

# The Perfin Society Bulletin

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## EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Rosemary Smith

If it is not too Late I would like to wish all the members a happy and peaceful 1997. My thanks too for the season's greetings and cards which were sent to me over the Christmas period. They were much appreciated.

Since the December Bulletin went out I have received a fair amount of mail from members. During this same period Stuart and I were away for two weeks before Christmas and then my daughter and I have been away for a week after the New Year. With Christmas and the New Year in between, I have had no time for perfin activity. This means that by and large, if your letter to me had an item for the Bulletin and I have included it in this issue, you will have to take that as an acknowledgement of your letter. Any queries etc which need a written answer will be dealt with when I get back into a routine.

This Bulletin may be a little later than usual and the reason is in the last paragraph.

## SOCIETY INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES End of December '96. Total membership 350

### NEW MEMBERS

SUSAN MUSTATIA

MICK ROSE,

MEG BARRIE

MR D J G WILSON

DR. BRUCE MARTIN

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

PAUL DAVEY

ADRIAN HARPER

DEATH ARTHUR SMITH (More details in April Bulletin).

## SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT Dave Hill

Shortly after the last Bulletin was printed, Brunnell paid the money he owed for auction lots. His membership of the Society lapsed last year. We were taking proceedings through the Perfins Club against him and I have asked them to now proceed as they think fit.

If you have not paid your sub the amount you owe was written in red on the label of your December Bulletin and this is the last Bulletin you will receive. Hopefully more members will pay between writing this and typing the labels. At present there are about 40 unpaid which is about average for this time of year. This should reduce so that eventually I only have to write to about 20, but I do not lapse members without writing to them first.

Baden Powell House will be back to normal for our Spring Meeting on Saturday 26th April from 1:00 to 5:00 in Seminar Rm 1.

Not much response yet to the enquiry about a directory of E mail and internet addresses.

### Secretary's Comments Dave Hill

I was in the Guildhall Library before our last meeting in November and noted from an old Kelly's Directory how many perfin users there were in the immediate vicinity of Sloper's Office in King William Street. Obviously Joseph Sloper would not fail to canvas his neighbours and extol the virtues of his system. Perhaps Home Brothers, Hosiers at 24 & 25 were the users of the full name perfins HORNE and HORNE BROS. Even Earlswood Asylum, which I think was at Wimbledon, had an office in King William Street.

It would be interesting to compare the directory entries with a Tomkins. Slopers had other addresses as well, (Walbrook before and Budge Row after) and finally New Bridge Street and of course Tower Royal Works, Blackburn Road, Hampstead.

PLANNED PUBLICATIONS FOR 1997

- 1 New Catalogue R's  
(In 2 parts which should be finished early 1997)
- 2 New Catalogue N's  
(This will be the next letter to detail, to be started in Jan)
- 3 New Catalogue W's  
(In 3 parts, although all these may not be finished this year)
- 4 Curved Perfin Survey Results  
(Issued like the Graphites & 46th IPUC surveys)
- 5 Line Engraved Survey Results  
(First of 4 or 5 parts)
- 6 Coils Catalogue Survey Results  
(First of 2 parts)
- 7 Irish 1922 o/p Survey Results
- 8 Tomkins 8th Edition

The off prints of the Graphites and the 46th IPUC were 'free' for those who wrote enclosing a SAE: this will also apply to the CURVED PERFIN SURVEY RESULTS. This particular publication is with John now.

Please note that John Donner is responsible for the publication and distribution of the material and requests and monies should go to John and not to Roy. When other items on the above list are available you will be notified through the Bulletin.

If anyone has any new dies or new identities for the 'N' section, please send as soon as possible so the catalogue, when published, will be as complete as possible. At the same time keep a look out for new 'W' material ready for reporting when the time is right.

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LONDON STAMP & POSTAL HISTORY FAIR

Trevor Davis and Chris Rainey are organising a Stamp Fair in The Royal Horticultural Halls (old Stampex venue) on Thurs 6th March (11-8); Friday 7th March (10-6); Sat 8th March (10-5) 1997. Admission is free: Bar/Bufferet: by last November 100 dealers had taken tables: chairs in front of all tables.

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PERFINS STILL IN CURRENT USE

George Dyke

DEREK RANSOM reports the following new dies or values:-

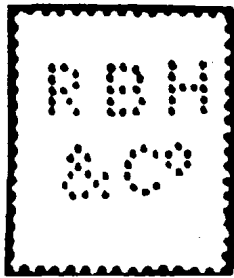
<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER - Where known</u>
BC	B1110.03M	19p	
BC	B1110.05	25p	
BG	B2910.02M	25p	various
C&A	C0080.01M	19p	
CB/H	C0775.01	19p	
C/CC	C1260.05	2nd class	changed from .01
DC	D0560.02	19p	
G	G0010.16	25p	changed from .11 this is Glasgow Corp.
HB	H0360.01M	1st class	
HC	H1160.02M	1p, 50p, £1	
HC/S	H1710.01	19p	
HH/MC	H3410.01	6p, 1st class	
K&C	K0285.01	19p	
L.B./H	L0440.01	1p, 19p, 1st class	
LB/I	L0460.01M	19p, 2nd class	London Boro'Islington
LB/R	L0630.01	1p, 1st class	
NC	N0510.08	19p, 25p	changed from .05
RBC	R0140.01M	1st class, 2p, 10p, 50p	
R/HA	R2225.01M	19p	
R/HA	R2225.02M	2nd class	
SB/C	S0590.01dM	1p, 18p	changed from .01
SC	S1210.01	1p, 2nd class	
SE/EB	S2480.01M	1st class	
St/BH	S7170.01M	1p	
TH	T2060.01	19p	
WC	W1010.02	19p	
18	#0132.02	1p	

From BRIAN MERRYWEATHER:-

LB/C      L0340.06      2nd class

'HB' perfin was used by more than one user. It is probably used by The Boro' of Hampstead at this present time. Can anyone confirm this with an up-to-date cover?

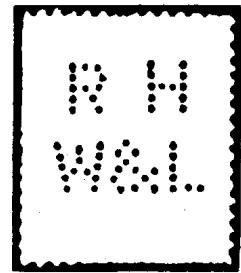
1887-1891



R0495.01\*

The following illustrations show a fascinating sequence of perfins used by a firm of Solicitors working at No. 9 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC from 1887 until virtually the present day. \*

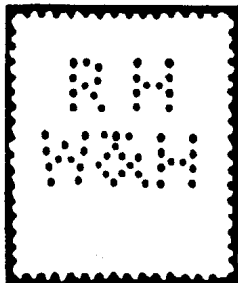
1892-1898



R2580.01\*

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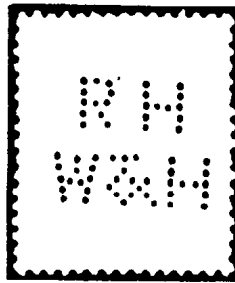
c1918



R2570.03

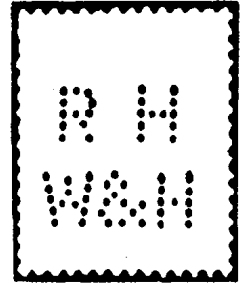
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1905-1913



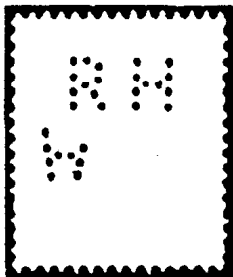
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1898-1905



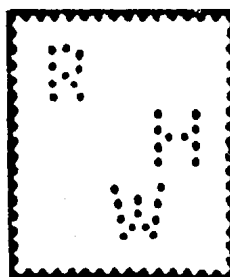
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1929-1941



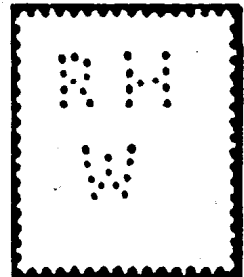
R2550.01\*

1941-1945



R2550.02ap\*

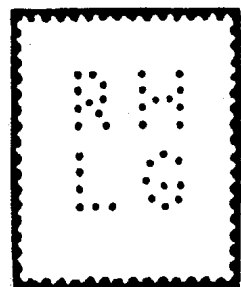
1945-1962



R2550.02\*



1963-1967



R2440.01\*

Tabled on the next page are details of the stamps involved. Please help by looking through your collections for the dies illustrated on this page and let me know the issues and values you hold, along with any postmark information, especially any legible dates.

The trail starts in 1887 with Messrs Robins, Burges, Hay, Waters & Lucas using RBH/&C<sup>o</sup> (R0495.01), but sometime around 1891/2 'Burgess' disappeared from the scene and the die was replaced by one lettered RH/W&L (R2580.01). Over the succeeding years there were many partnership changes, each accompanied by either the modification of an existing die or the production of a new one.

