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THE EXCHANGE PACKET

It has been suggested that members should make up their own books and that these should be circulated by me to interested members, the Group charging a commission of 10%. This I am willing to do and propose the following procedure.

Selling Members : make up books (not exceeding 7"x4½" in size) of individually mounted perfins with perfin written underneath and the price above. It is, of course, pointless to include common perfins on common stamps since all members will have more than enough without buying more. Tentatively I suggest these books should be confined to,

- a/ perfins on Q.V. or K.E. VII stamps.
- b/ perfins on high values (2/6d or over)
- c/ perfins on commemorative issues.
- d/ modern perfins on low value stamps if there is reason to believe that the perfins are rare.

The books should be sent to me and I will do the rest.

Buying Members : first of all let me know you want to participate. Books will be sent as and when available. They should be returned within 7 days with remittance for perfin bought, plus postage to you. (We have to charge this in case you only buy a few, when 10% would mean a loss to the Group. If you spend 5/- or more; the E.P. will stand the postage to you.

I should like to remind those members who do not take part that the normal exchange packets are run on approval lines and consist of some hundreds of individually mounted perfins. The perfin is written under each stamp and prices vary from one fifth of a penny each to a maximum of 1d each for K.G.V. and later issues, and 2d each for earlier issues.

J RUCKLIDGE

Packet Superintendent.

LIBRARY

For members wishing to borrow some of the larger books now in the Library (see over) a new service has been started which can save considerably on postages. The Librarian will search through these or any other available literature to find the answer to any specific question. A fee of 6d will be charged for this service and all queries should be accompanied by a remittance of this amount and a stamped addressed envelope for the reply.

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It is hoped that members will avail themselves of this service although, of course, the publications may be borrowed if required. A complete list of all the items in the Library will be published with the February issue.

Latest acquisitions :

1. Register of Defunct and Other Companies (Removed from the Stock Exchange Official Year Book) 1957.
Weight= 3lbs approx.
2. The Municipal Year Book and Public Utilities Directory.
Weight= 6lbs approx.

No.1 was donated by Mr J Nelson and No.2 by the Librarian.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

May we please remind members that certain subscriptions became due on January 1st and may still be outstanding? Look for a red mark on the front page to see if yours is due.

Similarly, at the risk of repeating ourselves, we should like to remind many of our members that subscriptions were put up to 10/- and to complete the current year a further 5/- is due or before March 1st. Please remit promptly so that we can ahead with the confidence of the necessary cash behind us. We are striving to give a better service and to improve the quality of the News-Letter but we do need the cooperation of each and every one of you.

DUPLICATOR FUND

We shall, from time to time, publish the figures of this fund until we are in a position to purchase our own duplicator.

The Fund now stands at £1 : 6: :-

ADVERTISEMENT

WE HAVE STOCKS OF MOST THINGS IN G.B., INCLUDING PERFINs ON 1d REDS, UNDERPRINTS, O.U.S., AND OTHER SIDELINES--AND, OF COURSE 90% OF STRAIGHT CATALOGUE LISTED STAMPS.

WE SHALL BE GLAD TO HEAR FROM YOU. WE SEND APPROVALS --- PREFER-ABLY AGAINST A WANTS LIST ----- WE'LL HELP YOU WE CAN-----AND WE PROBABLY CAN

WE BUY AS WELL. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING INTERESTING TO SELL IN G.B. LET US KNOW OR SEND IT ALONG WITH YOUR PRICE

JOHN AND MOLLY FOSBERY
24 SOUTH ROAD
NEWTON ABBOT
DEVON

WHO KNOWS THE ANSWER?

In our last issue we published a query from Mr Smith with respect to a perfin used by Sir Augustus Harris. The missing details have been sent in by Mr Young who has the full perforation on a 1d lilac Postmarked, Bedford St. B.O., and it confirms that the second letter is 'H'. The full perfin being: A.H. 10,12 6mm.

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----LIBRARY LIST---

1. Classification and Prices of Australian Official Perfins.
2. The Mysterious "T" Perfins of Tasmania.
3. What Price 'Perfins'?
4. Identification of Perfins.
5. Perfins, Spifs or Punchies.
6. How to use Tables for the French Perfins 'C L' & 'C N' and the Italian Perfin 'C I'.
7. Perfins of New Zealand.
8. List of Countries Which Have Used Perfins.
9. Ideas on Mounting Perfins for Exhibition. By R. Pritchard.
10. Catalogue of U.S.A. Perfins. (Incomplete)
11. Linns Weekly Stamp News dated 30.12.57.
12. Reproduction of Perfins.
13. List of G.B. Perfins on Line Engraved Issues. By C. Jennings
14. Simplified List of G.B. Perfins.
15. Catalogue of Identified Perfins.
16. British Stamp Perforated With Firms Initials. By F.H.Vallency
17. New Zealands Most Neglected 'Official' Stamp . By R.D.Samuel
(Stanley Gibbons Monthly ----April 1961)
18. Holes. By R.J.Sutton, (Stamp Magazine-January 1554)
19. Spifs Are Respectable. By Walt Taylor. (Philatelic Magazine--
31.12.54) and More About Spifs by Slocombe (Phil. Mag. 14.1.55)
20. G.B Perforated Official Stamps. By J.H.Chandler. (Stamp
Collecting----30.30.56)
21. Security Endorsements of G.B. By C.Jennings (Stamp Collecting)
22. Detective Work in Philately--Clues Submitted by D.J Muggleton
and Solutiouns by J.S. Nelson. (Stamp Collecting)
23. List of New Zealand Perfins and notes on Users. By R. Startup.
24. List of Danish Perfins. By the Van Lints and Enschede.
25. Register of Defunct & Other Companies (removed from The Stock
Exchange Register) 1957. (Approximate weight--3 lbs.)
26. The Municipal Year Book & Public Utilities Directory 1955.
(Approximate weight--6lbs.)

Requests to the Librarian, G. Holden 4, St. Francis Lodge,
Harrow Road, Wembley, Middx., accompanied by postage and,
recorded delivery fee. For information only, 6d search fee
and s.a.e required.