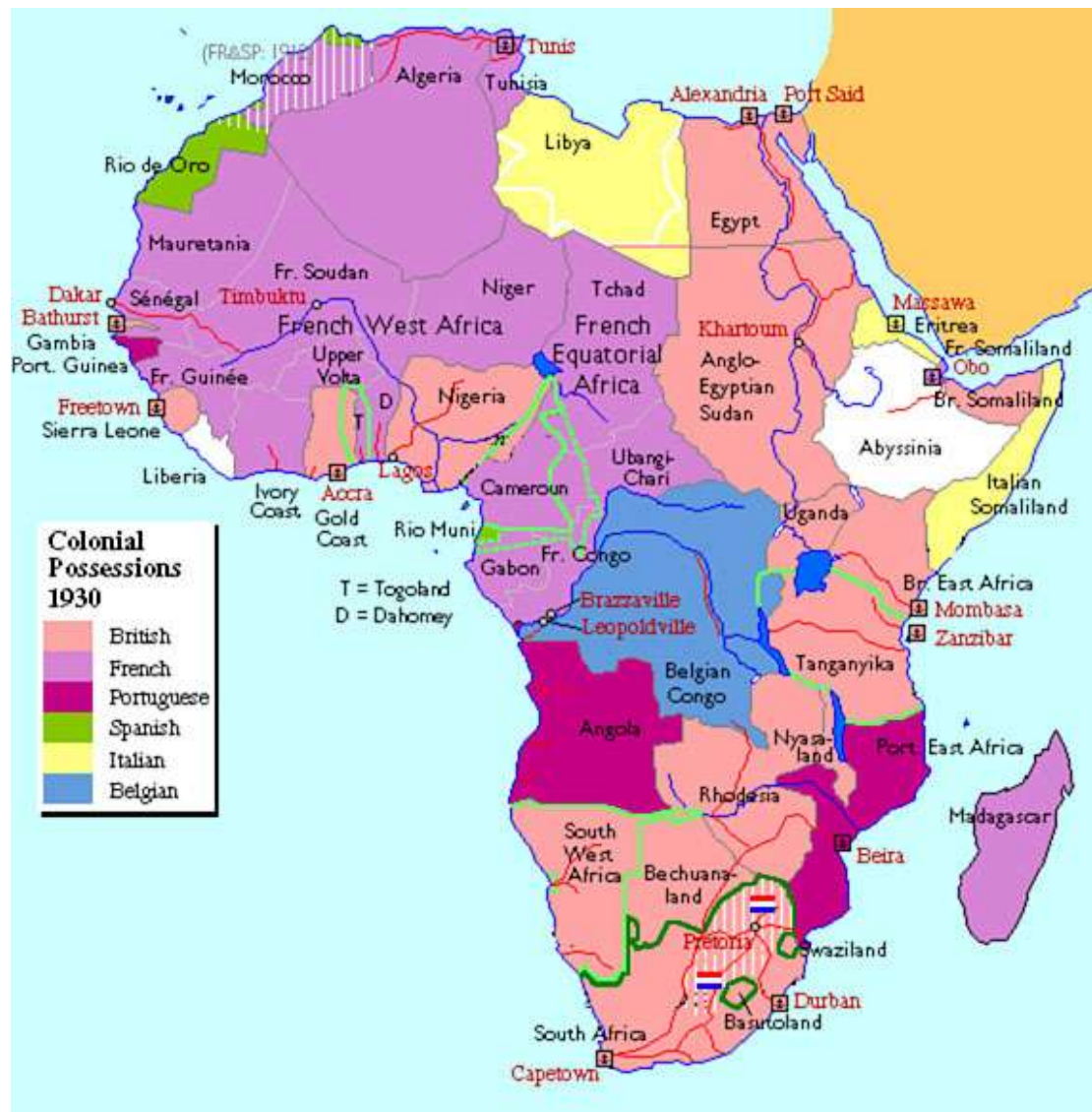


BRITISH

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PERFINS



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BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA
COMPANY
PERFINS



BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA

COMPANY

CANCELLING DEVICES

To date only two (2) cancelling devices have been recorded used by the British South Africa Company.

Various different Date perfins are found on these stamps indicative of Revenue use, with Day, Month, & Year in a vertical format
Also found with Rhodesia Overprints and surcharges.

30
3
08

Dates: c 1892 issues to - c 1922.

Ident:

Revenue use.

Cancel: Cachet, Manuscript.



The word "**USED**" is also found perfinned into stamps again indicating that the stamps have been used. Cachet or manuscript cancels.

USED

Dates: c 1896 Issues to c 1905.

Ident:

Revenue use.

Cancel: Cachet, Manuscript.



Note: - This Specimen perfin is not to scale.

SPECIMEN

Dates: 1898-1908 Issues,
Printer: Waterlow & Sons Ltd,

Cancel:



COMPANY PERFIN

(**BSAC, BSACO, BSA Company**) Mercantile company based in London that was incorporated in October 1889 under a Royal Charter at the instigation of Cecil Rhodes, with the object of acquiring and exercising commercial and administrative rights in south-central Africa. The charter was initially granted for 25 years, and it was extended for a further 10-year period in 1915.

