

Note: Underlined Catalogue Numbers are **unpublished New Dies with an identity**, and have been illustrated separately, along with other New Dies which lack an identity.

We start with 25,121 DD as at 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**From Roy Gault:**

B3640.01 BIGGS 13,5,10,10,11 4½ Ø Samuel Biggs & Son,  
Tinmen, 326 Old Rd, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked London EC. Die in use 1885-1890.

B3640.02 BIGGS 12,5,9,9,10 5 Ø Samuel Biggs & Son,  
Tinmen, 326 Old Rd, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked London EC. Die in use 1880-1890.

B3640.03 BIGGS 14,5,10,10,10 5 Ø Samuel Biggs & Son,  
Tinmen, 326 Old Rd, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Londo)n EC. Die in use c1895.

B6270.01 BROOK 11,10,8,8,9 3½ Ø Brook Street Art Gallery,  
20 Brook St, (then from c1904, 14 Brook St),  
Mayfair, London W1.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked London W1. Die in use 1900-1939.

C0278.01 CARDEN (Diag) 7,8,9,9,7,11 4½ Ø Sir Robert W Carden & Co,  
Stock Brokers, 3 Threadneedle St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* without postmark evidence. Die in use c1885. 'Carden' is an unusual surname, and this is the only likely contender when searching Trade directories c1885 - London (1884), Birmingham (1884), Liverpool (1883), Manchester (1886 - two: Charles E Carden, Engineer, and Robert Carden, Painter), Newcastle-upon-Tyne (1886), Cardiff (1886), Dublin - *no directories available*, Glasgow (1885), and Edinburgh (1885).

G1910.01f G&G 9,12,9 4½ Ia Ø Gordon & Gotch Ltd,  
Gordon House, 75-79 Farringdon St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* without postmark evidence. All known Sloper "G&G" dies with a Type Ia "&" were used by 'Gordon & Gotch Ltd. Die in use 1940-1952.

**G1910.01g** G&G 9,12,9 4½ Ia Ø Gordon & Gotch Ltd,  
Gordon House, 75-79 Farringdon St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked London EC, 28 JU/47. Die in use 1945-1948.

H4279.01 HK/&FB/T 12,10/12,8,13/7 4½ IIIa Ø H K & F B Thurber & Co,  
Preserved Provisions Merchants,  
9 & 11 Fenchurch Avenue, and St Andrew's Wharf,  
4 Upper Thames St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked Mark Lane, (London) EC. Die in use c1882.

In 1866, **Horace Kingsley Thurber** (1828-1899), continued the firm of 'Pupke & Thurber' (established in 1858 in New York) with his brother, **Francis Beatty Thurber** (1842-1907) as '**HK & F B Thurber & Co**', with branch offices in **London** and Bordeaux. Horace K Thurber retired from the business in 1884, and announced in an interview published in January 1884, that he would now '*step down and give the boys a chance*'. He was fifty-six years old at the time, and worth \$5,000,000,

H4950.03 HM/C° 12,15/8,6 5½ Ø Harrison, Moore & Co, Shipbrokers, Shipowners  
and Agents for Admiralty, Royal Danish Navy,  
and for Egyptian State Railways,  
4 Dock Chambers, Bute St, Docks.  
[Cardiff directories 1895, 1909, 1911, 1914].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked 'D57' Bute Docks, Cardiff. Die in use 1903-1905.

**Roy Gault continued ...**

H4950.04 HM/C° 12,15/8,6 5½ Ø Harrison, Moore & Co, Shipbrokers, Shipowners and Agents for Admiralty, Royal Danish Navy, and for Egyptian State Railways, 4 Dock Chambers, Bute St, Docks. [Cardiff directories 1895, 1909, 1911, 1914].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Bute Docks, Cardiff. Die in use 1905-1910. The company was no longer trading by 1914.

H5690.03 H&P 12,14,10 5 III Ø Harris & Pearson (Ltd), Firebrick Manufacturers, Brettell Lane, Brierley Hill. {Est 1852, ceased 1980s}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Stourbridge, and '995' (Brierley Hill). Die in use 1885-1922. Sloper m/c No. 6483, fitted with a *single headed* die, made c1885.

