

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage, according to the weight thereof and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant; and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and 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 further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 85, 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.

And whereas certain powers are also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act made and passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 27, for amending the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and for providing for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications.

And whereas a Convention hath been lately made and concluded between the General Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the General Post Office of the Kingdom of Greece, for the purpose of regulating the communications by post between the United Kingdom and Greece, and it is expedient, for the better carrying out of the same, that certain regulations should be made in the manner hereinafter mentioned and contained.

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 respectively, and all and every or some or one 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, declare, and direct as follows; that is to say:

1. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Greece, or posted in Greece, addressed to the United Kingdom, and transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any place in Greece, either via France and by French packet boat, or via France and Italy and by Italian or Austrian packet boat, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of eight pence, if such letter be prepaid, and if such letter be not prepaid, an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of ten pence.

2. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in Greece, addressed to any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country, or posted in any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country, addressed to Greece, and transmitted by the post between Greece and any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country

through the United Kingdom, the said letter being conveyed between Greece and the United Kingdom either via France and by French packet boat, or via France and Italy and by Italian or Austrian packet boat, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for such transmission thereof respectively between Greece and the United Kingdom, an uniform rate of British postage of one penny, if such letter be prepaid, and if such letter be not prepaid, an uniform rate of British postage of two pence.

3. On every such letter so transmitted as hereinbefore mentioned, between the United Kingdom and Greece, exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned (that is to say):—

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage;

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one ounce, and not exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce in weight, three rates of postage;

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage;

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

4. On every letter transmitted by the post between Greece and any of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country, through the United Kingdom, the said letter being conveyed between Greece and the United Kingdom, either via France and by French packet boat, or via France and Italy, and by Italian or Austrian packet boat, there shall be charged, taken, and paid over and above the uniform rate or rates of postage payable thereupon for the transmission thereof respectively between Greece and the United Kingdom as hereinbefore provided, such further or additional rates of postage, for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet boat or private ship conveying the same, and the colony or foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, as shall from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet boat or private ship conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and any such colony or foreign country, provided that in all cases where such additional rates include both inland and sea services, there shall be deducted therefrom such a sum as shall represent the inland rate or rates of postage for the conveyance of every such letter through the United Kingdom.

5. If any letter transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant shall be posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Greece, or shall be posted in Greece, addressed to the United