

No. 51.

*J. P. Godby, Esq., to W. Hemings, Esq.*

Sir,

General Post Office, 22 March 1854.

I am directed by the Postmaster general to inform you, with reference to your communications upon the subject, that the application recently made to Mr. Day, the publisher of the "Law Students' Magazine," arose from a misapprehension on the part of the Post Office, it having been erroneously supposed that the magazine had not been authorised in the usual manner to pass through the post under the newspaper privilege.

W. Hemings, Esq.,  
13, Carey-street, Lincoln's Inn.

I am, &c.  
(signed) *J. P. Godby,*  
pro Secretary.

STAMPED PUBLICATIONS.

COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE between the  
Post Office and Treasury and Proprietors of  
Stamped Publications, not being Newspapers,  
in reference to the FREE TRANSMISSION of such  
Publications through the Post, &c.

(*Mr. Milner Gibson.*)

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed,  
28 July 1854.

426.

Under 3 oz.

Crawford 1870(24)

STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES, &c.

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 17 June 1856;—for,

RETURN "for each Year, commencing the 5th day of April 1846 to the 5th day of April 1856, of the Amount Expended for producing STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES, classed under the following Heads,—Machinery, Paper, Salaries, Wages, Folding, Bands, and all other Contingencies: "

"RETURN showing how much per Million the said ENVELOPES Cost, including any Per-centage allowed upon the Sale of them: "

"RETURN showing, from similar Particulars or Contract Price, how much the POSTAGE LABELS Cost (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 512, of Session 1846): "

"Also, the Amount Received by the INLAND REVENUE for PENNY and other POSTAGE STAMPS in the Years ending the 31st day of December 1853, 1854, and 1855, respectively; distinguishing the Amount Received for each kind of Stamp: "

"Same RETURN of the Amount Received by the POST OFFICE: "

"Also, the Amount Received for PENNY RECEIPT and DRAFT STAMPS in the Years ending the 31st day of December 1854 and 1855: "

"And, COPIES of any CONTRACTS or AGREEMENTS entered into by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for Manufacturing or Folding the STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES, and for Printing and Gumming the RECEIPT LABELS, since the Commencement of those Systems, and of any Public Notice calling for Tenders for such Printing and Gumming, given to the Trade, previously to such Contract or Agreement being made."

(Mr. Whiteside.)

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed, 24 July 1856.

A RETURN for each Year, commencing the 5th day of April 1846 to the 5th day of April 1856, of the Amount Expended for producing STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES, classed under the following Heads,—Machinery, Paper, Salaries, Wages, Folding, Bands, and all other Contingencies.

RETURN showing how much per Million the said ENVELOPES Cost, including any Per-centage allowed upon the Sale of them.

RETURN showing, from Particulars or Contract Price, how much the POSTAGE LABELS Cost (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 512, of Session 1846).

	Years ending 5th April										TOTAL.	
	1847.	1848.	1849.	1850.	1851.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.		
<b>POSTAGE ENVELOPES:</b>	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Machinery - - -	174 18 10	15 4 2	1 6 9	16 - 2	182 19 6	171 11 9	13 10 6	214 6 4	9 4 -	3 11 8	802 13 8	
Paper - - -	1,606 6 7	5,408 17 7	2,178 17 10	1,852 16 6	1,963 8 11	4,111 9 3	4,809 15 5	4,753 7 6	3,700 19 7	3,036 6 3	33,422 5 5	
Salaries - - -	529 4 -	564 6 -	642 6 -	699 - -	669 12 -	705 13 4	888 2 6	858 8 2	995 19 5	996 1 10	7,548 13 3	
Wages - - -	667 8 -	626 1 -	516 1 11	514 7 3	549 10 2	572 15 3	501 19 4	571 - 11	580 15 3	640 6 10	5,740 5 11	
Folding - - -	1,963 14 4	1,720 5 10	1,770 2 6	1,326 6 9	1,390 10 5	1,869 - -	2,325 15 8	2,387 8 3	1,955 10 -	1,948 19 -	18,657 12 9	
Ornamental bands - - -	- - -	150 3 1	- - -	127 13 10	- - -	112 3 8	125 14 4	116 9 -	- - -	104 16 7	737 - 6	
Contingencies, including packing, carriage, and other expenses of distribution - - -	427 14 8	230 2 4	293 12 6	225 3 1	231 11 4	245 12 8	214 3 1	374 8 9	464 19 7	369 4 -	3,076 12 -	
<b>Total Cost - - - £.</b>	<b>5,369 6 5</b>	<b>8,715 - -</b>	<b>5,402 7 6</b>	<b>4,761 7 7</b>	<b>4,987 12 4</b>	<b>7,788 5 11</b>	<b>8,879 - 10</b>	<b>9,275 8 11</b>	<b>7,707 7 10</b>	<b>7,099 6 2</b>	<b>69,985 3 6</b>	
Repaid by the Consumers, in addition to the Retailer's Profit - - -	7,419 16 2	7,073 2 11	6,052 19 3	5,351 18 5	5,338 19 -	6,309 4 3	7,716 8 4	7,949 11 5	7,110 4 8	6,552 15 6	66,874 19 11	
Loss to the Government - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	£. 3,110 3 7	
Number of Envelopes stamped in the whole period, 186,124,000.												
Cost per million, upon the average of the period - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	376 - 3	
Repaid by the consumers, per million - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	359 6 -	
Loss per Million upon the whole Number issued - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	£. 16 14 3	
<b>POSTAGE LABELS:</b>												
Paper, per million stamps - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	5 14 5	
Salaries - - ditto - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- 16 8	
Contingencies, including poundage, &c. - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	45 2 4	
Printing and gumming - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22 1 9	
Perforating - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 8 1	
<b>Total Cost per Million, none of which is repaid by the Consumer - - -</b>	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	£. 75 3 3	

A RETURN of the Amount Received by the INLAND REVENUE for PENNY and other POSTAGE STAMPS in the Years ending the 31st day of December 1853, 1854, and 1855 respectively; distinguishing the Amount Received for each kind of Stamp.

Years ended 31st December	AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR EACH KIND OF POSTAGE STAMP.						TOTAL.
	Penny.	Two-pence.	Four-pence.	Six-pence.	Ten-pence.	Shilling.	
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
1853	263,350 6 8	19,835 7 3	- - -	- - -	2,381 18 4	6,676 19 -	292,244 11 3
1854	311,902 7 9	21,177 3 8	- - -	5,913 10 -	3,228 18 4	8,547 17 -	350,769 16 9
1855	381,812 3 11	27,213 13 4	6,832 7 4	10,819 13 -	2,604 3 4	12,661 16 -	441,943 16 11

Inland Revenue Office,  
18 July 1856.

L. S. Lyne, A. & C. G.

AMOUNT Received by the GENERAL POST OFFICE for PENNY and other POSTAGE STAMPS in the Years ending 31st December 1853, 1854, and 1855 respectively; distinguishing the Amount Received for each kind of Stamp.

	L A B E L S.						ENVELOPES.	TOTAL.
	Penny.	Two-pence.	Four-pence.	Six-pence.	Ten-pence.	Shilling.		
	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.		
Year ended 5th January 1854 -	1,209,506	97,209	- - -	- - -	24,205	51,031	66,100 8 6	1,448,051 8 6
„ 31st December 1854* -	1,231,384	78,258	- - -	36,254	25,021	52,438	58,581 9 -	1,481,936 9 -
„ 31st December 1855* -	1,288,175	71,615	23,471	45,344	6,628	49,558	52,605 12 9	1,537,396 12 9

\* The sums of 600 l. and 500 l., the amount of Stamps supplied to the War Office by the Inland Revenue Office, and charged as a consignment to the Post-office, are included in the above amounts for the years ended 31st December 1854 and 1855.

18 July 1856.

Geo. E. Hide,  
Rec<sup>r</sup> and Acc<sup>t</sup>-general.