Almost always noted on stamps with Revenue use.
Company Cachet or manuscript cancels.

User: British South Africa Company.
Used: c1892-c1917.



Rhodesia overprint.



BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA

COMPANY PERFINs

To date only these four (4) different dies have been recorded used on the stamps of the British South Africa Company.

AA.
T.C.

Dates: c 1910 Issues to c 1914.
Ident: Anglo African Trading Company.

Cancel: Salisbury,



BSA
C

Dates: c1892-1917.
Ident: British South Africa Company,
Revenue use.
Cancel: Company Cachet, Manuscript.



H&S

Dates: 1924-1931 Issues.
Ident: Haddon & Sly (Department Store)

Cancel:



SPN

Dates: c 1897 Issues.
Ident:

Cancel:



NORTHERN RHODESIA

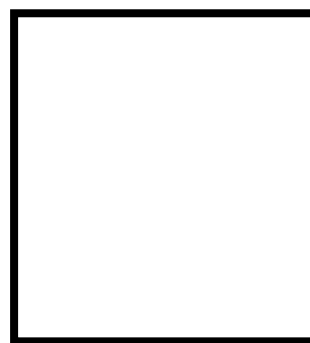
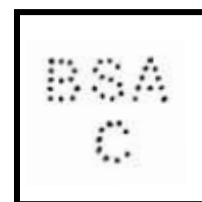
PERFINS



King George V c1923, Bf 1 (Revenue use)

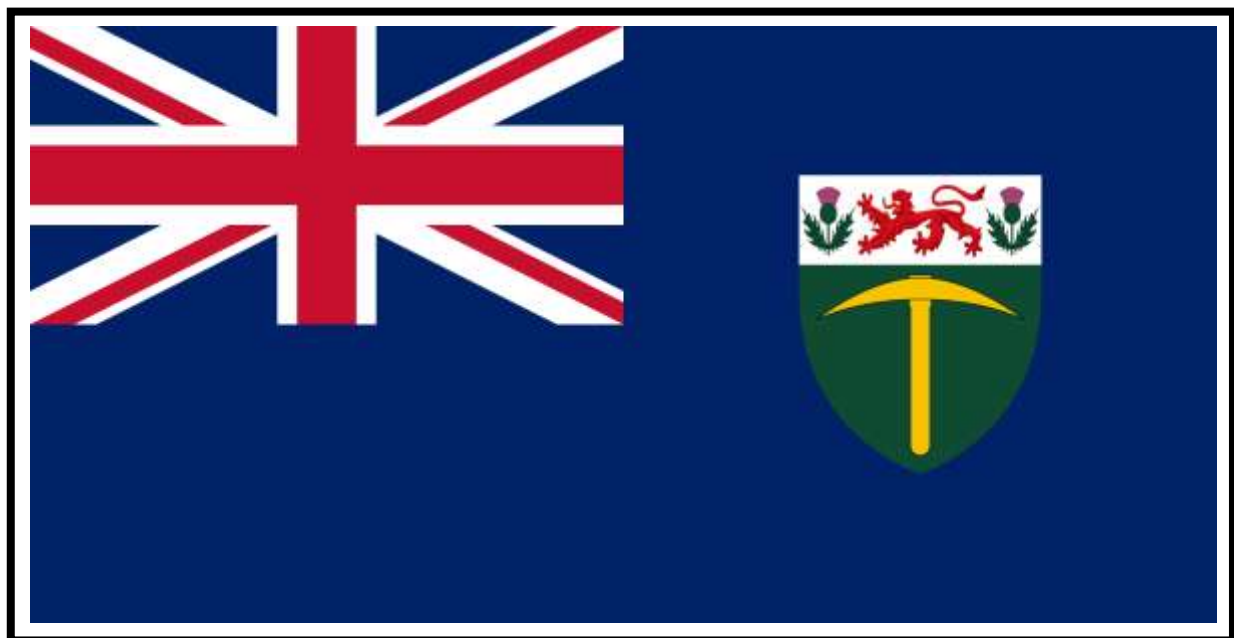
Perfin of: British South Africa Company.

Manuscript cancel.



SOUTHERN RHODESIA

PERFINS



This flag was in use in Southern Rhodesia (later Zimbabwe) from 1923 to 1953 and from 1964 to 1965. It was also used by the unrecognised Rhodesia from 1965 to 1968.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

PERFINS

To date only Eight (8) different dies have been recorded from Southern Rhodesia plus Two (2) different Paid canceller dies.

AA
TC

Dates: c 1924 Issues to c 1930s.
Ident: Anglo African Trading Company.

Cancel: Salisbury,



D.R.
Co

Dates: c 1931 Issues.
Ident: Dunlop Rubber Company Limited.
(Also recorded on GB Stamps) & D21 of South Africa.
Cancel: Postal use, Bulawayo.



H&S

Dates: 1924-1931 Issues, 3-3-1930,
Ident: Haddon & Sly (Department Store)

Cancel: Bulawayo,



LL

Dates: 1924-1931 Issues,
Ident: Lennon Limited.

Cancel: Salisbury.



SOUTHERN RHODESIA

PERFINS

UM

Dates: c 1937 Issues,
Ident: Umtali Municipality.

