

Power to
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X. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty's Postmaster General and his Deputy and Deputies, or any of the Officers employed under him or them respectively, to examine and search any printed Paper or Packet which under the Provisions of this present Act shall be sent by the Post without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides as aforesaid, in order to discover whether any Words or Communication have or has been printed on such Paper after the same was published, or whether there is any Writing or Mark upon such printed Paper or the Cover thereof other than the Name and Address of the Person to whom it is sent, or whether there is any Paper or Thing enclosed or concealed in or with such printed Paper or the Cover thereof, or whether there are any printed Words or Communication on the Cover thereof, or whether the Papers brought into the United Kingdom from any Foreign Kingdom or State shall be printed and published in the Language of the Kingdom or State from which they shall have been forwarded; and also, in order to discover whether the Newspapers printed and posted in the United Kingdom shall be duly stamped, and in case any Words or Communication shall be found to have been printed on any such Paper after the same was published, or any Writing or Mark shall be found on any such printed Paper or the Cover thereof other than the Name and Address of the Person to whom it is sent, or any other Paper or Thing shall be found to be enclosed or concealed in or with such printed Paper or the Cover thereof as aforesaid, or any printed Words or Communication shall be found upon the Cover thereof, or in case any Newspaper brought into the United Kingdom from any Foreign Kingdom or State shall not be printed and published in the Language of the Kingdom or State from which the same shall have been forwarded, the whole of every such Packet addressed and delivered to any Person within the United Kingdom shall be charged with Treble the Duty of Letter Postage according to the Rates now established by Law; and as to every such Paper or Packet going out of the United Kingdom it shall be lawful for the Postmaster General or his Deputy or Deputies, at his or their Discretion, either to detain any such Paper or Packet or to forward the same by the Post, charged with the Duty of Letter Postage; and in case any Newspaper printed and posted in the United Kingdom and sent by the Post under the Provisions of this Act shall appear not to have been duly stamped, the same shall be stopped and sent to the Commissioners of Stamps either at *London or Dublin*, as the Case may be.

Papers to be
delivered to
Postmaster
General at
such Hours
as he shall
appoint.

XI. And be it further enacted, That all printed Papers to be conveyed by the Post under the Provisions of this Act shall be delivered to the Postmaster General, or his Deputy or Deputies, at such Hours in the Day and under all such Regulations as the Postmaster General for the Time being shall in his Discretion from Time to Time appoint.

Nothing
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XII. And be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to oblige any Person or Persons to send any printed Newspapers to or from Places beyond the Seas through