LETTINGS OF MAIL CONTRACTS.

PROPOSALS for conveying the mails of the United States from the 1st of July, 1858, to the 1st of July, 1862, on the following routes in the State of CALIFORNIA, and in the Territories of OREGON, WASHINGTON, UTAH, and NEW MEXICO, will be received at the Contract Office of this Department until 9, a. m., of the 15th day of March next, to be decided by the 22d of the same month:

CALIFORNIA.

12503 From San Francisco, by Benicia and Georgiana, to Sacramento City, 120 miles and back, six times a week, in steamboats.
Leave San Francisco daily, except Sunday, at 4 p m;
Arrive at Sacramento City next day by 5 a m;
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 2 p m;
Arrive at San Francisco same day by 12 p m.

12504 From San Francisco, by Martinez, to Stockton, 120 miles and back, six times a week, in steamboats.
Leave San Francisco daily, except Sunday, at 4 p m;
Arrive at Stockton next day by 5 a m;
Leave Stockton daily, except Sunday, at 4 p m;
Arrive at San Francisco next day by 5 a m.

12505 From San Francisco, by Belmont, Redwood city, Mayfield, Mountain View, and Santa Clara, to San Jose, 54 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave San Francisco daily, except Sunday, at 8 a m;
Arrive at San Jose by 5 p m;
Leave San Jose daily, except Sunday at 6 a m;
Arrive at San Francisco by 5 p m.

12506 From San Francisco to Petaluma, 50 miles and back, three times a week, in steamboats.
Leave San Francisco Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10 a m;
Arrive at Petaluma by 5 p m;
Leave Petaluma Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 10 a m;
Arrive at San Francisco by 5 p m.

12507 From San Francisco, (by sea,) via Santa Barbara and San Pedro, to San Diego, 450 miles and back, twice a month, in steamboats.
Leave San Francisco on the 2d and 17th of each month;
Arrive at San Diego by the 5th and 20th of same month;
Leave San Diego on the 6th and 21st of each month;
Arrive at San Francisco by the 9th and 24th of same month.

12508 From San Francisco to Oakland, 9 miles and back, six times a week, by water.
Leave San Francisco daily, except Sunday, at 8 a m;
Arrive at Oakland by 9 a m;
Leave Oakland daily, except Sunday, at 3 p m;
Arrive at San Francisco by 4 p m.

12509 From Oakland, by Brooklyn, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Alvarado, Mission San Jose, Centreville, and Milpitas, to San Jose, 45 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Oakland Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8 a m;
Arrive at San Jose by 5 p m;
Leave San Jose Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oakland by 3 p m.

12510 From Oakland, by San Pablo, to Martinez, 25 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Oakland Monday at 9 a m;
Arrive at Martinez by 4 p m;
Leave Martinez Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oakland by 1 p m.

12511 From Petaluma, by Bloomfield, to Temalles, 20 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Petaluma Tuesday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Temalles by 4 p m;
Leave Temalles Wednesday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Petaluma by 4 p m.

12512 From Petaluma, by Bodega, to Smith's Branch, 27 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Petaluma Thursday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Smith's Branch by 5 p m;
Leave Smith's Branch Friday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Petaluma by 5 p m.

12513 From Petaluma, by Santa Rosa, to Russian River, 35 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Petaluma Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Russian River by 5 p m;
Leave Russian River Wednesday and Friday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Petaluma by 5 p m.
Bids to extend via Oak Valley, Anderson Valley, and Albion Mills, to Big River, 75 miles in all, are invited.

12514 From Petaluma, by Novato, to San Rafael, 20 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Petaluma Tuesday at 8 a m;
Arrive at San Rafael by 2 p m;
Leave San Rafael Wednesday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Petaluma by 2 p m.

12515 From Napa City, by Sebastopol, Oakville, St. Helena, Hot Springs, Coyote Valley, and Lower Lake, to Upper Clear Lake, 75 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Napa City Monday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Upper Clear Lake next day by 7 p m;
Leave Upper Clear Lake Wednesday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Napa City next day by 7 p m.

12515a From Napa City, by White Sulphur Springs, Knight's Ranch, and Alexander's Ranch, to Santa Rosa, and back, once a week. Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.

