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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1871.

No. 49.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

*At a Privy Council held at Head
Quarter House on Thursday, the 30th
November, 1871,*

PRESENT :

His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR,
The Honorable { The Acting Colonial Secretary,
... Attorney-General,
... Director of Roads,
Mr. Straton, Auditor General.

WHEREAS by the 12th Section of Law 18 of 1868, the Governor is empowered, by and with the advice and consent of the Privy Council, from time to time to vary or alter the rates of Postage set forth in the Schedule to that Law annexed; provided

that the Rates in the said Schedule shall not be at any time exceeded; and also by and with the advice and consent aforesaid to direct that the Postage of all Letters and Newspapers posted in this island, addressed to any place within this island, shall be prepaid at the time of the same being posted, under penalty of the levying, on delivery, or on return to the sender of the postage, or deficient postage thereon, with an additional sum equal to the full ordinary rate of postage on such Letters or Newspapers.

The Governor is this day pleased, by and with the advice and consent of his Privy Council, to direct—

That on all Letters posted in this island, addressed to any place within this island, not being lawfully exempted from postage, the Rates specified in the following Schedule shall be payable and demandable, instead of the Rates specified in the Schedule to the aforesaid Law annexed.

SCHEDULE.

	Not exceeding half an Ounce in Weight.	Above half an Ounce, and not exceeding One Ounce in Weight.	For each additional Ounce, or fractional part of an Ounce.
For a Letter posted for Town, or Office Delivery	One Penny	Two Pence	Two Pence
For a Letter to be conveyed to any distance	Two Pence	Four Pence	Four Pence
For a Letter to or from a Seaman or Soldier, specially addressed	One Penny	Four Pence	Four Pence

For each Newspaper, one half penny.
For each Price Current, one half penny.

And the Governor is this day pleased, by and with the advice and consent of His Privy Council, to direct, that the Postage of all such Letters and Newspapers as aforesaid, shall be prepaid at the time of the same being posted, either in Coin or by Adhesive Postage Stamps placed thereon, equal to the amount chargeable on such Letters and Newspapers respectively; and that where such Letters or Newspapers shall not be duly prepaid, the Postage, or deficient Postage thereon, shall be paid by the person to whom the same shall be addressed, before the delivery thereof to him, with an addition of a sum equal to the full ordinary rate of Postage on such Letters or Newspapers; and, in case of the refusal of the person to whom any such Letter or Newspaper shall be addressed, to receive the same; or, if he cannot be found, that the Postage deficient, and additional Postage, and Costs, if any, shall be recovered from the Sender in like manner as the Postage under Law 18 of 1868.

This Order shall have effect on and after the first day of January, 1872.

J. MACKGLASHAN, *Clk. Privy Council.*

Col. Sec. Office, 1st December, 1871.

THE GOVERNOR directs the publication of the following Orders, passed by him under the 3rd Section of Law 16 of 1870, prescribing the Form of Register of all persons convicted of Crime in this Island, to be kept under that Section, and what evidence of identity, and what particulars shall be therein shown; and prescribing Regulations, subject to which the said Register shall be kept.

By command,

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

1 Jan 1872 Postal Changes [Govt Correspondence]

December 21, 1871.
POSTAL CHANGES.
COMMENCING ON THE 1st JANUARY, 1872.

THE POSTAGE ON INLAND LETTERS will be,
IF PRE-PAID, 2d. if not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. in weight.
4d. if over $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. and not exceeding 1oz. in weight, and
4d for each additional ounce, or fractional part of an ounce in weight.
IF NOT PRE-PAID, the charge will be double the above rate, less the amount of any Stamps on such Letter.

The Postage on NEWSPAPERS will be one half penny each, if pre-paid; one penny each if not pre-paid.
BOOKS AND PARCELS treated as hitherto.
Country Letters, &c. received in Kingston will be delivered by Post Office Letter Carrier, at House specified on the Address.
If pre-paid, in the morning.
If unpaid, or insufficiently pre-paid, in the afternoon.
Packet Letters will also be delivered from House to House, but not Packet Newspapers at any rate on the day of receipt.
An Annual Payment of £2 2s. any person can cause his Correspondence to be retained in Office for delivery on Application.
FRED. SULLIVAN *Postmaster for Jamaica.*

1 Jan 1872; New PO Rules re Delivery and Newspaper rate [Jamaica 1928 p18]

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
31st December, 1871.

