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NOTES.

Prof. H. W. S. Cleveland of Minneapolis has an autograph letter of Benjamin Franklin informing the postmaster at Boston that he should not exempt the governor from paying postage. This was when the old Quaker was the Colonial Wan namaker,

The postoffice department has sent out a new key to postmasters, preparatory to changing all mail pouch locks.

It may not be generally known that the Pacific coast mail was not carried overland until October 10, 1858.

It was announced recently that the Bratish government was about to adopt penny postage to Canada and India.

Eastern farmers are said to be making an organized effort to secure free mail delivery in country districts.

The report of the sixth Auditor of the Treasury for the P. O. Dept shows that the postal revenues for the year ending June 30, 1891 were \$65,931,785 as against \$60,882.097 in 1890.

There is talk of a new set of stamps to commemorate the Worlds Fair of 1893 - The design suggested is similar to the design of the 1869 issue, we hope they may materialize.

We notice that S. Allan Taylor, of counterfeit fame, is again doing business at the old stand, 24 Congress St., Boston.

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Origin of the Postoffice.

The postoffice is an example of the mode in which things change while names remain. It was originally the office which arranged the posts or places at which, on the (Continued on 3d page)

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ORIGIN OF THE POST OF-FICE

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great roads, relays of horses and men could be obtained for the rapid forwarding of government dispatches. There was a chief postmaster of England many years before any system of conveyance of private letters by the crown was established. Such letters were carried either by carriers, who used the same horses throughout their whole journey, or by relays of horses maintained by private individuals, that is, by private post.

The scheme of carrying the correspondence of the public by means of crown messengers originated in connection with foreign trade. A postoffice for letters to foreign parts was established "for the benefit of the English merchants" in the reign of James I, but the extension of the system to inland letters was left to the succeeding reign.

Charles I. by a proclamation issued in 1645, may be said to have founded the present 'postoffice. By this proclamation he commanded the "postmaster of England for foreign parts to settle a running post or 'two to run night and day between Edinburg and London, to go thither and come back again in six days, and to take with them all such letters as

shall be directed to any post town in or near that road."

Neighboring towns, such as Lincolu and Hull, were to be linked on to this main route, and posts on similar principles were directed to be established on other great high roads, such as to Chester and Hollyhead to Exeter and Plymouth.

So far no monopoly was claimed, but two years afterward a second proclamation was issued which forbade the carriage of letters by any messengers except by the king's postmaster general, and thus the present system was inaugurated.

The monopoly thus claimed, no doubt devised by the king to enhance the royal power and to bring money into the exchequer, was adopted by Cromwell and his parliament, one main advantage in their eyes being that the carriage of [correspondence by the government would afford the "best means to discover and prevent wicked designs against the commonwealth."

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