Cat. No.	Letters	Die in Use	Issues involved	Earliest Date	Latest Date
R0495.01	RBH/&C <sup>o</sup>	c1890	B,E		
R2580.01	RH/W&L	1890-1900	B, E	21/3/93	4/6/98
R2570.01	RH/W&H	1900-1905	B,E,F	20/12/03	13/5/04
R2570.02	RH/W&H	1905-1913	F, H		
R2570.03 (S)	RH/W&H	c1918	I(RC)		
R2550.01 (S)	RH/W	1929-1941	I(BC), M, O, Q		
R2550.02ap (S)	RH/W	1941-1945	R		
R2550.02 (S)	RH/W	1945-1965	R, U(TC/MC)		
R2440.01 (S)	RH/LG	1965-1967	U(MC)	20/7/67	
(S) Sloper dies - single headed except the Provisional R2550.02ap which was '1-1-12'					

To cut a long story short, the known names of the partners are as follows. The dates have been taken in the main from entries in London Trade Directories, with occasional augmentation from postmark dates on the stamps themselves.

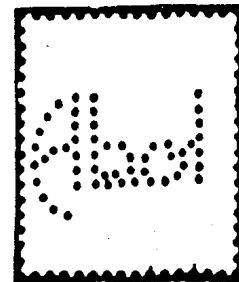
1. Robin Robins, Burges, Hay, Waters & Lucas. 1887-1891.
2. Robins, Hay, Waters & Lucas. 1892-1898.
3. Robins, Hay, Waters & Hay. 1898-1928.
4. Robins, Hay & Waters. 1929-1962.
5. Robins, Hay, Long & Gardiner. 1963-1971.
6. Blyth, Dutton, Robins & Hay. 1972-1977.
7. Blyth, Dutton & Holloway. 1979-1984.
8. Blyth, Dutton. 1985-1990.

After c1967 perfins no longer seem to have been used, although the firm continued to operate and probably still does today.

Clear postmarks and dates are a tremendous help in trying to identify a perfin user from a loose stamp. However, when they are coupled with a 'full name' the odds are well stacked in favour of success. Two such items have come to hand recently, which, with a little research, have resulted in two 'positive' identities.

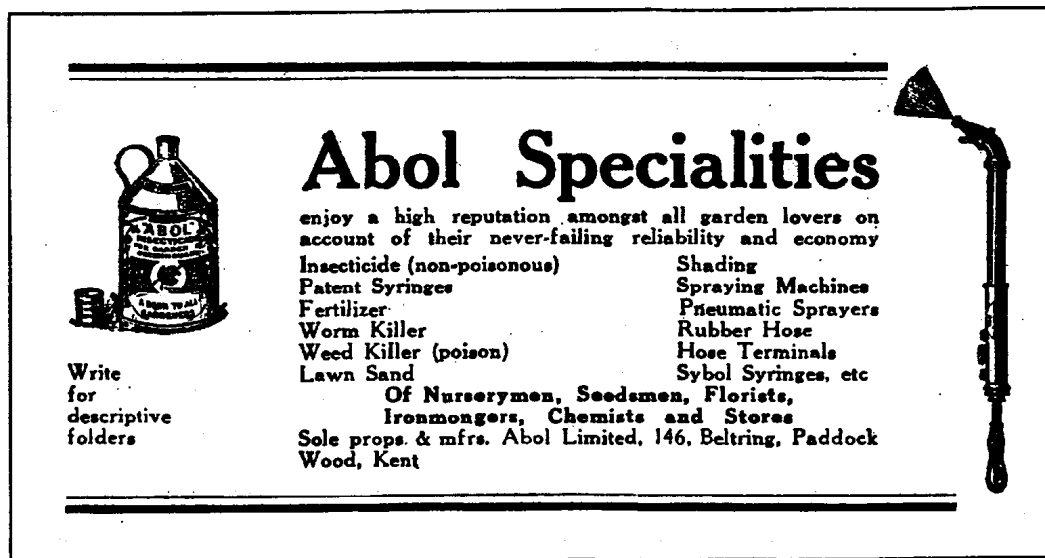
The first perfin is from my own collection and concerns the full name 'Abol'. One example has the clear postmark 'Paddock Wood' (Near Tonbridge, Kent), and is dated 27 September 1929, and another bears a date of July 1935. Fortunately for me, Birmingham is nearby and has a Reference Library with a fine collection of national Trade Directories.

1925-1935



A0805.01

A0805.01A quick search through Kent Directories of the period soon established the existence of 'Abol Limited, Hop and Fruit Wash Manufacturers, Paddock Wood.' The advertisement below comes from a (Feb) 1922 Directory.



