

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

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

And on every such 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 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 half an ounce in weight.

And we direct that in all cases in which any letter, in respect of which any rate of postage is chargeable by this Warrant, shall pass through a Foreign Country, any Foreign postage payable thereon shall be charged and paid thereon in addition to the British postage.

And we further direct that nothing in this Warrant contained shall in anywise prejudice or affect the privilege granted by the said recited Act in favour of petitions and addresses forwarded to Her Majesty by the post; nor the privilege granted by the same Act to Members of each House of Parliament to receive by the post petitions and addresses to Her Majesty, and petitions addressed to either House of Parliament, not exceeding thirty-two ounces in weight, exempt from postage; nor shall anything in this Warrant contained in anywise prejudice or affect the privilege which seamen and soldiers employed in Her Majesty's Service, and seamen and soldiers employed in the Service of the East India Company, now by law enjoy, of sending and receiving by the post letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, subject to the regulations and restrictions in respect of the same.

And we further direct that nothing in this Warrant contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any letters or packets posted in or addressed to France, or any Foreign Country through France, and transmitted between France or Foreign Countries through France and the Cape of Good Hope; all which last-mentioned letters and packets shall be charged and chargeable with the same rates of postage as if this Warrant had not been signed.

And we further direct that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any letters, the sea conveyance of which shall be by a packet-boat belonging to, or employed by, or under the Government or Post-office of the United States of America, or the sea conveyance of which in the Mediterranean shall be by a French packet-boat; all which letters shall be charged and chargeable as if this Warrant had not been signed.

And we further direct that the term "by the post" used in this Warrant, shall, as to the sea conveyance, include the conveyance by any British or Colonial, or Foreign packet-boat (packet-boats belonging to or employed by or under the Government or Post-office of the United States of America, and French Mediterranean packet-boats excepted); and the said term shall also include the sea conveyance by any private ship.

And we further direct, that so far as regards any such letters posted in or forwarded through

the United Kingdom, addressed to the Cape of Good Hope, this Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of June next; and that so far as regards any such letters posted at the Cape of Good Hope, addressed to or forwarded through the United Kingdom, this Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of August next.

Provided lastly, and we hereby declare and direct that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant duly made, at any time hereafter to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury-chambers, the twentieth day of April 1857.

MONCK.
H. BRAND.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Stafford.

Lieutenant-Colonel James Horton to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 13th April 1857.

2d Regiment of King's Own Staffordshire Militia. Lieutenant Frederick Alfred Augustus Whyte has been permitted to resign his Commission.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Wilts.

Royal Wilts Militia.

Ensign Alfred Wyndham to be Lieutenant, vice Paton, appointed Quartermaster. Dated 8th April 1857.

Ensign Thomas Edward Pinkett to be Lieutenant, vice Robinson, promoted. Dated 9th April 1857.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Bristol.

Royal South Gloucester Light Infantry Regiment of Militia.

Thomas Lyford Champion, gent. to be Ensign. Dated 17th April 1857.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Nottingham.

Southern Regiment of Nottinghamshire Yeomanry Cavalry.

Henry Charlton Staunton, Esq. to be Cornet, vice Lowe, promoted. Dated 13th April 1857.

Henry Beavor, gent. to be Cornet, vice Clowes, promoted. Dated 13th April 1857.

County of Donegal.

The following appointment has been made by the Marquess of Abercorn, Lieutenant of the County, in the Prince of Wales' Own Regiment of Militia:

Alexander McCausland Hamilton, Gentleman, to be Ensign, vice Gillespie, promoted. Commission dated 16th March 1857.

JAS. COCHRAN,
Clerk of the Peace for the County of Donegal.