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The traveller's Guide to the Rhine exhibiting the course of that river from Schaffhausen to Holland, and describing the Moselle, from Coblentz to Treves

Schreiber, Alois Wilhelm

London, 1834

Passports, custom-house, duty, etc

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PASSPORTS, CUSTOM-HOUSE, DUTY, ETC.

If the traveller propose landing at Ostend or Rotterdam, he must obtain a passport from the Dutch ambassador. This may be procured by addressing a letter to his excellency, at No. 1, Bryanston-square. The letter must be written by some respectable housekeeper to whom the traveller is known, and the day after it is sent, the passport will be granted free of expense.

Should the traveller go by Calais, he must send his name and address to the office of the French ambassador, No. 61, Charlotte-steet, Portland-place. On the following or any day afterwards, he must apply personally between one and three, and the passport will be given him free of expense.

Carriages and horses entering the Netherlands are subject to no duty; but if the traveller with a carriage land at Calais, or at any other place in France, he will have to pay ten shillings duty in the 100 *l.*, besides being required to deposit one-third of whatever value he may put upon the carriage. About three-fourths of this sum will be returned to him if he leaves France within two years; but if not, the whole is forfeited.

MODE AND EXPENSE OF TRAVELLING.

The traveller may proceed from the coast towards the Rhine, either by posting or diligence. The following account of the prices of posting will assist him in his progress.

France and the Netherlands.

The regular charge by authority is 1 fr. 50 centimes per post for each horse, and 75 centimes to the postilion; but it is usual to give him double that sum.