12516 From Benicia, by Cornelia, Barton's Store, Vacaville, Buck Eye, Cache Creek, and Yolo, to Grafton, 75 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Benicia Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Grafton next day by 5 p m;
Leave Grafton Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Benicia next day by 5 p m.

12517 From Benicia, by Vallejo, Napa City, and Santa Rosa, to Sonoma, 38 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Benicia Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Sonoma by 4 p m;
Leave Sonoma Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Benicia by 4 p m.

12518 From Martinez, by Alamo and San Ramon, to Mission San Jose, 40 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Martinez Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Mission San Jose by 7 p m;
Leave Mission San Jose Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Martinez by 7 p m.

12519 From San Juan, by Watsonville and Soquel, to Santa Cruz, 30 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave San Juan Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 12 m;
Arrive at Santa Cruz by 7 p m;
Leave Santa Cruz Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5 a m;
Arrive at San Juan by 12 m.

12520 From San Jose, by Gilroy, San Juan, Natividad, and Salinas, to Monterey, 75 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave San Jose Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 5 a m;
Arrive at Monterey by 8 p m;
Leave Monterey Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5 a m;
Arrive at San Jose by 8 p m.

12521 From Monterey to San Luis Obispo, 120 miles and back, twice a month.
Leave Monterey on the 1st and 15th of each month at 6 a m;
Arrive at San Luis Obispo in four days;
Leave San Luis Obispo on the 5th and 20th of each month at 6 a m;
Arrive at Monterey in four days.
Bids to extend to Santa Barbara are invited; also bids to run weekly.

12522 From Los Angeles, by Tejon, Sebastian Reservation, and Keysville, to Visalia, 220 miles and back, twice a month.
Leave Los Angeles on the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 a m;
Arrive at Visalia in eight days;
Leave Visalia on the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 a m;
Arrive at Los Angeles in eight days.

12523 From Los Angeles, by San Gabriel and Monte, to San Bernardino, 60 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Los Angeles Monday at 8 a m;
Arrive at San Bernardino next day by 12 m;
Leave San Bernardino Wednesday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Los Angeles next day by 12 m.

12524 From Los Angeles to San Pedro, 28 miles and back, two or three times a month, in connexion with the coast mail-steamers.
Bidders to state schedule of arrivals and departures.

12525 From San Diego, by Santa Isabel, to Fort Yuma, 220 miles and back, twice a month.
Leave San Diego on the 5th and 20th of each month;
Arrive at Fort Yuma by the 13th and 28th of same month;
Leave Fort Yuma on the 15th and 29th of each month;
Arrive at San Diego in one week.
Bids to extend by the way of Arizona, Tucson, and Mesilla, to El Paso, Texas, by a schedule to be stated by the bidder, are invited.

12526 From Sonora, by Jacksonville, Big Oak Flat, Garrote, Maxwell's Creek, Split Rock, and Bonsville, to Mariposa, 65 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Sonora Mondays and Thursdays at 6 a m;
Arrive at Mariposa next days by 12 m;
Leave Mariposa Tuesdays and Fridays at 2 p m;
Arrive at Sonora next days by 6 p m.

12527 From Quartzburg, by Indian Gulch, Gwin, Leach's Store, Millerton, King's River, and Scottsburg, to Visalia, 120 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Quartzburg Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Visalia next Wednesday by 6 p m;
Leave Visalia Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Quartzburg next Saturday by 6 p m.

12528 From Columbia, by Angel's Camp, Fourth Crossing, and San Andreas, to Mokelumne Hill, 33 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Columbia Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Mokelumne Hill by 4 p m;
Leave Mokelumne Hill Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Columbia by 4 p m.

12529 From Stockton, by Knight's Ferry, Green Springs, Montezuma, Jamestown, Sonora, and Shaw's Flat, to Columbia, 70 miles and back, six times a week from the 1st of May to 1st of December, and three times a week the residue of the year.
Leave Stockton daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Columbia by 8 p m;
Leave Columbia daily, except Sunday, at 1 a m;
Arrive at Stockton by 3 p m.

12530 From Stockton, by Foreman's Ranch, Half Way House, and Double Springs, to Mokelumne Hill, 45 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Stockton daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Mokelumne Hill by 5 p m;
Leave Mokelumne Hill daily, except Sunday, at 5 a m;
Arrive at Stockton by 2 p m.