H6170.02 HR/DC 11,12/11,8 5½ Ø Hertford RDC, 'Wallfields', Pegs Lane, Hertford.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp (reported by *Philippe Antheaume*) postmarked (He)rtford. Die in use 1935-1954.

**I0004.01** I 4 4½ Ø Imperial & British Loan Co Ltd, 4 Howland St, Tottenham Court Rd, London W1. {Est 1882}. Die in use 1939-1941.

Note: The stamp, a 2½d 'Q' with wavy lines postmark was reported by Nigel Hall. The Sloper m/s ledger shows a single headed "I" for use by the 'Imperial & British Loan Co'. This die is assumed to have been destroyed in the "Blitz" on Sloper's Budge Row Works in May 1941. The replacement regular die was another single headed "I", but nothing has been reported. The latest references to the company I can find is in advertisements placed in newspapers during 1938 & 1939.

I1455.01v IKL 5,12,7 5½ Ø Ingram & Kemp Ltd, Gas Fittings Mfrs, New Town Row, Aston, Birmingham. {'Ltd' in 1900}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Aston Manor, Birmingham. Die in use 1900-1907.

I1455.03v IKL 4,9,6 4½ Ø Ingram & Kemp Ltd, Gas Fittings Mfrs, New Town Row, Aston, Birmingham.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Aston Manor, Birmingham. Die in use 1907-1915. The company also produced Electrical Fittings - e.g. suppliers to the Regent Theatre, Hinckley, in 1928.

I2190.01 IRON 5,11,10,13 4½ Ø Falkirk Iron Co, (R W Kennard & Co). Foundry: Falkirk Iron Works, Grahamstown, Falkirk. Cast & Iron Bar Warehouse: 67 Upper Thames St, London EC. [London directories 1881, 1882, 1884].

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked Londo(n). Die in use 1882-1883.

I2720.01 IXL in Oval 5,9,7 in 40 7 in 15x23 Ø Ayrton & Saunders, Manufacturing Chemists and Pharmaceutical Wholesalers, 34 Hanover St, Liverpool. Factory: Campbell St, Liverpool. {Est 1868}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked '466' Liverpool. Die in use 1881-1885. Note a Victorian tooth paste 'pot lid' shows "IXL" to have been their **Trade Mark**.

J2225.01 J.DUNK 7,12,10,13,10 5 Ø John Dunk, Tailor, 38 Queen's Rd, Brighton. {Est 1854, company still active in 1927. John Dunk (1828-1905)}. [Brighton directories 1867, 1878, 1899, 1905, 1911, 1915, plus BMD & Census records].

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Bri)ghton, although most extant examples are from receipts - highly likely if he was a Tailor. Die in use 1895-1900.

**Roy Gault continued ...**

K0422.01v KC<sup>o</sup>/L<sup>d</sup> 10,9,6/8,6 4½ Ø Kelly & Co Ltd,  
182, 183, & 184 High Holborn, London WC.  
{Sidney Allchin die, and a known customer of  
Sidney Allchin}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Lon)don. Die in use c1890.  
'Kelly & Co Ltd' became known as 'Kelly's Directories Ltd' from 1897 onwards - See also "K/DL<sup>d</sup>"  
(K0540.01v) et al - earliest known use is 24<sup>th</sup> December 1897 (K0550.02v).

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K0423.01 KC<sup>o</sup>/L<sup>d</sup>. 10,9,6/8,6 4½ Ø Kelly & Co Ltd,  
182, 183, & 184 High Holborn, London WC.  
{Sidney Allchin die}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Lon)don. Die in use 1890-1895.

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K0424.01 KC<sup>o</sup>/L<sup>d</sup>. 10,9,6/8,6 4½ Ø Kelly & Co Ltd, 182, 183, & 184 High Holborn,  
London WC. {Sidney Allchin die}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked London. Die in use 1890-1895.

