

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. And the postage of all such packets as aforesaid which are not posted in the United Kingdom shall also be paid at the time of the same being posted either in money or by means of postage stamps.

10. If any packet authorised to be transmitted by the post under the first clause of this Warrant shall be posted with a postage paid thereon, in the mode hereinbefore required, less in amount than the postage payable thereon under this Warrant, every such packet shall be charged with double the amount of the deficient postage.

11. If any packet sent or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post under the provisions of this Warrant shall be sent otherwise than in conformity with the conditions and regulations established by or under the authority of this Warrant (except only as in the last preceding clause mentioned), the same 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 the same shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and any such packet, on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall, at the option of the Postmaster-General, either be free of postage or be charged with any rate of postage he may think fit, not exceeding the rate that would be chargeable on such packet as a letter.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant, in writing, under their hands, bearing date at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 28th day of November, 1844, did declare, consent, and direct (amongst other things), that no packet should be forwarded, conveyed, or delivered by the post within the United Kingdom containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, or any article, matter, or thing whatsoever, which might by pressure or otherwise be rendered injurious either to the officers of the Post Office, or to the contents of the mail bags.

12. Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do hereby declare and direct that, notwithstanding the said recited Warrant of the 28th day of November, 1844, any packet posted for transmission by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, keys, watch machinery, metal, metal tubing, or ore, or such like, shall and may be so transmitted, subject to the several rates of postage, and to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein mentioned and contained: Provided that every such razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument, keys, watch machinery, metal, metal tubing, or ore, or such like, so contained in any packet, be securely packed and guarded. And every such packet shall not only conform in every respect to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein contained, but the same shall also furnish sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post Office and to the contents of the mail bags: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize the transmission by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, of any packet containing any explosive or other dangerous material or substance.

13. And we do further order and direct, that if any packet sent or tendered or delivered in order to be sent by the post under the authority of the twelfth clause of this Warrant, shall be posted

or transmitted by the post without being securely packed and guarded, and without furnishing sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post Office, and to the contents of the mail bags, as in such twelfth clause of this Warrant provided (of which the Postmaster-General shall be the sole judge), 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; and every such packet, on being so returned or given up, shall be chargeable with any rate or amount of postage the Postmaster-General shall think fit, not exceeding the letter rates of postage.

14. 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.

15. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise, whether any packet or any pattern or sample contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive on all parties.

16. The term "weight," used in this Warrant, shall mean British weight; and the several other 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 Majesty, cap. 96.

17. 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, revoke, or modify any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

18. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

W. P. Adam.
John Esmonde.

*Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy,
19, Whitehall-place, S.W., June 25,
1866.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Davies Cleaton, Esq., M.R.C.S., late Superintendent of the West Riding Asylum, to be a Commissioner in Lunacy, in the room of Samuel Gaskell, Esq., resigned.