

## An Act further to amend the Post Office Act.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. On all letters transmitted by post for any distance within Canada, except in cases herein otherwise specially provided for, there shall be charged and paid one uniform rate of two cents per ounce weight, any fraction of an ounce being chargeable as an ounce, and such postage rate of two cents shall be prepaid by postage stamp or stamps at the time of posting the letter.

Rate of postage on letters within Canada.

2. Letters wholly unpaid shall not be forwarded by post; but letters which are addressed to any place in Canada and on which any postage has been prepaid by stamp shall be forwarded to their destination charged with double the amount of the postage thereon not so prepaid, which amount shall be collected on delivery.

Prepayment obligatory.

Exception.

3. This section shall not have force or effect until a day to be named to the Governor General by his proclamation, and upon such day the section substituted for section 20 of *The Post Office Act* by section 4 of chapter 20 of the statutes of 1889 shall be deemed to be repealed.

Commencement of this section upon proclamation.

2. Section 26 of *The Post Office Act*, as amended by section 7 of chapter 20 of the statutes of 1889, and except as herein-after otherwise provided, is hereby repealed and the following is substituted therefor:—

R.S.C., c. 85, new s. 26.

“26. On and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, newspapers and periodicals, printed and published in Canada, mailed by the publisher in the post office at the place where they are published and addressed to regular subscribers or newsdealers in Canada, resident elsewhere than in the place of publication, shall be transmitted by mail to their respective addresses as follows:— If they do not require to be transmitted by mail a distance greater than ten miles from the place of publication, they shall be so transmitted free of postage; if they require to be transmitted a greater distance, then after the said day, and until and inclusive of the thirtieth day of June next following, at the rate of one-quarter of one cent, and thereafter at the rate of one-half of one cent, for each pound weight or any fraction of a pound weight, which shall be prepaid by postage stamps or otherwise, as the Postmaster General from time to time directs, provided that—

Rates of postage on newspapers and periodicals after 1st January, 1899.

“(a.) Such newspaper or periodical is known and recognized as a newspaper or periodical in the generally received sense of

Intervals of publication.