

PETITION FOR CHEAP POSTAGE.

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

The undersigned, citizens of *Orange County and State of New York*
respectfully petition Congress to pass a law, establishing

1. A uniform rate of *Two Cents* postage on letters weighing half an ounce, and two cents for every additional half ounce, *prepaid*, and double that rate if not prepaid. Drop letters one cent.
2. Newspapers, periodicals, and all printed matter, one cent per sheet; but newspapers of the smaller size half a cent, to be *prepaid*, except newspapers and periodicals sent from the office of publication.
3. To reduce the postage on letters and newspapers by mail packet and steamers, to a rate which will bring it within the means of every class of citizens to maintain frequent intercourse with their friends in other countries; without feeling the postage to be a burdensome tax.
4. To adopt measures that in all large towns and cities there shall be a free delivery of letters and newspapers, and also for the reception and conveyance of letters to the post-office for the mails free of any expense.
5. To abolish the franking privilege entirely, that postage may be paid on every thing sent by the mails. Postage of members of Congress to be paid as their other expenses, and postmasters to be remunerated for the loss of the franking privilege and the temporary diminution of their income, by an increase of their commissions.

NAMES.

PLACE OF RESIDENCE.

New Wm H. Hart

Walden, Orange Co. N. Y.

Harriet

Walden

Thos Millspargho

Walden

Richard Woodruff

do

Calhoun Parshall

Walden N. Y.

John Latourrette

do

James & Morehouse

St Andrews

Albert B. Moore

Walden

William List

do

John J. Currier

Walden N. Y.

James Kidd

do

Alexander J. Milliken

do

George W. Youngblood

do

John W. Ouellet

do

Jacob D. Millspargho

do

Henry Kidds Jr

Walden Orange Co

Alexander Kidd

do

John Main Esq

Walden

Aug^d P. Scofield

Walden

Aug C. Scofield

Walden

Geo W. Millspargho

Walden

Alex. Whigan

do

C. I. Briggs

do

James M. Riga

do

David Crisp

do

Conrad Moore

do

Bicknell Woodward

do

Barard Parshall

do

Palmer Kidd

do

James W. Millspargho

Walden

John Hamilton

Walden

Henry H. McElhenny

Walden

Isaac P. Mead

Walden

Charles W. Miller

Walden

Gylvanus Blineman

Walden

Thos Hepper

Walden

Morrison Homer

Walden

Geo Holbrow

Walden

John M. Quirk

Walden

David J. Bogert

Walden

Peter Galatrin

Walden

John Kidd

do

John Seaton

do

John Wilson

do

William H. Tate

do

George Wood

do

John Litch

do

Wm C. Newkirk

do

William L. Woodruff

St Andrews

Alexander Morgan

Walden

John Wm. Walden

do

John Broadbent

do

John H. Lake

do

Jesse McEwen

do

Barard A. Barkley

Walden. Orange. Co

John N. Luthill

New Windsor

Marcus R. Hill

Walden

Wm. H. Woodruff

do

Petition of ^{Wm} Wm H. Nash
 And other Citizens
 of Walden Range
 Co. N.Y. praying for
 a reduction of postage
 And the abolition of
 country postage

February 21. 1849 Referred to
 the Committee on the Post
 Office & Post Roads.

Presented by Mrs St John

St John

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

RELATION FOR CHEVY POSTAGE