12531 From Stockton, by Loving's Ferry, Horr's Ranch, Snelling's Ranch, Merced Falls, Hornitas, Quartzburg, Mount Ophir, and Agua Fria, to Mariposa, 91 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Stockton Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 a m;
Arrive at Mariposa next days by 2 p m;
Leave Mariposa Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 a m;
Arrive at Stockton next days by 2 p m.
Bids for three trips a week are invited.

12532 From Double Springs, by North Branch, San Andreas, Fourth Crossing, Angel's Camp, and Vallicita, to Murphy's, 34 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Double Springs Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 12 m;
Arrive at Murphy's by 7 p m;
Leave Murphy's Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 5 a m;
Arrive at Double Springs by 12 m.

12533 From Drytown, by Fiddletown, Cedarville, and Brownsville, to Indian Diggings, 30 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Drytown Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Indian Diggings by 5 p m;
Leave Indian Diggings Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Drytown by 5 p m.
Bids to run from Sacramento City, instead of Drytown, during the dry season, are invited.

12534 From Sacramento City, by Elliott's Ranch, Elk Grove, Staple's Ranch, Fugitt, and Wood's Ferry, to Stockton, 50 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Sacramento City Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Stockton by 8 p m;
Leave Stockton Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 8 p m.

12535 From Sacramento City, by Osmme, Michigan Bar, Drytown, Sutter Creek, and Jackson, to Mokelumne Hill, 85 miles, six times a week and back from 1st of May to 1st of December, and three times a week the residue of the year.
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Mokelumne Hill by 7 p m;
Leave Mokelumne Hill daily, except Sunday, at 4 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 5 p m.

12536 From Sacramento City, by Folsom City, Russville, Mormon Island, Salmon Falls, Pilot Hill, and Greenwood, to Georgetown, 62 miles and back, six times a week.
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Georgetown by 7 p m;
Leave Georgetown daily, except Sunday, at 3 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 4 p m.

12537 From Sacramento City, by Weston, Clarksville, Eldora House, Eldorado, Diamond Springs, Placerville, and Gold Springs, to Coloma, 65 miles and back, daily from 1st of April to 1st of December, and tri-weekly the residue of the year.
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Coloma by 5 p m;
Leave Coloma daily, except Sunday, at 2 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 4 p m.

12538 From Sacramento City, by Fremont, Grafton, Prairie, Antelope, Grand Island, Colusi, Princeton, Monroeville, and Moore's Ranch, to Tehama, 127 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Sacramento City Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Tehama next Wednesday by 6 p m;
Leave Tehama Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City next Saturday by 6 p m.
Bids embracing tri-weekly service in steamboats on the part to Colusi are invited.

12539 From Sacramento City, by Coon Creek, Johnson's Ranch, Round Tent, Rough and Ready, and Grass Valley, to Nevada City, 65 miles and back, six times a week from 1st of April to 1st of December, three times a week the residue of the year.
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Nevada City by 8 p m;
Leave Nevada City daily, except Sunday, at 2 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 4 p m.

12540 From Sacramento City, by Nicolaus, to Marysville, 45 miles and back, six times a week, in steamers and coaches.
Leave Sacramento City daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Marysville by 2 p m;
Leave Marysville daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Sacramento City by 2 p m.

12541 From Auburn, by Neilsburgh, Lisbon, Illinoistown, and Mountain Springs, to Dutch Flat, 34 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Auburn Tuesday and Friday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Dutch Flat by 6 p m;
Leave Dutch Flat Wednesday and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Auburn by 3 p m.

12542 From Marysville, by Honcucut, Hamsonville, Forbestown, Strawberry Valley, Bangor, Woodville, Babbittown, and St. Louis, to Gibsonville, 75 miles and back, twice a week from 1st of April to 1st of November, once a week the remainder of the year.
Leave Marysville Mondays and Fridays at 6 a m;
Arrive at Gibsonville next days by 5 p m;
Leave Gibsonville Wednesdays and Sundays at 6 a m;
Arrive at Marysville next days by 5 p m.

