

SCALE OF MERCANTILE CHARGES ADOPTED BY THE CANTERBURY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

SALES AND PURCHASES.	
On Private Sales of Merchandise or Produce	5 per cent
On Private Sales of Houses, Land, or Ships—Up to £1000	5 "
And for the amount over £1000	2½ "
£5000	1¼ "
On Private Sales or Purchase of Runs or Stock—Up to £10,000	2½ "
And for the amount over £10,000	1 "
On Sale or Purchase of Government Securities	1 "
On Sale or Purchase of Shares in Public Companies	2 "
On Sale or Purchase of Bills of Exchange	1 "
On all Goods Withdrawn, re-Shipped, or Delivered to order (on invoice)	2½ "
On Goods consigned for Conditional Delivery (on invoice value)	2½ "
On Goods Received and Forwarded (on invoice value)	1 "
On Guaranteeing Sales, Bills or Bonds, by endorsement or otherwise	2½ "
On Purchase of Merchandise, Ships, Houses, Land, or Produce—not Agricultural—If in funds	2½ "
If not in funds	5 "
On Purchase of Agricultural Produce	5 "
On Goods Sold by Auction (in addition to Auctioneer's Commission)	2½ "
SHIPPING AGENCY.	
On Procuring Money on Bottomry and Respondentia, or on Procuring Freight or Charter for Vessels, and Collecting Freight and Passage Money	5 "
On Ship's Disbursements and Outfit—If in funds	2½ "
If not in funds	5 "
(including amounts paid to Captains when in port.)	
On Procuring Vessels for Charter	2½ "
On Entering Vessels from England or elsewhere (the Australian Colonies only excepted)	£3 3s 0d
On Clearing ditto ditto	£3 3s 0d
On Entering Vessels from the Australian Colonies	£1 11s 6d
On Clearing ditto ditto	£1 11s 6d
On Entering or Clearing Coasting Vessels not exceeding 20 tons burthen	£0 10s 6d
Above 20 tons burthen	£1 1s 0d
Fee for Survey of Hatches or Stowage (each survey)	£1 1s 0d
Clerk's Attendance Discharging Vessels (per day)	£0 15s 0d
Fee for Survey of Damaged Goods (each Surveyor)	21s & up.
(according to circumstances.)	
On Insurance Effected, or Orders Written for Insurance of Ships or Cargo, when no other Commission is charged	½ per cent
On Settling Insurances Losses, total	
or partial, and on Procuring Return of Premium (on amount recovered) including Brokerage	5 "
COMMISSION FOR GENERAL AGENCY.	
On Management of Estates as Agent, Attorney, Executor, or Administrator (on amounts received or disbursed)	5 per cent
On Leasing or Letting Land or Houses, if for less than three years—On One Year's Rent	5 "
For three to ten years—On Two Years' Rent	6 "
For ten years and upwards—On Three Years' Rent	5 "
On Collecting and Remitting Rents	7½ "
Interests	5 "
On Investing Money on Mortgage	1 "
On Recovering Debts and other Accounts	5 "
On Cash Payments—If in funds	2½ "
If not in funds	5 "
On Advance on Produce for Shipment	
On Advances and Current Accounts not liquidated at the end of the season, say 31st March, the balance to be charged as a fresh advance, subject to a Commission of	5 "
On becoming Guarantee or Security for Contracts (on amount of penalty)	2½ "
On Acting as Trustee under Assignments (on amount collected and disbursed)	5 "
On Granting Letters of Credit	1 "
INTEREST.	
On Advances, including Disbursements for Freight, Duty, or Lighterage, per annum	10 "
On Accounts Current	10 "
RE-EXCHANGE.	
On Interprovincial Bills Dishonoured (with notarial charges)	5 "
On Bills on any of the Australian Colonies (with notarial charges)	10 "
On English and Foreign Bills (with notarial charges, postages, &c.)	25 "
CHARGES.	
On Local Bills Dishonoured or Renewed	2½ "
Receiving and Stowing General Merchandise and Produce (excepting wool), per ton	1s 6d
Delivering ditto (excepting wool), per ton	1s 6d
Receiving, Weighing, Marking, and Delivering Wool, per bale	2s
Storage on Goods and Liquids, by weight, measurement per ton per week	1s
Storage on Wool (full-sized bales), per week, each	6d
Smaller ditto per week, each	4d
Commission on Receiving and Forwarding Wool, per bale	2s 6d
Yard Storage, per ton, per week	6d

N.B.—Draft on Wool to be at the rate of 1 lb. per cwt., and tare 10 lbs. per bale.

