

charge for transmission, any fraction of 3 pence being charged as 2 pence.

Illustration.

If the charge for the transmission of a Telegram is 1 shilling and 3 pence, the charge for repetition is 8d.

Sender must pay before hand for Repetition.

19. In the case of repetition from station to station, at the request of the sender, the charge for repetition is to be prepaid at the same time as the charge for the transmission of the Telegram.

20. In the case of repetition at the request of the addressee, the charge for repetition is to be paid when the request for repetition is made; and if, on such repetition, the original Telegram is found not to have been accurately transmitted, the amount paid for repetition is returned.

Prepayment for Reply.

21. The sender of a Telegram may pay for the transmission of a reply to it any sum not less than 1s., and not exceeding 2s. The charge for a reply so paid for is the same as the charge for an ordinary Telegram of the same length.

Pass for Reply.

22. When a reply to a Telegram has been paid for a pass is delivered to the addressee, which will enable him, or any person to whom he may deliver the same, to send from any Telegraph Office a Telegram not exceeding in length the number of words stated on the pass, whether in reply to the original Telegram or not, and whether addressed to the sender of the original Telegram or not, at any time within two calendar months after the date indicated by the office-stamp on the pass.

Unused Pass.

23. If the pass be not used, the sum prepaid for it will be repaid on application to the Secretary of the Post Office, at any time within two calendar months after the date indicated by the office-stamp on the pass. The pass must be forwarded, together with the application, and the sum prepaid will be paid to the applicant, whether such applicant be the sender or not.

Telegrams to several Addresses.

24. The sender of a Telegram may have copies of it delivered to several persons in the limits of free delivery from any Telegraph Office at an additional charge of three pence for each copy, and for the purposes of this provision any address within one of the postal districts of London is to be deemed to be within the free delivery from the head office in that district. The charge for Telegrams of which copies are to be delivered in more than one of the postal districts of London is at the full rate of an original Telegram for the initial copy for each district, and at the rate of three pence for each additional copy for that district.

Illustration.

	Charge.	
	s.	d.
Thomas, Bermondsey, S.E. ...	1	0
Harrison, Borough, S.E. ...	0	3
Smith, Dulwich, S.E. ...	0	3
Brown, Covent Garden, W.C. ...	1	0
Joseph, Vere-street, W. ...	1	0
Williams, Piccadilly, W. ...	0	3
Total ...	3	9

Telegrams tendered out of Office Hours.

25. Postmasters are at liberty, on the request of any person, to keep open their offices for the acceptance of Telegrams after the ordinary business hours at such offices respectively, and for the transmission of such Telegrams to any Postal Telegraph Office which is open at the time, or the

attention of which (if the office be closed) can be gained, and the postmaster of each office so kept open is authorized to accept (in addition to the ordinary Telegram charges) and to retain for his own use and the use of his clerks the following fees, in manner and subject to the provisions hereinafter mentioned, by way of remuneration for such special service, that is to say:—

(1.) For each Telegram—

(a.) If the office is not open for either Postal or Telegraph business, 1s. for the Postmaster, 1s. for the Telegraph Clerk, 1s. for a Messenger, if one be required to call the Clerk.

(b.) If the office is open for ordinary Postal business but not for Telegraph business, 1s. for the Telegraph Clerk, 6d. for a Messenger if one be required to call the Clerk.

(c.) If the office is opened for the receipt of Press News, but not for other Telegraph business, or for ordinary Postal business, 6d. for the Postmaster, 6d. for the Telegraph Clerk.

(2.) Separate fees are payable for each Telegram tendered.

(3.) If a Postmaster or Clerk be specially disturbed to send off a Telegram, and it subsequently appears that the Telegram cannot be despatched, the person desiring to send it must nevertheless pay the same fees as he would have done if the Telegram had been despatched.

(4.) When Telegrams are handed in to be transmitted to an office at an hour when that office (hereinafter called the terminal office), is closed for Telegraph business, the following fees for the Clerk and Messenger at the terminal office if the Telegram be delivered are to be paid by the sender of the Telegram, that is to say:—

(a.) If the terminal office is not open for either Postal or Telegraph business 1s. for the Telegraph Clerk, 1s. for the Messenger, 6d. an hour for the Clerk if he has to wait at the office for a reply.

(b.) If the terminal office is open for ordinary Postal business, but not for Telegraph business 1s. for the Telegraph Clerk, no fee for the Messenger.

26. When the terminal office for any Telegram is a sub-office, branch office, or receiving office, and such terminal office is closed at night or on Sundays, the Telegram may be delivered from the Head Office in the same town or place, but in that case exemption from portorage is allowed for a distance of one mile only from the Head Office, and the rates of portorage chargeable under the preceding Regulations are charged for all distances beyond one mile even though the address of the Telegram is within the limits of the districts served by the Letter Carriers starting from such Head Office.

Language of Telegrams.—Code Telegrams.

27. Telegrams written in any modern European language and in English characters are counted and charged for in the same way as Telegrams written in the English language, but all words not forming part of any modern European language, and all unintelligible combinations of letters are counted and charged for at the rate of 5 letters to a word.

Telegrams must be in English Characters.

28. Telegrams not written in English characters cannot be forwarded or accepted.

Mode of Counting.

29. A combination of two or more words is counted and charged for according to the number