

PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED

at the Contract Office of this Department until 3 p. m. of February 2, 1874, (to be decided on or before March 2, 1874.) for conveying the mails of the United States in the State of NEVADA.

From July 1, 1874, to June 30, 1878, on the routes and by the schedules of departures and arrivals herein specified: being routes established at third session of 41st Congress, and first session of 42d Congress, and others.

(Examine carefully the forms and instructions annexed.)

An Act of Congress of June 8, 1872, requires that bids of \$5,000 and upward be accompanied by a certified check or draft equal to five per cent. of the bid.

NEVADA.

- 45101 From Reno, by Junction House (Cal.), Long Valley, Milford, and Janesville, to Susanville (Cal.), 92 miles and back, six times a week. Leave Reno daily, except Sunday, at 6 a. m.; Arrive at Susanville third days by 12 m.; Leave Susanville daily, except Sunday, at 1 p. m.; Arrive at Reno third days by 6 p. m. Present pay, \$7,200 per annum.

- Leave Unionville daily, except Sunday, at 7 a. m.; Arrive at Dun Glen by 6 p. m.; Leave Dun Glen daily, except Sunday, at 7 a. m.; Arrive at Unionville by 6 p. m. Present pay, \$8,982 per annum.

- week, by a schedule not exceeding 48 hours one way, making proper connection with Central Pacific Railroad. Present pay, \$17,000 per annum.

I, _____, of _____, bidder for conveying the mail on route No. _____, from _____, do swear that I have the ability pecuniarily to fulfill my obligation as such bidder; that the bid is made in good faith, and with the intention to enter into contract and perform the service in case said bid shall be accepted; and that the signatures of the guarantors thereto are genuine, and that I believe the said guarantors to be pecuniarily responsible for and able to pay all damages the United States shall suffer by reason of my failing to perform my obligations as such bidder.

12. 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.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS AND POSTMASTERS.

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

Form of Proposal, Guarantee and Certificate.

PROPOSAL. The undersigned, _____, whose post-office address is _____, county of _____, State of _____, proposes to convey the mails of the United States, from July 1, 1874, to June 30, 1878, on route No. _____, between _____ and _____, under the advertisement of the Postmaster General, dated October 1, 1873, "with celerity, certainty and security" (law of June 8, 1872), for the annual sum of _____ dollars.