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NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to report another new member this month.

Mr V.E. Davis

We are also now able to give the address of Mr Fisher whose enrolment was reported last month.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for all members fall due on September 1st. If you have not already done so would you please send yours to John Nelson at the above address.

AUCTION

A catalogue is included with this bulletin for the Society's 10th postal auction. We have set the date sufficiently far in front to allow our overseas members to participate, however for safety's sake we would suggest that those outside Europe should send bids by airmail.

Incidentally, in a recent auction at Norwich a lot described as - "perforated initial stamps - Victorian and mostly 1d reds about 120 nearly all different" realised £5. Our bid of £4 was completely inadequate. Did anyone amongst our membership get this lot?

MR JENNINGS' BOOK

We shall be recommencing despatch of instalments with this issue and this will be in the usual 2/- batch. Please send remittances to John Nelson.

THIS MONTH'S CONTENTS

One page of general interest, pages 107, 108 & 109 of the Officials Catalogue, pages S1, S2 & S3 of the Identities Cat., page 75 of the Simplified Catalogue and two pages for the postal auction.

Stanley Gibbons has the following noted about the OS perforated stamps. See under "Victoria" in Part 1. Stamps of 1901-10. "Certain unlisted shades (due to their being unsatisfactory) are found ONLY punctured OS. Marked instances of this are found in the 2d, 3d, and 4d values." Also with reference to stamps of 1905-13, "The 5d perforated OS on thin paper may be met in dull red brown".

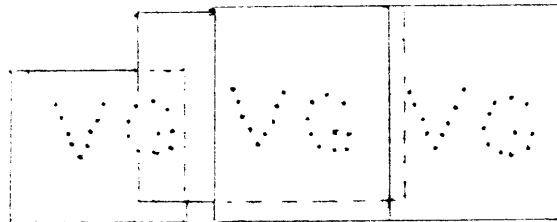
THE VG PUNCTURES

Victorian State Departments began to use stamps with the VG perforations at some time in the 1930's. This lettering was seen to have a number of variations, and looking through a batch of stamps few appeared to be the same. It was not difficult to surmise that a multi-die machine, rather crudely made, produced the differences. As well as the differing shapes some of the G's have 10 pins and others have 11 pins. When these are on separate stamps one would conclude that they are from different dies, but once a pair or two are found showing a 10 pin G on one stamp and an 11 pin G on the adjoining stamp, it is seen that they both belong to the same set.

With sufficient pieces and strips, and much patience it might be possible to find out the complete answer by fitting the variations into place.



Joined Pair.
10 pin G 11 in G



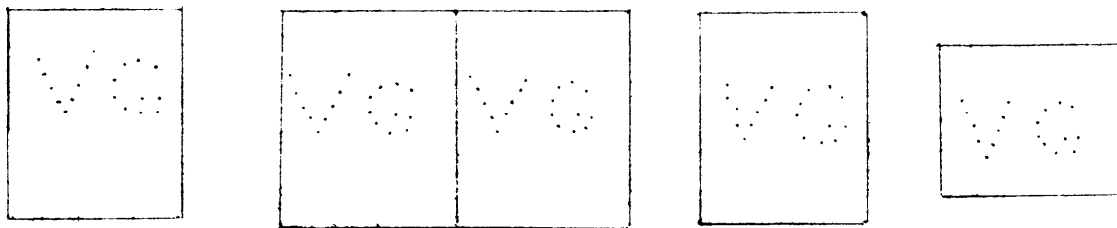
Joined Pair
10 pin G 11 pin G

The illustration on the right shows how the pattern may be built up, by fitting pairs, or part pairs together.

I am informed that the machine had six dies for the right pane, and six dies for the left pane, and that there were two settings, making twenty four possible variations.

It does not follow that the stamps will be found with an equal number of variations, for some of the dies could have had more use than others.

I regret that it is not possible to give more information at the present time, but perhaps members will be interested in attempting to work out the puzzle for themselves.



The illustrations above show more of the variations. All are common except the fourth one

The VG perforations are found on the Commonwealth stamps first on the King George portrait stamps, where they all seem to be in the upright position. On the smaller and later issues the perfin is usually parallel to the longest side, and may be found upright, inverted, reversed and inverted reversed.

The following list is made from returned worksheets.

On the stamps of 1931-36 K.G.V.

S.G.	124	½d orange
	127	2d golden scarlet
	129	4d yellow-olive
	130	5d orange-brown
	146	6d red-brm. (Kookaburra)
	140	1/- green (Lyre-bird)
	153a	1/6 dull purple

On the stamps of 1937-49 K.G.VI.

