

No. 18—1860.

1st November.

AN ORDINANCE to unite the Office of Escribano of the Court of Intendant with the Office of Keeper of Maps and Surveys.

JAS. WALKER.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Government as follows :

1. The Office of Escribano of the Court of Intendant shall be held by the person who for the time being shall fill the Office of Keeper of Maps and Surveys.

2. There shall be allowed and paid from the Colonial Treasury to the Officer holding the Offices of Keeper of Maps and Surveys and Escribano of the Court of Intendant a salary at the rate of three-hundred and seventy-five pounds per annum.

Passed in Council this first day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

W. P. CLARKE,
Acting Clerk of Council.

No. 23—1860.

10th December.

AN ORDINANCE regarding Inter-Colonial Letters.

JAS. WALKER.

WHEREAS it would tend to the public convenience if all letters sent by the post from or to this Colony to or from any other of Her Majesty's Colonies were prepaid, and the amount of Colonial Postage chargeable by the Colony to which such letters may be sent by post, were paid to and collected by the Post Office Authorities of the Colony from which such letters may be sent : Be it enacted by His Excellency

the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Government, as follows :

1. It shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time to enter into an agreement with the Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, or the Post Office Authorities of any Colony belonging to Her Majesty for the mutual collection at the respective Post Offices of this Colony and of such other Colony, as well of the postage chargeable by the Post Office of this Colony as of the postage chargeable by the Post Office of such other Colony, on letters sent by post from or to this Colony to or from such other Colony; and so long as such agreement shall remain in force the postage on all letters sent by the post from this Colony to such other Colony chargeable by the Post Office of the Colony to which the same shall be sent, as well as the postage chargeable by the Post Office of this Colony shall be prepaid in one sum, and the Postmaster-General of this Colony shall account for and pay over to the Post Office Authorities of such other Colony the amount of the postage to which such Colony shall be entitled.

2. A copy of every such agreement shall be laid before the Council of Government at its first meeting next after such agreement shall have been entered into.

Passed in Council this tenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

W. P. CLARKE,
Acting Clerk of Council.

No. 24—1860.

10th December.

AN ORDINANCE for altering the Rates of Postage on Letters.

JAS. WALKER.

WHEREAS an Ordinance was passed in Council on the fourth day of April in the year 1851, entitled "An Ordinance for establishing an Inland Post and

Rates of Postage within the Colony;" and whereas it is expedient to alter and amend the mode of charging the postage on letters under the said Ordinance; Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Government, as follows :

1. The eighth Clause of the said Ordinance shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

2. The postage on all letters brought into this Colony from any place beyond this Colony, and on all letters posted at any Post Office of this Colony for transmission to any other place within the limits of the Colony or beyond the limits of the Colony, shall be charged by weight according to the following scale, and the several numbers of rates of postage hereinafter set forth shall be charged and shall be paid to Her Majesty for the use of the Colony on all such letters; that is to say, on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, one rate of postage; on every letter exceeding half an ounce and not exceeding one ounce in weight two rates of postage; on every letter exceeding one ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight four rates of postage; on every letter exceeding two ounces and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage; and on every letter exceeding three ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage; and for every ounce in weight above the weight of four ounces there shall be charged and taken two additional rates of postage, and every fraction of an ounce above the weight of four ounces shall be charged as one additional ounce; and on all such letters there shall be paid the following rates of postage; that is to say, on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, one uniform rate of one penny, and on every letter exceeding half an ounce in weight, progressive and additional rates of postage (each additional rate being estimated at one penny) according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinbefore fixed and charged.

Passed in Council this tenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

W. P. CLARKE,
Acting Clerk of Council.