

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Lanark.

William Graham, Esq., M.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Bristol.**1st Gloucestershire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Colonel Philpotts Wright Taylor, late of the Royal Canadian Regiment, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Bush, resigned. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Lieutenant Charles Hoskins Lowe to be Captain, vice Miller, resigned. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Ensign Mark Whitwill to be Lieutenant, vice Lowe, promoted. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Ensign James Flower Fussell to be Lieutenant, vice Elton, resigned. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Ensign Henry Robert Salmon to be Lieutenant, vice Burges, resigned. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Henry John Clarke, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Whitwill, promoted. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Herbert Baker, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Fussell, promoted. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

Robert Withington Barrow, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Salmon, promoted. Dated 23rd January, 1866.

William Roberts Worsley, Esq., to be Captain, vice Hammonds, resigned. Dated 27th January, 1866.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Northumberland.**1st Berwick-on-Tweed Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Ensign Robert Kay to be Lieutenant, vice Cahill, resigned. Dated 16th January, 1866.

Andrew Foulds to be Ensign, vice Kay, promoted. Dated 16th January, 1866.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey.**2nd Surrey Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

John Isaac Cumber, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 11th January, 1866.

Thomas Pearse Josland, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 11th January, 1866.

19th Surrey Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Alfred William Way, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 11th January, 1866.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Worcester.**6th Worcestershire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Lieutenant Jeston Homfray to be Captain, vice Hunt, resigned. Dated 22nd January, 1866.

Ensign Thomas Moore to be Lieutenant, vice Homfray, promoted. Dated 22nd January, 1866.

Thomas Bissell to be Ensign, vice Moore, promoted. Dated 22nd January, 1866.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the City and County of the City of Edinburgh, and Liberties thereof.**City of Edinburgh Rifle Volunteer Brigade.*

Ensign Christopher James Connell to be Captain, vice Ogilvy, resigned. Dated 17th January, 1866.

Thomas William Jones to be Captain, vice Smith, resigned. Dated 17th January, 1866.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or in respect of letters, newspapers, parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post, and by the same Act powers were 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 postage therein mentioned.

And whereas further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 85, 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 it is expedient to authorise the transmission by the post between the United Kingdom and the United States of Columbia, of certain packets, and for that purpose to make certain regulations in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

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 each 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 as follows; that is to say:—

1. All packets consisting of printed papers (other than British newspapers), or consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize of no intrinsic value, posted in any part of the United Kingdom, addressed to the United States of Columbia, or posted in the United States of Columbia, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and the United States of Columbia by British packet boat, subject to the several rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

On every such packet, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, an uniform single rate of postage of three pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, progressive and additional rates of postage as follows; that is to say:—

On every such packet, if exceeding four ounces and not exceeding one half of a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, two rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding one half of a pound and not exceeding one pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, four rates of postage;

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

2. Every packet consisting of printed papers (other than British newspapers) which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the ends or sides, and it may contain any number of separate books, or other publications, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, parchment, or vellum, and the books or other publications, prints, or maps, may be either printed, written, or plain, or any mixture of the three, and all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, publication, print, or map, or of a portion thereof, shall be allowed to pass by the post, whether such binding, mounting, or covering be loose or attached, as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, and whatsoever is necessary for the safe transmission of literary or artistic matter, or usually appertains thereto; but no packet shall contain any written letter, nor any communication in the nature of a letter closed or open, nor any enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any communication of the nature of a letter written in or upon any such packet or cover thereof, nor shall any packet consist of, or contain any photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents, which may be obviously of an obscene character.

3. Every packet consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereinafter contained, that is to say:—

No pattern or sample being of any intrinsic value, or being an article or thing of a saleable nature, or having a value of its own apart from its mere use as a pattern or sample, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

There shall be no enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure not authorised by this Warrant sent in or with any such packet.

There shall be no writing in or upon any such packet, or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender thereof, a trade mark, and numbers and prices.

All such packets shall be sent in covers open at the ends, so as to be easy of examination; nevertheless, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, may be enclosed in bags of linen, paper, or other material, tied at the neck, but bags so closed that they cannot be readily opened, even although they be transparent, shall not be used for that purpose.

4. No packet which shall exceed two feet (British) in length, or one foot (British) in breadth or depth, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

5. Every packet transmitted by the post under this Warrant, and posted in the United Kingdom, shall be put into the Post Office at such hours in the day, and under all such regulations, as the Postmaster-General may appoint.

6. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid, posted in the United Kingdom, shall in every case be paid at the time of the same being posted, not in money, but by being duly stamped with the proper postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, which stamp or stamps shall, in every case, be affixed or appear on the outside of every such packet, near the address or direction, and shall be of the value or amount of the postage duty payable thereon, under or by virtue of this Warrant.

7. If any packet shall be posted or shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, otherwise than in conformity with the several conditions and regulations established by or under the authority of this Warrant, relating thereto, the same shall and may be detained and opened, and shall be returned or given up to the sender thereof.

8. In order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any officer of the Post Office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be dispatched in due course of the post, whenever it may be necessary so to do, or (at his option) until the dispatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

9. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet or anything contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive upon all parties.

10. The term "weight" used in this Warrant shall mean British weight, and the several other terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96.

11. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands, duly made at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, revoke, or modify any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

12. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Whitchall, Treasury Chambers, the twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

E. H. Knatchbull-Hugessen.
Luke White.