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TRANSMISSION OF BOOKS BY POST FROM VICTORIA
TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND OTHER PLACES.

At the Government House, Melbourne, the ninth day of August,
1858.

PRESENT:

His Excellency the Governor,
Major-General Macarthur, C.B., Mr. Harker,
Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Miller,
Mr. Chapman, Mr. Ireland.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the eighteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act to amend the Law relating to the Post Office,'" it is amongst other things enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, to make, or cause to be made, arrangements with the Postmaster General in England, or with the authorities of any British possession or foreign country, for the appointment, determining and collection of postage and rates of postage upon letters, packets, and newspapers conveyed between the colony aforesaid and such kingdom, possession, or country, and for the exemption of such letters, packets, and newspapers from all or any rates: Now therefore His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, doth by this present Order direct that in pursuance of such arrangements made as aforesaid, packets containing printed books posted in the colony of Victoria for the places specified in the accompanying schedule, shall, after the publication hereof in the *Government Gazette*, be liable to the rates of postage, and subject to the regulations also set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed.

And the Honorable George Samuel Evans, LL.D., Her Majesty's Postmaster General for Victoria, shall give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

J. H. KAY,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

Amended arrangement for the transmission of books by post from Victoria to the undermentioned countries and colonies.

The book post system has been extended to—

The United Kingdom	Gibraltar
India	New South Wales
Ceylon	South Australia
Mauritius	Tasmania
Hong Kong	New Zealand and
Malta	Western Australia

to which countries or colonies book packets, posted in conformity with the regulations, may be sent at the following rates:—

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 6	s. d. 1 0	s. d. 2 0	s. d. 3 0	s. d. 4 0

and so on, adding One shilling for each additional half pound or fraction of half a pound up to three pounds.

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Book packets may be forwarded to the United Kingdom *via* *Marseilles* upon payment of the following rates:—

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 8	s. d. 1 4	s. d. 2 8	s. d. 4 0	s. d. 5 4

and so on, adding One shilling and fourpence for each additional half pound or fraction of half a pound up to three pounds.

REGULATIONS.

Every book packet must be sent either without a cover or in a cover open at the ends or sides.

No book packet must exceed two (2) feet in length, breadth, or depth, or three (3) pounds in weight.

A book packet may contain any number of separate books, almanacks, maps, or prints, and any quantity of paper, vellum, or parchment (to the exclusion of letters, whether sealed or open), and the books, maps, papers, &c., may be either printed, written, or plain, or any mixture of the three.

On the cover, or outside of the packet, in addition to the name and address of the person to whom the same is to be delivered, the sender thereof shall be at liberty to subscribe a statement of the contents thereof, together with his name and address.

The books, &c., may be in any binding, mounting or covering, whether such binding be loose or attached. In the case of prints or maps, rollers may accompany them, and markers, whether of paper or otherwise, may be sent with books or other printed papers.

If a book packet be found to contain any enclosure which is sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or any letter, whether sealed or not, the letter or other enclosure will be taken out, and forwarded to the address on the packet, charged with the full postage as an unpaid letter, together with an additional rate equal to the amount chargeable on a book not exceeding half (½) a pound in weight. The remainder of the packet, if fully prepaid, will be forwarded without any extra charge.

If a packet be not sufficiently prepaid according to its weight, but nevertheless a single book rate be prepaid, it will be forwarded charged with the deficient book postage, and with an additional book rate.

In the event of a book packet being posted altogether unpaid, or prepaid less than a single rate, it will be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office.

The packet, if correctly posted, will be delivered according to its address without further charge.

G. S. EVANS,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Melbourne, 6th August, 1858.

TRANSMISSION OF BOOKS, ETC., BY POST FROM
THE UNITED KINGDOM AND OTHER PLACES TO
VICTORIA.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

IT is hereby notified for the information of the public, that the following are the rates of Postage chargeable upon Book Packets posted at the undermentioned places for this colony:—

From the United Kingdom via Southampton.

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 4	s. d. 0 8	s. d. 1 4	s. d. 2 0	s. d. 2 8

and so on, adding Eightpence for each additional half pound or fraction of half a pound.

From the United Kingdom, via Marseilles.

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 6	s. d. 1 0	s. d. 2 0	s. d. 3 0	s. d. 4 0

and so on, adding One shilling for every additional half pound or fraction of half a pound.

From Malta and Gibraltar.

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 4	s. d. 0 8	s. d. 1 4	s. d. 2 0	s. d. 2 8

and so on, adding Eightpence for every additional half pound or fraction of half a pound.

From India, Hong Kong, Ceylon, and Mauritius.

Not exceeding 4 oz.	Above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.	Above 8 oz. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.
s. d. 0 3	s. d. 0 6	s. d. 1 0	s. d. 1 6	s. d. 2 0

and so on, adding Sixpence for every additional half pound or fraction of half a pound.

From Sydney.

Not exceeding ½ lb.	Above ½ lb. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1½ lb.	Above 1½ lb. and not exceeding 2 lbs.	Above 2 lbs. and not exceeding 2½ lbs.
s. d. 0 6	s. d. 1 0	s. d. 1 6	s. d. 2 0	s. d. 2 6

and so on, adding Sixpence for every additional half pound or fraction of half a pound.

By His Excellency's Command,
General Post Office,
Melbourne, 9th August, 1858.
G. S. EVANS,
Postmaster General.