

Foreign country, or between any ports, islands, or places out of the United Kingdom, there shall be charged and taken the like rates of British postage as are by law now payable; in respect to single Letters so transmitted (Letters on which uniform rates of postage between any such places are now legally payable, being still liable to, and charged therewith, according to the respective amounts thereof); and the said Letters, whether at present rated from or to the port of departure and arrival of the packet conveying the same or not, shall, for the purposes of this Warrant, be deemed and considered to be so rated, and the rates shall be charged and taken accordingly.

And on every Letter so transmitted (Letters chargeable with uniform rates of postage as aforesaid excepted), which shall be posted within the United Kingdom at any other place than the port of departure of the packet, by which the same shall be forwarded, or which shall be addressed to, or delivered at, any other place within the United Kingdom than the port at which the packet bringing the same shall arrive, and not exceeding half an ounce in weight, an inland rate of twopence shall be charged and taken, in addition to the rates of British postage, now payable thereon as aforesaid.

And on every Letter, so transmitted as hereinbefore respectively mentioned, exceeding half an ounce in weight (Letters on which uniform rates are payable as aforesaid included), there shall be charged and taken progressive and additional rates of British postage, according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinbefore contained, estimating and charging each additional rate at the amount hereinbefore directed to be charged and taken on every Letter so transmitted not exceeding half an ounce in weight, and charging the inland rate (if any) as aforesaid.

And we further order and direct, that in all cases in which the British rates hereinbefore directed to be charged on Letters transmitted by Post between the United Kingdom and foreign parts, or between the United Kingdom and any of Her Majesty's colonies or dominions through a foreign country, or between any places out of the United Kingdom, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, shall exceed the duty of postage which would be payable by law according to the existing rates on single Letters so transmitted in case this warrant had not been made, there shall be charged and taken on such Letters the like rates of postage only and no more as would by law be payable according to the existing rates by distance or otherwise in respect of such single Letters; and on any such Letters exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged and paid the progressive additional rates according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinbefore contained, estimating and charging each additional rate at the amount payable according to the existing rates for every such single Letter.

That with reference to the existing Treaties between His late Majesty King William the Fourth, Her present Majesty, and His Majesty the King of the French, Letters between the United Kingdom and France may be sent without being pre-paid; but

in all other cases of Letters sent out of the United Kingdom, it shall be lawful for the Postmaster-General to require the postage thereof to be paid by the sender on the tender or delivery of such Letters at the Post-office, or other place appointed by the Postmaster-General for the receipt of such Letters for the purpose of transmission by the Post (subject, nevertheless, to the regulations and enactments in this respect contained in the Act of the first Victoria, cap. 34, sec. 14).

And we order and direct, that all additional rates at any time heretofore payable by law on letters transmitted by post to or from Ireland by way of Holyhead in respect of the Menai-bridge, and by way of Conway and Chester in respect of Conway-bridge, and by way of Milford and Waterford, and also the additional rate of one halfpenny on Letters conveyed by the Post in any part of Scotland by a mail carriage with more than two wheels, shall be wholly remitted and shall cease to be payable.

That all additional rates for Letters originally sent by the General Post to places within the United Kingdom, directed beyond the limits of the delivery of the General Post, and delivered by any twopenny or penny or convention Post, or originally sent by any twopenny or penny or convention Post, and afterwards passing through the General Post, shall also be remitted and cease to be payable.

That on and after the said 10th day of January next, the privilege of sending and receiving Letters by the post free of postage, whether Parliamentary, official, or of any other description whatsoever (except as hereinafter provided), as well under an Act, passed in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intitled "An Act for regulating the sending and receiving of Letters and packets by the post free from the duty of postage" (being the 1 Vict. c. 35), as under any other Act or Acts now in force, or under any other authority whatsoever, shall be wholly suspended during the time this Warrant shall be in force; and that all Letters to which any such privileges now extend (except as aforesaid), shall thenceforth be charged, and chargeable with the like rates as any other Letters transmitted by the post will be chargeable with, under or by virtue of this present Warrant.

That the printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, and printed votes and proceedings of the Colonial Legislatures, may be forwarded by the Post between places in the United Kingdom, or between the United Kingdom and Her Majesty's colonies (but not through France, nor to the East Indies, via Falmouth and Alexandria), subject, nevertheless, to all the regulations and restrictions in force under the said Act of the 1st Victoria, cap. 34, which votes and proceedings shall be charged with the rates of postage following (that is to say):

If not exceeding two ounces in weight, there shall be charged and paid a rate of one penny.

If exceeding two ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged and paid a rate of two pence.

And for every additional two ounces in weight above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged an additional rate of postage of one penny.