

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and not exceeding one pound and one half of another pound in weight, there shall be charged and taken one uniform rate of postage of sixpence.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and one half of another pound, and not exceeding two pounds in weight, there shall be charged and taken one uniform rate of postage of eight pence.

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet, above the weight of two pounds, there shall be charged and taken an additional rate of postage of two pence.

And every fractional part of every such additional half of a pound in weight shall be charged as one half of a pound in weight.

3. And we do further order and direct, that no such packet, which in length, or width, or depth, shall exceed the dimensions of two feet, shall be forwarded by the post under the provisions aforesaid.

4. And we do further order and direct that the postage of all such packets as aforesaid shall in every case be paid at the time of the same being posted, not in money, but by being duly stamped with the proper postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, which stamp or stamps shall in every case be affixed or appear on the outside of every such packet, near the address or direction, and shall be of the value or amount of the postage duty payable thereon under or by virtue of this Warrant, unless any such packet be sent from any department or office in or connected with the public service of Her Majesty which shall keep a postage account with the General Post-office, in London, in which case the same shall be forwarded post paid, and the postage thereof shall be charged on such postage account.

5. And we do further order and direct, that for the purposes of this Warrant, the terms "books," "publications, or works of literature or art" shall mean, comprise, and include all books (whether printed, written, or plain), publications, or compilations (whether in print or in manuscript), almanacks, prints, maps (whether on paper, or canvass, or cloth, and whether printed or written), printed or lithographed letters, and any description of paper, parchment, or vellum (whether printed, lithographed, written upon, or plain, or any mixture of the four), together with any binding, mounting, or covering of, or upon, or belonging to any book, or publication, or work, or any portion thereof, or of, or belonging to any paper, parchment, or vellum, and any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book markers (whether of paper or otherwise), pencils, pens, or other articles usually appertaining to any such book, publication, or work, paper, parchment, or vellum, or necessary for its safe transmission, except where any such packet shall be transmitted by the post upon or in respect of which a less rate of postage than a minimum rate of four pence shall be paid, and in all cases where any such packets shall be transmitted by the post upon or in respect of which a less rate of postage than a minimum rate of four pence shall be paid, every such packet shall consist of and comprise all such before-mentioned books, publications or compilations, almanacks, prints, maps, letters, paper, parchment, or vellum only as shall be printed or lithographed, or contain printed or lithographed matter only (whether bound or unbound), and shall not comprise, extend to, or include any packet consisting of or containing any

rollers of prints, or maps, or book markers, pencils, pens, or other articles.

6. And we do further order and direct, that every such packet shall be sent open at the ends or sides, and either without a cover or in a cover or envelope open at the ends or sides, and that there shall be no written letter, either closed or open, nor any written communication in the nature of a letter, nor any enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure not authorized by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet; nor shall there be any written letter, or any written communication in the nature of a letter, in or upon any such packet, or on the cover or envelope thereof; nor (unless a minimum rate of postage of four pence shall be paid upon or in respect of such packet) any writing whatever in or upon any such packet, or upon the cover or envelope thereof, except the address.

7. And, in order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, We do further order and direct, that it shall be lawful for any officer of the Post-office to delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, 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.

8. And we do further order and direct, that the transmission of the packets aforesaid, under this present Warrant, shall be restricted to such as shall be sent by the post between places within the United Kingdom and by the post of any post-town in the United Kingdom. And that nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to, interfere with, or in any wise to affect, any privileges relating to the transmission by the post of printed votes and proceedings of Parliament sent by the post under the regulations prescribed by the said Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, or of printed newspapers sent by the post under and pursuant to certain orders and regulations made by the Postmaster-General for the transmission by the post of printed newspapers and certain periodical publications, and dated the 24th day of December, 1855. Nevertheless, any printed votes and proceedings of Parliament, or printed newspapers, which are not authorized to be transmitted by the post under the said respective regulations, may be transmitted by the post, at the rates of postage and under the regulations contained in this Warrant, nor shall this present Warrant be construed to extend to any packet sent by the post between the United Kingdom and places beyond the seas.

9. And we do further order and direct, that if any packet, or the cover or envelope of any packet sent or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this present Warrant, shall not be open at the ends or sides, or shall in length or width or depth exceed the dimensions of two feet, or if there shall be any written letter, or any written communication in the nature of a letter, in or upon any such packet, or on the cover or envelope thereof, every such packet shall and may be detained and opened, and, at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom it shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination, and every such packet, on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall be chargeable with a postage of double the amount of