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REINSTATED

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LAPSED LARSSON, THORNTON

DEATH BRIAN MILBURN

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S COMMENTS Dave Hill

London Meeting: Apologies from Baden Powell House for the late move of our Spring meeting. I am assured that by the time of our Autumn meeting on SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST (please make a note in your diary) from 1:00 till 5:00 all will be back to normal.

Incidentally, this meeting falls on the Saturday of the London International Stamp & Cover Show at the Royal Horticultural Hall 2 which is from Thursday October 30th to Saturday November 1st. Called 'International' because of the number of overseas dealers who are to attend.

CATALOGUE EDITOR'S COMMENTS Roy Gault

New Edition of Tomkins

It is hoped this will be ready for the Autumn. The format will

probably be the same as before but the page size is likely to be A4 instead of A5.

New illustrated Catalogue

Now the 'R' section is finished (see elsewhere for publication details) 50% of the letters have been completed. However, because this 50% includes the letters with the least number of dies, plus the small sections of Designs and Numbers, only 26% of known dies have been illustrated. This would indicate that there will be 'no rest for the wicked' for about 10 years.

PUBLICATIONS John Donner

Part I of the 'R's' (50 pages with details) is ready for the printer. The price will be: HOME £4-50p; EUROPE £5-50p; OVERSEAS £6-50p.

'R' Part 2 and the 'Silhouettes Only' pages should be advertised in the August Bulletin. Orders to John Donner.

EDITOR Rosemary Smith

Please note that my Post Code has been altered

I have had a particularly busy two months since the last Bulletin went out and so I beg patience from the members who are awaiting replies or exchanges from me. Those replies are next on the agenda after this Bulletin leaves for the printer

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WANTS

New member ODD ERTSAAS

would like to swap perfins. He wants any country and can offer GB.

DAVE HILL knows of at least two non-members who would like the British Scout Association perfins 'BS/A'. Please contact Dave if you have one to spare.

At the London meeting in May it was put to the Committee that we could give new joining members a free packet of perfins. The Officers thought this was worth trying. If you have any spare perfins, which you would donate for this purpose, please send them to DAVE HILL. (He has more than enough PAC, GLC and ILEA!!)

HISTORY OF FIRMS USING PERFINS

NORTON ROSE By John Nelson.

1. The Firm

In a recently published history of solicitors Norton Rose, the roots of the firm are traced back to 1794, although no partner by the name of Rose was associated with the firm until 1838 or of Norton until 1844,

During the course of the 19th century the firm came to prominence as one of the most important solicitors' practices in London, representing many eminent clients including prime minister, Benjamin Disraeli and the financier Sir Ernest Cassel. They also acted in The Tichbourne Case, the longest and most sensational civil trial in Victorian England.

In commercial legal work they were prominent in the field of international investment and in the formation of many of Britain's major railway companies. As solicitors to the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway the firm occupied offices at the London Bridge Terminus between 1867 and the mid-1880's.

The firm continued to prosper in the 20th century with a clientele principally of affluent private individuals, merchant banks and other commercial companies. It was not however until the amalgamation with Botterell & Roche in 1960 that the partnership moved up into the position it holds today among the largest and most influential solicitors' practices in the City of London, undertaking most branches of legal work but with special emphasis on international and shipping finance.

As will be seen from the table below, the name of the firm, as is common with solicitors, has changed from time to time, usually as principal members of the partnership have come and gone, but more recently by the use of a shorter name to project a sharper and more modern image.

The addresses given in the table are those of the firm's City offices (London EC and later EC2 or EC3) but during the early part of the perfin era they also maintained an office at 6 Victoria St, London SW (1857-1889) and at 10 Victoria Street, London SW (1889-1906) as well as the one at London Bridge Station, London SE.

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<u>Name of the Firm</u>	<u>City of London Address</u>
1865 Baxter, Rose, Norton & Co.	
1873 Baxter, Rose, Norton & Brewer	
1874	24 Coleman Street
1881 Norton, Rose, Norton & Co.	
1888	57½ Old Broad Street
1904 Norton, Rose, Norton Farish & Co	
1906 Norton, Rose, Barrington & Co.	
1919 Norton, Rose & Co.	
1924	111 Old Broad Street
1929	128 Bishopsgate
1934	116 Old Broad Street
1935 Norton, Rose, Greenwell & Co.	
1940	St Helen's Place
1942	116 Old Broad Street
1955 Norton Rose & Co.	
1960 Norton, Rose, Botterell & Roche	Kempson Hse. Camomile St.
1988 Norton Rose (from 1st May)	

2. The Perfins

The following dies, in date order, are positively identified as having been used by the firm:

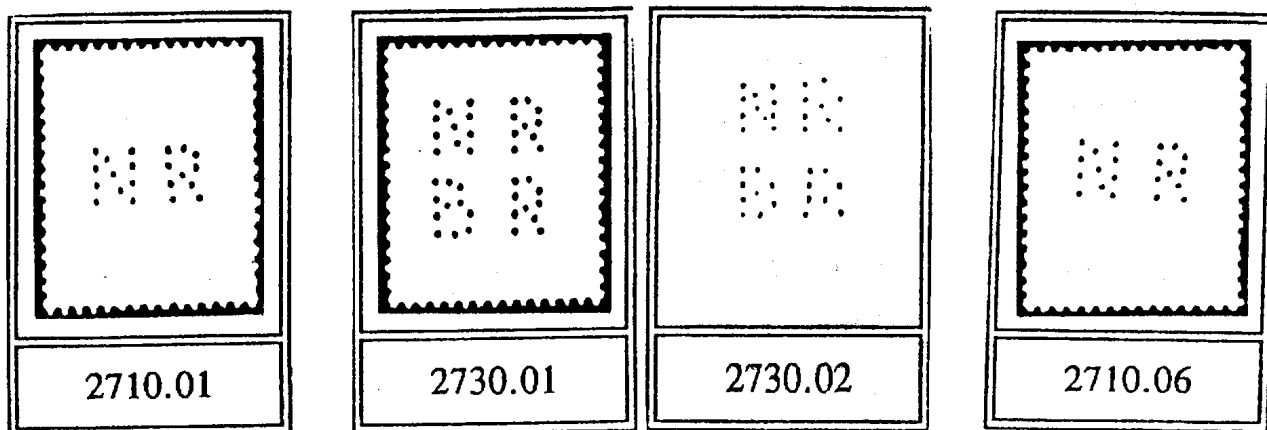
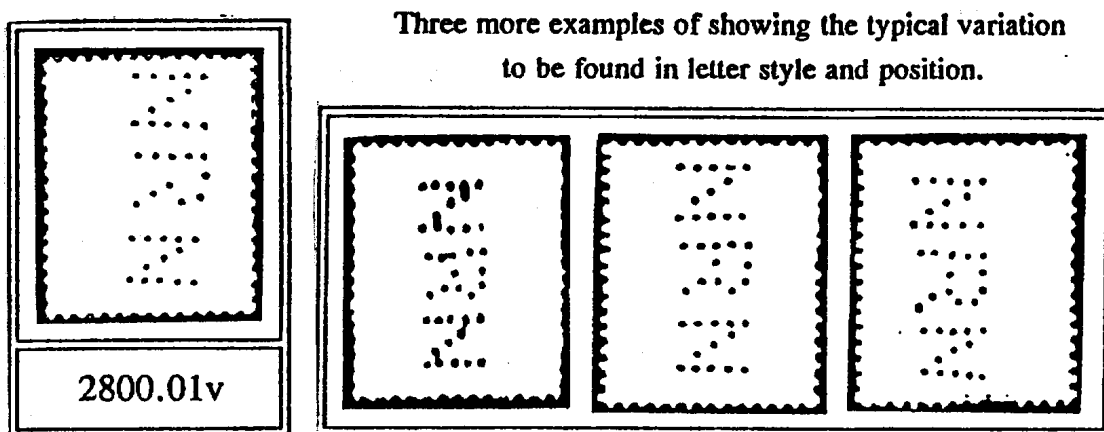
- N2800.01v NRN Sideways reading down. 'SPG' type with letters of varying shapes and sizes. Known on QV 1d lilacs and Jubilee ½d vermilion and green.
Postmarks: Threadneedle Street, JU 20 96
London SW, AU 4 96
- N2710.01 NR Known on KGVI 2½d dark blue so in use from early 1940's at least. Also KGVI light colours ½d, 1d & 2½d, changed colours ½, 1d & 2½d, and QEII Wilding 1d, 1½d, 2½d, 3d & 4½d. The firm made frequent use of stamped addressed envelopes for the return of papers by clients so that no reliance can be placed on town names etc. appearing on postmarks. The perfins, supplied by Slopers, ceased to be used during the early months of 1960.
- N2730.01 NR/BR I have personal knowledge, as a legal executive with the firm at the time, that these stamps, supplied by Slopers, came into use on 17th Nov

1960. At first there were only QEII 3d and 4½d Wildings but later there are known to have been further Wildings 4d, 6d & 9d, sterling Machins 4d & 5d and decimal Machins ½p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 3½p, 4½p, 6½p, 7p, 8½p, 9p, 10p, 11p, 12p, 12½p, 14p, 15½p & 16p.

