowry the Pell of Coneywago and the loss of the
money takes a deep interest in the investigation and is deter-
mined to pursue the investigation. He is well qualified
to point out the transaction as he is a shrewd and indefatigable
persevering man in whatever he undertakes. His own reputa-
tion is called in question as some have doubted whether he sent
the money - From all the circumstances I am of opinion that he
mailed the money - I shall gladly hear from you on the sub-
ject and any suggestion you make will be regarded.

Very Respectfully
Your most Obedt
E. J. Doots Pell

Genl Post Office Dept.
Office of Mail Cont.
25 July 1870.

C. S. Foot Esq. R. W.
Jamestown N. Y.

Sir From the experience
which I have had in examining and comparing
hand writings I can identify a person with quite
as much certainty by his writing as by his
countenance. I examined very carefully the
writing upon the paper substituted for the stolen
money; and having since seen the hand writing
of Rowe I have the fullest conviction that
he was the deprecator. Indeed it is as impossible
to be mistaken as for a man to mistake the
identity of countenance in a familiar acquaintance.
It is a matter of surprise to us that he was not
bound over. We have just been informed that
you still keep him in your family, in which
case he may possibly again handle the mails.
The Post Master here feels it his incumbent duty
to inform you that if you desire to retain the

affair, it will be necessary for you to make an entire
separation between yourself and him. By noticing the
most casual and minute parts of a hand writing,
it is scarcely possible to be deceived, and surely it is
not possible that you should be satisfied of his
innocence, after seeing the writing.

I am, very respectfully

Yours Obedt. Servt.

L. N. Brown

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Genl Post Office Dept.
Office of Mail Cont.
15th Sept. 1840.

C. T. Fote Esq. P.M.

Janestown N.Y. P.M.

A continual press
of business has prevented me from giving an
earlier answer to your last letter.

No "innuendo" was intended in my letter.
So far from it, that I wrote with the
pardon which a friend takes with a friend,
feeling as we all do, that you are worthy of all
confidence, both morally and politically. Still,
you will pardon my freedom in stating, that
no doubt exists with us here as to the hand
writing. You say we may be mistaken. True;
and so we may in a court of law. I once
knew a person committed for trial upon an
offence which had been perpetrated by another

person whom the credible witnesses identified him
upon oath, and he would certainly have been
convicted, but from an accidental circumstance
which brought the matter to light. So in this
case, we may be mistaken as to the handwriting,
but the circumstance is so strong that the post
master general thought it a matter of prudence
to cause the person to be entirely separated from
all further opportunity of handling the mail.

There was no complaint whatever in relation
to your conduct in this matter. Your backward-
ness to entertain a suspicion against a person
patronized by your benevolence was regarded as an
amiable trait in your character, and by no
means a ground of dissatisfaction.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.

J. M. Brown

Fant: Sonnambula Fesco.

ben marcato il Basso.

Post Office Dept.
Off of Asst. Dir.
1st October 1830

Sir

It is represented to this Department that you employ a person by the name Nelson Rowe as a clerk in your office, and that he has once been apprehended and tried for stealing money from the mail and though acquitted of the charge he is suspected by many persons to have been guilty. It is desirable that all persons connected in any manner with any branch of the Department should possess the confidence of the people and if the employment of suspicious or suspected persons must of necessity diminish the confidence which the public ought



to have in every office.

Your answer to this complaint is required.

I am very respectfully
your obedient servant

J. R. Hobbs

R. Hobbs

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Hon. Elias T. Foote, P.M.
Jamestown, Chautauque Co. N.Y.

Pell General
Letter (NE 1630)

OCT 11 1830

Requiring answer as
to Powers being employed
the Ps or James
James
Not employed
now no for time
later part

P. D. Adlest

Chas. F. Fook

P. M.

Jameson

N. York



Chautauque Co

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

Northern Division,

November 30th 1835.

SIR:

Post Route No. 1364 has been assigned to M^r John
Frank of Lewis Town NY, at \$ 148

Post Route No. has been assigned to M
of , at \$

Post Route No. has been assigned to M
of , at \$

If should fail to appear for the mail, on the
first of January next, you will please procure, and report to the Department,
some suitable person to take charge of it, at the lowest possible rate, till the Post-
master General can make a permanent arrangement; so that no delay shall occur
in the regular transmission of the mail.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. K. Hoban

Assist. P. M. General.

To the Postmaster
at

Lewis Town
Chautauque County
NY



Fant: Sonnambula Fesco.

P
Post office Department
office of mail contracts
30th Sept. 1879

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Sir,

Your's of the 22nd Inst. is
received and the matters therein
referred to, will be attended to—

I am Sir

Yr most obed^t serv^t
A. Nelson
for P. Bradley

Postmaster

Jamestown

New York 22

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Arrivals & Departures of Mails from
Jamestown Post Office Chautauque
County New York Sep 4th 1832

From Westfield to Jamestown NY

Arrives at Jamestown at 1 o'clock P.M.
Leaves Jamestown for Westfield half past
3 o'clock P.M. Gilbert Ballaid Contractor
A. Fairbairn Proprietor of Line of Coaches

From Dunkirk to Jamestown

Arrives at Jamestown every Monday
Wednesday and Friday at 2 o'clock P.M.
Leaves Jamestown every Tuesday -
Thursday and Saturday at 2 o'clock
A.M. for Dunkirk Gilbert Ballaid Contractor
Wheeler & Co proprietors of coaches

From Warren Pa to Jamestown NY

Leaves Warren every Sunday Wednesday
and Friday for Jamestown and arrives
at Jamestown at 2 o'clock P.M. Leaves
Jamestown every Tuesday Thursday
and Saturday at 8 o'clock A.M. for Warren
Harry Eaton Contractor & Proprietor of
Coach

From Beaver Dam Pa via Coffee Creek Columbus
Green Valley Southwell Sugar Grove Busti to
Jamestown NY Leaves Beaver Dam Pa
every Thursday A.M. and arrives at
Jamestown NY same day by 7 o'clock
P.M. Mr Sloan Contractor (Horseback)

From Jamestown NY, via Ashville

Panama, Clinch, French Creek,
Phillipsville, Waverburgh to Erie Pa.

Leaves Jamestown every two weeks
on Wednesday at 10 o'clock P.M. for Erie
Returns Saturday to Jamestown
by 5 o'clock P.M. Heber Couder
Contractor (Horseback)

Jamestown to Centreville NY

Leaves Jamestown every Tuesday
Thursday and Saturday at 11 o'clock A.M.
Returning arrives at Jamestown every
Sunday, Wednesday & Friday by
5 o'clock P.M. Wm. Walker Contractor

Walker Co. proprietors of coaches

For Post Office & Post P.M.

P. John Gates apt

(10/29)

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text]

C. J. Foot Esq

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Dear Sir Understanding that the driver
of the stage from your place to Gerry
having said that he was refused the
mail on Saturday & was told by the
Gentleman who has charge of your Office
that the mail a crop must not be
carried oftener than 3 times a week
I take the liberty to address you on the
subject,

I had supposed hitherto
that the arrangement in ~~con~~ carrying the
mail over ~~our~~ duty was an accommodation
to your Village for by sending your mail
over the hills through Gerry you get
it ~~at~~ in your office from 12 to 24 hours
sooner than you would to have it
go by Westfield & Mayville it would
be much less trouble to us to send it round
as we now have to apack it out & take
it separate &c

It is also a subject that
our Citizens generally feel an interest in,
& as long as it does not cost any more
to send every day ^{except Sunday} than it does to
carry it 3 times a week I think it would
be well to have it carried so

Yours Respectfully
C. J. Foot

P. S. Fredonia
June 9. 1837

to J. O. Long
letter as to transportation
of the mail on Express route
from Fort to Moryville

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Hon. E. S. Ford

Wm
-Saratoga
City

Saratoga March 11th 1860

Hon. E. S. Ford

Sir
interest with you on
will not wish to be
I wish to communicate
interest of religion closely
I not confident that
lend your aid in the
trouble you with
assistance respecting
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have been for a long
exertions to remove
occupied by Akbel
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or the Emperor you
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dated 27 Feb. stating
applied to alter the
new P.M. at Saratoga
we would be esse
I have this day sent an
letter 25 of my neighbor
removal, I was quite
than one day to do all
people to demonstrate
that if he wished for the
let me know, he should
should say - you are
no good cause for my
will much oblige me
say to the P.M. General
the under present cir
of a benefit) prejudice

Napoli March 11th 1834

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Hon-ble Sir J. F. F. F.

Sir the present is a time of deep interest with you no doubt, and perhaps you will not wish to be troubled about what I wish to communicate; and were not the interest of religion closely connected with it, were I not confident that you were always ready to lend your aid in that cause I would not trouble you with my petition. I ask your assistance respecting the Post Office, you probably know that the Post Masters of Subysburg & Lunenburg have been for a long time unceasing in their exertions to remove this office over to the Tavern occupied by Ashbel Bushnell, this man is something else than one who is friendly to religion or Temperance you are well aware that such a man can exert an influence very injurious to his fellow men; I need say no more, for you Sir know better than I can tell you the evils that may arise from an unprincipled P.M. I have received a line from the department dated 27 Feb. stating the P.M. General had been applied to ^{to} alter the ~~site~~ and appoint a ~~new~~ new P.M. at Napoli and that in answer from me would be expected ~~to~~ my objections if any I have this day sent an answer and objections in my letter 25 of my neighbors remonstrated against a removal, I was quite unwell & had but a little more than one day to do all in I could get 75th of the people to remonstrate and I told the P.M. General that if he wished for the feelings of community and would let me know, he should have them in any way he should say - you are aware dear Sir that there is no good cause for my removal, and now Sir you will much oblige me if you can immediately say to the P.M. General, that you believe to remove the under present circumstances would be (in itself of a benefit) prejudicial to the present administration

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James Down
Thompson
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Hon. Secy of State
J. O'Connell

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Hon. Secy of State
Seapole

in which I feel disposed to favor my cause
with pleasure do it without delay for there
is time to be lost, and if it will not be too
trouble write me a word
J. O'Connell
Seapole

Napoli May 2 - 1834
Hon. Genl. G. Forte

Dear Sir, when I received yours of the 28th Ap - I had not heard concerning the decision of the P.M. G. in regard to my removal; but, since have received a letter from J. R. Hobbin Esq. Capt. P.M. G. the letter is as follows, "Sir The P.M. General considers the various testimonials forwarded by you to the department satisfactory as relates to the complaints of which you were notified under date of 29. Feb last & has therefore declined making the new appointment of P.M. proposed for your Office - The complainants have been informed of this decision through their candidate - I am &c"

I saw the letter sent to the candidate above mentioned and read it - it was plain & pointed not varnished with flattering things to please the vanity of those aspiring souls who have been flattery my destruction - but it plainly showed that they intended to be understood that those who applied; to have justice done must come with clean hands - my thanks to you for your attention to this business - hope you may never have cause to regret what you have done in my behalf - yours respectfully

Hon. G. Forte Esq
Lancaster

Samuel Barrett

P.S. my respects to Sister Sedate

Napoli

Mr. B. ...

your should ...
I will ...
no time to be ...
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I ...

Dr. The Post-Office at *Jamstown NY* in account current v
(Jan. 1835)

	DOLLARS.	CTS.
1 To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,	19	91
2 To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,	212	25
3 To postage of way letters received at this office ditto	4	2
4 To postage of letters undercharged from other offices ditto		
5 To postage of snip letters at 6 cents each, originally rec'd at this office for this delivery,		
6 To postage of Steam-Boat letters, ditto,	90	26
7 To postage of paid letters sent from this office, ditto	325	45
<i>Dollars,</i>		
To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,	279	31
To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter,	36.39	
18 Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets,	4.34	
	32	05
	<i>\$ 32.05</i>	
<p>Note.—Commission on letter postage is to be charged at the following rates, viz. At thirty per cent. on the first 100 dollars collected in one quarter, At twenty-five per cent. on what is over 100 and on a sum not exceeding 300 dollars, At twenty per cent. on what is over 400 and on a sum not exceeding 2,000 dollars, and At eight per cent. on what is over 2,400 dollars.</p> <p>Two cents are allowed for each free letter delivered to post-masters, whose compensations do not exceed five hundred dollars in one quarter year. No charge for contingent expenses can be passed at the treasury without a bill of particulars showing the quantity and price of each article, and a receipt for the actual payment.</p>		
	<i>Dollars,</i>	
	311	36

The post-master should in all cases sign the accounts, and be particular to insert the name of the office and state in the heading of the transcripts and account current.

with the General Post-Office from *Octr 1st* to *Jan'y 1st* 1835 Cr.

	DOLLARS.	CTS.
7 By postage of letters overcharged and mis-sent this quarter,	11	22 ^{3/4}
8 By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post-Office do.	11	55 ^{1/2}
9 By postage of letters now remaining in this office,	23	86 ^{1/2}
10 Balance carried down,	279	31
<i>Dollars,</i>		
	325	45 ^{3/4}
14 By commission on 100 D. C. Letter postage at 30 per cent.	30.00	
By ditto on 179 D. 31 C. Letter postage at 25 per cent.	44 82 1/2	
By ditto on — D. — C. Letter postage at 20 per cent.	74	82 1/2
15 By ditto on 32 D. 5 C. Newspaper postage at 50 per cent.	16	2 1/2
16 By 2 06 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,	4	82
17 By ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith, at two cents each,		
18 By Steam-Boat letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith, at 3 cts. each,		
19 By cash p way letters at one cent each,	20	86
20 By contin	195	53
21 Bal		
	311	36

Contingent expenses
2.03 dead box
2.18 ad 200 letters
14.50 5 quilt bags
2.15 repairs
\$ 20.86
Shannon's repairs by
rep to this date is
included this amt
Commence Feb 22 1832

Post-Master.

1830

Gen. Post office Department
Office mail contracts
14th May - 1832

Sir,

Your favor of the 5th inst is at
hand & the Schedule you report as
now governing the arrivals at and departures
from Jamestown N.Y. on Route No. 280
noted on the Contract of Mr. Prescott

Should the substitute you recommend
for the present Schedule meet the con-
sents at Colchester & other offices on
the Route as well or better, it can
be made on the facts being set forth
by the Postmasters interested - but no
change of Schedule must be made without
the sanction of the Department previously
had -

T. Fort Esq. - I am for you
Jamestown
Chautauque County, New York, for the P.M. Genl

Mr. E. J. Fote

Wapori Sept 21⁴⁰ 1830

You Sir I received a line from you
last week stating that the attorneys
complained that their notices did not arrive
in Nicothville in season I know of
of but two failures and one of ^{them} was
occasioned by the Mayville Crail putting
to Little Valley earlier in the day than
usual and the other by trusting to another
person your caution is good and will
be strictly attended to you may depend
upon my being punctual for the future

Respectfully Yours

E. J. Fote

premises practice
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Am. S. & J. Post. Co.

Watertown

Free

Sept 21st

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Balwin the contractor of Burton Grange Co
shred the De Force to July 11. 1830
p. has sent the horse in aid

Dear Sir

Mr. Libson De Force who I understand
rec'd the mail from your place returned
a letter from Wm D Bolcom of this vil
says left a note with me some time ago
Bolcom p. 25. No part of it has been paid
a few days since he left with this enclosed
which I wish you to give him or to my
brother Saml C Brown who is acquainted with
the circumstances

Your truly

Henry Brown

Bolcom says that the balance
will be paid soon

Mr Brown is a brother
of Saml C Brown

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No. 11
Jan 11 1881



Rev. E. F. Fols
Post Master
Junction
Chateaugus Co
N. Y.

Jan 11 1881
H. G. H.

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Conewango August 15th 1836

Wm E. J. Foots

Dear Sir

You will doubtless think me
your evil genius My apology is that necessity which
men experience of depending on each other for assistance

I am informed that the mail route from Waterboro
to Lodi (or rather Pusia) was established at the recent
session of Congress A new Post Office will be required
on this route in the Town of Leon Two applications have
been forwarded to the Department soliciting its location
at two different places in the town & each recommend-
ing an different individual for Post Master -

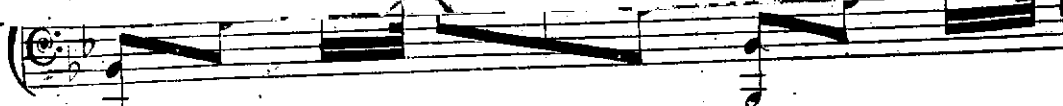
You may perhaps recollect I mentioned the subject
to you last winter. The proper place for the
Post office is Thompsons Mills (called Leon Mills
in the petition) and John Carpenter is the man
who ought to have the appointment of Post Master
his petition was forwarded last winter signed by more
than one hundred individuals, inhabitants of the town
about twice the number that signed the adverse peti-
tion. He also forwarded a recommendation signed
by Judge Spencer & all the other neighboring
Post Masters. Now Sir I wish you to write to
the Department & add your recommendation in
favor of Mr Carpenter & also of the location
of the office at Leon Mills. The papers were
sent to the care of Mr Mann who wrote us, when
the committee reported in favor of the route that he
had handed them over for the P. M. Sir

I am Yours

A Kendall

Dr Sir - I am not personally

Truly
Thos Foots



Washington 17 April '33.

