

THE FOREIGN AND COLONIAL PARCEL COMPENSATION WARRANT,
1894,* DATED JUNE 15, 1894.

1894. No. 67.

We, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Acts relating to Her Majesty's Post Office, and in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows :—

1. This Warrant may be cited as "The Foreign and Colonial Parcel Compensation Warrant, 1894."

2. The several Treasury Warrants mentioned in the schedule hereto shall, on and as from the day upon which this Warrant comes into operation, be repealed, revoked, and annulled.

3. Where an agreement has been made between Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (herein-after referred to as "the Postmaster-General") and the Postal Administration of any Foreign State or British Colony or Possession (herein-after referred to as "Colony"), respecting the exchange of parcels with declaration of value (otherwise called "Insured Parcels"), the provisions of this Warrant shall apply to parcels transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and such territories of such Foreign State or Colony as are referred to in the agreement (herein-after respectively referred to as a "Foreign Country or Colony").

4. Subject to the provisions of this Warrant, if any article of pecuniary value enclosed in, or forming part of, a parcel transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and a Foreign Country or Colony be lost or damaged while in the post, the Postmaster-General may pay to any person or persons, or to the Postal Administration of any Foreign Country or Colony, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General establishing a reasonable claim to compensation (having regard to the nature of the article, the care with which it was packed, and other circumstances), such sum as he may think just.

Provided that—

- (1.) In the case of parcels transmitted to the United Kingdom the sum paid by way of compensation shall be such a sum not exceeding fifty pounds as having regard to the amount of the compensation fee, in addition to the postage, paid in respect of such parcel, may be from time to time fixed by agreement between the Postmaster-General and the Foreign Country or Colony from which the parcel is transmitted.

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(2.) In the case of parcels transmitted from the United Kingdom—

(a.) If in addition to the postage payable in respect of such parcel a compensation fee of fivepence is paid in respect of such parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed twelve pounds.

(b.) If in addition to the postage payable as aforesaid a compensation fee of sevenpence halfpenny is paid in respect of such parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed twenty-four pounds.

(c.) If in addition to the postage payable as aforesaid a compensation fee of tenpence is paid in respect of such parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed thirty-six pounds.

(d.) If in addition to the postage payable as aforesaid a compensation fee of one shilling and one halfpenny is paid in respect of such parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed forty-eight pounds.

(e.) If in addition to the postage payable as aforesaid, a compensation fee of one shilling and threepence is paid in respect of such parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed fifty pounds.

5. A parcel in respect of which a compensation fee is paid shall be deemed to be and is herein-after referred to as an "insured parcel."

6. Any parcel, other than an insured parcel, containing coin or any article of jewellery, transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and a Foreign Country or Colony shall be subject to the following provisions:—

(1.) If such parcel be received in the United Kingdom from a Foreign Country or Colony—

(a) such parcel shall be registered and may be detained for that purpose at any post office;

(b) such parcel shall be charged with a registration fee of eightpence in addition to all other postage payable thereon.

(2.) If such parcel be posted in the United Kingdom it shall be returned to the sender.

(3.) No compensation shall be payable in respect of the loss or damage of such parcel, or the contents thereof.

7. The Postmaster-General may give effect to the provisions of this Warrant, as to the loss or damage of articles enclosed in or forming part of parcels, out of such aids or supplies as may be from time to time provided and appropriated by Parliament for that purpose; but nothing contained in, or done under, or in pursuance of, this Warrant, shall render him liable, either personally or in his official capacity, to any action or other legal proceeding in respect of, or in consequence of, any such loss of

damage. And the decision of the Postmaster-General on all questions arising between him and any person claiming payment in respect of the loss or damage of any article enclosed in or forming part of a parcel shall be final and conclusive.

8. In this Warrant—

The expression “coin” means coin of all kinds whether or not current in the United Kingdom or elsewhere.

The expression “jewellery” means—

- (a) gold or silver in a manufactured or unmanufactured state ;
- (b) diamonds and precious stones ;
- (c) watches entirely or mainly composed of gold or silver ;
and
- (d) any article of a like nature which, apart from workmanship, has an intrinsic or marketable value.

The expression “United Kingdom” includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

9. This Warrant shall come into operation on the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

Dated this fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

W. A. McArthur,
Richard K. Causton,
Two of the Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

Arnold Morley,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

Schedule.

REPEALS.

Date of Treasury Warrant.

1891.	25th May.*
1891.	7th July.†
1891.	5th December.‡
1894.	15th January (Colonial Parcels).§
1894.	15th January (Foreign Parcels).§

* Published in “London Gazette,” May 29, 1891, p. 2863.

† Published in “London Gazette,” July 10, 1891, p. 3655.

‡ Published in “London Gazette,” December 11, 1891, p. 6844.

§ Statutory Rules and Orders, 1894, Nos. 61 and 62.