

# The Perfin Society Bulletin

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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES To end of October 1996 Total Members 342

### NEW MEMBERS

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### TREASURER'S REPORT DAVE HILL

The accounts are audited at 31st August every year but shortly after this date I make payments, which affect the figures.

For instance, of the £5,361 members' credit at 31st August, £788 represents subs paid in advance due on 1st September. A big thank you to those who do pay in advance.

I pay out to vendors in the auction just over 4 weeks after each one closes. On 4th September I paid out £3,111 but of course even at that late date £1,951 was still owed by buyers. This means that £1,160 needs to be deducted from the auction surplus of £5,992 to give a more realistic figure for the surplus for the 8 auctions in 1995/6 of £4,781. (We don't always have an auction in August though but please pay promptly anyway.)

The cost of the Bulletin is £169 over subscription income but part of this cost is printing and postage of the auction lists which comes with it, so this can be taken from the auction surplus too.

John has a large stock of the New Illustrated Catalogues on hand; for this reason the publications figures show an excess of expenditure of £1,044 over income. Large bills are expected from the printers.

Brunnel still owes £840: the US Perfins Club is aiding us to recover this.

Financially we are healthy. I would welcome any ideas for expenditure that would be of utility to officers and members (i.e. not freebies!) I will investigate payment by VISA again now that our bank (TSB) has closer links with Lloyds.

INCOME & EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 1996

<u>INCOME</u>	£	<u>EXPENSES</u>	£
Subscriptions	1845	Bulletin	2017
	+£28587	Meetings	211
	- £22595	Assoc. of British Phil. Societies	110
Interest	187	Bowman Prize	10
Publications	+£1390	Officers expenses/post/ Printing	544
	- £2434	Corporation Tax	42
Packet	79	Surplus	<u>4243</u>
Photocopying	<u>115</u>	Total	<u>7177</u>
Total	<u>7177</u>		

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST AUGUST 1996

<u>ASSETS</u>	£	<u>REPRESENTED BY</u>	£
Cheques)	25	Accumulation Fund	
Cash)	45	1 <sup>st</sup> September 1995	5766
Bank	7242	Surplus	4243
GIRO	583	Members' Credit	5361
60 Day A/C	7130		
Premium Bonds	150		
Publications a/c	<u>195</u>		
Total	<u>15370</u>	Total	<u>15370</u>

SECRETARY/TREASURER    DAVE HILL

If you have paid your subscription you should have your membership card. If not, the amount you owe will be written on the envelope label of this Bulletin. If you do not pay, your membership will lapse and you will no longer receive the Bulletin.

You can pay your subs with your auction payment; separate cheques are not necessary.

Member Douglas Cutler suggests a list of members E MAIL addresses. If you have this facility let me know and I will compile a list. You can let me know on your next letter to me (auction payment etc.) but please highlight it, otherwise I might miss it. Do not expect a member or officer with E MAIL to pass on a message to anyone else without E MAIL unless you have made arrangements to do so.

Perhaps a member with E MAIL will volunteer to maintain this list once set up as I have not got the facility and my computer will not support it. I know little about it either. For example, will it be better to have separate lists for different countries?

Spring Stampex comes early again next year; 22nd-26th January at the Business Design Centre, Islington, London. You can get free tickets for ALL days now. There were mixed reactions to this venue last time but with the increased interest in stamps, large new exhibitions and fairs have sprung up to suit collectors in all areas (almost!)

#### Perfilex '97 - MARCH 28-30 1997

The Perfin Club Nederlands (PCN) will celebrate their 10th anniversary in March 1997 with an International Exhibition on Perfins. This will be at The Netherlands PTT-Museum, Zeestraat 82, The Hague, The Netherlands from Friday to Sunday March 28th to 30th. There will be perfin collections of many countries on display, an original POKO machine in working order, an auction on the Saturday and an International Trading Session on the Sunday.

#### North East Philatelic Weekend May 1997

This is to be held at the Swallow Hotel, Gateshead. Amongst important speakers and displays, the stamp designer Jennifer Toombs will be returning by popular request. Participants will have a chance to show a frame of their 'gems' and say a few words about them.

Manchester Stamp Fair - Saturday and Sunday 28-29th December 1996 at The Matchpoint Centre, Bramhall, South Manchester. Up to 280 Tables. 10-30am to 5pm.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS Rosemary Smith.

Another excellent post-bag from members over the last few months. (Don't get too complaisant - keep writing in.)

At the London meeting on November 16th I asked if I could put out 28 pages (plus 4 new identities pages) for this issue. Probably this would mean pushing the postage over to the next weight. As you can see from the accounts, the cost of the Bulletin (including Auction lists) is more than your subscriptions; overseas postage appears to be more heavily subsidised than inland. It was agreed by members present that there would be no bar to the number of pages in the Bulletin.

The meeting was well attended but due to the refurbishment of part of Baden Powell House we had to use a much smaller room than usual and no tea or coffee was provided. Despite the crush the members had a good discussion on the items raised and one consolation about the size of the room was that everyone could hear what was being said - not always the case in the Library.

6 members attended who had not been before and I trust they were made to feel welcome. I myself managed to have conversation with four of the six.

The Perfin Society is the custodian of a number of Sloper perforating machines which were salvaged from the works when Slopers closed its door at Royal Tower Works. The Club Nederland had asked if they could borrow a Sloper machine to display at PERFILEX '97 at The Hague. (See elsewhere in the Bulletin about this.) The meeting agreed that Roy Gault, who stores most of these dies, sorts out two machines which perforate single and double or multi-dies and they can be sent to Perfin Club Nederland on permanent loan for their exhibitions.

The matter of advertising in the Bulletin was raised and the opinion adopted by the meeting was:- members who have material to exchange or who need special material for display, competition, exhibition or to complete a theme etc will be allowed to ask, via the Bulletin, for help from members; a non-member who is seeking perfins to enhance a philatelic topic will be allowed to ask via the Bulletin; any person, particularly dealers, who are wanting to advertise perfins for sale will NOT be allowed to do so through the Bulletin. Such material should go through the auction lists.

## MEMBERS' COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS ARTICLES

What Is It? Bulletin 284/12.

JOHN NELSON thinks that to be a postmark of Tooting, the figure 28 would need to be in a circle. The one illustrated appears to be an obliterator used in the London Inland Office.

The Earliest Known Perfin Cover? Bulletin 263/3.

In Bulletin 263 was the report of a cover to Peru with perfins C2087.01 (C.D/&C) dated MARCH 6TH 1869. Once again this date has come to light - this time PHIL BUTCHER reports a cover with a GR/W perfin, 1d Plate 104, dated 6-3-69.

Sierra Leone 2/WIR Perfin Bulletin 281/16-17; 283/11.

JACK BRANDT has reported holding another copy of the SG27 ½d green with Freetown pmk. He also has a new stamp - SG87 1d dull purple and rosine with the Multiple Crown CA wmk dated SEPT 1904, again from Freetown.

JOHN BUTTON reports:-

SG45 2½d QV postmarked Freetown

SG74 1d KEVII postmarked Freetown 24-2-03

Overprint and Perfin Combined (Forgery?) Bulletin 284/5.

PAUL DAVEY writes:- "Further to Tony's note I can add that I have examples of Chinese stamps bearing both genuine perfins and forged overprints. These are cheap stamps with poor forgeries and wisdom suggests that, in post-war Shanghai, dealers who offered packets of "1000 China-all different" were in the habit of adding to their stock by means of a home made overprint. They used perfined stamps as well as normal. I have seen forged perfins on China - though never the combination.

As a footnote, the Mandarin Trading Co (an auctioneer in the US, specialising in China/Asia) has a copy of SG4, the lca large dragon of China with perfin N.C.H. in sale No.22, as lot 105. Described as '...only few copies known (Ex Mizuhara)' the pre-sale estimate is US \$2500. A copy of the same stamp, without perfin, would estimate around \$100-150 depending on cancel/condition etc."

Crosse & Blackwell Bulletin 280/12-15; 281/9; 282/9.

JOHN BUTTON has C0500.04 (C&B) on a cover with the return address of 20 Soho Square, London W1 and the name of the firm 'Jas Keiller

& Son Ltd'. Keillers (of marmalade fame) were acquired by Crosse and Blackwell in 1919. John has this perfin on GV Photo ½d and GVI dark colours ½d, 1d and 1½d with earliest date of 15-11-36 and latest March 1938.

#### Sloper Advertising Leaflet Bulletin 283/3-4.

MAURICE HARP writes:- "We can date it (the leaflet) a little closer. Until the death of Joseph Sloper the company was just known as Joseph Sloper. After his death on the 18th June 1890 his two sons, Percy and Eustace, took over and the company was incorporated and became J Sloper & Co.

The premises at King William Street were demolished in 1914. Finally they have used the QV penny red block.

So that puts the advert between 1890-1900 or at the outside from 1890 to 1915."

#### Sloper's Advertising Leaflet Bulletin 284/8-9.

MAURICE HARP has re-checked Kelly's entry for the T/B&C° identity. He agrees that the entry is listed as THOMSON (J), BONAR (T) & Co, Merchants. DAVID SCOTT reports another cover - 6 days earlier than mine i.e. 24-3-71 but the Plate number is the same - 138. The handstamp identity is identical to mine but does show J THOMSON. T BONAR & CO LONDON. Surprise, surprise!! The two covers are to the same person at Cliffe, Lewes. JOHN NELSON has also confirmed the identity from his directory and the address of 57% Old Broad Street. (See next article)

#### Perfins Still In Current Use Bulletin 284/4. George Dyke.

The correct identity for perfin 'NR' is now (1996) simply Norton Rose. JOHN NELSON used to work for this firm and he informs me that the name was changed in 1988.

