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A Waadgate Esq

Dear Sir

We this day Found at this Post Office
14 Lists or Catalogues of Books, of which we send you a Copy
Each of them enclosed in an open Envelope and ad-
dressed to Party in this County & Neighbourhood, on
which we were demanded, 1st Each of Postage. To this
demurrance, and Claim as Right in virtue of your Public
Notice of 17th June last, that they ought to go free.

As we read, that Notice we maintain, that all Print-
ed Papers, "Not exceeding two ounces in weight", without reference
to their Contents "will be sent free", and more especially
as you have, seemingly with a view to do away
with all Misapprehensions, had the Emphatic word
~~so~~ twice printed in that Notice. But we claim
Exemption ^{from Postage} on another ground: you name "Rev's
edicals" as one Class of Printed Papers to be Exempt.

This Printed List of ours is a Periodical, and we can
prove that it has been Printed Published annually
as such for 20 years last Past - further, we receive
almost every week Printed Lists of Books and Notices
of New Pub^ls from the U States & Canada, Post free
of which fact your Deputy here is cognizant, we
should like to know on what authority Postage is
Claimed on Lists of Books and not on Books only.

You would oblige us by an early answer to
this Com^{ms} so that an end may be put at once to
these misunderstandings.

Very any yours respectfully,

J Dawson & Son