

Parcels intended to pass through the Mails should not exceed 5 pounds in weight, or 24 inches in length, or 12 inches in breadth, and should be marked "by parcel post." Parcels may be Registered by affixing a 5 cent Registered Letter Stamp thereto, in addition to the Postage.

MISCELLANEOUS POSTAL MATTER.

Books and pamphlets, printed circulars, prices current, handbills, book and newspaper manuscript, printers' proofs, maps and prints, engravings, sheet music, photographs, insurance policies, militia and school returns, seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, legal papers, for Canada, Newfoundland and the United States, may be posted prepaid by stamp at 1c. per 4 oz., provided they be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, and so put up as to admit of the contents being, if necessary, easily withdrawn for examination; if enclosed with written communications, or in sealed envelopes notched at the ends or sides, letter rate of postage will be charged.

The weight of packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions or grafts, is limited to 24 oz. Packages of other miscellaneous matter are limited to 5 pounds in weight, 24 inches in length and 12 inches in breadth or depth.

Post bands with an impressed one cent stamp for this purpose, may be obtained at any Stamp Agency, at the rate of 4 for 5 cents.

PATTERN AND SAMPLE POST.

CANADA.

Patterns and samples of merchandise, not exceeding 24 ounces in weight, when posted in Canada for places within Canada or Newfoundland, must be prepaid by postage stamp at the rate of one cent per 4 ounces weight, and put up in such manner as to admit of inspection. Goods sent in execution of an order, however small the quantity may be, or articles sent by one private individual to another, not being actually Trade Patterns or Samples, are not admissible as such.

UNITED STATES.

Patterns and samples of merchandise, posted for places in the United States, will continue to be subject to the special rate of 10 cents each, prepaid by postage stamp, and must not exceed 8 ounces in weight.

BEAR THIS IN MIND.

Register all valuable letters, and use sealing wax for letters containing money. Transmit money by money orders.

Make complaints and inquiries in writing.

Preserve and request correspondents to preserve envelopes of mis-sent or delayed letters.

MAY.—What becomes of the bones of all the cattle, hogs and sheep we devour? All bones contain the food of plants, roots and herbs. An English agricultural writer of celebrity assures us of the great value of a dressing of bone dust upon dairy farms. This gentleman assures us that since bone manures have been applied to the Cheshire pastures the produce of the soil in herbage and cheese has been greatly increased. The increase of stock has been from thirty to fifty per cent., and in one case, of a farm of 160 acres, the number of feeding stock has been enlarged from twenty cows and three colts to thirty-five cows, eight feeding heaves, sixteen yearlings and heifers, five horses, and three colts. It is, however, observed that the quality of the cheese deteriorates, except where more skillful management has been applied to the manufacture. The richer the herbage the greater care and skill are required.

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