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TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act 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 from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid, and it is provided that the power thereby given should extend to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage.

And whereas, in consequence of a communication opened with the Government of Brazil, it is considered expedient to alter the rates of postage payable on the letters hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the undersigned, being two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do, in exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by the said recited Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling us in this behalf, direct that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any port in Brazil, conveyed between the United Kingdom and Brazil direct by packet-boat, there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, an uniform rate of British postage of one shilling; and that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any two ports in Brazil direct by packet-boat, without passing through the United Kingdom, there shall be charged and taken in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, an uniform rate of British postage of three pence half-penny.

And we direct that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between Brazil and any of Her Majesty's Colonies, or any Foreign Country, through the United Kingdom, conveyed direct by packet-boat or

private ship between the United Kingdom and Brazil, there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters if conveyed between the United Kingdom and Brazil by packet-boat, an uniform rate of British postage of one shilling for the conveyance of every such letter between Brazil and any part of the United Kingdom; and if by private ship an uniform rate of British postage of eight pence for the conveyance of any such letter between Brazil and any part of the United Kingdom; and there shall be also charged on all such letters, whether conveyed by packet-boat or private ship, such a further or additional rate of British postage for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and the Colony or Foreign Country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, as shall from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and such Colony or Foreign Country.

And we further direct that on every letter transmitted as hereinbefore in this Warrant is mentioned, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, progressive and additional rates of postage as follows; that is to say:—

On every letter exceeding half an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every letter exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every letter exceeding two ounces, and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

And on every letter exceeding three ounces, and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage.

And for every ounce in weight above the weight of four ounces there shall be charged and taken two additional rates of postage; and every fraction of an ounce above the weight of four ounces shall be charged as one additional ounce; and each progressive and ad-