

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act, 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 or Inland postage, payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters, or newspapers, or 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 it is expedient that regulations should be made for the transmission by the post of the letters and packets hereinafter mentioned.

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 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 and direct, that on every letter, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any place in the United Kingdom and the colony of Newfoundland (direct or through any other colony, or through any foreign country) there shall be charged and taken in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, an uniform British rate of sixpence.

And we direct that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between Newfoundland and any other of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country, through the United Kingdom (whether through any colony or foreign country or not), there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, the rates of British postage following; that is to say:

For the conveyance of every such letter between Newfoundland and any part of the United Kingdom, a rate of sixpence; and for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom, of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and the 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 charged and payable for British postage on letters posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and any such colony or foreign country.

And we direct that on every letter transmitted as is mentioned in this Warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, progressive and additional rates of postage as follows; that is to say:

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

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

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

And on every such letter 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 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 half an ounce in weight.

And we direct that in all cases in which any letter, in respect of which any rate of postage is chargeable by this Warrant, shall pass through a foreign country any foreign postage payable thereon, shall be charged and paid thereon in addition to the British postage.

And we further direct, that printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament may be sent by the post from the United Kingdom to the colony of Newfoundland, direct or through any other colony, and that printed votes and proceedings of the Colonial Legislatures may be sent by the post from Newfoundland to the United Kingdom direct, or through any other colony, and that on all such printed votes and proceedings there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law thereon, the rates of British postage following; that is to say:

On every packet, consisting of a single printed publication of votes or proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or the Colonial Legislatures, the several sheets or parts of which, when more than one, shall be sewed or bound together, if not exceeding half a pound in weight, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of sixpence.

And on every such packet, if exceeding half a pound and not exceeding one pound in weight, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of one shilling.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and not exceeding two pounds in weight, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of two shillings.

And for every additional one pound in weight of any such packet, above the weight of two pounds, there shall be charged and taken an additional rate of postage of one shilling, and every fraction of such additional pound shall be charged as an additional pound.

And we further direct, that no such packet, if containing more than one printed publication of votes or proceedings, or containing any paper or thing besides printed votes or proceedings, or containing any printed publication of votes or proceedings, the several sheets, or parts of which when more than one, shall not be sewed or bound together, or which packet, in length, or breadth, or width, or depth shall exceed the dimensions of two feet or twenty-four inches, shall be forwarded by the post, under the provisions of the said clause relating to printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament and the Colonial Legislatures.

And we further direct, that as to any packet of printed votes or proceedings hereinbefore authorised to be sent by the post, under the provisions aforesaid, which shall be posted in the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall in every case be prepaid at the time of the same being posted, not in money, but by being duly stamped with the proper British 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, and shall be of the value