NORROSE SERVICE CO LTD, which appears as a second identity in the Tomkins Catalogue, was a company formed by the partnership for reasons of administrative convenience. It was, in reality, none other than the same people using the same stamps.

N2730.02 NR/BR This appears to have been a short lived die known on QEII decimal Machins ½p, 1p, 17p & 18p.

N2710.06 NR The most recent die which probably came into use soon after the name changed to Norton Rose on 1st May 1988. Known on QEII decimal Machins 2p, 18p, 19p, 20p, 20p double head, 22p, 24p & 25p.



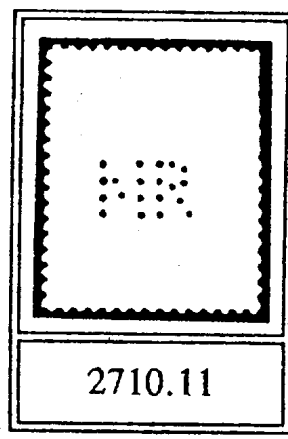
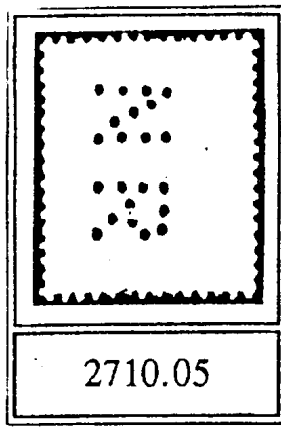
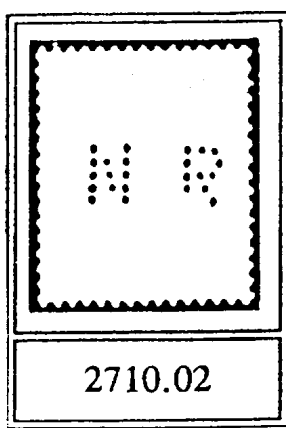
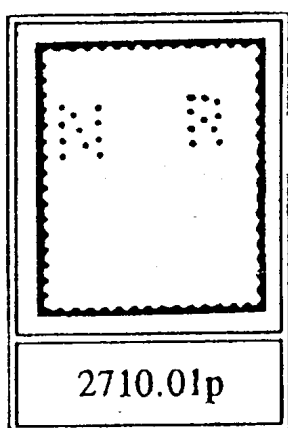
It would seem probable, when one observes the number of other NR dies in the New Illustrated Catalogue, that some of the following were also used by the Norton Rose firm. Those particularly suspect are:-

N2710.01p NB Known on KGVI 2W light blue. A Norton Rose wartime provisional is a possibility.

N2710.02 NE Known on KGV photo. 1½d; KEVIII 1½d; KGVI dark colours ½d, 1½d, & 2½d.

N2710.05 NE Stamps bearing this die, known upright and reading down, could possibly have come from the same supplier as the NRN die. I have it on a QV 1d lilac and also on a KEVII 1d with postmark London E.C. in 1902. (I, Ed, have this on ½d blue Jubilee postmarked London 30 3 01)

N2710.11 NE I have this on KGVI 2½d dark blue.



If anyone has covers or other evidence to confirm the use by Norton Rose of these or any other dies, I would very much appreciate hearing from them.

My sincere thanks to Stephen Steere and Roy Gault for their assistance in providing some aspects of the information I have used in the writing of this article.

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SEEN IN AUCTION

BRIAN MERRYWEATHER has sent the following from a Harmers Auction Catalogue.

2-6-93 envelope used in London bearing 1881 die II 16 dot 1d lilac perforated "SDC" from the vended booklet issued by the Stamp Distribution Parent Company in 1893, a rare item, also a single used example of the 1d perfined "SDC". (2 items) Est:- £300-£350.

FISCAL PERFIN Rosemary Smith

In the book "G.B. Official Perfins" by T.A.Edwards & B.C.Lucas there is a section dealing with fiscal perfins.

In Addendum 2 The Chancery of Lancaster was shown to use two of these dies. Fig.1 - PB/CofL/B - for Preston District, Chancery of Lancaster, Blackburn. Fig.2 - L/CofL/D - for Liverpool District - Chancery of Lancaster.

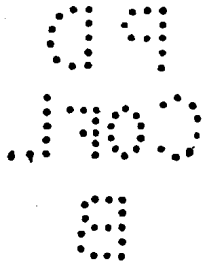


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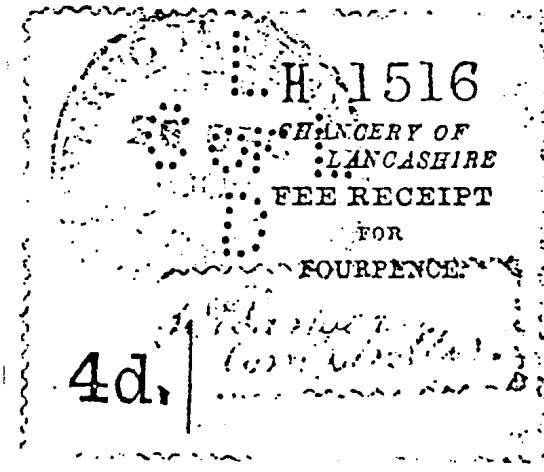


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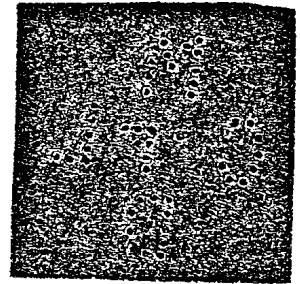
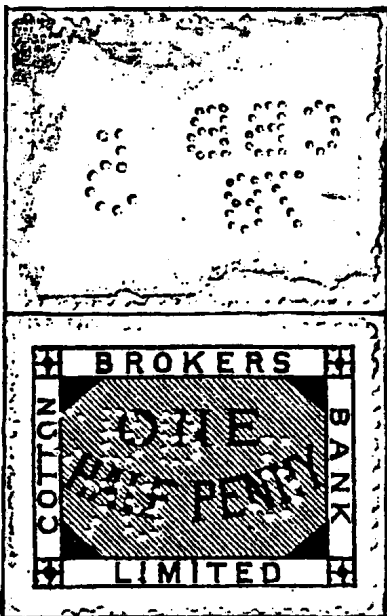


Fig.3.

I have just acquired a full receipt for the Manchester District, Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster. The die is not complete - missing holes in the 'OF' - Fig.3 - and rather difficult to illustrate as the die goes through the Fee Receipt stamp and the document. The full die would be M/CofL/D. The whole document is illustrated on the next page.

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LIVERPOOL COTTON ASSOCIATION



In Bulletin 245 (Ap'90) Pg.5, was mention of the 'CH' perfin found on the Liverpool Cotton Brokers Association Clearing House revenue stamps.

Some while ago JOHN MARRINER wrote asking me about similar revenue stamps which he had.

This was for the 'COTTON BROKERS BANK LIMITED' and has the perfin CBB/78 with a large 5 at the side. The '78' will be for 1878 but I would only be guessing at the meaning of the 5.

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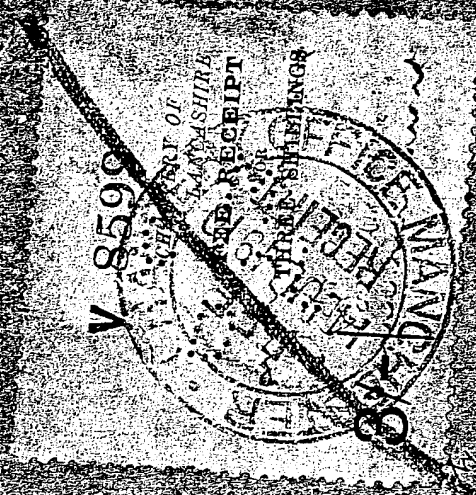
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Letter N

No. 29

In the Chancery of the County
Palatine of Lancaster
Manchester District

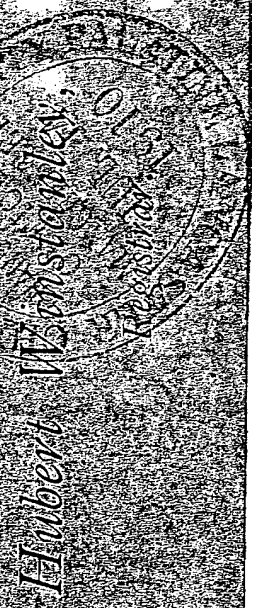
Shank v Bank Ayddo



The Content of an Order made in this cause bearing date the 11th day of May 1910 the Solicitor for the Bank of Manchester Building Society

have this day left at the Chancery Office, Duchy Chambers, 4 Clarence Street, Manchester,
1/10 p. Bill of Costs for taxation.

