

be sent, or to which the same shall be addressed (in addition to any British postage that may be payable for the same if conveyed by the post to or from or within the United Kingdom,) a rate of one penny for every ounce weight thereof, and any lesser weight than an ounce shall be charged as one ounce.

And we further direct, that no such pamphlet or publication exceeding the weight of sixteen ounces shall be forwarded by the post.

And we further direct, that any privilege of franking letters or newspapers, or printed votes and proceedings of any Colonial Legislature, or pamphlets, publications, or other printed papers, or of sending them by the post under an immemorial privilege of any Deputy Postmaster General or Deputy Postmaster in British North America, or in the island of Jamaica, shall cease and determine.

And we further direct, that all such printed newspapers and printed supplements, votes and proceedings of any Colonial Legislature, pamphlets, and publications as aforesaid, shall be posted, forwarded, conveyed, and delivered under and subject to all such orders, directions and regulations, and under and subject to all such conditions, limitations, and restrictions as to the form, size, dimensions, enclosures, or otherwise, as the Postmaster General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, shall, from time to time, direct; and that it shall be lawful for the Postmaster General, if he shall see fit, to delay the transmission of any such newspapers, supplements, votes, legislative proceedings, pamphlets, and publications, for any space or time, not exceeding twenty four hours, or at his option, one post from the time at which the same would otherwise have been forwarded.

And we further direct, that no printed newspaper or printed supplement votes, or proceedings of any Colonial Legislature, pamphlets or publications, shall be conveyed by the post within or to or from British North America, or the British West Indies, under the regulations of this present warrant, unless the same shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the sides, and that (except as hereinafter provided) there be no word or communication printed on the paper after its publication, or upon the cover thereof, nor any writing or marks 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.

Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Postmaster-General, if he shall see fit, to allow any printed words, writing, or marks, other than the directions to be put on any such newspaper, supplement, votes, legislative proceedings, pamphlets, or publications, or on the cover thereof.

And we further direct, that in all cases in which a question shall arise, whether a printed paper is entitled to the privilege of a newspaper, or other printed paper hereby privileged, so far as respects the transmission of the same by the post under this warrant, the question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision, with the concurrence of the Lords of the Treasury, shall be final.

And we further direct, that the several and respective rates of postage chargeable under this warrant shall be charged in sterling money.

And we further direct, that nothing contained in this warrant 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 Her present Majesty, or by an Act, made and passed in the first year of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the management of the Post Office;" or any of the rates fixed by a Treasury warrant, bearing date the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty three, on letters passing between France, or other foreign countries via France, and British North America, through the United Kingdom; and all such exemptions, privileges, and rates shall remain in full force.

And we further direct, that this present warrant shall be in force only in places in British North America and the British West Indies, where the Postmaster-General has already established, or shall hereafter establish, posts; and that the term "British North America," in this warrant, shall include the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, and Newfoundland, and their respective dependencies; and that the term "British West Indies," in this warrant, shall include the Bermudas, the Bahamas, and other British islands commonly called the West Indies, as also the colonies of British Guiana and Honduras, and their respective dependencies; and that 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 of the third and fourth years of Her present Majesty.

And we further direct, that this warrant shall come into operation on the 5th day of January, 1844.

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 11th day of October, 1843.

HENRY GOULBURN,
JOHN YOUNG,
HENRY BARING.

AN ACT

(6th Vict. Cap. 43)

TO FACILITATE THE NEGOTIATION OF A

LOAN,

TO PAY OFF

THE PUBLIC DEBT

OF THE

Province of New Brunswick.

Passed 27th March 1843.

WE, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Assembly of New Brunswick, in General Assembly convened, "having taken into consideration the present state of the Finances of this Province, and seeing the necessity of sustaining the Public Credit by raising a Loan, and applying the monies obtained thereby in payment of the existing demands on the Province Treasury; "for raising and securing the necessary funds for the semi-annual payment of the Interest of such Loan, and the gradual redemption of the Principal thereof, have freely resolved to give and grant to "the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, "the Rates and Duties hereinafter mentioned, and do therefore "pray Your Excellency that it may be enacted;"

I. *And be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly, and by the authority of the same,* That from and after the passing of this Act, there be and are hereby granted to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, for the use of this Province, for the semi-annual payment of the Interest of such Loan, and for the ultimate redemption of the Principal thereof, for and upon all articles of Foreign manufacture and the manufacture of the United Kingdom imported or brought into this Province, whether by sea, or inland carriage or navigation, or which may be saved from any wrecked or stranded ship or vessel, also all manufactures of silk or cotton of the British East India Possessions, Pepper, and all other description of Spices, for every one hundred pounds of the true and real value thereof, a rate or duty of one per cent.

II. *And be it enacted,* That the Duties hereinbefore imposed shall be paid by the importer or importers of such articles respectively, and shall be held and taken to be in addition to and over and above any Duties which are and may be imposed and collected by any Act or Acts of the Imperial Parliament, or Act or Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, passed or to be passed, and shall be collected and secured by means and under the regulations and penalties, and shall be drawn back on exportation, or warehoused in the way and manner provided by an Act or Acts of the General Assembly for collecting the Revenue of this Province.

III. *And be it enacted,* That immediately after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Executive Council, to nominate and appoint four persons whom he may think most fit, (of whom the Treasurer of the Province shall be one,) Commissioners for arranging and negotiating the mode and terms in and upon which such Loan may be most advantageously raised and created, subject to instructions to be from time to time given by the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, who shall have full power and authority to negotiate the said Loan for a sum not exceeding Seventy Thousand Pounds, Sterling Money, on behalf of this Province: Provided always, that the monies so to be obtained by way of Loan under and by virtue of this Act, shall not exceed in the whole the sum of Seventy Thousand Pounds, Sterling Money of Great Britain, nor at a greater rate of Interest than six per centum per annum.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, to cause and direct Debentures to be made in sums not exceeding one thousand pounds sterling or currency each, not to exceed the amount herein authorized to be raised to meet the negotiation of the same in England or British America, as the case may be, for any person or persons, body or bodies corporate or politic, who shall agree to advance a sum or sums of money upon such Debentures; which said Debentures shall be according to the Form prescribed in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and shall be signed by the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, and countersigned by the said Commissioners, or any two of them.

V. *And be it enacted,* That the Interest upon the said Debentures shall become due and payable, at such place as may be agreed upon, semi-annually, on the first days of June and December in each and every year, at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum.