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Mails for China, Japan, and Hawaii, per steamship Doric (from San Francisco), close here daily up to Dec. 22 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for China and Japan, per steamship Victoria (from Tacoma), close here daily up to Jan. 2 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for Hawaii, per steamship Australia (from San Francisco), close here daily up to Dec. 22 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for the Society Islands, per ship Tropic Bird (from San Francisco), close here daily up to Dec. 25 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for China and Japan (specially addressed only), per steamship Empress of India (from Vancouver), close here daily up to Dec. †27 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for Australia (except those for West Australia), which are forwarded via Europe, New Zealand, Hawaii, Fiji, and Samoan Islands, per steamship Moana (from San Francisco), close here daily up to Dec. †31 at 7 A. M., 11 A. M., and 6:30 P. M. (or on arrival at New York of steamship Campania, with British mails for Australia). Mails for Australia (except West Australia), New Zealand, Hawaii, and Fiji islands, per steamship Miowera (from Vancouver), close here daily after Dec. †31 and up to Jan. 3 at 6:30 P. M.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT, Postmaster.

Post Office, New York, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1897.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, BUREAU OF CANAL AFFAIRS, ALBANY, December 14, 1897.—Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 79 of Laws of 1895, proposals will be received at this office until Wednesday, the 5th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, for a loan of THREE MILLION TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, for which transferable certificates of stock, registered, principal and interest payable in gold, will be issued in the name of the people of the State of New York, on the credit of the Sinking Fund established by said act, bearing interest at the rate of three per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of January and July, and the principal reimbursable on the first day of January, 1913. These bonds are exempt from taxation pursuant to Chapter 80, Laws of 1897. Proposals may be for the whole or any part of the loan not less than $1,000, and such proposals must be accompanied by a certified check for one per cent. of the amount of the bonds bid for. Payments for the loan will be required to be made on the acceptance of the proposal by deposit in the Bank of the Manhattan Co. in the city of New York to the credit of "Treasurer of the State of New York, on account of Canal Fund," of the amount of the award, together with premium and accrued interest from January 1, 1898. The Comptroller reserves the right to reject all bids which are not in his opinion advantageous to the interests of the State. Interest on the loan from the first day of January, 1898, will be payable at the Bank of the Manhattan Co., in the City of New York. All proposals must be sealed and indorsed "Loan for Canal Improvements," and directed to the Comptroller of the State of New York, Albany, N. Y.

JAMES A. ROBERTS, Comptroller.