12543 From Marysville, by Charley's Ranch, Oroville, Hamilton, Rio Seco, Chico, Lassen's, Tehama, Red Bluffs, Cottonwood, and American Ranch, to Shasta, 134 miles and back, six times a week from 1st of April to 1st of December, tri-weekly the residue of the year.
Leave Marysville daily, except Sunday, at 3 p m;
Arrive at Shasta next day by 5 p m;
Leave Shasta daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Marysville next day by 12 m.

12544 From Marysville, by Johnson's Ranch, Cox's Ranch, Virginia, Oro City, Gold Hill, and Ophirville, to Auburn, 36 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Marysville Tuesday and Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Auburn by 5 p m;
Leave Auburn Wednesday and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Marysville by 5 p m.

12545 From Marysville, by Oregon House, Greenville, Foster's Bar, Camptonville, and Goodyear's Bar, to Downieville, 70 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Marysville Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 5 a m;
Arrive at Downieville by 8 p m;
Leave Downieville Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5 a m;
Arrive at Marysville by 8 p m.

12546 From Marysville, by Dry Creek, Park's Bar, Owsley's Bar, Empire Ranch, Rough and Ready, and Grass Valley, to Nevada City, 45 miles and back, six times a week from 1st of April to 1st of December, three times a week the residue of the year.
Leave Marysville daily, except Sunday, at 6 a m;
Arrive at Nevada City by 5 p m;
Leave Nevada City daily, except Sunday, at 7 a m;
Arrive at Marysville by 5 p m.

12547 From Diamond Springs, by Newtowa and Henry's Diggings, to Grizzly Flat, 34 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Diamond Springs Tuesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Grizzly Flat by 4 p m;
Leave Grizzly Flat Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Diamond Springs by 4 p m.

12548 From Placerville, by Kelsey's and Spanish Flat, to Georgetown, 18 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Placerville Tuesday and Friday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Georgetown by 2 p m;
Leave Georgetown Wednesday and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Placerville by 2 p m.

12549 From Placerville to Carson Valley, Utah Territory, 75 miles and back, once a week from 1st of May to 1st of November, and once a month the residue of the year.
Leave Placerville Monday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Carson Valley next Wednesday by 12 m;
Leave Carson Valley Thursday at 8 a m.
Arrive at Placerville next Saturday by 12 m.
Proposals to run by a schedule giving the rest time at Carson Valley will be considered.

12550 From Placerville, by Nextown, to Indian Diggings, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state schedule and distance. Bids for more frequent service will be considered.

12551 From Nevada City, by Hoyt's Crossing, Sweetland, Sebastopol, San Juan in Nevada county, and Truman's Crossing, to Camptonville, once a week and back.
Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.

12552 From Nevada City, by Patterson, Emory's Crossings, Plum Valley, and Forrest City, to Downieville, 40 miles and back, three times a week from 1st of April to 1st of January, and once a week the residue of the year.
Leave Nevada City Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Downieville by 8 p m;
Leave Downieville Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Nevada City by 8 p m.

12553 From Oroville, by Bidwell's Bar, Pea Vine, Brush Creek, and Meadow Valley, to Quincy, 66 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Oroville Tuesday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Quincy next day by 4 p m;
Leave Quincy Thursday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Oroville next day by 4 p m.

12554 From Shasta, by Whiskey Creek and Lewiston, to Weaverville, 40 miles and back, three times a week.
Leave Shasta Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Weaverville by 8 p m;
Leave Weaverville Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Shasta by 8 p m.

12555 From Shasta, by French Gulch, Minersville, Trinity Centre, and Oliliewa, to Yreka, 100 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Shasta Monday and Thursday at 12 m;
Arrive at Yreka next Wednesday and Saturday by 6 p m;
Leave Yreka Monday and Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Shasta next Wednesday and Saturday by 12 m.
Bids for more frequent trips are invited.

12556 From Uniontown, by Cox's Ranch and Big Bar, to Weaverville, 90 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Uniontown Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Weaverville next Wednesday by 8 a m;
Leave Weaverville Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Uniontown next Saturday by 8 a m.

12557 From Trinidad, by Orleans Bar and Forks of Salmon, to Restville, 98 miles and back, once a week from 1st of May to 1st of November, and once a month the residue of the year.
Leave Trinidad Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Restville next Wednesday by 6 p m;
Leave Restville Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Trinidad next Saturday by 6 p m.

