

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Devon.*

*Royal 1st Devon Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.*  
Captain Frederic Courtenay Trower to be Adjutant. Dated 12th March, 1858.

*1st Devon Regiment of Militia.*

John Hawkesworth to be Ensign. Dated 11th March, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent.*

*East Kent Regiment of Militia.*

Ensign George Edward Arthur Holdsworth to be Lieutenant, vice Wrench, resigned, and appointed to the 17th Foot. Dated 10th April, 1858.

Ensign William Tatham to be Lieutenant, vice Michell, resigned. Dated 11th April, 1858.

#### TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by a certain Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," and a certain other Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act 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," did, by a certain Warrant in writing, under the hands of two of them the said Commissioners (by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided) bearing date the 21st day of July, 1857, order, direct, and declare (amongst other things), that all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the colonial legislatures, might be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom, and any part of the several places mentioned and set forth in the Schedule A to the said now reciting Warrant annexed; and that all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the colonial legislatures might be transmitted by the post between the several colonies and places mentioned and set forth in the Schedule B to the said now reciting Warrant annexed; and that all such respective packets should be so transmitted respectively in conformity with, and under and subject to, the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions thereinafter respectively mentioned and contained. And that as respects certain of the said places in the said schedules respectively mentioned such transmission might also be by the routes mentioned against such places in such schedules respectively; and that the single rate of postage for the transmission thereof respectively should be that which was mentioned and set forth against the said places respectively in the said Schedules A and B. And that all such respective packets so transmitted should be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage therein mentioned; and that after the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art," in the said now reciting Warrant used should, for the purposes of the said now reciting War-

rant, mean and comprise all such articles as in their general character were either literary, or consisted of printed, written, engraved or lithographed matter (although not strictly literary), including books (whether printed, written or plain), publications or compilations (whether in print or in manuscript), almanacks, printed or lithographed letters, and such artistic productions as prints, maps (whether on paper or canvas or cloth, and whether printed or written), and photographs when not on glass, or in frames containing glass and any description of paper, parchment, or vellum (whether printed, lithographed, written upon or plain, or any mixture of the four), together with any binding, mounting, or covering of or upon or belonging to any such article or production, or any portion thereof, or of or belonging to any paper, parchment, or vellum, and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book-markers (whether of paper or otherwise), pencils, pens, or other thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, paper, parchment, or vellum, or necessary for its safe transmission, which should be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it should belong. Provided, nevertheless, that nothing in the said now reciting Warrant contained should extend to authorise the sending by the post, under the provisions of that Warrant, of any patterns, or books of patterns, or papers of patterns, of any article or thing whatsoever. And that nothing in the said now reciting Warrant contained should be construed to extend to any packets sent through France or any other foreign country to which a transit rate of postage would be liable thereon. And that the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury might, by Warrant under their hands, or the hands of any two of them, at any time thereafter alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage thereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions thereby made, and might make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, and conditions in lieu thereof.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said two before-mentioned Acts of Parliament, and also a certain other Act of Parliament passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the laws relating to the Stamp Duties on Newspapers, and to provide for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications," did by a certain other Warrant in writing, under the hands of two of them the said Commissioners (by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided), bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, order, direct, and declare (amongst other things), that all packets consisting of printed newspapers, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or the Colonial or Sardinian Legislatures, posted in any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first column of the Schedule A to the said now reciting Warrant annexed, addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the second column of the said Schedule A to the said now reciting Warrant annexed, might be transmitted by the post from any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the said first column of the said Schedule A to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the said second column of the said Schedule A; and that all such respective packets should be trans-

mitted in conformity with, and under and subject to, the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions thereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto. And that the single rate of postage for the transmission of such packets should be that which was mentioned and set forth against such respective countries and places in the said schedule A; and that all such respective packets so transmitted and chargeable with postage under that clause should be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage thereinafter mentioned. And that all packets consisting of British newspapers and all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or the Colonial or Sardinian Legislatures, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first column of the Schedule B to the said now reciting Warrant annexed, might be transmitted by the post from the United Kingdom to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the said first column of the said Schedule B; and that all such respective packets should be transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions thereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto. And that the single rate of postage for the transmission of such packets respectively should be that which was mentioned and set forth respectively against such respective countries and places in the said Schedule B; and that all such respective packets transmitted under that clause should be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage thereinafter mentioned. And that every packet which should be so transmitted by the post as aforesaid should be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions thereinafter contained; and amongst others that the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art," in the said now reciting Warrant used, should, for the purposes of the said now reciting Warrant, mean and comprise all such articles as in their general character were either literary or consisted of printed, engraved, or lithographed matter (although not strictly literary), including printed books, printed publications or compilations, almanacks, printed or lithographed letters, and such artistic productions as prints, printed maps, (whether on paper, or canvas, or cloth,) and photographs, when not on glass or in frames containing glass, together with any binding, mounting, or covering of or upon or belonging to any such article or production, or any portion thereof, and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book-markers, (whether of paper or otherwise), pencils, pens, or other thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, or necessary for its safe transmission, which should be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it should belong. Provided, nevertheless, that nothing in the said now reciting Warrant contained should extend to authorise the sending by the post under the provisions of that Warrant, of any patterns or books of patterns, or papers of patterns of any article or thing whatsoever, unless such patterns consisted merely of paper. And that the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury might, by Warrant under their hands or the hands of any two of them, at any time thereafter alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage thereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions thereby made, and might make and establish any new or other rates,

orders, directions, regulations, and conditions in lieu thereof.

