

to forward such letters to the places of their destination, charged 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 by the said two hereinbefore recited Acts respectively it was provided that whenever the order, consent, authority, or direction of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury was prescribed by the said Acts, such order, consent, authority, or direction (not being by Warrant) might be signified either under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any three of them, or under the hand of one of their Secretaries or Assistant-Secretaries.

And whereas, in pursuance of the said recited Acts, a system of registration has been established whereby the public have been and are entitled to forward letters by the post between the United Kingdom, and certain British colonies, at a certain charge or registration rate of postage, in addition to the other rates of postage payable thereon, and it is expedient that such system of registration should be extended in manner and according to the regulations hereinafter mentioned and contained:

Now I, James, Duke of Montrose, Her Majesty's Postmaster-General, by and with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, signified under the hand of one of their Secretaries whose name is hereunto set, do hereby order, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. The registration rate of postage payable on letters posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to any of the British colonies respectively mentioned or specified in the schedule hereunder written, and registered during the ordinary hours appointed for the registration thereof, at any post office in the United Kingdom, shall be four pence, and such registration rate shall be paid at the time of such letters being posted.

2. All letters containing coin, and all letters which shall have written or put thereon the word "Registered," or any other word or words of the like meaning or to the like effect, whether the same shall have or contain therein coin or not, posted at any post office in the United Kingdom, addressed to any of the British colonies respectively mentioned or specified in the schedule hereunder written or posted at any post office in any of such respective colonies, addressed to the United Kingdom, shall be delivered to the post office for registration, and shall be registered by the post office at the time of the same being posted, and a rate of postage of four pence for every such letter registered at any post office in the United Kingdom during the ordinary hours appointed for the registration thereof, shall be charged for such registration, in addition to any other rates of postage payable thereon; and every such registration rate shall be paid at the time of such letter being posted.

3. If any such letters in the second clause mentioned shall be posted without being registered as therein mentioned, such letters shall be registered at any post office in the United Kingdom through which they may pass in course of transmission thereof by the post, and shall be forwarded so registered to their destination, and shall be charged with a registration rate of postage of eight pence, in addition to any other rates of postage chargeable or payable thereon, with a deduction nevertheless equal to the amount of any stamps which may have been affixed to such letters in payment, or part payment, of the registration rate chargeable thereon.

4. Any such letters as are hereinbefore in the third clause mentioned may be detained for the purpose of being registered at any post office in the United Kingdom through which they may pass in course of transmission thereof by the post until the next ordinary despatch to that by which they would have been forwarded, conveyed, and delivered if they had been registered by the post office according to the directions hereinbefore in the second clause mentioned.

5. The regulations shall come into operation on and from the first day of October next.

The Schedule above referred to.

Antigua.	Montserrat.
Bahamas.	Natal.
Barbadoes.	Nevis.
Bermuda.	New Brunswick.
British Guiana.	Newfoundland.
	New South Wales.
Canada.	New Zealand.
Cape of Good Hope.	Nova Scotia.
Ceylon.	Prince Edward's Island.
Dominica.	Queensland.
East Indies.	
Falkland Islands.	Saint Helena.
	Saint Kitts.
Gambia.	Saint Lucia.
Gibraltar.	Saint Vincent.
Gold Coast.	Sierra Leone.
Grenada.	South Australia.
Honduras.	Tasmania.
Hong Kong.	Tobago.
	Tortola.
Jamaica.	Trinidad.
	Turk's Island.
Labuan.	
Lagos.	Victoria
Malta.	Western Australia
Mauritius.	

Given under my hand this twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven,

Montrose.

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

I hereby signify the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to the foregoing regulations.

George Ward Hunt.

Whitehall, June 29, 1867.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Hopgood, of No. 14, King William-street, Strand, and No. 127, St. George's-square, Pimlico, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ACT BY THE SOWERBY DISTRICT, IN THE WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE.

WHEREAS notice in writing has been duly given to me, as one of Her Majesty's Principal