

Colonial postage, charged or chargeable on any letters sent by the post; and also, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to require the postage, British, Colonial, or Foreign, of any letters sent by the post to be prepaid either in money or in stamps, as he might think fit, on the same being put into the Post-office.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant under their hands bearing date the 17th day of March 1863, fixed, made, and established certain rates of British postage, payable on the transmission by the post of (amongst others) letters between the United Kingdom and Saint Thomas and Saint Croix.

And whereas it is expedient to make regulations for the prepayment of the rates of postage payable on the letters hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this present Warrant, under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, (by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided,) order and direct as follows, that is to say:—

1. On every letter posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Danish Colonies in the West Indies, or posted in the Danish Colonies in the West Indies addressed to the United Kingdom, and conveyed by British packet-boat, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted.

2. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Danish Colonies in the West Indies, or shall be posted in the Danish Colonies in the West Indies addressed to the United Kingdom for conveyance by British packet-boat without the postage payable thereon being paid at the time of the same being posted, every such letter shall be charged with the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been fully paid thereon when posted, together with the further and additional rate of postage of one shilling.

3. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Danish Colonies in the West Indies, or shall be posted in the Danish Colonies in the West Indies addressed to the United Kingdom, for conveyance by British packet-boat, and the postage paid thereon shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such letter would be liable, under or by virtue of the regulations in force relating thereto, every such letter shall be charged with the amount of the difference between the postage paid thereon and the postage to which it would have been liable if the full amount of postage had been paid when posted, together with the further and additional rate of postage of one shilling.

4. The several terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

5. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands duly made, at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions, or regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations in lieu thereof.

6. This Warrant shall come into operation on the 1st day of January 1865.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the twenty-eighth day of November 1864.

E. H. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN.
WM. DUNBAR.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter ninety-six, for the Regulation of the Duties of Postage, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or in respect of letters, newspapers, parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post; and by the same Act powers were 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 postage therein mentioned.

And whereas further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter eighty-five, for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post-office.

And whereas it is expedient to authorise the transmission by the post between the United Kingdom and the British West Indies, and the Colonies of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Lagos, and the Gold Coast, of certain packets, and for that purpose to make certain regulations in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament, and every of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf do, by this Warrant, under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided, order and direct as follows (that is to say):—

1. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandise, of no intrinsic value, posted in any part of the United Kingdom addressed to any port in the British West Indies, or to any part of the Colonies of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Lagos, or the Gold Coast, or posted in any port in the British West Indies, or in any part of the Colonies of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Lagos, and the Gold Coast, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and the British West Indies, and the Colonies of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Lagos, and the Gold Coast, subject to the several rates of postage, and to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions hereinafter mentioned and contained (that is to say):—

On every such packet, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform single rate of postage of threepence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces and not exceeding one-half of a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;