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L1830.02 LEE 7,10,10 4½ Ø Arthur Lee & Sons Ltd, Steel, File & Wire Mfrs,  
Bessemer Rd, and Faraday Rd, Sheffield. [Sheffield  
Trade directories 1893, 1901, 1911, and Internet].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Sheffield. Die in use 1895-1905.

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L1830.02a LEE 7,10,10 4 Ø Arthur Lee & Sons Ltd, Steel, File & Wire Mfrs,  
Bessemer Rd, and Faraday Rd, Sheffield. [Sheffield  
Trade directories 1893, 1901, 1911, Internet refs].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Sheffield. Die in use 1905-1920.

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**L5760.16p** LW 6,12 4½ Ø Lloyd & Ward, Stock & Share Brokers,  
3 Throgmorton Ave, London EC2.

Note: Identity *suspected* from an entry in the Sloper m/s Ledger for "L/W" [1-1]. Die in use c1941.

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M5770.01 MUIR (Diag) 15,10,5,12 5½ Ø Thomas Muir, Son & Patton (Ltd by 1900),  
Coal Merchants, Colliery Agents, and Steamship  
Owners, 26 Yeaman Shore, Dundee. {TA "MUIR"}.  
[Dundee directories - 1896, 1900, and 1906].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Dundee. Die in use 1895-1905.

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N0150.01 N/A.V.L 13/10,9,7 4½ Ø National Anti-Vaccination League, London.  
[London directories, newspapers and the Internet].

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose QV newspaper wrapper, without postmark evidence, based purely on the  
unusual letters used. Die in use c1890. See also "NA/VL" (N0140.01), in use 1905-1915.

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N0750.01M NCS 13,8,11 6 Ø Newcastle-upon-Tyne Co-operative Society Ltd,  
Central Stores, 97-107 Newgate,  
Newcastle-upon-Tyne. There are numerous stores  
throughout the city, along with coal depots, a dairy,  
a bakery, and an abattoir.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Newcastle-on-)Tyne. Die in use 1928-1946.

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S2820.01 S.F 11,8 5 Ø Samuel Farmer & Co,  
Hosiery Manufacturer, 13 George & Dragon Yard,  
Briggate, Leeds. {Samuel Farmer (1865-1948)}.  
[1923 Leeds Directory, BMD & Census records].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked Leeds. Die in use 1911-1915.

**Samuel Farmer** (1865-1948) was born in Leicester, but by 1901 was working in Yorkshire in the Textile industry.  
In the 1911 Census for Ilkley, he's described as a Hosiery Manufacturer - Employer. He later returned to his native  
Leicestershire where he died 28<sup>th</sup> December 1948. Probate valued his estate at £35,328 (over £1,250,000 today)  
which he left to three 'Farmer' hosiery merchants (Samuel's sons) and a chartered accountant.

**Roy Gault continued ...**

S8135.01 SWIFT 10,15,5,8,7 4½ Ø Swift Beef Co Ltd,  
Central Buildings, 41 North John St, Liverpool.  
Also 2 Tudno St, Bootle.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked mainly Liverpool, but also Bootle. Die in use 1895-1922.

T4430.03 T.T. 7,7 5 Ø Thomas Tapling & Co,  
Glass & Furniture Warehousemen,  
31-45 Gresham St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked 'FB' and London 'Diamond' (Chief Office), which is London EC. Die in use c1879. See also "T.T" (T4420.03), and "T.T/°C." (T4495.03).

T5005.01 T/W&C° 7/16,14,8,6 4½ I Ø Thomas Walker & Co,  
Timber Merchants and Saw Mills, Albert Terrace,  
and Mainsforth Terrace, West Hartlepool.  
[1879 & 1890 Durham directories].

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked '029' (West Har)tle(pool). Die in use 1875-1880.

