

the Treasury for the accounting for all moneys received by them.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

*Cairns, C.
Jno. Mellor.
Robt. Lush.
Henry Manisty.*

We certify that this Order is made with the concurrence of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

*J. D. H. Elphinstone.
Row. Winn.*

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. The rates of postage and additional sums for registration, to be henceforth charged by or

under the authority of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General, in lieu of the rates and sums now payable in respect of postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post to and from Japan, as mentioned and described in the Schedules Nos. 1, 2, and 3, hereunder written, shall be the rates of postage and additional sums which are fixed and specified by and in such Schedules respectively.

2. All such postal packets as are hereinbefore referred to shall be posted, forwarded, conveyed, and delivered under and subject to the several regulations, conditions, prohibitions, and restrictions applicable thereto respectively, contained in the aforesaid Schedules, and in Schedule No. 4 hereunder written.

3. All Treasury Warrants heretofore at any time made relating to the conveyance by post of postal packets between the United Kingdom and Japan, and also between any British Colony and Japan, are hereby repealed to the extent to which such Warrants respectively relate to the several matters comprised in this Warrant as aforesaid.

4. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

SCHEDULE No. 1.

PART 1.—RATES OF POSTAGE and additional sums for registration to be charged and paid in the United Kingdom on Postal Packets posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Japan.

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Routes and Means of Conveyance.	On each Letter. For every half of an ounce in weight, or for any fractional part of half an ounce over and above the first or any additional half an ounce.	On each Post Card.	On each Registered Newspaper with or without a Supplement or Supplements. For every four ounces in weight, or for any fractional part of four ounces over and above the first or any additional four ounces.	On each Book Packet and Pattern or Sample Packet. For every two ounces in weight, or for any fractional part of two ounces over and above the first or any additional two ounces.	Additional Sum for the Registration of any Postal Packet.
By any route or means of conveyance except by British Packet viâ Brindisi.	Six pence.	Three pence.	One penny.	Two pence.	Four pence.
By British Packet viâ Brindisi.	Eight pence.	Four pence.	Two pence.	Three pence.	Four pence.

PART 2.—RATES OF POSTAGE to be charged and paid in the United Kingdom on Letters posted in Japan addressed to and received in the United Kingdom from Japan, and upon which no part or a part only of the postage payable in respect thereof in Japan has been prepaid by means of Postage Stamps or Stamped Envelopes, valid in Japan.

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Routes and Means of Conveyance.	On each Letter. For every half of an ounce in weight, or for any fractional part of half an ounce over and above the first or any additional half an ounce, but giving credit in the case of an insufficiently prepaid Letter for any Postage already prepaid thereon as aforesaid.
By any route or means of conveyance except by British Packet viâ Brindisi.	Nine pence.
By British Packet viâ Brindisi.	Eleven pence.

SCHEDULE No. 2.

PART 1.—RATES OF POSTAGE and Additional Sum for Registration, to be charged and paid in Malta and Gibraltar, and at the British Post Offices in Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout, respectively, upon Postal Packets posted in Malta, Gibraltar, Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout, respectively, addressed to Japan.

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Routes and Means of Conveyance.	On each Letter. For every half an ounce in weight, or for any fractional part of half an ounce over and above the first or any additional half an ounce.	On each Post Card.	On each Newspaper with or without a Supplement or Supplements. For every four ounces in weight, or for any fractional part of four ounces over and above the first or any additional four ounces.	On each Book Packet and Pattern or Sample Packet. For every two ounces in weight, or for any fractional part of two ounces over and above the first or any additional two ounces.	Additional Sum for the Registration of any Postal Packet.
By any route or means of conveyance	Six pence.	Three pence.	One penny.	Two pence.	Four pence.

PART 2.—RATES OF POSTAGE to be charged and paid in Malta and Gibraltar, and at the British Post Offices in Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout, respectively, upon Letters posted in Japan, addressed to and received in Malta, Gibraltar, Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout, respectively, from Japan, and upon which no part, or a part only, of the Postage payable in respect thereof, in Japan, has been prepaid by means of Postage Stamps or Stamped Envelopes valid in Japan.

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Routes and Means of Conveyance.	On each Letter. For every half an ounce in weight, or for any fractional part of half an ounce over and above the first or any additional half an ounce, but giving credit in the case of an insufficiently prepaid letter for any postage already prepaid thereon as aforesaid.
By any route or means of conveyance	Nine pence.

SCHEDULE No. 3.

PART 1.—RATES OF POSTAGE to be charged on Postal Packets posted in any British Colony not comprised in the General Postal Union, addressed and conveyed by Post via the United Kingdom to Japan.