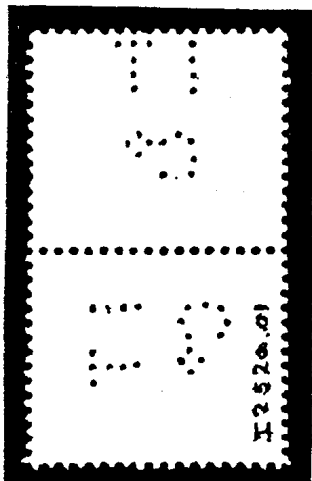
By a strange coincidence, one of the firms which had offices at 57½ Old Broad Street at the same time as Thomson, Bonar Co was Norton, Rose, Norton & Co., Solicitors.

Thanks to DAVE HILL for the single entry this time.

LB/G L0390.01M 2nd class London Borough of Greenwich.

The up-to-date list of perfins in current use is with Dave Hill who will supply a list if you send a S.A.E. Some of the perfins have more than one identity as user. It would be nice to know which of these names is currently using a perfin.

Dies On Adjacent Stamps In Odd Positions Bulletin 279/11.

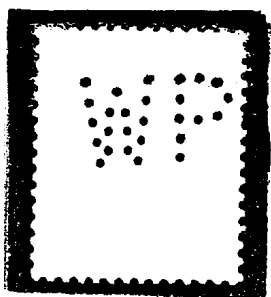


JOHN BUTTON has sent the photocopy of this pair of IT/C<sup>o</sup> (12520.01) perfined stamps. They are 18p QEII deep violet decimals in a similar format to the M.D.D. pair shown in Bulletin 279. In the New Illustrated Catalogue with Details it is noted that this die is believed to be a single headed die.

W.W.II POLISH ARMY IN PARIS PERFINS Bulletin 282/23.

From MAGNUS WERNER comes this added information:-

The Catalogue ANCOPER: Perfins of France and Colonies lists a perfin WP (Cat No. WP 28) without stops. It was used in Paris 1927-1932. The name of the user is not known. In my collection I have this die on the 2 fr. 1920 Liberty and Peace issue as well as the 30c Sower (light blue), issued 1925. The catalogue gives this perfin the rarity factor 5 on a scale from 1 (common) to 8 (rare). In an article in The Perfins Bulletin (USA) of July/August 1992 by Stefan Czarniecki, which deals with the story of this perfin, the W.P. is mentioned with stops after each letter, as it is in the article by Crozier. Neither article includes a picture of the die. The Czarniecki article illustrates, in slightly reduced size, and face up, a 10c and a 20c Mercury stamp of 1938-42, supposedly with this die. The picture is too blurred to offer a clue.



The questions are:- Is there a "W.P." die?

Might the Polish War Chancery have come into the possession of the old "WP" perforator and used it during a short period in 1940?

If so, the date of use or the stamp issue would determine the scarcity of the perfin.

GERMAN POL PERFINS

At the April meeting in London someone asked Burkhart Beer, "when did the German POL (Politzia) perfin stop being used?" According to an article in the "Philatelie und Postgeschichte 153 1993" the German P.O. prohibited all perfins being used on January 1st 1966.



MISSING PINS  
From JACK BRANDT

G(de) PERFIN G1390.01 Bulletin 218/9.

In 1985 I wrote a short article about the G(de) perfin of A.de Gruchy S Co Ltd, St. Helier, Jersey. I was making the point that at sometime in its long use, this die lost a pin from the 'D' and I was trying to pin point when this occurred.

I had three replies to that article but never passed on the information. Since that time I have added to my collection of this perfin and so from information received and the additions to my own stock I can narrow down the missing pin.

The die is found complete on 1d reds, Plates 174, 195 and 213. Still complete on 1d lilac with DE 17 96 cancel. By KEVII, 1d dated JU 2 02, it was broken and stayed that way. This leaves a gap of 6 years. Can anyone fill in any dates between - with or without the missing pin?

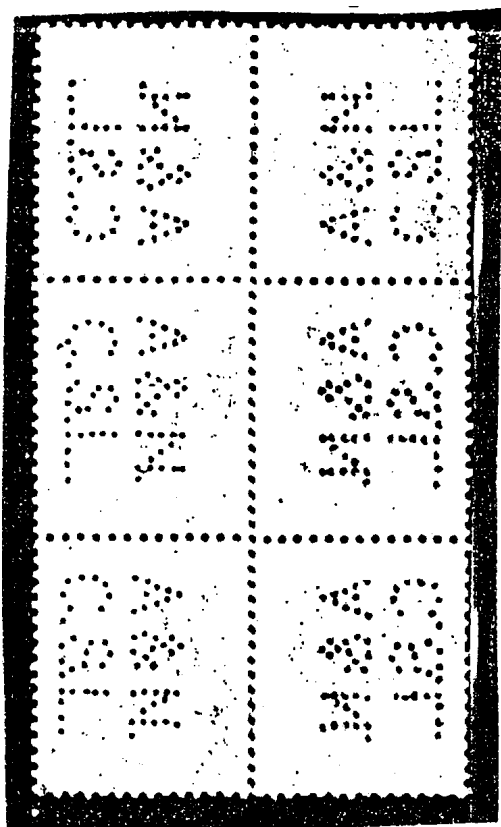
"P" PERFIN P0010.21.

This perfin has no identified user but all examples I have seen have Liverpool cancels. I have 7 copies of this perfin, 5 of which are missing one pin. 6 of my stamps are the 1d lilac, which includes the 2 complete ones. Unfortunately only one has the date available and it is JU 8 94. By OCT 8 95 it was broken and remained that way on copies in 1899 and 1902. So we have narrowed this one down to a little over a year. Can we get closer?

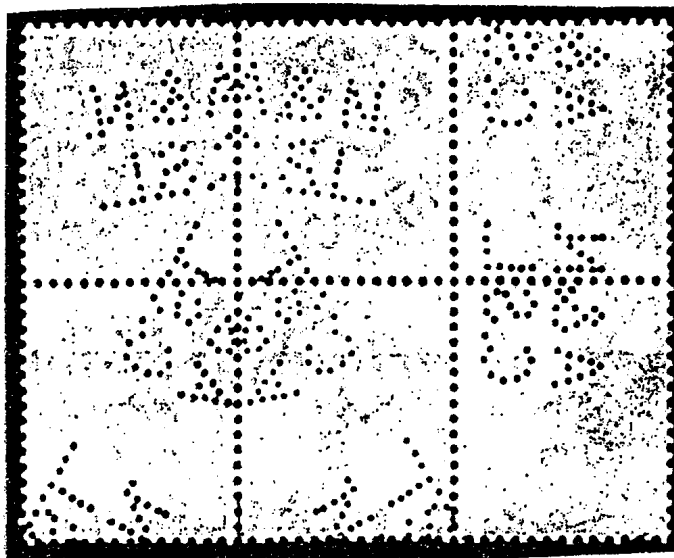


## A&N./C.S.L. PERFINS

Another quirk of coincidence has thrown up two almost identical photocopies and pieces of information. DAVID SCOTT and JOHN BUTTON have blocks of ASN./C.S.L. (A4210.01/4210 .01a) and the photocopies give some interesting data. Two different dies are shown in the one block with variations of normal, reversed, sideways up and sideways down. Is this a multi die x 2?

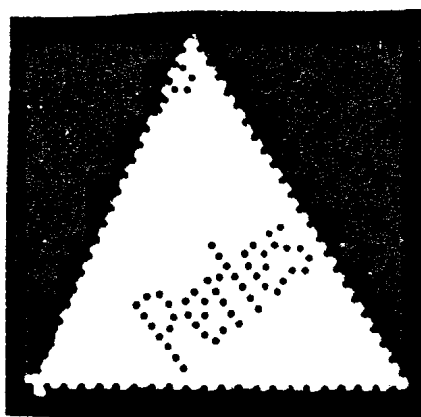


One block has some very imaginative folding before perforating. Had the operator had 'one over the eight' the night before?



## PERFORATED TRIANGLE STAMPS

By GUNNAR BECK



Some years ago I bought a collection of perfins which included an Austria triangle stamp perforated "Perles".

How common are they?

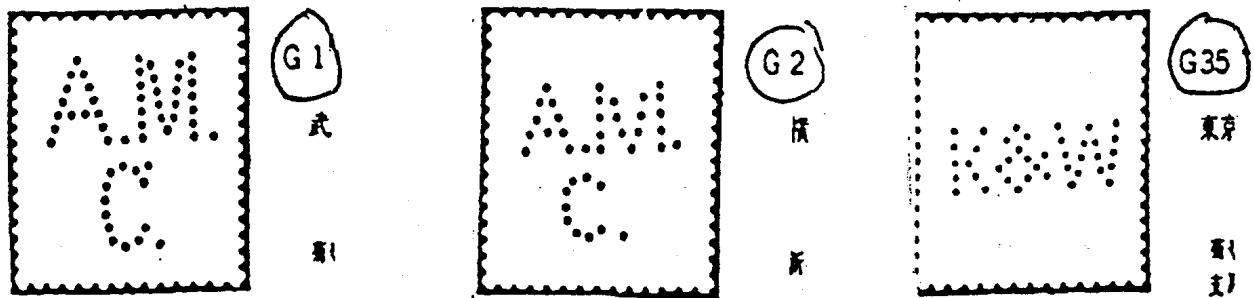
I have never seen or heard about one before. Maybe other perfinned triangle stamps exist from other countries?

New Zealand perhaps?

NEW IDENTITIES OF JAPANESE PERFIN From GARY SHAYLER.

Since my article appeared in Bulletin 282 I have had some response from members. It is obvious that the Adachi catalogue is used by collectors of Japanese perfins. Maybe these members would be pleased to add the following new identities to their Adachi catalogue.

