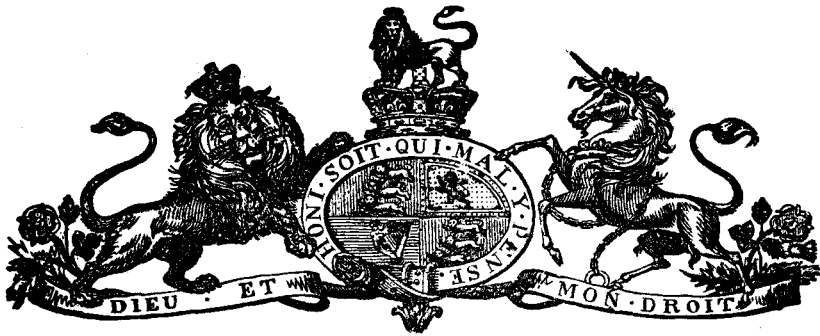


T A S M A N I A



1888.

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO-SECUNDO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 42.



AN ACT to further amend "The Post Office Act, 1881." [24 October, 1888.] A.D. 1888.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend "The Post Office Act, 1881," in certain particulars: PREAMBLE. 45 Vict. No. 13.

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1 In this Act the expression "the said Act" shall mean "The Post Office Act, 1881." Interpretation. 45 Vict. No. 13.

2 The Governor in Council may, subject to the provisions of this Act and the said Act, authorise the issue of Postal Notes for the transmission of small sums of money through the Post Office from any part of Tasmania to another part of the Colony or to any Australian Colony or New Zealand: Provided, that no Postal Note shall be issued for a larger sum than Twenty Shillings. Governor in Council may authorise issue of Postal Notes.

3 All the provisions, other than Sections Eighty-three and Eighty-five, of the said Act relating to Money Orders shall apply to Postal Notes, and the said Act shall be read and construed as if the words "Postal Note" were inserted after the words "Money Order" in each Section of the said Act in which the said words "Money Order" appear. Provisions of 45 Vict. No. 13 to apply to Postal Notes.

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Post Cards.

4 Notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act, Post Cards may be sent by post—

- (a) Between *Tasmania* and any of the *Australian Colonies* or *New Zealand*, at a postage rate of One Penny each impressed or printed thereon:
- (b) Between *Tasmania* and *Great Britain*, *vid Italy*, at a postage rate of Three Pence each impressed or printed thereon:
- (c) Between *Tasmania* and *Great Britain*, wholly sea-borne from *Tasmania* or from *Adelaide*, at a postage rate of Two Pence each impressed or printed thereon.

Provision substituted for Sect. 19 of 45 Vict. No. 13.

5 Section Nineteen of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Nineteen of the said Act; that is to say,—

“Any publication coming within the following description shall be deemed a newspaper within the meaning of this Act:—Any publication consisting wholly or in part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics with or without advertisements, shall be deemed a newspaper, provided that it be published in numbers at intervals of not more than one month, that it be printed for sale on a sheet or sheets, or that it have the full title and date of publication printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication printed at the top of every subsequent page, with or without a supplement, consisting wholly or in part of such matter as aforesaid, or consisting wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs, illustrative of articles in such newspaper or supplement, provided that no such supplement shall consist of only one advertisement, placard, or circular, and that every such supplement be enclosed in every copy or issue of the paper of which it forms the supplement, and in every case be printed on a sheet or sheets of paper, and published with such newspaper, and having the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page, or at the top of the first sheet or side on which any such matter appears.”

Provision substituted for Sect. 21 of 45 Vict. No. 13.

6 Section Twenty-one of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Twenty-one of the said Act; that is to say,—

“All newspapers posted in *Tasmania* without a cover or enclosed separately in a cover open at both ends shall be received, conveyed, and delivered by post at the rates set forth in the Schedule hereto: Provided that no such newspaper or cover contains any printing, writing, or thing whatsoever therein or thereon other than the contents of such newspaper as printed by the publisher thereof and the printed or written name and address of the sender thereof, excepting only the direction on the outside thereof, or any mark intended to call attention to any paragraph therein; and if any person wilfully or knowingly sends to or puts into, or causes to be sent to or put into, any Post Office any newspaper which, or the cover whereof, contains any printing, writing, or thing whatsoever therein or thereon other than the contents of such newspaper as printed by the publisher thereof, save as aforesaid, or in or with which anything shall be enclosed, or which anything shall accompany other than as last aforesaid, every such person shall for any such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Ten Pounds.”

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- 7** Section Eighty-one of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Eighty-one of the said Act; that is to say,—
- “Yearly Accounts of all deposits received and paid under the authority of this Act, and of the expenses incurred during the year ending the Thirty-first day of *December*, shall, at the close of each year, together with a statement of the total amount due at the close of the year to all depositors, be laid before both Houses of Parliament, if Parliament is then sitting, and if not, then within Fourteen days after the commencement of the next Session.”
- A.D. 1888.
Provision substituted for Sect. 81 of 45 Vict. No. 13.
- 8** Section Eighty-two of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be, and may be cited as Section Eighty-two of the said Act; that is to say,—
- “The Yearly Accounts of the Postmaster-General and the Treasurer of the Colony to the Thirty-first day of *December* in each year, in respect to all money deposited or invested under the authority of this Act, shall, prior to the Thirty-first day of *March* in each year, be submitted for examination and audit to the Auditor-General.”
- Provision substituted for Sect. 82 of 45 Vict. No. 13.
- 9** “The said Act,” as amended or altered by this Act, and this Act, shall be read and construed together as one Act.
- Acts to be read together.
- 10** This Act shall come into operation on the First day of *January*, 1889.
- Commencement of Act.
- 11** This Act may be cited as “The Post Office Amendment Act, 1888.”
- Short title.

SCHEDULE.

1. Newspapers printed and posted in the Colony for delivery at any place within the Colony beyond the boundaries of the city or town at which they may be published, and posted within Seven days from the date of publication Free.
2. Newspapers printed and posted in the Colony for transmission to the Australian Colonies and to New Zealand, if posted within Seven days from the date of publication Free.
3. Newspapers printed and posted in the Colony after Seven days from the date of publication $\frac{1}{2}d.$ each.
4. Newspapers posted to any place other than Tasmania, the Australian Colonies, or New Zealand..... $\frac{1}{2}d.$ each.
5. Newspapers posted within any city, town, or district in the Colony for delivery by letter carriers within such city, town, or district..... $\frac{1}{2}d.$ each.
6. Newspapers received from places beyond the limits of the Colony shall be delivered free; but when re-posted, whether in single numbers or stitched monthly parts of two or more numbers, shall be subject to a charge for each number $\frac{1}{2}d.$
7. Bulk parcels of newspapers printed in or out of the Colony, and of any date, posted by a registered newspaper publisher or news vendor for delivery within the Colony, per pound or fraction thereof..... *Id.*
8. The *Hobart Gazette*, published by the Government Printer, is exempted from the above rates, and may be posted for delivery in any part of the Colony, or for transmission out of the Colony, free of charge.
9. Newspapers liable to postage must be fully prepaid by affixing stamps of sufficient value.
10. Newspapers on being re-directed by Postmasters consequent upon change of residence of addressee are not subject to additional postage.

