

tive packets so to be transmitted under the provisions of this present Warrant, shall be subject as well to the several progressive and additional rates of postage aforesaid, as also to the said several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions (except as aforesaid) respectively mentioned, expressed, and contained in and by the said hereinbefore recited Warrant of the 22nd of February, 1855, in like manner in all respects, and as fully and effectually, to all intents and purposes, as if the said several progressive and additional rates of postage, and the said several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions (except such only as relate exclusively to packets posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to the East Indies or New South Wales, or posted in the East Indies or New South Wales, addressed to the United Kingdom), respectively mentioned and contained in the said hereinbefore recited Warrant of the 22nd day of February, 1855, were contained, inserted, expressed, and repeated in this present Warrant, and as if the said colonies of the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, and Vancouver's Island, respectively, with a single rate of postage of sixpence set forth against each and every such respective colonies, had been and was mentioned and contained and included in the said Schedule B, annexed to the said hereinbefore recited Warrant of the 22nd day of February, 1855.

And we do further order and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant duly made at any time hereafter, to alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of 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.

And we do further order and direct, that this Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July next.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the nineteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

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#### TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intitled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British or inland postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters, or newspapers, or any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and to make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof.

And whereas it is expedient that regulations should be made for the transmission by the post of the letters hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by the said Act, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant (under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided), order and direct, that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between

any place in the United Kingdom and the colonies of the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, Vancouver's Island, Heligoland, the Ionian Islands, and Natal respectively (direct or through any other colony, or through any foreign country) there shall be charged and taken in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters an uniform British rate of six pence.

And we direct, that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between the said colonies of the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, Vancouver's Island, Heligoland, the Ionian Islands, and Natal, or any of them, and any other of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country through the United Kingdom (whether through any colony or foreign country or not), there shall be charged and taken, in lieu of any rates of British postage now payable by law on such letters, the rates of British postage following; that is to say:

For the conveyance of every such letter between the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, Vancouver's Island, Heligoland, the Ionian Islands, and Natal, or any of them, and any part of the United Kingdom, a rate of sixpence; and for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and the colony or foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, such a further or additional rate of postage as shall from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and any such colony or foreign country.

And we direct, that on every letter, transmitted as is mentioned in this Warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, progressive and additional rates of postage as follows; that is to say:

On every such letter exceeding half an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every such letter exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every such letter exceeding two ounces and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

And on every such letter exceeding three ounces, and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage.

And for every ounce in weight, above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged and taken two additional rates of postage; and every fraction of an ounce, above the weight of four ounces, shall be charged as one additional ounce; and each progressive and additional rate, chargeable under this clause, shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such letter would be charged with under this Warrant if not exceeding half an ounce in weight.

And we direct that in all cases in which any letter in respect of which any rate of postage is chargeable by this Warrant shall pass through a foreign country, any foreign postage payable thereon shall be charged and paid thereon in addition to the British postage.

And we further direct, that nothing in this Warrant contained, shall in anywise prejudice or affect the privilege granted by the said recited Act, in favour of petitions and addresses forwarded to Her Majesty by the post; nor the privilege