

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Suffolk.*

*8th Suffolk Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Arthur Heathcote Montagu Long, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Adamson, promoted. Dated 29th May, 1866.

MEMORANDA.

*1st Regiment of Royal Surrey Militia.*

Adjutant John Hopkins, late Captain 49th Regiment of Foot, to serve with the rank of Captain. Dated 7th June, 1866.

Adjutant Thomas Jones, of the 1st Administrative Brigade of Northumberland Artillery Volunteers, to serve with the rank of Captain. Dated 28th May, 1866.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or in respect of letters, newspapers, parliamentary proceedings and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post, and by the same Act powers were 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 postage therein mentioned.

And whereas further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 85, 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.

And whereas it is expedient to make regulations for the transmission by the post between the Isthmus of Panama and ports on the West Coast of South America of certain packets in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

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 of Parliament, and each of them, 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 as follows, that is to say:—

1. All packets consisting of printed papers (other than British newspapers) or consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize of no intrinsic value posted in Panama addressed to any other port in the United States of Columbia or to any port in Ecuador, Bolivia, Chili, or Peru, may be transmitted by the post from Panama to any other Port in the United States of Columbia or to any port in Ecuador, Bolivia, Chili, or Peru, by British packet boat, subject to the several rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:

On every such packet, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform single rate of postage of three pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid progressive and additional rates of postage as follows; that is to say:

On every such packet, if exceeding four ounces and not exceeding one half of a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding one half of a pound and not exceeding one pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid four rates of postage;

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of one pound, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two additional rates of postage; and every fractional part of such additional half of a pound in weight shall be charged as an additional half of a pound in weight; and each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such packet would be charged with under this Warrant, if not exceeding four ounces in weight.

2. Every packet consisting of printed papers (other than British newspapers) which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the ends or sides, and it may contain any number of separate books or other publications, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, parchment, or vellum, and the books or other publications, prints, or maps may be either printed, written, or plain, or any mixture of the three, and all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, publication, print, or map, or of a portion thereof, shall be allowed to pass by the post, whether such binding, mounting, or covering be loose or attached, as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, and whatsoever is necessary for the safe transmission of literary or artistic matter, or usually appertains thereto; but no packet shall contain any written letter, nor any communication in the nature of a letter, closed or open, nor any enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any communication in the nature of a letter written in or upon any such packet or the cover thereof, nor shall any packet consist of or contain any photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents which may be obviously of an obscene character.

3. Every packet consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under, and subject to the several regulations and conditions hereinafter contained; that is to say:

No pattern or sample being of any intrinsic value, or being an article or thing of a saleable nature, or having a value of its own apart from its mere use as a pattern or sample, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

There shall be no enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure, not authorised by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet.

There shall be no writing in or upon any such packet or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender thereof, a trade mark, and numbers and prices.