- |     |         |                  |
|-----|---------|------------------|
| G1  | A.M./C. | A. Meir & Co.    |
| G2  | A.M./C. | A. Meir & Co.    |
| G35 | KSW     | Kelly Walsh Ltd. |

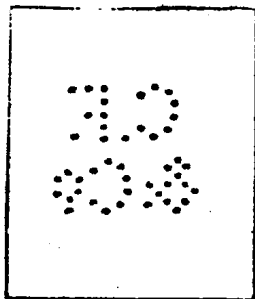


Details of postmarks or dates would be useful.

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SEEN IN AUCTION

From GUNNAR BECK in Denmark.



"At a stamp auction in September 1994, a single Danish perfin, C.F./&C<sup>o</sup>. was sold for £325. With tax and 40% premium the price was £467. The estimate was £42. Today the tax is only 25% on auctions.

The stamp was on value 'Skilling' (SG42). Only 3 'Skilling' stamps are known in Denmark. The value is normally 'ØRE', but also 'ØRE' stamps are very rare with this perfin.

I doubt if the same stamp will ever reach this same level of bidding".

From ALASTAIR WALTER.

Melstamps Postal Bid Sale 4th September 1996

Lot 868 "Perfins on 80+ covers, KE-QE + 2 U.S.A. items.

The Bulk are decimal Machins, much more elusive than earlier perfins." (!!)

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## MEMBERS' WANTS; QUERIES; NEWS: ETC.

PAUL DAVEY is trying to find out which USA stamps were used with perfin at the US Postal Agency in Shanghai. Ideally he wants to know the pattern, the stamp (SG or Scott #) and any date legible from the cancel. Details of any cover would be a bonus. (As Paul is hoping to move house shortly it may be as well to send any replies to me - Editor - in case letters go astray. I will ensure replies are passed on.)

ROY COOPER - is looking for perfins, or any p/cards, t/cards or ephemera connected with THE ELDER DEMPSTER SHIPPING LINES. Write direct to Roy.

MAURICE HARP, our former Librarian who is now working in Singapore for a few years, has offered to edit a new 'History of British Perfins'. Our first President, Charles Jennings, produced a duplicated history for private circulation to members of the Society in 1968. If any member feels he can contribute, please let me know.

Perfins with Cricketing Connotations were asked for in Bulletin 282 page 13. Non-member PETER STREET, made a plea for perfins, which had even a remote connection to cricket - Peter having a thematic collection of 'Cricket On Stamps'.

Peter tells me that member David Pocock from Australia wrote to him with a very ingenious idea. As no cricketing stamps as such appear to be perfined, why not use the letters of perfins to represent cricketing terms. David suggested four:- C&B (Caught & Bowled); LBW (Leg Before Wicket); MCC (Marylebone/Middlesex Cricket Club); RO (Run Out). Perhaps you can think of others. If anyone has spares of these perfins and would be- willing to donate them for his display

JOHN BUTTON has been accumulating perfins on KGV Downey Heads, being curious to see to what extent Die I wmk crown and simple cypher and Die II wmk crown, simple cypher and multiple cypher were used.

Has any research been undertaken on this subject or is anyone else working along similar lines? Write direct to John.

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## MORE THAN A COINCIDENCE

Maurice Harp

Having just completed writing the piece on Sloper's Penny Red advertising block with T/B4C<sup>0</sup> (Bulletin 284) I turned up the F.A.Hancock advertisement shown in Bulletin 270 as I remembered at the time there was also speculation as to whether the perfin die F.A.H was known to exist. Looking at the quality of the "stamp" it is also clearly just a line engraved block illustration made for the advertisement and not an actual penny red as might have been thought of at first. Then to my surprise I noticed that both illustrating blocks had the same corner letters i.e. BK/KB.



That both illustration blocks should have the same corner letters is more than a coincidence - either Sloper copied the advert of Hancock or Hancock copied Sloper's. My first reaction was that Hancock copied Sloper but it is not so clear. Hancock's advert in Bulletin 270 dates from 1878 but he first set up in business late in 1873 and was probably advertising from an early date. Two Sloper adverts are shown in Nelson's book with the T/B&C<sup>0</sup> die illustration; one is clearly dated June 1878 but the other is undated. At one time this undated advert was thought to be very early as it's addressed from Walbrook House which Sloper left in 1875, but it mentions postcards which were not introduced until October 1870 so probably can be dated to 1871-1875.

So on balance then it would appear that Hancock saw Sloper's advert, thought that the use of a perfinned stamp as an illustration was a good idea and asked the printer to make a block like it for his advert but with the initials F.A.H. The printer would not have realised the significance of the corner letters and would have copied them as well.

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## PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY

Rosemary Smith

From information to date - October 1996 - there seems to be eight (8) major different pre-printed stamps which are on the Post Office issued wrappers that were then perfinned for various users. Four (4) for QV wrappers; Two (2) for KEVII wrappers; Two (2) for KGV Downey Head wrappers. In 1917 the KGV Typographed type head was issued on a wrapper but no such use with a perfin has surfaced in this survey to date. According to A K Huggins in "British Postal Stationery" no wrappers were issued for KEVIII or KGVI although there are 'Stamped To Order' wrappers for KGVI.

As perforated Newspaper Wrappers are by far the most widely used item of Perforated Postal Stationery I think it politic to divide the research into two sections. The perfins found on the QV wrappers will be dealt with in this issue and in the February Bulletin the wrappers of KEVII and KGV will be covered.

Very few wrappers have printed identification of user on them: a few have handstamp identification. Quite a number of recordings are from cut-outs only and for this reason it is important that full wrappers are examined and any clues to identification, date, die or postmark are reported. Even if you have cut-outs only, please check with the following data and if you have anything different, please report.

I have taken data from my own collection; Mary Thornton's research in Bulletins from 1962 and 1963; The Cinderella Philatelist October 1965 and October 1966; reportings since 1983 from Ewart Sanders, E J Enschede, Arthur Smith, Brian Birch, Roy Gault, Mrs C Parsons, G Winter, Reg Powell, Michael Rucklidge, Bob Schwerdt and Jack Brandt. The chapter on this subject from Charles Jennings' book is referred to in the tables.

There are three different pre-printed stamps on the known perforated Newspaper Wrappers of QV. They form the basis for the following four groups of wrappers.

Type 1	QV ½d green	First issued 01-10-70
Type 2	QV ½d green	First issued 11-70
Type 3	QV 1d brown	First issued 09-78

Type 2 QV ½d brown First issued 05-79



Type 1



Type 2



Type 3

Where an identity is in brackets ( ) it is assumed this is the identity from the Society's entry in the Tomkins Catalogue of Identified Perfins. It has NOT been found on an identified wrapper.

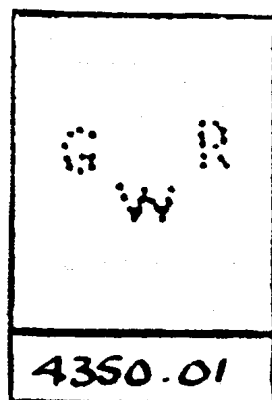
Where the perfin has been found on a cut-out stamp only, this is denoted by an asterisk - '\*'.

Where there is a 'C' in the 'Latest' column this denotes a die taken from The Cinderella Philatelist. Many of the illustrations were not accurate and I would very much appreciate confirmation of die number and any other details.

Where there is a 'J' in the 'Latest' column this denotes a die taken from Jennings' book, details of which I have found are not always accurate. Later research has corrected some earlier assumptions made in this book.

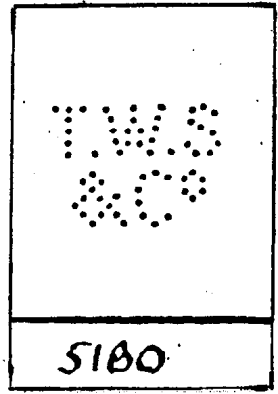
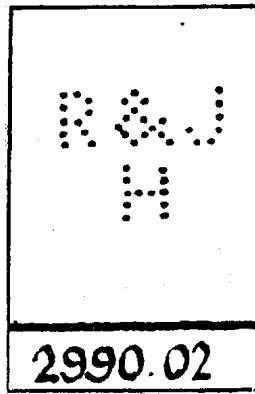
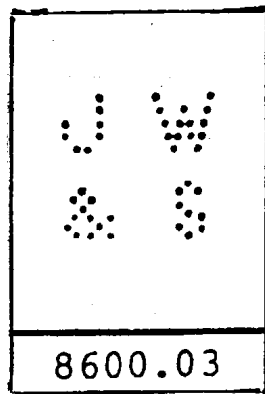
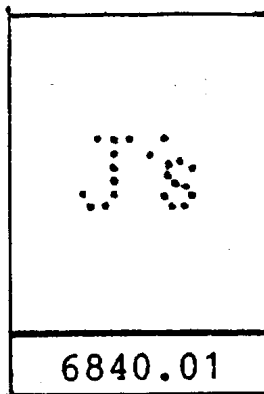
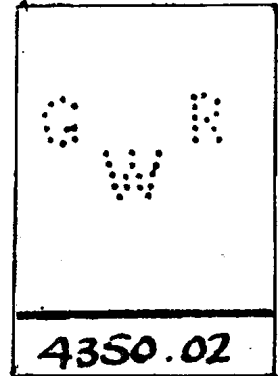
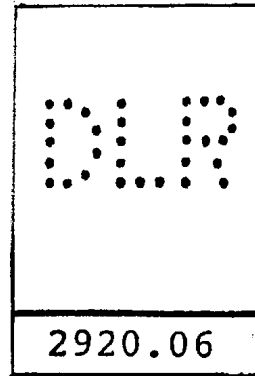
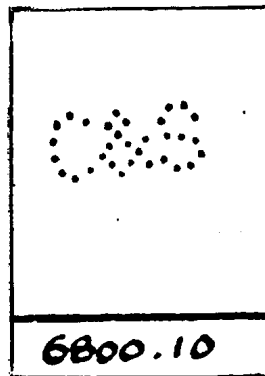
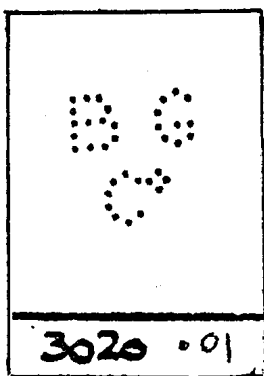
Wrappers with Type 1 - QV ½d green—stamp

