

LETTER

FROM

THE POST MASTER GENERAL,

ENCLOSING

Two Reports

RELATIVE

TO PUBLIC CONTRACTS,

AND THE

NAMES AND SALARIES OF THE CLERKS

OF

THE GENERAL POST-OFFICE,

DURING

THE YEAR 1811.

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GENERAL POST-OFFICE,

January 25, 1811.

SIR,

Herein, I have the honor to enclose the reports of this office, relative to public contracts, and the salaries allowed to the clerks of this office the last year.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

With great respect,

Your obedient servant,

GIDEON GRANGER.

Honorable Joseph B. Varnum,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IN obedience to the act of Congress of the 21st of April, 1808, concerning Public Contracts: The Post-Master-General has the honor of laying before Congress, the following statement of all the contracts which have been made in his department, during the preceding year, viz :

ROUTES FOR CARRYING THE MAIL.	Number of times the mail is carried per week.	NAMES OF CONTRACTORS.	Date of Contracts.	Duration of Contracts.	Sum to be paid per year.
Petersburg and Raleigh,	three,	Gholson and Wallace,	February 1, 1810.	April 1, 1810, to April 1, 1811.	5,440
Raleigh and Fayetteville,	do.	C. & H. Parish,	ditto,	ditto,	2,578
Fayetteville and Portserry,	do.	Newsom, Branson & Roland,	ditto,	ditto,	5,000
Portserry and Charleston,*	do.	James W. Cotton,	ditto,	ditto,	5,400
Athens and Pascagoola,	once,	John B. Chandler,	ditto,	ditto,	6,600
Pontchartrain and New Orleans,	do.	Carried under the direction of the post-master at New Orleans.	ditto,	ditto,	\$ 31 30 the trip
Portland and Portsmouth,*	ix,	Josiah Paine,	July 31, 1810.	Oct. 1, 1810, to Oct. 1, 1811.	2,000
Portsmouth and Boston,*	daily,	Ditto,	ditto,	ditto,	2,000
Boston, Hartford and New Haven,*	three,	Camp, Sikes & Draper,	ditto,	ditto,	5,000
Do. Tolland Do.*	do.	Ditto,	ditto,	ditto,	3,700
Do. Providence Do.*	do.	Kinney & Nicholls,	ditto,	ditto,	4,000
New Haven and Yew York,	do.	Lovejoy and Nicholls,	ditto,	ditto,	4,000
New York and Philadelphia,*	daily,	Ward and Cumming,	ditto,	ditto,	500
Do. Princeton Do.*	do.	Ditto,	ditto,	Oct. 1, 1810 to April 1, 1811.	2,000
Baltimore and Georgetown,	do.	Lorman and Crawford,	ditto,	ditto,	800
Washington and Alexandria,	do.	William Crawford,	ditto,	ditto,	1,500
Alexandria and Dumfries,	do.	Haz. Farish,	ditto,	ditto,	1,200
Dumfries and Fredericksburg,	do.	John Benson,	ditto,	ditto,	3,500
Fredericksburg and Richmond,*	do.	Smock, Hoomes & Allen,	ditto,	ditto,	1,400
Richmond and Petersburg,	do.	Gregory and Ball,	ditto,	ditto,	3,000
Petersburg and Norfolk,*	three,	David Price,	ditto,	ditto,	2,250
Richmond Do.*	do.	Bracken & Saunders,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Portsmouth and Concord,	fortnight,	Elijah Blasdell,	October 1, 1810.	Jan. 1, to Oct. 1, 1811.	100
Concord and Charleston,	do.	Ditto,	ditto,	ditto,	70
Lancaster and Norfolk,	weekly,	Joshua Ricker, jun.	ditto,	ditto,	250
Hanover and Plymouth,	fortnight,	Isaac Robbins,	ditto,	ditto,	
Middlebury and Hanover,	do.	Darius Dewey,	ditto,	ditto,	
Ditto, Poultney,	do.	Included in another route,			
Burlington and Grand Isle,	do.	No proposals,			
Danville and Derby,	do.	W. A. Griswold,	ditto,	ditto,	125
Boston and Newburyport,	do.	No proposals,			
Newport and Boston,	six,	James Perry,	ditto,	ditto,	1,200
Framingham and Ashford,	once,	David Keith,	ditto,	ditto,	150
Springfield and Hartford,	do.	Daniel Lombard,	ditto,	ditto,	160
Norwalk and Sharon,	twice,	John R. White,	ditto,	ditto,	280
Burlington and Ovid,*	fortnight,	Jesse Russell,	ditto,	ditto,	230
Vernon and Pompey,*	weekly,	Benjamin Pierson,	ditto,	ditto,	160
Unadilla and Oxford,*	do.	S. Smith,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Fairfield and Remsen,	do.	No proposals,			
Peramus and Haverstraw,	do.	Ditto,			
Scaroon and Essex c. h.	fortnight,	Clark Rawson,	ditto,	ditto,	140

STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS, continued.