POSTAL CHANGES.

On and after 1st January the postage on inland letters will be prepaid.
Newspapers $\frac{1}{4}$ d. each.

Country letters received in Kingston will be delivered by the Post Office Letter Carrier at houses specified on the address, if prepaid in the morning.

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FRED SULLIVAN,
Postmaster for Jamaica.

18 Jan 1872; Distributor-of-Stamps [Gazette 18/01/1872 pxxx]

Col. Sec. Office, 15th January, 1872.

THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. James Gall, of Kingston, to be a Distributor of Stamps.

By command,
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

25 Jan 1872; Revenue for misc types incl stamps [Gazette 25/01/1872 p48]

Jamaica.—Comparative Approximate Statement of Revenue for December Quarter, 1871.

		GENERAL REVENUES.					
		Receipts Dec. Quarter, 1871.		Receipts in same Quarter last Year.			
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Import Duties.....		55,502	10	8	49,385	7	7
(Repealed) ditto Additional.		..			...
(Ditto except) Light Dues							
Tonnage Dues, &c.....		687	2	10	563	2	3
Rum Duty.....		22,339	5	0	18,727	17	6
Spirit Licenses.....		705	0	0	390	0	0
Stamps.....		2,446	13	1	2,668	3	2
Trade Licenses..		309	10	0	254	10	0
Quit Rent and Land Tax....		1,206	12	9	1,163	13	11
Property Tax, No. 26 of '68..		696	9	6	612	17	9
(Repealed) Tax on Breeding							
Stock, &c. (Arrears).....		1	5	0	132	15	10
Poor Rate.....		6,973	4	11	5,191	12	0
Dogs, Law No. 10 of 1868...		39	5	6	33	16	0
Parochial Road Tax.....		4,453	5	4	5,105	5	0
Postage.....		3,180	12	4	2,913	18	5
Commission on Money Orders		125	14	4	89	4	3
District Court Fees.....		887	12	4	887	4	6
Petty Sessions' Fees.....		457	10	0	..		
Prison Sales.....		1,311	10	11	1,010	12	10
Miscellaneous Revenues.....		1,901	7	4	1,506	5	3
Total.....		104,224	11	11	90,636	6	11
		IMMIGRATION REVENUES.					
Export Duties.....		2,593	19	1	1,346	13	0
Capitation Tax, &c. on Im- } migrants..... }		1,747	19	3	1,077	2	0
Total.....		4,341	18	4	2,423	15	0
Grand Total....		108,566	10	1	93,060	1	11

Col. Sec. Office, 17th January, 1872.

01 Feb 1872; Tender for Mail Service-Kingston-NY [Gazette 01/02/1872 pxxx]

Col. Sec. Office, 29th January, 1872.

THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA is prepared to receive Tenders for the Service of a direct Steam Communication between Kingston and New York for a period of five years, commencing from 1st June, 1872.

There must be at least one Communication each way in every month. But alternative Tenders may be made for two such Communications in every month.

The Tenders are to be addressed to "THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, JAMAICA;" and are to be sealed, and marked on the outside left hand corner of the Envelope "TENDER FOR STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN KINGSTON AND NEW YORK."

No Tender will be received after the 30th day of April, 1872.

THE GOVERNMENT will require the free Conveyance of all Mails and Mail Matter between the respective Post Offices of Kingston and New York, and the Steamer will be required to Coal at Kingston, and to stop in Kingston Harbor on every occasion of touching at that Harbor, for at least twenty-four hours.

The Tenders must state the amount of Subsidy required, the Minimum Speed at which the Vessels will be run, the Maximum Number of Days and Hours required for the performance of the Voyage, the Tonnage of the Vessels proposed to be employed, the Amount of Freight Space that will be exclusively appropriated to the Jamaica Service, the Maximum Rates of Freight and Passage-Money proposed to be Charged, together with any advantages of Construction which the Vessels may possess for the particular Service required, such as adaptation for conveying Fruit, or other Light and Perishable Cargo.

THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA does not pledge itself to accept the lowest or any of the Tenders that may be submitted.

By command,
EDWD. E. RUSHWORTH,
Colonial Secretary.

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By command,
Edwd. E. Rushworth, Colonial Secretary.