S.G.	164	½d orange	S.G.	185	2d bright purple
	165	1d emerald-grn.		187	3d purple brown
	166	1½d maroon		188	4d green
	170	4d green		188a	5d purple
	179	½d orange		189	6d red-brown
	180	1d emerald-grn.		191	1/- grey-green
	184	2d scarlet			

On the stamps of 1942-44

S.G.	203	1d brown-purple	205	2½d scarlet
	204	1½d green	206	3½d bright blue
	204a	2d bright purple	207	5½d slate-blue

On the stamps of 1948-57

S.G.	223	1/- brown-purple
	223a	1/6 blackish brown
	228	½d orange (Kangaroo. NO Wmk.)
	229	1½d green (No Wmk.)

On the stamps of 1950-51

SG 234	2½d scarlet	236	1½d green
235a	2½d purple-brown	237	2d yellow-green
235b	3d grey green		
248	3½d brown-purple	252	1/-½d indigo

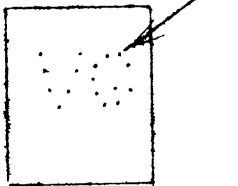
On the stamps of Queen Elizabeth

262	3d deep green	263	3½d brown-red
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On the Commemoratives

196/7	1d & 2d Australian Imperial Forces
209	2½d Duke & Duchess of Gloucester
219	2½d Shortland
222 & 222a	1d Princess Elizabeth
225/6	2½d Farrer & Mueller
227	2½d Scout
231	2½d Lawson
233	2½d Forrest
241/2	3d Barton & Parkes
239/40	2½d Postage Centenary
245/6	3d Hargraves & Latrobe
254	3½d Scout
265	3½d coronation

A new machine was brought into use in August 1953 and is still being used. The "V" has 7 holes and the "G" 10 holes. The letters are in a vertical position in row of ten. A variety with a hole of the "G" missing may be found on the 8th puncture*.



The puncture is said to have been used on the stamps listed below (Stanley Gibbons numbers).

164, 180, 189, 190, 191, 224, 224a, 224b, 237, 235a, 248, 252, 261, 261a, 262, 262a, 266, 268, 269, 277, 278, 281, 282, 285, 286, 287, 288, 294, 302, 308, 309, 311, 312, 313, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 323, 339, 353.

* This was probably repaired later at an unknown date.

Thanks in particular to Messrs. Bowman, Burrows and Carr for assistance in sorting out some of the problems of Victoria.

1.2	S	9	4½	1. Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd 2. J.W.& T.H.Smith, London E14 3. The Skefko Ballbearing Co. Ltd., Luton 4. Stubbs Ltd., London EC2 5. Matthew T.Shaw & Co.Ltd., London E
1.6	S	9	5½	Sangers Ltd., London NW1
1.7	S	10	5½	1. Heffer, Scott & Co.Ltd., Greenford, Middx. 2. Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd.
1.12	S	9	6	Schwepoes Ltd., London
1.28	S	12	9½	John Summers & Sons Ltd., Shotter, Flintshire
1.33	S	11	11½	Stone Thomas & King, Bath
*1.35	S	14	12	Ø Spottiswoode, Ballantyne & Co.Ltd., London EC4
*1.39	S	13	14	Sneath & Son, Thurly, Bourne, Lincs.
3.1	S (in triangle)	9	5	Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd
6.1	SA	9,8	4½	Sun Alliance & Insurance Group
20.2	SAGE	11,10,11,10	5½	Fredk. Sage & Co.Ltd., London WC1
24.	SA/IC	11,10/5,8	5½	Ø Scottish Accident Insurance Co.Ltd., Edinburgh
25.	SALT	10,10,7,7	4½	Ø Sir Titus Salt Sons & Co.Ltd Saltaire, Shipley

IC/S1

46.2	SB	9,11	4½	Stringer Bros., W,Bromwich
46.3	SB	10,14	5	Somervill Bros.Ltd., Kendal Westmorland
51.2	S&B	10,14,14	5(III)	Scott & Bowne Ltd., London EC4
51.6	S&B	11,14,14	5½(III)	Schumpft & Co.Ltd., Liverpool
55.1	SB/B	12,14/14	5½	Saml.Barrow & Bros. Ltd ., London SE
59.1	SB/C	9,11/7	4½	1.Siemens Bros.& Co.Ltd., Woolwich 2.Borough Councils of: Sale (Cheshire), Southall, Southgate, Shoreditch, Stafford, Stockport, Swindon, Surbiton
59.3	SB/C	11,11/8	4½	Southend Borough Council
70.1	SBD	9,14,11		Siemens Bros. Dynamo Works Ltd., London SW
72.	SB//Ex	10,14/10,9	5/5,3½	Shepherds Bush Exhibition, London
75.	S&B/H	12,10,13/12	4½	Ø Sykes & Brooke Ltd., Huddersfield
82.2	S&B/Ld	10,14,14/6,6	5/4½,3 (III)	The Wall Paper Manufs.Ltd. Smith Bros., Leeds
85.1	S&B/Ltd	10,12,13/7,5,7	4½(IIIa)) Smith & Butler Ltd., Leeds
85.3	S&B/Ltd	10,14,14/7,5,6	5 (III)	
92.	SB/SA	10,14/10,10	5	Standard Bank of South Africa Ltd.
95.	SBV	10,14,9	5	Swiss Bankverein, London EC

