

such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, may be enclosed in boxes or in bags of linen, paper, or other material, which shall be tied with a string, or otherwise fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; and closed bags, if transparent, may be used for this purpose.

No article which might injure the contents of the mail bags, or the persons of the officers of the Post-office, shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant; nevertheless any packet containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, shall and may (notwithstanding anything in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 18th day of November 1844, contained to the contrary) be transmitted by the post under the authority of the 19th clause of this Warrant, subject to the several rates of postage, and to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein mentioned and contained relating thereto, provided that every such article or instrument so contained in any such packet shall be securely packed and guarded; and every such packet shall not only conform in every respect to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein contained, but the same shall also furnish sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post-office and to the contents of the mail bags, while at the same time the patterns or samples may be easily examined.

20. If any packet of patterns or samples of merchandize sent, or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be posted without any postage having been paid thereon, every such packet shall and may be detained and opened, and shall be returned or given up to the sender thereof, and on being so returned or given up, shall, at the option of the Postmaster-General, be either free of postage or be charged with any rate of postage he may think fit, not exceeding the postage to which it would have been liable as an unpaid letter; but if any such packet shall be posted with a postage paid thereon which shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under or by virtue of this Warrant, every such last-mentioned packet shall be forwarded charged with double the amount of the deficient postage.

21. No packet consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize shall be forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant in respect of which the several orders, directions, regulations, restrictions, and conditions hereinbefore in the several clauses of this Warrant respectively contained relating to the same shall not be complied with in all respects, except only such packets as are in the last preceding clause mentioned and referred to.

22. In order to prevent any obstacle to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any officer of the Post-office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be dispatched in due course of the post, or (at his option) until the dispatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

23. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet or anything contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive on all parties.

24. 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 recited Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96.

25. 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 rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, or conditions in lieu thereof, and may from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

26. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of November one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Whitehall, Treasury-chambers, the twenty-third day of October one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

W. P. ADAM.

E. H. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN.

July 5, 1865.

The Right Honourable Sir Alexander Edmund Cockburn, Bart., and Sir John Mellor, Knt., two of the Justices of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, at Westminster, have appointed Frederick Thomas Dubois, of No. 3, Church Passage, Gresham Street, in the city of London, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner for administering oaths in Common Law in the said Court.

June 27, 1865.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt., and Sir Montague Smith, Knt., two of the Justices of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, have appointed Frederick Thomas Dubois, of No. 3, Church Passage, Gresham Street, in the city of London, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner for administering oaths in Common Law in the said Court.

October 1, 1863.

The Right Honourable Sir Frederick Pollock, Knt., and Sir William Fry Channell, Knt., two of the Barons of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, at Westminster, have appointed Frederick Thomas Dubois, of No. 3, Church Passage, Gresham Street, in the city of London, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner for administering oaths in Common Law in the said Court.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 55.) NORTH ATLANTIC—NORTH-WEST COAST OF FRANCE.

Port of Brest.

INFORMATION has been received at the Admiralty, from H. M. Consul at Brest, that in