08 Feb 1872; Schedule for Cunard Mail Service-Halifax-Bermuda [Gazette 08/02/1872 p81]

General Post Office, 5th February, 1872.

MAILS FOR BERMUDA AND HALIFAX VIA ST. THOMAS.

THE FOLLOWING TABLE OF DATES, during the current year, upon which the Cunard Mail Packets should leave St. Thomas for Bermuda and Halifax, is published for general information:—

February 8th	(1) May 30th	September 19th
March 7th	(2) June 27th	October 17th
April 4th	July 25th	November 14th
May 2d	August 22d	(3) Decem. 12th

1 To wait until 1st June, if necessary, for Packet from Southampton.

2 To wait until 29th June, if necessary, for Packet from Jamaica.

3 To wait until 14th December, if necessary, for Packet from Jamaica.

FRED. SULLIVAN Postmaster for Jamaica.

General Post Office, 5th February, 1872.

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14 Mar 1872; Postage-Stamp-Vendors [Gazette 14/03/1872 p116]

*Collector General's Office,
March 4, 1872.*

TWO AFFORD greater facilities for carrying out the New Postal Arrangements the following have been Appointed Vendors of Postal Stamps, and they are now prepared to Supply such Stamps to the Public.

KINGSTON.
Mr. J. Murray Auld, Port Royal Street.
Mr. R. Jordon, Harbour Street.
Messrs. M'Cartney & Wood, King Street.
Mr. H. Brandon, Harbour Street.
Messrs. DeCordova, M'Dougall, & Co. ditto.

ST. THOMAS.
Mr. F. O M'Kenzie, Bath.
Henry Ford, Plantain Garden River.

ST. ANN.
N. Sutherland, Moneague.

CLARENDON.
J. P. Wakeford Four Paths.
D. P. TRENCH, *Collector General.*

21 Mar 1872; ClarksTown.Siloah-POs [Gazette 21/03/1872 pxxx]

Col. Sec. Office, 15th March, 1872.

THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS have been made in the Post Office Department:

Mr. J. P. Laing to be Postmaster at Clark's Town, vice J. L. Morris.
Mr. William Carey to be Postmaster at Siloah, vice T. A. Jones.

By command,
Edw. Rushworth,
Colonial Secretary.

11 Apr 1872; Postage-Stamp-Vendors [Gazette 11/04/1872 pxxx]

Collector General's Office, April 5, 1872.

TWO AFFORD GREATER FACILITIES for carrying out the New Postal Arrangements, the following have been appointed Vendors of Postage Stamps; and they are now prepared to supply such Stamps to the Public:—

KINGSTON.
Mr. J. Murray Auld, Port Royal Street.
Mr. R. Jordon, Harbour Street.
Messrs. M'Cartney & Wood, King Street.
Mr. H. Brandon, Harbour Street & Orange Street.
Messrs. DeCordova, M'Dougall, & Co. Harbour Street.
Mr. J. Gall, Myrtle Bank.
Messrs. G. Henderson & Co. Harbour Street.

ST. THOMAS.
Mr. O. M'Kenzie, Bath.
Mr. H. Ford, Plantain Garden River.

ST. CATHERINE.
Messrs. H. Barrow & Co. Linstead.

CLARENDON.
Mr. J. P. Wakeford, Four Paths.

ST. ELIZABETH.
Mr. E. Polack, Black River.
D. P. TRENCH, *Coll. General.*

18 Apr 1872; LittleLondonPO [Gazette 18/04/1872 p161]

General Post Office, 13th April, 1872.
ON THE 22ND APRIL INSTANT, a new Post Office will be opened at Little London, in the Parish of Westmoreland.
 Mr. David Lawten has been appointed Postmaster for the District.
 FRED. SULLIVAN, *Postmaster for Jamaica.*