**Abol Specialities**

enjoy a high reputation amongst all garden lovers on account of their never-failing reliability and economy

Insecticide (non-poisonous)	Shading
Patent Syringes	Spraying Machines
Fertilizer	Pneumatic Sprayers
Worm Killer	Rubber Hose
Weed Killer (poison)	Hose Terminals
Lawn Sand	Sybol Syringes, etc

Of Nurserymen, Seedsmen, Florists,  
Ironmongers, Chemists and Stores

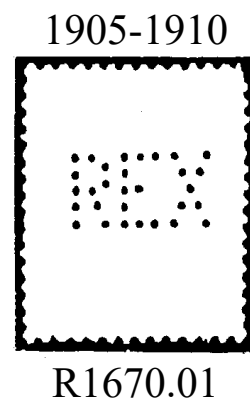
Sole props. & mfrs. Abol Limited, 146, Beltring, Paddock Wood, Kent

Write for descriptive folders

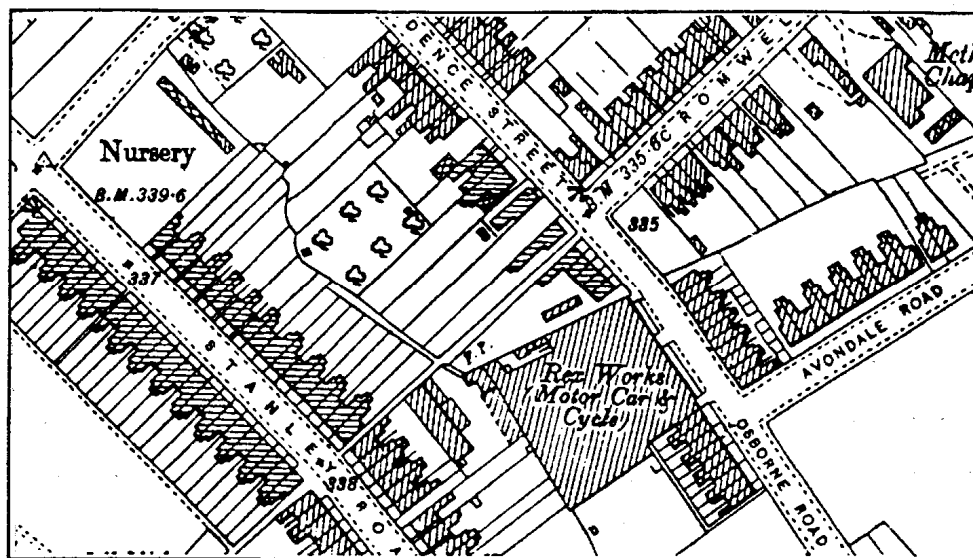
Directories before 1922 show that "Abol Ltd" was formerly "E A White Ltd, Farmers, Hop & Fruit Growers, and Manufacturers of Non-poisonous Fruit Tree Wash", last mentioned in their own right in a 1918 Directory. As Abol Ltd do not appear in a 1938 Directory, we can assume that they traded between 1920 and 1936.



The second full name is REX, a hitherto unknown perfin sent in by Ian Burns. He reports two examples on ½d & 1d stamps of King Edward VII, both with Coventry postmarks, one dated 30 March 1906. Again, a search of Coventry Trade Directories of the period quickly revealed the existence of a 'Rex Motor (Manufacturing) Company Limited', Motor Car and Motor Cycle Makers, Osborne Rd, Earlsdon, Coventry.



The company was formed in June 1902 by the amalgamation of Allard of Coventry and the Birmingham Manufacturing and Supply Company Limited. The Birmingham company had already produced its first car (the 'Charette') in 1901, and claimed it 'was the most perfect car in the world'. The Coventry factory was situated in the middle of a residential area as this portion of the O.S. map for Earlsdon, Coventry (dated 1906) shows.



The Rex Motor Company also manufactured bicycles, but these were discontinued in 1903 in favour of motorised vehicles. The company made a wide variety of cars including the Airex and the Rexette ('The King of Little Cars'), as well as 2.8 litre monsters in the Rex-Remo range introduced in 1908. However, after 1911 the directors decided to concentrate on motor cycles, but all too soon the intervention of the First World War put an end to vehicle production. Motor cycles were produced after the war but by 1928 the Rex company had ceased to trade altogether

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S LEAGUE OF SERVICE AND  
LORD MAYOR TRELOAR CRIPPLE HOSPITAL  
"QAL" perfins Q0080.01, Q0080.02, Q0080.02a, Q0090.01p  
By JOHN BUTTON

Sir William Purdie Treloar, Bart JP, was born 13-1-1843 and became the Lord Mayor of London in November 1906. As a JP he saw many poor children brought before court for begging or vagrancy and from this was born his drive to help them. Under the auspices of the Mayoral Charity Fund he aimed to raise the sum of £60,000 for the Lord Mayor's Little Cripple Fund. The sum raised exceeded this by over £10,000. In support of the Lord Mayor's objective Queen Alexandra opened a very successful three day fete. From this event the Queen Alexandra League was born and with it the Queen Alexandra Rose Day became the very first flag day.

The aim of the cripples charity was:- a) to treat children of both sexes up to the age of 12 who were suffering from TB or diseases of the bones and joints; b) to train crippled boys between the ages of 14 to 16 in handcrafts skills in order that they would be able to obtain a paid employment.

In early 1907 Lord Mayor Treloar was informed by Mr Hall Richardson of the Daily Telegraph that there was an unoccupied military hospital at Alton in Hampshire. On the 22nd March 1906 a visit was made to inspect the property and it was found acceptable. After negotiation the War Office agreed to the transfer and an act of Parliament was rushed through with the proviso that should the Hospital cease, the land and buildings would revert to the crown.

The establishment was first known as the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples Home and Hospital but was later re-named Lord Mayor Treloar's Cripples Hospital and College.

Ten acres of land was laid out as orchards and kitchen gardens to provide fruit and vegetables together with areas for pigs and poultry. This no doubt also provided for occupational training. A large aviary was also built to house indigenous birds to further the children's awareness and education. The London and South Western Railway provided a special siding into the Hospital initially for supplies but later to accommodate passengers.

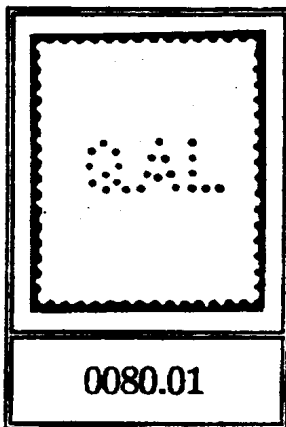
On the 8th Sept 1908 Sir William and his wife received the first patients at Alton railway station.

By the 1960's TB was a rarity and whilst the Hospital is still in use its function is quite different.

The illustrations on this page are taken from the New Gault catalogue.

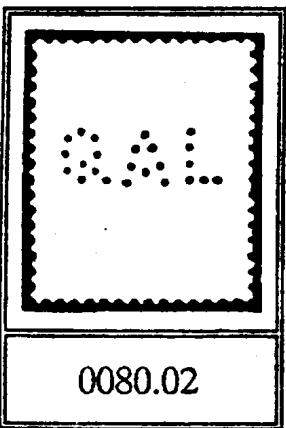
In Bulletin 270/24 & 271/7 there was a query about what possible connection had The Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples Home with The Queen Alexandra League of Service.

This story seems to answer that query in full.



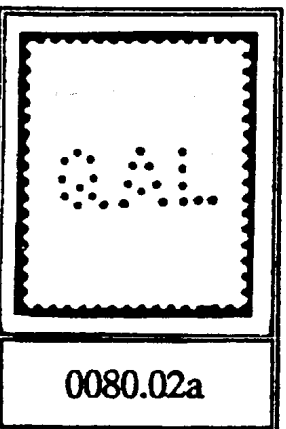
0080.01

**In use:** 1905-1939.  
**Dates:** 6 Sep 1911- 9 Mar 1938.  
**Issues:** F 1d H ½d I 1d, 1½d  
M ½d, 1½d N 1½d O 1½d  
Q ½d-1½d  
**Ident:** Queen Alexandra League of Service, 25 Ely Place, London EC1.



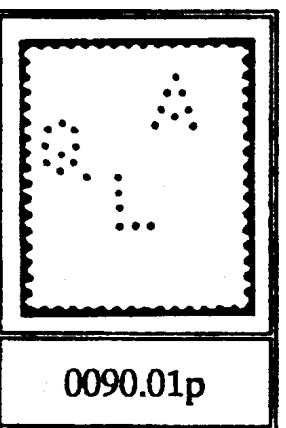
0080.02

**In use:** 1945-1953.  
**Dates:** 4 Oct 1950 - 6 Sep 1951.  
**Issues:** R 1d, 2d, 2½d S 2½d  
U(TC) 2½d  
**Note:** Sloper single headed die.  
**Ident:** Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital & College, Alton, Hants.



0080.02a

**In use:** c1939.  
**Dates:**  
**Issues:** Q 1d, 2½d  
**Ident:**  
**Note:** Closer spaced letters.  
**Pmks:**



0090.01p

**In use:** 1941-1945.  
**Dates:** 13 Apr 1942.  
**Issues:** R 1d, 2½d  
**Note:** Perfin also known with QA spacing constant.  
**Ident:** Queen Alexandra League of Service.  
**Pmks:** Alton, Hants.

## SEEN IN AUCTION

PHILIP ROBINSON sent in the following information:-

From the Kohler catalogue for Feb '97 - Lot 4971

On the front an 1878/82 2½d blue plus 1d lilac, manuscript cancel on a folded business letter to St. Petersburg. Arrival mark on front and cache of Wm Brandt's Sons & Co, London 29 JUN 83, perfin W.B/SC<sup>o</sup> (W0790.02).

