

privilege attached to Letters of Soldiers or Seamen, but are chargeable with the same Rate as ordinary Letters.

6. Clerk's Assistants in Her Majesty's Service are allowed to send and receive their Letters in the same manner and under the same Regulations as Soldiers and Seamen.

7. No additional Postage is to be charged on the redirection of a Letter addressed to a Commissioned Officer of the Army or Navy, when he has removed on service within or from any British Colony.

8. Postmasters are required to examine carefully every Letter purporting to be a Soldier's or Seaman's Letter, and if it be not in all respects conformable to the above Regulations, to charge it with full Postage, writing in Red Ink on the face of the Letter the reason for such charge.

PART VI.

Ship Letters.

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| 1 Ship Letters to be stamped, &c. | 5 Declaration to be made by Shipmaster. |
| 2 Letters from U. Kingdom in Ship Letter Mail, prepaid, subject to Inland Rate. | 6 Certificate to be delivered to Shipmaster. |
| 3 Ship Letters not in Mail, 2½ cents to be paid Master, receipt taken, &c. | 7 Postmaster to keep Register of Shipmasters who make Declaration, and make Quarterly Returns to General Office. |
| 4 Amount paid Shipmasters to be entered in Ship Letter Book. | 8 Form to be transmitted. |

1. All Ship Letters delivered at a Post Office must be stamped with the Ship Letter Stamp on the face or address side, and also of the dated Office Stamp on the seal side, shewing the date on which the Letter was received.

2. On Letters from the United Kingdom, if received in a Ship Letter Mail, the postage for Sea conveyance and also the Gratuities of the Master will have been paid in the United Kingdom, but ~~an Inland Rate~~ of ~~five cents~~ ~~currency~~ per half ounce is chargeable if not delivered at the Port of arrival, and should be taxed before forwarding.

3. On all Ship Letters brought loose (i. e. not in a Ship Letter Mail,) a gratuity of two ~~and a half~~ cents each is to be paid to the Master of the Vessel, and his receipt for the same taken on the printed form supplied by the Department; ~~all such Letters will be subject to the same Rate of Postage as if received in a regular Mail from the country or place from which such Vessel sailed.~~

4. The amounts paid to Shipmasters and amount charged against the Post Office, should be entered in the "Ship Letter Book," and afterwards in the Quarterly Ship Letter Accounts.

5. Every Master of an inward bound vessel must on his arrival make the following Declaration before the Postmaster or Way Office Keeper at the Port of Entry and at the Office where the Letters brought are by law to be delivered:—