02 May 1872; MailsToCanada [Gazette 02/05/1872 p178]

<p><i>General Post Office, April 24, 1872.</i> CORRESPONDENCE WITH CANADA. UNDER instructions from the Surveyor of Post Offices, St. Thomas, Correspondence for Canada can in future be forwarded by way of the United States, either in direct Steamer to New York, or via St. Thomas and New York. The Postage, both Sea and Jamaica Inland, must be fully pre-paid on Correspondence to Canada, sent by way of the United States. FRED. SULLIVAN, <i>Postmaster for Jamaica.</i></p>	<p>General Post Office, April 24, 1872. CORRESPONDENCE WITH CANADA. UNDER instructions from the Surveyor of Post Offices, St. Thomas, Correspondence for Canada can in future be forwarded by way of the United States, either in direct Steamer to New York, or via St. Thomas and New York. The Postage, both Sea and Jamaica Inland, must be fully pre-paid on Correspondence to Canada, sent by way of the United States. Fred. Sullivan, Postmaster for Jamaica.</p>
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02 May 1872; PillarBoxes [Gazette 02/05/1872 p178]

<p><i>General Post Office, April 30, 1872.</i> NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. PILLAR LETTER BOXES. ON AND AFTER the 1st May instant the hours for Clearing the Pillar Letter Boxes in Kingston will be as under :—</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>A. M.</th> <th>P. M.</th> <th>P. M.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>North Street</td> <td>9.15</td> <td>12.40</td> <td>2.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parish Church</td> <td>9.20</td> <td>12.45</td> <td>2.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Harbour Street</td> <td>9.30</td> <td>12.55</td> <td>2.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Market</td> <td>9.35</td> <td>1 0</td> <td>2.25</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>A Pillar Letter Box has been established at the New Market for the use of the Public. FRED. SULLIVAN, <i>Postmaster for Jamaica.</i></p>		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	North Street	9.15	12.40	2.5	Parish Church	9.20	12.45	2.10	Harbour Street	9.30	12.55	2.20	New Market	9.35	1 0	2.25	<p>General Post Office, April 30, 1872. NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. PILLAR LETTER BOXES. ON AND AFTER the 1st May instant the hours for Clearing the Pillar Letter Boxes in Kingston will be as under :—</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>A.M.</th> <th>P.M.</th> <th>P.M.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>North Street</td> <td>9.15</td> <td>12.40</td> <td>2.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parish Church</td> <td>9.20</td> <td>12.45</td> <td>2.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Harbour Street</td> <td>9.30</td> <td>12.55</td> <td>2.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Market</td> <td>9.35</td> <td>1 0</td> <td>2.25</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>A Pillar Letter Box has been established at the New Market for the use of the Public. Fred. Sullivan, Postmaster for Jamaica.</p>		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	North Street	9.15	12.40	2.5	Parish Church	9.20	12.45	2.10	Harbour Street	9.30	12.55	2.20	New Market	9.35	1 0	2.25
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02 May 1872; Mails By Railway [Gazette 02/05/1872 p178a]

General Post Office, 24th April, 1872.
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

IN accordance with the advertised Railway Time Table for May, the following alterations in the Hours of Conveyance of the DAILY MAILS (by Railway) will be effected, as of 1st May, 1872, now next, and are published for general information:

DAILY MAILS—BY RAILWAY.
INWARDS AT KINGSTON OUTWARDS.

Due from Old Harbour and Spanish Town... 9.30 a. m.	Closed for Spanish Town 9.40 a. m.
" Spanish Town 3.30 p. m.	" Spanish Town 1.10 p. m. Old Harbour 3.30 p. m.

AT SPANISH TOWN.

Due from Old Harbour 8.45 a. m.	Closed for Kingston 8.10 a. m.
" Kingston 11.0 a. m.	" Kingston 2.10 p. m.
" Kingston 2.30 p. m.	" Old Harbour 4.25 p. m.

AT OLD HARBOUR.

Due from Kingston & Spanish Town 6.0 p. m.	Closed for Spanish Town and Kingston 7.0 a. m.
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FRED, SULLIVAN, Postmaster for Jamaica.

General Post Office, 24th April, 1872.
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

IN accordance with the advertised Railway Time Table for May, the following alterations in the Hours of Conveyance of the Daily Mails (by Railway) will be effected, as of 1st May, 1872, now next, and are published for general information:

DAILY MAILS—BY RAILWAY.
INWARDS AT KINGSTON OUTWARDS.

Due from Old Harbour and Spanish Town 9.30 a.m.	Closed for Spanish Town 9.40 a.m.
Due from Spanish Town 3.30 p.m.	Closed for Spanish Town 1.10 p.m.
	Old Harbour 3.30 p.m.

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Fred, Sullivan, Postmaster for Jamaica.

General Post Office, 24th April, 1872.
ISLAND MAIL NOTICE.

