

the Postoffice, either through the carrier or direct. Better give notice the day before rather than the day after.

Don't address your invitation "Miss Brown, South Sixth St." or "Miss Smith, Maple Ave." They may be well known in your set, but "there are others!" and invitations bearing a one-cent stamp are not looked up in the city directory.

If you wish your letter to catch the 10 o'clock train, don't wait until half-past nine to deposit it in the office. It takes time to cancel stamps, sort letters and tie them out for their destination. Better be an hour ahead than a minute late.

Some inventive genius, without consulting the Postoffice clerks, devised a new way of addressing letters, thus :

NEW ORLEANS, LA.
MISS KATHRYN KILLGORE,
202 East Street.

The old way facilitates the work of assorting mail, as Postoffice people have been accustomed to look for the destination at lower portion of the envelope, thus :

MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT,
WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, D. C.

Stamps are not redeemable, nor can they be exchanged for those of other denominations. A spoiled stamped envelope may be exchanged for a stamp of the same denomination, provided such envelope has not been used.

Stamps cut from stamped envelopes or newspaper wrappers are not redeemable or good for postage ; neither are revenue stamps.

Co-operation on the part of business men will materially aid in the dispatch of mail matter. A great many merchants send a wagon load of mail to the Postoffice in the evening, thus congesting the service, when, if mailed in smaller quantities during the day, it might be more speedily dispatched.

The business man who will dispatch his mail from his office at different times during the day will find that it will be delivered in many cases twenty to twenty-four hours ahead of his less enterprising rivals, who wait until late in the evening and then bring all their mail at once.

It is wonderful how many people violate the law by writing in newspapers. Such matter is constantly examined and always detained. The addressee usually has to send five times the amount of letter postage in order to receive such "letters" (?)

Blue envelopes and white ink may be very swell, but mailed at night they can scarcely be deciphered by the clerks. Plain black ink and white envelopes are always the best (for Post-office clerks.)

An ordinary ten-cent postage stamp, or its equivalent in postage stamps of other denominations, affixed to a letter, will not entitle it to special delivery.

The placing of eight cents in stamps, in addition to the regular postage, on a package does not register it. All matter must be presented at the Registry office, so that it may be entered and a receipt given therefor.

Persons mailing packages or parcels should not depend upon the scales in the corner grocery or nearest drug store to determine the proper amount of postage required, as only the scales in the Postoffice are relied upon to ascertain the correct weight.

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