W3667.01 WHITE 12,10,4,6,9 3 Ø Alfred William White & Co Ltd,  
Railway and General Carriers, Railway Agents,  
Removers, Government Contractors, Furniture  
Removers, and Warehousemen, London Rd, and  
126a High St, Portsmouth. Also at the town  
Railway Station. {Established 1871, and still  
trading today as House Removers and Storage  
Specialists}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked '625' (Portsmo)uth. Die in use c1895. There were only two contenders in 1875, 1880, 1889, 1898, 1911 Portsmouth Trade Directories ...

- **The Timothy White Co**, Chemists, (who used four dies consecutively, from 1883-1935, so there would be no need for an extra Perfin).
- **A W White & Co (Ltd)**. Alfred William White (1841-1909), born in Birmingham, although he was baptised William Alfred White. He and his brother George Wallis White were Railway Clerks in 1861, but by 1871 William Alfred White was a Railway Superintendant immediately prior to setting up his own railway related business. In the 1881 Portsmouth census he's recorded as a 40 year old Railway Carrier & Agent (Master), employing 15 Clerks, and 70 men. Note also that 'A W White & Co' used specially printed 'Carrier Stamps', in 1d and 2d denominations - sorry I couldn't find an illustration for you, but I'd love to see on if you have one, or know someone who has!

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**From John Nelson:**

E3100.04 EMU 10,15,9 5 Ø Emu Wine Co Ltd,  
Wine Merchants, Emu House, St Leonard's St,  
Bromley-by-Bow, London E3.  
Die in use 1939-1941.

Note: Identity *suspected* because this die is "EMU" (E3100.04a) with a pin removed from the first letter to give a more convincing look to the "E" - see below.

E3100.04a EMU 10,15,9 5 Emu Wine Co Ltd,  
Wine Merchants, Emu House, St Leonard's St,  
Bromley-by-Bow, London E3. {TA "EMU"}.  
Die in use 1938-1939.

Note: Identity comes from the 'Emu' Trade Mark on the corner of a Trade Card to which was affixed a ½d 'Q'.

The 'Emu Australian Wine Co Ltd', Swan St, London E1, became the 'Emu Wine Co Ltd' in February 1934 (Newspaper report). Newspaper reports show that the new company was still operating from Swan St at the end of June 1935, but by 21<sup>st</sup> July 1935 they had moved to Emu House, St Leonard's St, Bromley-by-Bow, London E3. They were still at this address in a 1949 London Trade directory. The company was acquired by 'Thomas Hardy & Sons' in 1976.

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**From William Hall:**

C4522.01 CLIVE 8,7,5,9,10 5

**Confirmation:**

W B Clive & Co,  
Educational Booksellers, 13A Holywell St, Strand,  
London WC. Also associated with  
'University Tutorial Press Ltd', 25 High St,  
New Oxford St, London WC, and  
'University Correspondence College Press'.  
{TC pmk London WC, 19 DE 14}.  
Die in use 1890-1930.

Note: The Trade Card was headed with 'University Tutorial Press Ltd', 25 High St, New Oxford St, London WC.  
The title page of a book, 'The Tutorial History of England' by C S Fearnenside, MA, Oxon, has ...  
London: W B Clive, London Tutorial Press Ltd (University Correspondence College Press),  
157 Drury Lane, London WC.

**E2770.03p** EL/W 9,7/12 4½

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Evans Sons Lescher & Webb Ltd,  
Manufacturing Chemists, London EC1, and  
Liverpool. {Cover pmk Liverpool, 7 DE/42}.  
Die in use c1942.

Note: 4x2 block of 2/6d (gn) issue 'Q' with the SWP, along with a 1/- 'Q' with "ELW" (E2760.01a).

L0387.01 LBG 7,14, 10 6

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Leisler, Bock & Graig, Shipping Merchants,  
50 Princess St, Manchester. TA "BOCK".  
{QV ½d (br) Type 3 PostCard postmarked  
Manchester JA 18/88}. Die in use 1883-1890.

R1030.15v R&C<sup>o</sup> 12,13,8,6 5 III

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Robert Reid & Co,  
Australian Merchants, 19 Chiswell St, Finsbury,  
London EC. {QV ½d TC to Germany with an  
additional Perfined ½d stamp, postmarked  
London EC, DE 3 92}. Die in use 1890-1900.