<u>Cat.No.</u>	<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>IDENTIFIED USER</u>	<u>EARLIEST</u>	<u>LATEST</u>
G4350.01?	GR/W	Great Western Railway		C



Wrappers with Type 2 - QV ½d green - stamp (no date)

B3020.01	BG/C°	(Browne Geveke & Co)	
C6800.10	C&S	(Churchill & Sim)	C + J
	Jennings had this down as Geo. Cohen & Sons but it is now known to be Churchill & Sim.		
D2920.06	DLR	(Thomas De La Rue)	C
D ?	DLR	(Thomas De La Rue)	1901
G4350.02?	GR/W*	(Great Western Railway)	12-4-77
J6840.01?	J's	(Jeyes limited, London)	J
J8600.03	JW/&S	Stoke-on-Trent pmk	16-5-01
R2990.02	R&J/H	* London pmk	9-7-01
R2990.02	R&J/H		C
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C°	(Thomas Wilson, Son & Co, Hull)	



Wrappers with Type 2 - QV ½d brown - stamp

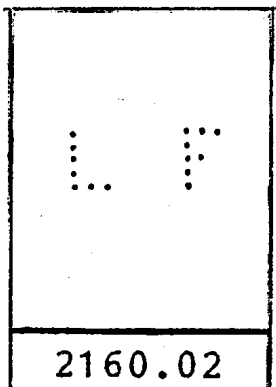
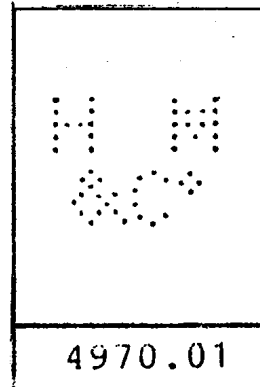
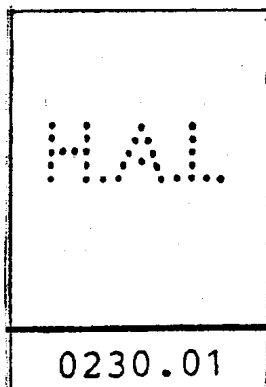
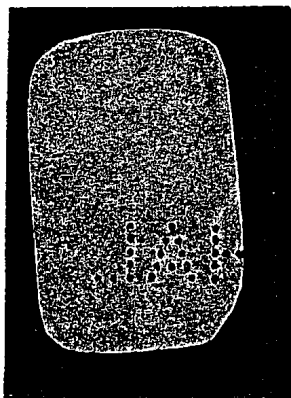
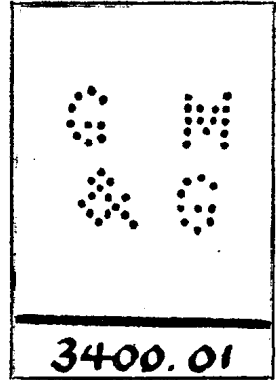
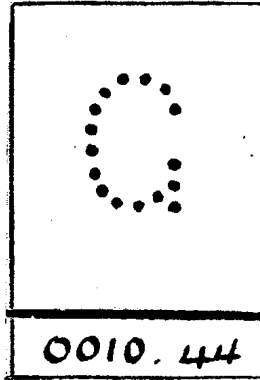
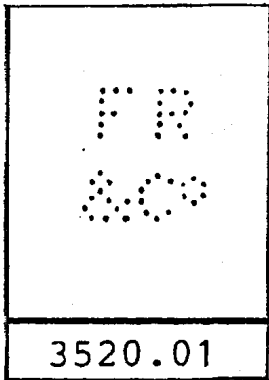
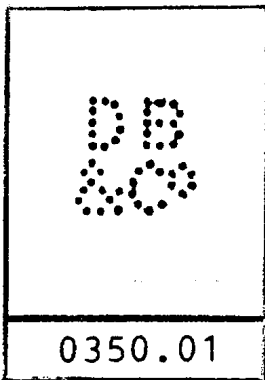
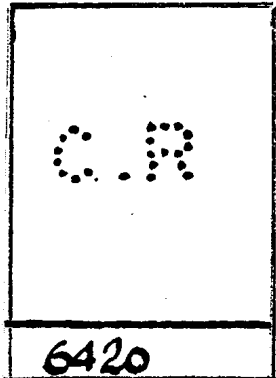
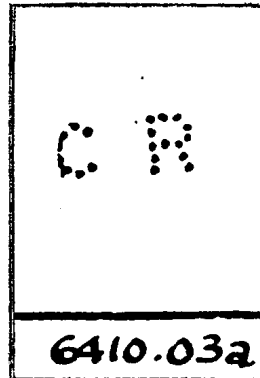
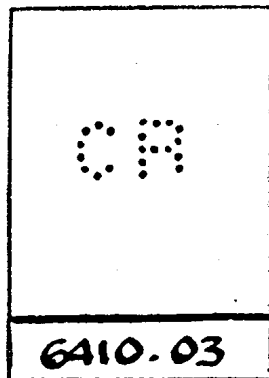
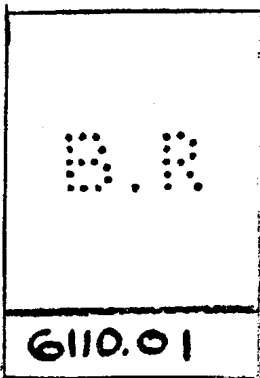
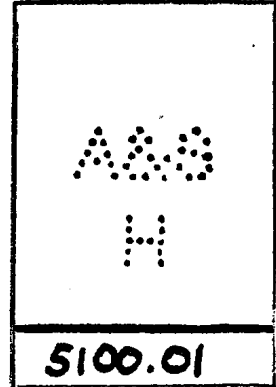
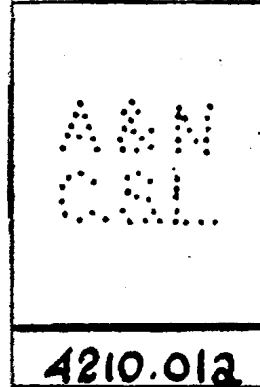
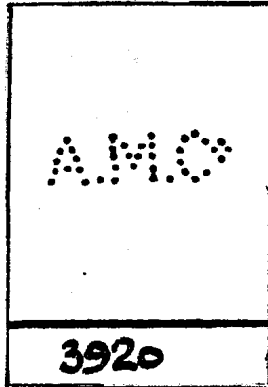
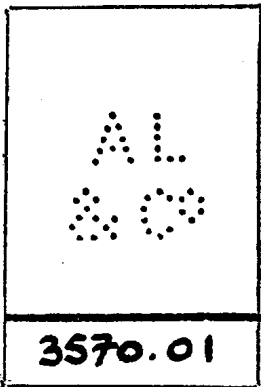
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A3920.01	A.M.C°		6-6-89
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A5100.01	A&S/H	Hull pmk	1898 C
B3020.01	BG/&C°	(Browne Geveke & Co)	+J

