

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 96, 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 whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act, passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the tenth and eleventh years 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 alter the rates of postage now chargeable on certain letters transmitted by the post between Gibraltar and Malta, and Egypt, and to fix certain other rates in lieu thereof, 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 respectively, 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, declare, and direct as follows; that is to say:

1. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight posted in Gibraltar or Malta, addressed to Egypt, or posted in Egypt, addressed to Gibraltar or Malta, and transmitted by the post between Gibraltar or Malta and Egypt direct by British packet boat there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of British postage of four pence.

2. On every such letter so transmitted as hereinbefore mentioned exceeding one half of an ounce in weight there shall be charged, taken, and paid the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

On every such letter exceeding one half of an ounce and not exceeding one ounce in weight there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such letter exceeding one ounce and not exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce three rates of postage;

And on every such letter exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight four rates of postage;

And for every additional half of an ounce in weight of any such letter above the weight of two ounces there shall be charged, taken, and paid one additional rate of postage, and every fractional part of such additional half of an ounce in weight shall be charged as an additional half of an ounce in weight, 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 one half of an ounce in weight.

3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed in anywise to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions or privileges granted by or under either of the herein before recited Acts, or by or under any other Acts of Parliament relating to the Post Office, or to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the privileges to which officers, seamen, and soldiers employed in Her Majesty's service are by law entitled of sending and receiving letters by the post, subject to the regulations and restrictions made and in force for the time being in respect of the same.

4. The several rates of postage fixed by this present Warrant on the letters transmitted by the post as herein respectively mentioned, shall be in lieu of those now chargeable thereon, under or by virtue of a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 20th day of December, 1856, which last-mentioned rates are hereby repealed, revoked, and annulled.

5. 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 rates of postage hereby fixed or altered, and may make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and may from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

6. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the sixth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Gerard Noel.
Henry Whitmore.

Whitehall, August 14, 1868.

The Right Honourable Sir William Bovill, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Francis Fenwick Pearson, of Kirkby Lonsdale, in the county of Westmorland, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Westmorland,

India Office, November 6, 1868.

THE Secretary of State for India in Council hereby gives notice,—

That the amount for which Tenders for Bills of Exchange on Calcutta and Madras will be received at the Bank of England, on Wednesday, the 18th instant, on the terms stated in the Advertisement issued from this Office on the 10th November, 1868, will be Rupees 20,00,000.

Clinton.