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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES March 1994

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Lapsed

CHAILLOU

GOUGH

MERRY

TOMASSON

VICARY

DOWNHAM

DUNSMORE

EWING

FEYRER

HOYLAND-PYE

WOODWARD-CLARKE

Notes From The Secretary/Treasurer Dave Hill.

Apologies to those expecting their membership cards with the February Bulletin. These were lost in the post. It is now too late in the year to issue them but don't worry, if you are still getting the Bulletin you have paid your sub. If you have paid again I will credit it to your account. A new membership card will be issued in September without a statement on as this confuses members who just pay their sub and take the Bulletin.

If your account needs a statement I will send you one on another piece of paper. Membership is up again even allowing for eleven members who did not renew their membership. 50% of these were new members - perhaps we were not what they expected.

Further apologies, some members in Europe have been paying using the old Giro number. This account is now closed (see Bulletin 267). I understand this money just gets pigeon-holed and you will have to apply for it back yourself, I am not entitled to do this on your behalf. Please note the new number again - 53-907-6708. Again on the subject of payment. Bob McKee has asked that I look into setting up an arrangement whereby members can pay using their Master or Visa Card. This has to be done in sterling and there is a charge of about 5% to the member and registering would cost the Society perhaps £250.

This must be safer than sending me currency and cheaper than foreign cheques or Giro's. Large amounts of \$US I save up until I have 3 lots so each member gets charged £1. Each \$ cheque is charged £3 and of course gets a lower rate. \$ Notes are £1.558 at present. Let me know what you think.

Small sums like the subs can be remitted in mint GB stamps or International Reply Coupons, but these cost you the equivalent of 60p and are worth 41p at the moment.

Arthur Harris has asked me to point out that members of Societies affiliated to the A B P S can get a reduction of £2 in the policy fee of the insurance of their collectables with J.B. Horne, Stamp Insurance Services, 2 Bakery Meadow, Puddington, Tiverton, Devon.

Some new members have asked for copies of the New Identities published in the Bulletin since Tomkins came out. I have photocopied these and they are available for £1 inc postage. Roy will do an "official" update at the year end, however.

Burkhart Beer, a well-known collector of 2d blues, has joined the Society after corresponding with some of us for a long time. He may manage to attend the London Meeting in May.

The London Meeting is on Saturday, 14th May from 1.00 to 5.00pm at Baden Powell House, Queens Gate, London S.W.7, next to the Natural History Museum. Refreshments are available.

LIBRARY CORNER From Maurice Harp.

The U.S. Perfins Club has presented to our Society Library a copy of their latest publication - "The Cumulative Index to The Perfins Bulletin". The Perfins Club Bulletin was first produced in 1945 and now runs to over 450 issues. The task of compiling an Index for this journal was formidable but was taken on by Rudy Roy. Now the Index has been completed and published a wealth of material has been unlocked to the modern perfin collector. The Index runs to 125 pages which gives a measure of the amount of material that is awaiting the researcher. The Index is divided into sections covering the society's affairs, U.S. perfins, foreign perfins split up by country, and articles of general interest. Articles on G.B. perfins cover some five pages alone. Literally there is something for everyone's interest whether it is Switzerland or Sudan, Egypt or Ecuador. Rudy and the Perfins Club are to be congratulated on a job well done. Criticisms on the Index are few although I would have liked to see a listing of all the Bulletins correlating issue number against volume number and year. The Index is available from Jackie Ryan

Copies are \$10 post paid. Our own Society Library contains a virtually complete set of the Perfins Bulletin and copies of articles contained in the Index can be obtained from our Librarian.

"Hong Kong Security Markings" by Ming K. Tsang from John Donner.

This fully illustrated catalogue consists of 174 pages of over 1,000 Security Markings - including Perfins, Firms' Chops (Overprints) and other miscellaneous markings. There are over 100 new findings and it contains the Earliest/Latest recorded perfins/chops on Hong Kong stamps. The "Security Markings" listing compiled by Messrs Philippe Orsetti and Peter Pugh and published by the Hong Kong Study Circle in 1992 is also included in the book for further reference.

It was exhibited in the VAPEX '93 in Virginia, U.S.A. and received the Best Security Endorsement Exhibit Award from the Perfins Club of the U.S.A. Overall an excellent catalogue and a must for all Hong Kong collectors. Copies can be purchased at £20 (surface mail) and £25 (airmail), post paid, from Mr. M. W. Tsang

Editor's Comments Rosemary Smith.

An excellent state of affairs - I am having to decide what to leave out rather than searching for things to put in the Bulletin. Once again I have to say that if your contribution is not in this issue, it is in my forward file.

Roy has asked me to mention the "Society Perforator". Rather a misnomer as the machine is Roy's personal property which has been adapted to the Society monogram perfin die. It is sadly in need of refurbishing and Roy can only perforate one stamp at a time. DO NOT send any more stamps to him for perforating, please, until the machine has been overhauled. A note will appear in the Bulletin when 'normal service is resumed'.

I have had requests for back numbers of the Bulletin. Once I have produced the master for the printer I wait in anticipation for my copy to drop through the letter box. Dave gets all the spares so please send your requests to him. It also saves time if members can write direct to the person asking for information if their name and address is included in the article. Hopefully, that member will send their final research for printing.

THE PERFIN SOCIETY'S NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE OF G.B. PERFINS

Elsewhere in this issue you will see that our indefatigable Catalogue Editor, Roy Gault, has finished the first two sections of the New Illustrated Catalogue. The letters completed are "O" and "Q". These two letters have been printed in both styles - i.e. Illustrations Only and Illustrations Plus All Known Facts About The Die. The price for the 'O' & 'Q' pages of Illustrations Only is £1-80p inland; £2-40p Europe; £3-00p Elsewhere. The price for the 'O' & 'Q' pages of Illustrations Plus Details is £3-00p inland; £3-70p Europe; £5-00p Elsewhere - all include P & P.

Orders to John Donner, our Publications Officer, but may I say at this point, that with John still out of the country (as well as Maurice), sincere thanks are due to Sandra - John's wife - who has run the Library and Publications for the last few months. More and more members are using these facilities now and it has been no mean feat for Sandra to fulfil all the requests she must have received on behalf of John and Maurice.

The first illustrated catalogue of GB perfins was called the "Catalogue of Illustrations of British Perfins" by Victor J. & Margaret Van Lint, and published in America in 1959. Each page had space for 80 illustrations showing an actual stamp in silhouette. No individual catalogue numbers were allocated but each perfin could be referenced by a page number and a position on that page in terms of rows and columns. All told, some 9,658 perfins were illustrated.

The second catalogue was more ambitious as its title "The Perfins of Great Britain - A Catalog/Album" bears witness. It was compiled and edited by Robert McKee and our own Basil Tomkins, and published by Dr Harvey Tilles in America in 1975. Each die was shown as an actual stamp in silhouette, and had a unique catalogue number. Details of hole counts, identities, etc. were shown on the back of the preceding page. The total number of perfins illustrated in Tilles had risen to 14,195.


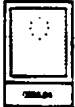
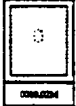




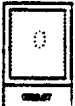
By 1985 these early catalogues were out of print and virtually unobtainable, so the Society agreed that Tony Edwards would produce our own illustrated catalogue. The format used for the first sections had identities at the top of the page with illustrations below, but this soon gave way to illustrations only - illustrations which no longer showed the outline of the stamp. Each pattern also carried a new catalogue number, based on the old Tilles number, and designed to allow room for the many new perfin dies which had by then come to light.

In 1989 I took up the post of Society Catalogue Editor and my most pressing task was to complete the Illustrated Catalogue, which was by then less than 40% complete. The initial run through the alphabet was finished early in 1991, and a final set of updates issued in 1993. The die count at this stage had risen to 21,448, more than double Van Lint's figure.












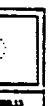





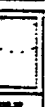





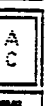





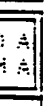
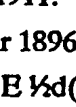
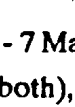
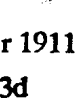


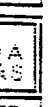
1994 now sees the start of a new venture, a catalogue in which all known facts reported to me about individual dies has been gathered together. As with our previous catalogue, it will be issued in sections, each one dealing with a particular letter.

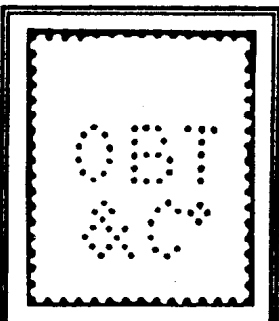
The full title is to be "The Perfin Society's New Illustrated Catalogue of Great British Perfins", although it will probably be known as the "New Illustrated". The tradition of producing sheets of *illustrations only* will be continued and made available as a separate catalogue.

MAIN CATALOGUE

PERFINS of Great Britain		Letter O	
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ILLUSTRATIONS ONLY

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The inset, shown full size, is typical of the information to be included against each die, although the precise amount will naturally vary from die to die. You will note that I have 'gone back to basics' and illustrate the silhouette of an actual stamp. A new feature is the die 'In use' date range, based on a combination of reported dates and information deduced from the issues and stamp values involved. The aim of the catalogue is to make available as much of the information sent in to me as possible, and so help the perfin collector derive maximum interest and pleasure from the hobby.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS ARTICLES

New York Belting & Packing Company Ltd and I.O/C Perfin

Bulletin 268 Pg.9

The answer to this query came not from G.B. or the U.S.A. but from Australia. JOHN MATHEWS sent the following information. In a London Directory for 1891 the trademark of the "INTERNATIONAL OKONITE CO. LTD." is prominent in three places, one of which is illustrated below. The entry did not appear prior to 1891. They seem to have been manufacturers of insulated telegraph, telephone and electrical wires of all descriptions and their address was 98 & 100 Queen Victoria Street, London E.C.

The New York Belting & Packing Company Ltd. were first listed in the 1892 directory at the same address and with the same telephone number (1560) as Okonite. Their trade description was the same as on the scroll of the letterhead illustrated in Bulletin 268.

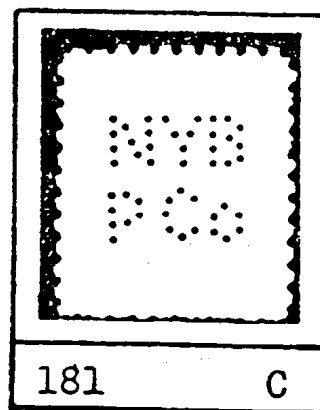
It would appear that residue stamps from International Okonite Co. Ltd. were acquired, along with the premises, by N.Y.B & P.Co.

From JOHN LYDING, Editor of the Perfins Club Bulletin, came the second illustration. It is NYB/PC and is listed in the 'Catalog of United States Perfins' as pattern P181. The entry listing is:- N181 NYB/PC^o 4/4-4-3 (height in mm) N Y Belting & Packing Co, NYC. There is no supplemental data and the catalog does not list a positive identification. John is going to run the article in their April Bulletin in the hope that one of their members can come up with an identified cover.

International Okonite Co. Limited, 98 & 100



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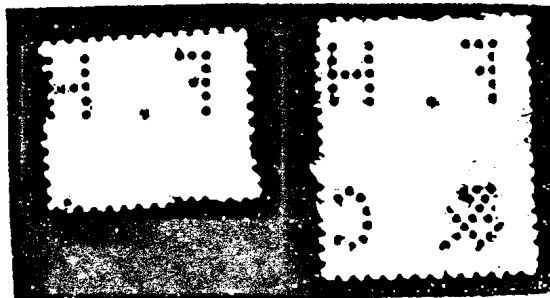


533/T.H Perfin Bulletin 268 Pg.10

JOHN NELSON writes, "I share the view about Holloway ½d and 1d line engraved perfins both being produced on the same perforator. I have the full 533/T.H on a 2½d plate 3 with the missing pin at the bottom of the "I". Roy is probably right about a multiple headed press, but the idea of laboriously taking pins out and replacing them every time they did ½d values is a bit much to accept. It is more likely that the ½d stamps were separated into horizontal strips and just run across the bottom half of the perforator."

Partial Perfins or New Dies

The article in Bulletin 268 Pg.10 about the 533/T.H reminded DAVID SCOTT of a near mistake which he made with a similar die. This was F.H on the ½d plate and at first glance it appeared to be a new die. However, looking through his 1d plates he saw the die F1790.01 (F.H/&C) of Furley, Hallett & Creery. The F.H letters were identical on both stamps and then it was that David noticed at the base of the ½d plate the top hole of the 'C' and the top of the ampersand. If the perfin on the ½d had happened to be one or two nun's lower, this definite confirmation that it was part of F.H/&C^o would not have been possible. One could easily think one had found a new die. Anyone any similar experiences?



Perfined Foreign Bill Stamps Bulletin 268 Pg. 11

Kevin Parkhill had a number of letters from members who have reported perfined dies on Foreign Bill, Contract Note and Inland Revenue Stamps. Some reportings were of Judicature dies such as Royal Courts of Justice etc which are not relevant to this study.

I am sure there is much more information to be found in other collections within the Society. To help jog your memory and make a point of comparison, I will record the dies reported to date on

Foreign Bill Stamps only - (Contract Notes Inland Revenue Stamps in June and August Bulletin). This is a simple list of dies but where the letters appear to be duplicated it does represent a different die. Keep reporting the reign, value and identity.

