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Agreement, to increase the limit of weight and size of packets of patterns of merchandise exchanged through the mails, between the United States and Great Britain and Ireland.

Agreement between the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for Increasing the Limits of Weight and the Dimensions of Packets of Patterns of Merchandise exchanged through the Post between the two Countries. Signed at Washington, June 18th, 1880.

The General Post Office of the United States of America and the General Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, being desirous of facilitating the postal relations between the two countries, and in exercise of the power given to them under Article XV of the Convention of the Universal Postal Union concluded in Paris on the 1st June, 1878,

Have agreed as follows:

The limits of weight and the dimensions of packets of patterns of Weight and size of packets transmerchandise exchanged through the Post between the United States of ported in the mails America on the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain Stat. 20, conven- and Ireland on the other part, may be increased by the Postal Administration of the country of origin beyond those which have been fixed by Article V of the International Convention of the 1st June, 1878, under the express reservation that such limits shall not exceed the following:

Weight.	In weight	····	350 grammes.
Dimensions.	In dimensions		30 centimetres, length. 20 centimetres, breadth. 10 centimetres, depth.

one year's notice.

Commencement. Terminable on ne year's notice. In witness whereof the undersigned, David M. Key, Postmaster-General of the United States of America, in virtue of the powers vested in him by law, and the Right Honorable Sir Edward Thornton, K. C. B., Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, at Washington, of Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, duly authorized for that purpose, have drawn up the present agreement to which they have affixed their respective seals.

Signatures.

Done in duplicate at Washington the 18th day of June, 1880. SEAL. D. M. KEY. SEAL. EDW'D THORNTON.

I hereby approve the foregoing agreement, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed hereto.

R. B. HAYES.

By the President: JOHN HAY,

Acting Secretary of State. WASHINGTON, June 18, 1880.