Dear Sir,

Westfield May 10 1833.

Dear Sir

No doubt you have the news of the re-statement of Mr
 Hull as postmaster of North East over Mr Brown the Cause is
 not known but no doubt at secret movement of Mr Brown
 addresses My fate may be similar but if any movement is
 going on it is very still every person appears to be very friendly
 towards me There is but one thing I fear and that is I understand that
 The assistant postmaster general - Mr Hobbs visits our County next month
 I have thought perhaps some disappointed ones might be
 disposed to obtain the favor of some influential men previous
 to Hobbs arrival and thus make some stir I have understood
 that Capt. Stockton is a Relative of Mr Hobbs & perhaps you
 would be willing to correspond a little with Capt Stockton previous
 to that time and let him know that I have a claim and that I
 come by the appointment honestly without misrepresenting
 Judge Wallworth is another that I fear on account of his opposing
 me in the petition & false representations may have been put
 upon him Judge Campbell appears friendly and says ^{he is} satisfied
 I am not afraid my charge will be brought against me since I
 entered upon its duties If I could obtain the favor of Judge Wallworth
 and Capt Stockton I should not fear I believe I Campbell will
 not try to injure me

O. Nichols

Thos E. Foster Esq

Please to prep it soon

Hon

O. Roberts & m.
from Westfield via Albany to

C. T. Foster Esq

Westfield

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Westfield - Albany 1833
on his Po Com mission de

Washington 17 April '33.

Dear Sir,

I have but one minute to acknowledge the rec^t of your favor of the 8th inst, to thank you for your attention, and to notify you that,

John Tyler p.m.

Oregon,

Chautauque Co. N.Y.

has resigned and rec^d Lewis Manning for p.m.

Y^rs. respec^{tly} & truly

J. H. Webber

E. J. Foote, Esq.
H. C.

Rob out the letters!

Westfield May 1833
on his Po Com mission &c



V.S.
Fant: Somnambula Fesco.

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J. A. Webber Clerk
per P. Office as to
Apple Morning Pile
Oregon

17th April 1833

PAID

E. J. P. Esq. P. M.

James town

New York

Private

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James town

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Post Office Department
Office of Appointments
19 May 1830

Hon. E. F. Fook

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 10th instant was this morning received before, as Jeremiah Ellsworth was appointed on the first to the office of Postmaster at Silver Creek.

The change of the name of the Luncy office, and the discontinuance of the Ripley office has taken place as was requested by Mr. Faceman.

I am very truly yours
S. Warner Ruggles

Silver Creek June the 4. 1830

Mr. C. I. Hoate

Sir

There has been in circulation for a few days past in this place a memorial to the Post Master General for removing the Post Office at Silver Creek, together with the present incumbent from Office, and recommending Oliver Lee as a suitable person for the Office, the principal reasons which are assigned in that memorial for a removal are these that the Office is now located a half a mile from the most business part of the village, that the present incumbent has but recently come into the place and has not become a resident by paying taxes and that I am opposed the present Administration, and for any information respecting the facts therein contained the memorialist has been to refer the Post Master General to your Honor, and some other Gentlemen of this Country I therefore take the liberty to give you

this early notice of the proceedings that you may inform your self respecting the above facts as your opinion will probably be requested.

In relation to the subject I have only to say that I have lived in this village two years the first of July next Adam Lee had been here six weeks when I came, in relation to politics I have referred the Post Master General to some of my friends in Otsego County with whom he is personally acquainted and in whose veracity he ^{will} probably confide, — and as an evidence to you I would refer you to the proceedings of the County Convention of 1828 where you will find my name as a Jackson Delegate from this town, and as it respects the location for the Office and the individual claims for the Office ^{of J. H.} I am willing to submit that ~~part~~ part of the question to the inhabitants of this town whose remonstrance to the proceeding on behalf of Mr Lee will soon be forwarded. The object I have in making this communication

to you so that you may be furnished to your
your opinion if it should be collected in such
a manner as to do justice to your city and the
feelings of your friends in the best of the

country.
Most respectfully yours

Jessiah Chase

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June 4 1830

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June 4 1830

Silvan Cooks NY
June 5 - 1830 Blue

Wm Beardslee
of State Appn.

James town

W.B.G.

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Fredonia Mayhall's

Fredonia C. D. Foot's Son

Fredonia

Private.

The Post Master at East-Heidam, Chautauque Co., New York, has resigned, and recommended the app't of Alvah Simons. Would this appointment be satisfactory at that place were it made?

I have taken the liberty to address you this, tho' a stranger, under the impression, that you feel a sufficient interest in the Department to be anxious that correct appointments are made in yr. employ. Should the above be, or not be correct, please address Mr. H. on the subject, and if the latter, have a suitable person recd. You need not mention this letter, however.

29 March, 1833.
Washington.

Respectfully,
A. Webster
Ch. P. O. Dept.



Washington May 25th 1840.

My Dear Sir,

Having embarked with consciousness of right and hearty good will, in the defence of the administration of which I have formed a part, I earnestly invoke your assistance in rendering my efforts effective by disseminating the enclosed Address and obtaining subscribers to the Extra Globe throughout your region of country.

Every Farmer, Mechanic and Workingman should have one; and if they cannot well spare a dollar each, two or more should unite together to take one.

Stimulated by an enthusiastic devotion to the pure principles of Democracy and by the daring efforts now making to conquer them and to extinguish forever the beacon-light which our beloved country is holding up to mankind, I shall endeavor to take care, that the true-hearted men who may aid me in reaching the minds of an honest people, shall have cause to repent their exertions.

Your friend &
Fellow Citizen
Amos Ke...

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Mr.

James
Weston
Chautauque
N.Y.

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Rundall
August 20
1848

Post Office Pittsburgh
2nd Feb 1836

Sir,

Permit me to introduce to your acquaintance Mr. H. Blaney Esq. of the City Philadelphia. He visits your place on business, in which he may require some aid, your attention to him will be considered a personal favour and reciprocated with pleasure.

Respectfully
Your obt. Serv^t
D. Lynch P.M.

Post Master. Jamestown
Chautauque County N.Y.

Washington May 8th 1838

Dear Sir

I called at the P. O. D. yesterday
 for the purpose of ascertaining what
 had been done in the case complaining
 of the carrying of the mail between
 Barcelona & Farmington, I learned
 that a letter had been written to
 you by one of the Clubs requesting
 you to communicate the particulars
 of any failures. I immediately called
 their attention to your letter & to the
 Contract for carrying the mail
 which showed all the information
 they wanted. The Club was then
 directed to write Gen. Camp & direct
 him to carry & deliver the
 mail according to the terms of the
 Contract used also to write you
 requesting you to retain the mail
 till the Contract time for its leaving
 Farmington if it were not then

taken & if it were not delivered according to the contract, to report the failure to the Department, I presume you were so written yesterday,

On the morning of our business today, the death of Mr. Sawyer of Alabama was announced and we adjourned till tomorrow to attend his funeral,

This session has been a very unfortunate one. There have been five deaths. A contested election consumed some 5 or 6 weeks and now the case has already consumed over two weeks & if each member shall have a trial as he will claim the right to have upon the bench, it will take months. In the mean time the public business is in a suffering condition. The appropriations bills have not been acted upon, with the exception of two or three. Our harbor bills cannot be got up till several other bills deemed of more general importance shall have been acted upon. The house appears disposed to work to get along with the business, but this seems to have been a combination of hindrances

I will thank you to make my respects
to Mr. Henry & other friends,

Yours truly

R. P. Munn

Am. E. T. Frost

Jamistown

N. Y.

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Dear Sir

Permit me to address you on a political subject which is of some little consequence to the Republicans in Cherry Creek and Villanova. Mr. Sunderland & Mr. Hopkins of Villanova is about taking measures to get Mr. Bolcomb the Postmaster removed and get the appointment himself, and he has said you will lend your influence (We do not believe him) to remove one of your best friends who has looked to you as a Political Father for at least Twelve years. Our hopes rest on Mr. B. mostly in that Town. I have an ^{eye} to their welfare, ~~and~~ I have had some little conversation with Mr. Hopkins and he is not calculated to ~~handle~~ ^{handle} old sores nor is he a man which will do to build on, because he does not keep a straight course, he voted with us last fall with half a days flattery & understand, and this Town Meeting he has gone against. We would assist in the removal if we could gain any.

Cherry Creek March 7th 1835 yours truly
 C. T. Foot Esq. James Carr

A. B. Mr. B. and myself and others took the Mail to carry our responsibility from Villanova to Fayette until a Law was passed ^{taking it to Furnestown} Mr. B. finally carried it on his own expense for the fee which was not enough to defray the expenses. We have lost supervisor and Town Clerk we have elected more than half the Officers of Mr. Foot's party except Estham Godfer Regent Ct. We keep up good company they could beat us more than two to one until year ago last fall. Villanova has elected the whole Ticket with the exception of one opposition. ^{last year using 30} Lure super 22 Mr. party

William

free

East Troy N. Y.

James
Christy Co. N. Y.

James Lee Esq
on Villenoria P O corner

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Dear Sir - I take the liberty, of address-
ing a few lines to you inquiring you some
thing of the political standing of Mr. Adams
we have had an town meeting and the
result of it is, that the Wigs of 34's the extreme
sens together with some traitors which some
supposed were yeoman men have elect-
ed them tickets principally with a decided
majority from last year; their greatest
opportunity was not and from that change do
you see elected one justice and one con-
table in our tickets - Mr. Hopkins that used
to live in your place went against
us and with his best endeavors to divide
the yeoman ranks he lives in a federal
hope there is not a single yeoman man
in the neighborhood I will inform you of
his manly disposition he manifested
best self - before the election myself
of Mr. Hopkins and some others would
frequently have a number of politi-
cal papers sent in a week probably
to hand round to our friends - he did
not feel enough interest in the el-
ection to pay the postage on the pap-
ers and take them out of the office sa-
ying if people wanted them they
might pay the postage for he would
not - and now I understand he is tryin-
g to get the post office removed and
get the office himself or in that pla-
ce and has also made his boasts that you
have pledged yourself to go in for
him; I therefore considering you a pol-
itical if not a personal friend of mine
take the liberty of writing you on the
subject; What grounds he is taking I do not

to turn me out and place me in his
stead - if there was any thing to be ga-
ined by it I would willingly give
it up but not to my political
enemies - in next the Civil War
Please write me on the subject
you may rely on the above to be
facts which I shall endeavor to
show you before long
yours in next Sidney Ballam
B. H. Sprate Esq.

Please to hand the enclosed
letter to Mr. Dyer -

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known but I have understood from some
that he has a great many stories to tell
he I was informed getting all the signatures
and then meeting day days and every thing
without reading or hearing the same
read and some signing on a blank piece
of paper probably to attach to a peti-
tion telling them that the object
was not to remove this office but to
get another established and after find-
ing the deception went to have their names
written off but said he had gone to open
vice with the petition - since that I un-
derstand he went to your place and can-
not name boasting again that you had
not him your assistance I had wish
you to write me on the subject and all
the particulars if you please; and if
your name was gone in that subject the
P. M. C. I would esteem it a favor to
on the subject until he sends me a copy of the
papers together with all the signatures I shall
probably be at your place soon and then
we can see whether there is any deception
under net - I think we had ought to move
very careful in our political sphere at
present in our feeble situation so as not
to divide our ranks and maintain what
we can have - you know we have been ham-
pered by interfering in this county this 7 or 8
years and past masters and judges &c. - we all the off-
ices we could get at any rates and had to throw
them away I think we had better move
the case - when this office was established it was
a private office for better than a year and
I carried the Mail for the weeks of the office
which at that time was not 1/4 of an hour to
any a man and afterwards it was a small con-
tribution for the trouble and now after
I have borne the burden and heat of the day
there comes in stripling of a merchant who
is so puerile as to pay his postage and hat
goes forward and asks my old political friends

Village Balcony
Letter - PO concerns

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in

Garrett

S. J. Hoarke Esq. p.m.

W. Deane
my March 9/1853

free

Villanova: May 22^d 1835
Hon E. V. Groot

Sir. Since I saw you I find Boleomb has heard from Wash-
ington about the P. O. He is now making
his defence and with his gang riding
at the head are making desperate
efforts to save themselves. He has
moved the office into a little shanty
of his and is entitling some in his
favor by pledging himself to use
all endeavours to get an office
at once in this town after he
has satisfied the Post Master Gen.

You have been acquainted with
me for some years and know I
have always pursued a regular course
and always been a Jackson man.
You are also aware of the course
of Boleomb and know it has been
destructive to our party in Town and
as long as he has power it will be
so —

I wish you would write to Mr
Kendle as favourable as you can
in my favor and I shall ever be
obliged to you. We have desperate
men to fight against and I will try
all honest means to stop them. If you
write it will need doing immediately.

I presume you are known to Mr
Kendle and it will assist consider-
able and in the mean time I will
keep it a secret

Yours &c
Jos. G. Hopkins

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Chamberlains
 May 22
 New B B Foot
 Fred Martin
 Chamberlains School

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

May 3

1857.

Your official bond was destroyed by the fire which consumed the building in which this Department was kept, on the 15th December, 1836.

By direction of the Postmaster General, I enclose to you a new bond, which you will please to execute and return to me with as little delay as practicable. The new bond should be signed by the same persons who were your sureties in the former bond, if their signatures can be obtained; but if that cannot be done, then you will procure new sureties; and, in either case, the sufficiency of the sureties must be certified by a magistrate, according to the form annexed to the bond.

I also enclose blank forms for the oath of office to be taken by yourself and assistant, which you will please to have filled up and return them with your bond.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT JOHNSTON,

Second Assistant Postmaster General.

Bond for \$2000

Given Allen Smith Seymour bail
bond dated 17th May 1837

My oath before Jones Esq & Jennings before
me forwarded at the same time
Jones JP certified to responsibility of bail



Schenck April 23 1837

Dear Sir

I am in accordance with your views I should like to have you en-
lave me a letter directed to the
Prothonotary here saying whether
I have the means to fund whether
I should probably fulfill any contract
I should make for transportation to the
United States. Will I shall probably
aid as far as of the means you will
of course consider this matter confidential
I should like to see you at Mayfield
some time when convenient will let you
know when I shall be there

Yours truly
Oliver Lee



to my father
to my mother

Oliver S. Lee

Letter to S. L. L. L. L.

April 23rd 1837

asked recommendation
to P. O. Dept. for mail contract

Samuel Lee
Chlor

John F. Scott

Rev

123 St.

St. Louis, Mo.

John

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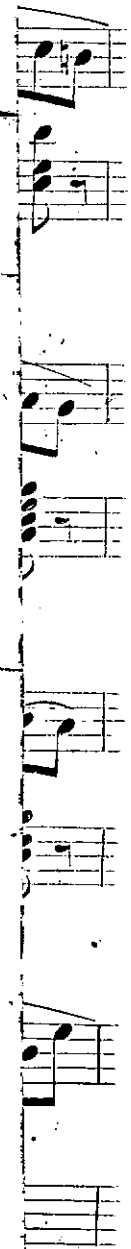
P.O. Erie Pa May 21. 1833

Mr Sir, I am much obliged to you for notifying the mistake which we made in our bill to your office - Such mistakes may sometimes occur as we make it up generally from 2 to 3 in the morning. Sometimes pretty wrong - I will always be pleased that you would notify us of any errors which you may see in our bills -

Yours Respectfully

Port Master
James Lewis N.Y.

Robt Cochran P.M.



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Pell Erie Pa

Thank u mi for

notifying error of bill

may 21/33

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John Miller
Janner town
Pa.

Collymer April 25. 1833

Hon E. J. Gooty

Dear Sir I this mail send
a petition for the office of P. M. ^{to} A. Osborn
exp ~~and~~ other county corresponding committee
who have agreed to send the petition to the
Gen P. O. Department with a statement of
political facts respecting the P. O. in this town,
my name is in the body of the petition to
supervise Williams if we succeed, Williams
last summer when the petition went in for
Mr Baskin sent in a remonstrance with a
number of Antis signatures stating that he was
of the old democratic school and still
a republican. You will very well know that
all the Antis ~~later~~ that name however
bitterly they oppose the present administration.
This is but true that know a petition is on the
move for I concluded if I did not succeed
they should not know that an attempt had been
made. As to getting the Globe into this
town or Greenheruk I think it rather doubtful
as money is so scarce at this time, I shall
take it in the fall when I expect to be in
funds. I wrote to Esq. Osborn that you
would write at about the same time that
they would send the petition to Washington
so as to have them arrive at about the same
time.

Yours sincerely

H. A. Minney

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Clymer N.Y.
April 26th

John C. ...

Hon. E. J. Fote D.M.

Hamiston

Chautauque Co.
N.Y.

