

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Lancaster.

Lancashire Hussars Yeomanry Cavalry.

Edmund Park Yates, Esq., to be Cornet. Dated 20th September, 1864.

4th Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps.

William Rawson Bowman, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, vice Moon, resigned. Dated 17th September, 1864.

Herbert Mather, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, vice Johnson, resigned. Dated 17th September, 1864.

64th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Patrick Valentine Hawney, Gent., to be Honorary Quartermaster. Dated 20th September, 1864.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Montgomery.

Montgomeryshire Yeomanry Cavalry.

Arthur Evan Williams, Gent., to be Cornet. Dated 30th September, 1864.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Northumberland.

Northumberland and Newcastle Yeomanry Cavalry.

Matthew White Ridley, Gent., to be Cornet, vice Ogle, resigned. Dated 19th September, 1864.

William George Woods, Gent., to be Cornet, vice Parker, appointed Captain and Adjutant. Dated 19th September, 1864.

1st Northumberland Artillery Volunteer Corps.

First Lieutenant J. Hopper to be Captain, vice Turner, resigned. Dated 16th September, 1864.

2nd Northumberland Artillery Volunteer Corps.

First Lieutenant Thomas Clutterbuck to be Captain. Dated 19th September, 1864.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Oxford.

1st Oxfordshire Light Horse Volunteer Corps.

Robert Snow Bolton Davies, Esq., to be Cornet, vice Sheldon, resigned. Dated 27th September, 1864.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act 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 which might be payable were to be paid, and the power thereby given, to alter and fix rates of postage,

was to 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 regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office."

And whereas it is expedient to alter the rates or postage now payable on certain letters transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the power or authority in us for such purpose vested in and by the said recited Acts of Parliament, or either of them, and of all other powers and authorities, 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:—

1. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post from any part of the United Kingdom addressed to any part of the Netherlands, or from any part of the Netherlands addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, and conveyed via Belgium direct by packet boat, and on every letter, not exceeding one half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any foreign country through the Netherlands, and any part of the United Kingdom, and conveyed between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, via Belgium direct by packet boat, there shall be charged and taken, for the conveyance of such respective letters to or from the United Kingdom, and through the Netherlands, an uniform rate of postage of threepence.

2. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post from, or addressed to, any part of the Netherlands, and conveyed between the Netherlands and any of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country, through the United Kingdom, and on every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any foreign country, through the Netherlands, and any of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country, through the United Kingdom, the said respective letters being conveyed between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, via Belgium direct, by packet boat, there shall be charged and taken a like uniform rate of postage of threepence for the conveyance of every such letter from, or to, or through the Netherlands and any part of the United Kingdom; and for the conveyance of every such respective letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet boat or vessel, not being a packet boat conveying the same, and the colony or foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, such a further or additional rate of postage as shall from time to time be chargeable and payable for British postage on letters not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet boat or vessel not being a packet boat conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and any such colony or foreign country: provided that in all cases where such additional rate includes both inland and sea services there shall be deducted therefrom the sum of one penny in respect of the inland conveyance, under this clause, of every such letter sent through the United Kingdom.

3. All such respective letters, so transmitted, as is mentioned in this Warrant, if exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, shall be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

On every such letter, if exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such letter, if exceeding one ounce, and not exceeding one ounce and one half of another ounce in weight, three rates of postage;

And on every such letter, if exceeding one ounce and one-half of another ounce, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage;

And for every additional 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 every fractional part of such additional half of an ounce in weight 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 posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Netherlands, or posted in the Netherlands addressed to the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted, either in money, or by being duly stamped with the proper postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, which stamp or stamps shall in every case be affixed or appear on the outside of every such letter, near the address or direction, and shall be of the value or amount of the postage duty payable thereon under or by virtue of this Warrant.

5. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Netherlands, or be posted in the Netherlands addressed to the United Kingdom, without any postage having been paid thereon, either in money or postage stamps, every such letter shall be charged with the postage to which it would have been liable under or by virtue of this Warrant if the postage had been fully paid thereon when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of threepence.

6. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Netherlands, or be posted in the Netherlands addressed to the United Kingdom, having thereon or affixed thereto a postage stamp or stamps the value of which shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which the same would be liable under or by virtue of the provisions of this Warrant, every such letter shall be charged with the amount of the difference between the postage paid thereon and the postage to which it would have been liable under or by virtue of this Warrant, if the full amount of postage payable thereon had been paid when posted, together with the further and additional rate of postage of three pence.

7. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to extend to any letters passing by the post between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, *viâ* France, which are to be charged with the same rates of postage as if this Warrant had not been signed, nor shall anything herein contained be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges

granted by the said recited Acts, or by any other Acts of Parliament relating to the Post Office, or by any Treasury Warrant issued under any of such Acts.

8. In all cases in which any letter in respect of which any rate of postage is chargeable under or by virtue of the provisions of this Warrant shall be liable to any foreign postage, such foreign postage shall be charged and paid thereon, in addition to the British postage.

9. The term "weight" used in this Warrant shall mean British weight, and the several other 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 passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

10. So much of a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 9th day of December, 1853, as relates to the transmission by the post of any letters *viâ* Belgium direct by packet boat, is hereby repealed, revoked, and annulled.

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

12. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the thirtieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

Wm. Dunbar.
Luke White.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or in respect of letters, newspapers, Parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers, transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post. And by the same Act powers were 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 postage therein mentioned.

And whereas further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year 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 it is expedient to authorize the transmission by the post between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Liberia of certain packets, and for that purpose to make certain regulations in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us