

Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man (that is to say) :—

As to Newspapers for Inland Transmission.

1. If any registered newspaper shall be posted either singly or in a packet with any enclosure concealed therein, or in the supplement or supplements belonging thereto, such newspaper or packet shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof or forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged with postage at the letter rate of postage, as an unpaid or (as the case may be) an insufficiently paid letter of the same weight. Provided, nevertheless, that this regulation shall not apply to any registered newspaper which shall be posted either singly or in a packet, together with any enclosure transmissible by post as or as part of a book packet, if the same shall be fully prepaid at the book packet rate of postage.

As to Book Packets for Inland Transmission.

2. If there shall be posted any book packet in a cover not open at both ends, and not easily removable for the purpose of examination, or any book packet containing anything sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or containing a letter or communication in the nature of a letter written on any part of the packet or the cover thereof, or containing any separate letter or communication in the nature of a letter, not being a circular transmissible as a book packet, or being or containing anything whatever not transmissible as a book packet, such packet shall, at the option in each case of the Postmaster-General, be either returned to the sender thereof or forwarded to its destination, and shall in either case be charged with postage at the letter rate of postage, as an unpaid letter, or (as the case may be) an insufficiently paid letter of the same weight.

3. No book packet shall be forwarded by post (unless by the special permission, in any case or class of cases, of the Postmaster-General), the weight of which shall exceed five pounds, or the dimensions of which shall exceed eighteen inches in length, or nine inches in width, or six inches in depth.

Rescinding of former Regulations and Directions.

4. Nos. 15, 29, 30, and 31, and Nos. 32 to 46, both inclusive, of the regulations and directions made and issued by the Postmaster-General, and bearing date the 26th day of September, 1870, shall be rescinded, revoked, and annulled, on or as from the 5th day of October, 1871.

GENERAL.

5. These regulations and directions shall come into operation on the fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

Dated this eighth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

W. Monsell,

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

We approve of the foregoing regulations and directions.

W. P. Adam,

W. H. Gladstone,

Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of all powers given to us by the Post Office Acts, or any 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, order, direct, and declare as follows :—

1. On all letters transmitted by the post between places within the United Kingdom (not being letters sent to or from parts beyond the seas), or posted in any post town in the United Kingdom addressed to persons or places within such town, or the suburbs thereof (which letters are hereinafter referred to as inland letters), there shall be charged and paid the following rates of postage (that is to say) :—

On every inland letter not exceeding one ounce in weight, one penny ;

On every inland letter exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight, three halfpence ;

On every inland letter exceeding two ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, two pence ;

On every inland letter exceeding four ounces and not exceeding six ounces in weight, two pence and one halfpenny ;

On every inland letter exceeding six ounces and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, three pence ;

On every inland letter exceeding eight ounces and not exceeding ten ounces in weight, three pence and one halfpenny ;

On every inland letter exceeding ten ounces and not exceeding twelve ounces in weight, four pence ;

On every inland letter exceeding twelve ounces in weight, for the first ounce and for every additional ounce or fractional part of an ounce, one penny ;

Provided that such postage be prepaid at the time of posting such letters.

2. If no part of the postage on an inland letter shall be prepaid as aforesaid, there shall be charged on such letter a postage of double the amount to which the same would otherwise be liable under this Warrant.

3. If the postage on an inland letter shall be insufficiently prepaid, there shall be charged on such letter an additional postage of double the amount of the deficient postage at the prepaid rate.

4. The postage on any inland letter may be prepaid, either by an adhesive postage stamp or stamps, or by the use of a stamped cover, or in money, but if in money at such post offices only, within such hours only, and under and subject to all such regulations, conditions, and restrictions as the Postmaster-General shall from time to time think fit and direct.

5. No inland letter shall be forwarded by post (unless by the special permission, in any case or class of cases, of the Postmaster-General), the dimensions of which shall exceed eighteen inches in length, or nine inches in width, or six inches in depth.

6. The Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, which bears date the 18th day of March, 1865, and so much of two several Warrants of the said Commissioners, which bear date, respectively, the 17th day of March, 1865, and the 7th day of May, 1866, as relate to the dimensions of inland letters, shall be repealed, revoked, and annulled, on or as from the fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, but so, nevertheless, as not to revive any Warrant, or part of a Warrant, of the said Commissioners which has been heretofore repealed, revoked, or annulled.