

make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

And whereas, by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office," further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and power is also given to the Postmaster-General (amongst other things), to collect and receive the foreign and colonial postage charged or chargeable on any letters sent by the post, and also with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to require the postage, British, colonial, or foreign, of any letters sent by the post, to be prepaid, either in money or in stamps, as he might think fit, on the same being put into the post-office; and also with such consent to abolish or restrict the prepayment in money of postage on letters sent by the post, either altogether or on certain letters, and to require the prepayment thereof to be in stamps; and also to refuse to receive or send by the post any letters tendered contrary to any regulations thereby made; and power is also given to the Postmaster-General, and any officer of the Post Office, to detain any letters which should be posted, or sent by the post, contrary to the regulations therein mentioned, and to open such letters, and either to return them to the senders thereof, or to forward them to the places of their destination, charged, in either case, with such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, should from time to time direct.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have, by divers Warrants under their hands, fixed, made, and established certain rates of British postage, payable on the transmission by the post of certain colonial letters therein respectively mentioned.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain other Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, did make regulations for the prepayment of the several rates of postage payable on letters posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to any of the colonies therein mentioned.

And whereas it is expedient that a further regulation should be made as to the letters hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in, and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this present 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 as follows; that is to say:—

1. On every letter posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to the Colony of Tasmania, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted.

2. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Tasmania, without any postage having been paid thereon, or having thereon, or affixed thereto, a postage stamp or stamps, the value of which shall be less in amount than the postage to which such letter would be liable under the regulations in force relating thereto, every such letter shall be detained and

opened, and shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof.

3. The terms and expressions used in this Warrant 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.

4. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands duly made at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions or regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations, in lieu thereof.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the 4th day of May, 1861.

Wm. Dunbar.
J. Bagwell.

Whitehall, January 19, 1861.

The Right Honourable Sir William Erle, Knt. Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed William Pryce Yearsley, of Welchpool, in the county of Montgomery, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance in and for the county of Montgomery.

PROVISIONAL ORDER.

Brandbridges Turnpike Road.

WHEREAS the Trustees of the Brandbridges Turnpike Road, acting under the powers of the Local Act of the 10th of George the Fourth, cap. 56, have made application to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Act of the session holden in the 14th and 15th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, cap. 38, for a Provisional Order, to reduce the rate of interest on the mortgage debt charged or secured on the tolls or revenues of the said road, and to extinguish the whole of the arrears of interest due upon the said debt;

And whereas the said application is dated the fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and is signed by three of the said trustees, who therein certify that the persons entitled to more than two-thirds of the money charged or secured on the tolls of the said road, and remaining unpaid, have signified their consents in writing under their hands to the said application;

And whereas it appears desirable to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, that the aforesaid application should be granted upon the terms herein set forth;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the power and authority of the said Act of the 14th and 15th of Victoria, cap. 38, given to me as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and in conformity with the said application, I do by this Provisional Order under my hand declare,—subject to the confirmation hereof by Parliament,—that, from the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, the rates of interest shall be reduced from five pounds to three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum upon the bonded or mortgage debt of three thou-