

four ounces respectively, be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

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 for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of one pound there shall be charged, taken, and paid two additional rates of postage, and in charging any additional rates of postage 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.

5. Every packet consisting of printed papers (other than British newspapers), which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the ends or sides, and it may contain any number of separate books, or other publications, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, parchment or vellum, and the books or other publications, prints or maps, may be either printed, written, or plain, or any mixture of the three; and all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, publication, print, or map, or of a portion thereof, shall be allowed to pass by the post, whether such binding, mounting, or covering be loose or attached, as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise), in the case of books, and whatsoever is necessary for the safe transmission of literary or artistic matter, or usually appertains thereto; but no packet shall contain any written letter, nor any communication in the nature of a letter, closed or open, nor any enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any communication in the nature of a letter written in or upon any such packet or the cover thereof, nor shall any packet consist of or contain any photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents which may be obviously of an obscene character.

6. Every packet consisting of patterns, or samples of merchandise, which shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions following; that is to say:—

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

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.

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 numbers and prices.

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, paper, or other material, tied at the neck; but bags so closed that they cannot be readily opened, even although they be transparent, shall not be used for this purpose.

7. No packet which shall exceed two feet in length, or one foot in breadth or depth, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, unless under the special authority of the Postmaster-General.

8. Every packet transmitted by the post under this Warrant shall be put into the Post Office at such hours in the day, and under all such regulations, as the Postmaster-General may appoint.

9. The postage of all such packets authorized to be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant shall in every case be paid at the time of the same being posted.

10. If any packet shall be posted, or shall be transmitted by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, otherwise than in conformity with the conditions and regulations applicable thereto, established by or under this Warrant, the same shall and may be detained and opened, and shall be returned or given up to the sender thereof.

11. In order to prevent any obstacle 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 dispatched 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.

12. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet, or anything 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.

13. The term "British West Indies," used in this Warrant, shall be construed to mean and include the following colonies and places and their respective dependencies; that is to say:—Antigua, Bahamas, Barbadoes, Bermuda, Berbice, Carriacou, Demerara, Dominica, Grenada, Honduras, Jamaica, Montserrat, Nevis, Saint Kitts, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent, Tobago, Tortola, Trinidad, and Turks Islands; the term "Foreign West Indies," used in this Warrant, shall be construed to mean and include the following Islands and places; that is to say:—Saint Thomas, Saint Croix, Saint Martin's, Martinique, Guadeloupe, Curaçoa, Saint Eustatius, the Mosquito territory, Cuba, Porto Rico, and Mexico; 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 recited Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter ninety-six.

14. 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 rates of postage hereby fixed; or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereby made, and may