

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

Northamptonshire and Rutland Militia.

Charles Isham Strong, Esq., to be Captain, vice Frederick William Bowman, resigned. Dated 9th February, 1864.

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

8th Aberdeenshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Henry Stone Hutcheon to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 13th February, 1864.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, and of the City and County of the City of Canterbury.

4th Administrative Battalion of Kent Rifle Volunteers.

Henry Grayling, M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 16th February, 1864.

16th Kent Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Henry Penfold, M.D., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon, vice Grayling, resigned. Dated 16th February, 1864.

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

7th Denbighshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

George Robson, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 21st January, 1864.

Commissions signed by the Vice Lieutenant of the East Riding of the County of York, and the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull.

8th East Riding of Yorkshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Richard Botterill to be Lieutenant, vice Hopper, promoted. Dated 22nd January, 1864.
William Lovel, Esq., to be Ensign, vice Botterill, promoted. Dated 22nd January, 1864.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 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 Malta, Gibraltar, Alexandria, Cairo, Suez, and Constantinople, 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 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 as follows, that is to say:—

1. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandise of no intrinsic value, posted in any part of the United Kingdom addressed to Malta, Gibraltar, or to Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, or posted in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Malta, Gibraltar, and Alexandria, Cairo, and Suez, in Egypt, by packet-boat via Southampton, 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 a uniform single rate of postage of threepence.

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for such transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned.

2. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandise of no intrinsic value, posted in any part of the United Kingdom, addressed to Constantinople, or posted in Constantinople, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Constantinople via France (the sea conveyance being by French 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 a uniform single rate of postage of fourpence.

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for such transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned.

3. Every packet which shall be transmitted by the post, under the authority of this Warrant, if exceeding four ounces in weight, shall be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned (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 on every such packet, if exceeding one pound, and not exceeding one pound and one half of another pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid six rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and one half of another pound, and not exceeding two pounds in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid eight rates of postage.

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of two pounds, 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.

4. Every packet 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):—

5. No such packet which in length or breadth or width shall exceed the dimensions of two feet, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

6. 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.

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

8. There shall be no writing or printing 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 number and price.

9. 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 or of other material, but bags so closed that they cannot be readily opened, even although they be transparent, shall not be used for that purpose.

10. If any packet sent, or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall in length, or breadth, or width exceed the dimensions of two feet, or shall consist wholly of patterns or samples of any intrinsic value, as in the sixth clause of this Warrant mentioned, or if there shall be any writing or printing 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 number and price, or if any such packets shall not be sent in covers open at the ends, so as to be easy of examination (except samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, and which may be enclosed in bags of linen or of other material), or, in case of bags being used, if such bags shall be so closed that they cannot be readily opened, every such packet shall be chargeable and shall be treated in all respects as a letter.

11. If any packet sent, or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall contain any enclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or

any other enclosure not authorised by this Warrant, every such enclosure may be taken out by any officer of the Post Office, and either returned or given up to the sender thereof or be forwarded to the address on the packet, charged not only with the full rates of postage as an unpaid letter, but also, in the case of packets posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, and transmitted by the post under the authority of the first clause of this Warrant, with a further and additional rate of threepence, and in the case of packets posted in the United Kingdom or in Constantinople, and transmitted by the post under the authority of the second clause of this Warrant, with a further and additional rate of postage of fourpence, and the remainder of the packet, if duly prepaid by stamps, may be forwarded to the place of its address without any extra charge.

12. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, or Constantinople, 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.

13. If any packet sent, or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, or Constantinople, having thereon, or affixed thereto, a stamp or stamps, the value of which shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under and by virtue of this Warrant, every such last-mentioned packet shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the difference between the value of such stamp or stamps so being thereon, or affixed thereto, and the postage to which such packet would be liable as aforesaid, together with a further and additional rate of postage of threepence in the case of packets posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, and transmitted by the post under the authority of the first clause of this Warrant; and in the case of packets posted in the United Kingdom or in Constantinople, and transmitted by the post under the authority of the second clause of this Warrant, with a further and additional rate of postage of fourpence; but if any such packet shall be posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, Gibraltar, or in Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, in Egypt, or in Constantinople, without having thereon or affixed thereto any postage stamp, every such respective packet shall be forwarded charged with a postage of double the amount of postage to which it would have been liable under and by virtue of this Warrant if the postage had been paid by stamps when posted.

14. 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, either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be dispatched in due course of the post, 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.

15. The several packets transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant shall be subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and rates of postage respectively contained in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 19th day of February, 1855, relating to redirected rates of postage upon letters and packets which shall be redirected and again forwarded by the post, so far as the same are applicable to such packets.

16. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise, whether any packet, or any pattern or sample 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.

17. The several 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, chapter 96.

18. 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.

19. This Warrant shall come into operation on the 1st day of April, 1864.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the 17th day of February, 1864.

Wm. Dunbar.
Luke White.

Whitehall, February 22, 1864.

The Certificate granted by the Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council on Education, under the Act 20 and 21 Vict., c. 48, to the Female Refuge in Hill-street, Dorset-square, in the county of Middlesex, has been withdrawn by the Secretary of State, under the provisions of the Industrial Schools' Act, 1861.

Whitehall, February 22, 1864.

The Cripples' Home Industrial School, North-umberland House, 17A, Marylebone-road, in the county of Middlesex, has been certified by the Secretary of State as fit to be an Industrial School, under the provisions of the Industrial Schools' Act, 1861.

Whitehall, February 12, 1864.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Lewis Henry, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

February 1, 1864.

The Right Honourable Sir Alexander Edmund Cockburn, Bart., and Sir John Mellor, Knt., two of the Justices of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, at Westminster, have appointed

Frederick John Blake, of the South Sea House, in the city of London, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner for administering oaths in Common Law in the said Court.

February 6, 1864.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt., and Sir John Barnard Bylès, Knt., two of the Justices of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, have appointed Frederick John Blake, of the South Sea House, in the city of London, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner for administering oaths in Common Law in the said Court.

Whitehall, January 30, 1864.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed William Holland, of Bedford-row, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Middlesex, also in and for the city and liberties of Westminster, and the city of London.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has also appointed Horatio Compigne, of Gosport, in the county of Hants, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Hants.

Whitehall, February 3, 1864.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Lewis Crombie, of Wandsworth and Lambeth, in the county of Surrey, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Surrey.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

NOTICE OF PARTIAL ADOPTION OF ACT BY HUDDERSFIELD.

WHEREAS at a Meeting of the Huddersfield Improvement Commissioners, acting under "The Huddersfield Improvement Act, 1848," held on the 17th day of February, 1864, the said Commissioners duly adopted the fiftieth section of the Local Government Act, 1858. And whereas notice of such adoption of the herein-before recited section of the said Act has been duly given, in writing, to me, as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, as required by the Local Government Act, 1858.

Now, therefore, I, as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby give