

receive printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament, and also printed Newspapers, or other printed Papers liable to the Stamp Duties, and duly stamped for Conveyance by Packet Boats from *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to any of His Majesty's Colonies and Possessions beyond the Seas; and for His Majesty's Postmaster General and his Deputy and Deputies, to and for the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, to demand, have, receive, and take for the Conveyance of every such printed Vote, Proceeding, or Paper as aforesaid, the Sum of One Penny Halfpenny; and the said sum of One Penny Halfpenny to be paid when the said printed Votes, Proceedings, and printed Papers shall be put into the Post Office, provided the same be sent without a Cover, or in Covers open at the Sides; and provided every printed Newspaper or other printed Paper liable to the Stamp Duty be put into the Post Office in any Town or Place in *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, on the Day on which the same shall be published, such Day to be ascertained by the Date of the same.

British Colonies, on Payment of  $1\frac{1}{2}d.$  when put into the Post Office.

II *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the said Tenth Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty's Postmaster General, and his Deputy and Deputies in His Majesty's Colonies and Possessions beyond the Seas, to receive Newspapers printed within such Colonies or Possessions for Conveyance by Packet Boats to *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; and for His Majesty's Postmaster General and His Deputy and Deputies in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to and for the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, to demand, have, receive, and take, for the Conveyance of every such Paper as aforesaid, the Sum of Three-pence, to be paid on the Delivery thereof to the Person or Persons to whom the same shall be addressed, provided every such Paper be sent without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides.

Newspapers printed in the Colonies may be conveyed to *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, on Payment of  $3d$  by the Person to whom addressed.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty's Postmaster General, or any of the Officers employed under him respectively, to examine and search any Packet sent without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides, in order to discover whether any other Paper or Thing whatsoever be enclosed or concealed in or with such printed Papers as is hereby permitted to be sent at the Rates aforesaid, and in order to discover whether the printed Newspapers or other printed Papers sent from *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, and liable to the Stamp Duties, shall have been duly Stamped; and in case any such other Paper or Thing whatsoever shall be found to be enclosed or concealed in or with such printed Paper as aforesaid, or in case there shall be any Writing, other than the Superscription upon such printed Paper, or upon the Cover containing the same, the whole of such Packet shall be charged with Treble the Postage of a Letter; and in case any Newspaper or other printed Paper sent from *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, and liable to the Stamp Duties, shall not have been put into a Post Office on the Day on which it shall

In case any Writing or other Thing shall be found enclosed in such Papers, the Packet shall be charged Treble Postage of a Letter.

Newspaper not put into the Post Office on the Day of Publication to be charged