A RETURN of the Amount received for PENNY RECEIPT and DRAFT STAMPS in the Years ending the 31st day of December 1854 and 1855.

	Amount Received.
	£. s. d.
Year ended 31st December 1854 - -	252,028 4 1
„ 31st December 1855 - -	270,696 13 1

Inland Revenue Office,  
18 July 1856.

L. S. Lyne, A. & C. G.

COPIES of any CONTRACTS or AGREEMENTS entered into by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for Manufacturing or Folding the STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES, and Printing and Gumming the RECEIPT LABELS, since the Commencement of those Systems, and of any Public Notice calling for Tenders for such Printing and Gumming, given to the Trade, previously to such Contract or Agreement being made.

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COPIES of CONTRACTS or AGREEMENTS for Manufacturing or Folding the STAMPED POSTAGE ENVELOPES.

See Appendices No. 1 and No. 2.

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COPIES of CONTRACTS for Printing and Gumming RECEIPT LABELS, and for any Public Notice for Tenders for the same, given to the Trade, previously to such Contract or Agreement being made.

THE Act of Parliament reducing the stamp duty on receipts to one uniform rate of 1*d.*, did not pass until August 1853, and the said Act came into operation on the 10th October following.

In order to prepare the dies, and print and gum sufficient stock to supply the whole kingdom before that date, the most strenuous exertions were required.

To produce the kind of stamps desired, it became necessary to consult several chemists, engravers, artists, and others, and the mode of producing the stamps having been ultimately resolved upon, the operation was confided to Messrs. De la Rue, who had the best means of accomplishing it within the time required. No public notice calling for tenders for printing and gumming was given to the trade, nor is there any trade to which such notice could have been given, the operation being the making of the stamps as well as the printing and gumming, and that operation being to a great extent experimental.

Inland Revenue Office,  
18 July 1856.

(signed) L. S. Lyne, A. & C. G.

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APPENDIX, No. 1.

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THIS INDENTURE made the Twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty BETWEEN *John Wood* esquire *Hart Davis* esquire and *Sir John Cheetham Mortlock* knight Three of the Commissioners of Excise on behalf of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith and Her successors of the one part and *John Dickinson* and *Charles Longman* both of Nash Mill in the parish of Abbots Langley in the county of Hertford partners in the business of a paper manufacturer under the firm of *John Dickinson and Company* of the other part WHEREAS his late Majesty King George the Fourth by Letters Patent dated the Fourteenth day of January in the ninth year of his reign granted to the said *John Dickinson* his executors administrators and assigns the sole privilege and authority of making using exercising and vending an invention in the said Letters Patent mentioned to be a new improvement in the method of manufacturing paper by machinery and also a new method of cutting paper and other material into single sheets or pieces by means of machinery within that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called England the dominion of Wales and the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed for the term of Fourteen years from the date of the said Letters Patent And his said Majesty by Letters Patent dated the Sixth day of December in the ninth year of his reign also granted to the said *John Dickinson* his executors administrators and assigns the sole privilege and authority of making using exercising and vending his said invention within that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Scotland for the term of Fourteen years from the date of the said Letters Patent now in recital AND WHEREAS Her present Majesty by letters patent dated the Seventeenth day of October last granted to the said *John Dickinson* his executors administrators and assigns the sole privilege and authority to make