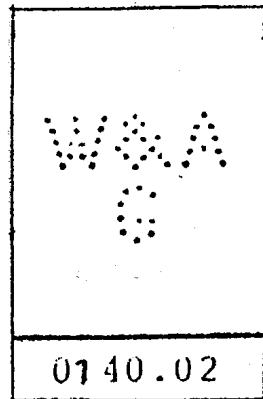
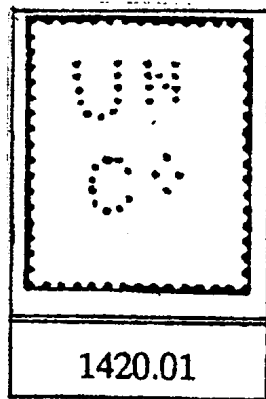
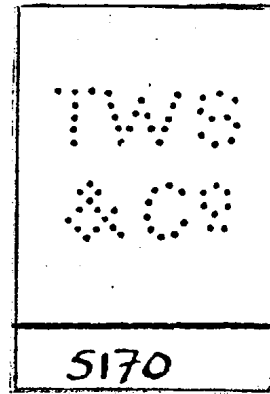
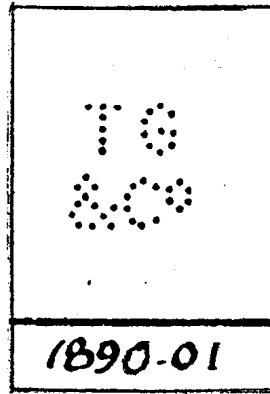
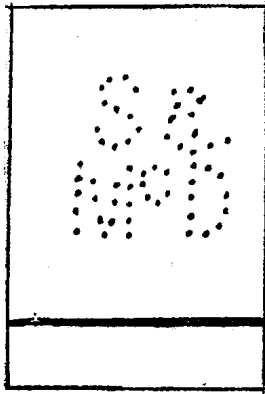
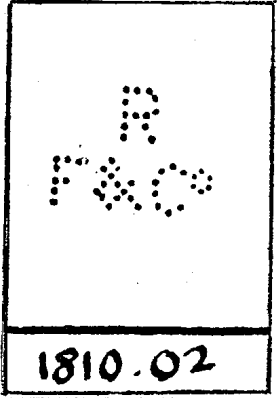
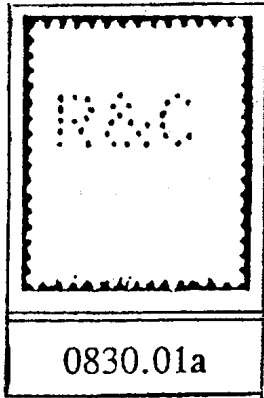
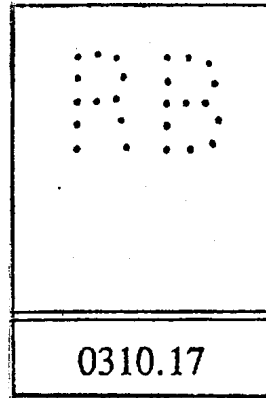
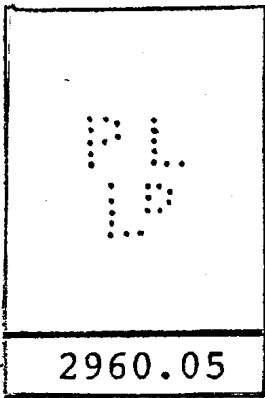
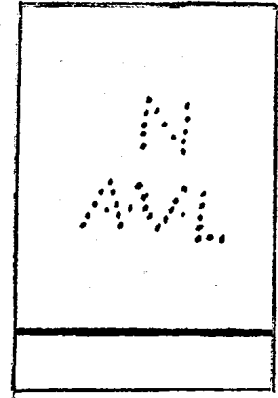
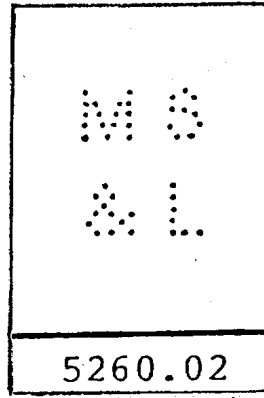
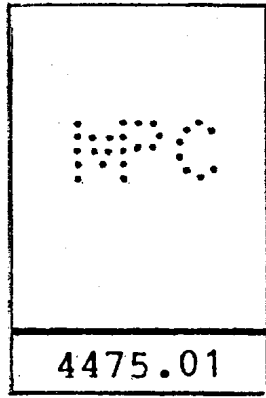
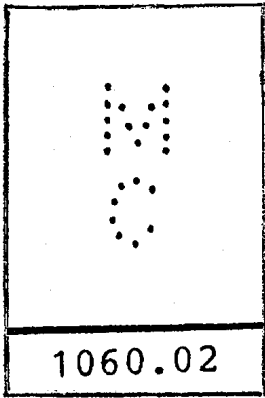


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C6410.03	CR	*		
C6410.03a	CR			C + J
C6420.01	C.R	*		C + J
		Jennings has these CR & C.R as from Caledonian Railway but confirmation is needed.		
D0350.01	DB/&C <sup>o</sup>			C
D0920.06	DLR	(Thomas De La Rue) x3	3-8-99	
F3520.01	FR/&C <sup>o</sup>	(Fletcher Russell & Co?)		J
G0010.44	G			C
G3400.01	GM/&G	(Ginner, Morton & Goddard) x3		+C +J
G4350.02	GR/W	(Great Western Railway)		
H0220.02	HAL	*	8-2-99	
H0230.01	H.A.L	(Henry A Lane & Co Ltd)		C + J
H4970.01	HM/&C <sup>o</sup>	Hoare, Marr & Co, EC x3	10-7-95	+C
J8600.03	JW/&S	Stoke-on-Trent pmk	23-1-01	
L2160.02	LF	London EC pmk	6-3-94	
M1060.02	M/C	(Manchester Corp)	30-11-82	
M4475.01	MP(joined)C	(Martin Perls?)		
M5260.02	MS/&L	* (Manchester, Sheffield & Lincs Railway)	23-5-94	
		Oldham pmk		
N New	N/A.V.L	London pmk	1900	C
P2960.05	PL/Ld	* (Pawson & Leafs Ltd)x3		+C +J
R0310.17	RB	*		
R0830.01a	R&C	* Manchester pmk	10-1-00	
R1810.02	R/F&C	(Robinson, Fleming & Co London, EC)	1898 P.O.issue	C
R ?	R&S/H	In Jennings-said to be used by Reckitt & Sons, Hull-but no such die recorded in Edwards or Gault catalogues. Copied by Mary Thornton in her research.		
S New	S&/McD	(Stewart & MacDonald Ltd) Glasgow pmk.	1883	C
T1890.01	TG/&C <sup>o</sup>	Thurbers, Gates & Co	8-5-83	
T5170.01	TWS/&C <sup>o</sup> .	(Thomas Wilson, Son & Co.Ltd, Hull)	6-4-81	
		( Ditto )		
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C <sup>o</sup>	( Ditto )		C

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W0140.02  
W ?

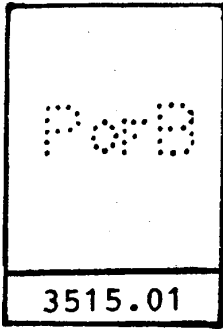
Un/Co Union Steam Ship Co Ltd x4  
WSA/G \*(W & A Gilbey) +C  
W.J/&C \*Throgmorton St. pink 6-3-84





Wrappers with Type 3 - QV 1d brown - stamp

P3515.01 PofB Printed on wrapper:- 28-9-85



"SCHOOL MASTER OR MISTSESS,  
----- SCHOOL,  
----- STREET,  
BIRMINGHAM"

Many wrappers from the Barbara Kloss collection were reported as perfin letters only - no details of reign or die. They are therefore not included here but if the new owner of these items would send accurate details I would be very grateful. There were quite a number of different perfins to those I have tabulated both here, in the QV range, and in the next set of tables for KEVII and KGV.

If anyone has wrappers of the two kings, I would be pleased to receive details of these during December so that the information can be incorporated with my present file. I would guess that the data on the wrappers with the two kings' stamps will be' as long as this one has been.

Postal Stationery Cards - Up-Date

I have had an excellent response to the first part of this topic on Perforated Postal Stationery. Thirty two pieces of new information have been sent to me from eleven members.

Because of the length of the latest article, and the next one on Postal Stationery Wrappers of KEVII and KGV, I intend to leave all the up-date information on the whole subject until all my present basic information has been published. Hopefully, this will give members time to look out their Postal Stationery items and report any new facts. It will also help to ensure that the up-dated information is as complete as possible and not spread in bits and pieces over a number of issues of the Bulletin.

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In the course of compiling the latest section of the New Illustrated Catalogue (the R's), I noticed a small number of perfin dies which clearly exist in two states - one with pure initials and the other with 'Ld' or 'Ltd' added. This prompted me to explore the rest of the alphabet from all catalogue sources to compile a list in the hope that a pattern could be established regarding date of introduction etc. In all I only found a handful of examples that appeared to match, but no doubt more will come to light in due course.



R1370.01

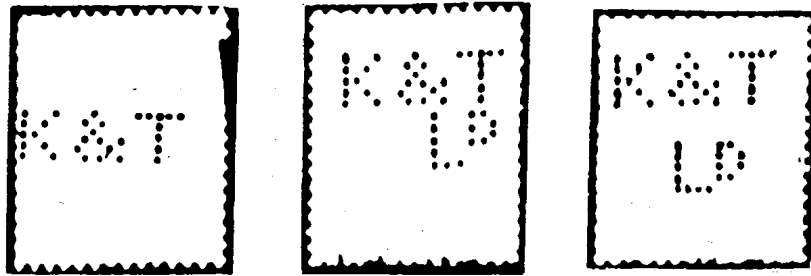
R1390.02

A typical example of a 'matched pair' is illustrated above where the die RD/&C° (R1370.01) has been modified to become RD/&C°/L<sup>d</sup> (R1390.02). Although the user is as yet unknown, both are found with Cardiff and Aberavon (Port Talbot) postmarks. Dated examples indicate that the modification took place sometime between 19th March 1900 and 1st April 1901.

At this point it may help to give a few 'broad' definitions taken from Merritt & Clayton's "Business Law". For example, a company can be either a partnership, or a company registered under the Companies Acts. In the case of a partnership, each partner's liability for the debts of the firm is *unlimited*. Thus, if the initial share in the capital of the company is absorbed in the discharge of the firm's debts, then the personal assets of each partner also become liable.

On the other hand, members of companies registered under the Companies Acts have limited liability, in that they are only liable for the debts of the company up to the extent of the value of their shareholding in the company. To make this fact clear, such a company is obliged to use 'Limited' as the last word of their name.

An exception to the 'pairs' title is the 'triple' involving K&T (K1690.01), and the two versions of K&T/L<sup>d</sup> (K1710.05/05a). The user is known to have been Kearley & Tonge, Tea Blenders, Mitre Square, London EC, who became a Limited Company on 17th March 1895. This fits in very well with the latest known date used for K&T (K1690.01) as 18th April 1894, and the earliest known date used for K&T/L<sup>d</sup> (K1710.05) of 22nd February 1896.

