

THE FOREIGN PARCELS (CUSTOMS) WARRANT, 1896, DATED  
NOVEMBER 13, 1896.

1896. No. 995.

Whereas a Warrant, dated the 8th of June, 1885,\* relating to the application of the Customs enactments to foreign parcels as defined by the Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882,† was not intended to apply to parcels containing goods delivered without payment of duty from a Customs warehouse; and it is desirable to make provision for the delivery from Customs warehouses for transmission by parcel post to places out of the United Kingdom of such goods as the Commissioners of Customs may from time to time allow:

We, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred upon us by the 14th section of the Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882,† and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, made on the recommendation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs and of Her Majesty's Postmaster General (testified by their respectively signing the same), order, direct, and declare as follows:—

(1.) The above-mentioned Warrant of the 8th June, 1885,\* shall not apply to parcels of goods delivered from Customs warehouses, herein-after referred to as "bonded parcels."

(2.) Every bonded parcel delivered from a Customs warehouse to the sender shall be accompanied by an authority for such delivery signed by an officer of Customs.

(3.) The officer of the post office accepting a bonded parcel duly accompanied by the Customs authority, shall give to the sender a certificate of the posting of the parcel.

(4.) The certificate of posting thus given shall, for the purposes of section 104 of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876,‡ relating to the exportation of bonded goods, be deemed to be evidence of an act equivalent to shipment under that section.

(5.) The delivery of bonded parcels from a Customs warehouse shall be subject to such bond and to such special conditions as the Commissioners of Customs may from time to time prescribe.

(6.) If any claim shall be made on the Postmaster General for compensation in respect of the loss of, or damage to, any bonded parcel, that claim shall, in the absence of proof to the contrary, be deemed to be conclusive evidence that such parcel has not been duly exported, and that its contents have gone into consumption in the United Kingdom and the duty shall be paid accordingly.

\* Published in Statutory Rules and Orders Revised, Volume 5, p. 627.

† 45 & 46 Vict. c. 74.

‡ 39 & 40 Vict. c. 36.

(7.) The Warrant of the 2nd December, 1895,\* making provisions for the delivery of parcels of tea from Customs warehouses for exportation by parcel post, is hereby revoked. All conditions hitherto prescribed by the Commissioners of Customs under the provisions of that Warrant shall be deemed to be made under this Warrant.

(8.) This Warrant shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1897.

(9.) The said Warrant of the 8th June, 1885,† and this Warrant may be cited respectively as "The Foreign Parcels (Customs) Warrant, 1885," and "The Foreign Parcels (Customs) Warrant, 1896," and the said two Warrants may together be cited as "The Foreign Parcels (Customs) Warrants, 1885 and 1896."

Dated this 13th day of November, 1896.

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\* Published in Statutory Rules and Orders, 1895, p. 612 (No. 577).

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