transmission of newspapers,

by post, shall be transmitted either free or at a reduced rate of postage—unless the following conditions shall be observed: First—It shall be sent without a cover, or in a cover open at the sides or ends. Second—There shall be no words or communications printed on the paper after its publication, or upon the cover thereof, nor any writing or marks upon it, or upon the cover of it, except the name and address of the sender and of the person to whom it is sent. Third—There shall be no paper or thing enclosed in or with any such paper or publication.

Postmaster Goneral, &c., may examine printed papers, &c., sent by post. XVII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General, or any of his Officers, may examine any printed paper or packet which shall be sent by the post, either with or without a cover, open at the sides or ends, in order to discover whether it is contrary in any respect to the conditions hereby required to be observed; and in any case, if the required conditions be not fulfilled, the whole of every such paper shall be charged with postage as a letter; and as to every such printed paper going out of the Island, the Postmaster General or his Officers may either detain the same or forward it by post, charged with letter postage as aforesaid.

Conditions not being complied with, to be charged letter postage.

Decision of Postmaster General, &c., to be final in certain cases.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That in all cases where a question shall arise, whether a printed paper is entitled to the privileges of a newspaper or other publication, as regards its transmission by post under this Act, the question shall be referred to the Postmaster General of this Island, whose decision, with the concurrence of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, shall be final.

Newspapers,

XIX. And be it enacted, That in case any printed newspaper, or other printed paper,