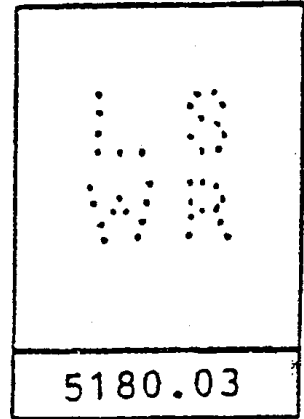
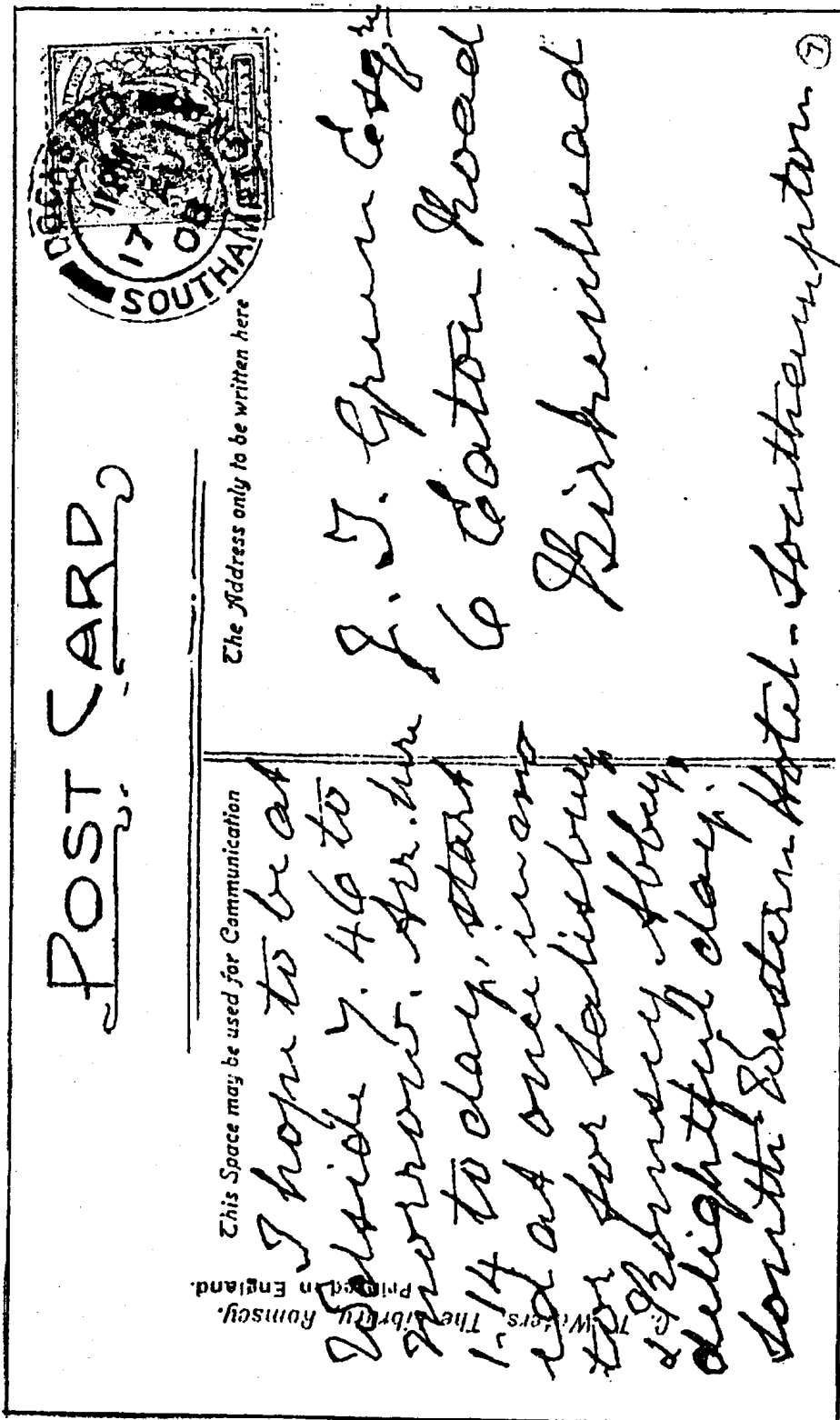
Dated this 14th day of July 1910



THE SOUTH WESTERN HOTEL, SOUTHAMPTON

By John Button

At one time it was common for hotels to provide their guests with writing paper and envelopes; many even sold postcards. So does this postcard represent an official use of perfin L5180.03 - LS/WR?



The Act of 1864 permitted the London and South Western Railway to lease part of the land at the Terminus Station, Southampton to the Southampton Imperial Hotel Company for a hotel which was constructed by 1865. This was not a success as the Southampton Times records, in the 17th October 1868 edition, that a sale of furniture from the hotel was to be held in London as it had been out of use for some time.

In December 1882 the hotel was purchased by the LSWR and then leased to a Mr E H Rand but when the lease expired in 1899 the Company took over direct control.

During the peak years, between 1900-1940 the red coated porters would meet the boat trains which used the port of Southampton. In 1940 the hotel was requisitioned by the navy and was named HMS Shrapnel. This lasted until 1953 since when it has been used as commercial office accommodation.

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QUERY RE - JOSEPH SLOPER

Over the years this question has been put to the various officers of the Society many times:- "Is there a photograph of Joseph Sloper?" Up to now, no one has been able to produce such a photograph.

As usual, 300+ heads are better than one and so we are hoping that a member may have knowledge of a photograph of Joseph Sloper. If you have ever seen such a thing, please pass on the information to any of the officers of the Society. It would make a valuable addition to the 'History of J. Sloper & Co. Ltd.' which we hope to publish in the very near future.

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COUNCIL PERFIN'S

In the 1960's the Perfin Society produced a catalogue of Council Perfins. This was produced over most of the 60's: a few sheets at a time going out with each Bulletin.

With reorganisation of local Government in the 70's, this catalogue became quite out dated. A number of members, over the last twenty years, have half heartedly suggested that a new Council Perfins Catalogue would be a good idea. In fact, a few years ago in the Bulletin an appeal for a volunteer for this project was mooted. No takers.

Now Stephen Steere has brought the subject to the fore again, but suggests it would be better to leave the final printing until after the New Illustrated Catalogue is completed. Stephen says he could tackle this in the long term but wonders if anyone is working on a similar project at the moment. If so, get in touch with Stephen, or myself (Ed.) and I will pass on your letter.

MEMBERS' QUERIES

All the following are from our Secretary, DAVE HILL.

1. In an old Bulletin it says that the perfin CROS (C6590) was used by W & G du Cros but it was unsupported by evidence.

du Cros, father and son, were responsible for the expansion of Dunlop Pneumatic Tyre Co. The profits were used to float a taxi and car agency. These were of no benefit to Dunlop and huge losses in the 1920's resulted in the du Cros' leaving Dunlop. Checking in London directories, Dunlop and du Cros shared an office at 14 Regent Street, SW before the First World War. After the war du Cros are found at Acton Vale, W3.

Have members postmarked perfins that confirm du Cros used the 'CROS' perfin?

2. Also in an old Bulletin that great perfin collector, Rymer Young, said he had a copy of W7535 (W.T) with the partial identity of WILLIAM TOOG. From London directories William Toogood Ltd, medical glass and bottle makers and suppliers of perfumes and druggists sundries, were at 77 Southwark Street, SE. Have members postmarked copies of this perfin to prove its use by William Toogood Ltd?

3. Dave has noted that he has seen the perfin E.C/F.A used on stamps of GV & GVI postmarked Ipswich. Could the EC be East Coast, in which case what is FA? If a member has access to a pre-war Ipswich Kelly's we may find the answer.

4. If anyone has a Liverpool directory perhaps they could look up the full name SUGG. This perfin (S7830.01) is known with Liverpool postmarks between 1895 and 1900.

