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TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by a warrant, under the hands of three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, dated the 16th day of December 1846, after noticing that, in consequence of a communication opened with the post-office of Prussia, it was considered expedient to alter the rates of postage payable on letters and newspapers, and other printed papers, conveyed between that country and the United Kingdom via Hamburg, the Netherlands, or Belgium, certain rates of postage were thereby made payable on letters conveyed between Prussia and the United Kingdom, via Hamburg, the Netherlands, or Belgium, according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight therein mentioned or referred to; and it was thereby further directed, that British newspapers, and such British publications as were allowed to pass by the post as newspapers in the United Kingdom, sent from the United Kingdom to Prussia or to foreign countries, the correspondence of which was or should be transmitted through Prussia, might be sent by the post at a rate of one halfpenny each:

Now we, the undersigned, being three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do, in exercise of the power or authority to us for such purpose reserved or given in and by the said warrant, wholly repeal the said rate of one halfpenny on the transmission by the post of all such British newspapers, and British publications allowed to pass by the post as newspapers in the United Kingdom, as are mentioned in the said warrant;

and do hereby, in exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," and of all other powers and authorities enabling us in this behalf, order and direct that British newspapers, and such British publications as are allowed to pass by the post as newspapers in the United Kingdom, sent by the post from the United Kingdom via Hamburg, the Netherlands, or Belgium, to Prussia or to foreign countries, the correspondence of which is or shall be transmitted through Prussia (the conveyance from the United Kingdom to Hamburg, the Netherlands, or Belgium, being by packet boat or private ship), shall and may be sent free of British postage: *provided always*, that no such British newspapers, and British publications allowed to pass by the post as newspapers in the United Kingdom, shall be conveyed by the post under the regulations of this present warrant, unless the same be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the sides, nor unless there be no word or communication printed on the paper after its publication, or upon the cover thereof, and no writing or manual mark be upon it, or upon the cover of it, except the name and address of the person to whom sent, nor any paper or thing enclosed in or with the same; and every such newspaper, or British publication allowed to pass by the post as a newspaper in the United Kingdom, shall be forwarded

under and subject to such other conditions, regulations, restrictions, and penalties, as by the said Act of Parliament of the third and fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty are directed in respect of newspapers and printed papers sent by post.

And whereas by the said warrant it was further directed, that printed pamphlets and periodical publications (not being strictly newspapers, and not bearing British newspaper stamps), printed and posted within the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and printed pamphlets and periodical publications (not being entitled to pass as newspapers), printed and posted in Prussia, addressed to any place in the United Kingdom, might be sent by the post viâ Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, by packet boat or private ship, according to the regulations and rates thereafter mentioned; and that the Postmaster General might cause the postage on the same (if posted in the United Kingdom) to be paid on the same being put into the post-office; and that in case the same should pass through a foreign country, any foreign postage payable thereon should be charged and paid in addition to the British postage; and that no such pamphlet or publication should be conveyed by the post, except under the conditions, regulations, restrictions, and penalties therein mentioned or referred to:

Now we, the undersigned, in exercise of all powers and authorities enabling us in this behalf, do hereby wholly repeal all the rates of postage by the said recited warrant charged upon, and all the conditions, regulations, restrictions, and penalties in and by the said warrant expressed and contained or referred to in respect of any printed pamphlet sent by the post (not being strictly a newspaper, and not bearing a British newspaper stamp), printed and posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and upon and in respect of any printed pamphlet (not being entitled to pass as a newspaper), printed and posted in Prussia, addressed to any place in the United Kingdom, sent by the post viâ Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, by packet boat or private ship.

And we do hereby direct that, in lieu of all rates of postage imposed by the said warrant on any such printed pamphlets, there shall be charged and taken on every printed pamphlet (not being strictly a newspaper, and not bearing a British newspaper stamp), printed and posted within the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and on every printed pamphlet (not being entitled to pass as a newspaper), printed and posted in Prussia, addressed to any place in the United Kingdom, sent by the post viâ Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, by packet boat or private ship, and not exceeding half an ounce in weight, an uniform rate of British postage of six pence.

And we further direct, that on every such printed pamphlet, transmitted as is mentioned in this warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged and taken progressive and additional rates of postage, according to the scale

of weight and number of rates in the said Act of the third and fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, contained as to letters, estimating and charging each additional rate at the sum which any such printed pamphlet would be charged with under this warrant, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight.

And we direct, that as to any such printed pamphlets as hereinbefore mentioned (pamphlets registered as letters only excepted, in respect of which all rates of postage payable thereon, whether foreign or British, are to be prepaid), posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and forwarded by packet boat from the United Kingdom viâ Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, and as to any such printed pamphlets as hereinbefore is mentioned, posted in the United Kingdom (except pamphlets registered as letters as aforesaid), addressed and to be forwarded to any foreign country through Prussia, by packet boat or private ship, from the United Kingdom to Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, the Postmaster General may, in his discretion, allow the whole of the postage thereof, British or foreign, as the case may be, to be charged to the receiver of the pamphlet, or he may require the whole of such postage to be paid on the same being put into the post-office, but in no case shall the sender have the option of paying the British rate and of leaving the foreign postage to be paid in Prussia.

And we further direct, that as to any such pamphlets as hereinbefore mentioned, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and to be forwarded from the United Kingdom to Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, by private ship, the Postmaster General may cause the whole of the postage (British and foreign) to be paid on the same being put into the post-office.

And we further direct, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any printed periodical publications (not being strictly newspapers, and not bearing newspaper stamps), printed and posted within the United Kingdom, addressed to Prussia, and printed periodical publications (not being entitled to pass as newspapers), printed and posted in Prussia, addressed to any place in the United Kingdom, and sent by the post between the United Kingdom and Prussia viâ Hamburgh, the Netherlands, or Belgium, which are to be charged with the same rates of postage as the same are now chargeable with under or by virtue of the said recited warrant.

And we further direct, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any newspapers or pamphlets passing by the post between the United Kingdom and Prussia viâ France, which are to be charged with the same rates of postage as if the said recited warrant and this present warrant had not been signed.

And we further direct, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by the said Act of the third and

fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, or by an Act, made and passed in the first year of the the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the management of the Post-office," and that all such exemptions and privileges shall remain in full force.

And we further direct, that the 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 Act of the third and fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty.

And we further direct, that this warrant shall come into operation on the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

Provided lastly, and we hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any three of them, by warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the 22d day of February 1847.

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