IN accordance with the advertised alteration in the Railway Time Table, the Return Mails from certain Post Offices in the NORTH-WESTERN and SOUTH-WESTERN DISTRICTS will, on and after the 1st OF MAY, 1872, be Despatched somewhat later than at present. Information, as to the time of Despatch, can be obtained at the respective Post Offices.

In Kingston—The Outward Country Mails will be closed as under:—

Registered Letters	1 45 p. m.
Newspapers	2 0 "
Ordinary Letters	2 30 "
Late Letters (3d. extra)	3 0 "

And the Inward Mails from the Country Districts will arrive by Train, One Hour Later than at present.

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Fred. Sullivan, Postmaster for Jamaica.

09 May 1872; MailsByRailway [Gazette 09/05/1872 p125]

General Post Office, 1st May, 1872.
AMENDED NOTICE.

DAILY MAILS.

WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADVERTISEMENT of the 24th April from this Office, as to "DAILY MAILS," NOTICE IS NOW GIVEN, That in consequence of a further alteration in the Railway Time Table, the Second Daily Mail for Spanish Town will, on and after this date, be closed at the General Post Office at 1. 5 p. m. instead of at 1. 10 p. m.

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Fred Sullivan. Postmaster for Jamaica.

11 Jul 1872; Trinidad-Grenada-Quarantine [Gazette 11/07/1872 pxxx]

COPY.—CIRCULAR.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR S. FREELING TO
SIR J. P. GRANT, K. C. B. GOVERNOR OF
JAMAICA.

*Government House, Grenada,
4th June, 1872.*

SIR,

I have the honor to inform your Excellency, that owing to the Communication of the Mail Steamers with Trinidad, and the Quarantine of twenty-three days imposed upon all arrivals from that Island, these Steamers, on their return voyage to Trinidad, are in Quarantine.

It has however been found necessary to provide some kind of Lazaretto for the few passengers who may arrive from England, and for this purpose the only available building has been appropriated, which is not capable of holding more than one family, and is extremely uncomfortable.

It has therefore been decided that any person arriving from Trinidad, either by direct or return Steamer, or by any sailing vessel, shall not be allowed to land even at the Lazaretto, and the same rule will apply to persons coming from any of the Islands that are in communication with Trinidad, or who may come from such Islands in any Steamer or Vessel that has had communication with Trinidad within a period of twenty-three days.

I should be obliged if your Excellency would give as much publicity to the substance of this as may be in your power.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

S. FREELING, Lt. Governor.

Sir J. P. GRANT, K. C. B.
Governor, Jamaica.

17 Oct 1872; PO-Summary-Incl Curr Rates [Gazette-Supp 17/10/1872 p207]

POST OFFICE,

The system of tri-weekly post, established in 1868 in lieu of the system of bi-weekly post which had been in existence for twenty-one years, has worked most satisfactorily, as it has afforded a great convenience to the public, at no expense to the Chest.

I mentioned, on a previous occasion, that this step in advance was not popular at the time. In a late Report from the Postmaster, describing the success of the tri-weekly system, Mr. Sullivan informs me that the same aversion to all change was displayed when the old established system of one post in the week was superseded by the bi-weekly system, which has now in turn given place to a tri-weekly system.

The rates of inland postage in the case of pre-paid letters have now been reduced from threepence to twopence per half ounce. There is a penny rate for local delivery. Letters and all other matter carried by post are charged double rates, unless pre-paid.

The Revenue and Expenditure of the Post Office for the last four years were as shewn below :

	Revenue.	Expenditure.
1867-68 ...	£11,362	£11,185
1868-69 ...	12,765	11,970
1869-70 ...	12,969	12,506
1870-71 ...	13,628	12,842

The increase of Correspondence shewn by these figures is satisfactory.

The number of miles travelled this year in the conveyance of the mails throughout the Island amount to 275,712; the matter conveyed being—

	Island.	United Kingdom and Foreign Countries.
Letters	704,300	169,600
Newspapers	256,800	173,000
Book Packets	37,900	20,400

And the number of registered letters received and despatched from the General Post Office were—Island 18,166; United Kingdom and Foreign 2150.

Mail communication between Jamaica, the United

Kingdom, and Foreign countries is carried on by four Steamship Companies, viz :

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, (English) whose vessels run twice a month between Southampton and Jamaica, and twice a month between Colon and Jamaica. By means of the Inter-Colonial Steamers of this line regular communication is also kept up with the whole of the West Indies.