ROUTES FOR CARRYING THE MAIL.	Number of times the mail is carried per week.	NAMES OF CONTRACTORS.	Date of Contract.	Duration of Contract.	Sum to be paid per year.
Johnston and Northampton,*	fortnight,	Cyrus Goodrich,	1st October, 1810,	January 1, to October 1, 1811,	100
Pittston and Milford,	do.	Deodat Smith,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Milton and Frevetstown,		No proposals,			
Mifflintown and Fannetsburg,	do.	Chris. Horrell,	ditto,	ditto,	150
Bristol and Burlington,*	do.	John Bessonnet,	ditto,	ditto,	90
Fredericktown and Northumberland,*	do.	Jacob Miscall,	ditto,	ditto,	360
Carlisle and Douglassmill,	do.	Robert Lamberton,	ditto,	ditto,	160
Lewistown and Bellefont,	do.	John Robinson,	ditto,	ditto,	110
Somerset and Ebensburg,*	do.	James Clark,	ditto,	ditto,	\$ 3 per mile.
Canton and New Lisbon,*	weekly,	Joseph Cline,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Worthington and Huron,	fortnight,	S. H. Smith,	ditto,	ditto,	450
Gnadenhutten and Canton,*	do.	David Peter,	ditto,	ditto,	100
Marietta and Urbanna,	once,	Jacob Ayers,	ditto,	ditto,	700
Cambridge and New Market,	fortnight,	Edward White,	ditto,	January 1, to April 1, 1811,	52
St. Genevieve and St. Louis,		No proposals.			
Greensboro and Georgetown cross roads,*	weekly,	Abner Dulen,	ditto,	ditto,	180
Baltimore and Centreville,*	do.	Greenberry Griffin,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Cumberland and Union,	do.	Andrew Collins,	ditto,	Jan 1, 1811, to April 1, 1812,	145
Union and Waterford,	do.	William Wooddy,	ditto,	ditto, 1811,	54
Martinsburg and Berkley springs,	do.	William Somerville,	ditto,	ditto,	80
New York and Lovington,	do.	William Stewardson,	ditto,	ditto,	200
Hudson and Millersburg,	fortnight,	Horatio Catlett,	ditto,	ditto,	600
Union and Giles c. h.	do.	John Hanley, junior,	ditto,	ditto,	102
Fincastle and Sweet Springs,	do.	David Amen,	ditto,	ditto,	140
Charlotte and Campbell,	do.	Robert Snoddy,	ditto,	ditto,	150
Philips and Hicksford*,	do.	John Avery,	ditto,	ditto,	108
Roadforks and Clay c. h.	do.	James Westerfield,	ditto,	Jan 1, 1811, to April 1, 1812,	100
Danville and Casey c. h.	do.	Ditto,	ditto,	ditto,	100
Mount Sterling and Estel,*	do.	James Daniel,	ditto,	ditto,	80
Ashville and Haywood c. h.*	do.	R. Love,	ditto,	ditto,	95
Charlotte and Statesville,*	do.	R. H. King,	ditto,	ditto,	50
Woodstock and Matamerskeet,	do.	Seth Hovey,	ditto,	January 1, to April 1, 1811,	125
Elizabethtown and Marsh-castle,	do.	James B. White,	ditto,	ditto,	100
Wilmington and Smithville,		No proposals.			
Jonesboro and Ash, c. h.		Ditto.			
Charlotte and Charlotte,*	do.	Benj. Joslin,	ditto,	ditto,	200
White plains and White c. h.	do.	Danl. Alexander,	ditto,	ditto,	150
Columbia and Huntsville,	do.	T. G. Bradford,	ditto,	Jan. 1, 1811, to April 1, 1812,	320
Franklin c. h. and Beedsoe c. h.		No proposals.			
Greenville and Carnesville,*	do.	G. W. Earle,	ditto,	ditto, 1811,	300

The contracts for the routes marked thus * have been forwarded for signature, and not yet returned by the contractors.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GIDEON GRANGER, *Post master general.*

*THE Post-master General, in obedience to the act of congress, passed
the 21st April, 1806, respectfully*

REPORTS:

THAT he has employed in the general post-office, during the year 1810, the following persons as clerks, to whom he has paid the following sums, viz.

Robert F. Howe, <i>chief clerk</i> ,	\$ 1,600
Phineas Bradley,	1,300
William P. Gardner,	1,225
Horace H. Edwards,	1,125
David Shoemaker,	1,000
Toppan Webster,	1,000
James Hewitt,	1,000
Harvey Bestor,	860
Andrew Coyle,	860
Henry Aborn,	860
James M. Varnum,	750
Noah Fletcher, from January 1st to 14, 1810,	81 25
Richard Dinmore, from Feb. 20, to Decem. 31, 1810,	602 80
For extra clerk hire,	27 70

He further reports, that from the extension of post-roads, the business of this office is greatly increased, and that a further provision for clerk hire will be necessary for the present year.

All which is respectfully submitted,

GIDEON GRANGER,

Post-master General.

GENERAL POST-OFFICE,

January 25, 1811.