AE	A.F/B.	A.F./B.	BB&C°	BB/NA
			(2nd B rev.)	
B.M.	BofM	S BSAL	SBBSAL/18	B/W&C°
CANCELLED/	CANCLD/	C.B.I.	C.B.I.	C/B.R.P
N.B.of I.Ld	JA&C°			
C.I.H/&S	CL	CL	DB	DB
DB	DB	D/C&C°	DG	F&B
G.B.L./L	H&C/2.C.S.	H&C°/2.C.Sq	HUTH	HUTH
IBHL	IBHL	KS/&C°	R.B.	S.B
SB/SA	SDB/&S/M	SG	SM/&C°	SM/&C°
T	UBA	UBALd/	U.D.CLd.	
	(in diamond)	(in diamond)		
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SBSAL Perfin Bulletin 268 Pg. 11

JOHN NELSON says, "The die almost certainly belongs to the Standard Bank of South Africa Limited which company was originally registered on 15th October 1862 as Standard Bank of British South Africa Limited which accounts for the letters SBBSAL on the QV Fig.2.

On 16th February 1883 the name of the company was changed by the omission of the word 'British' and I suggest that at about that time they just removed the pins of the first 'B' so that the die then read S BSAL as on the QV Fig. 1 and KE7 Fig. 3.

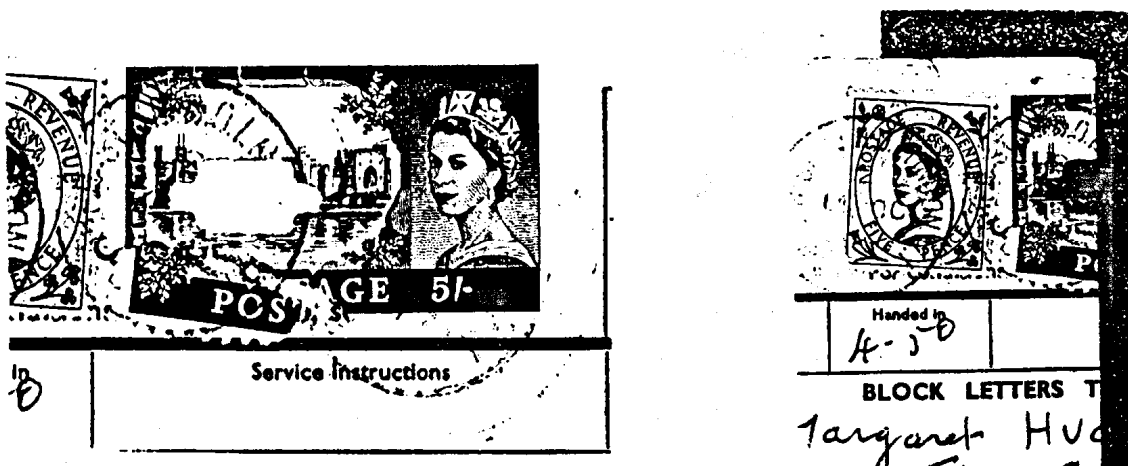
My only suggestion about the '18' is that it was there as a reminder for them to complete the full date by writing on either side of it. It will be interesting to see from other reports whether the 'B' and '18' could possibly have been taken out at the same time or whether a S SBSAL/18 die ever existed."

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When Is A Perfin Not A Perfin Bulletin 268 Pg.22.

The Post Office Cancelling Punch shown on the booklet pane of stamps has come to light again.

STEPHEN STEERE sent me a telegram from 1964 which he had bought at a Stamp Fair. The original cost of sending the telegram was paid by postage stamps which were affixed to the top of the telegram. The 5/- value was punched through with an identical punch to the one shown in Bulletin 268. The two illustrations below show the 5/- stamp actual size and a reduced copy of the telegram showing how it had been folded down the centre and the clip taken out.



By a strange co-incidence, in the same post came photocopies of 5 more of these telegrams, all from 1964/5, from NEV HAYWARD. These however had some different punch 'cancels' on the high value stamps. One £1 stamp looks to have a diamond shape punch (which Nev thinks could have been done by hand); another three similar to the punch illustrated here but smaller and more square; and one that looks as if it was just punctured with a blunt point (pencil).

Nev makes the observation that the 'holes', whatever form they take, are only on the high value stamps. The telegram forms are from different offices which would indicate each office had its own punch, or most offices did.

Does this point to a Post Office procedure? Could it mean that some of our 'Designs' could be made from these punches? Readers comments would be appreciated.

Stamps Not Recorded As Perfins Bulletin 267/268

The only new stamp to be deleted this month from your December '93 Bulletin list is the 1873-80 Large Coloured Corner Letters - Wmk Large Garter - 8d purple-brown plate 1. I, Editor, was fortunate to find this at Stampex. It has a new die, 'D&S', and although the stamp is off cover, it can be positively identified because it has the special cancellation DS/F in lined oval of William Dawson and Sons.

46th I.P.U. Conference Stamp Bulletin 266/267/268

Just one new die reported:- CK (C4110.01) from ARNOLD KNUDSON.

(18 different dies now reported on 28 examples)

Two New Surveys -QEII COMMEMORATIVES & CURRENT PERFINS

Bulletin 267/10; 268/13.

Two members have offered to be the contact person to report perfined QEII Commemorative Stamps and Perfins still being used at the present time.

If you can report all Commemorative stamps from 1952 until the present time to Alastair Walter

he will log them and in time we can give the results of the survey. Please make sure Alastair knows exactly which value from which set you have by giving more than S.G. Nos. I know from experience that catalogue numbers do differ in various editions.

George Dyke is the person to report your Present Day Perfins. It would be preferable if we could have perfins used in 1993 or 1994. To make this really accurate, the stamps should be on a dated cover; or have a clear date on the stamp; or from your local knowledge (not guess) you know a company or council are still using their perfin. A 19p or 25p stamp could be an INDICATION of present use, or a stamp with the elliptical perforation down each side, but if no clear postdate on the stamp, please tell George why you think it is a probable.

After the terrific response to the British Empire Exhibition Survey and the Non-Perfined Stamps, I am sure you will make this a success too.

HISTORY OF THE USERS OF PERFINS

NEW IDEAL HOMESTEADS LTD

By Arthur Smith

In 1929 Mr. Leo Meyer went into partnership with Mr. A. E. Blackwell to establish a new company, known as New Ideal Homesteads Ltd., working from a small office in Erith Road, Bexleyheath.

Mr. Meyer was an engineer with Erith Council and knew North East Kent well, which was why he chose this part of Southern England for his firm's first enterprise. The new estate was in Shepherd's Land, Dartford, and was soon followed by larger sites in Welling, Orpington, Sidcup and on Carlton Park Estate, Erith, in an area of 100 acres of open land.

The area houses differed in type and cost and, as shown in the photocopy, the Type "L" in Erith cost £395 freehold, with a £10 deposit and a weekly payment of 11 shillings (about 55p today). The houses were fitted with more modern conveniences than houses in some other areas and had a solid fuel boiler to provide constant hot water to the kitchen, sink, bath and basin.