French Creek Sept 9th 1835

Hon. E. T. Foote

Dear Sir

I write to solicit your advice and assistance respecting establishing a new post office in this town on the mail route from Jamestown to Erie Pa as there is none on the route in this town a number of the citizens interested have petitioned P. O. Department and recommended me for P. M. the place where I reside is two miles west of Clymer P. O. many wish the post office established here some think that Clymer is so near that it will be deemed an objection by the Dept and think of a place 1/4 mile west of me still wishing me for P. M. The distance from Clymer the nearest post O. east to Wattsburg the nearest west is 10 miles and I think that a post office is necessary at one of the above places should think that the latter probably would be most convenient the person living there does not wish to be post. It is willing to take care of the office. Please give your advice. I suppose that our whig friend P. M. Clymer will oppose this as he has a former effort. I want no favors of any such friends but if consistent in spite of them (I mean sectional favors) I should like to accomplish this.

I send enclosed the communication from the P. O. Dept. there are some questions which it is impossible for me to answer at present will you if you approve the measure answer as to No. Contractors name, distance and most direct route to Washington & most direct mail route to Albany distance &c.

Our Highway Comrs are at a stand to know whether they may run the town in debt our roads and bridges are in a sad state after expending \$250 and some town or please advise.

In health Yours very respectfully

Hon. E. T. Foote Jamestown

Wm. H. Pearson

P.S. please write by return of mail

W. H.

22a Ft. Gleason

Wants Po in F. Beck

From: Chas. D. Strole

James Town, Chau. Co.

Nov. 1864

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Charlottesville July 10th 1835

Sir I am directed by the Board
master General to inform ^{you} of my
accepting the proposals made by
the Department to carry the Mail
Business a week in leaving from
Savannah to Bristol shall be at

Savannah in a few days and will
put on hands on said Route agreeable
to the instructions from the Department
as soon as I can make the
necessary arrangements

Yours Respectfully

John Casper

J. G. Lott

P. M.

Silver Creek May 8 1830

Conspicuous

Dear Sir

I understand that Mr C Caspary has sent in his resignation as Postmaster at this place & named his successor and a person has been forwarded from him for a man who has kindly come here it is not signed by a man who has any business with the Post Office because my Postage acct is more than 1/4 of the receipts of this Office it was all transacted while I was absent the New York Mr Merchant was also absent with me the Person named was not a practice of claim press us as a partner I would suggest to you the propriety of delaying the appointment until the views of our partners could be ascertained as the subject I arrived home from New York this day I shall be at James Towers in a few days and shall express my views more fully to you on the subject than I could expect to make the improvement upon the Office in a reasonable time, then

Write me by Return Mail on the within subject a few
Days delay as to the appointment was not at the
~~Effect~~ ^{Part} the business of the Office, now Harbor will
go over this season Mr. Mincham has gone to New
York but will return in a few days he is as
much instructed as to the Post Office as I am I
think he is provisionally located here as a Man

Yours with Respect
Chas. Sec.
[The remainder of the page contains very faint and illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the document.]

Washington

Apr. 11. 1834

(Not official)

In addition to the expressions of surprise made by you & Mr. Tracy at the app^t of Walter Chester, allow me to add that if my own at the circumstance of Mr. Chester being other wise than entirely satisfactory as the new incumbent of the office. He was appointed on the resignation & recommendation of Govt. Stockton

Let no time be lost in recommending one who is suitable & satisfactory

A. B. Hobbie
on Jury Office

From A. B. Hobbie



REC'D

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Hon. E. J. Foote

Jamestown

N. York

Chautauque

Handwritten text, possibly a letter or note, partially obscured by the musical notation below.



you will put the mail in charge of
the Messrs Winslow, state when you do so,
and give the schedule of arrivals and
departures by which they are governed.
You will make known to Mr Carpenter at
Franklinville N.Y. or his agent at James
stown the purport of these instructions
and report his determination in
the premises without delay.

I am fir of orders

J. T. Dolan

Ap. 5. 1862

Postmaster

Jamesstown
New York

Post Office Department
Northern Division
26th Jan'y 1835.

Sir,

Mr. Carpenter the Contractor for carrying
the weekly horse mail between Jamestown
N.Y. and Erie. You has been advertised of
the proposals of the Messrs Winslows to
transport the mail semi weekly in Stages
on that Route No 929 at the compensation
now allowed him viz \$175 per ann and the
privilege given him of adopting the improve-
ment upon the same terms - Should Mr Carpenter
or his Agent at Jamestown conclude to run
Stages as proposed by Messrs Winslow then the
mail will be continued in his charge - Should
he refuse to make the improvement upon the
terms specified in a reasonable time, then

P O Saratoga Ny Apr 15 1836

Mr A Kendall Pelly

Dear Sir

The mail contract on the route from this to Erie Pa ^(No) was let as a weekly horse route to Mr Carpenter of Franklinville Ny. J. J. Winslow, finally superseded him as I have understood & agreed to run a triweekly stage for the same compensation at ^{the} solicitation of the inhabitants on the route who encouraged him with the promise of subscriptions but on indeciment to run the stage for an inadequate compensation from the Department. I am inclined to believe that a formal contract was never made in writing between Winslow & the Department if so there was no bail - J. J. Winslow failed to block Block Ny & his brother J. M. Winslow continued the stage until the spring he supposed he received the pay from the Department - The people on the route supposing the stage secured to them declined considering any further assistance & Winslow discontinued his stage & the mail for some weeks past has been irregularly transported on horse back. At this time there is no certainty that it will be transported by Winslow either on horseback or otherwise - Winslow not long since received orders from the Department on the Pelly at Plover & Clynner & from the course Winslow was ^{in abandoning the route} taking, & under the impression that there was no bail ^{but turned to} I advised the former to refuse payment & notify you of the facts believing that it would be unjust to get his pay up to the 1st April & discontinue carrying the mail - This I believe to be substantially the facts - I believe ^{think} a stage should be continued on the route at least semi-weekly & there is enough that would do it for a fair compensation. I presume the route would bestoin the Department in doing it. I shall with pleasure cooperate with the Department in further their views & wishes on this subject & will give orders in the premises.

Copy of letter to Mrs. S. P. [unclear]

on [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

for [unclear]

April 1836.

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Po Jonestown 2 March 16 1978

Hon S R Hobbie

Dear

Yours of the 26th Jan'y. relative to
Winstons application for a stage contract on mail route 729
from Jonestown to Eric Pa come duly to hand. Before I wrote Corpen-
ter and immediately after receiving your letter I received
information from Corpen-ter the Contractor of which the following is
a copy. "I am directed to

get he had never appeared to make any arrangements to put on any
stage or teams & as I advised you on the 25th ult. the mail had not
then been carried by Corpen-ter or his man for 2 weeks & that
I had procured Winstow to carry it on my own responsibility.
Winstow has still carried it under my directions & I have put the
mail under his charge & his contract should commence on the
8th February at \$175 per ann as I have pledged the Dep't that

The mail to be transported in stages twice a week &
the following arrangement is proposed

Schedule

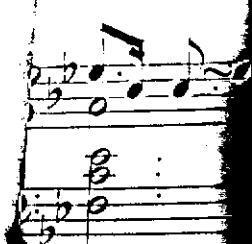
Leave Jonestown on Mondays & Fridays at 6 AM & arrive
at Eric the same days at 7 PM - Leave Eric Tuesdays
& Saturdays at 6 AM & arrive at Jonestown same days by 7 PM

The mail to be transported alternately on the north &
the south roads between Jonestown & Harmony if required
This last provision should be inserted in the contract

Sir your letter of the 16th ult. is before me. You ask
price at which I will sell my 1/2 gr. for you the Dr. E. J.
se. at the same time you request me in price. The James
and terms which you propose would not induce me to be
James rather buy yours. I hope to be in Indianapolis this
summer

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begin had given me
contract to Whitcomb
business is confidential
letter to me



Post Office Department,
April 16. 1833.

E. T. Foote Esq. P. M.
Jamestown, N.Y. —

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the
10th inst. to my Uncle, has been handed to me
by him. —

The Book which I proposed publishing
has never appeared for want of patronage. —

The pamphlets containing the nett amount
of postage collected at each Office, are very
scarce. — I do not know where you can get one,
unless you request your Member of Congress to ask
it of the Clerk of the House of Representatives. —

Very Respectfully,

Y. O. S.

Edw. T. Brown

Clerk.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

July 28 - 1836.

To

Postmaster at

Samstown, N. Y.

SIR:

You are required to deposit to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, for the service of the POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, the proceeds of your office, and all moneys now due from you, in the

Bank of Buffalo,

according to the following regulations, viz:

"Postmasters who shall have been directed to deposit their proceeds of postage, shall, when such proceeds do not exceed, respectively, six hundred dollars in one Quarter, deposit their whole balances within fifteen days after the close of each Quarter; when their balances exceed the rate of six hundred dollars per Quarter, they shall make their deposits monthly, within seven days after the close of each month; and when their deposits exceed the rate of three thousand dollars per Quarter, their deposits shall be made weekly, their whole balances being always paid within fifteen days after the close of each Quarter."

You will obtain from the proper officer of the Bank, in each case, *duplicate Certificates of Deposit*, with *your name*, and the name of *your Office and State*, one of which you will transmit to me, by the first mail after you obtain it; the other you will retain as your receipt. You will *not enclose your Certificate in your Quarterly Returns* in any case. The sum deposited will be placed at your credit on the books of this office, when the Certificate shall be received, but *not before*.

The form of a Certificate of Deposit is herewith enclosed.

The Postmaster General will consider it the indispensable duty of each Postmaster in the vicinity of any Bank where deposits are made on account of this Department, to communicate to him the earliest intelligence of any failure or depreciation of the notes of such Bank, or any apprehension of its perfect safety.

When it is inconvenient for you to send the money to Bank *by private conveyance*, you can remit *by mail*, and the Department will guarantee its safety.

No allowance will be made to Postmasters for the depreciation of money received for postage, as the law knows of no money but specie, or its equivalent, in payment for postage.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Amos Kendall

NOTE.—You will, within two days after the close of each quarter, forward your quarterly accounts to this Department; or, if there be no Mail from your office within that time, then by the next mail. The Quarters end on the 31st March, 30th June, 30th September, and 31st December.

By having your accounts of Mails Sent and Mails Received copied beforehand up to the last day, you can finish the copies, make the calculations, and have them ready to be forwarded in a few hours.

Dr. E. J. Fiske, Jr. of
the Post office, Sep 10^r

Balance as per (renewed)	2 1/4
Cash	118
Cash	110 25
Cash	135
Cash	149
Cash	158
Cash	200
Cash	172
Balance	8 94
	1053 83

Dr. E. J. Fiske, Jr. of
his Post office of

from Sept 10 to Sept 1	117	39
" " " " " "	108	89
Oct 1 " Dec 31	135	97
Jan 1 " April 1	155	81
April 1 " July 1	162	54
July 1 " Oct 1	199	47
Oct 1 " Dec 31	173	76
Balance	1053	83



Allegro
Agitato



Jan 21 1878

Wm. J. Fiske
must contribute
to the Post Office

The Postmaster of Jamestown N. Y. is informed, that before the transfer of contract for route 1262, Warren Pa. to Jamestown N. Y. can be granted, it is necessary that Messrs. Hall & Slocum, the assignees, forward their written assent, that they will accept the contract on the same terms.

Post Office Department
Contract Office
June 21st 1838.

Wm H. Burdick

for 1st Aft. B. M. Geal.

P.S. Please to name the place of residence of
Messrs. Hall & Slocum.

Jan. 21/1898

Memorandum
Miss Cornelia
to the organist Hall House

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P-O Mayville 31st Oct 1834

Dear Sir

I am informed that they are making an effort to reform my old friend John B. Corey, J. M. Portland. I feel unwilling to have it done unless the case is bettered - which to say the least is somewhat doubtful - from circumstances I should think it more likely to be ~~on~~ local than political ground - It is seldom that I have interfered with localities but in this case I thought proper to give you ^{my} wishes on the subject that is to have the same suspended until it is better understood - Mr. Corey has removed to his new tavern house in the little Village situated near the Center of the Town about half a mile towards Westfield but ~~the~~ office is wanted in a small building about half a mile below which is less central but think it would ^{be} accommodate as well as where it is now - as it is most likely that you will be consulted I have sent you my views for reflection as well as conclusion -

E. T. Coote Esq

Yours frankly &c

J. W. Tracy P. M.

Mr. E. J. Fort
Gamestown

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Letter Oct 15th
at school office
Miss Litch

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James C. [unclear]
[unclear]

[unclear]

Clevedonk. 12th August 1834-

To the Hon^{ble} Eliah T. Foot Esq

As it is from the recommendations of Joseph Knight Esq that I address you at this time with reference to Post office at this place the Messrs the Present Postmaster has left the Country & left the business of the office in the hands of an overtut. This line is to solicit your assistance in obtaining the appointment of Postmaster for ~~my~~ my self

The Esq thought it best to state to you in this line the facts of my Polatix they now are & ever have been republican & am happy to say that I was one of the many that assisted in the resolution of the Present Chief Magistrate of our Country

with respect to my residence here I consider it permanent I have a small Property here & follow my Trade

yours with respect. Amos Sheldon

Hall of Rep.

Apr. 14 1860

Dear Sir

I show just as you kind
of the 6th inst I take what
you say in relation to franking
as I have not ~~at~~ doubt it was
intended, kindly My Madam you
now has always been in public
life to do nothing which my own
sense of propriety may suggest
to be wrong in other words I desire
to be governed in my public official
life by the same rules which govern
me in private life. In the case
which you call my attention
you are somewhat mistaken in
the facts. I have been sending a
few weekly Mad^{rs} home to persons
who desired them for a short period
I have purchased the papers here &
Ed. of the paper has no knowledge

to ~~write~~ I send them, ~~to~~ but warning
all this. The practice of sending off
papers ~~sent~~ come to those who were
considered subscribers has existed
here for years, and in truth
and in fact I have no doubt
during the last 4 or 5 years
there times the number of Globes
have been sent off under frank
to the no. of Whig papers. This to be
sure does not make it right
if there be any thing wrong in principle
in the practice. There has been a good
deal of discussion here this winter
upon the subject, and there
is no doubt of my legal right
to frank papers packages &c. still
I think the practice of sending off
to regular subscribers large numbers
of papers under frank is improper
in other words that it was not
intended so to employ the franking
privilege.

I had made up my mind
some days since for several reasons
not to send off ~~under~~ my frank
any papers &c. except such as I take

from for my own use. I prefer
in all cases to divide any portion
which any respectable portion of
my constituents may think improper
of about which I may have doubts
While on this subject I will say
that I have no doubt but the news
papers are turning with many
changes which are not true.
In relation to the Clerk franking for
Members, he has always done so
& if he will not frank off a
dozen Speeches in a package why
they will be sent separately. I have
sent to you coffee under the
frank of the 'Ely or Speaker, two
packages of Mirrors, my wife
& I might have sent them in 15 or
20 separate pieces. I cannot
entail persons addressing communi-
cations to me at F. T. You know
this is the practice every where, all
Members of Congress who are in
business receive their letters free
at the place of business, & to their
families &c. I decided if I am cor-
rectly informed, many members
have their blank franked at
home for the use of the Clerks &

families & they are recognized by
the P. Masters. This you know
I have now done,

Then will always I
suppose be more or less fault
finding but for one I am
entirely willing that the franking
privilege should be abolished

But enough on this subject
I assure you that I desire you
always to apprise me frankly
if whenever you may suppose I
violate the franking privilege, it
is my desire to abuse none of
my privileges

In haste

Wm. C. Brown

Hon. E. T. Froot

from R. P. Garrison
April 14, 1840
as to franking papers

Post Office Department
Northern Division
Mail Transportation,
22^d March 1833

Sir

Your suggestions relative to the transportation of the mail between Fredonia and Dunkirk, and Fredonia and Jamestown N.Y. are entirely satisfactory and the propositions of Mr. Abell to carry the mail daily in a two Horse Hack between Fredonia & Dunkirk, connecting at Fredonia with the Buffalo & Erie and Jamestown Mails approved and accepted by the Department, and the Postmasters at Dunkirk and Fredonia advised thereof.

I am
yrs
R. Hobbes

E. J. Fote Esq -
Postmaster
Jamestown
Chautauque County
New York



Dunkirk Post Masters

John Longdon born Pawling NY
settled in Dunkirk 1821
First Farmer there
when he settled there says only 12 families

Lyander B. Moore born Monticello
He came to Dunkirk 1830
studied law & became an attorney

John F. Longdon born in
Pawling town
Dutchess Co. N.Y.
settled in Dunkirk
1821 - first & last
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Dunkirk Post Office
White Adam Fink was Post

1833 to 1841. Feb 9th 1868

Post Master Fink writes from Grandson.