12558 From Crescent City, by Waldo, Kirbyville, and Cloverville, to Jacksonville, Oregon, 90 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Crescent City Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Jacksonville Wednesday by 6 p m;
Leave Jacksonville Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Crescent City Saturday by 6 p m.

OREGON.

12701 From Astoria, by Cathlamet, Wash. Ter., Oak Point, Rainier, Oregon, St. Helen, Lake River, Wash., Vancouver, Souvie's Island, Or., Portland, Milwaukie, and Oswego, Wash. Ter., to Oregon City, Or., 144 miles and back, twice a week, in steamboats.
Leave Astoria Tuesday and Saturday at 9 a m;
Arrive at Oregon City next days by 5 p m;
Leave Oregon City Monday and Thursday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Astoria next days by 5 a m.
Bids to run by a different schedule will be considered.

12702 From Portland, by Oceola, Hillsboro, Tualatin, and Wapatoo, to La Fayette, 45 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Portland Monday at 7 a m;
Arrive at La Fayette next day by 9 a m;
Leave La Fayette Tuesday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Portland next day by 4 p m.

12703 From Oregon City, by Yam Hill, Buteville, Champoag, Fairfield, Salem, Eola, Independence, Bloomington, Liberty, and Albany, to Corvallis, 95 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Oregon City Monday and Thursday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Corvallis next days by 5 p m;
Leave Corvallis Tuesday and Friday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Oregon City next days by 5 p m.

12704 From Corvallis, by Starr's Point, Franklin, Long Tom, Shuslaw, and Yoncalla, to Oakland, 90 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Corvallis Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oakland next day by 6 p m;
Leave Oakland Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Corvallis next day by 6 p m.

12705 From Corvallis, by Kinney's, Murray's, Eugene City, Cottage Grove, and Coast Fork of Willamette, to Oakland, 100 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Corvallis Wednesdays at 7 a m;
Arrive at Oakland Fridays by 4 p m;
Leave Oakland Fridays at 7 a m;
Arrive at Corvallis Mondays by 4 p m.
Bids to end at Winchester are invited.

12706 From Corvallis, by Soap Creek, Lackemute, Bridgeport, Dallas, Rina, Plum Valley, and Dayton, to La Fayette, 56 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Corvallis Mondays at 6 a m;
Arrive at La Fayette next days by 12 m;
Leave La Fayette Tuesdays at 1 p m;
Arrive at Corvallis next days by 6 p m.

12707 From Salem, by Doak's Ferry and Mount Hood, to La Fayette, 45 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salem Mondays at 6 a m;
Arrive at La Fayette by 8 p m;
Leave La Fayette Tuesdays at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salem by 8 p m.

12708 From Salem, by Santiam City, Central, Washington Butte, Calapooya, Union Point, Plato, Willamette Forks, McKenzie, and Eugene City, to Pleasant Hill, 80 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salem Tuesdays at 12 m;
Arrive at Pleasant Hill Fridays by 6 p m;
Leave Pleasant Hill Saturdays at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salem Tuesdays by 10 a m.

12709 From North Canyonville, by Galesville, Leland, Gold River, Jacksonville, Phœnix, Ashland Mills, Tamath, Cal., and Henley, to Yreka, Cal., 140 miles and back, once a week.
Leave North Canyonville Monday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Yreka next Thursday by 6 p m;
Leave Yreka Saturday at 7 a m;
Arrive at North Canyonville next Tuesday by 6 p m.

12710 From North Canyonville, by Myrtle Creek, Round Prairie, Alder Brook, Roseburgh, and Winchester, to Oakland, 47 miles and back, once a week.
Leave North Canyonville Thursday at 5 a m;
Arrive at Oakland by 8 p m;
Leave Oakland Saturday at 5 a m;
Arrive at North Canyonville by 8 p m.

12711 From Oakland, by Kellogg's, Elkton, Scottsburg, and Gardiner City, to Umpqua City, 65 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Oakland Saturday at 12 m;
Arrive at Umpqua City Monday by 2 p m;
Leave Umpqua City Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oakland next day by 8 p m.

12712 From Albany, by Burlington and Harrisburg, to Willamette Forks, 50 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Albany Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Willamette Forks next day by 12 m;
Leave Willamette Forks Friday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Albany next day by 8 p m.