Over subsequent years, under Leo Meyer's dynamic leadership and guidance, the Company expanded rapidly in a remarkably short time. In less than four years the firm and its associate companies built and sold to owner occupiers, over 7,000 houses, all within easy reach of London, at prices between £300 and £1,000.

In 1934 the Company became a public corporation called Ideal Building and Land Development Company Limited and there were five main associate companies.

The Company went from strength to strength until the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939 when the construction of new homes had to cease. Leo Meyer then placed his firm's services at the disposal of the Government for war work and for over six years carried out defence contracts to a value of over £20 million.

Leo Meyer died in February 1961 after 32 years devoted service to the Company. He was succeeded as Chairman by Harold Drayton and over the years there followed a number of other Chairmen.

Leo, if alive today, would be thrilled to know that his original houses in Erith are still called "Ideal Homestead" and cost in the region of £35-75,000.

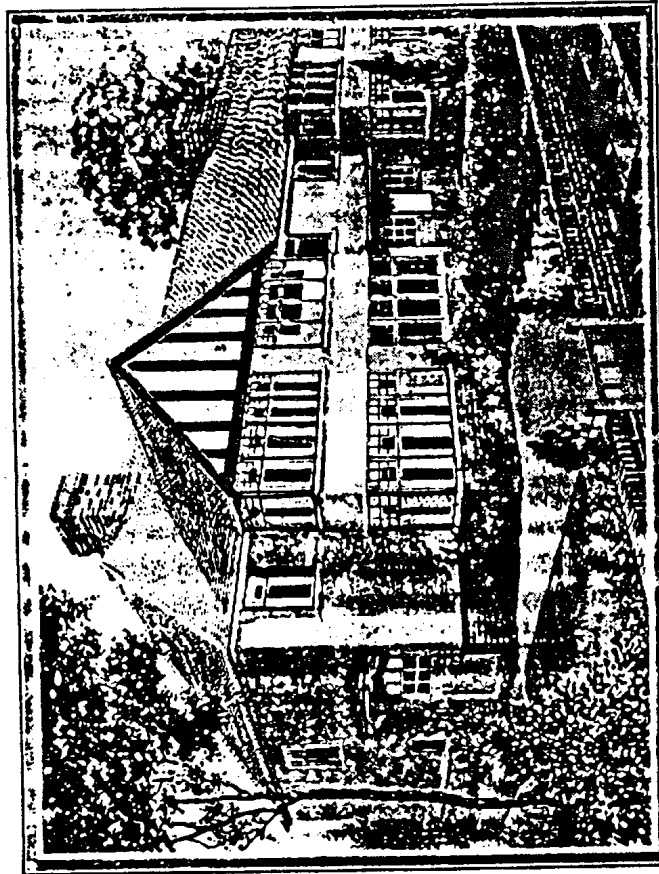
The perfin used in Erith was as shown below and a stamp of KGV, 2d orange, SG368, on an invoice has this perfin, i.e.-

CAT No. N1820.01a 11,4,10/6 4½mm I - O.

Note: The perfin, with identification, is not recorded in The New Identified G.B. Perfins Catalogue or Illustrated Catalogue.

NEW IDEAL HOMESTEADS, LIMITED.

£395 Freehold 1932 Super Homesteads **£395 Freehold**
 Type "L"



ALL BRICK
CONSTRUCTION



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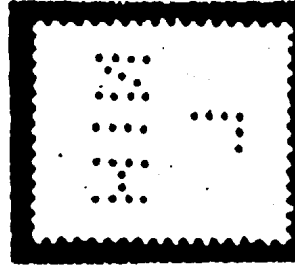


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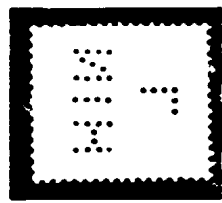
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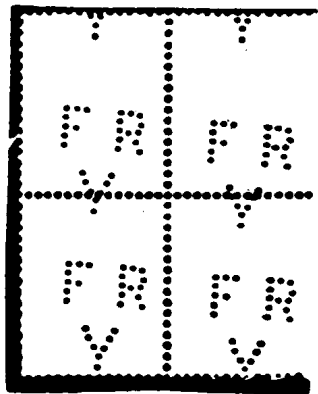
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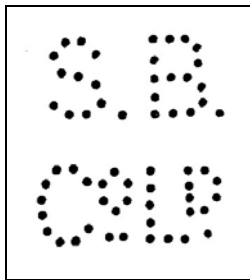
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MISALIGNED PERFINs By Rosemary Smith.

The article from David Scott (Pg.12) brought to mind this block of four 6d Wildings of FR/Y. It could be that the top row would have shown just 'FR' -. A new die?



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Whilst visiting the Bath area some time ago I visited the Bath Industrial Heritage Centre, a superb collection of material from the firm of Samuel Bowler & Co. Ltd., who never threw anything away.

In the reconstructed office on the first floor I noticed a perfin machine looking rather sorry for itself as it was covered with rust on the perforating plate thus preventing the machine from being used. When I returned home I wrote to the curator and offered to repair it to the best of my ability. This offer was accepted and the machine sent to me. I then realised the task to be done. Over a period of time I was able to release the various screws and dismantle the machine with the exception of the head, which held the steel pins. Despite much trying the two parts, which were held together with four screws remained rusted together so I was unable to remove each individual pin. In addition the coiled spring designed to retract the die after each operation was missing. After much experimenting I eventually found the correct length and compression needed. Test perfins were made on plain paper and thin card but, despite all efforts, it was not possible to make the die retract. I believe that this was due solely to my inability to dismantle the head and clean the pins. My efforts were not the first as the head showed many marks where it had been levered apart from the guide, probably in its final period of use. However, the machine did now work for those people who just must touch objects!

I have stressed to the curator, the importance of not allowing the machine to be used to perforate stamps whilst it is in the possession of the Museum.

Regretfully the perfin cannot yet be catalogued as no example has been found on a stamp so would all members please check their collections to see if they have an example? As a reward (?) I will supply the first five members who can provide positive details of this perfin on a stamp of the correct period of usage with a perfin on thin white card taken from the machine.

PERFINS ON THE COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS OF THE 1924 AND 1925

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION

Bulletins 258/259/261/265

John Nelson.

Members may wish to note the following additions to the Catalogue of these perfins published by the Society in 1993. The total number of different dies is now increased to 59 and the number of stamps reported to 444. I am grateful to all those who have contributed additional information.

