

Posting at Post Offices.

8. The following provisions shall apply to the posting of Parcels at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, that is to say :—

- (1.) It shall be the duty of the person bringing a Parcel to hand it to an officer on duty at the counter in such office.
- (2.) Such Parcel must bear the name and address of the sender, and the exact direction of the addressee, and must be packed in a manner adequate for the length of the journey, and for the protection of the contents. The Parcel must also be so packed as to prevent any tampering with its contents without leaving an obvious trace of its violation, and must be sealed by means of sealing wax, lead, or otherwise with some impress or mark of the sender. Such Parcel must also be accompanied by or have affixed to it a declaration of such kind, and stating the contents of the Parcel in such manner and form, and with such other particulars as the Commissioners of Customs and the Postmaster-General may prescribe.
- (3.) Such Parcel shall be measured and weighed by such officer, and (if such Parcel do not exceed the limits of measurement or weight hereinbefore mentioned) the postage thereof shall be prepaid in manner hereinbefore mentioned, and shall be verified by such officer, and no such Parcel shall be forwarded by the Post without the before-mentioned requirements being complied with; and if any such Parcel shall be left at a Post Office without such requirements being complied with, such Parcel shall be detained and may be returned or given up to the sender thereof, or otherwise dealt with or disposed of in any manner authorized by this Warrant.

Collection of Parcels.

9. The Postmaster-General may, if he think fit, from time to time authorize such of his officers as he may direct to receive Parcels for the Post under such regulations and conditions as he may from time to time prescribe.

Irregular Posting of Parcels.

10. Any Packet transmissible by Parcel Post from the United Kingdom which, from any words or marks thereon, or other external evidence appears to have been intended for transmission as a Parcel, but which has not been tendered for transmission as a Parcel, but has been posted in a Post Office Letter Box, or otherwise than according to the manner hereinbefore prescribed for the posting of Parcels, may, in the discretion of the Postmaster-General, either be detained and returned or given up to the sender, or if the said Packet is fully prepaid with the Letter or Book Packet rate of postage, and otherwise conforms to the Regulations as to the Letter or Book Post, may be forwarded as a Letter or Book Packet (as the case may be).

Return and Disposal of Undelivered Parcels.

11. With regard to—

- (a.) Parcels which are addressed to a Post Office in the United Kingdom to be called for, or to a place in the United Kingdom beyond the limits of the free postal delivery of any town or district, or to a ship at any port in the United Kingdom, and which are not called for or delivered within such reasonable times as the Postmaster-General may from time to time prescribe; and
- (b.) Parcels which cannot be delivered in the United Kingdom for want of a true direction, or by reason that the addressee is dead, or

cannot be found, or has refused the same, or has refused to pay any charges thereon, or for any other sufficient reason;

The following provisions shall apply, that is to say :—

- (1.) The Parcel shall, as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct, be retained at or forthwith forwarded to such place as the Postmaster-General may from time to time appoint, and may, if necessary, be there opened and examined.
- (2.) Notice shall be given to the sender through the Post Office of the Congo Free State that the Parcel will, in default of any claim on the part of the addressee, be given up to the sender's agent upon personal application at such place as aforesaid, or, at the request of the sender, will be returned to him by post upon payment of such charges as are hereinafter mentioned.
- (3.) The notice shall state that in default of the receipt by the Postmaster-General of an application for the Parcel, during a period to be specified in such notice, from some person who, in the Postmaster-General's judgment, is entitled to receive the Parcel, it will be disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may direct.
- (4.) The Postmaster-General may, in his discretion, specify in any such notice, or otherwise, the periods during which Parcels may be returned to the senders thereof, and in so doing may have regard to the nature and contents of Parcels.
- (5.) Where in the case of a Parcel which cannot be delivered for want of a true direction, the sender corrects the address of the Parcel, the Parcel shall be forwarded to the corrected address, subject to the following conditions :—
 - (a.) Where the corrected address of the Parcel is within the same free delivery as the original address, and the Parcel is not, at the time of such correction, lying at a Returned Letter Office, no new charge shall be made with respect to the delivery of the Parcel.
 - (b.) Where the corrected address of the Parcel is not within the same free delivery as the original address, or the Parcel at the time of such correction is lying at a Returned Letter Office, the sender shall pay a new and distinct rate of postage equal in amount to the rate of postage which would have been chargeable on such Parcel as an Inland Parcel.
- (6.) A Parcel shall not be given up or returned by post to the sender except upon payment by him of any charge for redirection or other charge to which the Parcel has become liable under the provisions of this Warrant, or of any such Regulations as are referred to in section 14 of "The Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882."
- (7.) Where the sender requests a Parcel to be returned to him by post, such Parcel shall not be returned to the sender except upon payment by him of a new and distinct rate of postage, according to the rates fixed by this Warrant, and all other charges to which the Parcel has become liable.
- (8.) The Postmaster-General may require proof to his satisfaction that an applicant for a Parcel is entitled to receive the same.
- (9.) Where no application is made for a Parcel within the period specified in any such notice as aforesaid, or an applicant fails to prove to