99.	SBB/M	10,14,14/15	5	Samuel Bradburn, S.B.Boyd Manchester.
121.1	SC	9,7	4½	1.Socy.of Chemical Industry, London W. 2.Scunthrpe Coop.Socy.Ltd. 3.Corporations of:- Scunthorpe, Lincs; South- ampton, Hants; Stockton, Co.Durham; Swansea, Glam. 4.Sevenoaks Rural Dist.Council
121.4	SC	9,8	5½	Salford Corpn., Manchester
122.	S.C	10,8	5½	Scarborough Corpn., Yorks.
*123.2	S.C.	10,8	5½	Stalybridge Corporation
123.3	S.C.	11,8	5½	Southampton Corporation
128.	SC/BC	9,7/11,7	4½	Smethwick County Borough Council
131.1	SC/C	9,7/7	4½	1.The Strawson Chemical Co. Ltd., London 2.Somerset County Council 3.Shropshire County Council Ø 4.Squirrel Confectionery Co., Stockport.
*133.	S/C&C/CoLd	9/7,12,7/ 7,4,6,6	4½(Ia) Ø	Squirrel Chocolate & Con fectionary Co.Ltd., Stockport.
141.	SCH	9,7,10	4½	Schenkers Ltd., London EC3
143.	SC/HMC	9,7/10,11,7	4½	S.Cheshire Hosp.Man.Cttee
144.1	SCI	10,7,4	4	Staveley Coal & Iron Co.Ltd. Staveley, Chesterfield
145.1	SC/I	9,10/9	5½	ditto.
145.2	SC/I	9,8/5	6	ditto.
146.	S/C/I	9/7/4	4½	Ø ditto.
147.	SCI/CL	10,8,5/8,7	4½/4	Ø ditto.

IC/S3

1	S++	51	S&B ++	101
2	S.	52	S/&B	102
3	S (in triangle)	53	S&/B	103
4		54	S/&/B	104
5		55	SB/B	105
6	SA	56	SB/&B (99)	106
7	S.A	57	S.B./B.P.	107
8	S.A.	58	SBC ++	108
9	SA (monogram)	59	SB/C ++	109
10	S&A ++	60	S.B/C.	110
11	SA/A	61	S/B/C	111
12	SA/ACo	62	SBC/CoLd	112
13	S&AB	63	SB/Co ++	113
14	S&A/B	64	S.B/&C°.	114
15	SABS	65	SB/&Co	115
16	S.A.C	66	S.B/&/Co.	116
17	S.A/&C° (35)	67	SB/CoLd	117
18	S.A.D	68	SB/Co.Ld.	118
19	S/AF	69	SB/&Co/Ld	119
20	SAGE	70	SBD	120
21	SAH	71	SB/D	121 SC ++
22	SA/H	72	SB/Ex	122 S.C
23	S/A	73	SB/GV	123 S.C.++
24	SA/IC	74	SBH	124 S..C
25	SALT	75	S&B/H	125 S&C ++
26	S&A/Ltd	76	SBI/C	126 SC/A
27	S&A/Ltd..	77	SB/IC	127 S.C/B
28	SALT/UNION	78	S&B/K	128 SC/BC
29	SA/MS	79	S.B.L	129 SCB/SLd
30	S.A.N.	80	SB/Ld ++	130 SCC
31	SANDS	81	SB/Ld.	131 SC /C
32	SAS	82	S&B/Ld ++	132 S/CC
33	SAT/&Co	83	S&B/Ld.	133 S/C&C/CoLd
34	SAWERS	84	SB/N	134 S.C/C.Ld
35	SA/Co (17)	85	S&B/Ltd ++	135 S.C/C.Ld.
36		86	SB/LH	136 SC/Co
37		87	SB/N	137 SC/&Co
38		88	SB/NC	138 S/CC2
39		89	S/Bros.	139 S.C/DOCK/Coy
40		90	SB&S	140 SC/GD
41		91	SB/&S	141 SCH
42		92	SB/SA	142 SCH/&C
43		93	SBSAL	143 SC/HMC
44		94	SBT	144 SCI
45		95	SBV	145 SC/I
46	SB ++	96	S.B	146 S/C/I
47	S.B	97	SB	147 SCI/CL
48	S.B. (98)	98	S..B (48)	148 SCJ
49	SB/Crown	99	SBB/M (56)	149 S.C.L (184)
50	S/B	100		150 S.C./L.

