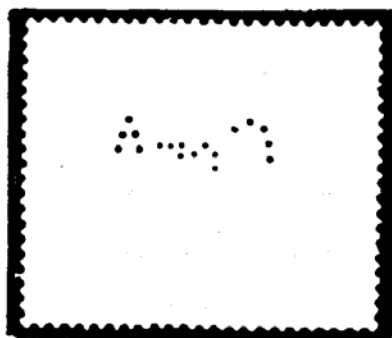


AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSION PERFIN



David Anderson, one of our Australian members, has shown us the above damaged example of "C OF A". As many of our readers will know this machine was withdrawn from service in 1937 following "extensive damage to the pins". This example is on SG477 so must be later than 1939 and shows us just how extensive that damage was. I wonder why the damaged machine was pressed back into service. Has any other members any examples of this damaged state ?

This is an example of a damaged perfin being an important and interesting piece, rather than the rubbish we often think damaged examples to be. Damage is usually progressive and can be traced as it deteriorates over the years.