Mr E. R. Thompson

Dear Sir

Your note, dated

29th was received by Grand Father Fink

the 7th and I will now write for him the infor-

mation you wanted, as far as possible. As Grand

Father has mis-laid his account-current

with the exception of two, he is obliged Master

to resort to ^{his} memory for the particulars in regard

to the account-current. Your first question

was where was he born? (ans) New York State, Dutch

ess County, town of Montross; settled in Dunkirk

1819. He was appointed Postmaster by Wilson

J. Perry the 16 of December 1833, and served 8 1/2

years (exact). The first quarters postage going

to the government was between \$50.00 & \$60.00, and

received from that until 1836 when every body being

rich amounted to \$220.00, and then when our in-

terted the end of his term when it amounted to about

Dunkirk Post Office



The same or variations of the first quarter

NOYSE F. PAINE;

P. S. _____ for Adm. Fish

Grand Father is sorry that he cannot open
the exact amounts of the Account-Currents for
each quarter and if he finds them not ready
the exact amounts,

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P. C. Newtown Jan 30th 1832

Hon W J Barry

Sir

The enclosed publication is sent here to the printer of a semi monthly newspaper which the printer claims to receive free of postage as a printer by virtue of the provisions of the 29th section of Act of March 25

Another printer of a weekly news paper claims the privilege of receiving free of postage the "Ladies Book" published in a magazine form at Philadelphia (is stitched covered as magazines usually are

Will you without delay give me your opinion whether or not the printer should be charged postage on these publications

True Copy of the

Copy of letter
to P.M. G. requesting
his opinion on
Ladies Book of
Christian Breach
which the printer
claims to receive
eye-hemp & free of
postage.

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Lithatone

Selma Creek May 24 1833

Dear E. J. Foot

The pin enclosed is the Papers
I spoke to you about it has been showed
to Mr. Mason but what has cheerfully signed
It - as I understand, the matters that are
attached to it are now lost - you can
examine them - I lay such before the Department
as you think proper - let me ask you to
get our next mail from Fayetteville to our Office
as to the situation I would refer you to our
application sent Sept.

For your trouble I can only say that
it may be in my Power to serve you
in some friendly act - - - - -
wishes you to look the Post Office
at Kapala Cothran's Co - they will
send by the next Mail from Fredonia
Yours Truly
Oliver Lee

Wm. Lee from S. York

The Papers from Fredonia will be mailed
to you directed to Washington -
O. Lee

A handwritten musical score consisting of ten staves. The notation includes various rhythmic values, stems, and beams. The score is written in a dark ink on aged paper. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation is dense, with many notes beamed together. There are some markings that look like '3' and '4' on the left side of the staves. The score ends with a double bar line and a sharp sign (#).

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Auditors office,

Post office Dept.

Jan'y 17. 1837 -

Sir,

In reply to yours of the 7th Inst., I remark, that the balance due on the returns for the 3^d Qr 1834 would not have been charged to the ac of S. Fooks Jr. had Mr. had not said returns been signed in his name. If however, Mr. Fisher his successor, or his authorized agent, will acknowledge his liability for said balance, it will be immediately transferred.

Modest

Will you have the goodness to ascertain the fact from Mr. Fisher & give me early advice, as Fisher is out of office and it will be necessary in the settlement of his ac.

Respectfully,

Mr. Oct. Ser.

Ch. Adams
Auditor

E. J. Fooks Esq

Pm.

James town, N.Y. How can any one make Mr F liable for Fishers acts after he (F) was out of office & Fisher in possession of it under an appt of the PO Department



at the Residence of
James B. Smith,
1714 Spring - 37.

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Post Office Department
Northern Division
20th June 1836

Sir

Your letter of the 3rd inst. is at hand - Simon Fisher was appointed Postmaster at Watuboro, Chautauque Co. N.Y. 8th May 1834 and bonded 30th June 1834.

Respectfully y^{rs}
J. R. Hobbs
Apt. PM Genl

E. J. Folsom
Sarnestown
New York }

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Per Annual Report for the 21st of Washington City in compliance with the Post Office Department

To Balances due on last office report
 from Oct 1 to July 1 1883 \$ 2.65
 " July 1 " Oct 1 " 5.87
 " Oct 1 " Dec 31 " 4.84
 " Jan 1 " Oct 1 " 5.12
 " Apr 1 " July 1 " 4.05

22.53

"CHAINED"
In mia man
DU
 From BELLINI'S
NO 11
 Arranged
Piano

Published by GEO. P. RE

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Law Office Papers

Solicitor Office

Nov. 17. 1854

Have the goodness to inform me whether
D. A. B. Co. has paid to the sum of \$2,74 due on
his 9th as late Gas meter (in State of Indiana)

I am very respectfully

S. W. Harris

C. J. Foote Esq
P. O.
S. M. James town, N. C.

Dear
Friend
I
am
sorry
to
hear
that
you
have
been
ill
and
that
your
trip
will
not
be
before
I
can
open
my
eyes
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read

A musical score consisting of two staves. The top staff is in G major, and the bottom staff is in F major. The music is a simple melody with accompaniment. Dynamics markings include 'cres' and 'pp'. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Chained at last. 2.

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Williamsport Pa. 17th Sept. 1853

Dear Sir

I am on my way to Bath, having just at
Haverburg advised from the Dept that the letting
had been postponed in consequence of the 6th of the
until the 22nd & 16th Nov. - This you will have
been advised by Mr. Tinker & through the public
papers I will get out again on the 25th & 6th
or for this generalent a short time but as I have
most of the gentlemen with whom I desire a
conference. I can have all things pretty well prepared
before I start. Our bank books will be
opened on the 24th Oct. This prevents me from

going earlier. Mr Tinker has of the opinion
that you would go on the 1st time, this
will be best. If you can spare the time & I
must Carpenter near Haverburg He is right
& I think will remain so. Especially if you
go on, as he appears to repose great confidence
in you. It is doubtful whether he will
go on in Nov. especially if you do -
It is quite important that we keep him

calm & easy. I think we shall have little
difficulty in the next, as the contemplated
improvements in your neighbourhood must
overbear & swallow up all opposition

pp

If you shall determine to go on
cannot you leave Fairmount ~~to~~ to reach
both on the evening of the 24th the stage
leaving Anglica on the 22nd 24th & 26th of
October. Cooper's will probably come on
with you as far as Notts. or perhaps it
will be better to avoid falling in with
him, unless it be accidental until you
reach Notts. I shall be pleased to hear
from you. This matter is settled in
your own mind.

Very Respectfully yours
John Hayes

B. T. Poole copy

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text]

Washington 23^d July 1837

My Dear Sir,
Your note in relation to the P.O. in your County
came to me yesterday. Very soon after I wrote to you one of
our delegation in the House, Mr. Reynolds from Coitland County
called upon me and told me he knew the man who ought to
be appointed; that he had formerly lived neighbor to him and
was a most firm true and worthy man, and as I understood
him, had either been Post Master, or a candidate for the office
before. I told him, if he was acquainted, so that he was sure he
was doing justice and complying with the wishes of our friends.
I wished he would go to the department and have the appointment
made, as the office was vacant. He did so, and I hope, from the
facts you state, that the man whose appointment he procured
is the same you speak of but as I do not remember his name
to your one I cannot tell. I thank you for your attention to
the business.

Be great haste

I am truly Yours

John W. Wainwright Jr.

Hon. Elisha F. Gooch

Hon Silas Wright
W. Amate. Jan. 23/57
on Bill E. Sheridan



Dear
Miss Wright

Mr. Elias H. Hoate

Lawston
Charlotte County
New York

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HUS THY TREASON EXPIATED

Gia mi pasco ne tuoi sguardi.

IN THE TROP

ITS CELEBRATED

Shrewsbury Feb. 16. 1837.

My Dear Sir

Dear Sir

There appears to be in this town some dissatisfaction manifested in regard to J. P. Sawden as Post Master - and it is thought that the office will be taken from him - & in case such a thing takes place there are two or three men in the upper part of our Village who are desirous that W. Saw. Brown should be appointed - I am also desirous to have the appointment for various reasons - and the object of this is to solicit the favour that you will pledge your influence to no one for the present.

Yours Respectfully

George D. Craft



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WESTFIELD, N.Y.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

Northern Division,

March 29 1836

SIR:

A new Post Office has been established at *Holdenville* in
the county of *Chautauque*, and State of *N.Y.*
to be supplied with the mail by route No. 731 - *Dunkirk to*
Sainttown; of which circumstance the Postmaster General
requires that you take especial notice, in the making up and despatching of mails,
for said route.

Sydney Gates Esq. is appointed Postmaster of the new office.

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

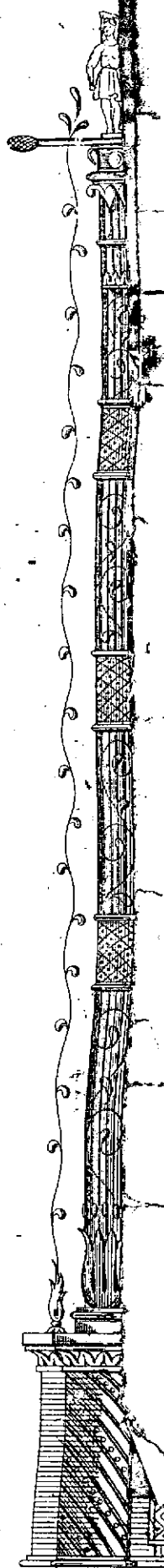
M. Hobbs
Assistant Postmaster General.

To

Esq., P. M.

Sainttown
Chautauque co.
N.Y.

561.



Post Office Department
Inspection Office
May 7th 1838

Sir,
You will ~~please~~ detain the mail on
route 875 Jamestown to Barcelona, in your office until
till the time specified in the schedule of the contract.
And if the contractor does not take it then
you will report him as failing to carry the
mail.

Yours very Respectfully
Samuel A. Lewis
Apt. P. O. Genl.

Postmaster at
Jamestown N.Y.

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Mayville 18th July 1833
Hon E. G. Foster

Sir I regret that I did not see you in relation to the Mail business as intended that I could explain to you the course I had taken about this route, more fully than in this communication. In the days mail I gave an instruction to form a schedule furnished by the P. Martins on the route, which I wish sent off immediately. You are undoubtedly aware that petitions have gone on to improve the route as for the copy of petition enclosed and with the schedule I wish to send off. The enclosed Certificate expected by the P. Office on the route. Mr Tracy will sign it on its return I came to the conclusion that it was a better course to run alternately on either of the Salt road after a little make a daily mail on both sides. The course that is best, and most desired by the people is the one I wish to take. I hope Sir you will give me your name to the Certificate concurring in the improvement and most especially the compensation is small as I wish to run the route. You will please send me a schedule and I will get the names of P. M. this way and immediately transmit the same to the P. Office Department over

My friend's to have a letter from Westport and Port Harbors nearly at the same time

I will here take the liberty to give you ~~the~~ something like my wishes as to time of day being navigation.

have Saturday, at from 7 to 8 o'clock will arrive at Port Harbors at 3 P.M. have Port Harbors at 8 A.M. & arrive at your place at 5 P.M. Winter leave Saturday

at day from 4 to 5 A.M. and arrive at Port Harbors 3 P.M. have Port Harbors at 8 A.M. arrive at your place at 5 P.M.

According to the advertisement the Mail is to remain here over night. I myself do not think that would be a proper arrangement as letters from your place must necessarily be over one day although you will observe it will be more expedient to me as our team Monday will be away from home. I do not think it necessary to mention the time of arrival and departure only at the ends of the route. I hope my views are in accordance with your own and that you will send in the schedule with the enclosed cuttings that I may get the signatures of the P.M. and send the paper to the Department, as it was their wish to have it done immediately. Your immediate attention will add to the many favors already recd. by you. Obedt servt in haste
G. J. Camp

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Warren April 19th 1836

Post of Warren Feb. 4. 1839

Dear Sir -

W. W. Hoages, the present Post Master at Warren, has been appointed Prothonotary of Warren County, by Gov. Porter. He has accepted of the same - a new Postmaster must therefore be appointed. The majority of our friends have selected me to make application for the office, and had a subscription in circulation, which will be forwarded to Washington by tomorrow's mail. I have been suggested by several of our mutual friends that your influence would go far to effect an appointment. I therefore take the liberty of calling your attention, for the accomplishment of this business. Will you be kind enough my dear Sir, to take an interest in this subject & use your influence, in such a manner as you may think proper, to secure my appointment - the favour will be thankfully received and cheerfully reciprocated. Despatch is necessary.

In haste yours truly

Cornelius Master Jr

P.S. - I have written to my Cousin - the full p. - but I am apprehensive the letter will come too late -

Chas Jr

No. 1.
Allegro
ma non
troppo.



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county agent as P.M.
Feb 5th 1884

Am. E. J. Miller - P.M.

James Jones

Samuel Jones

n. J.

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Warren April 19th 1836

Dear

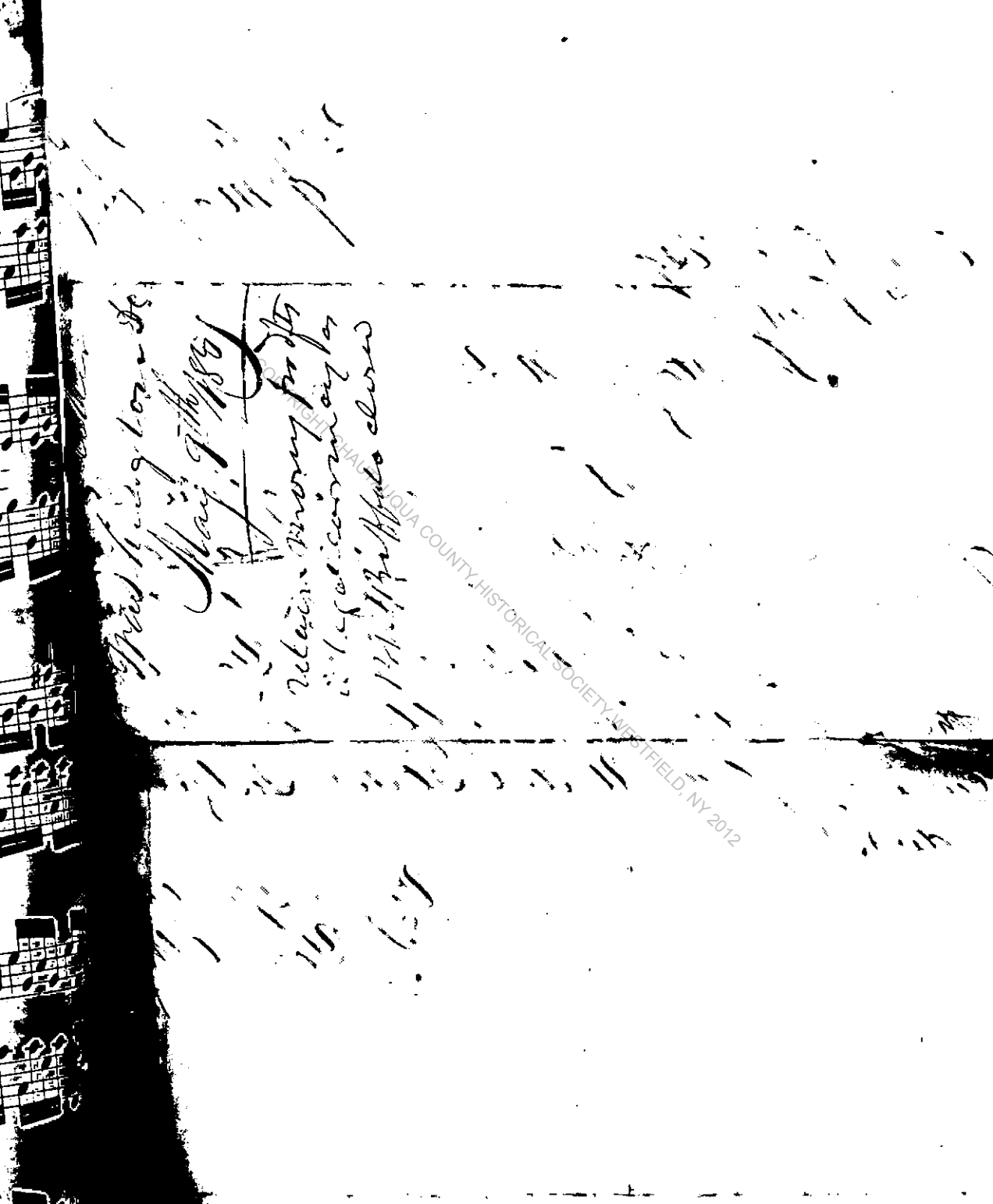
Orders have been sent to run the Mail daily
 I had no idea any one expected it more than six times
 a week - which is all the public require - & rest on the
 Sabbath - I find that Moon applies however in three
 distinct proportions viz - for three times 245 for 5 - 360
 and 7 - 400 - My object in this is to ask you if
 under all circumstances it had not better be only run
 6 times - and although 400 is a small compensation
 for it I would rather take \$300 and if they will
 direct it to go on the 5 week days only - I have no
 doubt you feeling accord with myself in the principle
 and I hope they will also as to Expediency of so will
 you represent the case to the Department -

I have been looking for some time for Morris ~~case~~
 contract to come on - Do you know any thing of it
 he says it will come to you - please let me know the
 cause of the delay if known to you

Respectfully Yours A. J. Jenner

sent exhibit as Bill
 Feb 5th 1839





Grand Building Loan Co

May 9th 1880

Relation money paid to
W. M. Phillips cleared

W. M. Phillips cleared

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Post Office Dept.
9 May 1837

E. T. Foote Esq
P. M.

Camestown N.Y.

