

returned or given up to the sender thereof or dealt with or disposed of in such other manner as may be authorized by the Postmaster-General.

17. There shall not be posted or conveyed or delivered by post any Parcel consisting of or containing two or more Parcels or other Postal Packets (of the same or of different descriptions) addressed to different persons at different addresses, and any such Parcel if posted or tendered for conveyance by post, may be detained, and either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or dealt with or disposed of as the Postmaster-General may authorize.

Non-compliance with Regulations.

18. In any case not in this Warrant expressly provided for, where any Parcel shall be posted or tendered for conveyance by post which in any respect infringes or fails to comply with the Regulations in this Warrant contained, or any of them, such Parcel may, at the option of the Postmaster-General, either be dealt with as in this Warrant provided, with reference to Parcels which cannot be delivered, or be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may in his discretion direct or authorize.

Provision for Safety of Parcels.

19. In any case where any officer of the Post Office may find it necessary or expedient for the safety or protection of Parcels that any Parcel should be forwarded or delivered by some later despatch or delivery than that for which the same was posted or despatched, or intended to be posted or despatched respectively, he may delay the despatch or delivery of such Parcel, or make such other and special arrangements as to the despatch or delivery thereof, not, however, involving a greater delay than 24 hours in the whole, as may be deemed by such officer necessary or expedient in the circumstances of the case.

Parcels not to interfere with Letter Post.

20. 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 Parcels, such Parcels, or any of them, may be detained in the Post Office until the despatch or delivery next following that by which they would ordinarily be despatched or delivered.

Postmaster-General not liable for Loss or Damage.

21. Nothing contained in or done under or in pursuance of this Warrant shall render the Postmaster-General liable, either personally or in his official capacity, to any action or other legal proceeding in respect of or in consequence of any loss or damage of any Parcel, whether such loss or damage be occasioned by or arise from any act or neglect of any officer of the Post Office or any other person.

Customs Regulations.

22. Parcels intended to be transmitted by post under the provisions of this Warrant shall not be posted, forwarded, conveyed, or delivered, except subject to such Regulations as are referred to in section 14 of "The Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882."

Remission of Postage.

23. The Postmaster-General may, in any case in which he may consider it just or reasonable so to do, remit any postage or any sum made payable under this Warrant.

Commencement of Warrant.

24. This Warrant shall come into operation on the fifteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

*Herbert Eustace Maxwell,
Sidney Herbert,*

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Henry Cecil Raikes,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Acts relating to Her Majesty's Post Office, and in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

Definitions.

1. In this Warrant:—

- (1.) The expression "Parcel" means a Postal Packet, which is posted as a Parcel, in accordance with the provisions of this Warrant, or any Warrant amending the same.
- (2.) The expression "United Kingdom" includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

Places between which Parcels may be transmitted.

2. From and after the date when this Warrant comes into operation Parcels may, subject to the provisions of this Warrant, be transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and Portugal, direct by sea, and between the United Kingdom and Madeira, and the Azores, by sea, via Lisbon.

Rates of Postage.

3. On all Parcels not exceeding seven pounds in weight transmitted by post under this Warrant, from the United Kingdom to Portugal, there shall be charged and paid a postage of two shillings and one penny.

4. On all Parcels not exceeding seven pounds in weight, transmitted by post under this Warrant from the United Kingdom to Madeira, there shall be charged and paid a postage of two shillings and sixpence.

5. On all Parcels not exceeding seven pounds in weight transmitted by post under this Warrant from the United Kingdom, to the Azores there shall be charged and paid a postage of two shillings and eleven pence.

Maximum Dimensions and Weights.

6. Except by permission of the Postmaster-General, no Parcel the dimensions of which shall exceed in any direction two feet shall be conveyed or tendered for conveyance by post under this Warrant.

7. No Parcel which shall exceed seven pounds in weight shall be conveyed or tendered for conveyance by post under this Warrant.

Prepayment.

8. The postage chargeable according to the respective rates hereinbefore mentioned shall in all cases (except as otherwise provided in this Warrant) be prepaid at the time of posting, and such prepayment shall in the United Kingdom be effected by means of adhesive postage stamps, or at such Post Offices, within such hours and under and subject to such regulations as the Postmaster-General shall from time to time prescribe, in money.