ABSTRACT OF POSTAGE RATES ON LETTERS, BOOK-PACKETS, &c.

LETTERS.

From any part of New Zealand to any other part of New Zealand:—	
Not exceeding ½ ounce	2d.
Exceeding ½ ounce, and not exceeding 1 ounce	4d.
Exceeding 1 ounce, and not exceeding 2 ozs.	8d.
And so on, increasing 4d. for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.	
To the United Kingdom, by direct ship or ordinary mail <i>via</i> Southampton.	
Not exceeding ½ oz.	6d.
Exceeding ½ oz., and not exceeding 1 oz.	1s.
Exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs.	2s.
And so on, increasing 1s. for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.	
To the United Kingdom, by Marseilles:—	
Not exceeding ½ oz. in weight	10d.
Exceeding ½ oz., and not exceeding 1 oz.	1s. 8d.
Exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs.	3s. 4d.
Exceeding 2 ozs., and not exceeding 3 ozs.	6s. 8d.
Every ounce after the first	1s. 8d.
To British Colonies and foreign countries (for which mails are made up direct):—	
Not exceeding ½ oz.	6d.
Exceeding ½ oz., and not exceeding 1 oz.	1s.
Exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs.	2s.
And so on, increasing 1s. for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.	
Special rates are payable to France and Algeria, and foreign countries, through France—to the Continent of Europe, <i>via</i> Trieste—to China and the Eastern Archipelago.	
Letters addressed to officers serving on board any of Her Majesty's ships on a foreign station, when sent through the United Kingdom, are chargeable as follows:—	
Not exceeding ½ oz.	1s.
Exceeding ½ oz., and not exceeding 1 oz.	2s.

REGULATIONS.

All letters, packets, and newspapers, if liable to postage, posted in New Zealand, must be prepaid by affixing postage labels of the Colony of sufficient value.

All letters received from beyond seas, at any post-office in this Colony, which have not been regularly posted at the place of despatch (loose letters) are chargeable with full postage, according to the established rates, unless they are letters which it is not compulsory by law to send by post, in which case they are chargeable with the inland rate of postage only.

Exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs. 4s.

And so on, increasing 2s. for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

Letters sent to or by seamen and soldiers in Her Majesty's service will be transmitted within the Colony, and between the Colony and any post-office in the British dominions, at a charge of 1d., provided that the following regulations are observed:

Each letter must not be more than half an ounce in weight.

It must be superscribed with the name of the writer, description or class in the vessel or regiment, and signed by the officer at the time in command.

Postage must be prepaid.

Letters on the public service of Her Majesty's naval and military forces are exempted from the payment of postage, if bearing the words "On Her Majesty's Service," and the signature of the officer in command of the force on the service of which the letter is despatched.

Letters on the public service of the General Government of the Colony are transmitted free by post if bearing the words "On the public service only," and the signature of an officer of the General Government authorised to frank official letters.

NEWSPAPERS.

Sent free to any part of the Colony, if published therein, and posted within seven days from publication.

If not published in the Colony, or not posted within seven days from publication, one penny.

Free to the United Kingdom, *via* Southampton, or by direct ship.

To the United Kingdom, *via* Marseilles, 3d. each.

To the continent of Europe, *via* Trieste, 2d. each.

BOOK PACKETS.

For the United Kingdom, *via* Southampton, and from one part of the Colony to another, not exceeding 4 ozs. in weight, 4d.; exceeding 4 ozs. and not exceeding 8 ozs., 8d.; exceeding 8 ozs. and not over 1 lb., 1s. 4d., and 8d. for every additional half-pound or fraction of half-a-pound.

The above rates are doubled to the United Kingdom *via* Marseilles.