

And we further direct, that in respect of letters sent by any non-commissioned officers, serjeants, corporals, drummers, fifiers, or private soldiers, under the regulations of this Warrant, the following conditions shall be observed; that is to say: upon each such letter shall be superscribed the name of the writer, and his class or description in the regiment or detachment to which he shall belong; and upon every such letter there shall be written in the handwriting of, and signed by, the officer having at the time the command of the regiment or detachment to which the privileged person belongs, the name of such officer and the name of such regiment or detachment.

And we further direct, that in respect to letters received by the post under this Warrant by any commissioned officers or any non-commissioned officers or private soldiers, the following conditions shall be observed; that is to say: the postage of each such letter posted in the United Kingdom shall be prepaid, either in money or by the proper stamp or stamps being affixed thereto, at the time of the same being posted; and as to letters received by any non-commissioned officers or private soldiers, each letter shall be directed to the privileged person, specifying on the superscription thereof, the regiment or detachment to which he shall belong.

And we further direct, that if the postage of any such letter posted in the United Kingdom shall not be prepaid either in money or by stamps, when posted, the same shall not be forwarded by the post; and that if in any case any other of the conditions hereinbefore prescribed be not complied with, the letter shall be charged with the same rates of postage as if this Warrant had not been signed.

And we further direct, that nothing herein contained shall be construed in anywise to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by or under the said recited Act; and that all such exemptions and privileges shall remain in full force.

And we further direct, that 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.

Provided lastly, and we hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any two of them, by Warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter, to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the twentieth day of June, 1855.

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#### 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," it was enacted (amongst other things) that printed newspapers might be sent free of

postage, or liable to postage according to certain regulations and rates in the said Act set forth. And it was by the said Act provided that the Postmaster-General might remit any of the rates of British postage or inland postage for the time being payable by law on the transmission of post letters, newspapers, or other printed papers, to such extent as the Lords of the Treasury should from time to time direct. And by the said 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 passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present 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," it was, amongst other things, enacted that it should be lawful for the Postmaster-General, if he should think fit (with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury), to allow any printed words, writing, or marks, in addition to the direction to be put on any printed newspapers or other printed papers sent by the post, or on the covers thereof, and any such newspapers or other printed papers should from thenceforth be forwarded either free of postage or subject to such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury should from time to time direct.

And whereas by an Act passed in the present session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to amend the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and to provide for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications," it is amongst other things enacted, that every periodical publication therein mentioned which should be printed within the United Kingdom, on paper stamped for denoting the rate of duty then imposed by law on newspapers should be entitled to the like privileges of transmission and retransmission by the post between places in the United Kingdom, either postage free or otherwise, on the same terms and conditions and under and subject to the like rules and regulations as newspapers duly stamped were then entitled and subject to, under any Act or Acts in force, but under and subject nevertheless to the terms and conditions in that Act contained; and further that it should be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, to allow any printed newspaper (British, colonial, or foreign) to be transmitted by the post between places in the United Kingdom and Her Majesty's colonies or foreign countries, or between any ports or places beyond the sea, whether through the United Kingdom or not, either free of postage or subject to such rates of postage not exceeding two pence for each newspaper, irrespective of any foreign or colonial postage as the Commissioners