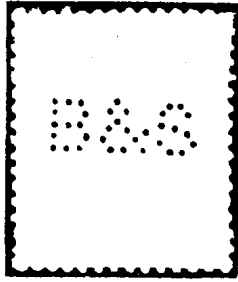


In many cases the 'Limited' portion has clearly been added to the die, presumably to reflect the new status of the company. However, in a small number of cases, judging by the issues and dates involved, the 'Limited' portion has been removed for reasons as yet unknown. Of particular interest is the sequence for B&S (B6430.01A), which was in use 1890-95, B&S/L (B6710.01) in use 1936-39, and B&S/L<sup>d</sup> (B6730.03) in use 1885-90. I am confident that they are all from the same die (note the characteristic 'S'), but the die-in-use dates do not form a logical pattern. All three are illustrated on the next page.

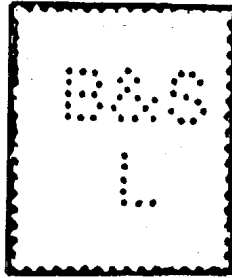
Please help by searching through your collections for the dies illustrated in the article and let me know the issues and values you hold, along with any postmark information such as a date or post town

Rather than give a list of catalogue numbers, I have chosen to illustrate all the dies involved so that everyone can take part in the survey regardless of whether or not they have access to an Illustrated Catalogue. I would also be delighted to hear from anyone who can add further examples or perhaps provide details for any of the companies involved, especially when they became Limited.

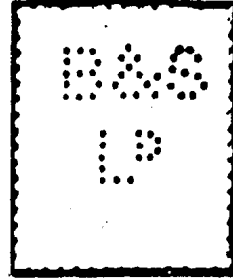
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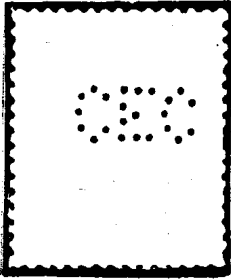
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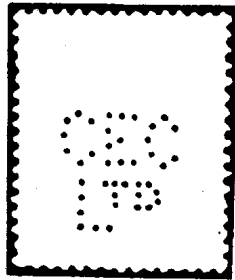
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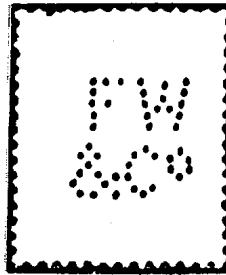
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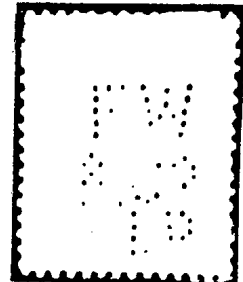
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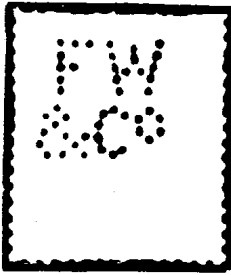
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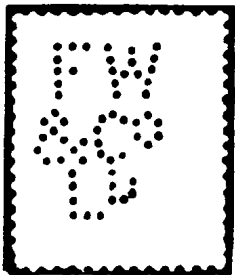
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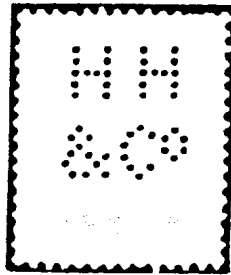
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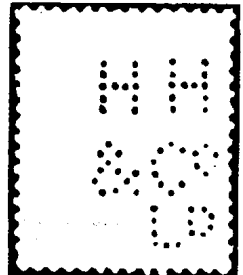
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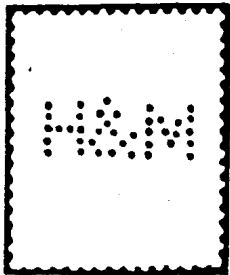
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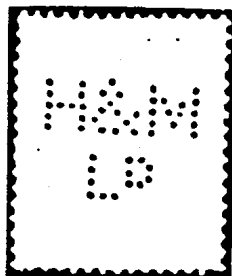
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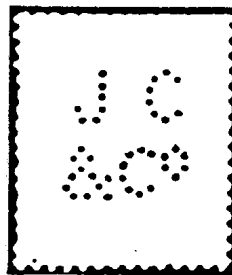
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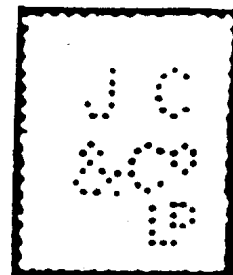
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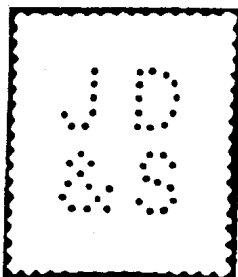
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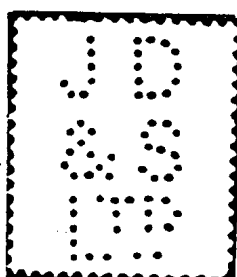
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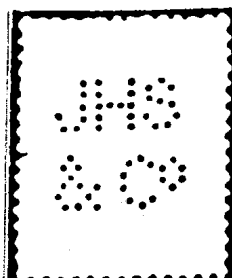
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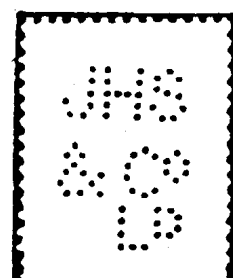
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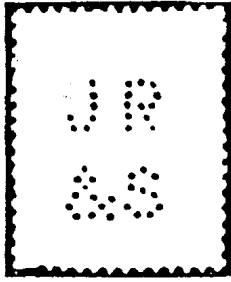


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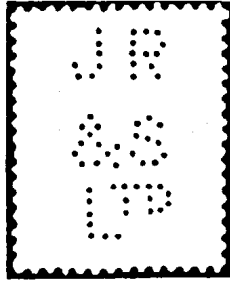


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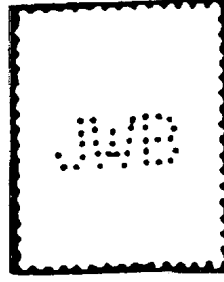
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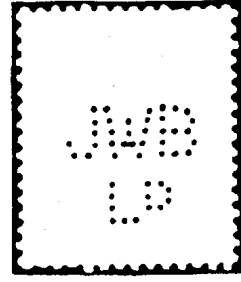
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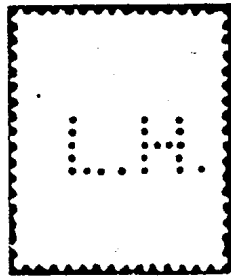
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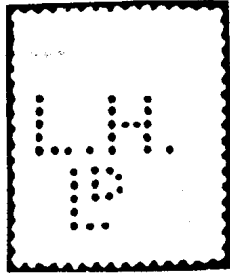
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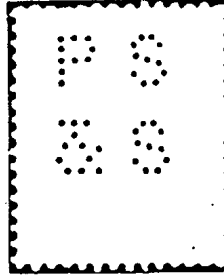
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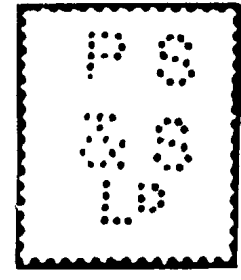
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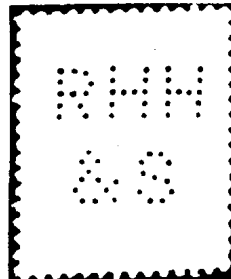
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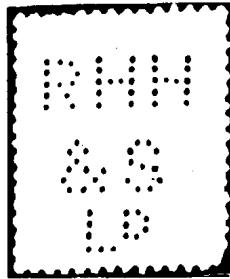
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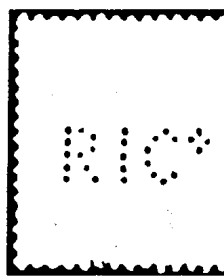
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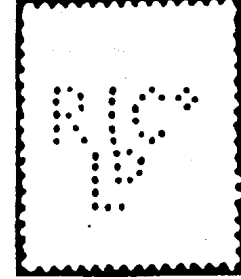
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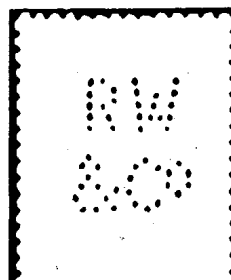
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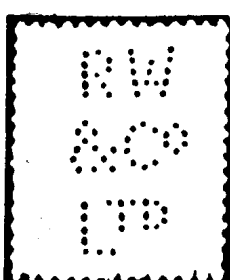
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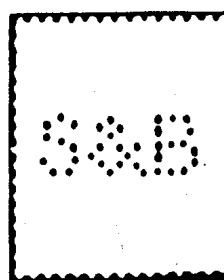
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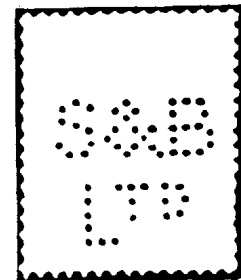
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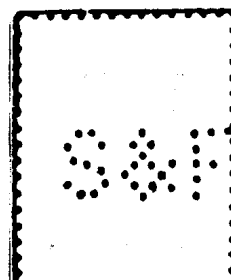
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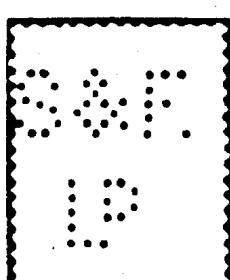
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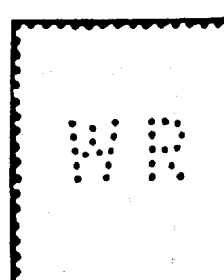
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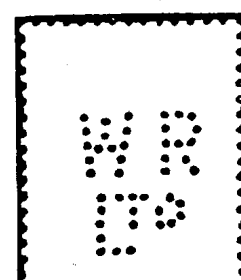
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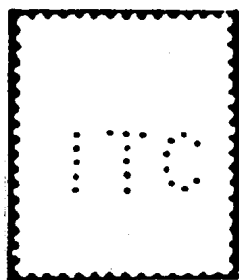
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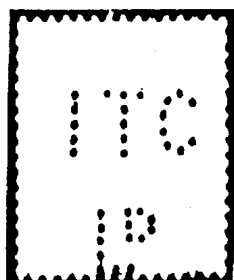
W6380.01



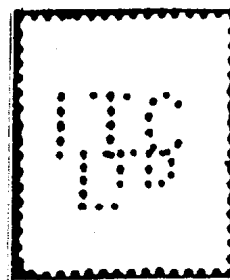
After the previous four pages had been prepared, a new die ITC/Ld (12490.02) was reported by John Marriner (on a 2d issue 'M') which also comes under the 'added Limited' category.