The unusual feature of this cover is to be found on the reverse. There is a vertical strip of the 1880 first Telegraph stamp, ½d orange, all perfined W.B/&C and postmarked Lon 29 JUN.

The catalogue comments - "The Telegraph stamps are very rare postally used. To this destination no doubt unique."

The price quoted was 1800 DM which, at the rate of exchange in my morning paper, comes to some £700.

I am almost sure this was the same cover I examined last year at Stampex, on the stand of an American dealer. If so, it is without doubt a beautiful item.

From DENNIS BOOT comes this very important sighting:-

From Cavendish Auctions, Derby, 7 DEC 1996 - Lot 1547

Memoranda Booklet + Envelope with mint 1d lilac "SDC" Perfin.

The estimate was £350 but sold for £1425 + 15% Premium.

Legend has it that it first sold over a stamp shop counter for £5.

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### Research Into The History Of Perfin Users

I have had a query about source material for in-depth reference to firms using perfins. Some time ago I made a similar plea through the Bulletin for members to identify reference books which they had found useful for this purpose: books which could be borrowed from a library. I had no response to that plea but hope for some answers this time.

I suspect that the majority of histories, which have been published in the Bulletin were obtained by members who live in the locality of the companies and source material is easily obtained in a 'Local History' section of their library. Some histories are obtained by writing to the archivist of a firm but this may only apply if the firm is still trading under its original name or as a

subsidiary of a larger company.

I myself would be delighted to have a list of good reference books for this aspect of our hobby and I do urge anyone with any knowledge of such books to share the information.

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### JARROW MARCH & "D.C." PERFIN

Towards the end of last year KEVIN PARKHILL was watching the T.V. programme about the JARROW MARCH. For overseas members who are perhaps not as familiar with this expression as we are, it was the march of many thousands of out-of-work men from the North East of England to London; there to try to open the eyes of Parliament to their plight in the ship yards, steel works and coal mines of Tyneside - Jarrow, Darlington, Durham etc.

Whilst on the march south, the marchers were sometimes housed overnight in village halls etc (if they were lucky). Many of these stops had been planned well ahead of time and the families in the North East could write to their men folk, care of the Post Office, at various towns along the route.

During the programme actual memorabilia was used at appropriate points and it was whilst the film showed men picking up their mail from a set pick-up point that Kevin noticed a letter on which was a perfin. Remember these were actual letters, which had been sent during that march in 1936. Whether this letter ever reached its owner we will never know but as Kevin was videoing the programme he was able to study the sequence when the programme finished.

The letter was to a MR CON SHEILS, G.P.O., JARROW MARCH, LUTON, BEDS. The perfin was D.C. 11,8 holes and a part post mark was TON YORKS. No doubt a Darlington Corporation perfin. Very well spotted, Kevin.

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### MEMBERS' WANTS

JOHN BUTTON

has a specialised collection of all philatelic material of Hampshire, including perfins. He would be pleased to receive any data of Hampshire perfins: dates: dies: stamp values S issues: covers with full addresses: information on bill heads which have been receipted with a perfin. Replies to John if you can help.

## PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY

By Rosemary Smith

### NEWSPAPER WRAPPERS OF KEVII and KGV

This third article on Perforated Postal Stationery deals with the Newspaper Wrappers of KEVII and KGV. There are two different pre-printed stamps on the News Wrappers of KEVII and two on the Wrappers of KGV. All types have sub-divisions of shades, issued at various times, but for the purposes of this research I shall record dies under the one shade/value.

#### KING EDWARD VII

Type 1 ½d green      First issued January 1902  
Type 2 1d carmine      First issued February 1902



Type 1



Type 2

As in the second article in the December '96 Bulletin, identities in brackets are from the Tomkins Catalogue - the die has NOT been reported on an identified wrapper.

An asterisk (\*) denotes a perfin seen ONLY on a cut-out.

A 'C' in the 'Latest' column denotes a reporting seen in the 'Cinderella Philatelist'.

A 'J' in the 'Latest' column denotes a reporting seen in Jennings's book. +J or +C denotes reported by members as well.

