

That Letters and Packets to or from the General Post-Office in London, to or from the City of Edinburgh, Dumfries and Cockburnspath, shall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and so in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above one Post Stage, and not exceeding 50 Miles, within Scotland, shall pay in Addition, single 1 d. and so in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 50, and not exceeding 80 Miles, within Scotland, shall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and so in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 80, and not exceeding 150 Miles, within Scotland, shall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and so in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 150 Miles, within Scotland, shall pay in Addition, Single 2 d. and so in Proportion.

It is provided, that no Letter or Packet to or from Glasgow, or the intermediate Places by Carlisle, not passing through London, shall pay an higher Rate than if sent through Edinburgh to or from Glasgow; and that no Letter or Packet sent to or from Edinburgh, or any intermediate Place in England and Scotland, North of London, shall pay an higher Rate than 7 d. for a Single Letter, and so in Proportion.

It is further provided, that no Letter or Packet, together with its Contents, shall be taxed at an higher Rate than as a Treble Letter, unless it shall weigh an Ounce, when it shall be rated as Four Single Letters; and every Quarter of an Ounce above that Weight shall be charged as a Single Letter.

It is likewise enacted, that no Letter or Packet sent by Post, within Great-Britain, directed by any Member of either House of Parliament, shall be exempted from the Duty of Postage, unless the whole Supercription thereof shall be of the Hand-writing of the Member, and shall have endorsed thereon, in the same Hand-writing, the Name of the Member, Post Town from whence the same is to be sent, and the Day, Month, and Year, when put into the Post-Office, the Day of the Month to be in Words at Length; and unless every such Letter and Packet shall be put into the General, or other Post-Office, or into a Receiving House, on the Day of the Date put upon such Letter or Packet: And no Letter or Packet directed to any such Member shall be exempted from the Duty of Postage, unless such as shall, during the Sitting of Parliament, or within Forty Days before, or Forty Days after any Summons or Prorogation thereof, be directed to any such Member, at the Place where he shall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at his usual Place of Residence in London, or at the House, or Lobby of the House of Parliament, of which he is a Member.

It is further enacted, that all Persons who, by Virtue of their Offices, send and receive Letters and Packets free of Postage, shall send and receive them free, in the Manner, and under such Restrictions, as any Member of Parliament.

It is also enacted, that if any Person shall forge or counterfeit the Hand-writing of any Person whatsoever, in the Supercription of any Letter or Packet, in order to avoid the Payment of Postage, or shall forge, counterfeit, or alter, or procure to be done, the Date upon such Supercription, or shall write, and send by Post, or cause to be done, any Letter or Packet, the Supercription or Cover whereof shall be forged or counterfeited, or the Date thereon altered, in order to avoid the Duty of Postage, knowing the same to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, every Person so offending, shall be deemed guilty of Felony, and shall be transported for Seven Years.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,  
Anthony Todd, Sec.

\* \* It is recommended to the Members of both Houses of Parliament, to write the Name of the Post-Town, and the Date, in Words at Length, at the Top of the Supercription of their Letters, that it may be distinct from the Direction underneath.

Office of Ordnance, August 12, 1784.

*THE Honourable House of Commons having, on the 7th Instant, come to the following Resolution, viz.*

“ That all Persons interested in or entitled unto any Debentures payable out of His Majesty’s Office of Ordnance, which were dated on or before the 30th Day of June, 1782, who already have carried, or shall, on or before the 10th Day of October, 1784, carry the same to the Treasurer of His Majesty’s Office of Ordnance, and shall have the Interest of such Debentures computed after the Rate of 4 l. per Centum per Annum, from the Expiration of Fifteen Months from the Date thereof, to the 5th Day of July, 1784, shall have a Certificate for every One Hundred Pounds, contained in the Amount of the Principal and Interest of such Debentures; and also a Certificate of the fractional Parts of One Hundred Pounds: The first of the said Certificates to be carried to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England; for which such Persons shall be entitled, in Respect of the same, to the Sum of 107 l. 10 s. 6 d. Capital Stock for each One Hundred Pounds of such Debentures, made out on or before the said 30th Day of June, 1782; the said Capital Stock to be attended with Annuities after the Rate of 5 l. per Centum per Annum, to commence from the said 5th Day of July, 1784, payable Half-Yearly: The said Annuities to be irredeemable until Twenty-five Millions of the Public Debt, bearing Interest at the Rate of either 3 l. per Centum per Annum, or 4 l. per Centum per Annum, shall have been redeemed and paid off, and the said Annuities to be charged upon a Fund to be established in this Session of Parliament, and for which the Fund, commonly called the Sinking Fund, shall be a Collateral Security.”

*The Master General and Principal Officers of His Majesty’s Ordnance do hereby give Notice thereof, that all Persons possessed of Ordnance Debentures made out as aforesaid, may bring the same to the Office of the Treasurer of His Majesty’s Ordnance to be certified to the Bank of England accordingly.*

Navy-Office, August 11, 1784.

*THE Honourable the House of Commons having, on the 7th Instant, come to the following further Resolution, viz.*

“ That all Persons interested in or entitled unto any Bills payable in the Course of the Navy, or for Transports, which were made out on or before the 30th of June, 1782, who already have carried, or shall, on or before the 10th of October, 1784, carry the same, after having had the Interest due thereupon computed and marked upon the said Bills at the Navy-Office, to the Treasurer of the Navy, shall have, in Exchange for the same, from such Treasurer or his Pay-Master or Cashier, a Certificate to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, for every entire Sum of One or more Hundred Pounds, for which such Certificates are to be made forth, and also one other Certificate for the fractional Part of One Hundred Pounds, being the Remainder of such Bill or Bills; and the Persons who shall be possessed of such first-mentioned Certificates of the entire Sum of One or more Hundred Pounds, shall, upon the Delivery thereof to the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England, be entitled, in Respect of the same, to the Sum of 107 l. 10 s. 6 d. Capital Stock for each One Hundred Pounds of such Bills made out on or before the said 30th Day of June, 1782; the said Capital Stock to be attended with Annuities after the Rate of 5 l. per Centum per Annum, to commence from the 5th of July, 1784, payable Half-Yearly, in lieu of all other Interest: The said Annuity