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On each Letter.	On each Newspaper with or without a Supplement or Supplements.	On each Book Packet and Pattern or Sample Packet.
The rate or rates of postage (less the British inland rate or rates) for the time being payable on a similar letter of the like weight so posted addressed to the United Kingdom, in addition to the rate or rates of postage which would have been chargeable and payable in the United Kingdom under Schedule No. 1 in respect of such letter if the same had been posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Japan.	The like rate or rates of postage as would have been chargeable and payable in the United Kingdom under Schedule No. 1 in respect of such newspaper if the same had been a registered newspaper posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Japan.	The rate or rates of postage (less the British inland rate or rates) for the time being payable on a like packet so posted addressed to the United Kingdom, in addition to the rate or rates of postage which would have been chargeable and payable in the United Kingdom under Schedule No. 1 in respect of such packet if the same had been posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Japan.

PART 2.—RATES OF POSTAGE to be charged on Letters posted in Japan, addressed and conveyed by Post via the United Kingdom to any British Colony not comprised in the General Postal Union.

On each Letter.

If the full postage payable in respect thereof in Japan has not been prepaid by means of postage stamps or stamped envelopes valid in Japan.

The like rate or rates of postage as would have been chargeable and payable under Schedule No. 1 in respect of such letter if the same had been addressed to the United Kingdom, in addition to the rate or rates of postage (less the British inland rate or rates) which would have been chargeable and payable on such letter if the same had been posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to such British Colony.

SCHEDULE No. 4.

REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS, &c., as to the posting, forwarding, conveyance, and delivery of postal packets, conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post as mentioned and described in Schedules Nos. 1, 2, and 3.

Part I.—General Regulations and Conditions.

1. Any postal packet posted in the United Kingdom, Malta, or Gibraltar, or at either of the British Post Offices in Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout respectively addressed to Japan, may be registered, provided that all rates of postage and additional sums for registration chargeable thereon be fully prepaid.

2. There shall not be conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post to Japan any postal packet which shall contain either gold or silver money, any jewel, or precious article, or any other article liable to customs duty in Japan, and any such packet shall, if posted, be detained and returned, or given up to the sender thereof.

3. There shall not be conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post to Japan any newspaper, packet of newspapers, or book packet exceeding two pounds in weight, nor any pattern or sample packet exceeding one half of a pound in weight, and any such newspaper or packet, if posted, shall be detained and returned, or given up to the sender thereof.

4. There shall not be conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post, unless by the special permission in any case or class of cases of the Postmaster-General, any postal packet, the dimensions of which shall exceed two feet in length or one foot in breadth or depth, and any such packet, if posted, shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

5. There shall not be conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post any postal packet which shall contain anything which might by pressure or otherwise be rendered injurious either to the Officers of the Post Office or to the contents of the mail bags, nor any book packet or pattern or sample packet which shall not be securely packed and guarded in such manner as to furnish complete protection against injury to the Officers of the Post Office and to the contents of the mail bags; and any such packet, if posted, shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

6. There shall not be conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post any indecent or obscene print, painting, photograph, lithograph, engraving, book, or card, or any other indecent or obscene article, or any letter, newspaper, supplement, publication, packet, or card having thereon or on the cover thereof, any words, marks, or designs of an indecent, obscene, libellous, or

grossly offensive character, and if anything shall be posted which shall *prima facie* fall within the aforesaid prohibition, it shall be stopped and submitted at the General Post Office in London to the inspection of an officer duly authorised in that behalf by the Postmaster-General.

7. Any postal packet addressed to and received in the United Kingdom which shall be redirected in the United Kingdom to Japan, shall not be liable to be chargeable with any British postage either in respect of such redirection or of retransmission thereof by post to Japan.

8. On every postal packet posted in Japan addressed to some other part of Japan, and which shall be redirected in Japan and transmitted from thence by post to the United Kingdom, there shall be charged and paid in the United Kingdom on the delivery of such packet, in addition to any postage charged thereon, in respect of the Inland service in Japan, such a rate or rates of postage as such postal packet would have been liable to if the same had been originally posted in and addressed to a place within the United Kingdom.

9. The Postmaster-General may in any case in which he may consider it just or reasonable so to do, remit any postage made payable by any regulation contained in this Schedule.

10. In this Warrant and the Schedules thereto, the expression "United Kingdom" means the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man.

Part II.—As to Post Cards.

11. Post Cards bearing an impressed stamp shall be issued by the Postmaster-General, and the cards so issued and no others shall be deemed to be post cards within the meaning of this Warrant.

12. The address and nothing else shall be written, printed, or otherwise impressed on the side of the post card which bears the impressed stamp, and no part of the address shall be written, printed, or otherwise impressed across such stamp.

13. Anything including a letter or communication in the nature of a letter may be written, printed, or otherwise impressed on the side of the post card which does not bear the impressed stamp.

