

of British postage of one shilling; and if any such letter be also transmitted by packet boat between any ports or places on the western coast of South America, there shall be charged and taken thereon in addition to the said uniform rate, the western coast packet rate of one shilling, mentioned in the schedule hereto.

And whereas post letters transmitted by packet boat between Her Majesty's colonies or possessions in North or South America, or the West Indies, are by law chargeable by enclosures, although post letters transmitted between such colonies or possessions by private ship are chargeable by weight.

And whereas it is expedient that letters transmitted between such colonies or possessions, by packet boat, should in future be chargeable by weight.

Now we, the undersigned, Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do, in further exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by the said recited Act, direct that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by packet boat between any port in Her Majesty's colonies or possessions in North or South America, or the West Indies, and any other port in any of such colonies or possessions (without passing through the United Kingdom), there shall be charged and paid, in lieu of the postage now payable on such letters, a rate of postage of fourpence.

And we further direct that, on every letter transmitted as is mentioned in this warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged and taken progressive and additional rates of postage, according to the scale of weight and number of rates in the said Act contained as to letters, estimating and charging each additional rate at the sum which any such letter would be charged with under this warrant, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight.

And we further direct that the Postmaster General may in his discretion cause the postage of any letters sent, or to be sent, by the posts, between places not within the United Kingdom, to be paid on being put into the post-office, or on being delivered to an officer of the post-office to be forwarded by the post.

And we further direct that nothing contained in this warrant, or in any warrant already issued by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the said recited Act, shall be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by the said recited Act, or by an Act, made and passed in the first year of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the management of the Post Office," and that all such exemptions and privileges shall remain in full force.

And we further direct, that the terms and expressions used in this present warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said first recited Act.

And we further direct, that this warrant shall come into operation on the 1st day of January 1842.

Provided always, and we hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, for the time being, of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any three of them, by warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and, from time to time, to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

*Schedule.* s. d.

Between any ports in Madeira and the Canary Islands, or between any port in Madeira or the Canary Islands and the Azores, or between Madeira or the Canary Islands or the Azores, and any port in the West Indies or North or South America, other than the Western Coast (not passing through the United Kingdom) - 1 0

Between any port in the United Kingdom and any port in the Canary Islands or the Azores - 1 8

Between any port in the United Kingdom and any port in Central America or Venezuela, or New Grenada (ports in the British colonies or possessions and the Isthmus of Panama, and on the Western Coast of South America, excepted) - 2 1

Between any port in the West Indies or North or South America, whether in Her Majesty's colonies or not (but not including ports on the Western Coast of South America), and any other port in the West Indies or North or South America (except the Western Coast), not in Her Majesty's colonies or possessions (without passing through the United Kingdom) - 1 0

Between any ports or places on the Western Coast of South America (in addition to any other rates payable under this warrant for the transmission by packet boat, to or from the Northern or Eastern Coast of the Isthmus of Panama) - 1 0

And, in addition to the said rates between the United Kingdom and the Canary Islands, the Azores, Central America, Venezuela, and New Grenada, there shall be charged and paid on every letter, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by packet boat between the United Kingdom and the Canary Islands, the Azores, Central America, Venezuela, and New Grenada (the British colonies or possessions and the Isthmus of Panama excepted), an inland postage of two pence for the distance any such letter shall be conveyed within the United Kingdom, when not posted at the port from which