

General Post Office  
London. 15<sup>th</sup> May 1856.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of  
your letter of the 26<sup>th</sup> April, enclosing  
copies of some of the Publications of  
your Postal Reform Committee. I have  
not yet had time to read the Pamphlets,  
but I shall do so when I find a  
leisure moment, as I take a great  
interest in the success of your  
movement.

I am glad to find by the articles  
in the American newspapers that you  
have been able to speak well of our  
Second Annual Report. In compliance  
with your request I beg to enclose another  
copy. I also send you 2 copies of  
a Postal Guide which we have this  
day published, & a new edition of  
which will be issued quarterly.

In the reference to the questions  
in the latter part of your letter, I beg  
to refer you to the three Acts enclosed,  
viz.

viz. 1 & 2<sup>d</sup> viz. cap. 98  
7 & 8 viz. cap. 85  
10 & 11 viz. cap. 85.

which relate to the conveyance of Mails  
by Railways.

The Postoffice in no case pays the  
Guard who takes charge of both Mails and  
Passenger luggage on Railways, - and whenever  
both these duties are performed by the  
same man he is in the employ of the  
Railway Company. When a guard  
takes charge of the Mails only on  
a Railway he is a servant of the

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Post Office, and paid by the Department.

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Yours faithfully

Rowland Hill

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