Sir.

In consequence of the closing
of the Bank of Buffalo, you are directed
not to make any further deposits therein on
account of this Department. You will retain
the proceeds of your office in the legal
currency of the United States subject to future
orders.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Amos Kendall

Shrewsbury March April 14 1855

Dear friend

Your of some days since has been received - its contents noticed

You ask my Opinion about the appointment of Abner Simons at Court Shrewsbury & I

cannot say I am much in favor of his appointment Political, Tractors in all cases ought to be despised

2 years ago he ^{lost fully} proposed to be a strong

Jackson man attended the Jackson Convention

Made a manifestation on the morning of the

first day of Election he got well with some

Jackson men in town having struck road

the night of Day to Boston, met the Anti strength

& succeeded in making that Town Anti

& continued a leader in the party until

last fall when he again went with us -

he now asks us for an appointment his

repentance is rather late in my opinion

Colburn is a young man of respectable

Character & a Republican although he can

not do us so much good as Simons but much

more to be depended on - from the above you

will learn my views & I believe I can say the

feeling of the most of our friends in this Locality

I have made up my mind not to go below

his offering What prospect will the Bank allow on

Departure of Pritchard goes East soon
to him if he goes by land I should like to
see him as soon as the traveling is good
I shall be over & spend one day with you
& look a little at the Bank

Yours with respect
Chas. Lee

AM When will the bank go East that
day I see

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PO Westfield N.Y. July 29th 1826

Dear Sir, your favour mentioning the establishment of
a New Office in Elley and the subject of Portland Harbor
was read a day or two since - I shall be careful to send the
papers to "Union" as directed - I have mentioned to Capt
Fowle the circumstances of your letter to me & the proposal
as it respects him - I find however from the report of
your letter that there is considerable anxiety and interest
existing on this subject among men of business in these
parts with respect to the privileges contemplated at the
Harbor - There are some objections, I believe, by Mr Peacock
and others to the grant in favor of Mr Fowle & those
interested with him, it is apprehended that nothing
material would be done by them should the privilege
be granted them, and that it would be a bar to
the enterprise & engagement of others more able -
it is said that the petition if sent on will be
met by a remonstrance - &c &c - as for myself I have
no particular interest in it, except that I wish
the thing to be taken up by those able and willing
to make a pretty extensive improvement in the
Harbor - it may be made a good one & all
things considered it would be money well laid
out by those able to do it to appropriate

a few thousand Dollars might be well expended
There was what was called a County Meeting held at
Mayvire yesterday on the subject of the State
— Road from this Town & Ripley & South — the
people generally attended — a Committee was chosen
to draft a Memorial to the Legislature on the
subject of granting the road — you will hear
all about it.

I have in my possession a printed address on the subject
of the State Road, signed by the people in those parts
— which I shall forward to you as soon as a private
opportunity offers —

You probably in this hour read my last sentence
13 Dollars for Mott & Deane —

I have nothing new or interesting to write at present —
Wish you would drop me a line or often as you
convenience will permit —

General Birdy was at my house last evening —
— seems to think there is a Majority in the House
(evidently perceptible) against the grant of the S Road

With much respect &

esteem I am Dr. Sir
yours &c

Deming

John D. Banning
Westfield, N.Y.

Wm. H. H. H. H.

In appreciation
W. H. H.

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F. D. Banning
1928/

Westfield May 16. 1837

Hon E T Footie,

Dr Sir,

I have bid for some mail contracts, & start for Washington city to morrow morning, and as I cannot see you before I go I take this method of requesting you for a letter to the P M General or Mayor. Heble,

Please state the length of time you have known me, & my character for Integrity ability &c. also that I have had experience in running stages &c.

If you can freely give me a letter, you will confer a great favor by sending it to me at Washington in a day or two.

Very Respectfully

J. R. Bird

Columbus O

July 18th - 1840

Es Judge

I should have answered your letter sooner, but have been so constantly on the go, that I could not find leisure - I have been endeavouring to elicit information from a convict in the Ohio State Prison, and he has made some disclosures which may eventually lead to further developments. - We have recently discovered that a young man by the name of Silas L Doty, who for a brief period was in the Post office at Adrian, whilst there committed several depredations, we are now trying to find his location - the similarity of his name with that of Woods, led me to suspect that he was a pupil of that gentleman. - I am glad you have Woods safe, and hope he may be kept snug until his morals are improved. - in much haste

Yours &c
Howard Kennedy
Agent S. O. Dept

Silas Wood who was sent
from Mount Co. to Auburn Columbus a Dec 12 1899
L. S. M.

There was a certificate of deposits ab-
stracted from the mail in July last between the
mainville C. & Toledo, which I think was done
by Wood - the payment of it was stopped, but it
was subsequently presented at the Fort Wayne
S. Bank in July last by a man wearing a
brown box coat something worn - broad brim black
hat low crown - light hair 5 feet 10 inches high
upper teeth crooked & lap over in front - hand long
and slim - does not look like work - grey Sabel
pantaloons - black deep coat - Black Italian Cravat
put once round the neck, the ends hanging down
very long - fine boots much worn - about
22 years old - If practicable you probably
can get information from Wood, who the man
is - he alleges that he obtained the certifi-
cate from S. W. Wood - Ohio House, Toledo -
Should you obtain any information please
write me here

Yours
Howard Kennedy
S. Agent P. O. Dept

Adrian, Mich

Post Office Department

Dec 26, 1839

Sir,

Yours, from Norwalk, O. of the 15th instant is received. The facts therein stated in relation to the Mail keys found in possession of Wood, had already been brought to the notice of the Department by its Agent, Howard Kennedy, Esq: but it is not the less obliged nor indebted to you for the promptness and the zeal for its interests, which mark your communication upon the same subject.

Should any facts come to your knowledge hereafter, tending to establish the participation of Wood in any actual or attempted robbery of the Mail, you are requested immediately to communicate those facts to Dr. Kennedy, freely and confidentially, under cover directed to the Postmaster at Columbus, Ohio.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
James Kendree
Dr. Gent.

Postmaster,
Jamestown,
Chautauque, N.Y.

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my object now is to ascertain if his
plices are in existence or mere
straw. -

The principal man, of the gang seen
trail from Chautauque Co, at first I was
most disposed to suspect that woods was the

Adrian, Michigan.

25th April 1840.

St. Judge

In January last a young man calling himself Silas Doty, and who had been a Clerk in the Post office at this place, in August September & October, was arrested, after a hard chase, under strong suspicions of having committed various peculations on the mails - Three or four certificates of deposits were traced to him, and we have abundant evidence to convict him on two or three charges. - He is an arch young rogue, and quite an adept for his age, which is about 22 years. - In order to extricate himself he now manifests a disposition to escape, by implicating his confederates whom he says by the aid of mail keys, obtained these drafts, and he passed them off. - I am very incredulous as to his statements but am disposed to credit a portion, feeling satisfied that he has accomplices. - I have promised him, a withdrawal of the prosecution provided, he enables me to apprehend & convict, one or more, who according to his story are older & more hardened in crime than he is. - He has made disclosures, & my object now is to ascertain if his accomplices are in existence or mere men of straw. -

The principal man, of the gang seems to hail from Chataugue Co, & at first I was almost disposed to suspect that Woods was the man,

He represents that in travelling from Buffalo to Toledo
in July 1839 on board the Steam-Boat Buffalo he
met with a man calling himself A. W. Gurney,
alias A. W. Wallingford, who had in his pos-
session a very large amount of counterfeit money
on the Commercial Bank of Oswego - that they formed
a combination, by which Gurney was to open the mail
by means of keys which he had in his possession
obtain drafts & certificates, which Doty was to
pass off and divide the spoils - The separation
Doty to take his place in the office here -
Gurney to plunder the mails on the route be-
tween here & Chicago - during the three months
of July, August & September, a number of losses
were did happen, and the drafts have been
traced back to Doty - He represents that Gur-
ney, had a number of mail keys in his possession
and that he informed him that he had for two years
past been engaged successfully in the business -
Doty says Gurney, who also calls himself A. W.
Wallingford - has his residence near May-
ville - Chataugue Co New York, about ten
miles there from, - that he is about six feet high
- light complexion - slim built. black eyes - dark
hair - wore coarse black pantaloons - blue dress
coat, - with large gilt buttons - black hat - black
cravat. about 28 yrs old. - sometimes wears pale whis-
kers. - has travelled much, especially in the south -
that he also makes his home at times with a man
by the name of Smith, a gun Smith, near Lodi
N. Y. - he further states that Gurney has two
confederates who call themselves, James, B. Goat

alias T. B. Brown. & Charles B. Little alias
Andrew Godwin, whose residence is near
South Bend La - these two are young men
- Kentuckians, and are engaged in connec-
tion with them. -

I have sent you this description, know-
ing that you would be able to ascertain
if there is or has been any individual, like
Gurney, within your County & if so his
probable residence at present - Should
you find such a man, I hope you
will at once, arrest him, and make
a thorough search of his person - & if
the slightest circumstance can be got to
him, to keep him in custody until you
correspond with A. J. Comstock P. M. at this
place. & Col McKnight P. M. Detroit. who will
at once, obtain a precept & bring him on to De-
troit - where Boty, who is now in Jail at this place,
will be tried in June - If Gurney is caught & found
in possession of meat keys, that in connection
with Boty's evidence will be sufficient to
convict him - I will be pleased to hear
from you, & will at any time come on - you
can address me at Columbus, G. - and Mr A.
Haynes, my assistant at Albany N. Y. - I leave
here in the morning for Detroit & thence
towards Columbus - I have been four
times over the mountains since January.

Yours Truly
Howard Kennedy
S. Sgt. P. O. Dept

Dr. H. Kennedy
c/o P. E. Spentum
as to mail robbery
Michigan & ask
information



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Judge Fote

Postmaster

James Town

Chateaugus Co.

New York

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New York Oct. 27. 1892

Wm. T. Foster, Esq

Dear Sir. I regret that I had not the pleasure of seeing you when I passed through your county examining the Post Offices & post routes in that part of the State. Since that time I have passed thro' the principal portion of this State, and feel fully satisfied that though the approaching contest will be severe, yet the Democracy of the State will triumph over the Bank, Aristocracy, & Anties of all grades. We shall be extremely anxious to obtain the earliest intelligence from your county, I shall feel much obliged if you will communicate to me at this city, the result of the election in your own & the adjoining counties as soon as it is ascertained with any degree of accuracy. It shall have an early insertion in our papers.

Wishing you health & happiness

I remain, Sir,

very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

Parrabas Bates

Agent P O Department

Allegro
con vivo.



Mr E. F. Toole, P.M.

Camden town,

Chattanooga, Geo.

NOV 27 1871
WESTFIELD, N. York.

as by Postoffice Inspectors
C. B. ...

Elias Wood broke jail in Chautauque Co & fled to Ohio having a worthy wife and
 one child near Mayville & while a fugitive he courted & married a worthy young
 girl in Stewart Ohio - On a journey home from the west I found him there &
 sent for Sheriff Stewart & a Requisition from the Governor & brought him home
 by rail to Mayville then sent to State Prison - Normal Dec 16th 1839
 Order I think he had been concerned in murder & such

Judge Foote who will show you this
 travels in charge of Woods, with the
 Sheriff of Chautauque Co New York. -
 Woods has recently been arrested, in
 Ohio, as a fugitive from justice from the
 State of New York. - in his possession were
 two mail keys - and it becomes a se-
 rious object to the Post office Depart-
 ment that so dangerous a man, should
not escape. - you will therefore oblige
 me & subserve the interests of the Post-
 office Department, by lending the Judge
 & the Sheriff every aid & facility in trans-
 porting him to New-York in safety.

Respectfully
 Howard Kennedy
 S. Agent P. O. Sept

Judge Foote, is Postmaster at Jamestown Ct. Y.

over



{ A. Peike - Contractor - Elyria
 { Mr Ely " "
 Mr. Fortwell - Stage agent - Cleveland
 Mr. Harrington " "
 Mr Nelson (Lawyer) " "
 Mr Barker. Postmaster " "
 Judge Rosa - Baineville " "
 Mr Cochran P. master Erie.

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Letter of introduction
from Dr. Hew and family
agent PO Department
Dec 1834

To

Mail Contractors & Post Masters

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Stage between Jamestown & Erie

Washington June 17.

Hon. E. T. Fiske,

Dear Sir

Immediately on the receipt of your letter of June 4th. I transmitted that part of it relating to the transportation of the mail between our village and Erie to Mr. Kendall, informing him at the same time of my entire concurrence in your view. From the enclosed note which I have just recd. it appears that on the same day you transmitted your note to me, Mr. Kendall sent you instructions to contract for carrying the mail on that route. I would have called on Mr. G. in person, but for the fact that the House is in session during the whole of the term, that he is to be seen at his rooms at the Department.

I think that we shall pass the Harbor Bill, though I have my fears, that we shall talk

away the whole of the session. I was anxious
to fix the time of adjournment, in the hope
that we should leave off talking and go to
voting. But I believe it will not make much
difference. Never was any public body more
afflicted with a diarrhoea of words, than
the present H. R. There is a great deal of talent
here. The difficulty is in bringing it to bear on
any given point.

If we can get the Harbor Bill up, I think
that we shall pass them without much difficulty.
Still, Kentucky and Tennessee and the
"chivalrous South" may ^{cause} us some diffi-
culty. There is also some foolish jealousy be-
tween Silver Creek & Catteraugus, both of which
are provided for; that may cause some trouble.
The friends of both are writing very injudicious
letters to members here as near as I can hear.
I have no fears for Portland, if anything is
gone. Yr
A. Hazellam

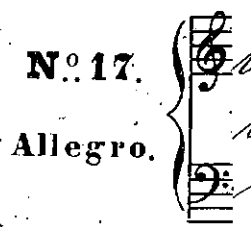
Mcayville Sept 17. 1861

Wm. E. P. G.



Post Office Dept
Appointment Official
April 5 1839

Nº 17.
Allegro.



Yrs
Your letter of the 27th ult is rec'd.
As is to be inferred from my letter to
the Hon R.P. Sharwin, dated 2 March 1839,
the 4th Standing Instruction to Postmaster
has been modified by the ^{present} Postmaster
General (about three years since) by striking
out all of it after the words "shortest
of the routes", - so that it is now correct to
rate postage according to the distance
on the shortest mail route, or routes, in
actual operation between two places,
although the letters may be sent by a
longer route on account of its greater
speed or frequency.

Respectfully
Yours obt serv't
Rob. Johnston
2^d Asst P.M.

J. Foote Esq
Jamestown
N.Y.

I have no recollection that Mr McClallen ever received
any mail matter from the Ellery Office.

Mayville Sept 17. 1861

Hon E. S. Foot

Dear Sir

Your note of inquiry of the 4th inst. was duly received & contents noticed, & I have sought to be able to answer your interrogatory satisfactorily, but I have not succeeded as well as I anticipated, & must give you such information as I have, & answer said inquiry in order. — I rec^d my appointment from Gen P. M. McLain, either late in the season of 1825, or early in 1826. I have to write from recollection, as I have no, or a paper at command, or at least I have not been able to find them, I went to Mr Whittmore for information & he was absent & did not answer until yesterday, when he said "the Post Office at Fluvanna was established the 27th of June 1826, & I think you resigned about the first of July the same year." I am sure that Mr W. is in error, as well recollects one fact, that the North Christian Advocate, (it was then) was started in 1826, the first No. in August, & that I received the papers of P. M. for New Joseph & Barris & myself, for six months, & at the expiration of said time, renewed the subscriptions & I now feel quite positive that my appointment was in the fall of 1825, & my resignation in July 1827, & this will agree with your figures in relation to Fluvanna.

My predecessor was Mr. Miles Jones, but I am not sure whether he was the first P. M. I shall probably learn & if I find he was not, I will endeavor to inform you. I have not, & presume I shall not find the man that can tell me when, or what date said office was first established.

I have no recollection that Mr. McLain ever received any mail matter from the Ellery Office.

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Mr Newbury sent a boy regularly for his mail, while
I had charge of the office, as I recollect the matter.
Mr David Brown was my successor, was appointed
soon after my resignation, & established the office at his
dwelling, about a mile above the Bemis Point, & I think
he held the office until his removal to Ill. & W.S. Seefeld
about a mile further up the ^{was the next, I think} ~~La Roche~~, but I have no
recollection whether he held it until his removal, or not.
It went from thence back to the Bemis Point & has passed
through at least two hands since.

Mr Quincy vacated the Mayville Office in July, 1834, &
J Brooks Esq took his place, & held it until the change
in the Administration of 1841, when Russell Sacket Esq
was appointed, & at the change in 1845 Col E. W. Taylor
took the next in 1849 Mr Stephen A. Travis & the next in 1858
Esq Brooks took it again & still holds it. If I hear any
thing further of importance, in time, I will communicate
it to you & if you think of any further enquiries that
I can answer I shall be happy to do so.

Very Respectfully Your Obedt Servt
Wm Seefeld

Aug 1813

Cattaraugus Mail State
Jamestown via Elicottville
Perry to Cattaraugus Washington Dec 28 37

No. 19.

