

regulations therein contained. And the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury did order, direct, and declare that the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury might, by warrant under their hands, or the hands of any two of them, at any time thereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage thereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, directions, regulations and conditions thereby made, and might 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 of postage which might be payable were to be paid.

And whereas it is expedient to extend the privileges granted by the said recited Warrant of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the said 21st day of July, 1857, and to authorise the transmission by the post, between the United Kingdom and Canada, of certain other packets, and for that purpose to make certain further and other regulations in the manner 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 of Parliament, and every of them, 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 as follows, that is to say:—

1. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandise of no intrinsic value, posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Canada, or posted in Canada addressed to the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Canada, the sea conveyance being by Canadian packet-boat, subject to the several rates of postage, and to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions hereinafter mentioned and contained (that is to say):—

On every such packet, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform single rate of postage of threepence.

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces, and not exceeding one half of a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one half of a pound, and not exceeding one pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid four rates of postage.

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, taken, and paid six rates of postage.

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, taken, and paid eight rates of postage.

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

2. No such packet which in length or breadth or width shall exceed the dimensions of two feet, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

3. No pattern or sample being of any intrinsic value, or being an article or thing of a saleable nature, or having a value of its own apart from its mere use as a pattern or sample, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

4. There shall be no enclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure not authorised by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet.

5. There shall be no writing or printing in or upon any such packet, or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender thereof, a trade mark, and number and price.

6. All such packets shall be sent in covers open at the ends, so as to be easy of examination. Nevertheless, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, may be enclosed in bags of linen or of other material, but bags so closed that they cannot be readily opened, even although they be transparent, shall not be used for that purpose.

7. 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 shall consist wholly of patterns or samples of any intrinsic value, as in the third clause of this Warrant mentioned, or if there shall be any writing or printing in or upon any such packet, or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender thereof, a trade mark, and number and price, or if any such packets shall not be sent in covers, open at the ends, so as to be easy of examination (except samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, and which may be enclosed in bags of linen or of other material, or in case of bags being used, if such bags shall be so closed that they cannot be readily opened every such packet shall be chargeable and shall be treated in all respects as a letter.

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 enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or any other enclosure not authorised by this Warrant, every such enclosure may be taken out by any officer of the Post Office, and either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be forwarded to the address on the packet, charged not only with the full rates of postage as an unpaid letter, but also with a further and additional rate of threepence, and the remainder of the packet, if duly prepaid by stamps, may be forwarded to the place of its address without any extra charge.

9. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid, posted in the United Kingdom, 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.

10. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid, posted in Canada, shall, in every case, 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.