make use exercise and vend an invention in the said Letters Patent now in recital mentioned to be certain improvements in the manufacture of paper within England Wales and Berwick-upon-Tweed for the term of Fourteen years from the date of the said Letters Patent now in recital And Her said Majesty by Letters Patent dated the Thirtieth day of October last granted to the said John Dickinson his executors administrators and assigns the sole privilege and authority to make use exercise and vend the said last-mentioned invention in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Scotland for the term of Fourteen years from the date of the said Letters Patent now in recital AND WHEREAS by Indenture of Assignment bearing even date with these presents and made or expressed to be made between the said John Dickinson of the one part and the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock of the other part the said several hereinbefore recited Letters Patent have been assigned by the said John Dickinson to the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock their executors administrators and assigns during the respective residues of the said several terms of years granted therein respectively as hereinbefore is mentioned but nevertheless in trust for Her Majesty and Her successors in the meantime and until the contract hereby entered into shall be determined but so that during the subsistence of the said trust the said Letters Patent or any of them shall not be assigned nor shall any licence to use the same be granted by Her Majesty or Her successors or by the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or the survivors or survivor of them or the executors or administrators of such survivor without the consent in writing of the said John Dickinson his executors or administrators first had and obtained and from and immediately after the determination of the contract hereby entered into then in trust for the said John Dickinson his executors administrators and assigns and at his and their costs and charges to assign and dispose of the same as he or they shall appoint AND WHEREAS the said assignment has been made for the purpose of giving more complete effect to the contract hereinafter contained AND WHEREAS the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock have accepted the said assignment and agreed to execute these presents under the sanction of an order or warrant of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury bearing date the Twenty-sixth day of March One thousand Eight hundred and Forty NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman do hereby jointly for themselves their heirs executors and administrators and each of them doth hereby separately for himself his heirs executors and administrators covenant and contract with the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock their executors and administrators in manner following that is to say That the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators will from time to time during the continuance of this contract at their own cost and under the inspection and control of such one or more of the officers of Excise as the Commissioners of Excise for the time being or any three of them shall from time to time appoint for that purpose (such officer or officers having no power to alter this contract in any respect) make paper of such of the descriptions specified in the schedule hereto in such quantities and with threads of cotton of such colours and in such numbers arrangement and manner (being in conformity with the patents hereinbefore recited or one of them) worked into the same as the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) by writing signed with their or his hands or hand and left at Nash Mill aforesaid or at any other mill where paper shall have been made pursuant to this contract shall from time to time appoint and will at the like cost deliver in the original wrappers thereof as charged with duty at the mill the paper for the time being appointed to be made as aforesaid in such quantities and at such times and places (such places being within the limits of the immediate jurisdiction of the chief officer of Excise) as the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) by the said last-mentioned writing or any other writing so signed and left as aforesaid shall from time to time appoint AND FURTHER that from time to time and at all times during the continuance of this contract the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators will at their own cost provide all such machinery as shall be necessary for the manufacture of the paper for the time being appointed to be made as aforesaid and place so much thereof and of all other machinery at any time during this contract in the possession or under the control of the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman or either of them or their or either of their executors or administrators as shall be exclusively applicable to the manufacture of paper under the said hereinbefore recited Patents or any of them and shall not be for the time being required by the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators for the immediate purpose of repairing the same or of carrying this contract into effect in the custody of such one or more of the officers of excise as the Commissioners of Excise for the time being or any three of them shall from time to time appoint AND FURTHER that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman or either of them their or either of their executors or administrators will not use any machinery exclusively applicable to the manufacture of paper under the said hereinbefore recited patents or any of them or permit the same or any part thereof to be used except for the purpose of carrying this contract into effect unless with the licence or consent in writing of the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or some or one of them or of the survivors of them or one of such survivors or of the survivor of them or of their

