

"11. In case any officer of the Local Board who shall have been employed by the Local Board for a period of five years shall not be employed by the Council of the said borough, nor offered by the said Council a position in their employ of a similar character and of an equal value to that formerly held by him, he shall be entitled to be paid, by way of compensation for the loss of his position, out of the funds of or under the control of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chatham, acting by the Council as the Urban Sanitary Authority for the said Municipal Borough, such gratuity or annual allowance as on a full consideration of the circumstances of the case may seem to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any two or more of them, to be a reasonable and just compensation for the loss of his position, and the said Commissioners in awarding the said compensation shall be guided by the principles which would be applicable in the case of an award of compensation under the provisions of 'The Superannuation Act, 1859,' to a person retiring or removed from the public service in consequence of the abolition of his office. Provided that no special minute within the meaning of the said Act, stating any special grounds for granting such allowance shall be necessary or made. Provided nevertheless, that if any such officer be so employed by the said Council and discharged by them (otherwise than for misconduct), within two years of the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, he shall be entitled to compensation in the same manner as if he had not been employed by the said Council. Provided that the term 'Officer' shall include only persons employed by the Local Board whose salaries or emoluments are payable at intervals of not less than one month, and no other persons. Provided also that the said Lords Commissioners, or any two or more of them, shall be the sole judges as to the right title or claim of any officer to any compensation whatever, and as to the amount thereof, and the said Lords Commissioners, or any two or more of them, shall be the only judges upon any question which may arise under this clause. And further, every determination of the said Lords Commissioners upon any such right title claim amount or question shall be absolutely final and conclusive, and every such officer shall have such rights only under this clause, as the said Lords Commissioners, or any two or more of them consider just and reasonable. Any determination of the said Lords Commissioners, or any two or more of them, may be evidenced by writing under the hands of any two of them.

"12. The accounts of the Local Board and its officers shall be (as soon as conveniently may be) audited by the District Auditor of the Local Government Board in like manner, and subject to the like powers, duties, provisions, and right of appeal as if the Charter had not been granted. The provisions of sections 247 and 250 of 'The Public Health Act, 1875,' as amended by 'The District Auditors Act, 1879,' and any regulations duly issued by the Local Government Board with respect to the audit of accounts of Local Boards and of their officers, shall apply to such audit, and the provisions of this Scheme with respect to the Local Board shall be construed so as to admit of such exceptions as may be necessary to enable such audit to be duly made, but such exceptions shall be strictly limited in time, extent, character and operation, to the purposes of such audit.

"13. All Bye-laws or Orders made under or in pursuance of the Public Health Act 1875 or of the said Orders or any of them shall continue in force and be enforced in the said borough to the same extent in which they are now in force and enforceable within the district of the said Local Board substituting only the said Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Chatham as the Sanitary Authority aforesaid and their officers and the borough aforesaid for the Chatham Local Board and their officers and district."

Admiralty, 23rd December, 1890.

Staff Surgeon John Cassilis Birkmyre Maclean, M.A., M.B., has this day been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant Adolphe Le Cras to be Lieutenant. Dated 20th December, 1890.

20th December, 1890.

POSTAL PACKETS TO AND FROM ZANZIBAR BY GERMAN PACKET, AND TO AND FROM THE GERMAN POSTAL AGENCIES AT BAGAMOYO AND DAR ES SALAAM.

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. In this Warrant—

The term "postal packets" means and includes all letters, post cards, reply post cards, newspapers, packets of commercial papers, packets of printed papers, and pattern or sample packets.

2. All Treasury Warrants at any time heretofore made relating to the conveyance by post of postal packets between the United Kingdom on the one hand, and Zanzibar and the German Postal Agencies at Bagamoyo and Dar es Salaam on the East Coast of Africa on the other hand, and also between any British Colony or foreign country and Zanzibar, and the said Postal Agencies are hereby annulled to the extent to which such Warrants respectively relate to the several matters comprised in this Warrant.

