

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 such article or production, or any portion thereof, or of or belonging to any paper, parchment, or vellum, and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book markers (whether of paper or otherwise), pencils, pens, or other thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, paper, parchment, or vellum, or necessary for its safe transmission which shall be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it shall belong. And all letters, notices, and other communications (whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum), partly printed or partly lithographed, and partly written, which if wholly written would not be considered letters or communications in the nature of letters, shall and may be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant. But any letter, notice, or other communication (whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum), partly printed, or partly lithographed and partly written, which if wholly written would be considered a letter, or a communication in the nature of a letter, shall not be entitled to the privilege of being transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant. Provided, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize the sending by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, of any patterns, or books of patterns, or papers of patterns of any article or thing whatsoever.

Every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant 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 there shall be no written letter, either closed or open, nor any written communication in the nature of a letter either closed or open (whether such letter or communication be addressed to, or intended for, the person to whom the packet shall be directed, or any other person), nor any inclosure, 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.

Upon every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted, either in money or by the proper colonial postage stamp or stamps being affixed thereto.

3. In order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any officer of the Post-office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be despatched in due course of the post, or (at his option) until the despatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

4. Nothing hereinbefore contained shall be construed to extend to interfere with, or in anywise to affect any privileges relating to the transmission by the post of printed newspapers, or any printed

publications, which are allowed to pass by the post under the newspaper privilege; nevertheless any printed newspapers which are not authorized to be transmitted by the post under such privileges, may be transmitted by the post at the rates of postage and under the regulations contained in this Warrant.

5. Every letter, notice, or other communication, (whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum), partly printed, or partly lithographed, and partly written, which if wholly written would be considered a letter or a communication in the nature of a letter sent by the post, shall be deemed and considered to be a letter or a communication in the nature of a letter, and shall be charged and chargeable with postage as a letter, and shall be transmitted by the post in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions relating to letters posted and addressed in like manner.

6. If any question shall arise whether any such letter, notice, or other communication as is last hereinbefore mentioned, is entitled to the privilege of a printed paper so far as respects the transmission thereof by the post, or of being sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, or is chargeable as a letter, the same shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final.

7. If any packet sent or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, posted in any other of Her Majesty's colonies, addressed to the East Indies or New South Wales, or posted in the East Indies or New South Wales, addressed to any other of Her Majesty's colonies, shall exceed the weight of three pounds, or if any packet sent or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall in length or breadth, or width, exceed the dimensions of two feet, or 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 Warrant, shall not be open at the ends or sides, 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, (whether such letter or communication be addressed to or intended for the person to whom the packet shall be directed, or any other person), every such respective 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 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 be charged to the person to whom such packet shall be forwarded.

8. If any packet sent, or tendered, or delivered, in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall contain any written letter, or any written communication in the nature of a letter, whether closed or open, or any inclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or any other inclosure not authorized by this Warrant, every such letter, or communication, or inclosure, may be taken out by any officer of the Post Office, and either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or forwarded to the address on the packet, charged in either case, not only with the full rates of postage as an unpaid letter, but also with a further and additional rate of postage