I2460.03



I2490.02



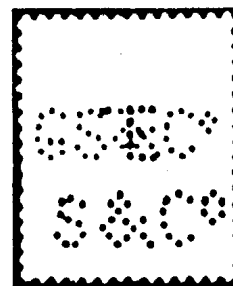
I2500.01v

The base die ITC (12460.03) is known used between 1905 and 1939 (broadly issues 'F'-'Q'). Interestingly, this base die is also known with 'L<sup>td</sup>' added (I2500.01v), on which the position of the 'L<sup>td</sup>' portion is variable. This latter die is known only on issue 'Q', one of which has the date 14/5/1938. Unfortunately, none of the three have yet been identified and no post-town information is known.

### UNUSUAL COMBINATION STRIKE.

Roy Gault

A number of interesting perfins have recently been reported to the Catalogue Editor, one of which shows a combination strike from two different dies. Two stamps, both Queen Victoria 2½d (SG157 - plate 22), were reported with the same combination. [See also Bulletin No.283]



The two perfins involved are GS&C° (G4570.02) and E/S&C° (E4270.01). Both stamps have legible postmarks - one shows (Ma)rk Lane, 9/10/1883, and the other has London EC, 13/10/1883. These two stamps are likely to have come from the same sheet as they have the lower corner letters GK and GJ.

The user of E/S&C° is recorded as Edmond Schluter & Co, 24 Mark Lane, London EC. As their die continued to be used until at least 1900, it is likely that E/S&C° was applied to stamps already perfinned GS&C°. Does anyone know what connection Schluter & Company had with 'GS&C°' in October 1883?

HISTORY OF FIRMS USING PERFINs  
HANSONS OF EASTCHEAP      By MAURICE HARP.

In 1747 Samuel Hanson started a business at 47 Botolph Lane in the Billingsgate Ward of London as a merchant trading in dried fruits. He dealt in oranges and lemons, raisins and muscatels from Spain; figs, sultanas and raisins from Greece; in citrus fruit from Cyprus; in almonds from the Balearic islands in the Mediterranean. In the early 1760's the first Samuel Hanson died and the business was inherited by his son the second Samuel. At the time there were a number of similar dealers in the Botolph Lane area: in fact by 1805 there were two other Hansons (no relation) trading in oranges close by. The second Samuel Hanson expanded the business into a number of new areas including rum, sugar and silk and even owned shares in a trading ship.

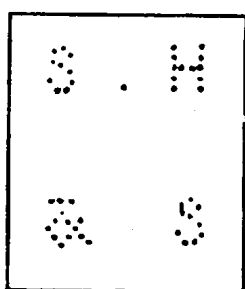


The third Samuel Hanson

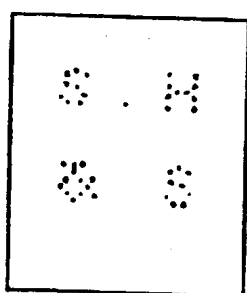
The second Samuel Hanson died in 1829 and his eldest son, the third Samuel took over the running of the business at the age of forty four. In 1846 Free Trade was introduced in Britain with the abolition of duties and taxes on many imported goods including food: with this abolition, as would be expected, a rise in the fortunes of the company came about. The first indication of a changed trade position came in 1856 when the firm acquired Batger & Co, confectioners of 16 Bishops-gate Without, London E.C.

Samuel Hanson & Son were one of the earliest users of Slopers perfins. The first record of their use being December 13th 1869 for die S3610.01 which is found on

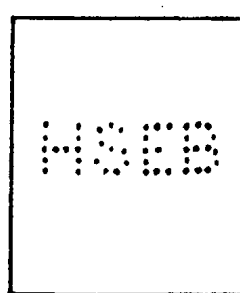
penny and twopenny plates. At about the same time a die was also acquired for the halfpenny plate (the bantam) - S3610.02.



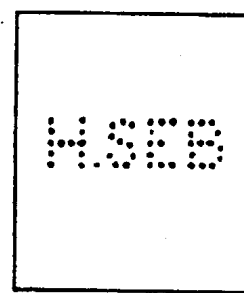
S3610.01



S3610.02

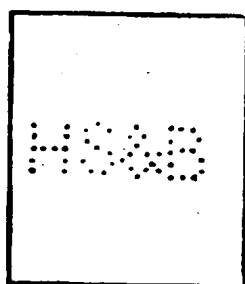


H6590.01

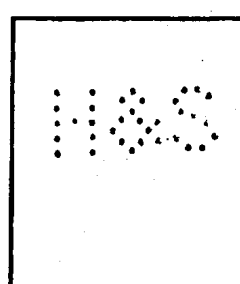


H6585.01

Then in September 1871 the firm acquired the business of Jones, Evison & Co., wholesale grocers of the Borough, Southwark and with it the two partners Evison and Barter. The name of the business was accordingly changed to Samuel Hanson, Son, Evison & Barter. Hansons thus had to acquire new perfin dies to reflect the change of name of the company and these are H6585.01 and H6590.01. It is not clear why there should have been two dies unless they were used in different branches of the company. At present there is no evidence for this.



H6450.01



H6350.08

The partnership was dissolved so far as Evison was concerned in July 1885 when the third Samuel Hanson retired. Die H6450.01 reflects the departure of Evison giving the die HS&B. (Note that the Tomkins identity of Samuel Hanson Son & Barber should read '4 Barter'). In 1887 Mr Barter died and in 1889 the firm reverted to its original title of Samuel Hanson & Son and once again the firm changed its perfin die to a simple H&S - H6350.08. This last die is known used on stamps from QV to KGV. Thus the whole history of the company can be traced through their perfin dies.

In 1935 the private company of Samuel Hanson S Son Ltd was converted into a public company with a capital of £550,000. The headquarters of the new company continued to occupy the building - enlarged and refronted in 1882 - which replaced the original C18th

house and warehouse in Botolph Lane, taken into Eastcheap with the widening of the road. Branches were opened in Glasgow, Liverpool, Manchester, Birmingham and Leeds.

During the war the company produced tinned and dried goods for the armed services overseas. After the war the company was held back in its development by the continuation of rationing within Britain.

The above story has been obtained from a publication produced by the company to celebrate their 200th anniversary in 1947 and I know nothing as to how the company progressed after that date. If any reader can help fill in the later details then please write in and tell us.



The original design of the Company's Price Current, developed from the original hanging trade sign

**NEW IDENTITIES submitted to the CATALOGUE EDITOR (Roy Gault) -14 Contributors.**

Note: Underlined Catalogue Numbers are also New Dies and have been illustrated at the end.

From Peter Burn.

P2650.01	PJ/C <sup>o</sup> L	10,7/8,4,7	5		Additional - Pinchin, Johnson & Co Ltd, Paint & Varnish Mfrs, 23-25 Billiter St, London EC. Cover dated 14/5/1907.	F
R2840.03c	RI/C <sup>o</sup> /L <sup>d</sup>	10,4/7,4/6,7	4½		Royal Insurance Co Ltd, 28 Broadway, Stratford, London E. Stamp used on an 'Aircraft Insurance' Policy dated 1/9/1915.	I
R4510.01	RS	12,10	4		R Stanway, 2 King Edward St, Newgate St, London EC. Receipt dated 13/6/1902.	F
S1710.02	S&C <sup>o</sup> /L	10,14,8,4/7	4½ III		Sadgrove & Co, South Place and Wilson St, Finsbury, London EC. TC pmk London EC, 13/10/1897.	E
S6440.05	S&S	10,14,10	4½ III		A Sanderson & Son Ltd, 52 Berners St, London W. TC pmk London W, 16/3/1906.	F
S6440.08A	S&S	10,12,10	4½ Ia		2. S Smith & Sons (M.A.) Ltd, Cricklewood Works, London NW2. TC pmk Cricklewood, 22/7/1924.	I
S6440.11AM	S&S	13,14,13	4½ III		2. Sparks & Son, Auctioneers, Arundel. Receipt dated 14/7/1888 also TC pmk Arundel, 14/10/1907.	B&F
<p>Note: Many tiny variations are known on this die. Early examples (1d Reds and 1d Venetian) are usually postmarked Reading, which points to a suspected identity of Sutton &amp; Sons, Reading. The later examples reported above are fractionally wider than the main illustration in the New Catalogue and probably mean that more than one die is involved.</p>						
T1890.01	TG/&C <sup>o</sup>	7,10/12,8,6	4½ IIIa		2. H K & F B Thurber, Merchants, 9 Fenchurch Ave, London EC. Entire pmk London, 19/10/1883.	B
T4535.01	T.T./C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup>	7,7/8,6,7,6	4½		Additional - Thomas Tapling & Co Ltd, Cabinet Dept, Trent Works, Leonard Sq, Finsbury, London EC. TC pmk London, 19/8/1898.	E
W0150.01	WAH	15,10,11	6		Additional - W A Hudson, Wholesale Cabinet Ironmonger, 117, 119, 121 Curtain Rd, London EC. TC pmk London E, 8/12/1906.	F
W1300.04	W&C <sup>o</sup>	16,14,8,4	5 III		2. Witherby & Co Ltd, 15 Nicholas Ln, London EC4. TC pmk London, 19/6/1940.	Q
W4535.01	WJB/&C <sup>o</sup>	15,8,15/14,8,6	5 III		W J Bush & Co, 20-23 Artillery Ln, Bishopsgate St, London. Entire dated 3/10/1883.	B
W5790.01	WOH/&C <sup>o</sup>	14,11,12/12,8,6	4½ IIIa		Wm O'Hanlon & Co Ltd, 27 Dale St, Manchester. TC dated 12/10/1898.	E

From Maurice Harp. Maurice has used a London trade directory (dated 1877) to research possible users of certain 'Full Name' perfins found on Queen Victoria 1d Reds.