NEW DIES

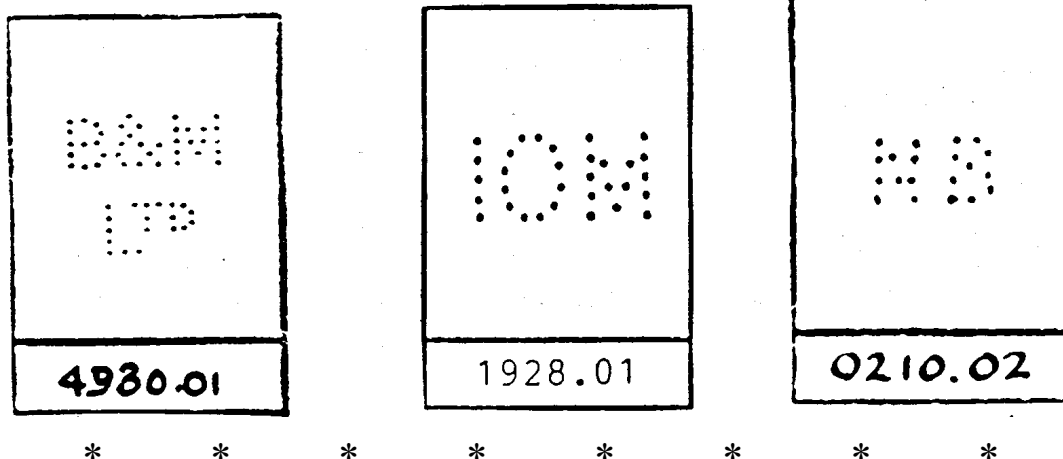
B&M/LTD	B4930.01	1924	1½d	
				* BELLIS & MORCOM LIMITED, Engineers, Ledsam Street Works, Birmingham 16. Exhibitors in 1924 (P/E Ave 11-12, Bay 17-18)
IOM	I1928.01	1924	1d	User not identified.
NB	N0210.02	1924	1d (pair)	User not identified but pmk London 7 Aug 1924.

ADDITIONAL STAMPS AND COVERS

ABC	A0530.05	1925	1d	
		1925	1½d on cover	pmkd London NW1 7 Aug 1925
BS&S	B6850.01	1924	1½d	
DM	D3110.03	1924	1½d	
D.S	D4370.01	1924	1d (two)	
ETC	E4700.05	1924	1½d	
F.G	F1590.01	1924	1½d	
HW/LD	H7770.01	1924	1d (two)	one on cover pmk London 15 Jun 1924 with Williamson identity
		1924	1½d	
JT/S	J7900.01	1924	1d and 1½d	on cover pmk London FS 10 Oct 1924 addressed to Basle.
M&P/P	P0710.02	1924	1½d	
PBL	P0710.02	1924	1½d (two)	
R	R0010.43	1925	1d and 1½d	
RL/&S	R3340.01	1924	1d with <u>complete</u>	pair of dies pmk London (77) 6 Jun 1924
SM/L	S5090.04	1924 and 1925	1½d	
S.P/L	S6000.01	1924	1½d	
TWW	T5220.02	1924	1½d	
W&S	W6680.07	1924	1½d (three)	including two covers with Waterlow identity pmk London EC and dated 11 and 26 July 1924
W&S	W6680.14	1925	1d and 1½d	

ILLUSTRATIONS FOR THE NEW DIES REPORTED ON THE BRITISH EMPIRE

EXHIBITION STAMPS FROM THE PREVIOUS PAGE



SHEPHERD'S BUSH EXHIBITION PERFIN

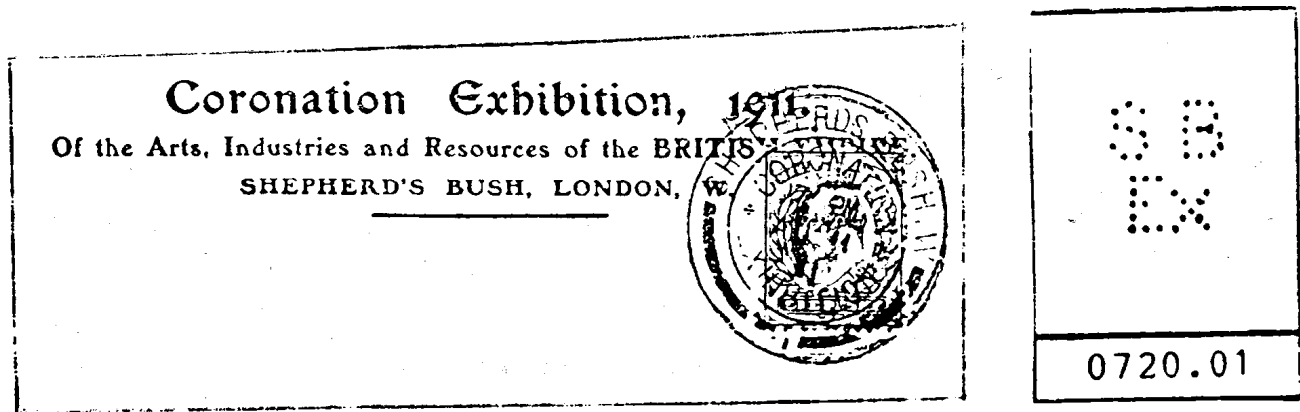
SB/Ex S0720.01 John Nelson

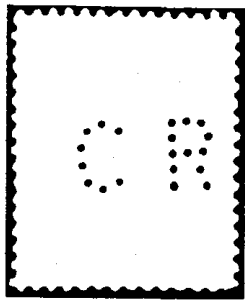
As a spin-off from the survey of perfin found on the 1924, 1925 British Exhibition Stamps, I have been told of a cover of the Coronation Exhibition held at the White City, Shepherd's Bush in 1911, bearing a KE7 Jjd perforated SB/Ex and pmkd 11 August 1911.

The White City, Shepherd's Bush was the site of the Franco-British Exhibition in 1908 and other exhibitions were held there annually almost up to the start of the First World War.

It would be interesting to get some idea of what stamps the die is to be found on, the dates of use, town postmarks, and in connection with which of the exhibitions.

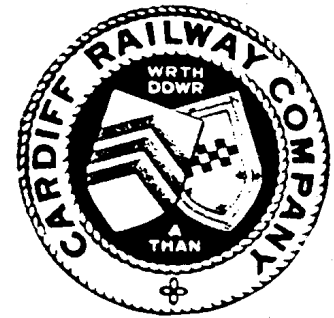
I would be pleased to receive details of any SB/Ex perfin in members' collections and I will write up an article for the Bulletin in due course.





C6410.04

A recent purchase from the Society Auction of a cache of CR perfins (C6410.04) all on 1d GV Downey heads allowed George Greenhill to piece together the full postmark -



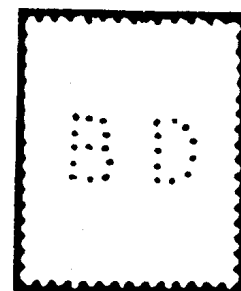
BUTE DOCKS B.O., CARDIFF.

In his letter reporting this to me, George posed the question "could it be a new Railway die?". My first reaction was that it could be almost anyone, but then I remembered (not from personal experience!) that there was once a Cardiff Railway.

