

unless such offices belong of right to the United Kingdom
 2 or to some other Colony, or to some Foreign State ; and the
 expenses of management shall be defrayed out of Provincial
 4 Funds ; and that the Act passed in the eighth year of Her
 Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to provide for the* 8 Vic. cap. 5,
 6 *management of the Customs and of matters relative to the*
collection of the Provincial Revenue, shall apply to the said
 8 Posts and Post Communications, and to the Officers and
 persons employed in managing the same, or in collecting
 10 or accounting for the duties and dues aforesaid, except in
 so far as any provision of the said Act may be insusceptible
 12 of such application or may be inconsistent with any pro-
 vision of this Act.

14 III. And be it enacted, That until it shall be otherwise
 provided in any case or cases by the proper authority
 16 under this Act and the Act last aforesaid, all Post Offices
 and Postal Divisions, Stations, Districts and Establishments,
 18 and all commissions or appointments of any Officers
 or persons employed in managing the said Inland
 20 Posts and Post Communications, or in collecting or
 accounting for the duties and dues aforesaid, in force when
 22 this Act shall come into effect, shall continue validly
 established and in force, and the nature of the duties and
 24 local extent of the powers of each Office, and the salary
 and emoluments of the Officer, shall remain the same as
 26 if such commissions or appointments had been granted or
 made under the authority of this Act, subject always to
 28 the provisions hereinafter made ; and that all bonds
 given by such Officers or persons or their sureties, and all
 30 contracts, agreements or engagements made by any party
 with or to any such Officer or person shall remain in full
 32 force and effect ; as shall also each and every regulation and
 departmental order not inconsistent with this Act and not
 34 providing for a matter for which provision is made by this
 Act, made by any then competent authority, to guide or
 36 direct such Officers and persons in the performance of
 their duties, or to confer, define or regulate their powers
 38 and the exercise thereof, until such regulation or order
 shall be abrogated or provision shall be made in the like
 40 matter by some regulation or order made by competent
 authority under this Act : nor shall any thing in this Act
 42 be construed to prevent any person from being at the same
 time an Officer or Servant of the British and of the
 44 Provincial Post Office.

Commissions,
 powers, &c., to
 remain in force
 until altered.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That except
 46 the Provincial Post Master General who shall be appointed
 under the authority of this Act, no officer appointed or

Salaries and
 emoluments
 limited,