12713 From Port Orford, by Randolph and Coos Bay, to Gardiner City, 85 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Port Orford Monday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Gardiner City Wednesday by 3 p m;
Leave Gardiner City Thursday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Port Orford Saturday by 3 p m.
Proposals to run, after leaving Coos Bay, via Mouth of Coquelle, and end at Umpqua City, about the same distance as advertised, are invited.

12714 From Port Orford, by Randolph and Empire City, to Winchester, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state schedule and distance.

WASHINGTON.

12750 From Rainier, Or., by Monticello, Wash. Ter., Castle Rock, Cowlitz, Highland, Newaucum, Grand Mound, and Sutter Creek, to Steilacoom City, 110 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Rainier Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Steilacoom City next Friday by 2 p m;
Leave Steilacoom City Saturday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Rainier next Monday by 2 p m.
Bids to extend to Seattle, 35 miles further, will be considered.

12751 From Vancouver, by Cascades, to Wascopum, Oregon, 95 miles and back, once in two weeks.
Leave Vancouver every other Wednesday at 10 a m;
Arrive at Wascopum next Friday by 12 m;
Leave Wascopum every other Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Vancouver next Wednesday by 8 a m.
Bids for more frequent trips will be considered.

12752 From Cowlitz to Boise Fort Prairie, 15 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Cowlitz Thursday at 9 a m;
Arrive at Boise Fort Prairie by 2 p m;
Leave Boise Fort Prairie Friday at 9 a m;
Arrive at Cowlitz by 2 p m.

12753 From Oak Point, by Boise Fort Prairie, to Grand Mound, 50 miles and back, once in two weeks.
Leave Oak Point every other Friday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Grand Mound next day by 6 p m;
Leave Grand Mound every other Wednesday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Oak Point next day by 6 p m.

12754 From Olympia, by Eaton's and Yelm Prairie, to Fort Montgomery, 40 miles and back, once in two weeks.
Leave Olympia every other Monday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Fort Montgomery by 8 p m;
Leave Fort Montgomery every other Tuesday at 7 a m;
Arrive at Olympia by 8 p m.

12755 From Olympia, by Bruceport, Oysterville, Chenook, and Pacide City, to Astoria, Oregon, once in two weeks and back to Chenook, and once a week the residue.
Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.
Proposals to run the entire route once a week are invited.

12756 From Olympia, by Arcadia, to Oakland, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state distance and schedule of arrivals and departures.

UTAH.

12801 From Salt Lake City, by Lehigh City, American Fork, Provo City, Springville, Payson, Santaquin, Salt Creek, Fillmore City, Parowan, Fort Johnson, Cedar City, Bringhurst's, N. Mex., Santa Clara, California, San Bernardino, Monte, San Gabriel, and Los Angeles, to San Pedro, 917 miles and back, once a month.
Leave Salt Lake City on the 5th of each month;
Arrive at San Pedro by the 1st of the following month;
Leave San Pedro on the 5th of each month;
Arrive at Salt Lake City by the 1st of the following month.
Bids to run twice a month will be considered; also, bids for the separate parts to and beyond Cedar City, (380 miles from Salt Lake City.)

12802 From Salt Lake City, by Neff's Mills, Mill Creek, Mormon, and Holladay's Settlement, to Alpine City, 40 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salt Lake City Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Alpine City next day by 10 a m;
Leave Alpine City Thursday at 3 p m;
Arrive at Salt Lake City next day by 7 p m.

12803 From Salt Lake City, by Union, Draper, Lehigh City, Gardner's Mills, American Fork, Pleasant Grove, Provo City, Springville, Spanish Fork, Payson, Santaquin, Salt Creek, and Ephraim, to Manti, 140 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salt Lake City Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Manti Saturday by 8 p m;
Leave Manti Monday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Salt Lake City Wednesday by 8 p m.

12804 From Salt Lake City, by Stoker, Centreville, Farmington, Kaysville, and Ogden City, to Brigham City, 65 miles and back, twice a week.
Leave Salt Lake City Monday and Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Brigham City next days by 12 m;
Leave Brigham City Tuesday and Friday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Salt Lake City next days by 6 p m.

12805 From Salt Lake City, by Tooele City, to Grantsville, 55 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salt Lake City Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Grantsville next day by 12 m;
Leave Grantsville Friday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Salt Lake City next day by 6 p m.

