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 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 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 may be payable are to be paid.

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, 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," further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and power is also given to the Postmaster-General (amongst other things) to collect and receive the foreign and colonial postage, charged or chargeable, on any letters sent by the post, and also with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to require the postage, British, colonial, or foreign, of any letters sent by the post, to be prepaid, either in money or in stamps, as he might think fit, on the same being put into the Post Office.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 15th day of March, 1854, fixed, made, and established certain rates of British postage payable on the transmission by the post of certain colonial letters therein respectively mentioned.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain other Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 27th day of November, 1858, did make regulations for the prepayment of the several rates of postage payable on letters posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Ceylon, and on letters posted in Ceylon addressed to the United Kingdom.

And whereas it is expedient to repeal the said Warrant of the 27th day of November, 1858, and to make certain other regulations in lieu thereof.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this present 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 as follows, that is to say :-

1. On every letter posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Ceylon or posted in Ceylon addressed to the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted.

2. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Ceylon, without any postage having been paid thereon, every such letter shall postage had been paid when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of sixpence.

3. If any letter shall be posted in Ceylon addressed to the United Kingdom, without any postage having been paid thereon, every such letter shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of

4. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Ceylon, or be posted in Ceylon addressed to the United Kingdom, and the postage paid thereon shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such letter would be liable, under or by virtue of the regulations in force relating thereto, every such letter shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the difference between the postage paid thereon and the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of sixpence.

5. 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 Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

6. The said recited Warrant of the 27th day of November, 1858, relating to Ceylon, shall be, and the same is, hereby repealed.

7. 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 orders, directions, or regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations in lieu thereof.

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

> Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the twentysixth day of August, 1863.

> > Wm, Dunbar. E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen.

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> Crown and Hanaper Office, 28th August, 1863.

ELECTION OF A TEMPORAL PEER OF IRELAND.

1N pursuance of an Act, passed in the fortieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled "An Act to regulate the mode by which the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and " the Commons, to serve in the Parliament of the "United Kingdom, on the part of Ireland, shall be " summoned and returned to the said Parliament," I do hereby give notice, that Writs bearing teste this day, have issued for electing a Temporal Peer of Ireland, to succeed to the vacancy made by the demise of Ulysses, Baron Dewnes, in the House of Lords, of the said United Kingdom, which said Writs are severally directed to the following Peers who sat and voted in the House of Lords in Ireland before the Union, or whose right to vote on the election of Temporal Peers of Ireland be forwarded, charged with the amount of the hath, upon claims made on their behalf, been postage to which it would have been liable if the admitted since the Union by the House of Lords