On 25th March 1922, the Cardiff Railway was absorbed into the Great Western Railway and in so doing contributed some 12 route miles, 8 passenger carriages, 43 freight wagons and 36 steam locomotives to the parent company. Clearly the Cardiff Railway was very small, but it is also on record as having had 112 miles of sidings! The company was essentially a dockside railway originally managed by Trustees for the Marquis of Bute. On 1st January 1887 it became known as the Bute Docks Company, but by Act of Parliament on 6th August 1897 the name was changed to the more glamorous title of the Cardiff Railway.

Known dates for CR (C6410.04) are between 11 Feb 1907 and Jan 1916, on the following issues & values: E7 ½d(ye-gn), 1d, together with GV 1d Downey head, and ½d, 6d Typo (Royal Cypher).

I have just one example of the perfin BD (B1910.04) on a QV Jubilee ½d (verm), clearly postmarked Bute Docks B.O, Ca(rdiff). Could this possibly be the perfin of the Bute Docks Company or was it used by one of the commercial concerns working in Bute Docks?



B1910.04

Can anyone add more information regarding dates, issues etc., for both the CR and BD perfins? More importantly, does anyone have access to Cardiff trade directories covering the period 1887-1922 to list the other companies that operated in the Bute Docks area? It could well be that both perfins were used by companies from that list rather than the dock railway.

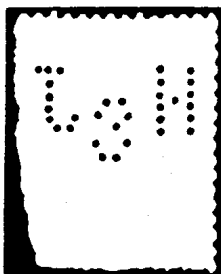
Note: In his Catalogue of Welsh Perfins, Tony Edwards attributes the die C6410.04 to the Cambrian Railways. This is predominantly a mid-Wales railway so the die may well have been mistaken for C.R (C6420.02).

My thanks go to Harry Skinner & Arthur Smith (loose stamp data), Tony Cornforth (railway information), and to George for reporting his observations in the first place!

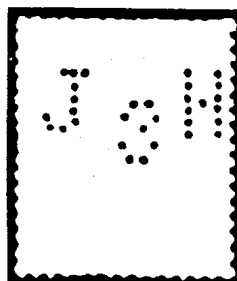
REVERSED PERFIN DIE ERRORS.

Roy Gault

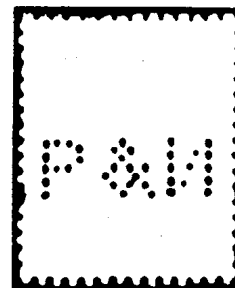
In Bulletin 259 I illustrated a number of dies which had come from the Michelius affixer. One of these (JSH - J7080.02) shows clear signs of modification. Note, however, that the 'S' could well be read as the number '3'. Since writing that article I have now seen a copy of the die showing the original error and have catalogued it as J7081.01. The perfin in either condition is somewhat rare but fortunately dated examples exist for both states. The original die is known postally used in London on 28 March 1914, and in its corrected form on 12 June 1914.



J7081.01



J7080.02



P3340.04

At least one other GB perfin is known which shows this type of reversed letter error - P&N (P3340.04), reported on a 1d Lilac. Does anyone know of any other GB perfins with such an error?

MEMBERS' QUERIES

CAMBRIAN RAILWAY & BUTE DOCKS

The article elsewhere in this issue has left a question mark over the identity of the two perfins 'CR' and 'BD'. Roy thinks that there must have been many firms for which these initials could stand which traded in and around Bute Docks during the 35 year period mentioned. Many perfin dies have the 'Bute Docks' postmark and it could prove a rewarding topic for someone to attempt an in-depth study of Bute Docks, Cardiff. It could turn up some surprising facts about the trade passing through and firms with sub-offices or agencies at the docks.

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DAVE HILL would like help to track down the identity of S0300.01 (S.A.N.) The stamp is a G6 Dark Colour on a small piece which has an imitation seal and "(Gloucester) Ltd" after the missing name. There can't be too many firms with these initials, he says, using "(Gloucester) Ltd" after the name. He has no Gloucester Directory to cover the 1936-42 period. Perhaps a local member has access to one?

SEEN IN AUCTION

From STEPHEN STEERE:-

Phoenix International Auction Catalogue for 12-3-94.

Lot 442 1873-4 two halfpenny PC's showing two different Sloper experimental cancellations.

1. 1873 'clip' type punched from side next to stamp and
2. 1874 'arrow' formation of dots punched through the stamp used at Manchester & Liverpool respectively. Est. £38.

From ERIC WHITEHEAD:-

M.D. Piggin's Postal Auction No.80 has "EL to St. Petersburg, Russia with 2½d blue stamp (P1.23-SG157). Perfin W.B.&Co franked London duplex SP 19 82, & sender's cachet 'W. Brandt's Sons London'. B/s St. Petersburg cds 11 SEP 82". Est. £14.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Last year MR.H.M.TAINTON won The Oliver Barron Trophy at the Barclay Bank Philatelic Society for a display of perfins - mainly with a Banking connection. It is always pleasing to hear that perfins are being treated seriously in local philatelic society competitions.

THIS YEAR'S HORROR STORY By Ron Brown.

The year's horror story began with a phone call from a stranger who said he had 200 perfins for me - he had heard of me from a gent in my local stamp club. "Yes", I said, "I would be delighted to receive 200 perfins".

To my horror he said he had saved me a job by taking them all off the covers so they were nice, clean KGV perfins.

WANTS

Non member Chris Clemow

wants the "bell" pattern perfins for his thematic collection. However, Australian member, John Mathews, has been asking for these in earlier Bulletins, without success I believe.

MANUSCRIPT IDENTITIES By Dave Hill.

Do not ignore letters or receipts with perfins but no apparent identity. Typical are receipts of stock brokers: they often printed addresses and fairly readable names of the stock involved and are addressed to the purchaser but none of these tie up with the perfin. So the faint hearted give up.

The user generally signs the company name across the perfin but this is usually not decipherable with any degree of certainty. However, with the address it is possible to look up the name of the user in a directory. The Guildhall Library in London has a complete run of the London Post Office Directories: some provincial libraries have old Kelly's (mine does in Penzance). John Nelson has a collection of old directories and may be able to turn up the answer.

So with perseverance and luck another identity is found!

LITERATURE FROM THE LIBRARY

Although there is no set time limit for borrowing books, papers and catalogues from the Library, it is only courteous to the Librarian and fair to fellow members who may wish to borrow the same literature, that you return requisitions as soon as possible. It makes for extra work if the Librarian has to keep chasing up members who are not playing the game.

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NEW IDENTITIES submitted to the CATALOGUE EDITOR.