12806 From Salt Lake City, by Taylorsville, Mount Pleasant, West Jordan, Fort Herriman, and Gardner's Mills, to Cedar Valley, (South Fort,) 58 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Salt Lake City Thursday at 6 a m;
Arrive at Cedar Valley next day by 12 m;
Leave Cedar Valley Friday at 2 p m;
Arrive at Salt Lake City next day by 6 p m.

12807 From Cedar City, by Harmony and Pine Valley, to Santa Clara, 70 miles and back, once in two weeks.
Leave Cedar City every other Thursday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Santa Clara next Saturday by 3 p m;
Leave Santa Clara every other Monday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Cedar City next Wednesday by 3 p m.

NEW MEXICO.

12851 From Santa Fe, by Alameda, Albuquerque, Algodones, Socorro, Fort Craig, Las Cruces, Bernalillo, Los Lunas, Fort Fillmore, and Frontero, Texas, to El Paso, Texas, 300 miles and back, twice a month.
Leave Santa Fe on the 10th and 25th of each month;
Arrive at El Paso in eight days;
Leave El Paso on the 7th and 23d of each month;
Arrive at Santa Fe in eight days.
Bids for weekly trips will be considered; also, for the separate parts to and beyond Albuquerque.

12852 From Santa Fe, by Los Luceros, to Fernando De Taos, 70 miles and back, once a week.
Leave Santa Fe Monday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Fernando De Taos Wednesday by 10 a m;
Leave Fernando De Taos Thursday at 8 a m;
Arrive at Santa Fe Saturday by 10 a m.

12853 From Las Cruces, by Mesilla, to Tucson, and back, once a week.
Bidders to state the distance, and schedule of arrivals and departures by which they propose to run.

12854 From Tucson, by Arizona and Colorado City, to San Diego, Cal., and back, twice a month.
Bidders to state distance and schedule.
Proposals to extend, by commencing at El Paso, Texas, will be considered.

12855 From Albuquerque, by Zuni, to Visalia, (Woodville,) Cal., 1,200 miles and back, once a month.
Bidders to state schedule, which is to connect closely with route 12851.
Proposals for more frequent trips will be considered.

INSTRUCTIONS,

Containing conditions to be incorporated in the contracts to the extent the department may deem proper.

1. Seven minutes are allowed to each intermediate office, when not otherwise specified, for assorting the mails.

2. Railroad and steamboat companies are required to take the mail from, and deliver it into, the post offices at the commencement and end of their routes, and to and from all offices not more than eighty rods from a station or landing. Proposals may be submitted for the performance of all the side service—that is, for offices over eighty rods from a station or landing.

3. No pay will be made for trips not performed; and for each of such omissions, not satisfactorily explained, three times the pay of the trip may be deducted. For arrivals too far behind time as to break connexion with depending mails, and not sufficiently excused, one-fourth of the compensation for the trip is subject to forfeiture. Deduction will also be ordered for a grade of performance inferior to that specified in the contract. For repeated delinquencies of the kind herein specified, enlarged penalties, proportioned to the nature thereof and the importance of the mail, may be made.

4. For leaving behind or throwing off the mails, or any portion of them, for the admission of passengers, or for being concerned in getting up or running an express conveying intelligence in advance of the mail, a quarter's pay may be deducted.

5. Fines will be imposed, unless the delinquency be promptly and satisfactorily explained by certificates of postmasters, or the affidavits of other credible persons, for failing to arrive in contract time; for neglecting to take the mail from or deliver it into a post office; for suffering it (owing either to the unsuitableness of the place or manner of carrying it) to be wet, injured, destroyed, robbed, or lost; and for refusing, after demand, to convey the mail as frequently as the contractor runs, or is concerned in running, a coach, car, or steamboat on a route.

6. The Postmaster General may annul the contract for repeated failures to run agreeably to contract; for violating the post office laws, or disobeying the instructions of the department; for refusing to discharge a carrier when required by the department to do so; for assigning the contract without the assent of the Postmaster General; for running an express as aforesaid; or for transporting persons or packages conveying mailable matter out of the mail.