And whereas the authorities of the French Post Office have lately consented to permit packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, and packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament or the Colonial Legislatures, which may be transmitted by the post under and by virtue of the said recited Warrant of the 21st day of July, 1857, to be sent through France, when sent in closed mails; and have also consented to permit such books, publications, or works of literature or art, as may be transmitted by the post under or by virtue of the said recited Warrant of the 21st day of July, 1857, when posted in any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first column of the Schedule A to the said recited Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858, annexed, addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the second column of the said Schedule A, and also when posted in the United Kingdom addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first column of the Schedule B to the said recited Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858, annexed, to be transmitted by the post to the several countries and places to which they shall be so respectively addressed through France when sent in closed mails; and it is expedient to alter the regulations contained in the said two recited Warrants of the 21st day of July, 1857, and the 15th day of January, 1858, respectively, for that purpose, and to make other regulations accordingly in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said several hereinbefore recited Acts and every 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, direct, and declare as follows; that is to say:

1. All packets, consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or the Colonial Legislatures, which may be transmitted by the post, under and by virtue of the said recited Warrant of the 21st day of July, 1857, may when sent in closed mails, be transmitted through France, and all such respective packets shall in all other respects be transmitted respectively in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, conditions, and rates of postage respectively mentioned and contained in the said recited Warrant of the said 21st day of July, 1857.

2. All packets consisting of such books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, as are declared to be comprised in the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art" used in the said recited Warrant of the 21st day of July, 1857, and which may be transmitted by the post, under and by virtue of the said last-mentioned Warrant may when posted in any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first column of the Schedule A. to the said recited Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858 annexed, addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the second column of the said Schedule A to the said last-mentioned Warrant annexed, or when posted in the United Kingdom addressed to any of the respective countries and places mentioned and set forth in the first

column of the Schedule B to the said last-mentioned Warrant annexed, be transmitted by the post to the said several countries and places to which they are respectively addressed, through France, when sent in closed mails at the same rates of postage as are charged and chargeable under and by virtue of the said recited Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858, for and in respect of packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, authorised to be transmitted by the post, under and by virtue of the said last-mentioned Warrant; and all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, which shall be transmitted by the post from any of the countries and places to any of the other countries and places mentioned and set forth respectively in the Schedules A and B to the said recited Warrant of the said 15th day of January, 1858 respectively annexed, when not sent in closed mails shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under, and subject to, the several regulations, orders, directions, conditions, and rates respectively in the said last-mentioned Warrant mentioned and contained, relating thereto, and shall be such only as are declared to be comprised in the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art," used in the said recited Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858.

3. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant, under their hands, or the hands of any two of them, at any time hereafter alter, repeal, or revoke, any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, and conditions, in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1858.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the thirteenth day of April, 1858.

*H. G. Lennox,  
Henry Whitmore.*

#### TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act 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 that may be payable are to be paid; and it is provided that the power thereby given should extend to any increase or reduction or remission of postage.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regu-

lating 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 of Parliament, passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and to provide for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications."

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant in writing under their hands, bearing date the 8th day of March, 1849, did, amongst other things, order and direct, that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by British packet-boat between a port in the United Kingdom and a port in the United States, there should be charged and taken for the sea conveyance thereof, in lieu of any rates of British postage then payable by law on such respective letters, the uniform British packet rate therein mentioned; and that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight posted at the port of departure of the packet conveying the same, or at any other part of the United Kingdom, and transmitted to the United States, or transmitted from the United States, addressed to the port of arrival of the packet conveying the same, or to any other part of the United Kingdom (whether conveyed by British or United States packet-boats), there should be charged and taken for the conveyance of every such letter within the United Kingdom, in lieu of any rates of British postage then payable by law on such respective letters, an inland rate of British postage of one penny half-penny in addition to the British packet rate therein mentioned on letters transmitted by British packet-boats, between the United Kingdom and the United States, and in addition to any foreign rate of postage charged or chargeable on letters transmitted by the United States packet-boats between the United Kingdom and the United States. And that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted in or addressed to the United States, transmitted by the post between the United States and any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country through the United Kingdom (conveyed by British packet-boats between the United Kingdom and the United States), there should be charged and taken in lieu of any rates of British postage then payable by law on such letters, the British packet rate therein mentioned for the sea conveyance of every such letter between the United States and the United Kingdom, and on every such letter whether conveyed by British or by United States packet-boats between the United Kingdom and the United States, there should be charged and taken over and above any British or foreign packet rate of postage, such a further or additional rate of British postage for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet conveying the same between the United Kingdom and the United States, and the colony or foreign country to or from which the same should be forwarded, as should from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet conveying the same between the United Kingdom and the United States, and transmitted between such port and such colony or foreign country. And that on every letter transmitted as mentioned in that Warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there should be charged, taken,