Note: 'Reid & Co' were in business at 19 Chiswell St by 1<sup>st</sup> May 1889 through to the early 1930s. 'Buckley & Nunn Ltd' were also Australian Merchants operating from 19 Chiswell St from 1905 to 1940. 'Buckley & Nunn' had opened a drapery store in Melbourne, Victoria, in 1851, which was taken over by David Jones in 1982. *Both 'Reid & Co' and 'Buckley & Nunn' used Perfins in Australia.*

**Robert Reid** (1842-1904) emigrated with his family from Fife to Victoria in 1855, and after working for various companies, established the drapery business 'Warne, Adair & Reid' in Flinders Lane, Melbourne, in 1874. This became 'Wayne & Reid' in 1876, and then '**Robert Reid & Co**' in 1887. The H/O was moved to London by 1895, but also maintained branches in Australia. Had become 'Ltd' by 1902.

The 'Reid & Co' and 'Buckley & Nunn' connection. Catherine Lambert Reid (daughter of Robert Reid) married William Edward Copeland Bates in Victoria in 1892. He became a Director of 'Robert Reid & Co' and 'Buckley & Nunn', as did his wife Catherine Lambert Reid in 1893.

T2950.01 TL<sup>d</sup> 6,6,7 4½

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Thornhill Ltd, China & Glass Agents,  
19/21 Hatton Garden, London EC.  
{Cover pmk 'FS' London, DEC 30/1925}.  
Die in use 1925-1930.

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**From Paul Waldron:**

W3240.05 WG/&S 13,10/12,11 5 IIIa Ø

W Glendenning & Sons Ltd,  
Wine & Spirit Merchants, Blakett St, and  
St Mary's Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
Also 67 Shaftesbury Avenue, London, and Dundee.  
[Est 1867, and still active in 1958].  
{Registered cover postmarked Sandyford Rd,  
Newcastle-on-Tyne, 3 MY/30}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked Newcastle-on-Tyne. Die in use 1929-1930.

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**From Stephen Steere:**

C8260.02a CW 7,12 4½

**Partial identity completed:**

Willesden MBC, Including Borough Treasurer and Accountant, Town Hall, Dyne Rd, London NW6. {Cover pmk Kilburn - NW6, 3 JNE/1940}. Die in use 1939-1941

M0029.01 M (serifs) 29 8½

Hotel Metropole, King's Rd, Brighton. {PPC pmk Brighton, DE 31 13}. Die in use 1895-1915.

Note: The hotelier Frederick Gordon (1835-1904) owned a number of Hotels abroad, e.g. in Monte Carlo and Cannes. The Hotel Metropole opened in Brighton in August 1890, with London following a little later. During WWII the authorities requisitioned many of Brighton's large Buildings to accommodate the military. In 1941 the management of the Hotel Metropole, Brighton, were given just three weeks in which to vacate the premises. Inevitably, it was a scramble to try and clear such a vast building in such a short time, placing many items in store. It became an aircrew-holding unit for the RAF in October 1941, and wasn't handed back for civilian use until 1946.

F2610.01 FM (wide spaced) 8,15 4½

Forbes Munn & Co Ltd, East India Merchants, Dominion & Colonial Dept., 91 & 93 Bishopsgate, London EC2. {Combination cover pmk London 'FS', 23 MCH/1938, with "FM" (F2610.01) on a 3d 'M', and "FM" (F2610.01a) on 1/- 'M'}. Die in use 1920-1939.

J2080.01M J.D/&C°. 7,11/13,8,6 5½ III

**Confirmation:**

John Dickinson & Co Ltd, Paper Makers and Wholesale Stationers, Apsley Mills, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. Also King's Langley, Herts. {Illustrated cover pmk Hemel Hempstead, FE 21/01 with coded time H\*P for 8pm}. Die in use 1895-1910.

