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STUDY GROUP NEWS

Mr W West who for a number of years ran the Exchange Branch of the Precancel Stamp Society of Great Britain has kindly offered to take over ours. In the past the exchange consisted of packets of stamps circulated by the Secretary at very irregular intervals, how it is run in the future will depend entirely on the support given to Mr West and the wishes of members. If you have any suggestions to make please send them direct to Mr West at the above address.

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This issue contains five pages of identities and four of general interest. Among the latter will be found some notes on a few Perfin users and the commencement of a short study of G.B. of Railway perfins any additional items of a similar nature will be most gratefully received.

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Since the Membership List was prepared four new members have joined, from the United States. This is due to the publicity we have received in the bulletin of the American Perfin Club. The names and addresses are as follows,

W.C. Ayers,
K. Misegades,
D. Stump,
E.D. Regad,

If any of our British members are interested in joining the Perfin Club in the States they should contact Mr Misegades or Mr Stump both of whom will be pleased to forward the necessary details.

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PERFIN ARTICLES

The 6th, September issue of Stamp Collecting carries a two page article and numerous illustrations of Australian perforated official stamps. The 20th September number contained a letter referring to the above article and giving additional information.

IDENTIFICATIONS

Mr Butler reports that he has a perfin type similar to that recorded previously as being used by the Army & Navy Civil Supply Limited, the only difference is in the ampersand which has 12 holes and is type III.

NOTES ON SOME PERFIN USERS

CEREBOS LIMITED

The oldest and most famous salt deposit in England is to be found in Cheshire, and it is here that Cerebos salt products have been manufactured for the past 60 years. The only perfin known to have been used by this company, is on K.G.VI. issues.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL

In 1819 two fifteen year old lads, Edmund Crosse, and Thomas Blackwell, joined a firm of oilmen. When their employer retired in January 1830, although still only in their middle twenties and much against their parents wishes, they bought the firm for £600.

Their venture prospered and today the company owns several factories.

The earliest stamp on which their perforation has been reported as one of the Q.V. Jubilee issues.

KEARLEY & TONGE

Kearley company was first started in 1876 and after two moves finally settled in Mitre Square, London.

In 1880 the company became Heseltine & Kearle and shortly afterwards it changed its name again when they were joined by Mr G.A.Tonge. Heseltine retired in 1887 and thereafter business was conducted as Kearley & Tonge.

During this time besides trading as Grocers and Wholesale Tea, Merchants Kearley & Tonge opened branch shops which traded as the International Tea Company, and by 1889 had 200 retail branches. There is no doubt that during this period perforated stamps were being used but details of the type are unknown.

In 1895 the International Tea Company and Kearley & Tonge were both registered as 'Limited Companies', and from that the die used was, K&T/Ld comprised of 10,12,7/7,7 holes, with type llla ampersand. Sometime during the period 1937-47 the die was changed to one comprised of 9,12,6/6,6 holes withh type la ampersand.

In 1906 Messrs. Kearley & Tonge took over a number of factories which were then styled. Kearley & Tonge Limited. It soon followed that the parent company the International Tea Company took over other interests in Ridgways Limited, and the Star Tea Company who had their own perfin type up to 1929.

Kearley died in 1934 being then titled Viscount Devonport.

Kearley & Tonge do not perforate their own stamps but are under contract to Messrs. Slopers Ltd. All current values up to 5/- Mr Muggleton can obtain mint copies at face value should they be required but please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

BRADSTREET'S BRITISH LIMITED

This company whose address is, Adelaide House, London Bridge, E.C.4., is now called Dun & Bradstreet Limited and appear to have gone over to meter marks.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT For most of the above information
I am indebted to Messrs. D. Muggleton
and G. Hardcastle.

Editor.

"DETECTIVE, NELSON" OR- "HOW NOT TO TURN A BLIND EYE"

By D.Muggleton.

A few months ago I appended to the lists of "D" identities which were circulating at that time two scraps of card which had borne stamps perforated DRJ/Co and DWG. These pieces of card had been torn from the corners of postcards and on the reverse side contained minute bits of information which I hoped might help someone to unravel their identities.

I was delighted when Mr Nelson of Biggin Hill wrote to me and told me) that DRJ/Co was Dr.Jaeger's (Sanitary Woollen System) Co.Ltd. 95, Milton Street, London, and that, DWG was D&W Gibbs, Soap Makers, City Soap Works, 105-107,High Street, Wapping, London. E. (Telephone 25819 Avenue). Mr Nelson was also good enough to tell me how he had worked the oracle..... no, it was not a crystal into which he had peered but a 1911 Kelly's Directory.