5. BUTTON (H7500) on the other hand is a well known perfin, which was involved in the Post Office's full name enquiry in 1874. We now list it as used by J Hutton & Son Ltd, London. Dave cannot find a J Hutton in the London directories for this time, but Jennings History lists it as used by F N Hutton & Co Haberdashers, 6 Newgate St., EC. Which is correct? Have you any postmarks for this perfin?

Answers to Dave or the Editor.

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PERFINS IN CURRENT USE

I was sorry to hear from George Dyke that due to failing eye sight he feels he will have to step down as co-ordinator for the listing of current perfin users. I have thanked George on your behalf for the work he has done for the Society. I for one have been surprised at how many perfin dies are still in use.

The following, from ED SHALES and DEREK RANSOM are to be added to the list.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER WHERE KNOWN etc</u>
CC	C1110.01	1st, 2nd class	
CLE/C	C4470.01M	2, 5, 10, 15p, 1st	
HC	H1160.02M	1st class	Hull Corp. (Pmk)
HC	H1160.02M	2nd class	New value to previous list.
LB/G	L0390.01M	18p	
NR	N2710.06	2p	

At the London meeting, Derek Ransom agreed to collate any further new information. Please keep looking for current dies and report to Derek.

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COMPANY HISTORY REFERENCE BOOKS

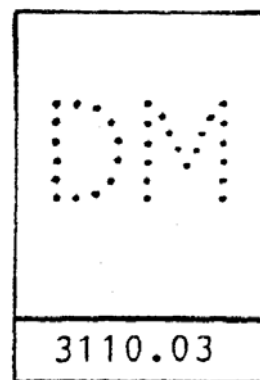
MAURICE HARP has picked up a second hand copy of "THREE VICTORIAN TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES - 1884/5" - Augustus M Kelly - Published by the author - New York 1970. The book is a reprint of telephone directories of London & Globe Telephone Maintenance Co., United Telephone Co., and the South of England Telephone Co., (Brighton).

What was interesting to Maurice was that the listing is like Yellow Pages grouped under trade and profession and it is surprising how for some trades almost every company listed in the directory were users of perfins. It seems that once one major company started using perfins its close rivals did the same.

JOHN NELSON has a useful book called, THE CENTURY'S PROGRESS, LANCASHIRE - Published in 1892 by The London Printing & Engraving Co. It contains historical profiles and business details of around 700 firms and companies based mainly in Manchester and Liverpool.

PERFINED RAILWAY NEWSPAPER PARCEL STAMPS

During correspondence with a non-perfin collecting philatelist, ALAN VIOLET, he mentioned that he had five Railway Newspaper Parcel stamps which were perfined 'DM'. No problem with the identity, The Daily Mail, but it did make me wonder about the mechanics of perforating the stamps.



One stamp illustrated is a 3d L.N.E.R., the other a 1d Great Eastern Railway stamp which is overprinted LNER. The 'DM' perfin can be seen quite clearly on the 3d stamp but not quite so well on the 1d. Alan also has a 1d and 2d of the L.N.E.R. stamp and a 3d of the Great Eastern Railway overprinted LNER.

The perfin would appear to be D3110.03 and if this is so, then it must be a single die machine to perforate stamps so much larger than postage stamps. This same die is also found on the large size British Empire Exhibition stamps of 1924 and 1925.

I am guessing that The Daily Mail despatch office would buy a stock of various values of Railway Newspaper Parcel stamps from the Railway, perfin them in the same way as their postage stamps, then be responsible for weighing their own parcels of newspapers for despatch to all points of the country and affixing the appropriate value of stamps

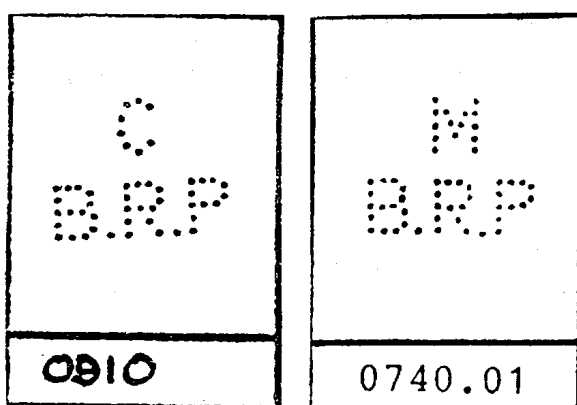
If anyone can 'out guess' me, I will be only too pleased to hear a more accurate explanation.

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A MYSTERY PAIR - HELP WANTED

By Maurice Harp

As I work on the principal that there is always someone out there who knows more than you, I am appealing to members for help on a mystery that's been bugging me for some time. The two perfin illustrated were provisionally identified by Jennings as coming from the CORK, BLACKROCK and PASSAGE RAILWAY, IRELAND and MIDLAND, BLACKROCK and PASSAGE RAILWAY respectively. The provisional identity for C/B.R.P is also given in the Tomkins catalogue: but these provisional identities appear to be just wishful thinking as there seems to be nothing to link the dies with these identities.



Certainly the Cork, Blackrock and Passage Railway existed and used perfins but Bowman does not include the die C/B.R.P in his catalogue. I can find no reference to a Midland, Blackrock & Passage Railway having ever existed.

I have a copy of each of these dies on 1d plates but both show London cancellations rather than Irish cancellations as would be expected for an Irish railway company.

I have no records of dated copies of either of the dies. Die C0910.01 has been recorded on plates 138, 148 and 155: die M0740.01 is known on plates 155 and 175. As far as I can tell these are the only two dies recorded with the unusual letter combination B.R.P. So maybe what we have here is one company or organisation that changed its name from C/B.R.P to M/B.R.P around the year 1872.

But what could B.R.P stand for? I have been stretching my imagination to it's limit but cannot come up with any reasonable suggestion. My only possible fit to date is the Mercantile Bank of the River Plate that was based at 6 Lombard St., London EC in 1877. Were they earlier known as the Commercial Bank of the River Plate? This speculation is a little better than that done by Jennings - but not much. Can anyone out there supply any information on cancels, period of use or a better suggestion as to who could have used either or both of these dies?

PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY

By Rosemary Smith

ENVELOPES AND REGISTERED ENVELOPES

This fourth article on Perforated Postal Stationery deals with the Envelopes and Registered Envelopes which are perfined through the actual envelope. With the exception of the Army & Navy Stores (note various names in the text) all these Postal Stationery envelopes are perfined through from the front to the back of the whole envelope/ including the flap if the die is positioned behind it. Perforating of the Registered Envelopes I will mention in the appropriate section.

ENVELOPES QUEEN VICTORIA

I have only seen 3 different types of stamps perfined on Postal Stationery Envelopes from the reign of Queen Victoria.

Type 1 ½d vermilion First issued September 1892

There are two types of this embossed stamp - difference to the pendant curl at the back of the head - but I am not differentiating between these types in this survey.

Type 2 1d pale-deep pink First issued August 1866
These stamps have the date plugs at the bottom part of the circle.

Type 3 1d pink First issued 1883
No date in circle.

The poor illustrations are due to the very pale shade of pink.



Type 1



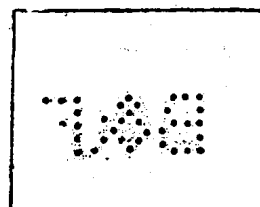
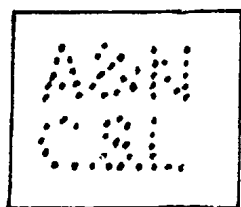
Type 2



Type 3

Envelopes with Type 1 - QV ½d vermilion – stamp

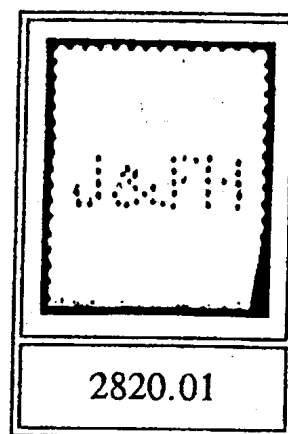
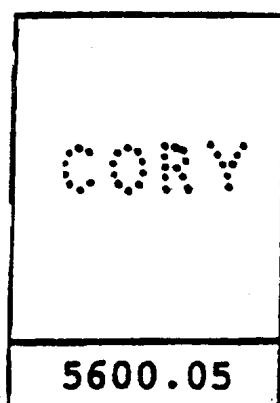
Cat. No.	PERFIN	IDENTIFIED USER	<u>EARLIEST</u>	<u>LATEST</u>
A4205.01?	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd	1892	1894
B? New?	B&F	?	16-2-01	



The ASN/C.S.L illustration is from The Cinderella Philatelist.
 The B&F illustration is from the reverse of the author's cover, with postmark from London W.C.

