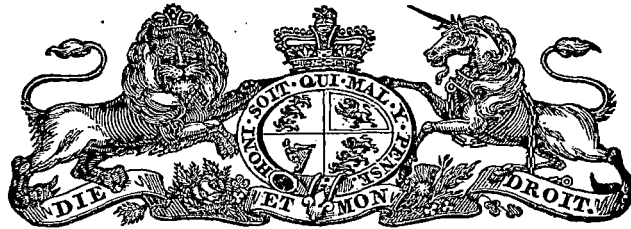


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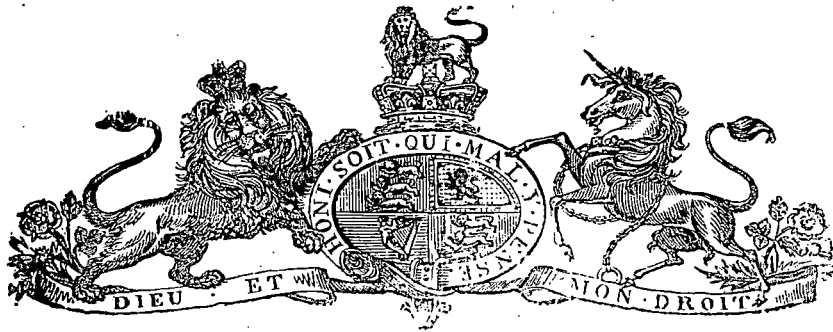
T A S M A N I A.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TRANSMISSION OF NEWSPAPERS:

REGULATIONS OF AUSTRALIAN COLONIES.

Laid upon the Table by Mr. Crowther, and ordered by the Council to be printed,
May 6, 1879.



REGULATIONS regarding the Transmission of Newspapers through the Post Offices of the several Australian Colonies, April, 1879.

VICTORIA.

EVERY newspaper must be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at both ends, and there shall not be in or upon any such newspaper or the cover thereof any communication, character, figure, letter, or number (other than the words "Newspaper only," or a line drawn through any report, article, or paragraph therein, the printed title of such newspaper, the printed names, occupations, and places of business of the printer, publisher, and vendor thereof, the name, occupation, and address of the person to whom it is sent, and the words aforesaid); nor shall anything be enclosed in or with or accompany such newspaper or cover, otherwise such newspaper shall not be transmitted or delivered.

Any breach of the foregoing provisions will render the person convicted liable to a penalty of not less than Five pounds.

Newspapers bearing sufficient stamps for postage as packets may be posted and transmitted as packets without payment of any additional postage to which they would be subject as newspapers.

Any inland newspaper sufficiently stamped as such, but bearing on the cover or outside of the fold writing not permissible for newspaper postage, but permissible for packet postage, may be transmitted and charged for as an inland packet, the extra postage being collected on delivery.

Inland newspapers	0½d.
Intercolonial ditto	1d.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

1. Newspapers printed and posted within the Colony are transmitted free of charge, excepting newspapers posted at any Post Office or Receiver in Sydney, for delivery within the boundaries of the City, and newspapers posted after seven days from the date of publication, which are subject to a charge of one penny each.

2. Newspapers received from beyond the Colony, *stitched in monthly parts*, are, when re-posted, subjected to the charge of one penny for every number contained therein.

3. Newspapers for the United Kingdom are chargeable with one penny each, if intended for transmission *via* San Francisco, *via* Southampton, or *via* Torres Straits, and if intended for transmission *via* Brindisi, with two-pence each, provided the newspaper does not exceed 5 ozs. in weight; an extra rate of one penny for 4 ozs. is charged, by this route, for every additional 4 ozs. or fraction of 4 ozs.

4. Newspapers for British Colonies and Foreign Countries, sent through the United Kingdom, &c., are subject to the rates of postage shown in Table A, page 106.

5. Newspapers for the neighbouring Colonies, and for all places which are not liable to postage under Table A, page 106, are transmitted free of charge, (provided they are papers published in New South Wales, and not over 7 days old), and all newspapers from such places received in the Colony are delivered without charge.

6. Newspapers received in the mails from France, are charged one penny each on delivery.

7. The postage chargeable on newspapers must be paid by affixing stamps of sufficient value, and no newspaper will be forwarded unless it bears the full amount of postage.

8. Newspapers, on being re-directed by Postmasters, are not liable to additional postage.

9. Newspapers may be posted at the General Post Office for Morning Mails up to 7.30 A.M.; and for despatch by Afternoon Mails, West and South, 3 P.M.—for the North, 6 P.M.

For despatch by Intercolonial Mails, half an hour previous to the time fixed for posting letters.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Newspapers printed within the Colony, and posted within the limits of the city or town in which they are printed, within six days of the date of publication, will be conveyed free to any part of the Colony beyond the limits of the city or town in which they are posted.

All newspapers received from places beyond the limits of the Colony are delivered free.

All newspapers for despatch beyond the limits of the Colony (if published within the Colony) are forwarded free, except in those cases in which foreign postage has to be collected.

EXCEPTIONS.

If for the United Kingdom by the Brindisi route, they must be prepaid at the rate of 2*d.* each, if under 4 ozs.

If for the Continent of Europe, *viâ* Trieste, they must be prepaid at the rate of 1*d.* each.

If for foreign countries or Colonies, *viâ* the United Kingdom, the rates specified in the Table A annexed, must be prepaid.

*If published out of the Colony, they must be prepaid at the rate of an additional 1*d.* each.*

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

1. Newspapers printed and posted in the Colony for delivery beyond the city or town at which they may be published, and posted one week from the date of publication—Free.