Moderato.

Dear Sir,

I have been writing you (in intention I mean) for some time, but have from time to time omitted it. I do not recollect whether I have sent you the report of the Survey of the Landings. These reports are not all delivered to us yet, but I may have omitted to send one to you. I will send you one. You will find the Estimates for our harbors, at page 56. I think you will find that for Portland harbor.

My principal object in writing you at this time is to advise with you in reference to the Mail through Cattaraugus Co. to & through our village to Erie. This Mail you know is now carried only three times a week. It is carried now to Perry from the East Daily. I understand & then stops & goes from Perry, through Elicottville to Jamestown only, three times a week. You understand I suppose



that Bird bid off this contract, underbid
-ding. This slow & now I have under-
-stood, that the Post Master General
was willing that this mail should
be carried daily, or rather 6 times
a week. Now every one will see the
importance to us of having this mail
carried daily. It ought to be the
distance from Camanduzia to
Erie by way of Fairport, ^{it would}
less than by way of Buffalo - and
for much of the year ^{the road} better than the
other. I believe that Walker of Elli-
-Cottville now has the contract.

Now I suggest this, cannot there
be a successful representation & appli-
-cation made to the Dept. ^{ment} to increase
the compensation & in consideration
of the mail being carried six times
a week. This arrangement would
lighten the now very heavy mail
on the Lake Road & we should have
a daily mail from the East, which
could give us our mail a day or two
earlier than we now ^{get it} do. I move upon
Birds management in this matter
& believe must be ^{interested}

in the stage on the Lake road. I am
whether he has not had an object in
preventing our having a daily stage
directly East.

I have consulted with
B. Peck the Representative from
Pike ^{Sirivyston & Albany 1808} & we will do all we can
to put this matter on a better
footing. Please consult about
this & if you think best get up
a paper representation to the
Post Master & we will try to have
it favorably considered.
Please give my respects to all
my Fairport friends &
write me.

Respectfully yours
R. P. Rawlin

Hon. E. T. Foot

Wm R. Perkins

Dec 28th 1838

Wm R. Perkins
Salem, N. H.

Wm R. Perkins

M. C.

Wm R. Perkins

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Wm R. Perkins
Salem, N. H.



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Boston Oct 23 1838

G. S. Fiske Esq, Dir. of Deak Mreem

2 Reams P O Wrapping Paper abt \$10

Sir. According to your request we have forwarded you two Reams of Wrapping Paper, it is the same quality & price that we furnish the department. It is the order of the Gen P O. that Post Masters purchase their wrapping Paper & Twine, & charge it in their quarterly Bills, you will please forward ^{us} the amt at your earliest convenience & oblige Yours Obedt

Deak Mreem

P. S. we can supply you at any time with Paper of the same quality & Twine if you should want.

Jonestown Post-Office

From the first settlements of Jonestown & I may say of the South East part of Chautauque County, until the Jonestown Post Office was established, the people previous to 1812 were compelled to send to Wood or Conardonay, the nearest office, for letters & papers. In 1812 a "private office" was established at Mayville which was the nearest Post Office until the office was established at Jonestown. When I went to the ^{nearest Post Office south was, I think, P. S. Post Office, East of Conard} Jonestown, in the Spring of 1815, all mail correspondence was through the Mayville Office. Hence we embraced every opportunity by persons who were going to the Land Office at Mayville or on other business to send & receive letters. This became so common that any respectable person ^{from this part of the county} known to the Postmaster at Mayville would call & get all the letters for his neighbors, and pay the postage ^{& bring them to the owners} on them. Very few papers were taken by mail - Judge Prindgart took the "Albany Gazette" published by Webster Whittier. ^{Weekly} Joseph Allen took a weekly paper for the city of New York and Jeremiah Griffith took the New York Evening Post. I commenced taking the Buffalo Gazette from Buffalo as did some others but there were no papers published nearer than Buffalo; ^{until the Friday Chautauque Gazette at Longport} but the people were in the habit of receiving "scattered papers" from their friends but they were a long time in coming. I did not usually receive a letter from my parents in Chautauque County until two weeks after it was mailed, and I never calculated on receiving an answer to a letter under a month from the time I wrote. The result of a State election was not known until some weeks after the election had been held. Indeed we did not ^{usually} know the result of election in our own Assembly district until two weeks or more after the election. We were truly insulated and ^{and nearly separated &} cut off from other parts of ^{our own country} the west.

By an act of Congress passed I think in March
 1816 a mail route was established from Meadville
 Pa by the Forks of Oil Creek, Warner, (no doubt near
 Mt. Warren) Pa "Outlet of Chautauque Lake" to May
 ville N.Y. Jonestown was not named as a point

Messrs. Bradley & Johnson of Meadville or vicinity be
 come contractors for transporting a weekly mail
 on the above route for three years commencing
 Nov 1 1816 and extending to Nov 1 1819 for horseback
 at \$440 a year or \$110 per quarter. Distance about 107 m.
 in the circuitous route provided. Usual time 4 days to perform
 the entire trip both ways. In 1816 small mail postmaster not nearly full.
 James Prendergast was appointed Post Master Dec 73.

In 1816 on the private application of him self through the
 eastern friends. Laban Hazeltine ^{became his official} bail.

The first quarterly returns were made April 1 1817
 and the balance due the Gen Post Office ^{was} \$3¹⁰
 1817 Bal due Gen Office July 1st 5⁴⁴
 1821 " " " " " " " " " " 15³²
 1822 " " " " " " " " " " 18⁵⁰

Judge Prendergast kept the ^{highest duties in a small} office, clerk in Messrs J & Co
 Prendergast's store and ^{Laban's dishes} Messrs Prendergast's
 clerk was deputy Post Master and discharged the
 duties of the office almost exclusively while clerk.

Judge Prendergast continued the office in the above
 store ^{Southwest} corner of Main and first street, while
 he was Post Master. ^{in all nearly 8 years} In October 1824 Judge Prendergast resigned.

Doctor Laban Hazeltine solely on the private rec-
 ommendation ^{of} Judge Prendergast was appointed
 Post Master on his ^{resignation} resignation of Jonestown.

~~1824~~ 1824
 Doctor Laban Hazeltine P.M. Oct 15 1824
 James Prendergast & Daniel Hazeltine bail

Doctor Hazeltine removed the office to his 1 1/2 story
 dwelling which he bought of John Blowers on lot No 3
 on the west side of Main street and continued the office
 there while he was Post Master. The doctor being pretty con-
 stantly

engaged in County practice and having no regular clerk the duties of the office was mostly discharged by Mrs. H. Azeltine, the doctors wife, while he held the office although a short time before W. W. Rowal Nelson Rowal his student was in the office

on the expiration of Browley & Johnston mail contract Nov. 1. A. 1819. James Browley ^{one of the former contractors} of Modville, became the new contractor - ~~under B & J contract the trips took about 2 days each way and the mail was carried in a small good Portmanteau with an addition to his route from Modville to Westfield~~

1819
James Browley's contract from Modville Pa (once a week on horseback) via Forks of Oil Creek, Brokenstraw, Youngsville, Irvine, Warren Co, Fairbank Jonestown, Mayville to Westfield from which it will be seen that this route was extended to embrace a part of another route viz between Mayville & Westfield.

1824

Gilbert Ballard commenced running a stage wagon with one span of horses for carrying passengers between Jonestown and Mayville twice a week and subsequently three times a week leaving Jonestown in the morning and arriving at Mayville by noon & returning to Jonestown the same evening. Capt. Ballard kept an inn at Jonestown on the southwest corner of Main & Third Street and to encourage him in starting the stage a subscription was circulated in Jonestown in his behalf and considerable was subscribed to induce him to start a stage. For some time the stage was an ordinary ^{strong} two horse wagon ^{drawn by 2 horses generally without cover} with good seats on wooden springs & the seats without backs. The stage went and returned on the East side of the Lake - The teams were generally good - The stage ran ^{for} sometimes without carrying the mail. A petition was finally circulated ^{and generally signed by the people of the vicinity} requesting the Post Master General to authorize the transportation of the mail by Ballard's stage ^{three times a week} and to allow him \$200 a year for the service. The following ^{was the full name of the wagon instead of horseback}

Letters in answer from the Post Master General
to Post Master Jamstown and to the mail contractor
will show the result of the Petition and fur-
nish reliable dates for the future historians.
Copies of letters from the Pelly

Gm P O Washington City August 23 1825

Post Master ~~Jamstown~~ ^{with petition} N.J.

Sir I have received yours of the 3^d Instant

As stages now pass three weekly between Jam-
stown and Mayville N.J. I wish the proprietors
to convey the mail as often as the stages run
but I cannot allow \$200 but will allow \$180
provided they convey the mail three weekly
on the above route, and they may begin as soon
as this letter reaches you

If they accept the offer you will
state the day and hours which govern them
as well as the name of the person with whom
I shall contract, as a bond and contract will be
forwarded for the contractor for execution.

When they do begin you will direct Brodley
(whoever then the contractor) to proceed no further
than your office with the mail. Respectfully &c
(Copy) J. L. Leary P. M.

Pell Gene to former Brodley contractor

Gm P. O. Washington City August 23 1825

Mr James Brodley Morville Pa

Sir It is probable that the mail will be
carried in the line of stages passing between Jamstown
and Mayville to Westfield in a few days, If so you
will convey the mail no further than Jamstown
Your pay will be reduced in proportion to the reduction of
your service - Your whole travel is estimated to be 17
miles - Your ride will be shortened 31 miles.

Mayville April 29th 1838

Hon E J Hottel

Dear Sir your favor

advising me that the P. Martin
had sent you a contract
for me to execute was duly rec^d

I am now quite unable to make
so as to be confined to my house and
I will wish if the contract cannot
be sent to Esq. ~~Robert~~ for execution
and I propose to give Tho. A. Osborn
and Calvin Perry of Westford as sureties
would they be satisfactory?

I regret extremely that there is
any dissatisfaction in regard to the running
of the Mail, as I believe the Steam Boat
Co. have endeavored to promote the interest
of the route, via this place & Barcelona
even at ~~the~~ sacrifice, as soon as I am
able I shall go to your place
Yours
G. J. Curran



FANTAISIES, VARIATIONS, RONDEAUX

sur des motifs favoris

de l'Opera: **La Straniera** de Bellini

par

FERD: BEYER.

Op: 57, N° 3.

BONN chez N. SIMROCK.

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maestoso.

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Post Office Department
June 15th 1837

Sir,

You will be drawn upon for the proceeds of your office in favor of the Contractors in your vicinity, but the Department expects all its drafts to be met in specie or its equivalent.

Yours respectfully
Amos Kendall

E. T. Hote Esq. M.
Jamestown
N.Y.

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Senate Chamber

Washington 9 July 1857

Dear Sir, The post master at East Sheridan, David O. Davis, has resigned his office and recommended W. A. J. Cameron to the favor of the Post office department as his successor. Mr. Davis, in his letter of resignation, merely says he has sold his establishment and therefore resigns his office. I have no knowledge of any of the parties, nor has the P. O. Department; and fearing that the sale of Mr. Davis' establishment may have been with it to the purchaser his wish that that purchaser might be his successor in the post office, without consultation with the citizens interested in that office, a reference has been made from the department to me for advice in the premises.

Not having any personal acquaintance, to my knowledge, in the vicinity of this office, I respectfully request you to inform me whether all is right and the appointment of Mr. Cameron would be right in itself and satisfactory to the public? If not, will you induce the citizens of East Sheridan to make recommendations to the department, without delay, of such candidate as they shall wish to have appointed?

In great haste

Most truly Yours
Silas Wright Jr.

Hon. Elisha D. Hoate



Miss Maybes p

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Nov. Elias J. Chate

Town

Chautauque County

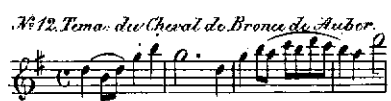
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The Postmaster of Jamestown N.Y. is requested to hand the enclosed letter to the Editor of a suitable paper in Jamestown, desiring him to publish the advertisement it contains, agreeable to the directions.

Post Office Department
 Contract Office
 January 6 1840.

Respectfully
 Wm H. Ormsbee
 For 1st of P.M. Gen



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2. Tema de l'Opera: Un Avventura di Scaramuccia de Ricci. C. Czerny Op: 385, N.º 6.

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

Washington, 16 Sept. 1839

SIR:

Delay and inconvenience are frequently caused by the wrong address of letters relating to the business of this Department, and by embracing in the same letter business to be transacted in two or more of the different offices of the Department. You will, therefore, please to observe the division of business indicated in the annexed order made by the Postmaster General, and address your official letters accordingly.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient seryant,

Postmaster
Jamstown
Chautauque Co.

Rob. Johnston
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

ORGANIZATION OF THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

UNDER THE ACT OF JULY 2, 1836.

The duties of the Department are divided, and distributed as follows, viz :

CONTRACT OFFICE.

To this office are assigned the duties of arranging the connexions of the mails on all the mail routes in the United States, adjusting the speed of the mails, fixing on the frequency of their trips and the mode of conveyance, making out advertisements for mail service, receiving the bids, preparing them for the action of the Postmaster General, preparing forms of contracts, sending them out and seeing to their execution, examining and preparing for decision all propositions for changes in the mail service, fixing on the location of distributing Post Offices, directing the course of distribution, providing and sending out mail bags and mail locks and keys, and performing all acts appertaining to post roads which are necessary to put the mails in motion, and regulate their conveyance, speed, and connexion.

This office is under the superintendence of S. R. HOBBS, Esq., *First Assistant Postmaster General*, to whom all proposals for mail service, and all letters relating to the making or changing of contracts and schedules, to mail bags, locks and keys, and every thing else having reference to the duties of the office, should be directed.

APPOINTMENT OFFICE.

To this office are assigned all questions which relate to the establishment and discontinuance of Post Offices, changes of site and names, appointment and removal of postmasters, as also the giving of instructions to Postmasters, furnishing them with stamps and blanks, (except for mail registers,) and the performance of all other acts necessary to prepare Post Offices for the reception and proper management, and distribution of the mails.

This office is under the superintendence of ROBERT JOHNSTON, Esq., *Second Assistant Postmaster General*, to whom all letters relative to the subjects mentioned above, and all complaints against Postmasters, should be directed.

INSPECTION OFFICE.

To this office is assigned the duty of seeing that all Postmasters at the beginning and ends of routes, and such others as may be directed by the Postmaster General, keep and re-

turn registers of the arrival and departure of the mails, according to law; of examining said registers, noting all delinquencies of contractors, and preparing them for the action of the Postmaster General; receiving and preparing for decision all special complaints against contractors; furnishing blanks for Mail Registers; and doing all other things which may be necessary to secure a faithful and exact performance of their contract service on the part of contractors.

This office is under the superintendence of DANIEL COLEMAN, Esq., *Third Assistant Postmaster General*, to whom all Mail Registers, and all letters complaining of, or reporting contractors, should be directed.

POSTMASTER GENERAL.

In addition to the general superintendence of these offices, the Postmaster General reserves to himself the special superintendence of the business connected with mail deprecations; the rendition of Postmasters' quarterly accounts; the payment by Postmasters of the balances due from them; the bank accounts of the Department; the opening of dead letters and the disposition of the valuables found in them; and every other matter having relation to the administration of the Department not committed to his three assistants.

All letters relative to losses in the mail, or mail deprecations; all letters from Postmasters enclosing certificates of deposit; all letters of banks having reference to their accounts; and all other letters in relation to any matter or thing appertaining to the Department, which is not assigned by law to the Auditor, or by regulation to one of the Assistants, should be addressed to the Postmaster General.

Quarterly accounts should be so marked, on the outside, and directed to the "Post Office Department."

AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

The late law established the office of "*Auditor of the Treasury, for the Post Office Department.*" To this office, the law assigns the duty of settling all accounts of the Post Office Department, whether of Postmasters, Contractors, or others.

CHARLES K. GARDNER, Esq., is the Auditor, and all accounts against or with the Post Office Department, (other than Postmasters' quarterly accounts;) all letters in relation to accounts; all letters enclosing the receipts of contractors; all letters returning drafts on Postmasters; and all other letters making claims or explanatory of accounts, should be addressed to him.

of business in the
General Post-Office

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POST OFFICE

WESTFIELD, N.Y.

Forestville 21st January 1862

Hon. E. J. Foster

My old and valued friend

Your of Sept last was received due time,
and as I was bound by for not writing you along time since,
but I will now endeavor to comply with your requests and may be

able to give you a table exhibiting prices of sundry articles of Produce and
Miscellaneous taken from William Hallbrooks old books of 1817 & 1818, commencing
July 1817 and up to 20 August 1818. All other of his books of 1816, balance
of 1818 & 1819 (lost or destroyed) but this table with the one heretofore sent
you will present a tolerably good idea of prices of the several years.

In regard to your Enquiries contained in your letter of Sept
I will answer in detail as far as I am able at this late day.
Your Enquiry 1st Where and about when was Hanover Post Office established,
and who was the first P. Master; and if on the Buffalo & Erie Road, when
opened and who the Post Master when first established at Forestville?