The West India and Pacific Mail Steamship Company (English) run once a month from Liverpool to Jamaica; once a month from Colon to Jamaica; once a month from Jamaica to Tampico and Vera Cruz, in Mexico; and twice a month from Jamaica to Liverpool.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company (United States) run from New York to Kingston and thence to Colon and back by the same route once every month.

The Compagnie Générale Transatlantique (French) run their ships from Europe via Cuba and Jamaica, and return for the same places once a month; and between Colon and Jamaica once a month.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The health of the Island was good during the whole year.

In consequence of cases of Small-pox on Board, or of foul Bills of Health, it was necessary to place several vessels in quarantine. There were three cases of Small-pox in the Lazaretto in May, 1871, in all of which the patients recovered. One fatal case occurred in Kingston, in the month of September, 1871, in the person of a Cuban Gentleman, who had arrived two weeks before from Santiago de Cuba, where the disease had but just broken out.

Within the current year several cases of small pox have occurred in different parts of the Island; but this disease has no where assumed the character of an epidemic, and most of the cases have recovered. During the year no exertion was spared to press upon the Government Medical Department the im-

portance of carrying vaccination to the greatest possible extent. Much was accomplished in this way; but the island is still far from being protected by universal vaccination.

For about three months and a half a rigid quarantine was imposed against Cholera, which was raging in Cuba. But there was no manifestation of this disease amongst the many passengers from that island, and no case has occurred amongst the inhabitants of this island.

Telegraphic communication has been established by means of the Cuba Submarine Telegraph Company, connecting Jamaica with Santiago de Cuba and Havana, and thence with America and Europe; and by means of the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, connecting Jamaica with the other West Indian Islands and Demerara. The cable from Jamaica to Colon has still to be completed, which will connect Jamaica with Central America and the West Coast of South America.

The Traffic Returns of the short line of Railway (about 25½ miles) is returned as follow:

Passengers	..	...	120,517
Horses	...	...	616
Carriages	...	...	170
Cattle	...	...	.. 597
Sheep	...	...	502
Bundles of 28lbs. Guinea Grass			293,267
Bundles of 30lbs. Wood			270,618
Tons Merchandize			12,886

In February, 1871, a memorial was presented from a large number of merchants and other influential Gentlemen in Kingston, pointing out the advantages to be derived from direct communication with the United States, and praying that, as the finances of the Colony were now in a highly satisfactory state, the subsidy to a Steamer to run regularly between Kingston and New-York, which had been discontinued in 1866 on account of the then alarming financial position, should be revived. The Steamer which was subsidized in 1866, and for some time before, only ran between Kingston and New-York. It was of no great benefit to trade, for the quantity of freight, and the number of passengers it conveyed were small, and it afforded no indirect advantages to the Colony. Experience, therefore, did not promise much from a special line of Steamers plying only between Kingston and New York. But it was believed that if one of the American line of large passenger Steamers, plying between New-York and Colon, could be induced for a reasonable subsidy to touch regularly at Kingston on the voyage both ways, such a plan would be worthy of a trial.

For besides the direct advantages of such a line as a means of communication between the two places, it was thought that the arrival in Kingston harbor of a large number of American passengers to and fro monthly, who would all surely land for the day, would tend to make this island better known in the United States. It is not doubtful that a number of enterprising Americans settling here would do more to waken up the Colonists, and to incite them to avail themselves of their natural advantages than any other form of stimulant. And it is certain that the wonderful climate of the Jamaica mountains, of medium elevation, only requires to be known in North America to make this island the winter resort of thousands of invalids from that part of the world.

Accordingly a temporary arrangement was made for paying a subsidy at the rate of £5,000 per annum to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company; and the large Steamers of that Company now touch at Kingston regularly twice a month, doing the voyage between Kingston and New York in six days; and carrying, amongst other things, a large quantity of fruit from the island. The result of this experiment has been satisfactory.

There has not been the slightest interruption to the perfect quiet and good order, which may now be pronounced to be the characteristic of Jamaica.

