

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by the said recited Act, 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. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and Sweden, direct by Swedish mail packet-boat, there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, an uniform rate of British postage of fourpence.

2. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in or addressed to any part of Sweden, transmitted by the post between Sweden and any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country through the United Kingdom, conveyed between Sweden and the United Kingdom direct by Swedish mail packet-boat, there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, a like rate of British postage of fourpence for the conveyance of every such letter between Sweden and any part of the United Kingdom ; and for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet-boat or vessel (not being a packet-boat) conveying the same, and the British colony or foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, such a further or additional rate of postage as shall from time to time be chargeable and payable for British postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet-boat or vessel (not being a packet-boat) conveying the same, and transmitted between such port and any such colony or foreign country, provided that in all cases where such additional rate includes both inland and sea services there shall be deducted therefrom the sum of one penny, in respect of the inland conveyance under this clause of every such letter sent through the United Kingdom.

3. On every letter transmitted as is hereinbefore in this Warrant mentioned, exceeding one-half of an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid progressive and additional rates of postage according to the scale of weight and number of rates following (that is to say) :—

On every letter so transmitted, exceeding one-half of an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every letter so transmitted, exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every letter so transmitted, exceeding two ounces and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

And on every letter so transmitted, exceeding three ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage.

And for every ounce in weight above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged and taken, upon every letter so transmitted, two additional rates of postage ; and every fraction of an ounce above the weight of four ounces shall be charged as one additional ounce, and each progressive and additional rate, chargeable under this clause, shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such letter would be charged with under this Warrant if not exceeding one-half of an ounce in weight.

4. The respective letters 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, under the hands of two of the said Commissioners, bearing date the 19th day of February 1855, relating to re-directed rates of postage upon letters which shall be re-directed and again forwarded by the post.

5. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any letters passing by the post between the United Kingdom and Sweden via France or any other foreign country, all which letters shall be charged and chargeable with the same rates of postage as are now chargeable and payable thereon, and as if this Warrant had not been signed.

6. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by the said recited Act, or to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the privileges which seamen and soldiers employed in Her Majesty's Service are now by law entitled to, of sending and receiving by the post letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, subject to the regulations and restrictions in respect of the same.

7. 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 recited Act.

8. So much of the said recited Warrant of the 10th day of December 1850, as relates to or affects letters transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Sweden direct by Swedish mail packet-boat, and between Sweden and any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country, through the United Kingdom, conveyed between Sweden and the United Kingdom direct by Swedish mail packet-boat, is hereby repealed.

9. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

10. 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, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions in lieu thereof, and may from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the thirteenth day of May one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

WM. DUNBAR.
LUKE WHITE.

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 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.