or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) AND FURTHER that the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) may within fourteen days after any paper shall be delivered as aforesaid reject any part thereof if they or he shall consider the same not conformable to this contract or if the quantity for the time being delivered shall be less than the quantity for the time being appointed to be delivered as aforesaid and that as often as there shall be any such rejection as aforesaid or a failure in the delivery of any of the paper for the time being appointed to be delivered as aforesaid the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) may purchase elsewhere any paper which they or he shall consider best adapted to supply the deficiency occasioned by any such rejection or failure in delivery as aforesaid and that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their heirs executors or administrators will on demand in writing signed by the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) and so left as aforesaid pay to the Receiver-general for the time being of Excise for the use of Her Majesty and Her successors the excess (if any) of the price of the paper so for the time being purchased as aforesaid over the price herein contracted to be paid for the paper in respect of which there shall be for the time being such rejection or failure in delivery as aforesaid AND FURTHER that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators at their own cost within seven days next after notice in writing signed by the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) of any such rejection as aforesaid shall be left at Nash Mill aforesaid or at any mill where paper shall have been made pursuant to this contract will under the inspection and control of such one or more of the officers of Excise as the Commissioners of Excise for the time being or any three of them shall from time to time appoint for that purpose remove to the mill where the same shall have been made so much of the said paper as shall be for the time being rejected as aforesaid and will on demand in writing so signed and left as aforesaid pay to the Receiver-general for the time being of Excise for the use of Her Majesty and Her successors the sum of One pound for every day which shall elapse between the expiration of seven days next following the day on which such notice of rejection shall be left as aforesaid and the day of such removal AND FURTHER that they the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators will at their own cost and at such time and in such manner and under the inspection and control of such one or more of the officers of Excise as the Commissioners of Excise shall from time to time appoint for that purpose render unfit for use as paper all waste which shall occur in the making of the said paper and so much (if any) of paper made under the said patents or any of them as shall be made without the consent in writing of the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or some or one of them or of the survivors of them or of one of the survivors of them or of the survivor of them or of their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) so signed and left as aforesaid and also so much of the said paper which shall be appointed to be made as aforesaid and shall be rejected as aforesaid and also so much of the paper appointed to be made as aforesaid as shall not be delivered at the time appointed for the delivery thereof AND FURTHER that they the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman or either of them their or either of their executors or administrators will not give or cause to be given to any person whomsoever employed in the service of Her Majesty or Her successors or to any person or persons in the behalf of any person or persons so employed any fee gratuity or reward for any favour shown to them the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators in relation to this contract on any pretence whatever on account thereof AND FURTHER that no Member of the House of Commons has been or shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom And that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators shall not at any time or times during the continuance of this contract assign the same or any share or interest therein to any person or persons whomsoever without the consent in writing of the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or some or one of them or the survivors of them or one of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) nor without such consent in writing as aforesaid do any act whereby the same contract or any share or interest therein shall become vested in any person or persons whomsoever other than the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators AND FURTHER that if any Member of the House of Commons has been or shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom or if the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman or either of them their or either of their executors or administrators shall without such consent as aforesaid assign this contract or any share or interest therein to or do any act whereby the same or any share or interest therein shall become vested in any person or persons whomsoever other than the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators then and in any of the said cases it shall be lawful for the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any

