

THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANACK FOR 1866.

LONDON POSTAL REGULATIONS.

The following Plan illustrates the general arrangement and times for posting adopted throughout the Metropolitan District, and may be used as a guide to any other district.

TIMES FOR POSTING IN THE WESTERN CENTRAL POSTAL DISTRICT.

This District lies within the Euston and Pentonville roads to Claremont-square, and includes Cold Bath Fields, Grays-inn-road, Chancery-lane, and Essex-street; the river-side to Northumberland-street, Strand; and Trafalgar-square, Whitcomb-street, and Crown-street to Tottenham-court-road.

FOR LONDON DISTRICT DELIVERIES, PROVINCIAL, COLONIAL, AND FOREIGN MORNING MAILS, AND ADDITIONAL DAY MAILS.

Pillar Boxes.	Receiving Houses.	Charing Cross Branch Office.	At Western Central District Office, 122, High Holborn.		Approximate time of Delivery according to distance from District Office.			Provincial, Colonial, and Foreign Mails.
			For dispatch to other Districts and G.P.	For delivery in Western Central District.	Within the Western Central District.	Within Town limits generally.	In the Suburbs.	
5 0 a.m.	9 0 p.m.	5 0 a.m.	4 0 a.m.	—	—	—	—	For Irish, French, and Continental Day Mails.
5 0 a.m.	9 0 p.m.	5 0 a.m. for London District 7 15 a.m. for G.P.	5 0 a.m. for London District 7 15 a.m. for G.P.	7 0 a.m.	8 to 9	8 to 9	9 to 11	For Morning Mails by Great Northern, Great Western, Midland, and North Western lines, by Brighton and South Coast, Great Eastern (via Ipswich), North Kent, South Eastern, and South Western lines, and for Colonial and Foreign Mails, via Southampton.
—	—	7 15 a.m.	7 15 a.m.	9 0 a.m.	10 to 10	10 to 10	—	For Morning Mails by Great Eastern Railway (via Cambridge line), and for Delivery the same Evening at Birmingham, Lichfield, Skipton, and Wolverhampton, and to Callers only at Leicester and Nottingham.
8 30 a.m.	8 30 a.m.	8 30 a.m.	9 15 a.m.	9 45 a.m.	10 to 11	10 to 11	11 to 12	For Delivery the same Evening at Dover, Folkestone, Hastings, Tunbridge, and Tunbridge Wells.
10 0 a.m.	10 0 a.m.	10 0 a.m.	10 30 a.m.	11 0 a.m.	11 30 to 12 30	12 to 1	—	For Delivery the same Evening at Abingdon, Bath, Berkeley, Bristol, Coventry, Dursley, Henley-on-Thames, Leamington, Maidenhead, Northampton, Oxford, Reading, Rugby, Southampton, Tamworth, and Uxbridge.
11 0 a.m.	11 0 a.m.	11 0 a.m.	11 30 a.m.	12 0 noon	12 30 to 1 30	1 to 2	1 30 to 4	For Delivery the same Evening at Aylesbury, Banbury, Bedford, Berkhemstead, Hemel Hempstead, Leighton Buzzard, St. Albans, Stoney Stratford, Thame, and Watford.
12 0 noon	12 0 noon	12 0 noon	12 30 p.m.	1 0 p.m.	1 30 to 2 30	2 to 3	—	For Delivery the same Evening at Ashford, Chatham, Dartford, Epsom, Farnborough Station, Gravesend, Guildford, Maidstone, Portsmouth, Rochester, Windsor, and Worthing, and to Callers only at Escher.
1 0 p.m.	1 0 p.m.	1 0 p.m.	1 30 p.m.	2 0 p.m.	2 30 to 3 30	3 to 4	—	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
2 0 p.m.	2 0 p.m.	2 0 p.m.	2 30 p.m.	3 0 p.m.	3 30 to 4 40	4 to 5	4 30 to 6	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
3 0 p.m.	3 0 p.m.	3 0 p.m.	3 30 p.m.	4 0 p.m.	4 30 to 5 30	5 to 6	—	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
4 0 p.m.	4 0 p.m.	4 0 p.m.	4 30 p.m.	5 0 p.m.	5 30 to 6 30	6 to 7	6 30 to 9	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
5 0 p.m.	5 0 p.m.	5 0 p.m.	5 30 p.m.	6 0 p.m.	7 to 8	7 to 8	7 30 to 8 30	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
6 0 p.m.	6 0 p.m.	6 0 p.m.	6 30 p.m.	—	—	8 to 9	8 30 to 9 30 within 6 miles next morning beyond 6 miles	For Delivery the same Evening at Brighton.
—	—	6 45 p.m.	—	7 30 p.m.	8 to 9	—	—	For Mid-day arrival at Birkenhead, Birmingham, Bolton, Bradford (Yorkshire), Chester, Coventry, Holyhead, Huddersfield, Leamington, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Preston, Rochdale, Rugby, Salisbury, Southampton, Wolverhampton, and Worcester.
9 0 p.m.	9 0 p.m.	9 0 p.m.	10 0 p.m.	—	8 to 9 next morning	8 to 9 next morning	9 to 11 next morning	For Mid-day arrival at Birkenhead, Birmingham, Bolton, Bradford (Yorkshire), Chester, Coventry, Holyhead, Huddersfield, Leamington, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Preston, Rochdale, Rugby, Salisbury, Southampton, Wolverhampton, and Worcester.

The Town Delivery, marked thus †, includes the Letters arriving by the Irish and French Night Mails, and those collected in the nearer Suburbs at 6.30 a.m.
The Suburban Deliveries, marked thus *, are made at places within the Four Mile Circle only; and that marked † at places within the Six-Mile Circle only.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL, COLONIAL, AND FOREIGN EVENING MAILS.

	Ordinary Letters.				Registered Letters.		
	Without Fee.	If bearing an extra 1d. Stamp.	If bearing 2d. extra in Stamps.	If bearing 2d. extra in Stamps, and for a Town served by the Great Western, North Western and Midland Lines.	If bearing 2d. extra in Stamps, and for a Town served by the South Western Line.	On payment of the ordinary Fee.	On payment of an additional Fee of 4d.
Pillar Boxes	5 0 p.m.	6 0 p.m.	—	—	—	—	—
Receiving Houses	5 30 p.m.	6 0 p.m.	—	—	—	5 0 p.m.	—
Charing Cross Branch Office	6 0 p.m.	6 45 p.m.	7 15 p.m.	—	7 45 p.m.	5 30 p.m.	6 0 p.m.
Chief District Office, 122, High Holborn	6 0 p.m.	6 45 p.m.	7 15 p.m.	7 45 p.m.	—	5 30 p.m.	6 0 p.m.

* Letters intended for this Dispatch must be taken to the Counter, if dropped in the Letter Box they will not be forwarded by the outgoing Mail.
With a few exceptions, Newspapers, Book Packets, &c., must be posted half an hour earlier than Letters, both at the Receiving Houses and at the Chief District Office. Letters only may be posted in the Pillar Boxes.
The 5 a.m. and 9 p.m. Collections are not made from the Letter Box at Somerset House.