Bids, in sterling or dollars, must be sent to Chris J. T, Carr,
to arrive not later than 15th. Nov. 1969
Please mark your envelope SEPS Auction. Lots will be sold to the highest
bidder at one stage over the next highest bid. All stamps are believed to
be perfect except where noted.

Queen Victoria.

- Lot 1. OUS overprint, type 1, stamp has piece of corner missing
2. J&C Boyd underprint, type 6, plate 156
3. B&Co/L&B 1d red, pl.162
4. E&AC .. pl.200 face slightly washed
5. F.W.R/&C° .. pl.200
6. F.W.R/&Co .. pl.202
7. F.W.R/&C° .. pl.210
8. K&K .. pl.157
9. K&K .. pl.166 some perfs out top & LH side
10. K&K .. pl.168 joined pair _
11. I&R/M .. pl.156
12. R.R./&Co .. pl.200
13. R&S/M.L .. pl.? one cnr, slight out & thinned
14. S.S/S.S .. pl.155 perfs trimmed at bottom
15. W.B. .. pl.174
16. W.B. .. pl.195
17. GWR 1d red pl.201, I&R/M pl.134, K&K pl.157 all slightly damaged
18. GWR 1d red pl.148, 170, 171, 174, 181, 183, 201 (few perfs trimmed)
202, 205, 210
19. GWR 1d red, pl.202 four perf's trimmed
20. GWR .. pl.170 seven perfs trimmed
21. GWR .. four copies indecipherable plate nos.
22. B.D/Ld ½d red, pl.15
23. Mixed lot, all damaged. GWR 1d red, pl.187; ½d reds B.D/Ld pl.14,
B&L/L pl.12, BW/&S pl.15, FP/&S pl.19; 2d blues D& pl.14
HSE pl.15 these last two perfs are incomplete
24. D.M/&S 2½d pl.13 SG 141
25. O&C° 2½d pl.22 SG 157
26. BIRD 3d on 3d SG 159
27. J&P/C 4d, pl.18 SG 160 slightly dirty at top edge
28. J&P/C 4d, pl.18 SG 160 cleaner, pin missing from top of &
29. N.Z.L 6d pl.18 SG 161
30. R.D./&C°. 6d on 6d SG 162
31. P.S/NC 5/- 1883 SG 180/1
32. R/F&Co 2½d 1883 SG 190
33. BQ, HUTH (damaged cnr), PS, R/F&Co all on 2½d 1883 SG 190
34. 100 surface printed, mixed condition, range of values
King Edward VII
35. 45 mixed on various values
King George V
36. T 1d & 1½d 1929 UPU
37. H&G 1d 1929 UPU
38. G&G 2/6d 1934
King George VI
39. M.V/Co. 2/6d 1951

- 40. SP/L _ 11d QE SG 528 or 553, a scarce value
- 41. BP/M 3d Red Cross
- 42. S&S 2/6d SG 595/595a

Bulk mission lots

- 43. 1000 QE to 1/6d value Reserve 10/-
- 44. 1000 QE to 5/- value ..
- 45. 1000 QE to 1/6d value ..
- 46. 1000 QE to 1/6d value ..
- 47. 2000 QE definitives & regionals 1952-1958 Reserve 20/-

Large Blocks

- 48. BC block of 24 (12x2) 2½d QE SG 574 one stamp damaged
- 49. DC block of 17 (1 row x5, 2x6) SG 576a 4d
- 50. GLC block of 20 (4x5) 6d QE SG 617 (phosphor)
- 51. SC/D block of 20 (1 row each 4, 5, 6, 5) 6d QE SG 617 (phosphor)

Lots are described as accurately as possible. Most are without reserve so bid from 3d upwards BUT do not expect to get something for nothing.

Don't leave sending in your bids until near the closing date, you may be too late. Don't forget to mark your envelope SEPS Auction, I get dozens of letters every week and it helps to ensure that they get put in the right place.

Future Auctions.

I have decided to restrict the size of future auctions to about 50 lots and will try to ensure that no damaged material, except certain QV stamps, is included. Lots containing damaged items may be listed but showing only the number of perfect items. I will always accept GB material for future auctions at anytime now but reserve the right to break down lots or refuse lots where I consider it necessary.

Foreign Perfins.

If any member would like to see priced individual foreign perfins of any country except Canada and USA please write to me and I will, when stocks are available, send a selection on approval.

Valuation of perfins,

Up to the time of writing I have had only two criticisms of my recent article and no letters of agreement. I propose to comment in a future issue on the letter that was published in the May issue and also the one which I received but, in the absence of hearing anything else, I must assume that either everyone else accepts my article or no one else has read it.

Comments, criticisms, and above all, Auction bids to me please:
Chris. J. T. Carr