PARCEL POST RATES WITHIN THE DOMINION.

The rates to be prepaid by postage stamp, on parcels posted in Canada for destinations within the Dominion to which parcels can be sent, are as follows:

For each additional 4 ozs., or fraction thereof. 6 cents.

Parcels intended to pass through the Mails should not exceed 5 pour is in weight or 24 inches in length or 12 inches ia breadth, and should be marked "by parcel post." Parcels may be registered by affixing a five cent Registered Letter Stamp thereto in addition to the postage.

TRANSMISSION OF SPECTACLES AND EYE-GLASSES BY MAIL

The exclusion of glass from the mails is so far modified that spectacles, eyeglasses, and microscopic slides, if securely put up in cases not likely to allow the contents to escape, if broken in course of conveyance, may be sent by Post within the Dominion on pre-payment of parcel post rates.

CIRCULARS PRINTED BY THE ELECTRIC PEN, &c.

The term "printed circulars" is extended to include circulars produced by the electric pen or other mechanical process, easy of recognition, by the officers of the Post office, as well as when printed by the ordinary process of printing types, engraving, or lithography.

MISCELLANEOUS POSTAL MATTER.

Books and paraphlets, limits 5 pounds, printed circulars, prices current, handbills, book and newspaper manuscript, printers' proofs, maps and prints, engravings, sheet music, photographs, insurance policies, militia and school returns, seeds cuttings, bulbs, roots, legal papers, for Canada, Newfoundland, the United States, may be posted prepaid by a stamp at 1c. per 4 oz., provided they be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, and so put up as to admit of the contents being, if necessary, easily withdrawn for examination; if enclosed with written communications, or in sealed envelopes notched at the ends or sides, letter rates will be charged.

The weight of packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scious, or grafts, 4 lbs., and all other miscellaneous matters are limited to 4 lbs. in weight, 24 inches in length, and 12 inches in breadth or depth. To all parts of British Columbia, the North West and Manitoba, except the city of Winnipeg, to which the 5 pound limit applies, the limit of weight is 2 pounds 3 oz.

Post bands, with an impressed one cent stamo for this purpose, may be obtained at any Stamp Agency at the rate of 4 for 5 cents.

NOVEMBER.—The "Country Gentleman" some time ago had some excellent plain talk about farming and farmers. It says: "We have some farmers who say they can make nothing at farming, for although they may have fair crops, at the end of the year they have nothing to show for their labor. Of such farmers I would ask if they have not, with their farm, tried some other hobby and let that waste the proceeds of the farm? Let any farmer try to raise a trotting horse, or a fancy team of horses for the market, or try speculating in shipping produce, or selling implements on commission, and at the end of the year his hobby has wasted the proceeds of the farm. He is ready to say "farming doesn't pay." He is ready to quit farning, to give his whole time to the hobby. In all probability within a comparatively short time the farm, farming and the hobby are all gone. Stick to the farm. Avoid hobbies."

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