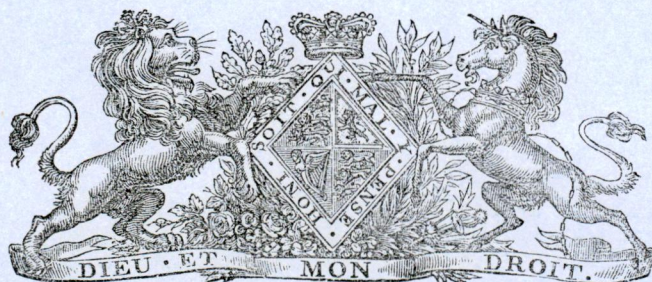


New South Wales.



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No. XXVI.

An Act to amend the Postage Acts. [Assented to,
11th March, 1857.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Postage Acts in the Preamble.
particulars hereinafter provided for: Be it therefore enacted by
the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent
of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,
in Parliament Assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. One uniform rate of Sixpence for every half-ounce or fraction
of half an ounce shall be chargeable upon all letters and packets (not
being within any of the exceptions created by law,) posted for transmission
to parts beyond the Colony, which said rate shall in every case be prepaid
by stamps, but no charge shall be made for delivery or for inland
carriage of any letters received from parts beyond the Colony, excepting
on letters and packets arriving from abroad not duly posted, upon which
the above uniform rate of Sixpence for every half ounce or fraction of
half ounce shall be chargeable. Ship letters to be charged sixpence.

2. Packets of the following descriptions, that is to say—Bankers'
parcels, containing notes, orders or specie, sent by or to any Bank or
Banker; parcels containing patterns, or samples of merchandise; and
parcels containing deeds, conveyances, affidavits, or letters of attorney,
shall be charged with the ordinary rates of postage payable on letters and
packets sent by or received into any Post Office for transmission or
delivery by the Post, anything contained in the eighth section of the Act
of Council, fifteenth Victoria, number twelve, to the contrary thereof
notwithstanding. Bankers' parcels, &c., placed on the same scale as letters or packets sent by Post.

3. The powers given to the Governor and Executive Council by
the first and second sections of the Act of Council, eighteenth Victoria,
number seventeen, shall extend to book parcels; and it shall be lawful
for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, to make such
regulations in reference to the definition and transmission of such book
parcels, whether within the Colony, or to and from parts beyond the
Colony, as the said Governor and Council shall deem most convenient,
anything in any former Act to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. Regulation as to book parcels.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The history of the United States is a story of growth and expansion. From the first European settlements on the Atlantic coast to the westward movement across the continent, the United States has grown from a small colony to a vast nation. The story is one of struggle and triumph, of the founding fathers and the men who built the nation. It is a story of the American dream and the pursuit of happiness. The history of the United States is a story of the people who have made it what it is today.

CHAPTER I

THE FOUNDING OF THE NATION



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA