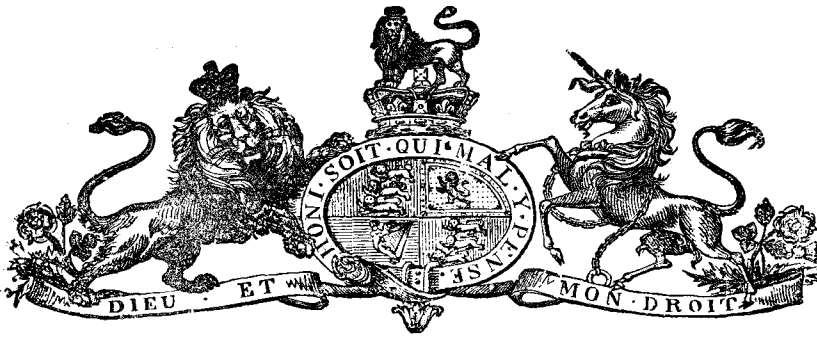
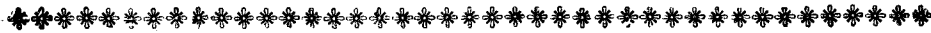


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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,
No. 19.



AN ACT to further amend “The Post Office Act, 1881.” [19 October, 1891.] A.D. 1891.

WHEREAS it is expedient to alter the rate of charges payable to the master of or other person commanding any steam or other vessel for the carriage of any mail upon such vessel : **PREAMBLE.**

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 This Act may be cited as “The Post Office Act Amendment Act, 1891.” Short title.

2 In this Act the following words shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them ; that is to say— **Interpretation.**

“Stage coach” shall mean and include every stage coach licensed under *The Police Act, 1865* :

“Manager” shall include the Manager of any line of railway and any officer or servant acting in the discharge of any duty on such railway :

“Railway” shall include any Tramway :

“Train” shall mean any number of carriages used or intended to be used for the conveyance of passengers, and drawn or propelled by a locomotive, engine, or any motive power whatsoever.

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Substitution
Sect. 55 of
45 Vict. No. 13.Penalty on
masters of vessels
departing for
refusing to
convey mails.Allowance to
masters of vessels
for conveyance
of ship letters
outwards.Driver of stage
coaches compelled
to carry mails.Payment for
carriage of mails.

3 Section Fifty-five of "The Post Office Act, 1881," is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Fifty-five of the said Act; that is to say—

"If the master of or person commanding any steam or other vessel proceeding or about to proceed from any port, harbour, or place within this Colony to any other port, harbour, or place, whether within this Colony or not, on being thereto required by any officer of the Post Office, or by the Harbour Master, refuses or neglects to receive any mail on board such vessel or to give a receipt for such mail, or to deposit such mail in some secure and dry place, or to convey such mail upon the then intended voyage, such master of or person commanding such vessel shall for any such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding One hundred Pounds.

"The master of or person commanding any such steam or other vessel as aforesaid, who duly receives on board thereof any mail for the purpose of conveying the same upon the then intended voyage of such vessel, shall, upon such receipt of such mail, be entitled to demand and receive from such Officer of the Post Office or Harbour Master payment for the carriage of such mails at the rate of Fourpence per pound avoirdupois for all letters and packets and Four Shillings per hundredweight for all newspapers, parcels, and other matter contained in such mail, and the master of or person commanding any such vessel shall give a receipt for any money so received by him, which receipt shall be a sufficient voucher for such payment, and the same shall be allowed in account at the Post Office accordingly.

"Provided that the minimum payment for conveying any such mail shall not be less than One Shilling."

4 If the driver of any stage coach proceeding or about to proceed from any town or place near a Post Office in *Tasmania* to any other town or place near a Post Office in *Tasmania*, on being thereto required by any officer of any Post Office, refuses or neglects to receive any mail for carriage in such stage coach, or to give a receipt for such mail, or to deposit and keep such mail in some secure and dry place, or to convey such mail upon the then intended journey, such driver shall for any such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

The driver of any such stage coach as aforesaid who duly receives any mail for the purpose of conveying the same upon the then intended journey of such stage coach shall, upon the carriage and delivery of such mail at its place of destination, be entitled to demand and receive from such officer as aforesaid payment for the carriage of such mail at the rate of Fourpence per pound avoirdupois for all letters and packets and Four Shillings per hundredweight for all newspapers, parcels, and other matter contained in such mail; and such driver shall give a receipt for any money so received by him, which receipt shall be a sufficient voucher for such payment, and the same shall be allowed in account at the Post Office accordingly.

Provided that the minimum payment for the carriage of any such mail shall not be less than One Shilling.

Provided also that the payment for the carriage of any such mails as aforesaid containing newspapers, parcels, and other matter beyond a distance of Thirty miles shall be at the rate of Eight Shillings per hundredweight.

Post Office Act Amendment.

5 If the Manager of any railway upon which a train is proceeding or about to proceed from any station near a Post Office in *Tasmania* to any other station near a Post Office in *Tasmania*, on being thereto required by any officer of any Post Office, refuses or neglects to receive any mail for carriage on such train, or to give a receipt for such mail, or to deposit and keep such mail in some secure and dry place, or to convey such mail upon the then intended journey, such Manager shall for any such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

A.D. 1891.

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Railways compelled to carry mails.

The Manager of any such railway as aforesaid who duly receives any mail for the purpose of conveying the same upon the then intended journey of such train shall, upon the carriage and delivery of such mail at its place of destination, be entitled to demand and receive from such officer as aforesaid payment for the carriage of such mail at the rate of Fourpence per pound avoirdupois for all letters and packets, and Four Shillings per hundredweight for all newspapers, parcels, and other matter contained in such mail; and such Manager shall give a receipt for any money so received by him, which receipt shall be a sufficient voucher for such payment, and the same shall be allowed in account at the Post Office accordingly.

Payment for carriage of mails.

Provided that the minimum payment for the carriage of any such mail shall not be less than One Shilling.

6 This Act and "The Post Office Act, 1881," and every Act amending the same, shall be read and construed together as one and the same Act.

Acts to be read together.