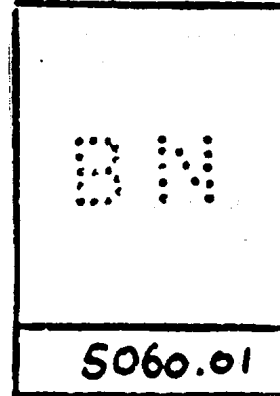
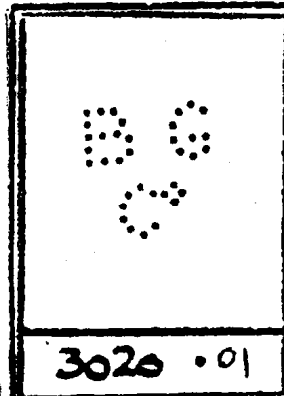
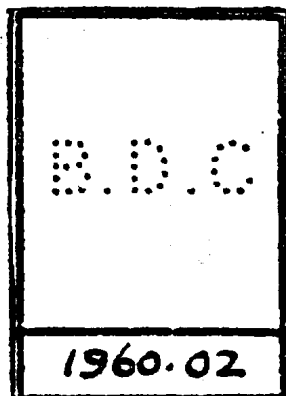
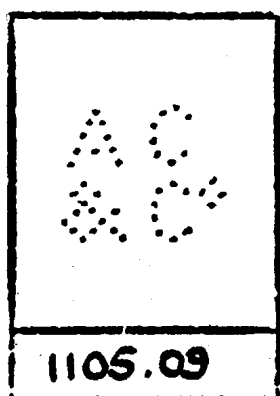
#### WRAPPERS WITH TYPE 1 - KEVII ½d green - STAMP

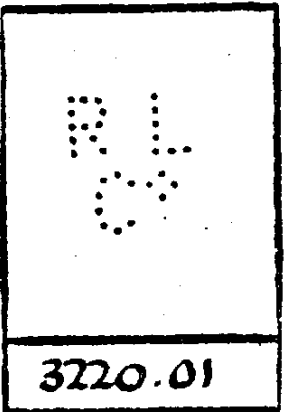
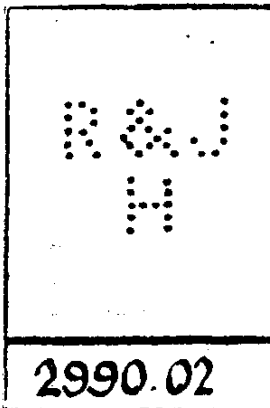
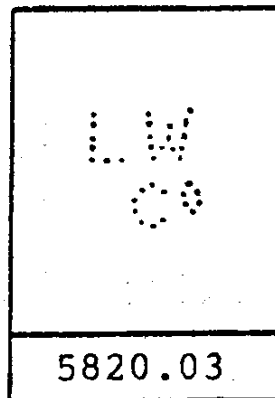
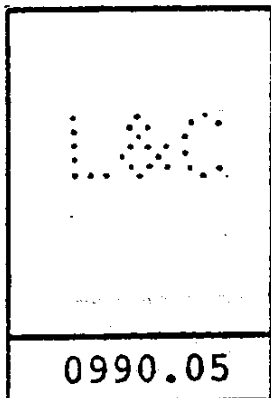
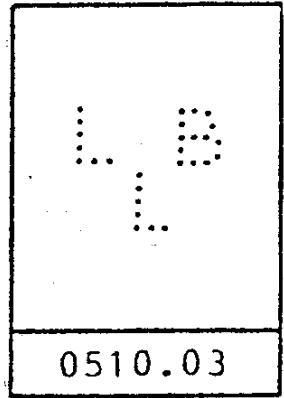
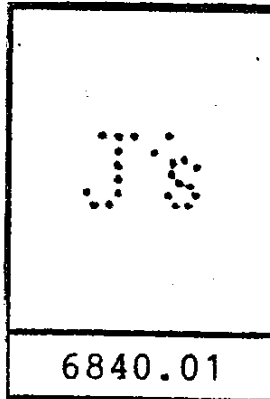
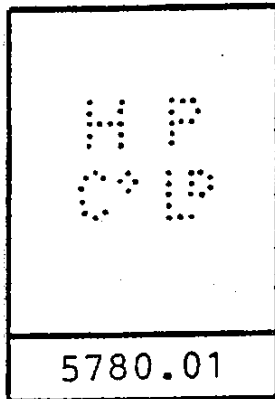
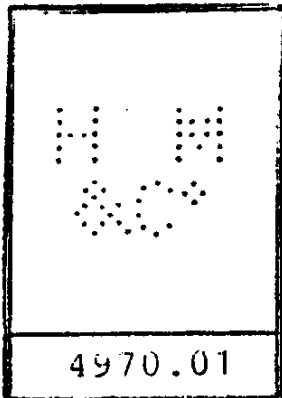
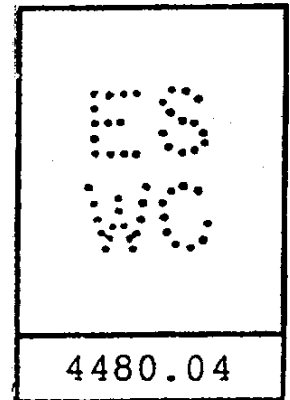
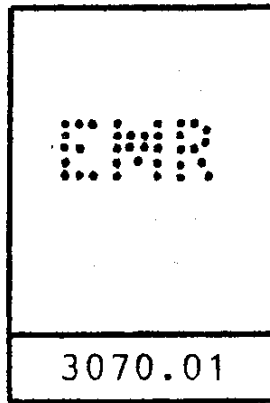
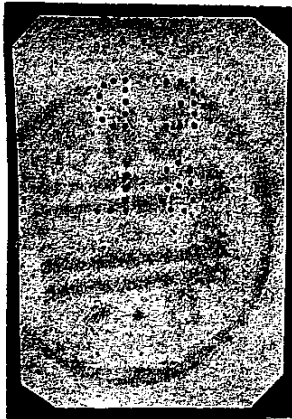
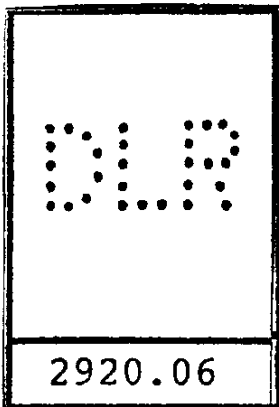
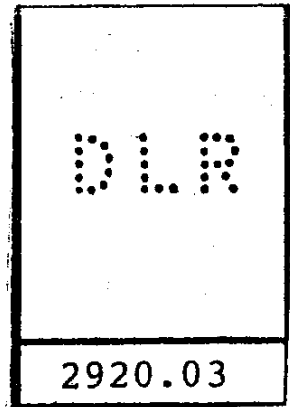
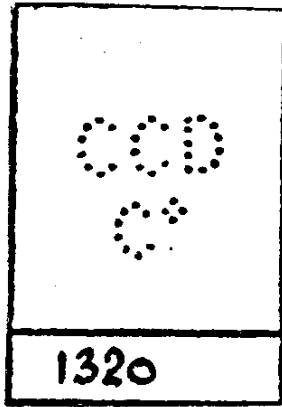
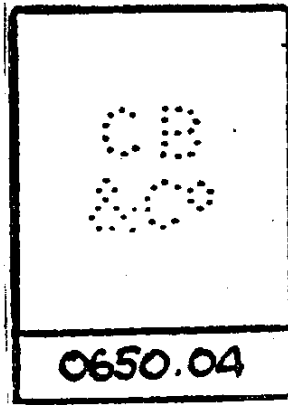
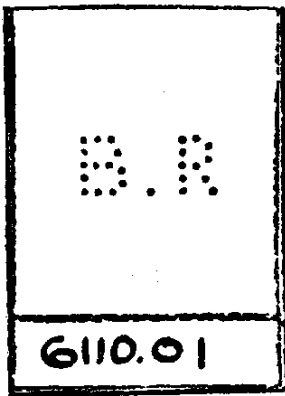
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B1960.02	B.D.C	(?Bristol Docks Co?)	9-1-03	
B3020.01	BG/C°	Brown, Geveke & Co, London	21-2-05	
B5060.01	BN	(Bridgewater Navigation)		C
B6110.01	B.R	(Boake, Roberts & Co Ld, Stratford, London E)	4-10-02	+C