The Town of Hanover in 1816 and for a number of years thereafter
embraced the present town of Hanover, the town of Nicholson and the
East half of the present Towns of Antwerp and Shrewsbury

Hanover Post Office was established in 1816, ^{1st} and located on the Buffalo
& Erie Road at the place now called Kensington, then in the town of Hanover
and William Hallbrooks appointed Post Master in 1816. About 1821 Hallbrooks
resigned and moved to Walnut Creek village near Forestville, and Asa Pierce was
appointed Post Master, who preceded him I do not recollect. About 1823
Pierce got the name of that office changed to Kensington, the office
has been abolished for many years. I will here remark that I was
a Clerk for Hallbrooks from Dec. 1817 to Dec. 1819, and had the principal charge
of that P. Office at that time the general Western Mail was carried twice
a week on horse back generally, and a Mr. Williams was mail contractor
and the mail was generally carried by his wife or son as horse back
Enquiry - When first located at Forestville, by what route or source did you
derive your Office; was your office ever named Forestville? over

I reply that in 1823 a Post route was established from Perry Town to county to Freedom and mail transported on that route every two weeks passing through this village and on the 15 May 1823 I was appointed Post Master and the office was named Hanover. We had sent to P.O. Department to have the office called Fortville, but Pierce about this time having his office changed to Kensington, he immediately ^{sent} to the P.M. Genl. to have our office take the name of the town (Hanover) and I on my commission of Post Master of "Hanover" dated 15 May 1823. On the 15 Oct following on the application of Pierce & others, the name of our office was changed to Fortville and a new bond was sent to my executor - Altho St. Mary was then our Member of Congress and through him I sent the P.M. Genl. a rough map of the town with the two places marked, and affidavits of the collector & others showing the taxable inhabitants of the town residing and the number residing North of the Buffalo & Erie road and how many resided South of it, and get the office changed back to "Hanover" and it is a new commission dated 22 March 1824 and the name remained Hanover until 1853 when it was again changed to Fortville and so remained probably until for a long time to come.

Ant. on for Postage from	To	Year	Amount	Due P.O.	Amount
17 May	1 July	1823	\$8.49	\$5.73	
"	1 July	1 Oct 1823	20.92	"	12.94
"	1 Oct	31 Dec 1823	11.45	"	6.19
"	1 Jan	1 April 1824	7.57	"	3.39
"	1 Apr	1 July 1824	21.76	"	13.06
"	1 July	1 Oct 1824	19.62	"	5.49
"	1 Oct '24	1 Jan 1825	23.96	"	13.43
"	1 Jan	1 Apr 1825	30.00	"	16.99
"	1 Apr	1 July 1825	34.45	"	17.97

In the fall of 1823 Pierce obtained an order from an Agent of the Department to return all Hanover packages & the Albany P.M. mails for a time all Hanover letters & papers to Kensington as appears from my correspondence with him and mostly until I get the office changed back to Hanover. Considerable parts of the time for several years by provision of the P.O. Dept we transported the mail from Kensington

by private subscription in 1824 & 25 I was authorized to pay a man 2/3
 for help out of the proceeds of my office & charge him of a
 contingent Expensy ----- In summer of 1825 I resigned and
 W. Mearns S. Snow was appointed & took the office 1 July 1825 - He was
 succeeded by Ernest Mullate in 1826 or 27 - John Morrison in the next
 I think appointed in 1828 - these follows as well as I can trace about
 the following viz Jos. A. Torrey 1829, Nidabat Angell 1831, Benajah Tutts 1833
 James H. Phelps 1852, Benajah Tutts 2^d term 1854, Oron Morrison 1859, Lewis
 D. Angell 1861

Recapitulation

1. Albert H. Camp	appointed in 1823	Demand
2. Wm S. Snow	1825	Do
3. Ernest Mullate	1826 or 27	Do
4. John Morrison	1827 or 28	Do
5. Jos. A. Torrey	1829	Do
6. Nidabat Angell	1831	Whig
7. Benajah Tutts	1833	Dem
8. James H. Phelps	1852 or 53	Whig Dem
9. Benajah Tutts 2 ^d term	1854	Dem in 1859
10. Oron Morrison	1859	Do
11. Lewis D. Angell	1861	Republican

The exact year of each & all I am unable to give you, - Cannot ^{you} obtain
 that of dates through Hon R. E. Furber from books of Genl Post Office?

3^d Enquiry - When first mail route passed you E. West? Ans - May 1823
 When " " " North & South? " " think of about 20 or 25 yrs ago

Was Balcomb's Millenwa P. O. a private office? " I think not
 for some years.
 Was your office a private one when first established? " No

4th Enquiry - In now locating the place where Kensington office was located
 what shall I call the distance from your place? Ans - 3 Miles
 also from present village of Silver Creek? Ans - 5 Miles
 which is the Town of Danone - Kensington is in the town of Sherburne

5th Enquiry - Nashville P. O. Jos. B. Brownell was established between 1824 & 1828
 can you fix the time? I cannot say, think probably 27th or 28th
 How far from Forestville? Ans - 5 Miles - Is the office still open? Yes



I think was our first
P.M.; followed by B. B. Gotes,
I think Philen Lewis -

Mother's health quite
good,

The family (10, in all)
all in usual health, and
all living within the camp
of Chautauque, and
no deaths in the family
direct, since the death
of Father which was 35.
Young last April

James V. V. V. V.

John Steward

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(CIRCULAR.)

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

August 18th 1840.

SIR:

1. The "Act to provide for the collection, safekeeping, transfer and disbursement of the Public Revenue," imposes certain duties on Postmasters to which their attention is directed.

The ninth section of the act provides, "that all Collectors and Receivers of the public money of every character and description within the District of Columbia, shall as frequently as they may be directed by the Secretary of the Treasury or the Postmaster General so to do, pay over to the Treasurer of the United States at the Treasury thereof, all public moneys collected by them or in their hands; that all such Collectors and Receivers of public moneys, within the cities of Philadelphia and New Orleans, shall upon the same direction, pay over to the Treasurers of the Mint within their respective cities at the said Mints, all the public moneys collected by them or in their hands; and that all such Collectors and Receivers of public moneys, within the cities of New York, Boston, Charleston and St. Louis, shall upon the same direction, pay over to the Receiver General of public money in their respective cities at their offices respectively, all the public moneys collected by them or in their hands, to be safely kept by the said respective depositaries, until otherwise disposed of according to law; and it shall be the duty of the said Secretary and Postmaster General to direct such payments by the said Collectors and Receivers at all such places at least as often as once in each week, and as much more frequently in all cases as they in their discretion may think proper."

To carry into effect the above section, the Postmasters in the District of Columbia, and of the cities named in said section, are directed to deposit the nett proceeds of the postages received at their respective offices, and all other moneys which may come into their hands on account of the Post Office Department, with the Treasurer of the United States, the Receiver General or Treasurer of the Mint in their respective cities, once in each week after the receipt of this circular, to be credited by such depositaries, to the Treasurer of the United States for the service of the Post Office Department. They will take duplicate certificates or receipts for each deposit, one of which they will immediately return to this Department, as a voucher. The form of the certificate or receipt required is herewith transmitted.

The said Postmasters will keep a ledger account current book, in which all deposits will be entered with their dates and the kind of money deposited. A monthly transcript of this account must be forwarded to the Auditor for the Post Office Department with the proper vouchers.

2. All other Postmasters who may be required to deposit monthly or quarterly, with the Treasurer of the United States, the Receivers General or Treasurers of the Mints, will take duplicate certificates or receipts and return one of them to this Department that their accounts may receive due credit.

3. All Postmasters are required to bear constantly in mind, that all moneys received by them from any other person or Post Office on account of the Post Office Department, and all moneys collected, after their quarterly accounts are made out and returned, are to be regarded as public moneys in their hands for safekeeping, and not to be used or loaned within the intendment of the sixth and seventeenth sections of said act. Every Postmaster receiving deposits from other offices, should keep a ledger account current book, in which he should debit himself under the true date with all sums deposited, and with his quarterly balances. And to shew the sacred character of this duty, the attention of all Postmasters is called to the seventeenth section of said act, which provides, that if any of the Officers, made depositaries by the act, including those connected with the Post Office Department, shall convert to his own use in any way whatever, or shall use by way of investment in any kind of property or merchandize, or shall loan with or without interest, any portion of the public money entrusted to him for safekeeping, disbursement, transfer or any other purpose, every such act shall be deemed and adjudged to be an embezzlement of so much of the public money as shall be thus taken, converted, invested, used or loaned, which is hereby declared to be a felony, and any Officer or Agent of the United States, and all persons advising and participating in such act, being convicted thereof before any Court of the United States, of competent jurisdiction, shall be sentenced to an imprisonment not less than five months, nor for more than five years, and to pay a fine equal to the amount of the money embezzled."

All quarterly balances are to be regarded as public moneys, in the hands of the Postmaster for safekeeping, disbursement or transfer, to pay the debts of the Department, and cannot lawfully be used for private purposes, but must be held ready to meet the drafts or warrants of the Department.

The refusal or failure to deposit agreeably to directions or to pay the rightful drafts or warrants of the Postmaster General, where there are or should be revenues in the hands of the Postmasters, will be regarded as evidence of the conversion and embezzlement of the public moneys.

4. The nineteenth section of the act which prescribes the currency or medium in which duties or taxes shall be collected, is not applicable to the Post Office revenues, except the last clause, which provides that after the thirtieth day of June 1843, "all sums accruing or becoming payable to the United States, for duties, taxes, sales of public lands or other debts, and also all sums due for postages or otherwise to the General Post Office Department, shall be paid in gold and silver only."

The laws allow no credit for postages, and when it is given, it is always at the risk of the Postmaster and is a practice that should not be pursued, except under special restrictions and regulations.

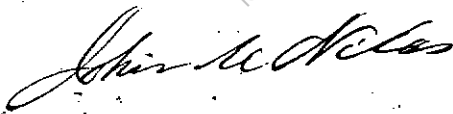
The Postmaster General has no authority under the joint Resolution of Congress, of the thirtieth of April 1816, or any other law, to authorize the receipt in payment of postages, of any other medium than the lawful currency of the United States. If any other is received, it is at the risk of the Postmaster, who will be required to pay all drafts or warrants of the Department, in specie, or such other medium equivalent thereto, as may be acceptable to the holder of the draft and in conformity to the second section of an act approved the 14th day of April 1836, which directs that "no bank note of a less denomination than twenty dollars, shall be offered in payment in any case whatsoever, in which money is to be paid by the United States or the Post Office Department, nor shall any bank note of any denomination be so offered, unless the same shall be payable and paid on demand in gold and silver coin, and which shall be equivalent to specie at the place where offered, and convertible into gold or silver on the spot, at the will of the holder."

5. By authority of the aforesaid act, Postmasters may be required to perform the services of depository of the public moneys, and by virtue of the sixth section, may be employed as fiscal agents by direction of any of the Executive Departments of the Government, for paying pensions or for making other disbursements, which are of a character to be made by a Postmaster, and consistent with the other official duties imposed on him. And to qualify them to perform such additional services, and in compliance with the requirements of the said act, Postmasters appointed by the President and Senate, who may be required to execute such additional duties, will be called on to execute new bonds, agreeably, to the eighth section of the act, in terms suitable to meet the new and increased duties imposed upon them; the form of the bond to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and the sum and sureties to be such as shall seem reasonable and safe to the Solicitor of the Treasury.

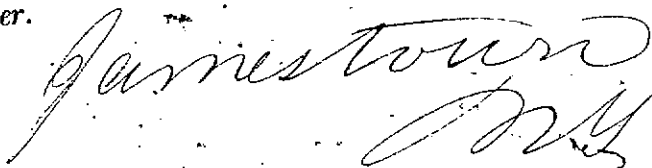
6. The twenty-fourth section of the act, provides "that no exchange of funds shall be made by any disbursing Officers or Agents of the Government of any grade or denomination whatsoever, or connected with any branch of the public service, other than an exchange for gold and silver," and they are required to make all disbursements in the legal currency received for the purpose agreeably to the act. Postmasters if not disbursing Officers, are Agents of the Government, within the meaning of this section, and they will be careful to conform to its requirements, and to pay all the expenses of their offices and all disbursements that may be required of them by the Post Office Department, or any other Department when acting as fiscal agents, in the lawful currency of the United States, or such other medium as may be in conformity to the provisions of the act.

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

To E. W. Looze 

Postmaster.



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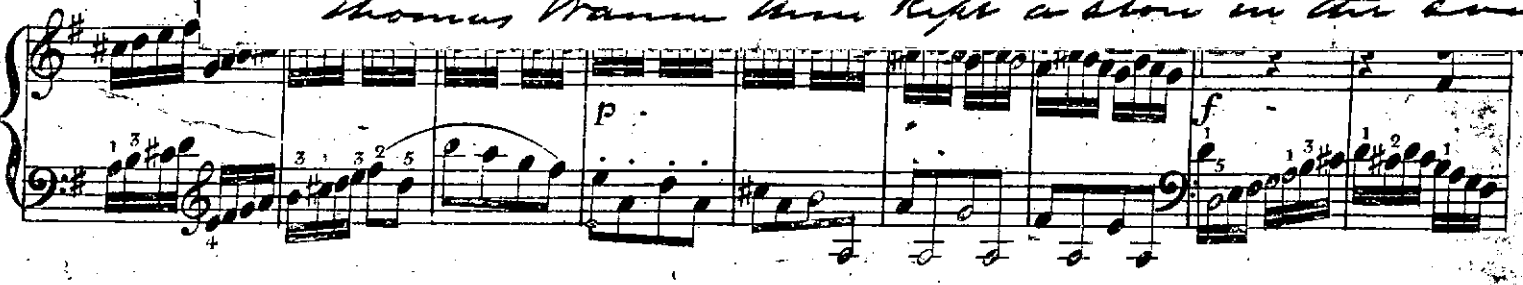
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E. J. F.

at Frederica vicinity Freedom Aug. 26. 1862
in answer to my inquiry
Hon. E. J. Folsom

My Dear Sir

Your letter to C. J. O'Brien of the 12th
May last, making inquiries respecting the Post
Office in this place, has after various delayings
found its way to my hands, accompanied with
a request that I should answer it. I sit down
to do it, as well as I am able.

The first P. O. established for the inhabitants of this place
occurred this small matter was in the former
Town of Shandon about 4 miles E. of here - It was
called Sandaway. Obadiah Holmes was the
1st P. M. A new office was established here under
the name of the town. Perfect. & Paul Berry was
P. M. in about 1809. The office was kept in a build-
ing which then stood on the premises of Capt Charles
Beckett, & which now forms the rear part of the
dwelling house of Mr. John H. Willey. How long
Berry was P. M. I am not able to learn. His successor
was Jacob Houghton, who kept the office in a build-
ing which occupied part of the ^{present} site of Center School
Thomas Warren then kept a store in the corner



First system of musical notation. Treble clef contains a melodic line with notes and accidentals. Bass clef contains a complex rhythmic accompaniment with many sixteenth notes and fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4, 5).

8va

Second system of musical notation. Treble clef has a melodic line with fingerings. Bass clef has a rhythmic accompaniment. A dynamic marking **ff** is present. A wavy line above the staff indicates an octave shift.

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loco.

Third system of musical notation. Treble clef has a melodic line with fingerings. Bass clef has a rhythmic accompaniment. A wavy line above the staff and the word **loco.** are present.