Cancel: Postal use. Umtali.



RM

NOTE: British South Africa Company overprinted stamp.

Dates: c early 1900s

Ident: R Muller & Company, 77 Strand Street, Cape Town. **(R15 of South Africa)**

Also recorded on Transvaal & Cape of Good Hope stamps with dates to 1908.

Cancel:



S.R.
G.

Dates: Revenue stamps c 1931 Issues to 1937 Issues.

Ident: Southern Rhodesia Government,

(£1 stamp was used for payment of Passport fees,

Cancel: Revenue use. Department of Internal Affairs).

Perfin is through the document.



BSA
C

Dates: Revenue stamps c 1924 Issues.

Ident: British South Africa Company.

Cancel: Revenue use. Company Cachet



SOUTHERN RHODESIA

PERFINS

Paid Perfin Cancellers. (Revenue use on Receipts)

AI

Dates: 1937 Issues.

Ident:

Cancel:



D

Dates: 1952 Issues.

Ident:

Cancel: Manuscript.



19

Not a true perfin but featured here from an interest point of view.

Dates: c 1970.

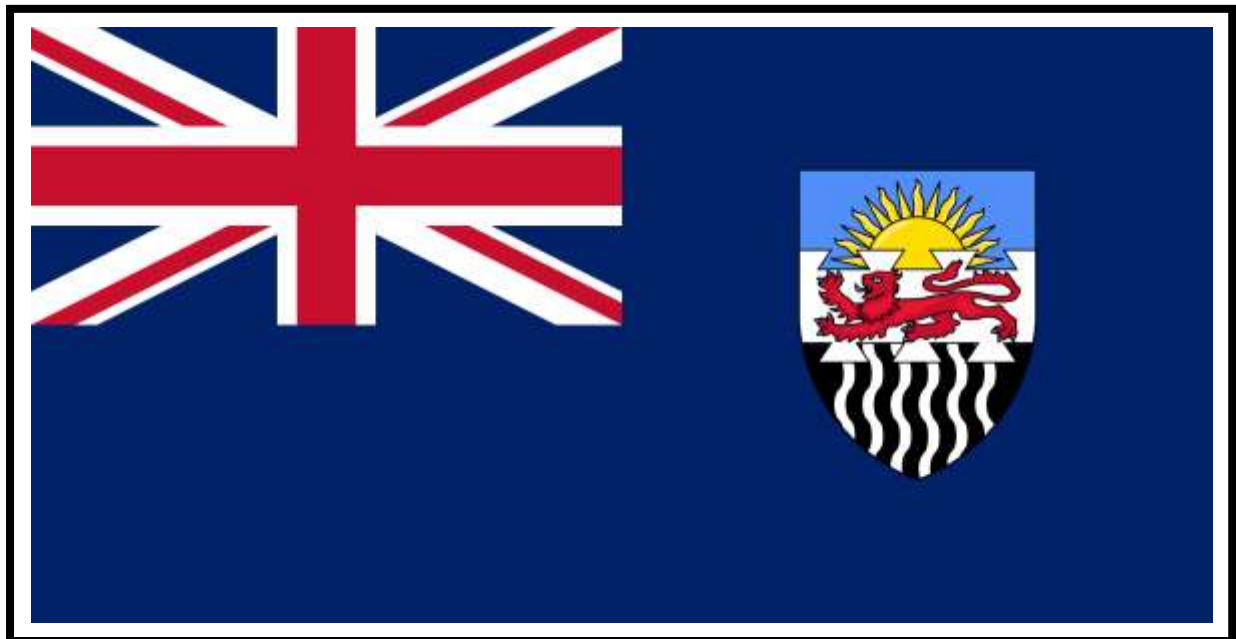
Ident: Ø Kodak. (Numbers for identifying film ownership).

Cancel: Postal use.



RHODESIA & NYASALAND

PERFINS



This flag was used in Rhodesia & Nyasaland from 1953 to 1963

RHODESIA & NYASALAND

PERFINS

Only the One (1) perfin die recorded

UM

Dates: 1952 QE11 Issues.
Ident: Umtali Municipality.

Cancel: Postal use.



Dates:

Ident:

Cancel:

KENYA & UGANDA

PERFINS



Kenya & Ugandan Flag pins.

KENYA

PERFINS

To date only Two (2) dies have been recorded from Kenya
Both of these are found with Revenue usage.

S B

Dates: 1963 Issues.

Ident: Standard Bank Limited. (Name change in late 1962)

S A Removed from the perfin die below.

Cancel: Cachet. Postal use, (Revenue use also).



S B
S A

Dates: 1962 Issues.

Ident: Standard Bank of South Africa.

Cancel: Postal & (Revenue use)



393

Not a true perfin but featured here from an interest point of view.

Dates: 1963-1964 Issues,

Ident: Ø Kodak. (Numbers for identifying film ownership).

Cancel: Postal use.



Dates:

Ident:

Cancel:

UGANDA

PERFINS

To date only One (1) die has been recorded from Uganda
with Revenue usage.

S B



Dates: 1967 Issues.

Ident: Standard Bank Limited. (Name change in late1962)

Cancel: Cachet. (Revenue use).