In the month of July many persons in the Parish of St. Thomas fancied that a disturbance was likely to occur at the trial of some ejection cases, wherein private parties were the Plaintiffs, which were about to come on in the District Court at Bath, a village about ten miles from Morant Bay. From the result of my enquiries I felt pretty sure that no breach of the public peace was contemplated. But as a matter of precaution, the Constabulary of the District were strongly reinforced. On this occasion two parties of Constabulary, under arms, started from Kingston and the Depot in Spanish Town, at two or three hours' notice, and did their forced march in excellent style and spirit.

On the day of trial, though the whole of the cases went against the settlers, there was not the slightest attempt at disturbance or appearance of a disturbance having been thought of. Everything passed off well. But the shew of strength can have done no harm.

This trifling affair was magnified and distorted in a sensational telegram published in New-York, which was copied in the London newspapers, and excited some unfounded alarm.

J. P. GRANT.

8th April, 1872.

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General Post Office, Oct. 29, 1872.
HALF PENNY POSTAGE LABEL.

POSTAGE LABELS, of the value of One Half Penny each, having been provided, the Special Rule, under which one Half of a Penny Stamp has been permitted to be used in payment of the Half Penny Rate of Postage, is no longer necessary.

The Public are therefore hereby notified, That, on and after the 1st day of December next, the half part of a Penny Postage Label will cease to be recognized in the payment of Postage, and any Paper, &c. posted with the part only of the Penny Stamp affixed thereon, will be treated as Unpaid.

The Half Penny Postage Label has been issued for use as of this date, the 29th day of October, 1872, and can be obtained at the several Post Offices on application.

FRED. SULLIVAN, *Postmaster for Jamaica.*

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(Signed) FRED. SULLIVAN,
Postmaster for Jamaica.

14 Nov 1872; Postmasters-Supplied-With-Revenue-Stamps [Gazette 14/11/1872 p398]

Stamp Office, 11th November, 1872.

THE FOLLOWING POSTMASTERS and Post-Mistresses are supplied with Revenue Stamps for sale:—

- E. Maris, Siloah.
- F. H. Dillon, Montego Bay.
- S. Wood, Falmouth.
- T. Gray, Newmarket.
- J. Thompson, Chapelton.
- M. Munro, Green Island.
- W. Gentles, Duncan's.
- A. Isaacs, Lilliput.
- S. Binns, St. Ann's Bay.
- N. Jackson, Clarendon.
- J. C. Wright, Goshen.
- G. T. Browne, Port Maria.
- B. Rigg, Salt Gut.
- C. D. Lopes, Newport.
- A. Robertson, Mandevilla.
- E. J. Gough, Morant Bay.
- H. Lawrence, Mulvany.
- D. Dias, Hope Bay.

PHILIP E. CHAPMAN, *Stamp
Commissioner.*

28 Nov 1872; Postmasters-Supplied-With-Revenue-Stamps [Gazette 28/11/1872 p410]

*Stamp Office, November 26, 1872.
No. 2.*

THE FOLLOWING POST MASTERS AND
POST MISTRESSES are supplied with Re-
venue Stamps for Sale:—

S. T. Wolcott, Richmond.
H. Swaby, May Hill.
Elizabeth R. Scott, Black River.
W. D. Moodie, Vere.
Rachael A. Patton, Mile Gully.
Ann Morris, Alexandria.
Anna S. Carter, Bath.
D. Lawton, Little London.
C. S. Cover, Stewart Town.
G. Matthews, Port Antonio.
J. Strathie, Port Morant.
Elizabeth R. Forrester, Bluefields.
Harriett F. Hall, Gordon Town.
H. Guscott, Buff Bay.
J. R. Naylor, Manchioneal.
J. P. Laing, Clark's Town.
J. G. Mesquita, Ocho Rios.
A. J. Aird, Gayle.
R. Ryan, Pear Tree Grove.
W. F. Christian, Annotto Bay.

*PHILIP E. CHAPMAN,
Stamp Commissioner.*

12 Dec 1872; Watsons Hill PO-Opened [Gazette 12/12/1872 pxxx]

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

General Post Office, Dec. 7, 1872.

ON THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF DECEM-
BER INSTANT, a new POST OFFICE will
be opened at "WATSON'S HILL," in the Alligator
Pond District of Manchester.

Mrs. Alice Elizabeth Nash has been appointed Post-
mistress for the District.

*H. W. LIVINGSTON, Chief Clerk,
for Postmaster for Jamaica.*