any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors administrators or assigns (as the case may be) by writing under their or his hands or hand to declare this contract to be absolutely void and on the delivery of such last-mentioned writing to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators or on the same being left at Nash Mill aforesaid or at any mill where paper shall have been made pursuant to these presents this contract and every article herein contained shall (except as to any breach or breaches theretofore made or committed thereof) become absolutely void AND FURTHER that they the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman together with two sureties to be approved of by the Commissioners of Excise for the time being or any three of them will execute to Her Majesty a bond to bear even date with these presents in the sum of Three thousand pounds as to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman and in the sum of One thousand pounds as to each of the said sureties for securing the performance of this contract by the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors and administrators AND FURTHER that they the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their heirs executors and administrators will defray all the costs of the preparation engrossing and execution of this contract and of the said bond to bear even date herewith but not of the assignment of the said Letters Patent AND the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock hereby covenant with the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors and administrators that the Commissioners of Excise for the time being will pay or cause to be paid to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators within Thirty days after every delivery of paper pursuant to this contract for the paper included in any such delivery the sums following that is to say for every ream delivered pursuant to this contract and not rejected as aforesaid which shall be of the full weight appointed for the same the sum set opposite the description of such paper in the schedule hereto and for every ream so delivered and not rejected but which shall be deficient in weight such proportion only of the sum which under these presents would have been payable for the same if the same had been of the appointed weight as the weight thereof delivered shall bear to the weight appointed to be delivered PROVIDED ALWAYS that all monies for the time being payable to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators as aforesaid shall be applied so far as the same shall extend in satisfaction of any monies for the time being payable as aforesaid by the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators to the Receiver-general for the time being of Excise PROVIDED FURTHER that Twenty-eight days at the least shall be allowed to elapse between the day on which any writing requiring the making of paper pursuant to this contract shall be left at Nash Mill aforesaid or at any mill where paper shall have been made pursuant to this contract and the day on which the paper in such writing mentioned or any part thereof shall be required to be delivered PROVIDED ALWAYS that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators shall not be required or liable by any such notice or succession of notices to deliver more than Six hundred reams in any one week PROVIDED FURTHER that the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators shall not be required to make less than Six hundred reams of paper of either of the descriptions specified in the Schedule hereto at any one time and that the colours number arrangement and manner in which threads shall be required to be worked into any paper pursuant to this contract shall be the same for every Six hundred consecutive reams at the least of the same description of paper PROVIDED FURTHER that on the expiration of Nine calendar months next after notice in writing signed by the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators declaring their desire to determine this contract shall be left with the secretary for the time being of the Commissioners of Excise or at the expiration of Six calendar months after notice in writing signed by the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any one or more of them or the survivors of them or either of the survivors of them or the survivor of them or their or his executors or administrators declaring their or his intention to determine this contract shall have been given to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors or administrators or left at Nash Mill or at any such other mill as aforesaid this contract except as to any breach or breaches theretofore committed thereof shall cease and determine PROVIDED FURTHER that these presents shall operate as a licence to the said John Dickinson and Charles Longman their executors and administrators to use the said several hereinbefore recited letters patent and every of them so far as may be necessary for giving effect to this contract but not further or otherwise PROVIDED LASTLY that nothing herein contained or to be done in pursuance of this contract shall extend to subject the said John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock or any of them or their or any of their heirs executors or administrators to be responsible either in person or property in any action suit or process at law or in equity IN WITNESS whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.



The SCHEDULE above referred to.

—	Weight per Ream, of 480 Sheets.	SIZE OF SHEETS.	With which of the Samples hereto annexed to correspond.	—
Description 1 -	Forty-four pounds.	Thirty-six inches and one-half of an inch by twenty-four inches and three quarters of an inch.	No. 1 -	1 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> per first 2,000 reams. 1 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> after the first 2,000 reams.
Description 2 -	Thirty-one pounds.	Thirty inches and three quarters of an inch by twenty inches and three quarters of an inch.	No. 2 -	1 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per first 3,000 reams. 1 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> after first 3,000 reams.

*John Dickinson.* (L. S.)  
*Charles Longman.* (L. S.)  
*John Wood.* (L. S.)  
*Hart Davis.* (L. S.)  
*J. C. Mortlock.* (L. S.)

Signed sealed and delivered being first duly stamped by the within-named John Dickinson Charles Longman John Wood Hart Davis and Sir John Cheetham Mortlock in the presence of

*J. Bateman,* Excise Office.  
*W. Thomas,* Ditto.

Memorandum, that at the date of this contract there had been delivered Two thousand and seventy reams of Description No. 1, and Nineteen hundred and twenty reams of Description No. 2, in part of the whole quantity.

Dated this twenty-second day of May 1840.

*John Dickinson.*  
*Charles Longman.*

Witness,

*J. Bateman,* Excise Office.  
*Wm. Thomas,* Ditto.

APPENDIX, No. 2.

MEMORANDUM of AGREEMENT made this Sixteenth day of November One thousand Eight hundred and Fifty between *Thomas Keogh* Assistant Secretary of Inland Revenue on behalf of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue and *Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan* and *Alfred Augustus Fry* of Bunhill-row in the county of Middlesex cardmakers.

THE said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry agree to make for the said Commissioners postage envelopes on the terms and in manner hereinafter mentioned that is to say

To cut into proper shapes and sizes for envelopes any quantities of paper with which they may be supplied by or under the direction of the said Commissioners or their officer hereinafter mentioned.