Apparently, the Jaeger Co.Ltd. 196,City Road,London.E.C.1. are the successors of Dr.Jaeger and still use the telegraphic address STOCKINET which was shown on my first piece of postcard.

Mr Nelson had an East London High Street address, a telephone number, and the year 1911 as clues to the second identity. He says, "a quick visit to the Guildhall Library for the 1911 Kelly's and a quick look down the High Street in East London soon gave the information required". The name, address, and the telephone number all fit in with the words on the scraps of card, although the firm is no longer in existence at the address and has since been taken over by Unilevers Ltd.

I thought that Mr Nelson had solved my two problems quite brilliantly and I felt that both the information he obtained, and the manner in which he obtained it, worthy of publication to the rest of the group.

Similarly, the closing sentence in his letter is worthy of note "If you have any other leads which you would like chased up like those, I would be glad to be of assistance".

Thus I suggest that if any member has similar problems he should send them to Mr Bowman who will pass them on and publish any results.

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WHO KNOWS THE ANSWER?

Here are three perfin types which are on pieces containing clues to the identity of the user, can anyone supply the answer?

AP/C	2H	10,10/10	5½/5½	On cover emanating from the LOCKHEED HYDRAULIC BRAKE Co. Leamington Spa
CL/Co	2H	8,7/8	4¼/4¼,2½	Q.V. 1d Lilac on piece which shows, C----- LINDLEY Co.
JD	H	6,9	4½	Q.E.II on piece giving the telephone number, BRISTOL 26331-2-3 and part of telegraphic address, -----MMILES.

SOME RAILWAY PERFINs OF GREAT BRITAIN

By R. Bowman.

BARRY DOCKs & RAILWAY

BD/&R (Type 111) 2H 13,11/13,12 5½/5½mm.

Work began on this railway in November 1884, after Parliament had agreed to the request made by Colliery owners in the district, for an alternative port to Cardiff with a private railway running from the port to the coal mines. It was later incorporated into the Great Western Railway.

I have only seen this die on the Q.V. 1d lilac issue of 1881.

BELFAST & NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWAY

BNCR H 13,13,8,11 4mm.

First formed in 1860 and joined the Midland Railway in 1903, becoming part of the Northern Counties Committee. When the "Big Four" were formed in 1923 it became part of the London, Midland & Scottish Railway.

This has only been reported on the Q.V. 1d Red issue but in view of the 43 years that the Company retained the above name, it may well be found on other stamps.

BRECON & MERTHYR RAILWAY

BM/R 2H 13,15/12 5½/5½mm

A small railway in the south of Wales, which stretched from Merthyr Tydvil to join the Neath & Brecon Railway at the town of Brecon.

This die has only been reported on Q.V. 1d lilac 1881.

CAMBRIAN RAILWAYS

1/	CAM/RYS	2H	8,10,15/12,5,10	4¼mm.
2/	CAM/RYS	2H	8,10,15/12,8,10	5 mm.

The Cambrian Railway which served Cardigan Bay covered most of central Wales, stretching northward up the coast from Aberystwyth to Pwllheli. Inland it ran northward as far as Wrexham and southward to meet the Brecon & Merthyr Railway.

Die 1 I have only seen on Q.V. 1d lilac issue and die 2 on Q.V. 1d lilac and K.E.VII. From this it would appear that the second of the dies I have listed did in fact supersede the first, however the evidence is by no means conclusive. It is possible that as in the case of other companies both were used concurrently.

CORK BLACKROCK & PASSAGE RAILWAY

CB/PR 2H 8,14/10,12 5/5 mm.

A single line on the southern coast of Eire, which ran from Cork to Crosshaven.

Reported on K.G.V. 1911-12 and 1912-22 issues.

To be continued

ADDITIONS TO "B" IDENTITIES

Type 11 B.B/Co	2H	15,15/16,18,8	5/5,5,3¼	BAKER,BAKER & CO. Bristol.
BC	H	15,8	5¼	BLACKPOOL CORPORATION
B.C.	H	13,8	5¾	BARROW IN FURNESS CORPORATION.
BC/Y	2H	14,8/8	5/5	BRADFORD CORPORATION YORKSHIRE.
Type 111 BD/ER	2H	13,11/13,12	5½/5½	BARRY DOCKS AND RAILWAY.
B.G.C	H	14,10,8	4¾	BRADFORD GAS COMPANY.
Type 111 B&H	H	13,13,11	5½	BOURNE & HOLLINGS- WORTH LIMITED. London.
BIRK/BECK	2H	13,5,12,10/13,10,8,10	4¼/4¾	BIRK BECK BANK Ltd.
B.M/Co	S	13,15/8,6	5½/5½,2¾	BRADFORD MANUFACTUR- ING COMPANY.
Type 111. B&P	S	13,13,10	5½	BROWN & POLSEN Ltd,
BSA	H	13,10,10	4¼	BIRMINGHAM SMALL ARMS COMPANY.
Type 1 B&T	H	14,14,7	4½	BUTLER & TANNER Ltd. London.
BT/C	2H	13,7/8	5½/5½	BURTON ON TRENT CORPORATION.