7. The Postmaster General may [illegible] route by allowing therefor a *pro rata* increase on the contract pay. He may change schedules of departures and arrivals in all cases, and particularly to make them conform to connexions with railroads, without increase of pay, provided the running time be not abridged. He may order an increase of speed, allowing, within the restrictions of the law, a *pro rata* increase of pay for the additional stock or carriers if any. The contractor may, however, in the case of increase of speed, relinquish the contract by giving prompt notice to the department that he prefers doing so to carrying the order into effect. The Postmaster General may also curtail or discontinue the service, in whole or in part, at *pro rata* decrease of pay, allowing one month's extra compensation on the amount dispensed with, whenever, in his opinion, the public interests do not require the same, or in case he desires to supersede it by a different grade of transportation.

8. Payments will be made for the service by collections from, or drafts on, postmasters, or otherwise, after the expiration of each quarter—say in February, May, August, and November.

9. The distances are given according to the best information; but no increased pay will be allowed should they be greater than advertised, if the points to be supplied be correctly stated. *Bidders must inform themselves on this point*; and also in reference to the weight of the mail, the condition of roads, hills, streams, &c., and all toll-bridges, ferries, or obstructions of any kind by which expense may be incurred. No claim for additional pay based on such grounds can be considered; nor for alleged mistakes or misapprehension as to the degree of service; nor for bridges destroyed, or other obstructions increasing distance, occurring during the contract term. Offices established after this advertisement is issued, and also during the contract term, are to be visited without extra pay, if the distance be not increased.

10. A bid received after the last day and hour named, or without the guarantee required by law, or that combines several routes in one sum of compensation, cannot be considered in competition with a regular proposal reasonable in amount.

11. Bidders should first propose for service strictly according to the advertisement, and then, if they desire, *separately* for different service; and if the *regular* bid be the lowest offered for the advertised service, the other propositions may be considered.

12. There should be but one route bid for in a proposal.

13. The route, the service, the yearly pay, the name and residence of the bidder, (that is his usual post office address,) and those of each member of a firm, where a company offers, should be distinctly stated; also the mode of conveyance, if a higher mode than horseback be intended. The words "with due celerity, certainty, and security," inserted to indicate the mode of conveyance, will constitute a "*star bid*." When a "star bid" is intended, no specific conveyance must be named.

14. Bidders are requested to use, as far as practicable, the printed form of proposals furnished by the department, to write out in full the sum of their bids, and to retain copies of them.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

I, ——, of ——, county of ——, State of ——, propose to convey the mails of the United States from July 1, 1858, to June 30, 1862, on route No. ——, from —— to ——, agreeably to the advertisement of the Postmaster General dated October 22, 1857, and by the following mode of conveyance, viz:

for the annual sum of —— dollars.

This proposal is made with full knowledge of the distance of the route, the weight of the mail to be carried, and all other particulars in reference to the route and service, and also after careful examination of the laws and instructions attached to the advertisement.

Dated (Signed.)

GUARANTEE.

The undersigned, residing at —— State of ——, undertake that, if the foregoing bid for carrying the mail on route No. —— be accepted by the Postmaster General, the bidder shall, prior to the 1st day of August, 1858, enter into the required obligation, on contract, to perform the service proposed, with good and sufficient sureties.

This we do understanding distinctly the obligations and liabilities assumed by guarantors under the 27th section of the act of Congress of July 2, 1836.

(Signed by two guarantors.)

Dated

CERTIFICATE.

The undersigned, postmaster of ——, State of ——, certifies, *under his oath of office*, that he is acquainted with the above guarantors, and knows them to be men of property, and able to make good the guarantee.

Dated (Signed.)

15. Altered bids should not be submitted; nor should bids once submitted be withdrawn.

Each bid must be guaranteed by two responsible persons. General guarantees cannot be admitted. The bid and guarantee should be signed plainly with the full name of each person.

The department reserves the right to reject any bid which may be deemed extravagant, and also the bids of failing contractors and bidders.

16. The bid should be sealed; superscribed "Mail Proposals, State or Territory of (as the case may be) ——," addressed "Second Assistant Postmaster General," Contract Office, and sent by mail, not by or to an agent, and postmasters will not enclose proposals (or letters of any kind) in their quarterly returns.

17. The contracts are to be executed and returned to