To wash the inside of the flap of each intended envelope with a proper and sufficient adhesive preparation for the purpose of closely and safely fastening the envelope when ready for posting and to impress the outside of the flap with an embossed device coloured or otherwise to be approved by the said Commissioners or officer in the place of a seal.

To deliver all such paper when so cut washed and impressed to such officer at the Inland Revenue office Somerset House in the said county and afterwards when the same shall be stamped with the postage duty to convey the same to the premises of them the said Thomas Delarue

Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry at Bunhill-row aforesaid or elsewhere within four miles of the said office for the purpose of being made up into envelopes.

To make up all such stamped paper into envelopes complete ready for use by folding and pasting the same and to deliver to the said officer at the said office in good order all such envelopes when made in parcels consisting of such quantities and made up in such manner and form as the said officer shall direct and require.

All the aforesaid matters and things to be done by the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry under the direction and with the approbation and to the satisfaction of the said Commissioners or of their superior officer for the time being of the postage stamp department at the Inland Revenue Office who are or is to be at liberty to give directions from time to time as to the quantities of paper with which the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry are to be supplied and the forms and sizes into which such paper is to be cut and the quantities of every such form and size, and as to the quantities of paper for intended envelopes of any such forms and sizes respectively when so cut and washed and impressed as aforesaid to be from time to time and at any time delivered at the said office to be stamped and to be taken therefrom to be made up and also as to the quantities of envelopes of the respective forms and sizes aforesaid when completed to be from time to time and at any time delivered for use at the said office.

The said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry undertake and agree to observe and perform any such directions and to preserve and keep safely all such paper as shall be supplied to them for the purpose aforesaid whether stamped or unstamped and to indemnify the said Commissioners and Her Majesty Her heirs and successors from all loss and damage whatever in respect thereof save and except any loss or damage that may be occasioned by or by reason of fire storm or tempest.

And it is hereby agreed on the part of the said Commissioners that they shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry for all the matters and things to be done as aforesaid the sum of One shilling for every ream consisting of Four hundred and eighty envelopes And in consideration of the agreement on the part of the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry and of the expense incurred by them in procuring and preparing machinery and tools and otherwise for the purposes aforesaid it is also agreed on the part of the said Commissioners that no other person or persons than the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry shall be employed on behalf of the Government to make postage stamped envelopes so long as they the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry shall continue *bonâ fide* to perform the said agreement on their part according to the true intent and meaning thereof And it is hereby agreed that this agreement shall be and continue for the term of five years from the first day of September now last past subject to the following proviso that is to say Provided and it is hereby agreed that the Commissioners of Inland Revenue shall be at liberty if they shall think fit to put an end to and determine this present agreement on the first day of September One thousand Eight hundred and Fifty-three or on the twenty-fourth day of June or twenty-fifth day of December in any subsequent year during the said term of five years on giving to the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry notice in writing of such their intention so to do at least six months previously to any of the said periods respectively and upon such notice being given the said agreement shall at the period for that purpose specified in any such notice cease and determine so far as relates to the employment of the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry by the said Commissioners in any way in or about the making of any such envelopes and at such termination the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry shall deliver to the said Commissioners or their proper officer at the said office in a fit and proper state and condition all the paper whether stamped or unstamped and whether cut or uncut which shall have been supplied to them for the purpose aforesaid and shall then remain in the custody of the said Thomas Delarue Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and Alfred Augustus Fry.

Signed by the within named Thomas Keogh in }  
the presence of }  
*Edward Hugh Tilsley,* }  
Inland Revenue. }

*Thomas Keogh.*

Signed by the within named Thomas Delarue }  
Warren Delarue Jonah Nathan and, Alfred }  
Augustus Fry in the presene of }  
*Edward Hugh Tilsley.* }

*Thomas De La Rue.*  
*Warren De La Rue.*  
*Jonah Nathan.*  
*Alfred Augustus Fry.*

