

delivery with postage at the following rates, that is to say :—

On each packet not exceeding two ounces in weight, one penny.

On each packet exceeding two ounces in weight, for the first two ounces, and for every additional two ounces or fractional part of two ounces, one penny.

35. If the postage on a pattern or sample packet is only partly prepaid, in accordance with the preceding regulation in that behalf, the packet shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof, or be forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged with double the deficient postage at the prepaid rate.

36. The postage on a pattern or sample packet may be prepaid, either by an adhesive postage stamp or stamps, or by the use of a stamped cover, or in money; but if in money, at such Post Offices only, within such hours only, and under and subject to all such regulations, conditions, and restrictions as the Postmaster-General shall from time to time think fit and direct.

37. In the case of the redirection of a pattern or sample packet made by an officer of the Post Office, to a place within the same free delivery as the original address, no redirection postage shall be charged.

38. In any case (not within the last preceding regulation) of the redirection of a pattern or sample packet a redirection postage shall be charged and paid at the prepaid pattern or sample packet rate, and such postage may be collected on the delivery of the packet charged.

39. Patterns or samples shall, when practicable, be posted in covers open at both ends, and so that the same may be easily removed for the purpose of examination, or in such other covers as the Postmaster-General shall from time to time approve. Nevertheless, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles as cannot be posted in open covers, but such articles only may be posted enclosed in boxes, or in bags of linen, or other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened, or in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

40. If any pattern or sample packet is sent by post otherwise than in conformity with the last preceding regulation, it shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof, or be forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged with postage as an unpaid letter of the same weight, but giving credit for any postage already paid.

41. There shall be no writing or printing upon any pattern or sample 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 or number, and the price of the articles, patterns or samples of which are contained therein, nor shall there be any writing or printing or other thing enclosed in any such packet, except the address of the sender thereof, a trade mark or number, and the price, and a description of the articles, patterns or samples of which are contained therein, which may be either written or printed, and any such permitted writing or printing in any such packet may be on labels attached to the patterns or samples.

42. If any pattern or sample packet shall be posted with any prohibited writing or printing or other thing thereon or therein, or on the cover

thereof, it shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof or be forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged with postage as an unpaid letter, but giving credit for any postage already paid.

43. If any pattern or sample packet shall be posted which shall contain any enclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or any other enclosure not authorized by these regulations, every such enclosure shall be taken out and forwarded to the address on the packet and charged with postage on delivery as an unpaid letter of the same weight, and the remainder of the packet, if duly prepaid, shall be forwarded to the place of its address, without any extra charge.

44. No pattern or sample packet shall be sent by post, the weight of which shall exceed 12 ounces.

45. If there shall be posted any pattern or sample packet, the weight of which shall exceed 12 ounces, such packet shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof or be forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged (in addition to any other postage with which the same may be chargeable, as an unpaid or insufficiently paid pattern or sample packet at the rates aforesaid), with postage as an unpaid book packet of the same weight.

46. No pattern or sample packet shall be forwarded by post the weight of which shall exceed 14 pounds, or (unless by the special permission in any case, or class of cases, of the Postmaster-General) the dimensions of which shall exceed 2 feet in length, or 1 foot in width or depth.

As to Post Cards for Inland Transmission.

47. Post cards, with an impressed stamp of one halfpenny, shall be issued by the Postmaster-General, and the cards so issued, and no others, shall be deemed to be post cards within the meaning of these regulations.

48. The address, and nothing else, shall be written, printed, or otherwise impressed on the side of the post card which bears the impressed stamp, and no part of the address shall be written, printed, or otherwise impressed across such stamp.

49. Anything (including a letter or communication in the nature of a letter) may be written, printed, or otherwise impressed on the side of the post card which does not bear the impressed stamp.

50. Nothing whatever shall be in any manner attached to a post card, nor shall a post card be cut or folded, or otherwise altered.

51. If any post card is sent by post otherwise than in conformity with these regulations, it shall be enclosed in a sealed cover and forwarded to its destination, charged, on delivery, with postage as an insufficiently paid letter of the same weight.

52. In the case of the redirection of a post card made by an officer of the Post Office to a place within the same free delivery as the original address, no redirection postage shall be charged.

53. In any case (not within the last preceding regulation) of the redirection of a post card, a redirection postage shall be charged and paid of one halfpenny, and such postage may be either prepaid by an adhesive stamp, or may be collected on the delivery of the post card.

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND DIRECTIONS.

54. Where the despatch or delivery from a post office of letters, would be delayed by the despatch or delivery therefrom at the same time of book