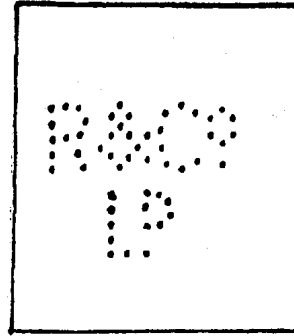
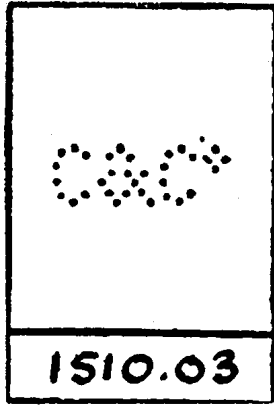
Envelopes with Type 2 - QV 1d pale-deep pink - stamp

C5600.05	CORY	Wm. Cory & Son Ltd Cardiff & London	25-1-70	29-4-78
J2820.01	J&FH	J & F Howard, Bedford		19-1-81



Envelopes with Type 3 - QV 1d pink - stamp

C4205.01?)	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil	21-10-92	11-4-02
C4205.02?)		Service Supply Ltd		
C1510.03	C&C°	?	12-12-01	
R1085.01	R&C°/Ld	?	1-9-84	
				Postmark Basingstoke



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ENVELOPES

KING EDWARD VII

Type 1 ½d green

First issued January 1902

Type 2 1d red

First issued February 1902



Type 1



Type 2

Envelopes with Type 1 – KEVII ½d green – stamp

R1090.01 R&Co/Ld

Rowntrees & Co Ltd
York

12-6-07

T0815.01 TC/C

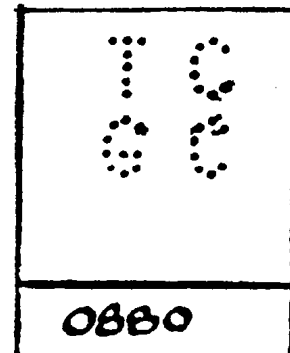
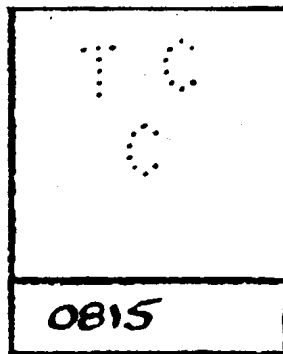
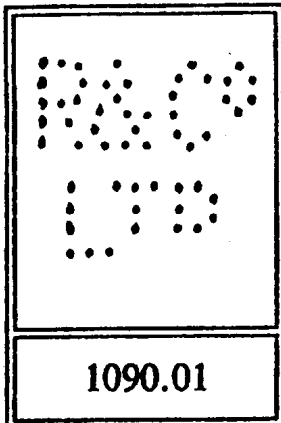
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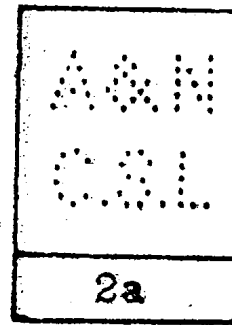
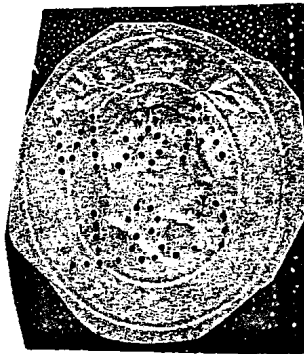
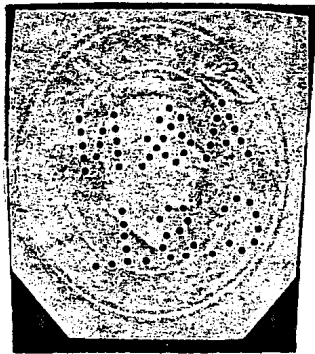
13-8-09

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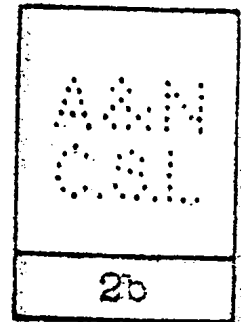


Envelopes with Type 2 – KEVII 1d red - stamp

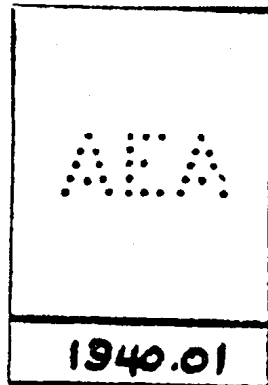
A4205.01?	A&N/C.S.L)	Army & Navy Civil	4-07-02	1913
A4205.02?)	Service Supply Ltd		
A4205.04?)			
A1940.01	AE/A	?	8-10-01	11-5-13
C New?	C.B/B	Cadbury Bros,	Pmk Harrogate	
			From Cinderella	
			Philatelist	
C1510.03	C&Co	?	11-3-02	



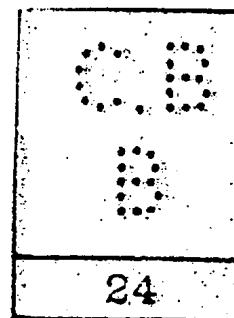
2a



2b



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The envelopes with A&N/C.S.L are only found perfined through the front of the envelope, through the impressed stamp. The unanswered question has always been: were the envelopes perfined 13-8-09 prior to folding and gluing or had the die a long foot, which went into the envelope?

It is certain that there were quite a number of dies used, some holes are quite large, others thin. I illustrate the back of two typical dies, which are of differing width but I have noted other variations. There are two different ampersands used as well. Until the 'A' section of the New Illustrated Catalogue is tackled by Roy, these 'Army & Navy' dies will remain guess work.

The Cinderella Philatelist shows 3 different dies but these cannot be taken as accurate. What can be said of these dies on Postal Stationery Envelopes is that they are very, very common and prices paid for them should reflect this. I have, or have seen, or had reported at least 50 of these dies but unfortunately the reportings were not really accurate as to which die. Until I undertook this survey I had assumed that all the dies were the same.

Many of these envelopes were sent abroad and are usually found with additional stamps perfined with one of the C/AN/S dies.

ENVELOPES

KING GEORGE V

Type 1 ½d green

First issued September 1913

Type 2 1d red

First issued 1913



Type 1



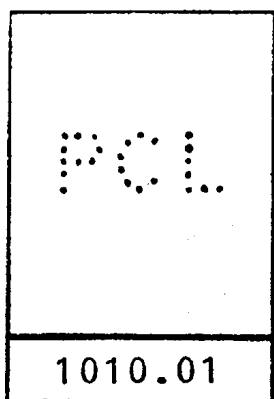
Type 2

Envelopes with Type 1 - KGV ½d green - stamp

R1090.01	R&Co/Ltd	Rowntree & Co Ltd,	8-10-25
		York	3 of these known

Envelopes with Type 2 - KGV 1d red - stamp

A4205.01?	A&N/C.S.L	1913	2-8-15
P1010.01	PCL	Prices' Patent Candle Co Ltd, Birkenhead	25-2-14



REGISTERED ENVELOPES

Registered Envelopes which have perforated initials through the embossed stamp on the flap of the envelope are difficult to find. Again the most common user seems to be the Army & Navy Co-op Society but very few other users have come to light. Illustrations for some of the following are in the previous 'envelope' section

REGISTERED ENVELOPES QUEEN VICTORIA

Type 1 2d blue First issued 1881

Type 2 2d blue First issued 1893



Type 1



Type 2

Registered Envelopes with Type 1 – QV 2d blue – stamp

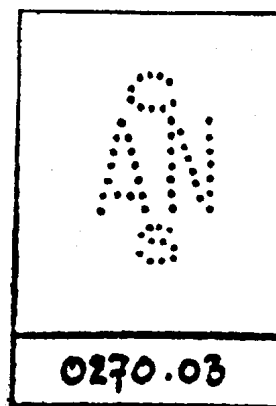
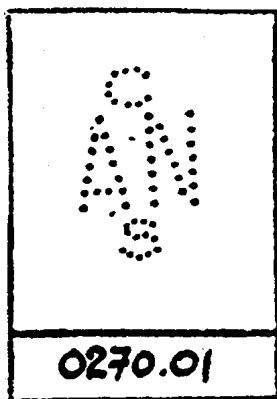
A4205.0?	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd	12-12-85	1887
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Registered Envelopes with Type 2 – QV 2d blue – stamp

A4205?	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd		9-4-00
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C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	13-1-94	4-1-95
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C0270.03	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	21-5-97	
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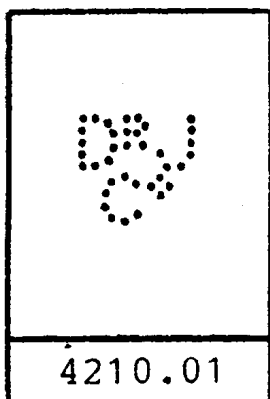
REGISTERED ENVELOPES KING EDWARD VII