ROY GAULT

From Stefan Wrammerfors

B4220.01	BL/CLd	14,7/8,7,7	4½	Baxter's Leather Co Ltd, 46-50 Tabernacle St, London EC. Cover dated 2/7/1929. L
B5180.02	BN/SA	14,13/10,10	5	2. The British & Northern Shipping Agency Ltd. 5 Lloyd's Ave. Fenchurch St, London EC.
D0860.02c	D/&C ^o	9/12,7,4	4½ Ia	Covers dated 20/1/11. 28/4/11 & 3/11/15? F&I John Dickinson & Co Ltd, Post Box 269. 65 Old Bailey, London. Cover dated 8/12/1939.
D0940.01	D/&C ^o /Ltd	10112,8,617,5,7	4 IIIa	Dulau & Co Ltd, 37 Soho Sq. London W. Cover dated 27/8/13. I
H1730.01	HCV/&C ^o	10,7,7114,7,4	4½ I	H C Vivian & Co Ltd, Cardiff. Cover dated 15/6/1920.
H4680.04	H/Ltd	17/7,6,8	6½/4½	2. The British Photographic Industries Ltd, 88-89 High Holborn, WC. Dated 24/5/17. I
J2060.03	JD/&Co	6,9/12,7,4	4½ Ia	John Dickinson & Co Ltd, Post Box 269, 65 Old Bailey, London. Cover dated 5/12/1939.

Note: Horizontal pair (still joined) on the above cover has J2060.05 and J2060.03, proving they were from the same multiple impression die.

Do any members have any multiples off cover of these dies?

J7105.01	J. S. /Lt.	10,14/10	6½	2. J Schnurmann, Tottenham. I
L4380.03b	L&P	7,14,10	5 III	Redaktion der Londoner, 'Borsen-Halle', Basildon House, Moorgate St, London EC. F
M0360.01d	MB	11,11	4½	Midland Bank Ltd, Overseas Branch, 122 Old Broad St, EC2. Coil stamps dated 18/10/40.
T0590.01	T.B.Ld/R	7,14,7,6/12	5	Confirmation Turner Brothers Asbestos Co Ltd, Rochdale. Cover dated 8/6/1920. I
T4230.01	TS/&S	7,12/15,12	5½ IIIb	Thos. Sorby & Sons, Mowbray St, Mowbray St, Sheffield. Cover dated 28/12/1897. E
U0110.01	U.A./Co.	9.10/8,6	4½	The Uni(ted Alkali) Co Ltd, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Cover dated 2/12/1914.

From Ian Burns

C4650.05	C/Ltd	9/7,6,7	9½/5	Carsons Ltd, Chocolate Mfrs, H/O & Factories, Solway St, Glasgow. Receipt dated 13/12/1918. I
T2140.01	T.H&/CLd	7,11,13/10,7,6	6 III	Thos Hinshelwood & Co Ltd, Glenpart St, Glasgow. PC dated 23/6/1932. I

From Gary Shayler

G0920.01	GCH	10,8,12	5	The Grand Clothing Hall, Lamb St Hanley. (Props. Hart & Levy Ltd) Received invoice dated 1911/02 B
I2270.01	I.S	5,10	4½	The Industrial Securities Co Ltd, 37 Walbrook, London EC.Contract Note (E7 6d) dated 10/5/11, but also known on Postage Stamps (F-I)
M4340.01	MOY	15,10,9	4½	2. Thomas Moy Ltd, Coal Coke General Merchants, Great Eastern Railway Coal Depot, Commercial Road, Lowestoft. Office: Barley House, London Rd, Lowestoft. Receipt dated 28/8/1913. I

Also listed are 8 London depots and 53 Country depots. H.O. - Colchester.

From Alastair Walter

M0010.32	M	17 (7mm wide)	8	Horace Marshall & Son Ltd. Publishing Dept. 46 Farringdon St EC4. New address Temple House Tallis St, London EC4. PC dated 27/9/1934. I
O1510.01a	OP	8,8	4½	2. Odhams Press Ltd, 6 Catherine St, London WC2. PC dated 26/1/1939. Q
O1540.01a	OP/L	8,8/6	4½	Odhams Press Ltd, Publishing Dept 8 Endell St, Long Acre, WC2. PC dated 1/1/1935. M
R0320.02	R.B	11,13	6	Ø Robinson Brown, Macclesfield Suspected identity from stamps postmarked Macclesfield - see R0320.03. BEF
R5570.01	R/UDC	12/10,11,8	5½	Ø Rickmansworth UDC. Suspected identity from stamp postmarked (Rickma)noworth 11/8/34. I

From John Frost

A3520.02	A.L	10,7	5½	Ø Allan Line. Suspected identity from an accumulation of perfined stamps from the estate of a clerk in a Shipping Firm of Passenger Agents. Stamps postmarked London, Liverpool & Southampton. F-I
P0290.02	PAX	10,10,9	5	Ø St Augustine's Abbey, Ramsgate Suspected identity from stamp postmarked Ramsgate. I
R3560.01	RMS/PC ^o	11,15,9/9,8,6	4½	Ø Royal Mail Steam Packet, Co. Postmarked London, 101811888 (also known Southampton 27/4/1885).B
T4120.03	TS/&Co	7,11/12,8,6	4½ Ia	Tom Smith & (Co). Partial ident on piece pmk London. 5/12/1898.E

From Stephen Steere,

H6220.01	HRS/&Co	10,10,9/10,7,5	5 IIIa	Henry Rogers. Sons & Co, Wolverhampton. PC – 20/8/04. F
S6540.02	SS/C ^o	10,10/8,4	5	Stuart Sons & Co. London EC. Entire - pmk London. 6/7/1904. F

From Bert Johnson

A3210.03	AJ/&C ^o	10,7/12,8,6	4 IIIa	Ø Adolph Jacobs & Co, Bradford. Suspected from postmark evidence, Pmk Bradford 22/1/1896.	E
B1160.01	B..C	14,8	5½	Ø Bootle Corporation. Coat of arms on flap read RESPICE ASPICE PROSPICE - Pmk Bootle, Liverpool 18/6/01	B
C2060.01	CDC	8,10,8	5½	Ø Clacton-on-Sea UDC. Suspected from postmark evidence, Pmk Clacton-on-Sea, 28/8/36.	M
C2060.03b	CDC	7,9,7	5	Clacton-on-Sea UDC, Water Dept, Town Hall Bldgs, Clacton-on-Sea. Entire (Water Rates demand), postmarked Clacton-on-Sea, 2/12/14.	
C2060.05	CDC	8,10,8	4½	Ø Clacton-on-Sea UDC. Suspected from postmark evidence. envelope pmk Clacton-on-Sea, 27/11/1917.	I
D3870.01	D.P/&/SONS	12,10/14/12,10,14,12	4 III	Confirm - D Power & Sons Ltd, Plume Works, Walsall.(Est 1846) Cover Pmk Walsall, 12/11/1914	I
D4745.01	DT/&C	11,7/14,8	5 I	Debenham, Tewson & Chinnocks, 80 Cheapside, London EC. Cover Pmk London EC, 17/11/1938	Q
F0270.04	FBC	8,14,8	5	Fulham BC, Electricity Showrooms Broadway, Waltham Green, SW6. Receipt dated 13/2/1939.	
F0300.02	FB/&C ^o	8,13/12,8,6	4½ IIIa	F Bird & Co, Coal Factors and Shippers, Bay and Straw Merchants Radstock. Entire dated 28/1/97	E
G4720.02	G&S/Ltd	10,12,10/7,5,7	4½ IIIa	Grainger & Smith Ltd, Woollen Merchants, Dudley. Receipt dated 12/1/38.	M
J7790.01	JT/Ltd	7,7/7,5,7	5	Joseph Thorley Ltd. Caledonian Rd, Kings Cross, London N. Cover Pmk London NI. 14/1/1931	I
K1610.01	K&S/L	10,12.10/7	4 IIIa	Kelway & Son, Langport, Somerset PS (add postage) – 17/5/1896.	E
S5045.01	S/M.I.	10/15,5	5/4½	Can anyone identify the user from the logo & address - Vestry Hall. Upper St. Islington?	B
S5890.01	SPERO	9,9,10,11,10	3½	Confirm - Richard Havorth & Co Ltd, Manchester. Cover with 'SPERO' logo, dated 1/3/1935.	M