Dates:
Ident:

Cancel:

Dates:
Ident:

Cancel:

Dates:
Ident:

Cancel:

KENYA & UGANDA

PERFINS

To date only Three (3) dies have been recorded from Kenya & Uganda. Two on Postage stamps and One on Revenue stamps.

OS



Dates: 1922 Issues.

Ident: Ø Official Service?

Also recorded on the stamps of the Union, Transvaal, Cape of Good Hope, Uganda, & Tanganyika.

Cancel: Nakuru.

Note: -

The die **O18 "OS"** (South Africa Catalogue) is a recently discovered die, and was provided by Bas Payne U.K.

There is some doubt amongst collectors as to it being genuine, as there is no history to sustain such a die. So it is left to the collector to decide.

US



Dates: 1922 Issues.

Ident: Ø Ugandan Government? (Revenue use).

Cancel: Manuscript.

UNP
& S



Dates: 1922 Issues.

Ident: Ø Ugandan National Parks & Services,

Cancel: Postal use, Kenya.

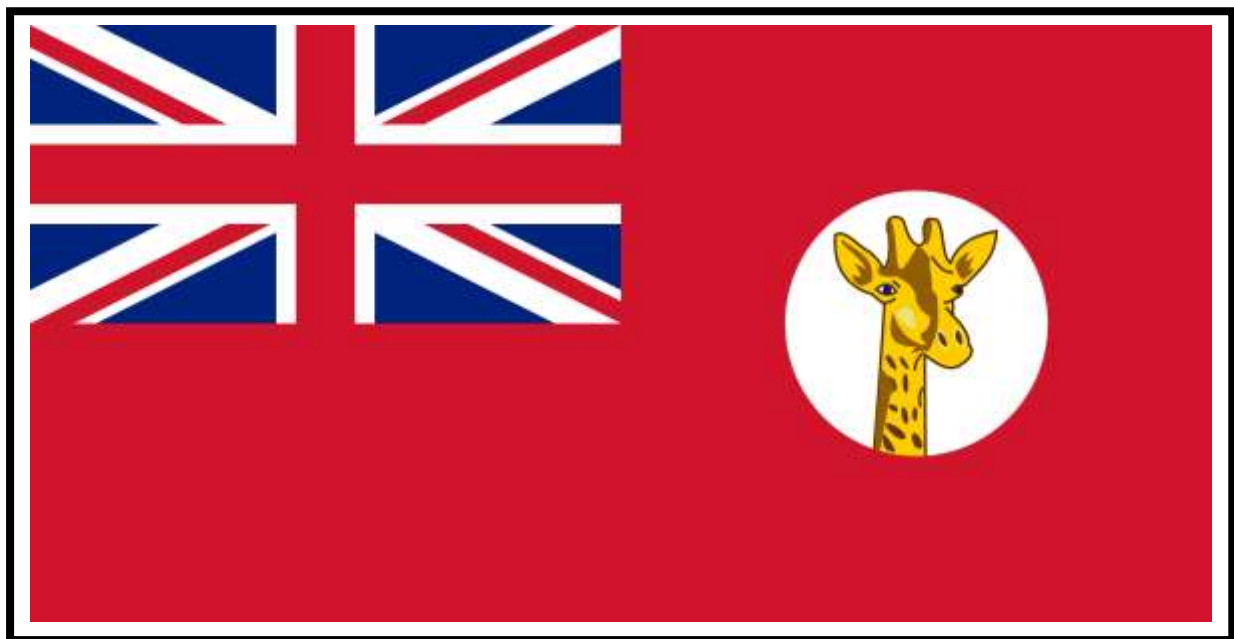
Dates:

Ident:

Cancel:

KENYA UGANDA & TANGANYIKA

PERFINS



Tanganyika Flag.

KENYA UGANDA & TANGANYIKA

PERFINS

To date only Four (4) dies have been recorded from Kenya Uganda & Tanganyika. Three of these dies are also found with Revenue use.

J D

Dates: QEII c 1954 Issues.

Ident:

Cancel: Postal use. Nairobi.



R D S

Dates: 3-7-1935.

Ident: Ø Royal Dutch Shell,

(Revenue use, Probably a cancellation perfin through a document)

The die is too large for normal size stamps.

Cancel: Manuscript,



S B

Dates: QEII c 1954 Issues to c mid1960s. --8-1965.

Note: - These early issues would all have dates after 1962.

Ident: Standard Bank Limited. (Name change in late1962)

S A Removed from the perfin die below.

(Revenue use also).

Cancel: Cachet, Manuscript, & Postal use.



S B
S A

Dates: GVI 1938 to QEII c 1960 Issues.-----1961.

Ident: Standard Bank of South Africa.

(Revenue use also).