W0500.01a WB/C 12,11/7 4½

**Additional user:**

4. Wandsworth MBC, Municipal Offices, Wandsworth High St, London SW18. {'Clip' postmarked Wandsworth, 31 JUL/1944}. Die in use 1942-1945.

W2940.01ap W/G 12/9 4½

**Confirmation:**

5. Wood Green BC, Town Hall, Wood Green, London N22. Including the Sanitary Dept. {TC responding to a letter received 12.8.45}. Die in use 1941-1945.

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**From Nigel Hall:**

L2400.01 LG 6,9 4½

Ø Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Co Ltd, H/O 7 & 8 Cornhill, London EC3. Also 150 Union St, Aberdeen.

Note: Identity *suspected* from the 'L. & L. & G.' identification from the envelope flap pasted onto a 'clip' of the front of the envelope - postmarked Aberdeen, 28 JUN/1941. Die in use c1941. This may well be "L&G" (L2420.091a) known used as early as 8 May 1941, and used immediately prior to the manufacture of their new "L&L/&G" die (L3550.01M), known used as early as 28<sup>th</sup> July 1941.

O0860.02 OHG 10,12,10 4½

**Confirmation:**

Giddy & Giddy, Estate Agents, 1 Station Approach, Maidenhead. Die in use 1928-1937. {Senior partner was Oswald Cyril Horton Giddy (1900-1980)}.

Note: 'Particulars of Property/from Giddy's, Windsor/ ...' stamped in mauve on a cover addressed to Ascot, then re-directed to London, and finally re-directed to New York, all for a KEVIII halfpenny!

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**From Maurice Harp:**

E1100.01 eDe 10,16,10 5½, 9,5½ **Confirmation:**  
Ede Brothers & Co, Merchants,  
2 Albert St, St Mary's, Manchester.  
{Cover pmk '498' Manchester, 9<sup>th</sup> November 1875 -  
Bill Pipe}. Die in use 1875-1890.

E1790.01 EGO 8,10,10 5½ **Confirmation:**  
Edward George Oakshott,  
Seed & Corn Merchant, Blagrove St, Reading.  
Die in use 1882-1890.

Note: Confirmation comes from a QV 1d (br) Post Card (Type 3), postmarked Reading, 29 OC/87, signed  
'*Oakshott & Millard*'. {Also reported by Jeff Turnbull, and Richard Husband}.

Trade directories show that Edward George Oakshott was in business on his own account in Reading by 1874 (at 32  
Broad St), and in 1883 (Blagrove St, and Station Road), but on 5<sup>th</sup> February 1887 the company became known as  
'*Oakshott & Millard*' (newspaper report) - the partner being James Henry Millard (1845-1921), M.R.A.S. By early  
1891 the company, and Edward George Oakshott himself, were declared 'in Bankruptcy'. (Commercial Gazette,  
Jan-Mar 1891).

G1620.01 G.E.R 10,10,13 5 **Confirmation:**  
Great Eastern Railway,  
H/O Liverpool Street Station, London EC. {Cover  
dated 17 April 1877}. Die in use 1870-1884.

J1710.01 J C/&S 7,8,12,10 4 IIIa **Confirmation:**  
John Cooper & Sons,  
Wholesale Boot & Shoe Manufacturers.  
Manufactories in Coombe St, and Brighton Rd,  
Croydon. Steam Factory, Warehouse & Offices:  
Southend, Croydon, and Redcross St, Leicester  
(Late York Tanning Co). {Cover postmarked  
'938' Croydon, SP 12/79}. Die in use 1875-1885.

P4245.01 P.S/D.M 11,13/12,15 5 **Confirmation:**  
William Pope & Sons,  
Wholesale Warehousemen, Silk Mercers, Woollen  
Drapers, House Furnishers, etc., Downham Market,  
Norfolk. {Cover annotated 'Pope'}.  
Die in use 1877-1880.

T4020.02M T.S 8,11 5 Ø Thomas Sanders Ltd,  
Cabinet Brass Founders, St Mary St, Ladywood,  
Birmingham.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked '75' (Birm)ingham. Die in use 1872-1880. See also  
"TS/B" (T4070.02), in use 1895-1952.

