

As in Pennsylvania there are three places called Hanover; one in York county where a post-office is kept, one in Dauphin, and the other in Luzerne county.

When a letter is destined to a place where no post-office is kept, the nearest post-office should be mentioned. If the place is not on a post-road, and it is wished that the post-master should forward the letter by private conveyance, that wish should be expressed on the letter, and the postage should be paid at the office where the letter is entered.

When letters are destined for Canada or Nova-Scotia, between which and the United States there is a regular communication by post, the postage must be paid in advance at the office where the letter is entered, so far as Burlington, Vermont, in one instance, and Brewers, Maine, in the other instance.

When letters are sent by post to be conveyed beyond sea, the postage must be paid as far as the post-office where the letters are intended to be shipped. The post-master there will forward such letters by the first conveyance.

The post-office does not insure money or any other thing sent by post; it is always conveyed at the risk of the person who sends or requires it to be sent.

No stage owner, or driver, or common carrier may carry letters on a post-road, excepting only such letters as may be for the owner of such conveyance and relating to the same, or to the person to whom any package or bundle in such conveyance is addressed.

When letters are delivered by a post-rider, he is entitled to two cents for each letter, in addition to the postage.

FREE LETTERS.

The following persons have a right to frank their own letters, and receive those directed to them free of postage: The President and Vice-President of the United States, Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary at War, Post-Master General, Comptroller, Register and Auditor of the Treasury of the United States, Commissioner of the Revenue, Purveyor, Accountant of the War-Office, and Assistant Post-Master General; the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, and the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, during their actual attendance on Congress, and twenty days after the close of the session, when their letters do not exceed two ounces in weight, and the Deputy Post-Masters, when their letters do not exceed half an ounce in weight. No person may frank other letters than his own. If letters are inclosed to either of the description of officers above named for a person who has not the privilege of franking, he must return the letter to the post-office, marking upon the letter the place from whence it came, that the post-master may charge postage thereon.

The distances in the Table are taken chiefly from the information of Members of Congress, and of Post-Masters living on the routes; and is presumed that they are pretty generally accurate.

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Note. The distances are calculated by the post route on which the mails are usually carried.