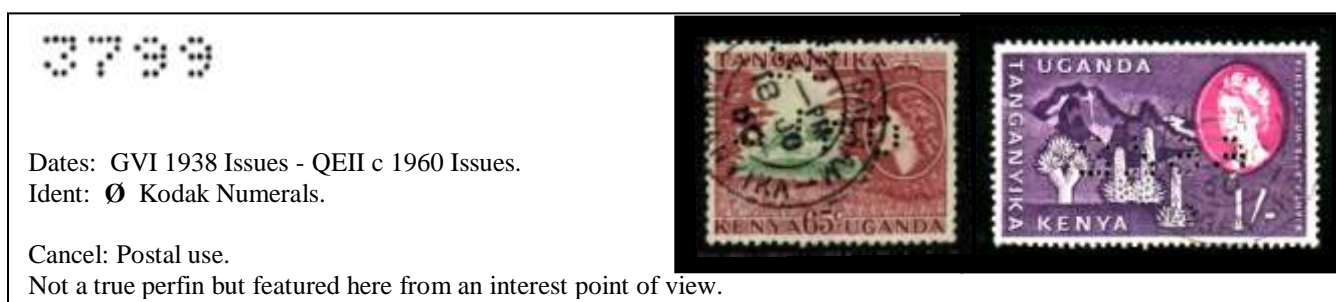
Cancel: Cachet, & Postal use.



KENYA UGANDA & TANGANYIKA

PERFINS

Below are images of what is thought to be Kodak numeral perfins, these were done to identify films that had been sent in for development.



Here you will see images of a "**CANCELLED. 3.**" perfin die on Telegraph stamps used on the Uganda Railway. It is presumed that they were used as specimens.



Images by courtesy of Roger de Lacy-Spencer

BRITISH EAST AFRICA

PERFINS

Only the One (1) perfin die recorded

The area of the British East Africa Protectorate was previously the domain of the Sultans of Zanzibar. In 1887 the administration of the Province was granted to the British East Africa Association, and Post Offices were established at Lamu and Zanzibar early in 1890. In 1903 these stamps were superseded by the stamps of East Africa & Uganda Protectorate.

EA
PO

Dates: 1896-1903 Issue.

Ident:

Cancel: Possible Fiscal use.?



Dates:

Ident:

Cancel:

Dates:

Ident:

Cancel:

EAST AFRICA & UGANDA

PROTECTORATES PERFIN

Only the Three (3) perfin dies recorded

SP
PW

Dates: 18-9-1911

Ident:

Cancel: Postal use, Nairobi. Mombasa.



M.S
C

Dates: 1912-1921 Issues.

Ident: Ø Magadi Soda Company,
Magadi, Kenya.

Cancel: Postal use, Magadi, (This new die and information by courtesy of William Hall)



https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Magadi_Soda_Company



EAST AFRICA & UGANDA

PROTECTORATES PERFINS

CANCELLED
N.B.I.LD

Great Britain catalogue number Type III (C04.03)
In use c1916-1930+ Identified by larger letters of N.B.I. Ld.

NOTE: - Cancellation perfin.

This die is a cancelling device used to cancel the document. and may have been Perfinned as a final cancellation in the country to which they were dispatched (Perfin is through the stamp & the document).

This die is also recorded used on the Postage & Revenue stamps of India, Ceylon, & Great Britain.

CANCELLED
N.B.I.LD

Dates: c 1912-1922 issues.

Note : - Large letters & No "Of."

Perfin: **Through the document.**

Ident: National Bank of India Ltd,

Cancel: Revenue use. (Stamp Duty).



N.B.I.LD

Dates: 1907 Issues. (**Overprinted Uganda Revenue**)

Perfin: PAID Cancelling die.

Ident:

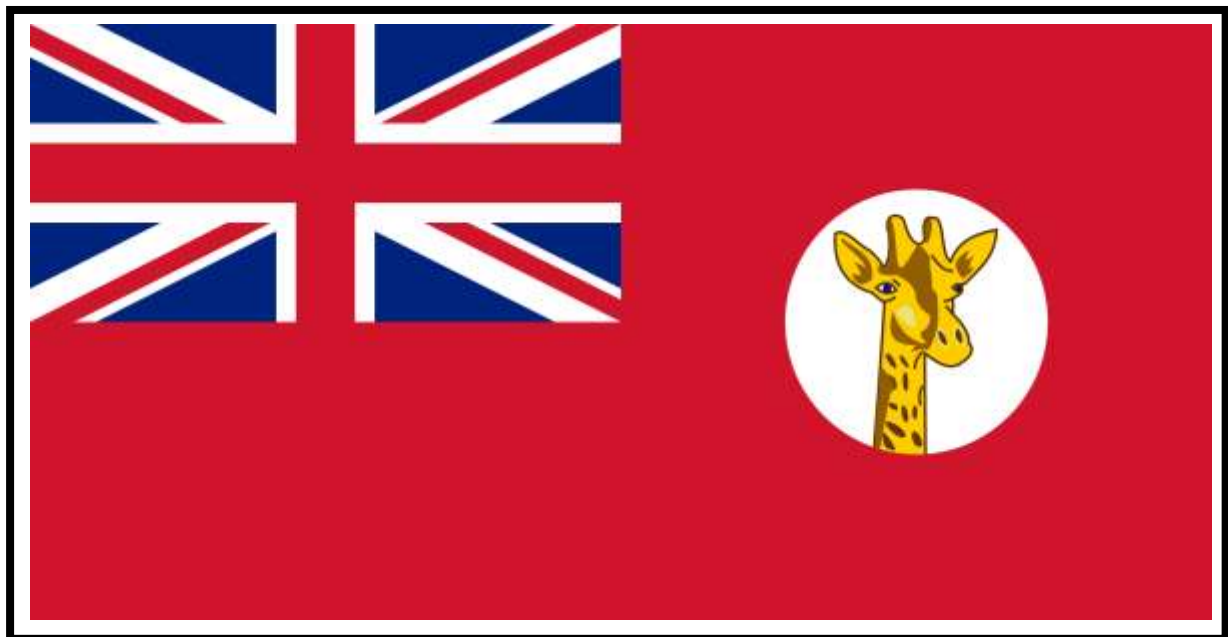
Note : - Not a true perfin but here for the interest of the collector.