2. Newspapers posted after 7 days from the date of publication—1*d.* each.

3. Newspapers posted for transmission to places beyond the limits of the Colony—1*d.* each.

4. Newspapers posted within the city, or any town in the Colony, for delivery within the boundaries of such city or town—1*d.* each.

5. Newspapers received from places beyond the limits of the Colony are delivered free, but when re-posted are subject to a charge of 1*d.* each.

6. All newspapers, except as aforesaid, are subject to a postage rate of 1*d.* each.

QUEENSLAND.

DEFINITION.

1. Every printed copy of a paper containing any public news or occurrences, or any remarks or observations thereon, or upon any political matter, or containing only or principally advertisements or trade reports, and printed for sale, or for gratuitous distribution, may be sent by post as a newspaper, if it shall be periodically published in parts or numbers at intervals not exceeding one month, and every such part or number shall be deemed to be a separate newspaper, provided it shall not exceed 4 oz. in weight.

REGULATIONS.

2. Every newspaper shall be sent without a cover or in a cover open at both ends, and there shall not be in or upon any such newspaper or the cover thereof any communication, character, figure, letter, or number, (other than the words "newspaper only," the printed titles of such newspapers, the printed names, occupations, and places of business of the printer, publisher, and vendor thereof, the name, occupation, and address of the person to whom it is sent), nor shall anything be enclosed in, or with, or accompany such newspaper or cover, otherwise such newspaper shall not be transmitted or delivered.

3. Newspapers are transmitted within the Colony free of charge, if posted within seven days from the date of publication; if posted after that period, they are subject to a charge of One Penny.

4. Newspapers received from beyond the Colony, *stitched in monthly parts*, are (when re-posted) subjected to the charge of One Penny for every number contained therein.

5. Newspapers for the neighbouring Colonies, and for all places beyond the seas not herein specified, are transmitted free of charge, if posted within seven days from publication; beyond that time, One Penny each; and all newspapers from such places received in the Colony are delivered without charge; *but if re-posted in the Colony, One Penny each must be prepaid.*

6. The postage chargeable on newspapers must be paid by affixing Stamps of sufficient value, and no newspaper will be forwarded unless it bears the full amount of postage.

NEW ZEALAND.

1. All newspapers published in the colony, and registered at the General Post Office for transmission by post, may either be forwarded like other printed matter under the regulations of the book post, or may be transmitted within the colony on payment of a postage rate of one halfpenny each in postage stamps, and to places beyond the colony at the rates set forth in the Postal Guide.

Intercolonial (1d.) One Penny each.

The conditions of registration are as follows, viz.—

- (1.) The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto or to other current topics, with or without advertisements.
 - (2.) It must be printed and published in the Colony of New Zealand, and must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than one month.
 - (3.) The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation extends to "Tables of Contents" and "Indices."
 - (4.) A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets or on a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page, or if it consist of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side. The added matter must be a genuine supplement, that is, matter supplied in order to complete that to which it is added or supplemented, but left out of the regular issue for want of space, time, or greater convenience. As used in relation to newspapers, a supplement is held to be matter proper to be inserted in the newspaper to which it is supplied, but has not been for want of space, or want of time, or because it is more convenient regarding space or time, or either, that it should be printed on a separate sheet.
2. A newspaper must not contain any enclosures other than the supplement or supplements proper to the newspaper, nor any writing or other mark thereon beyond the name and address of the person to whom it is sent, nor anything on the cover but the name and address, the printed title of the newspaper, and the printed name and address of the publisher or vendor who sends it. *Insets, advertising sheets, or handbills* placed between the pages of newspapers, but having no connection with such publications as properly parts thereof, will subject the entire packages to letter rates of postage.
 3. If a newspaper addressed to any place within the colony be found to contain writing or any enclosure, it must be forwarded to its destination charged according to its weight, with the full rate of letter postage from the country where it originated; but if such newspaper be addressed to any place beyond the colony, it must be detained, and in due course sent to the Dead Letter Office.
 4. If more than one newspaper be enclosed in a packet addressed to any place within the colony, and for which the full amount of postage has not been paid, a charge of one penny must be made for each extra newspaper enclosed. Packets of newspapers posted for places beyond the colony not fully prepaid must be detained.
 5. Newspapers posted in pillar-boxes, which are intended for the receipt of letters only, must, if addressed to places within the colony, be sent on charged a single rate of one halfpenny; but if for places beyond the colony, they must be detained for one month in case of inquiry, and then destroyed.
 6. Newspapers, if posted in single numbers, addressed to the Manager, Keeper, Clerk, Secretary Librarian, or other person having the charge of any Athenæum, Mechanics' Institute, Hospital, Public Library, or Lunatic Asylum in the colony, are permitted to pass through the post, and to be delivered free of postage.

7. Newspapers, whether originating in the colony or beyond the colony, re-directed from one Post Office to another within the colony may be transmitted accordingly, but are chargeable with a fresh newspaper rate of one halfpenny each, which may be paid either on re-direction or delivery.

8. "Newspaper exchanges" (*i.e.*, newspapers exchanged between newspaper offices) are permitted to pass through the post free of postage, if posted in single numbers, from any newspaper office within the colony and addressed to the Editor, Proprietor, Publisher, or Manager of any newspaper published in the colony, and properly franked. The title of the newspaper, and the words "Newspaper Exchange only," must be written or printed on each cover above the address; and the frank or certificate of exchange must be signed by the authorised person, either by affixing his signature, or a *fac-simile* thereof by means of an autograph stamp. Newspaper exchanges not posted in accordance with the foregoing rules will be charged full letter rates.

9. In order to facilitate inquiry into complaints of alleged delay in transmission of newspapers through the post, the postage stamps or wrappers, as the case may be, are cancelled with the date stamp of the despatching office.