

Tip 185 – Neither words nor pictures alone may be sufficient to describe new findings

This column has discussed the desirability of fully describing perforation types and distinguishing between line and comb perforations. Dan Walker, in his exhibit *Jaipur – The First Issue – A Provisional Issue* faced an unusual situation: the stamp he was exhibiting had a unique perforation. What did he do? He did the best thing possible: he described this type of perforation in both words and pictures so that it could be understood by people who acquire information best by reading it and by those who acquire it best by pictures. Figure 185-1 shows his exhibit page with the complete description of the perforation. In addition, Dan highlighted the key information in red so it would stand out and he identified this finding as new research. How else would one fully describe something new?

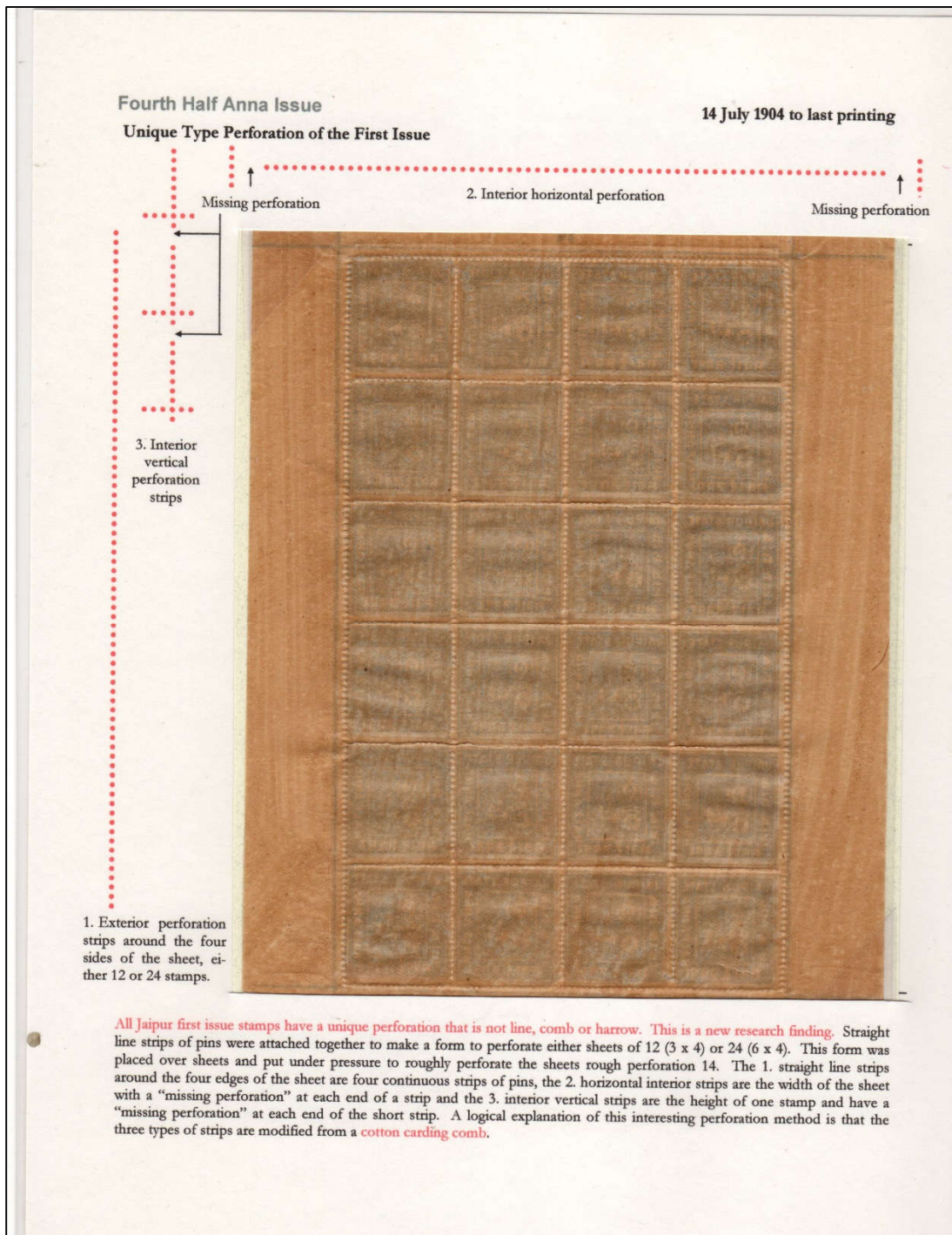


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