Cancel: Revenue use.



TANGANYIKA

PERFINS



Tanganyika Flag.

TANGANYIKA

PERFINS

To date only Three (3) dies have been recorded from Tanganyika. Two (2) are on duty stamps used for Revenue purposes.



Dates: 1927-1931 Issues.
Ident: Ø Official Service?

Also recorded on the stamps of the Union, Transvaal, Cape of Good Hope, & Kenya & Uganda,

Cancel: Nakuru.

Note: -

The die **O18 "OS"** (South Africa Catalogue) is a recently discovered die, and was provided by Bas Payne U.K. There is some doubt amongst collectors as to it being genuine, as there is no history to sustain such a die. So it is left to the collector to decide.

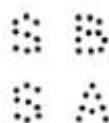


Dates: c 1961 Issues. (With cancels of 1962 or later).
Ident: Standard Bank Limited. (Name change in late 1962)

S A Removed from the perfin die below.

(Revenue use)

Cancel: Manuscript.



Dates: 1938-1953 Issues to 1961 Issues.
Ident: Standard Bank of South Africa.
(Revenue use)
Cancel: Manuscript.



Dates: 1961 Issues.

Ident:

(Revenue use)

Cancel: Manuscript.

(Information required).



ZANZIBAR

PERFINS

To date only Three (3) perfin dies from Zanzibar.

KJ

Dates: -----1906.

Ident: Karimjee Jivanjee, Zanzibar.

Cancel: Zanzibar Postal use.



S B

Dates: c 1961 Issues. (With cancels of 1962 or later).

Ident: Standard Bank Limited. (Name change in late 1962)

S A Removed from the perfin die below.

(Revenue use)

Cancel: Cachet.



S B
S A

Dates: c 1952 Issues.

Ident: Standard Bank of South Africa.

Cancel: Mint & Revenue use,



4078
E7

Not a true perfin but featured here from an interest point of view.

Dates: c 1960s.

Ident: Ø Kodak Numerals.

Cancel: Postal.



ZANZIBAR

PERFINS



The stamps below are Indian stamps overprinted "Zanzibar". These overprints are very Questionable ! They are listed here for the interest of the collector. The "MBI" die is a partial of India M 23 used by the Mercantile Bank of India. I suspect a partial Madras cancel. The other dies are "RB" R 3 of India and was used by Ralli Brothers. "E&O" E 25b of India used by Ernsthussen & Oesterley.

(Fake Zanzibar overprints) ?

NOTE: Fake "Zanzibar" overprints are recorded on India stamps with dies "MBI" "E&O" & "RB".

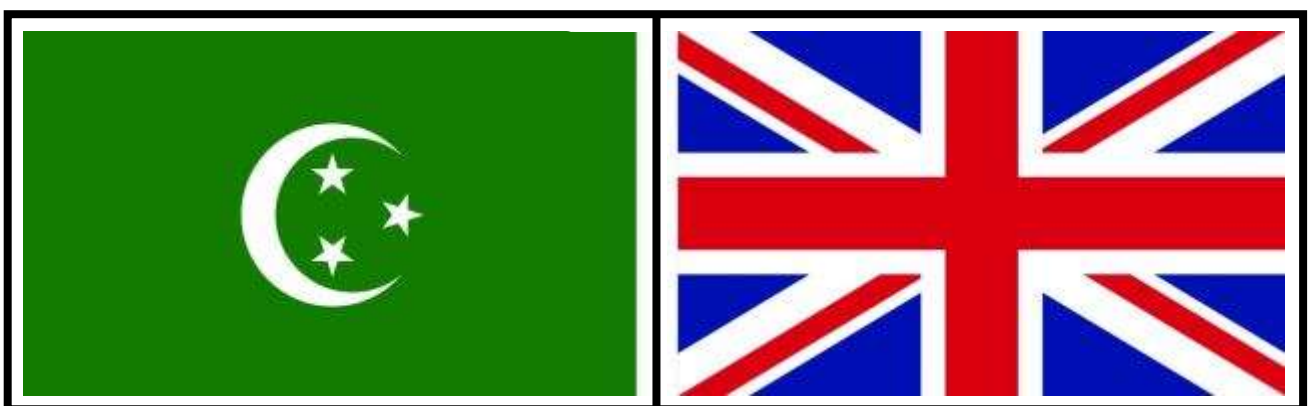
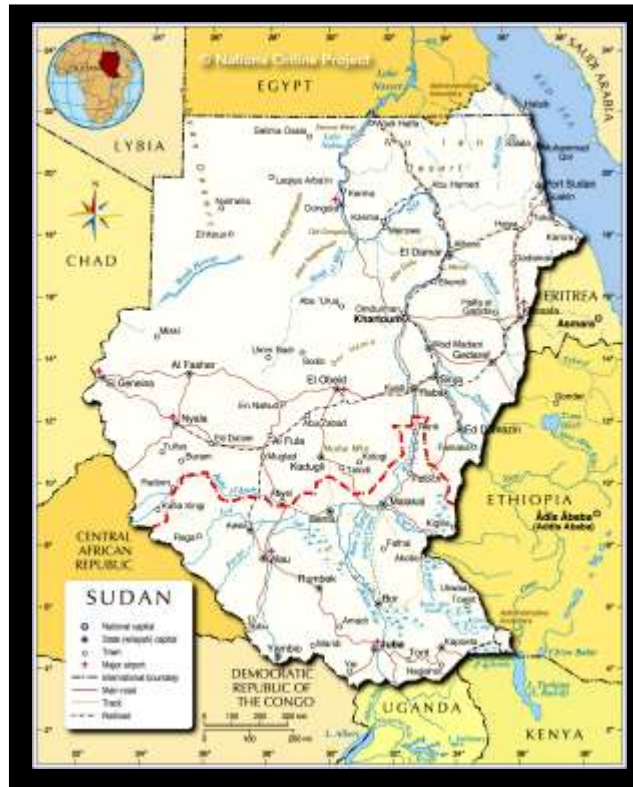
Dates: c 1895-1896.