Type 1 3d brown First issued February 1902



Type 1

C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	19-2-09	
D4210.01	DrJ/Co	Dr Jaegers' Sanitary Woolen Co Ltd	1-10-02	1908



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REGISTERED ENVELOPES KING GEORGE V

Type 1 3d brown First issued 1911
 Type 2 3½d blue First issued 1918



Type 1



Type 2

Registered Envelopes with Type 1 – KGV 3d brown – stamp

C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	3-1-13
C0270.03	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	January 1911
D4210.01	DrJ/Co	Dr Jaegers' Sanitary Woolen Co Ltd	12-1-21

Registered Envelopes with Type 2 – KGV 3½d blue – stamp

R1090.01 R&Co/Ltd Rowntree & Co Ltd, York
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1919

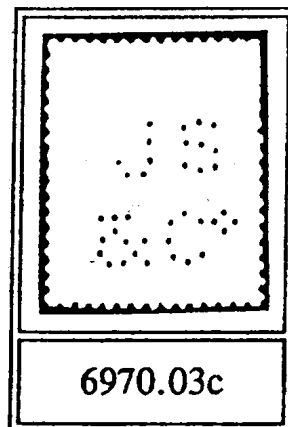
REGISTERED ENVELOPES KING GEORGE VI

Type 1 5½d brown First issued May 1940



Type 1

J6970.03c JS/&Co Joseph Sloper & Co Ltd 6-5-46



The earliest date for a perforated Registered Postal Stationery Envelope would be December 1885 and the latest seen - May 1946. I tend to discount the latter as Joseph Sloper would surely perforate their own stationery as a matter of course.

There would appear to be a long gap from 1921 to 1946. I hope members will advise me if they have any examples later than 1921, and indeed any examples they hold of any die.

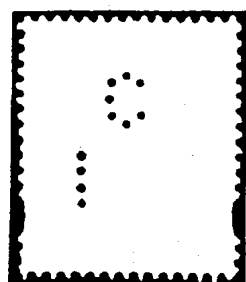
Information for these two sections has been taken from sources mentioned in previous sections plus John Button and Jerry Soutar. Sincere thanks to all those who have sent me information over many years.

The next Bulletin should see the few details I have on Perforated Air Letters and' Telegraph Forms. All new information sent in since I began this survey will be collated in a future Bulletin.

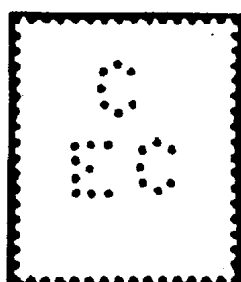
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NEW PERFIN DIE FOUND ON ELLIPTICAL MACHIN.

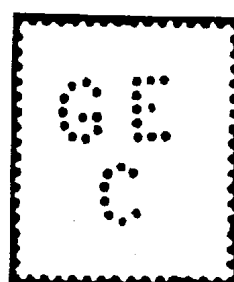
Three perfin dies on "Elliptical" Machins originally reported by Derek Ransom to Rosemary Smith, have been forwarded to me for inspection and comment. The results are as follows, but the membership are asked to help by looking through their own holdings for the dies concerned and forwarding relevant details for inclusion in future catalogues.



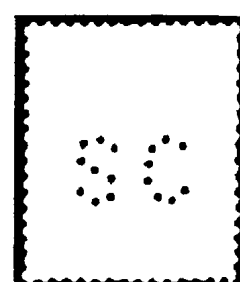
C3577.01M



C2310.01M



G1540.01



S1210.04M

The first die (C/I) on a 2nd class and 25p Machin, both with elliptical perforations, is a new die and has been allocated the number C3577.01M. The letters are clearly Sloper's, and their strangely offset nature give a clue that it was probably created by removing pins from an existing die. A fit was soon found with C/EC (C2310.01M), which is a known Sloper multi-headed die, originally 12x1, but modified to become 10x1 after the decimal Machins were introduced in 1971. The C/EC (10x1) die was still intact in July 1991 when Stephen Steere arranged for a strike to be made for the Society records, so I guess it was modified for a second time within the last few years to give C/I, say around 1995. Can anyone help further by reporting the latest sightings of C/EC (C2310.01M) along with any holdings of the new C/I die?

Secondly, a poorly punched (all blind) GE/C (G1540.01) has been found on a 25p elliptical Machin, but prior to this the latest known use is on Sterling Machins - one known dated 5/1/1971 - a gap of more than 25 years! Can anyone help bridge that gap?

The final example involves SC on a pair of 25p elliptical Machins on piece, postmarked 'Coventry & ..., 31 Oct 1995', and appears to be part of the multi-headed die SC (S1210.04M) used by Salford Corporation - latest known date of October 1984. Any reports of postmarks and dates later than 1984 would be welcome.

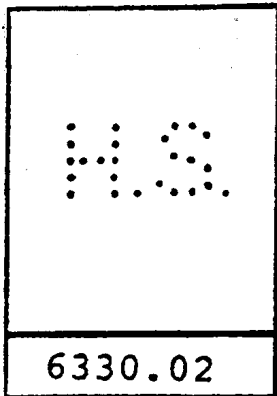
HISTORY OF FIRMS USING PERFINs

HILLIER and SONS LTD. H6330.02 (H.S)

By John Button

This world-renowned horticultural establishment was located in Winchester by chance. In 1864 Edwin Hillier was seeking to buy a business and found two possible ventures, one in Yorkshire and the other in Hampshire. Record has it that the toss of a coin decided on the horticultural nursery trading under the name of Farthing in Winchester.

The first shop was located at 95 High Street, Winchester, which remained in use until quite recently. In 1874 he commenced the West Hill, Romsey Road nursery, which is still in use.



Edwin was succeeded by his two sons Edwin Lawrence Hillier, who built up a prize-winning collection of trees and shrubs, and Arthur Richard Hillier who headed the administration. Edwin Lawrence died in 1944 and his brother Arthur retired in 1946

The company then passed to Harold, the son of Edwin Lawrence Hillier. In 1953 Harold purchased the country house 'Jermyns' at Ampfield near Romsey and set about expanding the garden. Eventually the garden and arboretum covered 85 acres and became a National Horticultural collection.

During the Second World War the company supplied trees and shrubs to camouflage military installations and airfields and pioneered the transplantation of mature trees, some as high as 30 feet.

In 1957 Harold was awarded the Victoria Medal of Honour, the highest accolade of the Royal Horticultural Society. This was followed by a CBE and in 1983 he was knighted by HRH Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother.