V0070.01 V.A 9,10 5 Ø Victoria (Mutual) Assurance Society,  
Finsbury Sq, London EC.  
Later at 1 & 2 Chiswell St, London EC (by 1884),  
and 2, 3, 4, 5 Memorial Buildings, 16 Farringdon St,  
London EC (by 1902). {Est 1860, Vol Liq 1909}.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked London EC. Die in use 1875-1909.

V0815.01 V.H 9,12 5½ Ø Vesey Holt & Co,  
Army Bankers, 17 Whitehall Place, London SW.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamps postmarked London, including London SW. Die in use 1870-1877.  
The firm are thought to have also used "VH/&C<sup>o</sup>" (V0830.01), in use 1881-1885, a 'Frank Braham' die.

**Maurice Harp continued ...**

V1455.01 V.P/L 9,11/7 5 Vicars & Poirson, 'Fleur de Lis' Art Needlework, 104 Newgate St, London EC. {Illustrated cover postmarked London, 3 JU/89}. Die in use 1885-1895.

Note: An 1891 London Directory also lists their factory at 105 & 107 Farringdon Rd, London EC, and describes them as *designers & manufacturers of novelties in plush, felt, linen & all art materials, silks, chenilles, fringes, beads, pouches, and fancy articles for presents*. The company was still active in 1939.

V1630.01 VS/&C<sup>o</sup> 9,10/14,8,6 4 I Ø Vickers, Sons & Co Ltd, Steel Mfrs, 56 Palmerston Bldgs, 34 Old Broad St, London EC. Works: Sheffield.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp pmk London 'Diamond' (Chief Office), and London EC. Die in use 1868-1905.

V1630.03 VS/&C<sup>o</sup> 9,12/13,10,6 5 III Ø Vickers, Sons & Co Ltd, Steel Mfrs, 56 Palmerston Bldgs, 34 Old Broad St, London EC. Works: Sheffield.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked London 'Diamond' (Chief Office). Die in use 1869-1890.

V1632.01 V.S/&C<sup>o</sup> 9,11/16,10,8 5½ II Ø Vyse, Sons & Co, Wholesale Mfrs of Hats, 76 Wood St, London EC.

Note: Identity *suspected* from loose stamp postmarked London 'Circle, London EC. Die in use 1872-1874.

W6240.06 W&R 15,15,13 5½ IIIb Wilton & Riddiford, Solicitors, King St, Gloucester. {Cover pmk '312' Gloucester Station, JY 7/180}. Die in use 1875-1890.

Note: Cover addressed to a resident in Stroud is annotated 'Wilton & Riddiford, death of ...'.  
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**From Philippe Antheaume:**

H7720.01M HW/&C<sup>o</sup>. 11,15/13,8,6 5 III Hitchcock, Williams & Co, Mfrs of Mantles, Costumes, and Millinery, St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4.

Note: Proof of a *positive* identity comes from a combination piece - 1d issue code I with H7720.01M, and 1½d also issue code I with H7710.06 - H7710.06 is known with a positive user. Die in use 1915-1939.  
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**From Jeff Turnbull:**

B3210.03a BH 14,12 5½ Bradbury & Hirsch, Commission Merchants, 19 Queen Buildings, 11 Dale St, Liverpool. [Cover pmk Exchange, Liverpool, MY 30/92]. Die in use 1881-1900.  
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**From Stefan Wrammerfors:**

J7940.02 JTS/&C<sup>o</sup>. 7,7,11/12,8,6 5 IIIa Ø J T Salvesen & Co, Shipowners & Shipbrokers, Grangemouth.

Note: Identity *suspected* from a loose stamp postmarked (Gran)gemouth. Die in use 1925-1930.  
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**RE-NUMBERING:** None reported.

**DELETIONS!** None reported.

**We finish with 25,121 DD from 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 plus 17 new dies = 25,138 DD, and 282,245 DDF. 16,034 GB Perfins have known or suspected users (63.8%) as at 28<sup>th</sup> August 2023.**

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