contained therein, which shall in all such last-mentioned cases be written or printed on labels attached to the pattern or sample.

7. 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, paper, 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.

8. Every packet transmitted by the post under this Warrant, and posted in the United Kingdom, shall be put into the Post-office at such hours in the day, and under all such regulations as the Postmaster-General may appoint.

9. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid, posted in the United Kingdom, 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.

10. If any packet authorized to be transmitted by the post under this Warrant shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to any place within any of the States of the German Postal Union, or if any such packet shall be posted in any place within the States of the German Postal Union addressed to the United Kingdom, the postage whereof shall be insufficiently prepaid, by such packet having thereon or affixed thereto a postage stamp or stamps which shall represent a less sum than the amount of postage-duty payable thereupon, every such packet shall be charged with double the amount of the postage which shall be so insufficiently prepaid upon any such packet.

11. If any packet sent, or tendered, or delivered, in order to be sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be sent otherwise than in conformity with the conditions and regulations established by or under the authority of this Warrant (except only as in the last preceding clause mentioned), the same shall and may be detained and opened, and, at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom the same shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and any such packet, on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall, at the option of the Postmaster-General, either be free of postage or be charged with any rate of postage he may think fit, not exceeding the rate that would be chargeable on such packet as an unpaid letter.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant in writing under their hands, bearing date at Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the 28th day of November 1844, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said firstly hereinbefore recited Act, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, did declare, consent, and direct (amongst other things), that no packet should be forwarded, conveyed, or delivered by the post within the United Kingdom, containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, or any article, matter, or thing whatsoever, which might, by pressure or otherwise, be rendered injurious either to the officers of the Post-office or to the contents of the mail bags.

12. Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do hereby declare and direct that, notwithstanding the said recited Warrant of the 28th day of November 1844, any packet posted in any part of the United Kingdom addressed to any place within any of the States of the German Postal Union, or either of the Free Hanseatic Republics of Hamburg and Bremen, or posted in any place within any of the States of the German Postal Union, or either of the Free Hanseatic Republics of Hamburg and Bremen, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, keys, watch machinery, metal, metal tubing, or ore, or such like, shall and may be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any place within any of the States of the German Postal Union, or either of the Free Hanseatic Republics of Hamburg and Bremen, subject to the several rates of postage, and to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein mentioned and contained, provided that every such razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, keys, watch machinery, metal, metal tubing, or ore, or such like, so contained in any packet, be securely packed and guarded. And every such packet shall not only conform in every respect to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein contained, but the same shall also furnish sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post-office and to the contents of the mail bags: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize the transmission by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any place within any of the States of the German Postal Union, or either of the Free Hanseatic Republics of Hamburg and Bremen, of any packet containing any explosive or other dangerous material or substance.

13. And we do further order and direct that if any packet sent, or tendered, or delivered, in order to be sent by the post under the authority of the twelfth clause of this Warrant, shall be posted or transmitted by the post without being securely packed and guarded, and without furnishing sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post-office and to the contents of the mail bags, as in such twelfth clause of this Warrant provided (of which the Postmaster-General shall be the sole judge), every such respective packet shall and may be detained and opened, and, at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom it shall be addressed, and every such packet on being so returned or given up shall be chargeable with any rate or amount of postage the Postmaster-General shall think fit, not exceeding the letter rates of postage.

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 despatched in due course of the post, or (at his option), until the despatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

15. 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 determina-