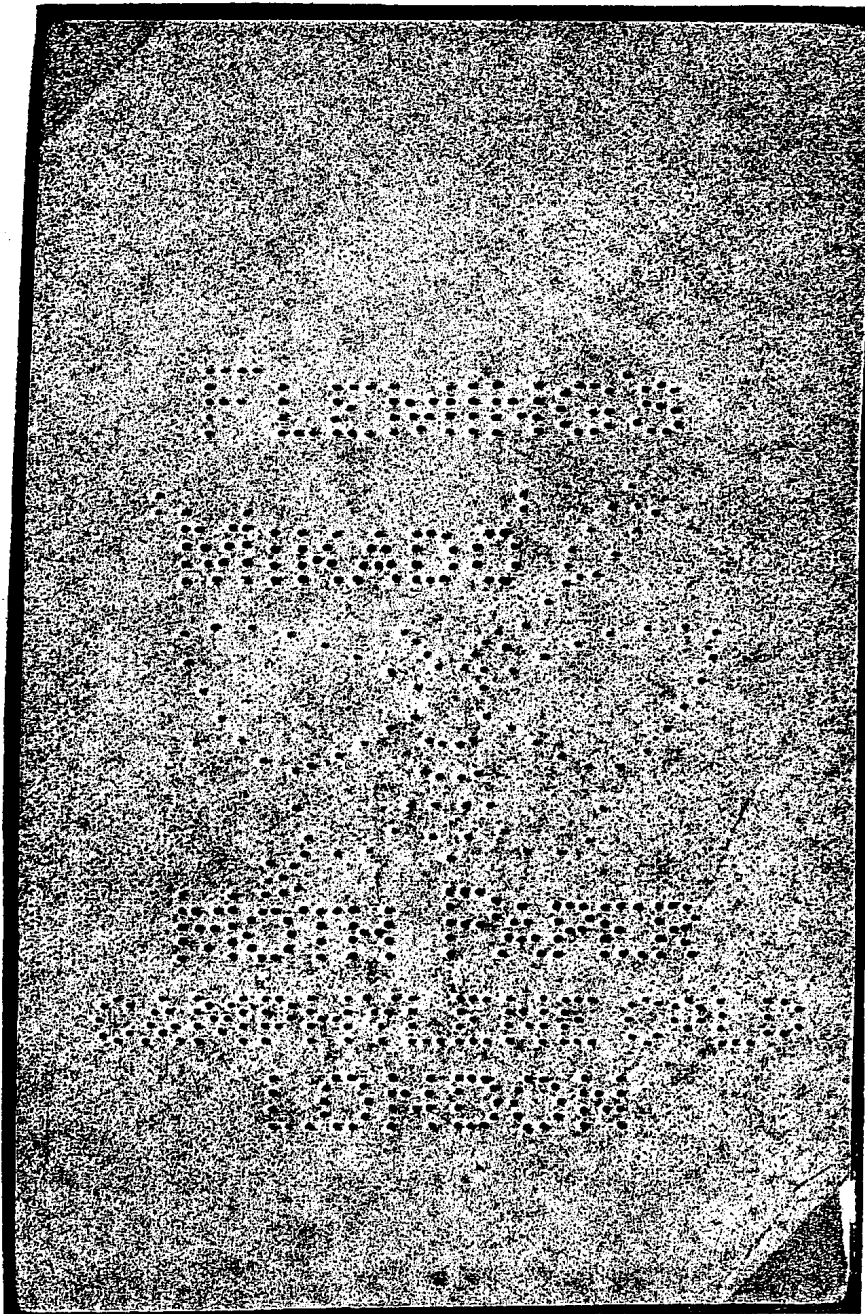
The company changed its name to Hilliers Nurseries (Winchester) Ltd on the 1st September 1976. Since 1978, following its gift by Sir Harold to the Hampshire County Council, the arboretum has been in public hands. Sir Harold died in 1985 and is succeeded by his two sons, John and Robert.

NON-PHILATELIC PERFORATION

This dark cream card was shown to me by MARGARET HARDING. Although there is no 'smell' about the card now, originally it was impregnated with Camphor and the card was used in dressing table drawers and wardrobes etc to keep the moths at bay.

The perforations, around a perforated outline of a moth with arrow through it, read "Fleming's 'MIKADO' Moth Paper Camphylene Co Ltd London".

If the firm went to the trouble to perforate these cards, did they use a perfin for their stamps?

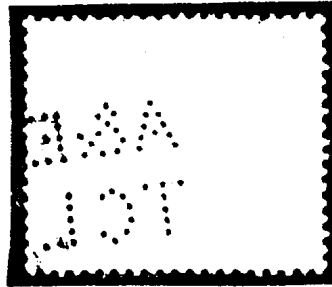


INFORMATION SOUGHT ON AN AUSTRALIAN PERFIN

John Mathews has been sent an Australian stamp with perfin not previously reported on such issues and seeks some help to establish whether, or not, this usage is genuine.

This perfin is "A&E/TCL" as shown on a black-brown KGV head postmarked 'G.P.O. MELBOURNE, 20 MR 29'. It may be significant that the perfin is slightly askew with respect to the edge of the stamp.

A&E
TCL



This pattern is listed in the GB catalogue as A2150.01, known used on KGV issues and the KGVI dark colours, which is consistent with the postmarked date. The user, according to the 7th edition of Tomkins Catalogue, is "Africa and Eastern Trade Corporation Ltd" (of Liverpool?). The "Eastern" suggests that their trade may have included Australia, although Melbourne Directories for the period 1926 to 1932 make no mention of a company of this name, or any similar name.

It could be that the stamp, and possibly the envelope to which it was affixed, got perfined on arrival in the UK for some reason. Does any member have another copy of this perfin on an Australian stamp?

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ANSWERS TO MEMBERS' QUERIES

Monogram WG Bulletin 277 (Aug'95) Pg.2.

ROSEMARY SMITH has now acquired a cover with an identical monogram on the flap. Inside the envelope is a letter and receipt from Waring 4 Gillow. The perfin on Rosemary's cover is W2930.02-W4G- but we can now identify the POKO die WG - W2910.06 - which was on the cover mentioned in Bulletin 277, with Waring & Gillow.

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EARLY BRAHAM DIES By Dave Hill

Maurice Harp's intention to produce a new "History" led me to look at Jennings' History again.

Jennings' History quotes a Braham advert of the turn of the century and it indicates to us a few dies which Braham may have made.

The advert quotes two letters to newspapers from satisfied customers. One from Thomas Cook & Sons - I have ignored as they used many dies in this country and on foreign stamps too. They were mostly Sloper dies and we cannot tell which might be Braham's amongst them. The other letter however is from Cope Bros & Co Ltd, Tobacco Factory, 89 Great Eastern Street, London EC. I wonder whether this die is the unidentified full name COPE (C5587.01)? What postmarks are known on the full name die? Later they used C0680.01 - CB/&/C.

The advert then lists 8 Braham clients, mostly banks as they sound more impressive. Of these I cannot work out which dies The Joint Stock Bank, The Union Bank and The London Dover & Chatham Railway might have used. Later these firms changed their names and used other dies. I have already mentioned Thomas Cook & Sons so this leaves 4 clients whose early dies we can fairly safely say are Braham. The first two are full name dies and are the most interesting:

The City Bank used CI/TY (C3780) and CITY/BANK (C3790).

The Birkbeck Bank used 3 very similar dies - BIRK/BECK (B3700.01, B3700.02 & B3700.03).

The London S South West Bank had 3 similar dies - LSW/Bk (L5160.01, L5160.02 & L5160 .03).

James Shoolbred & Co only used one die at this time - JS/&C (J6970.01).

Not much to try to tell Braham dies from others but a start and hopefully as more information is found as the New Illustrated Catalogue with Details is published, our knowledge will increase.

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NEW IDENTITIES submitted to the CATALOGUE EDITOR (Roy Gault) -10 Contributors.

Note: Underlined Catalogue Numbers are also New Dies and have been illustrated at the end.

From Kim Bjarnt.

B6435.01	B&S/..	14,14,10	4½	I	Braden & Stark, 43 St Mary Axe, London EC3. Cover dated 6/6/1916.	I
C1600.07	C&C°/L ^d	8,14,8,4/7,7	5/5½	III	Christy & Co Ltd, London. Cover dated 24/10/1914.	I
C3650.02	C.I./&C°.	11,10/12,9,6	6½/5,6½	IIIa	Cayzer Irvibe & Co Ltd, Liverpool. (King GVI cover).	
C5940.02	C.P/&C°	8,10/14,8,4	4½	I	Carter Page's, 52 & 53 London Wall, London EC. Cover dated 16/7/1928.	I
D0110.02	DA/C°	11,10/8,4	5/4½		Dick's Asbestos Co Ltd, 51 Fenchurch St, London EC. Cover dated 22/3/1915.	I
D0340.01	D.B/C°	11,14/8,4	5		Danish Bacon Co, 6 Duke St, London Bridge, London SE. Cover dated 12/1/1909.	F
D3200.02	DM/&C°	11,15/14,10,6	5½	III	Moore, Eady & Co, & Murcott-Goode Ltd, Hosiery Mfrs, Leicester. Cover dated 26/5/1902.	F
E1550.03	EF/L.	10,8/7	5		Elders & Fyffes. Cover dated 19/2/1918.	I
F2040.01	FIL/&C°	8,5,7/12,8,6 (11½mm wide)	4½	IIIa	Frank I Lyons & Co, 36 Wood St, London EC. Cover dated 3/1/1899.	E
G1930.02	G.G.B.	13,13/14	6½		Add info - Geo. G Blackwell, Sons Ltd, Specialists in Metals, Ores and Alloys, The Albany, Liverpool. Cover dated 14/10/1912.	I
G3260.01a	GLYN	10,7,8,13	4	Ø	Glyn Mills & Co. Note: Identity suspected from 'Lombard St' postmark, dated 23/11/1882.	A
H0280.03	HAW	12,10,16	4½		H A Wanklyn, 17 Manchester Ave, London EC. Cover dated 21/10/1902.	F
H2680.01	HF/D	12,8/11	4½		Huntington Freres Branch, The Wall Paper Manufacturers, Darwen. Cover dated 5/5/1915.	I
H5100.01	H.M/L	11,15/7	5½		2. Hogg & Mitchell, Manchester. Cover dated 21/1/1919.	I
H7240.01	H.T/S	11,7/11	5½		Herbert Terry & Sons Ltd. (Censor label, so 1914-18).	
L2530.01	LG/&C°	7,10/12,8,6	4½	Ia	Lindsay, Gracie & Co Ltd, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Cover dated 15/10/1905.	F
P2370.01	PH/&C°/L ^{td}	9,12/13,8,6/6,5,7	4½/4½/3½	Ia	Pratt, Hurst & Co Ltd, Nottingham. Cover dated 2/9/1899.	E
P3090.01	P.M./B.M.	10,15/13,15	5½		Priest Marians & Co Ltd, 56 St Mary Axe, EC. (24/2/1911)	F
P3910.02a	PR/L	10,12/7	4½		Peter Robinson Ltd, London.	I

