

hands, duly made, at any time hereafter alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions, or regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations in lieu thereof.

7. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of April 1859.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the eighteenth day of January 1859.

H. G. LENNOX.
HENRY WHITMORE.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament 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, 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 from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and to make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act 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 the postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post-Office.

And whereas certain powers are also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act 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 it is expedient that regulations should be made for the transmission by the post of the printed newspapers 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 :—

1. That every British newspaper not exceeding four ounces in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to the East Indies, may be transmitted by the post from the United Kingdom to the East Indies by packet-boat, via Southampton and Egypt, at a rate of postage of twopence each.

2. That on every newspaper transmitted under this Warrant as hereinbefore is mentioned, exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, rates of postage, as follows; that is to say :—

On every such newspaper, exceeding four ounces in weight and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, a rate of threepence.

And for every additional four ounces in weight of any such newspaper, above the weight of eight ounces, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, an additional rate of postage of one penny, and every fractional part of such additional four ounces in weight shall be charged as an additional four ounces in weight, and each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause shall be estimated and charged at the sum of one penny.

3. That every British newspaper posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to China, Hong Kong, Ceylon, the Mauritius, Java, Borneo, Japan, and Australia, may be transmitted by the post to China, Hong Kong, Ceylon, the Mauritius, Java, Borneo, Japan, and Australia, by packet-boat, via Southampton and Egypt, at a rate of twopence each.

4. That every printed supplement, or additional sheet to any newspaper, shall, for the purpose of charging the postage under this Warrant, be deemed a distinct newspaper, unless sent in the same cover, or together with the newspaper to which it is a supplement or addition.

5. That every newspaper which shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under and subject to, the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions hereinafter contained; that is to say :—

No such newspaper shall in length or breadth or width exceed the dimensions of two feet.

Every such newspaper shall be sent open at the ends or sides, and either without a cover, or in a cover or envelope open at the ends or sides.

There shall be no word or communication printed on any newspaper transmitted by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, after the publication thereof, or upon any cover thereof, nor any writing or marks upon any such newspaper, or upon any cover thereof, other than and except the name and address of the person to whom the same is sent; but the name or title of such newspaper, and the name and address of the publisher, newsvender, or agent, by whom the same is sent, may be printed on the cover thereof.

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

Every British newspaper which shall be posted in the United Kingdom, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be printed and published at intervals not exceeding thirty-one days between any two consecutive numbers or parts of such publication, and the same shall be registered by the proprietor or printer thereof, at the General Post-Office, in London, and shall be posted within fifteen days from the date of its publication, and the title and date of the newspaper shall be printed at the top of every page thereof.

6. If any newspaper shall be sent, or tendered, or delivered, in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, otherwise than in conformity with the terms, conditions, and regulations hereinbefore established, the same may be detained, and be returned or given up to the sender thereof; or the Postmaster-General may, if he think fit, forward the same to the place of its destination, charged with such rate of postage, not exceeding in amount such rate as would be chargeable upon the same as a letter, as to him shall seem expedient.