CHAP. 30.

An Act for the further regulation of the Duties on Postage. A.D. 1871.

[29th June 1871.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Reduction of rates of postage by warrant of the Treasury.

1. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by warrant under their hands, to reduce the rates of postage to be charged for the use of Her Majesty, on letters sent by post between places in the United Kingdom, and to regulate the scale of weights according to which such rates are to be charged, and to revoke, alter, or add to any warrant previously made under this section, so, however, that the lowest rate of postage be not less than one penny.

Construction of Act.

2. This Act, including any warrant made thereunder, shall be construed as one with the Acts mentioned in Schedule One to this Act, and the term "this Act" in the last-mentioned Acts shall be construed to include this Act and such warrant, and the Acts mentioned in the said schedule and this Act may be cited together as "The Post Office (Duties) Acts, 1840 to 1871," and each of the two first of the said Acts may be cited as the Post Office (Duties) Act of the year in which it was passed.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as "The Post Office (Duties) Act, 1871."

Repeal of Acts in Schedule Two.

4. Upon any warrant, made under this Act, coming into operation, the Acts mentioned in Schedule Two to this Act shall be repealed to the extent in the third column of that schedule mentioned, and all other enactments inconsistent with such warrant shall be repealed:

A.D. 1871.

Provided that this repeal shall not affect—

(1.) The past operation of the enactments hereby repealed, or the validity or invalidity of anything done or suffered before the warrant comes into operation; or

(2.) Any right, title, obligation, or liability acquired or accrued before the warrant comes into operation; or

(3.) Any penalty or forfeiture incurred before the warrant comes into operation; or

(4.) The prosecution or institution of any investigation, legal proceeding, or remedy in respect of any such right, title, obligation, liability, penalty, or forfeiture.

SCHEDULE ONE.

POST OFFICE (DUTIES) ACTS.

Session and Chapter.	Title of Act.
3 & 4 Vict. c. 96. -	An Act for the regulation of the duties of Postage.
10 & 11 Vict. c. 85. -	An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of Letters by Post and for the regulating the duties of Postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 79. -	The Post Office Act, 1870.

SCHEDULE TWO.

ACTS REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
3 & 4 Vict. c. 96. -	An Act for the regulation of the duties of Postage.	So much of section two as relates to letters to which this Act applies, and section four.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 79. -	The Post Office Act, 1870 -	So much of sections eight and nine as relates to pattern or sample packets.

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