

## POSTAL INFORMATION.

A letter once posted becomes the property of the person to whom it is addressed, and must be forwarded according to its direction. On no application, however urgent, can it be delivered back to the writer, or to any other person.

Letters bearing mutilated stamps, or stamps so soiled and defaced as to make it impossible for the sorting clerks to decide whether they have been used before or not, will be sent to the Postmaster General for his adjudication.

Register all valuable letters.

Address all complaints and inquiries respecting late or incorrect delivery to the Postmaster. With a view to facilitate investigation always transmit the envelope of a letter which is the subject matter of inquiry.

Letters for the United States should bear the name of the State as well as that of the Post Office.

Letters addressed to mere initials, or fictitious names, will not be delivered unless addressed in care of a resident or to some box in the Post Office.

The public are cautioned against doing up book packets in envelopes notched at the ends or corners; nor must the postage stamp be attached to both wrapper and contents. The contents of a book packet must be so tied or fastened up as to permit of being withdrawn for inspection.

## FIRST CLASS MATTER

## LETTERS.

Letters addressed to places in Canada, Newfoundland and United States, 3 cents per oz., or fraction thereof.

Great Britain (by Canadian or New York Mail Steamers), 5 cents per  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. or fraction thereof.

Drop letters, where there is free delivery by carriers, 2 cents per oz. Where no delivery by carriers, 1 cent per oz.

Letters addressed to places in Canada must be at least partially prepaid, and those addressed to the United States must be prepaid at least a full rate (3 cents), *otherwise they will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.*

Letters addressed to places in Canada and partly prepaid, will be forwarded, subject on delivery to double the amount of unpaid postage.

*††* Letter postage is expected to be reduced to 2c. in a few months.—ED.

## RE-DIRECTED LETTERS.

Re-directed letters are not liable to any additional postage if handed back to the Post Office with a changed address at the moment of delivery, or as soon as possible thereafter, provided always the change in the address does not require the letter to be sent to any place to which the postage rate is higher than was at first payable. Re-directed letters should not be dropped into a Post Office Box or receiver unless additional postage has been put on to carry them to their second destination.

## REQUEST LETTERS.

Letters from places in Canada, Newfoundland and the United States, covered by envelopes having either printed or written thereon a REQUEST that

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