14. Nothing whatever shall be in any manner attached to a post card except a postage stamp or stamps in payment of any deficient postage or additional sum for registration chargeable thereon; nor shall a post card be cut or folded or otherwise altered.

15. If any post card is posted without the postage chargeable thereon being fully prepaid,

or is posted otherwise than in conformity with these regulations, it shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

Part III.—As to Newspapers.

16. The regulations and conditions made and prescribed by a Treasury Warrant, dated the 27th day of December, 1870, shall in all respects apply to registered newspapers conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post as mentioned and described in Part 1 of Schedule No. 1. of this Warrant.

17. If any newspaper or packet of newspapers be posted in the United Kingdom, Malta, or Gibraltar, or at either of the British Post Offices in Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout respectively addressed to Japan without the postage chargeable thereon being fully prepaid, or be posted otherwise than in conformity with the regulations for the time being in force applicable to its transmission, it shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

Part IV.—As to Book Packets.

18. In this Warrant and the Schedules thereto, the expression book packet shall mean and comprise not only books but also all packets consisting of articles of the following kinds, not being trade patterns or samples of merchandize, that is to say:—

- (1) Paper or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing, whether such paper or other substance be plain or with anything (except a letter or communication in the nature of a letter) written, printed, or otherwise impressed thereon, and whether the same be in the form of books or in any other form.
- (2) Printed, engraved, or lithographed circulars, notwithstanding that such circulars may be letters or communications in the nature of a letter.
- (3) Photographs or other things of a like kind, when not on glass or in frames containing glass or any brittle substance of a like kind.
- (4) Anything usually attached or appurtenant to any of the before-mentioned articles in the way of binding, mounting, or otherwise, and anything convenient for their safe transmission by post, which shall be contained in the same packet.

19. Every book packet shall be posted either without a cover or in an open cover, so that the same can be easily removed for the purpose of examination.

20. No book packet shall be posted which shall contain anything sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or which shall contain any letter or communication in the nature of a letter written on any part of the packet or on the cover thereof (although the same may be open to inspection), or which shall contain any separate letter or communication in the nature of a letter not being a circular within the meaning of these regulations, but any circular may bear the written signature and address of the sender with his trade or profession and the date.

21. If any book packet comprising printed papers, such as circulars, notices, and documents of a like kind, be posted in the United Kingdom, Malta, or Gibraltar, or at either of the British Post Offices at Alexandria, Suez, Constantinople, Smyrna, and Beyrout respectively, addressed to Japan, without the postage chargeable thereon being fully prepaid, it shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

22. If any book packet comprising printed papers such as circulars, notices, and documents

of a like kind be sent by post otherwise than in conformity with the regulations hereinbefore contained, numbered respectively 18, 19, and 20, it shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

23. If any book packet (except any packet comprising printed papers such as circulars, notices, and documents of a like kind) is sent by post otherwise than in conformity with the regulations hereinbefore contained, numbered respectively 18, 19, and 20, it shall be dealt with and charged in all respects as an unpaid letter.

Part V.—As to Pattern or Sample Packets.

24. In this Warrant, the expression "Pattern or Sample Packet" shall comprise such articles only as consist only of trade patterns or samples of merchandize.

25. No patterns or samples shall be of any intrinsic value, or consist of articles or things of a saleable nature, or having a value of their own apart from their mere use as patterns or samples.

26. Patterns or samples shall, when practicable, be posted in covers open at both ends, and so that the same may be easily removable for the purposes of examination. Nevertheless, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles as cannot be posted in open covers (but such articles only) may be posted enclosed in boxes or in bags of linen or other materials fastened in such a manner that they may be easily opened so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

27. There shall be no writing upon any pattern or sample packet, or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the name and trade or profession of the sender thereof, a manufacturer's or trade mark or number, and the price of the articles, of which patterns or samples are contained therein, nor shall there be any writing or other thing enclosed in any such packet, except the name and trade or profession of the sender thereof, a manufacturer's or trade mark or number, and the price of the articles of which patterns or samples are contained therein, and any such permitted writing in any such packet may be on labels attached to the patterns or samples.

28. If there shall be posted any packet containing a pattern or sample of any intrinsic value or of a saleable nature, or having a value of its own apart from its mere use as a pattern or sample, such packet shall be detained and returned or given up to the sender thereof.

29. If any pattern or sample packet be sent by post otherwise than in conformity with the regulations hereinbefore contained, numbered respectively 26 and 27, it shall be dealt with and charged in all respects as an unpaid letter.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Orichton,

Row. Winn,

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

John Manners,

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

Civil Service Commission,

May 3, 1877.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that at an Open Competitive Examination