

PETITION FOR CHEAP POSTAGE.

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

The undersigned, citizens of

Seabrook, N.H.

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 packets 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.

Seabrook, N.H.

Isaac W. Huntley
 Wm. H. Noyes
 Sarah Noyes
 Lura A. Huntley
 Lucy H. Adams
 Sarah E. Noyes
 Jacob P. Row
 Charles P. Adams
 George Janonin
 Daniel Stackpole
 William Rime
 Smith Bittomb
 John W. Walton
 Moses Eaton
 Robert Eaton
 James Eaton
 Thomas Joach
 Sarah A. Dow
 Almira Faltch
 Cuddah Ann Doe

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Petition

Albert J. Sanborn }

Jacob. Cow

Robert Collins

Charles L. Brown

Charles N. Eaton

David Chase

W. H. Chase

Sarah J. Sanborn

Nathaniel J. Weston

Jacob Doye

Jeremiah Smith

William Morgan

Jonathan S. Chase

Eben F. Smith

Robert T. Lee
Sweetest

February 28, 1846
to the Committee on the
Post Office and Post Roads

Section of the N.
Petition of the
Residents of the
District of
Subjects of, for

Mr. Tuck. Dear Sir. The petition within
was sent me to obtain signatures. All to
whom I have presented the petition are strongly
in favor of it. I could obtain the names
of ~~many~~ hundreds had I time & strength. But
as I am now confined to my house with
illness, I send the above hoping that something
will be done the present session.

Yours for I. W. Huntley