MBI E&O RB

SUDAN

PERFINS



Between 1899 and 1956, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan was administered jointly as a condominium by Egypt and the UK. The condominium did not have its own individual flag. Instead, the flag of Egypt and the flag of the UK were always flown together, with the British flag taking precedence.



Wmk

SUDAN

PERFINS



Wmk

To date Seven (7) dies have been recorded from Sudan.
All on Postage stamps.

AS

NOTE: Two different issues and two watermarks on these stamps.

Dates: c 1912 Issues to c mid 1920s.

Ident: Army Service (Official die).

Cancel: Postal use, Khartoum,



AS

NOTE: Two different issues and two watermarks on these stamps.

Dates: c 1912 Issues to c mid 1920s.

Ident: Army Service (Official die).

Cancel: Postal use.



EKO

Dates: c 1951 Issues to c 1975.

Ident: East Kordofan Council,
Um Ruwaba.

Cancel: Postal use.



SG

NOTE: Two different issues and two watermarks on these stamps.

Dates: 1913 Issues to c 1930s

Ident: Sudanese Government (Official die).

(Revenue use also)

Cancel: Postal use, Port Sudan,





Wmk

SUDAN

PERFINS



Wmk

To date Seven (7) dies have been recorded from Sudan.
All on Postage stamps.

80

NOTE: Two different issues and two watermarks on these stamps.

Dates: c 1920s to c 1948 Issue.

Ident: Sudanese Government (Official die).

Cancel: Postal use.



SG

NOTE: Egyptian stamps overprinted SUDAN. (Many fakes exist).

Dates: c 1897 Overprint Issue, & 1898 Issue. 29-4-1902.

Ident: Sudanese Government (Official die).

Cancel: Postal use, Khartoum.



ح ٤٢

Dates: c 1951 Issue to c1960s ---11-1960.

Ident: Aleph ba Hain, (Arabic Letters)

Khartoum Municipal Council.

Cancel: Postal use, Khartoum.



5919

Not a true perfin but featured here from an interest point of view.

Dates: c 1951 Issues.

Ident: Ø Kodak Numerals.

Cancel:



SUDAN

PERFINS

NOTE:

To date four other perfin dies have been reported from Sudan, but they are all on overprinted Egyptian stamps with **fake overprints!** No Sudan stamps have been found with these perfins. If any collector has more information then please contact me.

AB
E



T C
S



VO
C



S.B.



Egyptian 5 mil stamp with the Official Sudan Overprint
and Sudanese Government perfin sent from Ouderman to Cairo
dated 26-6-1900.