Kim Bjarnt continued

S0010.46	S	12	7½		John Shaw & Sons Ltd, Brookroyd Mills, Holywell Green, Nr Halifax. Cover dated 20/11/1913.	I
S0650.02	S.B/&C ^o .	11,13/13,8,6	6	III	Additional info - Page, Draper & Co by succession, 40 Weston St, Bermondsey, London SE1. Cover dated 5/8/1919.	I
T1100.05	TC/&S	7,8/14,10	5	I	Ø Thomas Cook & Son Ltd, London W1. (pmk 3/10/1929).	I
Note: Identity suspected from a registered label pmk Albemarle St, London W1.						
T1100.06	TC/&S	7,8/14,10	5	III	Add info - Thomas Cook & Son Ltd, Ludgate Circus, London EC.	F
T2970.01	TL ^d /H	7,7,6/12	5/4½		Twyfords Ltd, Hanley. Cover dated 25/7/1918.	I
<u>T3625.01m</u>	TP&S	12,13,11	6½,5,5	III	Thos. Pinney & Sons, Shipping Auctioneers, Valuers & Brokers for Sale, Purchase and Chartering of Steamers, Baltic Chambers, Sunderland. Cover dated 15/5/1909.	F
Note: Die originally catalogued as E&S (P4150.05).						
W3530.02	W.H.C/&C ^o .	15,11,8/14,8,6	4½	III	W H Chaplin & Co Ltd. Postmarked London, 28/10/1914.	I
W6680.06	W&S	11,14,10	4½	III	2. Watkins & Simpson Ltd, Seed Merchants, 27-29 Drury Lane, London WC2. Dated 31/3/1938.	Q

From Dave Hill.

J2850.01	JFP	7, 8,10	5½	Ø	John Ferran Penrose, Assayer & Copper Agent, Coach Lane, Redruth.	B
Note: Identity suspected from a single stamp postmarked '636' (Redruth).						
J3220.01	J&G/R	7,13,10/12	6	III	Ø J & G Ross, Military Tailors, Exeter.	BEF
Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps postmarked '285' Exeter.						
O1090.01	O/L ^{td}	10/7,5,7	5½	Ø	S Oppenheimer & Co Ltd, Skindressers, Topsham, Exeter.	M,O
Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps postmarked Topsham, Exeter (Devon).						
S5730.07	S&P	10,12,9	6	IIIa	Ø Shapland & Petter Ltd, Wholesale Cabinet Makers & Joiners, Raleigh Works, Barnstaple.	B-I
Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps postmarked Barnstaple (Devon).						

From Roy Gault.

J7860.01	J&/TPC	7,12/7,9,8	4½	Ø	Joseph & Thomas Parker Caldicott, Ribbon Mfrs, 29 Much Park St, Coventry, also 24 Wood Lane, London.	BEF
Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps with Coventry and London postmarks. Dated examples are known between 5/11/1891 and 11/1/1904. They are probably the users of J&/TPC (J7860.02) dating to c1905.						

From Pamela Duker.

B6240.01 BR/HB 11,10/10,11 4½ Confirm - Birmingham RHB.
National Blood Transfusion Service,
10 Edmund St, Birmingham.
Printed PC dated 17/11/1961. U

D2920.02M DLR 9,6,10 4½ Additional address - Porters Wood,
Valley Road Industrial Estate,
St Albans, Herts. U

D2920.02a DLR 9,6,10 4½ Thomas De La Rue & Co Ltd,
Porters Wood, Valley Road Industrial
Estate, St Albans, Herts. U

Note: The above two entries for 'DLR' were on the same Parcel Label - 6d 'U' with
D2920.02M and 5/- 'U' with D2920.02a.

G0780.01 G.C. 10,8 6 Greenock Co-operative Society Ltd,
12 Roxburgh St, Greenock,
Renfrewshire. Piece dated 25/4/1958. U

H3110.05a HH 12,12 5½ Hick, Hargreaves & Co Ltd,
Soho Iron Works, Bolton.
Piece dated 1/3/1962. U

N3330.01a NU/A 11,8/8 4½ Ø National Union of Conservative &
Unionist Associations, London. V

Note: The identity is suspected from an entire (pmk 11/1/1968) bearing the House of
Commons seal, and a letter from the 'Private Office of the Leader of the
Opposition', the Rt Hon Edward Heath, MBE, MP. The stamp was torn from a
vertical delivery coil ('V' 4d sepia).

From Stephen Steere - information from the Sloper ledgers.

M3997.01 MML 11,11,6 4½ Ø Mowlem Management Ltd. W
Note: The entry in Sloper's ledger is 'MML' in manuscript only - no illustration. The die
is single headed.

R1350.03 R/DC 10/9,7 4½ Rowson, Drew & Clydesdale Ltd,
Hardware & Builders Merchants,
Boddy's Bridge, London SE1. QRS
Sloper single headed die.

R2870.01 RI/S 10,4/9 4½ Reed Information Services. W
Note: This is a Sloper single headed die originally reading RH/S (R2490.01), but was later
modified (by pin removal) to form RI/S. This was allocated R2869.01 but has had
to be renumbered to cater for a new die lettered 'RIS'. The old R2870.01 (R.I.&S)
is now R2875.01. See also Bulletins 273, 276 (p8), and 277 (p14).

R3686.41 RNB/WD 10,11,11/12,9 4½ Welsh National Water Development
Authority, Radnorshire & Breconshire
Water Division, "Ardwyn", Park Terrace,
Llandrindrod Wells, Radnorshire.

Note: This is a Sloper single headed die originally reading RNB/WB (83685.01), but was
later modified (by pin removal) to form RNB/WD (crude 'D').

From Bill Hanson.

P3094.01 P.M.C/B. 10,15,8/13 5½ Planters Margarine Co Ltd,
Bromborough Port, New Ferry,
Near Birkenhead. Two postal
receipts dated 10/4 & 6/9/1920. I

From Arthur Smith.

R4830.02A R&S/L^d 12,12,10/7,7 4½ IIIa Reckitt & Sons Ltd, Starch, Blue & Metal Polish Mfrs, London & Hull. Entire pmk Hull, 23/4/1889. B

From Terence Wood.

M2700.01 M&G 15,12/10 5½ IIIa Marple & Gillot Ltd, Sheffield 9. Cover dated 12/12/1938. O

From Tony Cornforth.

T1900.01 T.G./&/C^oL^d 7,10/13/8,6,7,6 6 III Thomas Goode & Co (London) Ltd, China & Glass Dealer, 19 South Audley St, Grosvenor Sq, London W1. Receipt dated 1/9/1934. I

From Garv Shayler.

B0590.02 BB/CL^d 14,14/8/7/6 5 Brooke Bond Co Ltd. Cover unidentified but contents mention Brooke Bond's Annual Dinner. Cover pink Birmingham, 22/1/1929. I

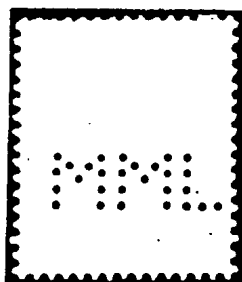
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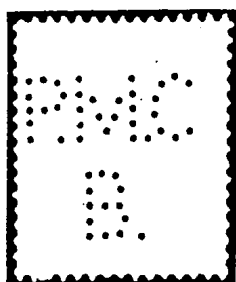
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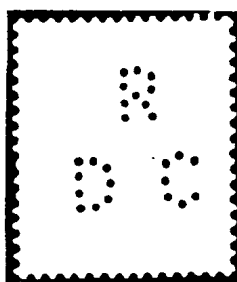
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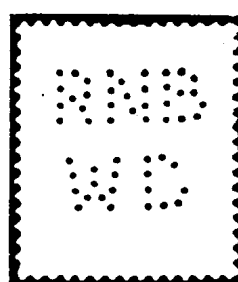
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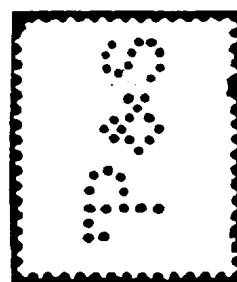
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