

such publication shall be printed shall be stamped with an appropriated stamp, denoting the duty imposed on a newspaper printed on the like number of sheets or pieces of paper, and of the like dimensions with respect to the superficies of the letter-press.

4. The title and the date of publication shall be printed on the top of every page of such publication.

5. When posted, every such publication shall be so folded that the whole of the stamp shall be exposed to view, and be distinctly visible on the outside thereof.

6. No such publication shall be printed on pasteboard or cardboard, or on two or more pieces or thicknesses of paper pasted together, nor shall any pasteboard, cardboard, or such pasted paper be transmitted by post with any such publication, either as a back or cover thereto, or otherwise.

7. Every such publication shall be posted within fifteen days from the date of its publication.

8. No such publication or portion thereof shall be allowed to pass through the post unless it bear a stamp of one penny at the least.

9. Every such publication shall be sent without a cover or in a cover open at the sides.

10. No such publication shall have any word or communication printed thereon after the publication thereof, or upon any cover thereof, nor any writing or marks upon any such publication or the cover thereof, other than the name and address of the person to whom sent; but the name or title of the newspaper or publication and the name and address of the publisher, news-vender, or agent by whom sent, may be printed on the cover of any such publication.

11. No such publication shall contain any enclosure.

12. If such publication shall be addressed to any person within the free delivery of the town or place where it is posted, it shall be liable to a postage of one penny, which shall be prepaid by affixing a postage stamp; the free delivery of London for this purpose extends to such places only as are within a radius of three miles from the General Post Office.

13. If any of the foregoing regulations shall be disregarded, any officer of the Post Office may detain the publication for examination until the next mail; if the irregularity shall be found to consist merely in not folding the paper so as to expose the stamp or stamps, or in posting the publication within the free delivery of the town or place to which it is addressed without prepaying the postage of one penny by affixing a postage stamp thereon, a postage of one penny shall be charged in addition to any other postage to which the publication if properly folded or posted would have been liable; in the event of any other irregularity the publication shall be dealt with in accordance with the regulations contained in the Treasury Warrant of the 4th day of June, 1855, relating to the transmission by the post of book packets between places within the United Kingdom.

14. Unstamped publications or stamped publications which shall have been published more than fifteen days, may be forwarded between places within the United Kingdom, under the regulations contained in the said Treasury Warrant, relating to the transmission by the post of book packets between places within the United Kingdom.

15. All the foregoing orders and regulations shall be applicable to such publications as are or shall be published in the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, and the Isle of Man.

British Newspapers transmitted by the Post from the United Kingdom to British Colonies and Foreign Countries.

1. All such newspapers shall be subject to the several regulations, Nos. 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, and 15, hereinbefore mentioned and contained, relating to periodical publications transmitted by post between places within the United Kingdom, and shall be posted in conformity with such regulations, otherwise they shall not be forwarded.

2. Every such newspaper shall be registered by the proprietor or printer thereof at the General Post-office in London.

3. All such newspapers as are unstamped, and all such as are stamped, which shall have been published more than fifteen days, may be forwarded to such of the British colonies as are mentioned in certain Treasury Warrants, dated respectively the 22nd day of February, 1855, and the 7th day of July, 1855, under the regulations contained in such Warrants respectively, relating to the transmission by the post of book packets between the United Kingdom and such colonies respectively.

4. The rates of postage payable upon any such newspapers shall in all cases be prepaid, otherwise such newspapers shall not be forwarded.

Newspapers, British, Colonial, or Foreign, brought into the United Kingdom by packet-boat or private ship, or transmitted by the Post between any ports or places beyond the sea, whether through the United Kingdom or not.

1. All such publications shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the sides.

2. There shall be no word or communication printed on any such newspaper after its publication, or upon the cover thereof, nor any writing or marks upon it, or upon the cover of it, except the name and address of the person to whom sent. But the name or title of the newspaper, and the name and address of the publisher, news-vendor, or agent by whom sent, may be printed on the cover of any such newspaper.

3. There shall be no paper or thing enclosed in or with any such newspaper.

4. Every foreign newspaper shall be printed in the language of the country from which it shall have been forwarded except in cases specially authorised by the Postmaster-General.

Witness our hands this twenty-fourth day of December, 1855.

Argyll,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.
H. Brand,
Duncan,
Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, and at any time after the passing of that Act, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland postage, payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant.

And whereas by a Warrant, under the hands of two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 19th day of September, 1855, certain rates of postage were fixed on letters transmitted by the post, direct by British packet boat, between any ports in the British colonies, or between any port in the British colonies and any foreign port (not in any such cases passing through the United Kingdom).

And whereas by another Warrant, under the hands of two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 10th day of November, 1855, it was directed that the term "by the post," used in the said recited Warrant of the 19th day of September, 1855, should, so far as respects the conveyance of letters sent between Malta, Gibraltar, or the Ionian Islands and Her Majesty's colonies and possessions in the East Indies or the Chinese Sea, without passing through the United Kingdom, include the conveyance through Egypt, but all letters sent between any of Her Majesty's colonies and any port or place in Egypt, or between Her Majesty's colonies and any foreign country through Egypt, without passing through the United Kingdom, should be charged and chargeable with the same rates of postage as if the said Warrant of the 19th day of September, 1855, had not been signed.

And whereas it is expedient that further regulations should be made for the transmission by the post of the letters hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers vested in us, in and by the said recited Act, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant (under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided), order and direct that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight transmitted by the post direct by British packet-boat, between Gibraltar and Hong Kong, or Singapore, without passing through the United Kingdom, there shall be charged and taken in lieu of any rates of postage heretofore chargeable on such letters, or which would be chargeable thereon, under or by virtue of the said recited Warrants, or either of them, a uniform British rate of one shilling and ten pence (in which the Red Sea or Persian Gulf packet rate is included).

And we direct, that on every letter transmitted, as is mentioned in this Warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken and paid progressive and additional rates of postage, as follows; that is to say:

On every such letter exceeding half an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every such letter exceeding one ounce, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every such letter exceeding two ounces, and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

On every such letter exceeding three ounces, and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage.

And for every ounce in weight above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged and taken two additional rates of postage, and every fraction of an ounce above the weight of four ounces, shall be charged as one additional ounce, and each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such letter would be charged with under this Warrant, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight.

And we further direct, that nothing in this Warrant contained shall in anywise alter, prejudice, or affect the exemptions and privileges granted by the said recited Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, nor in anywise prejudice or affect the privilege which officers, seamen and soldiers employed in Her Majesty's service, and seamen and soldiers employed in the service of the East India Company, now by law enjoy of sending and receiving letters by the post, subject to the regulations and restrictions in respect of the same.

And we further direct, that the term "by the post," used in this Warrant, shall include the conveyance through Egypt.

And we further direct, that this Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

And we hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, for the time being, of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any two of them, by Warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter, to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby altered or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury-chambers, the thirty-first day of December, 1855.

Duncan.
H. Brand.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant.

And whereas another Act was passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office."

And whereas another Act was passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and to provide for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications."

And whereas a treaty having been lately entered into between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the French for facilitating the exchange of newspapers and other printed papers between their respective dominions, it is expedient that such regulations should be made as are hereinafter contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament and every of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners, by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided, order and direct,