

amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under and by virtue of the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions hereinbefore contained, but equal in amount to the single rate of postage which would be chargeable under this Warrant if such packet did not exceed four ounces in weight, every such packet shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the difference between the postage so paid thereon, or postage stamps affixed thereto, and the postage to which such packet would be liable as aforesaid, together with a further and additional rate of postage equal in amount to the single rate of postage chargeable under this Warrant on a packet not exceeding four ounces in weight; but if any such packet shall be posted in any of the colonies mentioned in the said schedule B, without any postage having been paid thereon, or any postage stamp affixed thereto, or with a postage paid thereon or postage stamp affixed thereto less in amount than the single rate of postage chargeable under this Warrant, every such last-mentioned 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 last-mentioned packet, on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall be chargeable with the like amount of postage to which it would have been liable as a letter if the postage had been paid when posted. And such postage may be either paid by the sender or may be charged to the person to whom such packet shall be forwarded.

10. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to any packet sent through France or any other foreign country to which a transit rate of postage would be payable thereon.

11. The Postmaster-General shall and may have and exercise the option of sending any packets hereby authorised to be sent by the post under the provisions aforesaid, either by packet-boat or by private ship at the same rate of postage as by packet-boat, when and as he shall think fit.

12. The respective packets transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant shall be subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and rates of postage respectively contained in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, under the hands of two of the said Commissioners, bearing date the 19th day of February, 1855, relating to redirected rates of postage upon letters and packets which shall be redirected and again forwarded by the post.

13. The term "by the post," used in this Warrant, or in any Schedule hereto annexed, shall, as to the sea conveyance, include the conveyance by any British or colonial packet-boat, and also by private ship when sent by the Postmaster-General, in accordance with the eleventh clause hereinbefore contained, and the option thereby given to the Postmaster-General; and that the term "East Indies," used in this Warrant, or in any Schedule hereto annexed, shall be construed to mean every port or place in Asia within the limits of the charter of the East India Company (China, Hong Kong, Ceylon, the Mauritius, Java, Borneo, and Australia excepted); and that the term "British West Indies," used in this Warrant, or in any schedule hereto, shall be construed to include the Bermudas, the Bahamas, and other British islands, called the West Indies, as also the colonies of British Guiana and Honduras, and their respective dependencies (the islands of Barbadoes, Trinidad, and Turks' Islands excepted); and that the several other terms and

expressions used in this Warrant, or in any schedule hereto annexed, shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

14. The Commissioners, for the time being, of Her Majesty's Treasury, may, by Warrant under their hands or the hands of any two of them, at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, and conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

15. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of October next.

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SCHEDULES to which the above Warrant refers.

SCHEDULE A.

Places between any part of which and any part of the United Kingdom, packets consisting of books and publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and printed publications of votes or proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the Colonial Legislatures, may be transmitted by the post, and the single rates of postage chargeable and payable for the transmission thereof under the regulations and conditions mentioned and prescribed in the foregoing Treasury Warrant; and also the routes by which they may be transmitted, respectively, between the United Kingdom and certain of the said places, or to or from the said United Kingdom from or to certain of the said places; that is to say:—

Antigua	...	...	Three pence
Bahamas	...	...	Three pence
Barbados	...	...	Three pence
Bermuda	...	...	Three pence
Berbice	...	...	Three pence
Canada	...	...	Three pence
Carriacou	...	...	Three pence
Cape Town, Cape of			
Good Hope	...	...	Three pence
Demerara	...	...	Three pence
Dominica	...	...	Three pence
Falkland Islands	...	...	Three pence
Gambia	...	...	Three pence
Gibraltar	...	...	Three pence
Grenada	...	...	Three pence
Gold Coast in Africa	...	...	Three pence
Heligoland; direct or			
via the territory of			
Hamburgh	...	...	Three pence
Honduras	...	...	Three pence
Ionian Islands	...	...	Three pence
Jamaica	...	...	Three pence
Labuan	...	...	Three pence
Malta	...	...	Three pence
Montserrat	...	...	Three pence
Nevis	...	...	Three pence
Natal	...	...	Three pence
Nova Scotia	...	...	Three pence
New Brunswick	...	...	Three pence
Newfoundland	...	...	Three pence
Prince Edward's Island	...	...	Three pence
Saint Helena	...	...	Three pence
Saint Kitts	...	...	Three pence
Saint Lucia	...	...	Three pence