"C" IDENTIFICATIONS

C	H	7	4½	CHARRINGTONS Ltd. London.E.C.3.
C	H	10	5¼	CONVOYS Ltd. London.S.W.6.
CA Type 1a	H	7,8	4½	CHURCH ARMY. London.W.1.
C&A	H	7,12,8	4¼	C&A MODES Ltd. Leicester.
CAM/RYS	2H	8,10,15/12,8,10	4¼/4¼	CAMBRIAN
CAM/RYS	2H	8,10,15/12,8,10	5/5	RAILWAYS.
C/AN/S	3H	10/15,20/14	3¼/8¼/3¼	ARMY & NAVY
C/AN/S	3H	8/10,13/9	4/8/4	CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.
CARR	D	7,8,10,10	4½	CARR OF CARLISLE.
CB Type 1a	H	7,11	4½	CITY OF BIRMINGHAM.
C&B	H	7,12,11	4½	CROSSE & BLACKWELL. Liprock.
C.B/B	2H	8,14/14	4¾/4¾	CADBURY BROTHERS. Bourneville.
C/BC	2H	7/11,7	4½/4½	CAMBRIDGE BOROUGH
CBC	S	7,12,8	5¼	COUNCIL.
CB/C	2H	7,11/7	4½/4½	CHELSEA BOROUGH COUNCIL. London.
C.B/GAS	2H	8,15/10,10,10	5½/4¼	CITY OF BIRMINGHAM GAS DEPARTMENT.
C.B.I.	S	9,14,5	5¾	CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
CB/PR	2H	8,14/10,12	5/5	CORK, BLACKROCK AND PASSAGE RAILWAY.
CBS/CR	2H	8,14,10/8,12	5/5	CORK, BANDON & SOUTH COAST RAILWAY.
C&B/SOHO Type 1	2H	8,14,14/10,10,12,10	4¾/5	CROSSE & BLACKWELL
Type 111a	2H	8,12,13/10,10,12,10	4¼/4¼	Ltd. London.
CB/W	2H	7,11,12	4½/4½	COUNTY BOROUGH OF WIGAN. Lancs.
CB/WD	2H	7,11/12,9	4½/4½	CITY OF BIRMINGHAM WATER DEPARTMENT.
CB/WH	2H	7,11/12,10	4½/4½	COUNTY BOROUGH OF WEST HARTLEPOOL.
CB/WH	2H	8,14/13,12	5/5	COUNTY BOROUGH OF
CB/WH	2H	8,12/17,11	5/5	WESTHAM London.E.15.

CC	H	7,7	4½	NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN. BRITISH EMPIRE CANCER CAMPAIGN. CHESHIRE CONSTABULARY. The Councils or Corporations of, CARDIFF; CROYDON, Surrey; CANTERBURY; CHELTENHAM; CHESTERFIELD; CROSBY, Liverpool.
CC/L Type 1a	2H	10,10/8	5½/5½	COPESTAKE, CRAMPTON & Co Ld London.E.C.4.
C/&Co C&Co./N Type 111 Type 111a Type 1a C&Co/N	2H	7/12,7,4	4½/4¼,4¼,1¾	CHARINGTON & Co. London.E.1.)) CHURCH & COMPANY) Northampton.
CC/W	2H	7,7/12	4½/4¼	C.C.WAKEFIELD & Co. London.
CD/C	2H	7,9/7	4½/4½	CRAWLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.
CFO/Ld	2H	7,7,8/6,6	4¾,4½,5/4¼,2¾	COUNTY FIRE OFFICE LIMITED.
C/G	2H	7/9	4¾/4¾	CONSOLIDATED GOLD FIELDS. London.
CGA Type 1a CG/&Co	H	7,9,8	4¼	THE COUNTRY GENTLE MENS ASSOCIATION Ltd.
CH Type 1a C/&H	2H	7,9/12,7,4	4½/4¼,4¼,1½	W.H.CORK GULLEY & Co. London.E.C.3.
CH Type 1a C/&H	H	7,12	4¼	CUMBERLAND HOTEL. London.W.1.
CH/MC Type 1 C.I.H/&S	2H	7/12,10	4½/4½	COLTHURST & HARDING Ltd. Bristol. CHAPMAN & HALL Ltd. London.W.C:2.
CH/MC Type 1 C.I.H/&S	2H	7,10/11,7	4½/4½	CAMBERWELL HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.
C.I.H/&S	2H	8,5,12/14,10	4/4	C.I.HAMBRO & SONS. London.E.C.
CL	H	7,6	4½	CURRIE LINE Glasgow.
CL	H	11,8	7¼,7½	CREDIT LYONNAIS. London.E.C.3.
CLC	H	8,11,8	4½,7½,4½	CITY OF LONDON COUNCIL.
CL/Co	2H	7,6/7,4	4½/4¼,1¾	THE COLCHESTER LATHE COMPANY. Colchester.