From Dave Hill

A1445.01	A/C.S	10/8,10	4½	Society for Promoting the Employment of Additional Curates, Arundel Hse. Victoria Embankment, London WC. Receipt – 16/1/88.	B
C2060.03a	CDC	7,9.7	5	Ø Clacton-on-Sea UDC. Suspected from Pmk evidence (see Bert Johnson), Clacton-on-Sea 18/12/15.	I
E3210.01	EN	10,13	7½	Fiscally used, o/p EVANS	B
H4390.01	E&L	10,12,6	4½ Ia	Hart & Levy, Clothing Mfrs, Leicester. (Est 1859). Centenary piece Pmk Leicester, 27/5/1959.	U

From Tony Swales

A2870.03	A&H/Ltd..	10.11,11/7,5,6	5 IIIa	Allen & Banburys Ltd, 7 Vere St, Cavendish Sq, W1. (Est 1715). Bi-centenary Postal Stationary. I
B0410.03A	BB	9,9	4½	Bendit Brothers, 121 & 122 Fore St, London EC. F
F3910.01	FSS	8,10,10	4½	2. The Gleniffer Soap Co. Paisley. Also at Bishop St. Port Dundas, Glasgow. receipt dated 28/2/1908. F
H1930.01p	H/D	10/9	4½	Confirmed - Harris & Dixon Ltd, London. Cover dated 13/12/45. R
K0010.01M	K	9	4½	6. Correction - Klaxon Ltd. 201 Holland Park Avenue, W11. Pmk Notting Hill W11, 28/4/45 R
L0260.04	LB	8,15	5½	2. The British Oil & Cake Kills Ltd, Port Sunlight. PC pmk Liverpool, 11/5/1945.R
R2790.01	R.I.Co	12,5,8,6	5	Royal Insurance Co Ltd, H/O 1 North John St. Liverpool. and 28 Lombard St, London. receipt dated 20/4/1912. H
W0220.01	WA/M	14,10/15	5	Wm A Neyer, 75 Southwark St and Layington St, SE1. (Est 1889). PC dated 24 May 1932. I

From Kevin Parkhill

B0650.01	B(Revd)B/&Co.	14,14/14,10,8	4½ III	Blessig. Braun & Co, Liverpool. Cover dated 3/3/1883. D
H0410.06b	H&B	9,13,12	6 III	Holland & Balfour, 2 Cushion Ct, Old Broad St. London EC. Receipts dated 9th & 14/10/01. B
J0630.01	JB&C ^o	7,13,13.8,4	4½ III	John Batt & Co. 39 Old Broad St, London EC. Cover dated 22/8/95 B
M0750.01	M/Brs	15/14,9,9	4½	Messrs Martin Ltd, Cigar Shippers 210 Piccadilly, London. Formerly Martin Bros, 25 Cheapside, London EC. Late use of QV Jubilee stamps – 14/9/15! E
N0870.01	N.C.W	11,8,13	4	Corporation of Nottingham, Water Dept. Receipt dated 5/9/1922. I
R1960.01M	RG	10,9	4½	2. The Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Co Ltd. 51 Clarendon Rd, Watford. Receipt 5/6/59. U
S0590.01M	SB/C	9,11/7	4½	5. Claridgels, London. W
Des0295.01	Cross	6	12	Private perfin used by Rosemary. Bulletin Editor of The Perfin Society, Sheffield. W

From Rosemary Smith

From Arthur Smith

B7705.01 BW/&C^o. 14,15/14,8,6 4½ I 2. Ø Burroughs, Wellcome & Co,
Dartford - Pmk evidence. F

From John Evans

C1300.02 CC/C^oLd 8,7/8,4,7,7 5 Copestake, Crampton & Go Ltd,
5 Bow Churchyard, London EC4.

Perfin on receipt dated 11110138 attached to return statement
with POKO CC/L (C1380.02) postally used London, 12/10/1938. Q

L3495.02 LLd 7,7,7 5 Lingard's Ltd. Bradford.

S7150.04 ST/&B 10,7/14,14 5 I Spencer, Turner & Boldero,
Lisson Grove, London NW1.

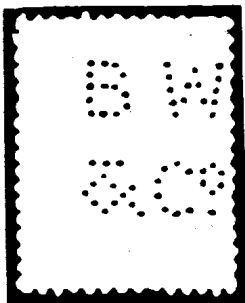
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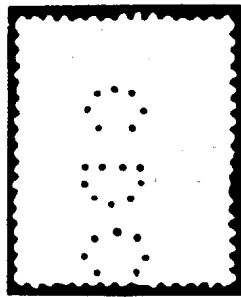
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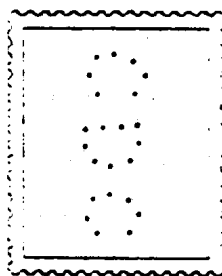
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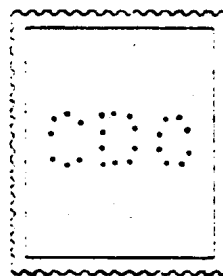
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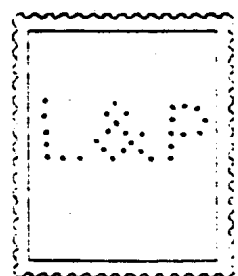
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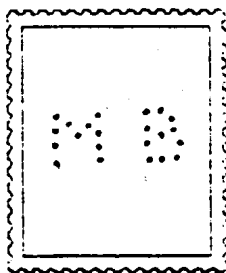
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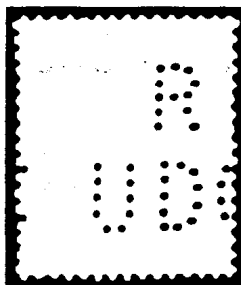
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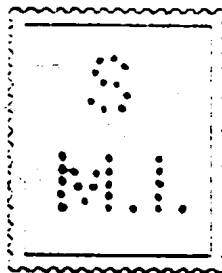
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