

*Admiralty-Office, April 8, 1795.*

Whereas several Lieutenants of His Majesty's Navy, now unemployed, have omitted give Information to this Office of the Places of their Residence, notwithstanding the Notice inserted in the London Gazette in the Months of November and December last; It is the Direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that such Lieutenants do, within the Space of Six Weeks from this Date, or sooner, if possible, transmit to this Office the Information required, and that such of them as are incapable, either from Age or bodily Infirmity, of further Service, do, at the same Time transmit an Affidavit from a Qualified Surgeon, of such Inability, specifying therein the Cause or Causes thereof, that their Lordships may judge how far it may be proper to call for the further Services of such Lieutenants.

In case the same Disregard should be paid to this as hath been shewn to the former Notice, it is their Lordships Intention to mark their Disapprobation of the Conduct of such Officers in the strongest Manner, by striking their Names off the List of Lieutenants of His Majesty's Navy.

*Evan Nepean.*

*General Post-Office, May 6, 1795.*

By an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for further regulating the sending and receiving Letters free from the Duty of Postage; for allowing Non-commissioned Officers, Seamen, and Private Men, in the Navy and Army, whilst on Service, to send and receive Letters at a low Rate of Postage; and for permitting Patterns and Samples of Goods to be transmitted by the Post at an easier Rate than is now allowed by Law."

No Letter or Packet whatsoever, sent by the Post within Great Britain, directed by or to any Member of either House of Parliament of Great-Britain, shall, from and after the 5th Instant, be exempted from the Duty of Postage, if such Letter or Package shall exceed One Ounce in Weight.

No Letter or Packet directed by any such Member, shall be exempted from the Postage, unless the Member whose Name shall be inserted thereon, shall actually be in the Post Town into the Post-Office of which every such Letter or Packet shall be put, or within the Limits of the Delivery of Letters for such Post-Town, or within Twenty Miles of such Post-Town, on the Day, or on the Day before the Day on which such Letter or Packet shall be put into the Post-Office.

No such Member shall be entitled or allowed to send by the Post, free from Postage, superscribed or directed by him, more than Ten Letters in any One Day, nor to receive by the Post, free from Postage, more than Fifteen Letters directed to him in any One Day.

Provided, that whenever the Number of Letters or Packets, not weighing more than One Ounce each, sent or received by any such Member in any One Day, shall exceed the Number exempted by the said Act from Postage, and the Rate of Postage upon any of them shall differ, then such of the said Letters or Packets as would be chargeable with a higher Rate of Postage than the Remainder, shall be included in the Number so exempted, in Preference to any which would be chargeable with

a lower Rate of Postage, and the Remainder shall be chargeable with the several Rates of Postage respectively to which such Letters would now by Law be chargeable, if sent or received by any Persons not entitled to send or receive Letters or Packets free from Postage.

The several Persons who by Law are authorized in Right of their Offices and Employments to send and receive Letters free from Postage, and their Successors in such Offices and Employments, may, during their Continuance in such Offices and Employments, send and receive Letters and Packets, free from Postage, as they now send and receive the same.

No printed Votes or Proceedings in Parliament, or printed Newspapers sent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides, which shall be signed on the Outside thereof by the Hand of any Member of Parliament as heretofore practised, or which shall be directed to any such Member at any Place whereof he shall have given Notice in Writing to the Postmaster-General, or his Deputy, shall be charged with Postage.

No single Letter sent by the Post from any Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman, or Private employed in His Majesty's Navy, Army, Militia, Fencible Regiments, Artillery or Marines, shall, whilst such Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman or Private shall be employed on His Majesty's Service, and not otherwise, be charged with an higher Rate of Postage than the Sum of One Penny for the Conveyance of each such Letter, such Postage to be paid at the Time of putting the same into the Post-Office of the Town or Place from whence such Letter is intended to be sent by the Post.

Provided, that no such Letter shall be exempted from Postage unless there shall be written thereon in the Hand-Writing of and signed by the Commanding Officer for the Time being of the Ship or Vessel, or of the Corps, Regiment, or Detachment to which such Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman, or Private shall belong, the Name of such Commanding Officer, and of the Ship, Vessel, Corps, Regiment or Detachment commanded by him.

No single Letter, directed to any such Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman or Private, upon his own private Concerns, only whilst such Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman or Private shall be employed on His Majesty's Service, and not otherwise, shall be charged with an higher Rate of Postage than One Penny for each such Letter, which Penny shall be paid at the Time of the Delivery thereof.

Provided, that no such Letter shall be exempted from the Rates of Postage chargeable upon Letters, unless every such Letter shall be directed to such Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman or Private, specifying the Ship, Vessel, Regiment, Troop, Corps, Company, or Detachment to which he may belong: And provided also that it shall not be lawful for the Deputy Postmaster of the Town or Place to which such Letter shall be sent to be delivered, to deliver such Letter to any Person, except to the Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman, or Private to whom such Letter shall be directed; or to any Person appointed to receive the same by the Commanding Officer of the Ship, &c. to which the Non-commissioned Officer, Seaman, or Private