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Packing At once. — Communication despatched from the Secretary of State stating that instructions have been issued that the charges for postage of packages despatched by parcel post should no longer be prepaid in England.

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In consequence of frequent complaints having been made of late, in returned Packing Accounts, of the non-receipt of packages despatched by parcel post, instructions have been issued that the charges for postage should no longer be prepaid in this country.

2. The reasons for this step are explained in the accompanying copy of a report by the Director-General of Stores.

3. The new system does not apply to presentation books, the postage on which will be prepaid as heretofore.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy Report by Director-General of Stores, dated 18th April 1882.

Frequent complaints having been made of late, in returned Packing Accounts, of the non-receipt of packages despatched to India by parcel post, the matter has been brought to the notice of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, and papers on the subject are annexed.

2. The postage on parcels has hitherto been prepaid in this country. It has been pointed out by the Peninsular and Oriental Company that prepaid parcels are treated by the Indian Post Office as letters, and delivered at the addresses given, without demanding a receipt; and they have suggested that in future the postage charges should be paid in India, as a record is kept by the Post Office of unpaid parcels, for the purpose of verifying payment of charges, and it would thus be possible to prove the delivery of parcels by the fact of their having been paid for.

3. The adoption of this suggestion will not involve any additional expense, and will doubtless tend to secure due delivery.

4. In the case, however, of presentation copies of books it will be desirable to pay the postage in advance as heretofore.

5. Arrangements have therefore been made, by which no further charges for parcel post will be paid in England, except in the case of presentation books.

ORDER—dated 31st May 1882, No. 398, Financial.

Communicated to all Departments and Heads of Department.

(True Extract.)

C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Departments of Secretariat.
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