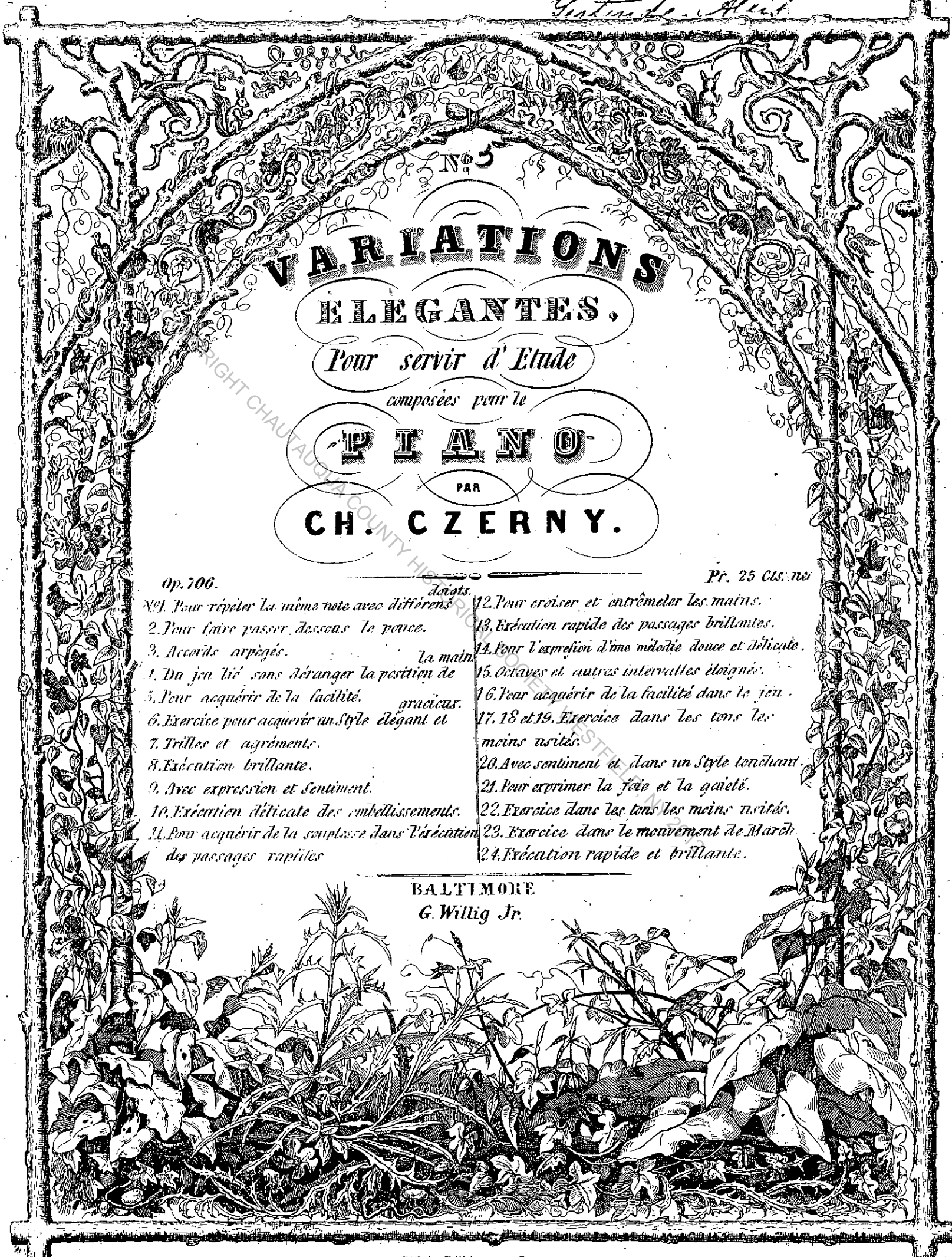
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loco.

Fourth system of musical notation. Treble clef has a melodic line with fingerings. Bass clef has a rhythmic accompaniment. A dynamic marking **f** is present. A wavy line above the staff indicates an octave shift.

Fifth system of musical notation. Treble clef has a melodic line with notes and accents. Bass clef has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings **p** and **dol: scherzoso.** are present.

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1 2 3 2 1 + f cres. sf

8va sf sf

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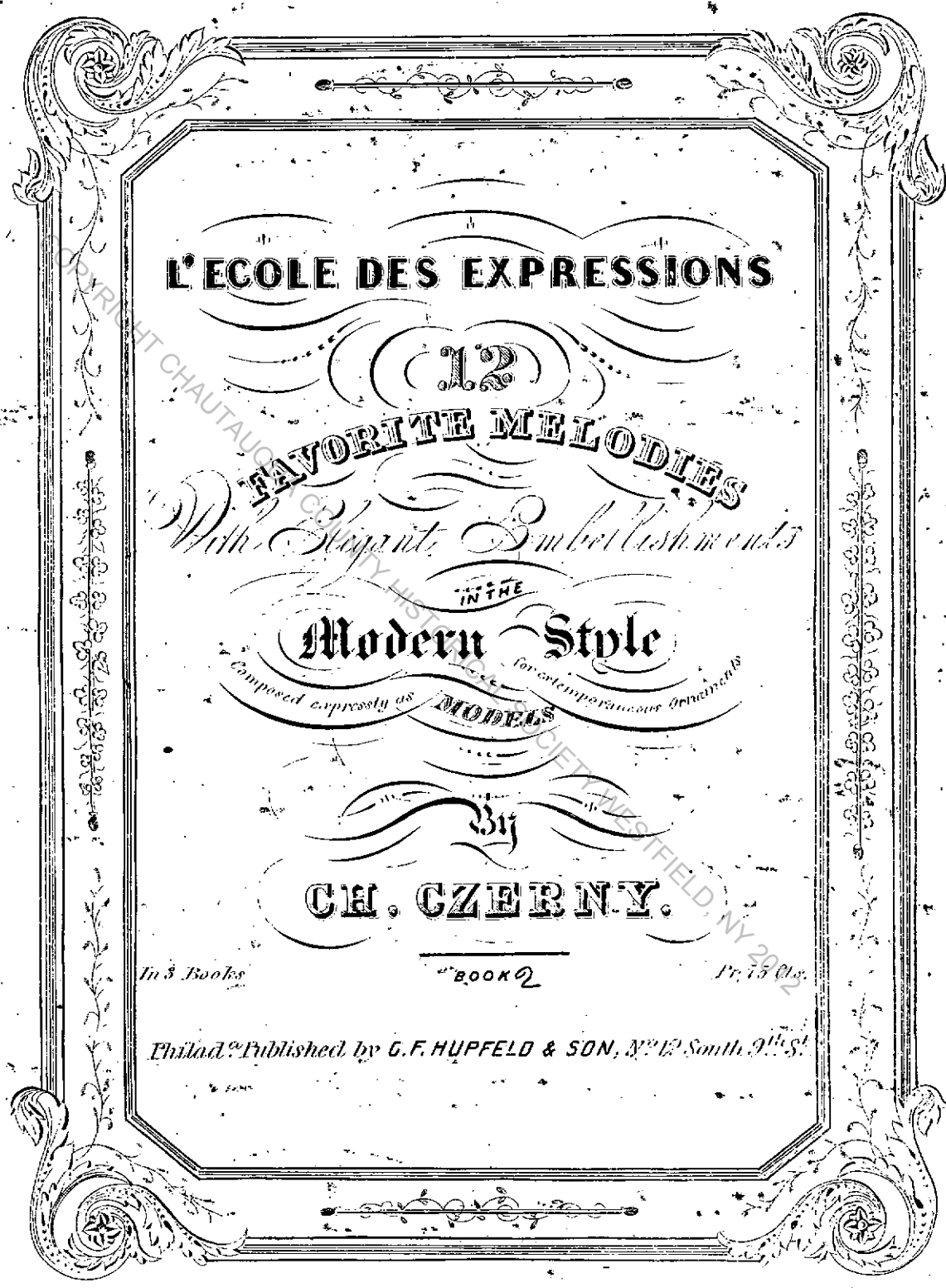
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par JACQUES SCHMITT.

ADAGIO.

The musical score consists of six systems of piano notation. The first system is marked 'ADAGIO.' and begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The second system includes markings for *f*, *p. legato.*, and *cresc:*. The third system is marked *p* and *rallent:*. The fourth system is marked 'Moderato.' and *p*. The fifth system features an *A* (accents) marking. The sixth system ends with a *p* marking. The score is written in a key signature of two flats and common time (C).

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Ped. * Ped. * Ped. * Ped. *

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great stage route to and through
Jamestown and be faithfully
aided in procuring all
improvements J.S.F.

H. all of Pub.
July 18. 40

Dear Sir

I have been to the P. O. &
you will have read the advertisement
for the route from J. T. to W. in this
It is right in coaches. as to the
route from W. to Franklin, the contract
has been taken by Mr. T. Nile. there travels
a week in stages or coaches (I forget
which). This will do perhaps, but I
I should have liked it better if it had
been 6 times a week, and we
must have it so hereafter. By
attending to these mail routes a
little farmer can be very much
benefited, and may be placed in the
position he desires location
Established too. I have set my
heart upon the great Eastern & West

from Canandaigua Bath & via
Ellicottville & J. I. to Elmira
We must have a daily mail
on this road and we must
not be satisfied with any
thing short of it. It is from
the Geography of our Country
as important a route as the
Northern one. Nothing can be
done till these routes shall be
again advertised & then I hope
our J. I. folks will attend
properly to the matter.

You have no idea
how I am cramped, I am
kept constantly busy. My health
is very good. Please make my
good wishes to all enquiring
friends.

Yours truly

How E. J. Foots. A. P. Mason

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dolce legato.

cres p f p dolce.

Ped.

8va p dolce smorz.

*loco. Ped * p*

Ball of Pop

May 8 1845

Hon. E. J. Fitch

Dear Sir yours of the
 29th ult is just recd. I am sorry
 that you were bent at my com-
 munication in relation to postage between
 N. Y. & Fredonia. I assure you with-
 out any other further from my thoughts. As
 you will see. The fact simply is that
 I was not aware that you had reduced
 the postage to 16 3/4 cts, but was under
 the apprehension that 25 cts was still
 charged, and recollecting a conversation
 in relation to the charge for postage between
 Fredonia & N. Y. & that the postage
 had been reduced to 16 3/4, it occurred
 to me that if I was not so far from
 N. Y. as Fredonia, I was not

Assure that any such instructions had
been given to Post Masters as
mentioned in Mr. Johnston's letter
to me till I rec^d that letter, I was
still under the impression that
you had received the distances by
way of Albany and my sole object
was to call your attention to it
by sending Burns's note to I trust
you how the Department ~~ought~~
computed distances.

It did not even
occur to me, nor had I any suspi-
cion that you had neglected any of
your duties, on the contrary I have
had every reason to believe that the
affairs in the office are well con-
ducted. I assure you that I had
no unkindly feelings nor did
I intend anything to hurt your
feelings. I am called out & so
cannot conclude subjects to
Mrs. Henryson
July 13th 1854

Am R. P. Mearns
May 8th 1842
on extra postage &c
in answer

R. P. Mearns

Pal.

Am E. J. Pratt

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N.Y.



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LES ITALIENNES.

FANTAISE N° 1.

F. HUNTEN.

THEME DE DONIZETTI.

Opus 137.

Molto moderato.

FANTAISE

First system of musical notation. It consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a grand staff brace on the left. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The time signature is 4/4. The first staff begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a crescendo (*cres*) marking. The second staff also begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a crescendo (*cres*) marking. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes with some slurs.

Second system of musical notation. It consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a piano dolce (*p dolce*) dynamic. The second staff begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The music continues with eighth and sixteenth notes.

Third system of musical notation. It consists of two staves. The first staff has fingerings *3 2 1 x* and *3 2 1 x* above it. The second staff has a piano (*p*) dynamic and the marking *Leggeramente*. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes.

Fourth system of musical notation. It consists of two staves. The first staff has a piano (*p*) dynamic and the marking *Leggeramente*. The music continues with eighth and sixteenth notes.

Fifth system of musical notation. It consists of two staves. The first staff has a piano (*p*) dynamic and the marking *Leggeramente*. The music continues with eighth and sixteenth notes.

Cres cen do.

opre. ritenuto.

Cantabile. p dolce.

p

4

First system of musical notation, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music includes various rhythmic patterns and fingerings, with a large bracketed section containing complex chords and trills.

Second system of musical notation, continuing the piece with similar rhythmic and melodic motifs. It includes a section with a key signature change to one flat (F) and some chromatic passages.

Third system of musical notation, featuring a section marked "cres molto" (crescendo molto) and "dim." (diminuendo). The music concludes with a dynamic marking of "p" (piano).

Delicatamente.

Fourth system of musical notation, marked "Delicatamente." and starting with a dynamic marking of "p". The music is characterized by delicate, flowing lines and includes some complex rhythmic patterns.

Cres - - - cen - - - do p

Fifth system of musical notation, featuring a section marked "Cres - - - cen - - - do p". The music includes a variety of rhythmic patterns and dynamic markings.

Cres - - - cen - - - do. f

Sixth system of musical notation, marked "Cres - - - cen - - - do. f". The music concludes with a dynamic marking of "f" (forte) and includes some complex rhythmic patterns.

Post Off. Dept
Cov. H. Off.

Jan. 14. 1840

Dear Sir,

Your letter of Jan. 1. is before

me.

As the advertisement I bid stood
on 1697; the Department had not the
legal power to accept any other bidder
than Jan R. Reid, for he was the lowest
bidder on the route; & his lowest bid
(of \$600) was according to the advertisement, as
the advertisement was for horse service, the
copying clerk having omitted 4 horse post words
- a circumstance not discovered till too late.

After the letting the clerk who sends out
notices of acceptance applied at a time
of great hurry of business to know which
bid of Reid's (as he had bid several ways)
was to be notified to him as the accep-
ted one. It occurring that the route was
entitled to higher service than a horse
mail it was decided to take his stage
proposal which was but \$300. higher than
the horse bid; & this was done in the

great press of the moment without referring
to the other bids & circumstances of the case.

On the first review of this matter that
afterwards took place the acceptance was
rescinded - for altho' no other man's bid, however
favorable, could be accepted so long as Bird
was under him with a bid conforming to ad-
vertisement; yet it was clearly the duty, if he
deft. to take the necessary steps, by a new
advertisement, to enable it legally to consider
such offers as of 692 for those part con-
service. This it would have done when the
notice clerk brought the matter up if those
other bids had been opened at the time.

I should have supposed that you would before
the date of your letter have received mine
informing of the work being ordered to be re-
advertised & the old contractors being requir-
ed to extend their service over to the 1.
July next.

Truly & respectfully yours

S. R. Hobbes

Hon. C. T. Foote

P.M.

Jamestown N.Y.

15
Jamiesham June 17th 1841

P.S. W. Bird has always been regarded
as politically hostile - he has no cousin
or other relative in this sept to the best
of my knowledge. If he had that could not
have had any effect. Accidents like the
above is impossible utterly to prevent - the
wonder is that more don't happen. The
sept man fails to 'rectify' them as soon
as discovered.

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Am S B. Abbie
relative to Birds mail
contract to be
Jan 14. 1840

[Handwritten signature]



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[Handwritten signature]
James Down
New York



15
Jamesham June 17th 1841

Dear Sir

The package referred to in
your note of yesterday, contained my
appointment as deputy Post Master,
You will please continue in charge of
the Office to the termination of the
quarter @ I will enter upon the duties
the 1st of July

Respectfully

Yours obediently

C. T. Horsburgh

Alvin Thum

The musical score consists of four staves. The top staff is a single melodic line. The second staff is a piano accompaniment with a treble clef, featuring a crescendo marking 'Cres - 2' and a fermata over a note labeled 'do.'. The third and fourth staves are a piano accompaniment with a bass clef, featuring several fortissimo markings 'sfz'. The score concludes with a double bar line.

Wm. F. L. L. L.
G. L. L. L.
G. L. L. L.

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P. O. Department,
Appointment Office,
Jun. 19. 1860.

Sir:

The postmasters at New-Haven have been informed that a subscriber to a regular newspaper, is privileged to pay the advance postage thereon at the commencement of the quarter, without waiting for the actual receipt of the first number.

I am respectfully
Yours obt. Servt.

Horatio King
First Lieut. 27th Regt.

Dr. E. T. Fote,
New Haven
Conn.

WESTFIELD, NY 2012

Stratton, King Esq
11 Apr 1860
Washington Jan 19 1860

Subscribers to newspapers
have right to pay postage
in advance to the
unit of 2 cents.

Saved from 3 1/2 to 25% cut
by only depos postage
at head station of the Postoffice

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Tyrolien,

sur un Nocturne favori de Fréd. Bérat,

POUR

PIANO

PAR

FR. BURGMÜLLER

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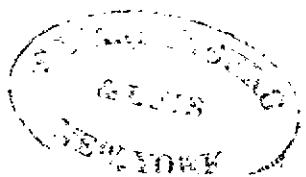
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Rondo Tyrolien
POUR LE PIANO

PAR
F. BURGMÜLLER.

Op 71 N°2.

Moderato ♩ = 104.

INTRODUCTION.

Stringendo e cres.

pp Brillante. Ritard.

Cres.

Handwritten: *9/4*

poco rit.

Handwritten: *3 3 3*

in Tempo.

8^a

p

8^a

p

8^a

p

p

p

First system of musical notation, consisting of two staves. The upper staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 6/8 time signature. The lower staff begins with a bass clef. The music features a series of chords and melodic lines, with some notes marked with 'f' (forte) and 'p' (piano). There are some handwritten annotations in the lower staff, including a circled '3' and some 'x' marks.

Second system of musical notation, consisting of two staves. The upper staff continues the melody with a treble clef, one flat, and 6/8 time. The lower staff continues the accompaniment with a bass clef. Dynamics include 'f' and 'p'. There are handwritten annotations such as a circled '3' and a '2' in the lower staff.

Third system of musical notation, consisting of two staves. The upper staff continues the melody with a treble clef, one flat, and 6/8 time. The lower staff continues the accompaniment with a bass clef. Dynamics include 'f' and 'p'. There are handwritten annotations such as a circled '3' and a '2' in the lower staff.

Fourth system of musical notation, consisting of two staves. The upper staff continues the melody with a treble clef, one flat, and 6/8 time. The lower staff continues the accompaniment with a bass clef. Dynamics include 'f' and 'p'. There are handwritten annotations such as a circled '3' and a '2' in the lower staff.

Fifth system of musical notation, consisting of two staves. The upper staff continues the melody with a treble clef, one flat, and 6/8 time. The lower staff continues the accompaniment with a bass clef. Dynamics include 'f' and 'p'. There are handwritten annotations such as a circled '3' and a '2' in the lower staff.