

[The following Appointment is substituted for that which appeared in the Gazette of Tuesday, June 12.]

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

31st Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

George James Bauke, gent. to be Lieutenant.
Dated 25th May 1860.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed, and were made chargeable and payable upon, for, and 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, and at any time thereafter, 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 of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which might be payable were to be paid; and the power thereby given to alter and fix rates of postage was extended to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage.

And whereas by an Act of Parliament passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act for the better regulation of Colonial posts," power is also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of Colonial postage payable by law for the transmission of letters by the post, 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 of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof; and the rates of Colonial postage from time to time to become payable under or by virtue of any such Warrant are to be charged and paid accordingly; and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which might be payable are to be paid; and the power thereby given to alter and fix rates of postage was extended to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage, and it was declared that the term "letter" should include post letters and packets, newspapers, votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, and votes and proceedings of the Legislatures of any of Her Majesty's Colonies or Provinces, pamphlets, and other printed papers.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by an Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her 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 it is expedient to make regulations by which packets, consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Labuan, and to fix certain rates of postage and scales of weight at which such packets may be so transmitted in the manner hereinafter mentioned and contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said several before-mentioned Acts, or any or either 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, direct, and declare as follows:

1. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, Colonial, or Foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the Colonial Legislatures, posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Labuan, or posted in Labuan addressed to the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Labuan either direct or via any port or place in the East Indies; and all such respective packets shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions hereinafter mentioned and contained, and the single rate of postage for the transmission thereof shall be as follows; that is to say: for every such packet so transmitted, not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for such transmission thereof as aforesaid, an uniform single rate of postage of four pence.

2. All such packets, so respectively transmitted as aforesaid, if exceeding four ounces in weight, shall be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned, according to the scale of weight herein-after contained; that is to say:

On every such packet if exceeding four ounces in weight, 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, 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, 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, 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.

No such packet, which in length, or breadth, or width, shall exceed the dimensions of two feet, shall be forwarded by the post under the provisions aforesaid.