3. The rates of postage and additional sum for registration now chargeable and payable by the authority of the Treasury Warrants of the 14th day of January, 1880, the 15th day of June, 1880, and the 9th day of March, 1885 (the last-mentioned Warrant relating to post cards), on postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post between Zanzibar and any other country or place affected by the provisions of the said Warrants and forwarded by land through France, and by sea by means of French packet, and all regulations and conditions now in force as to the posting, forwarding, conveyance, and delivery of postal packets between Zanzibar and any other country or place as aforesaid by the said route shall extend and apply to all postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post between Zanzibar and any other country or place affected by the provisions of the said Warrants, and forwarded by land through any country or countries in Europe, and by sea by means of German packets.

4. The rates of postage and additional sum for registration hereinbefore authorized by this Warrant, or now chargeable and payable by the authority of any of the Warrants hereinbefore-mentioned on postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post between Zanzibar and any other country or place affected by the provisions of any of the said Warrants, and all regulations and conditions as to the posting, forwarding, conveyance, and delivery of postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post between Zanzibar and any other country or place as aforesaid, shall extend and apply to all postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post between the German postal agencies at Bagamoyo and Dar es Salaam and any other country or place affected by the provisions of any of the said Warrants as if the said postal agencies had been named and referred to therein in the same manner as Zanzibar is named or referred to therein.

5. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

Dated this twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

*Herbert Eustace Maxwell,
Sidney Herbert,*

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

*Henry Cecil Raikes,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.*

24th December, 1890.

BRITISH INDIA.

REDUCTION OF LETTER POSTAGE.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of all powers given to us by the Post Office Acts, or any of them, and of all other 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:—

Definitions.

1. In this Warrant—

(1.) The expression "British India" includes the whole Continent of India, British Burmah, Aden, and the Indian Post Offices at places on or near the Persian Gulf.

(2.) The expression "United Kingdom" includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

Rates of Postage.

2. On every letter transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and British India there shall be charged and paid (in lieu of any rates now payable) for every half of an ounce in weight of such letter or fractional part of half of an ounce in weight, a rate of postage as follows, that is to say:—

From the United Kingdom to British India, two pence halfpenny.

From British India to the United Kingdom, two and a half annas.

Application of Provisions of other Warrants.

3. All such Letters as are hereinbefore referred to shall, subject to the provisions of this Warrant, be posted, forwarded, conveyed, and delivered under and subject to the provisions of any Treasury Warrant now or for the time being in force applicable thereto.

Commencement of Warrant.

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

Date.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

*Herbert Eustace Maxwell,
Sidney Herbert,*

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

*Henry Cecil Raikes,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.*

(PLEURO-PNEUMONIA.)

By the Board of Agriculture.

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, and The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1890, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The following Area (namely),—in the county of Chester, comprised within the following boundary, that is to say, commencing at the junction of the boundary of the borough of Warrington on the west side with the river Mersey, thence by the said borough boundary to the junction with the river Mersey on the east side, thence by the river Mersey to Thelwall Village, thence by the road from Thelwall Village to Thelwall Railway Station, thence by the Altrincham highway to the Dog and Dart Public-house, thence by the road from the Dog and Dart Public-house to Cartridge-lane, thence by Cartridge-lane and the road passing by Reddish Hall, Appleton Thorn, Stretton, through Hatton Heath to Acton Grange on the Warrington and Chester high-road, and thence by the said high-road to its junction with the boundary of the borough aforesaid,—which was declared by Order of the Board to be an Area infected with pleuro-pneumonia, is hereby declared to be free from pleuro-pneumonia, and that Area shall, as from the commencement of this Order, cease to be an Area infected with pleuro-pneumonia.

2. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the twenty-fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

L. S.

*G. A. Leach,
Secretary.*

(PLEURO-PNEUMONIA.)

By the Board of Agriculture.

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, and The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1890, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The following Place (namely),—the cow-houses and premises in the occupation of the Land Farming Company, at Scotsion, Laurencekirk, in the county of Kincardine,—which was declared by Order of the Board dated the eighth