## Act of 6 October 1862

Statute I, Chapter XXVIII – An Act to authorize the Postmaster General to employ special agents to superintend and secure the certain and speedy transportation of the mails across the Mississippi River, in the Confederate States.

**Source**: The Statutes at Large of the Confederate States of America, Passed at the Second Session of the First Congress, 1862 (Richmond, VA: 1862), 68.

This Act authorized the Postmaster General to employ special agents to secure the transportation of mails across the Mississippi River due to interdiction of the river by Union forces. Mail carried by the special agents under this Act cannot be distinguished from other Trans-Mississippi mail carried before October 1863. See Act of 1 May 1863.

Postmaster General may employ special agents to superintend and secure the certain and speedy transportation of the mails across the Mississippi River, in the Confederate States.

Postmaster General may employ special agents to superintend the Postmaster General be and he is hereby authorized to employ such transportation of special agents as he may deem necessary to superintend and secure the mails across the Mississippi river.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That such agents shall receive the special agents of the Post Office Department, and that this act shall continue in force during the war.

Approved Oct. 6, 1862.