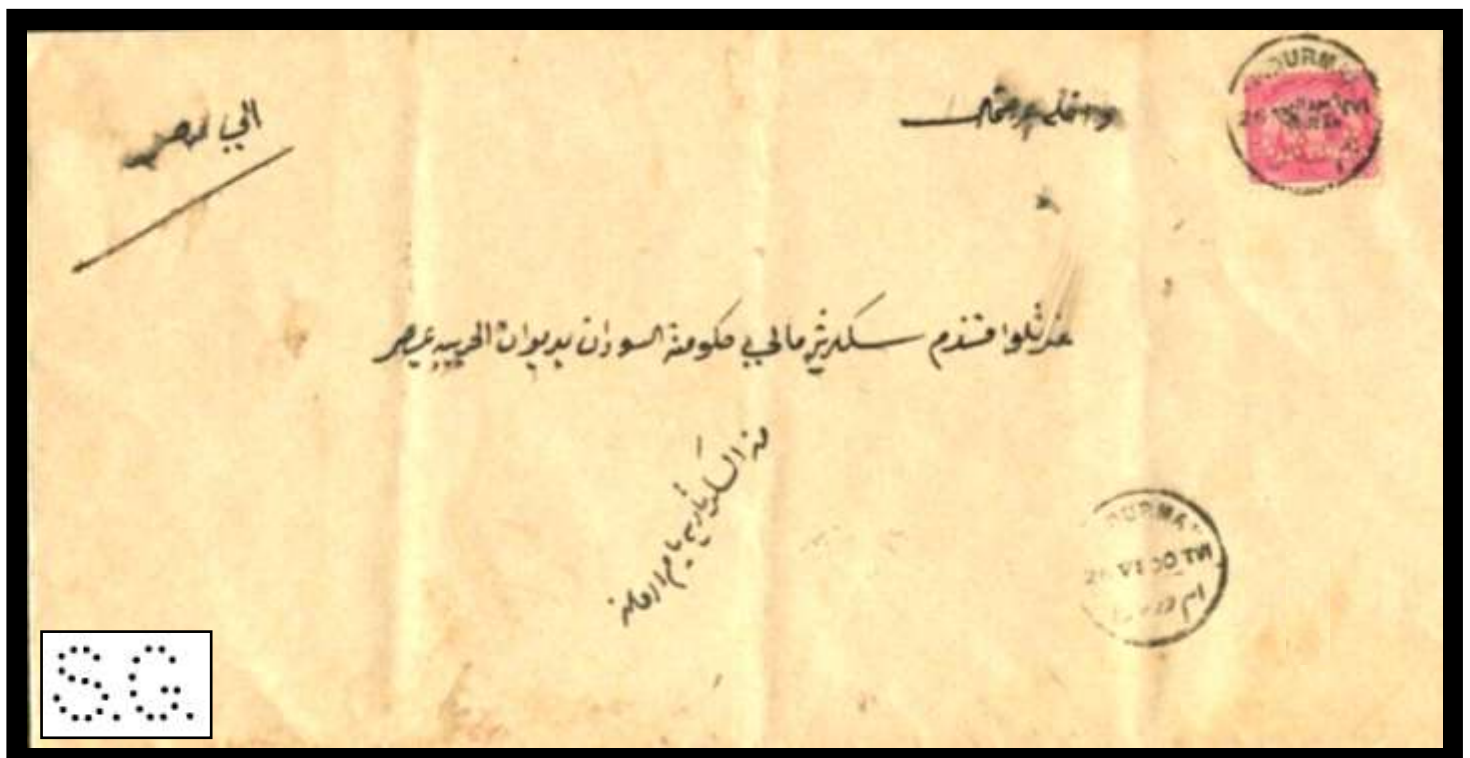


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SUDAN PERFINS

GENERAL GORDON - THE SUDAN AND PERFINS

For the interest of the collector I am featuring the cutting below, it was written by Rosemary Smith and is taken from the Perfin Society Bulletin 295 August 1998.

From Rosemary Smith

Ever since I first became interested in perfins, in 1970, I have collected any articles which I saw in philatelic magazines which had a bearing on the subject.

One of these articles which I cut out, and only recently re-read, was in *Stamp Monthly*, October 1975. Stuart Rossiter, FRPSL, wrote about 'The Giegler Archive'. Carl Giegler was Chief Engineer of the Telegraphs of the Soudan and the Red Sea, then the Chief of the Posts and Telegraph at Khartoum, and later was raised to the rank of Pasha.

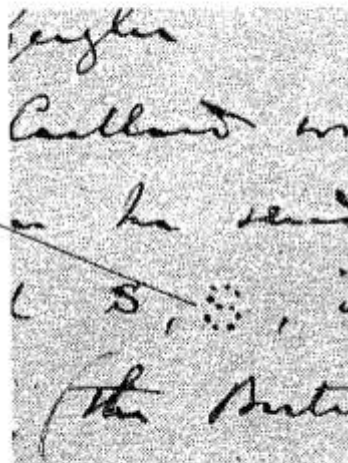
There was an illustration of a letter from Col. Gordon (later General) to Carl Giegler. Unfortunately it is undated but the whole Archive appears to be letters to Giegler mostly from 1874 to 1883. The text of the letter reads:-

My dear Giegler,

If Cartland would perforate all the stamps he sends up here, with the initial S, it would be the best plan, (the British P.O. does this for many great firms in London, to prevent the theft of their stamps.) No perforated stamp could be sold at Cairo, no unperforated stamp could be sold at London.

Every letter from any town, of the Sudan, must have the perforated stamp on it.

*Yours sincerely,
C.E. Gordon*



I would be interested to know if this rings any bells with collectors of Sudan: did these perfins ever materialise? Thanks to John Nelson who confirmed my deciphering of Gordon's letter.

Other information by Bill Barclay c 2013 (Page 21)

<https://www.angelfire.com/pr/perfinsoc/bulletin/past/383.pdf>

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN

PERFINS

South Sudan split from Sudan 2011, and as such is the world's youngest country.

SSPS

Dates: 9-7-2012.

Ident: South Sudan Philatelic Society

Cancel: Juba

NOTE:

This perfin die "SSPS" was produced by the South Sudan Philatelic Society for their 10th anniversary and as such is not a true perfin but a philatelic item, produced here for the interest of the collector.