C/Ld	2H	7/6,7	5½/5½,3½	W.H.COLLINS SONS & Co.Ltd. Glasgow.
CLE/C	S	11,6,9/11	6,4¼,4¼/5½	CARLISLE CORPORATION
CLE/C	2H	7,6,9/7	4½/4½	Cumberland.
CLtd (Ltd in C)		20,6,6,6	16¼,4¼,2¾,2¾	CEREBOS LIMITED.
CMS	H	7,11,9	4½	CHURCH MISSIONARY
CMS/D	2H	7,11,9/9	4½/4½	SOCIETY. London.E.C.4
CN	H	7,11	4½	CENTRAL NEWS Ltd. London.
CN	D	7,11	4½,4½	CONDE NAST PUBLIC- ATIONS Ltd. London.W.1.
Type la CN/&Co	2H	7,11/12,7,4	4½/4¼,4¼,1¾	CLEMENTS NEWLING & Co Ltd. Wembley,Middx.
C/OF/A	S	8/6,7/10	5¾/3¾/5¾	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.
CORY	H	7,8,10,6	3½	
CORY	H	7,8,10,6	3¾(15mm. wide)	W.M.CORY & SON Ltd.
CORY	H	7,8,10,6	4 (14mm. wide)	Cardiff.
CORY/C	2H	8,10,11,8/8	4¼/4¼	
CORY/L	2H	7,8,10,6/6	3½/3½	CORY BROTHERS &Co.Ld.
CORY/L	2H	7,10,11,8/7	4½/4½	London.S.E.16.
CP	H	7,8	4½	CITY OF PORTSMOUTH. Hants. CHELSEA POLYTECHNIC.London. CHISWICK PRODUCTS Ltd. W.4.
C.P	H	8,10	5½	CAPPER PASS & SON Ld. Bristol.
CPR	H	7,8,10	4¼)
CPR	H	8,10,11	4½) CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
CPR	H	8,10,11	5)
CP/R	2H	7,8/10	4¼/4¼) London Office
CR/DC	2H	7,10/9,7	4½/4½	CHANCTONBURY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL. Pulborough.
CRO/HMC	2H	7,10,8/10,11,7	4¼/4¼	CROYDON HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. London.
Type la C&S	H	8,12,10	5¼,4,5¼	GEORGE COHEN & SONS LIMITED Stanningley,Leeds.
CS/L/SA	3H	7,9/6/9,8	4/4/4)
CS/L/SA	3H	8,9/6/9,8	4¼/4¼/4¼) CIVIL SERVICE SUPPLY
CS/L/SA	3H	8,10/10,10	4½,4¼/4¼/4¼) ASSOCIATION LIMITED
CS/L/SA	3H	8,12/7/12,10	4¾/4¾/4¾)
CS/L/SA	3H	8,13/7/13,10	4¾/5/4¾) London.
CC/L/SA	3H	10,11/11,10	5½/5¼/5¼)
CSS	H	7,9,9	4½	CUNARD STEAMSHIP LINE. London.

CU	H	7,8	4½	COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE LIMITED.
CU/G	2H	7,8/9	4½/4½	- ditto -
C/V	2H	7/7	4½/4½	COLNE VALLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
CW	H	7,12	4½	Used by: WESTMINSTER & WOLVERHAMPTON CORPORATIONS.
C.W	H	8,14	5½	WOLVERHAMPTON CORPORATION
C.W.	H	8,15	5½	CHARLES WINN AND Co.Ltd. Birmingham.l.
Type 1a				
C&W	H	7,12,12	4½	COURTIN AND WARNER Ltd. Lewes,Sussex.
CWS	H	8,14,10	4¼) CO-OPERATIVE
CWS	H	8,14,10	5½) WHOLESALE
CWS	H	8,13,10	5½) SOCIETY.
CWS	H	8,14,10	5)