B5470.01 BOUCK 15,10,10,8,12 5 Ø Bouck & Co Ltd, Tar Distillers, Drysalters, Manufacturing Chemists & Merchants, Miles Plating, Manchester. (Est 1820). A

Note: Identity suspected from '498' Manchester postmarks on loose stamps.

C3095.01 CHAPPUIS 8,9,8,9,9,9,4,11 3½ Ø P E Chappuis, sole patentee of the Luminarium, the most powerful of reflectors for the diffusion of daylight, ..., Manufactory at 69 Fleet St, London EC. A

Note: Identity suspected from London EC postmark on a loose stamp.

E3510.01 E/PINK 10/9,5,13,10 4½ Ø Edward Pink, Wholesale Confectioner, Italian Warehouseman & Pickle Mfr, 145 Long Lane & Staple St, Borough, London SE. ADE

Note: Identity suspected from London SE postmarks on loose stamps.

G5260.01 GUILD/&C<sup>o</sup> 10,10,5,7,10/14,8,6 4 III Ø William Guild & Co, Merchants, 13 St Helen's Place, London EC. A

Note: Identity suspected from '7' in diamond postmark (London). William Guild & Co was the only entry for any Guild & Co in the trade directory.

M4310.01 MOON/R<sup>t</sup>S<sup>t</sup> 15,10,10,13/11,5,10,5 4 Ø Mrs Washington Moon, Ladies Outfitter, Children's dresses, ... 164 Regent St, London W. A

Note: Identity suspected from London W postmarks on loose stamps.

M5190.01 M&S/HYAM 15,14,10/12,8,10,15 4½ I Ø Moses & Simon Hyam, Clothes Mfrs & Warehousemen, 9 & 10 King St, Cheapside, London. Also Colchester, Essex. A

Note: Identity suspected from a single stamp (plate 133 or 183) with '3' in diamond (London) postmark. The above entry was taken from an early Trade Directory (dated 1846), but by 1877 the entry reads Moses Hyam & Co (late M & S Hyam), 69, 71, 73, & 75 Canon St, London EC, also 2 Peel St, Manchester.

From John Nelson.

R3450.02 RM/C 12,15/8 4½ Rotax (Motor Accessories) Ltd. Rotax Works, Willesden Junction, London NW10. Identity on piece. FHI

R5410.01 RTT/C 11,7,7/8 4 Ø R T Tanner & Co, Wholesale Stationers, 16 Dorset St, Salisbury Sq, London EC. BEF

Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps with 'Ludgate Circus, London EC' postmarks, coupled with the fact that Salisbury Square is quite close to Ludgate Circus. The die was used 1895-1910. Other dies used by R T Tanner & Co Ltd are:

RTT/C (R5410.02)	1930-1939	Suspected.
RTT/C (R5410.02b)	1939-1945	Suspected.
RTT/C (R5410.02a)	1945-1954	Confirmed.

T2730.01 T.J.S.S/&C<sup>o</sup>. 7,8,13,13/13,8,6 4½ III T J Smith, Son & Downes, (late T J & J Smith), Wholesale, Export & Fancy Stationers, Quill Merchants, ..., 109 Queen Victoria St, London EC. (late 83 & 84 Queen St, Cheapside, EC).

From Rosemary Smith.

B0010.08	B	12	7	Bell & Nicholson Ltd, Cannon St, Birmingham. Cover dated 8/2/1935.	I&M
B6430.09	B&S	15,14,11	5½ III	Baker & Sons, 11 Queen Victoria St, London EC. Dated 14/5/1891.	B
M2940.01	MHC/L <sup>d</sup>	15,12,8/7,7	4½	Mansell, Hunt, Catty & Co Ltd, Cressy Rd, Hampstead, London NW. Cover dated 27/9/1897.	E

From Harry Skinner.

H3780.01	HIDE	12,5,11,10	4½	E Hide (on 'Received' rubber stamp).	B
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From Roy Gault.

R0860.01	R.C.A/L <sup>d</sup>	11,8,10/7,6	4½	R C Allen Ltd, Bottlers & Aerated Water Mfrs, 16-26 Oxford St, Leicester. Receipt dated 6 Oct 1910.	F
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R3210.02	RLC	11, 8, 8	5½	R L Crisp & Co, London EC.	M
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Note: Identity comes from an oval receipt stamp showing ..Crisp & Co, over ...enberg Ltd, presumably reading 'successors to Rosenberg Ltd' - dated January 1937.

<u>R4375.01</u>	RR/C <sup>o</sup> F	12,12/8,4,8	5	Ø Robert Rowley & Co Ltd, Hosiery Mfrs, Fleckney, Leics.	P
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Note: Identity suspected from Fleckney postmark on a loose stamp dated 8/9/1937.

From Bill Hanson.

<u>P3340.03a</u>	P&N	10,14,13	5 III	Poulton & Noel Ltd, Rolled Ox Tongue Mfr, Belgravis Works, 62 Brewery Rd, London NE. Also Monument Chambers, London EC, and Belgravia, London SW. Postal statement dated 10/3/1916.	I
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From George Dyke.

D3110.04	DM	15,23	10½	Dalton & Morgan Ltd, Marshalsea House, Borough, London SE1. Cover dated 25/2/1932.	
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From Frank Summers.

J3620.01	J.H/D/&Co	7,12/11/12,8,6	4½ IIIa	J H Dovener & Co Ltd, Union St, Liverpool. Receipt dated 7/11/1936.	M
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Note: The stamp also has the overprint J.H.DOVENER/& CO. LTD. (in two lines at the top of the stamp) with LIVERPOOL at the bottom. The perfin and overprint have been illustrated at the end for reference.

From Gary Shayler.

W4994.01	W/L <sup>d</sup>	17/6,7	7½/4½	Weldons Ltd, Fashion & Paper Pattern Publishers, 30/31 Southampton St, Strand, London.	H
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From Norman Hewerdine.

C3670.01 CI/C<sup>o</sup>L<sup>d</sup> 8,5/8,4,7,7 5 The Central Insurance Co Ltd,  
48 Albion St, Leeds. Dated 3/6/1909. F

From John Frost.

C1410.01 CC/L<sup>d</sup>. 8,8/7,6 6 Commer Cars Ltd, Luton.  
Cover postmarked Luton, 2/9/1936. O

77110.01 J&S/L 7,13,11/7 5½ III J & S Leaver Ltd, Eanam, Blackburn.  
Cover pmk Blackburn, 5/9/1936. O

U0370.01 U.C. 10,8 5½ Uskside Iron Works, Newport, Mon.  
Cover pmk Newport, 5/9/1936. O

From Jerry Soutar.

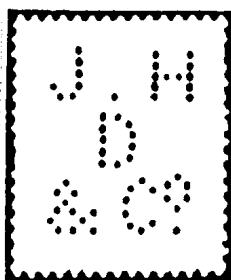
O1540.03a OP/L 10,10/7 5 Odhams Press Ltd, London WC2. I  
Note: Identified cover had OP/L (O1540.03) in combination with OP/L (O1540.03a).  
Cover postmarked London WC, 28/4/1931.

From Dave Hill.

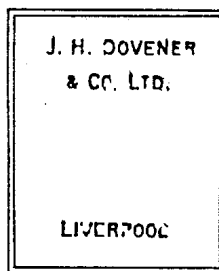
T3600.02a TP/L<sup>d</sup> 7,10/7,7 5 Ø Temple Press Ltd. I  
Note: Identity suspected from ... TEMPLE ... portion of a rubber namestamp visible on a  
loose 2d stamp used as a receipt. Another is known postally used, dated 17/1/1914.

W4800.04 WCR 11,7,10 4½ Ø Watney, Combe & Reid Ltd. I  
Note: Identity suspected from a (Mort)lake, SW14 postmark on a loose stamp dated  
24/2/1921. Watney's had a large brewery at Mortlake.

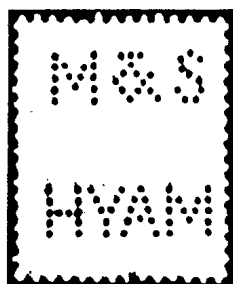
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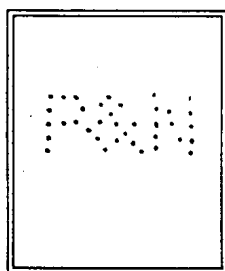
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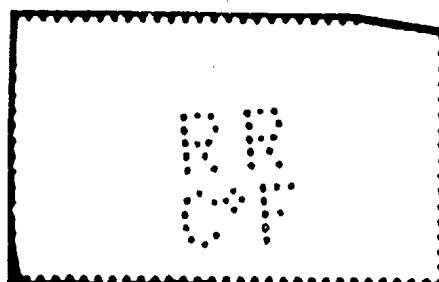
Overprint



M5190.01



P3340.03a



R4375.01