

10th day of January 1840; and we order and direct the same to be charged and paid accordingly, that is to say:

*Inland Letters.*

On all Letters, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the Post, between places within the United Kingdom (not being Letters sent to or from parts beyond the seas), there shall be charged and taken one uniform rate of postage of one penny, without reference to the number of sheets or pieces of paper, or enclosures of which the same may be comprised, or to the distance or number of miles the same shall be conveyed; and that on all such Letters, if exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged and taken progressive and additional rates of postage (each additional rate being estimated at one penny), according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinbefore fixed and declared; provided, that such postage of one penny, and such progressive and additional postage be pre-paid at the time of posting such Letters; but, in case such postage on any such Letters shall not be pre-paid when posted, there shall be charged on such Letters a postage of double the amount to which such Letters would otherwise have been liable under this present warrant.

That all Letters forwarded under the authority of the Postmaster-General, by private vessels or packet boats, and transmitted between places in the United Kingdom, shall be considered as forwarded by the Post between such places, and be charged accordingly.

*Colonial Letters, by Packet.*

That on all Letters, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted between any place within the United Kingdom, wherever situate, and any other of the British dominions or colonies, by packet boat, and not through France (including, however, Letters to and from the East Indies by way of Falmouth and Alexandria), there shall be charged and taken one uniform rate of British postage of one shilling; and, if exceeding such weight, then progressive and additional rates of postage according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinbefore contained, each additional rate being estimated at one shilling.

*Ship Letters.*

That on all letters transmitted by vessels not being packet boats, between the United Kingdom and any place beyond the seas (including Ceylon, the Mauritius, the Cape of Good Hope, and the East Indies), there shall be charged and taken for British postage the rates following, at whatever place within the United Kingdom the same may be posted or delivered, that is to say, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight, one uniform rate of eightpence; and if exceeding such weight, then progressive and additional rates of postage according to the scale of weight, and number of rates hereinbefore contained, estimating and charging each additional rate at eightpence.

*Foreign Letters.*

That on all letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by post,

Between any part of the United Kingdom and France, or any other Foreign country through France (Letters to and from any of Her Majesty's colonies or dominions excepted), there shall be charged and taken uniform rates of postage of the like amounts, as are now payable by law on single Letters transmitted between London and any such Foreign country.

Between the United Kingdom and Foreign parts (except France and any Foreign country through France), or between the United Kingdom and any of Her Majesty's colonies or dominions through a 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