C0650.04	CB/&C			
C1320.01	CCD/C			C
D2920.03	DLR	(De La Rue)	8-2-10	
D2920.06	DLR	(De La Rue)	8-8-02	
E1155.01	ED/SL	*	8-4-02	
E3070.01	EMR	E M Richford, Snow Hill, EC	24-5-07	
E4480.04	ES/WC	East Surrey Water Company	8-7-03	
H4970.01	HM/&C	(Hoare Marr & Co., London EC)	1-5-02	
H5780.01	HP/C°Ld	*x2 (?Hine Parker & Co Ld?)	13-6-06	+C +J
J6840.01	J's	(Jeye's Limited, London)		C
J?	J.W/C	(No such die reported to date)		J
L0510.03?	LB/L	Lever Bros Ltd		J
L0990.05	L&C	(Liberty & Co or Landauer & Co.)	F.S Pmk	
L5820.03	LW/Co	*x2		
R2990.02	R&J/H	*	7-1-03	
R3220.01	RL/Co	*	NP Pmk	
S1210.09	SC	Salford Corporation	27-3-05	
S7320.01	SRD	(Standard Newspapers Ltd)		J
U0060.03	UA	(Union Alkali Co Ltd, Liver- Pool – card is of T Wilson & Sons, Ltd, Hull	St Helens	C
U?	U.A	Union Assurance Co Ltd - Very suspect – no such die)		J
W0140.02	W&A/G	* (W & A Gilbey)		

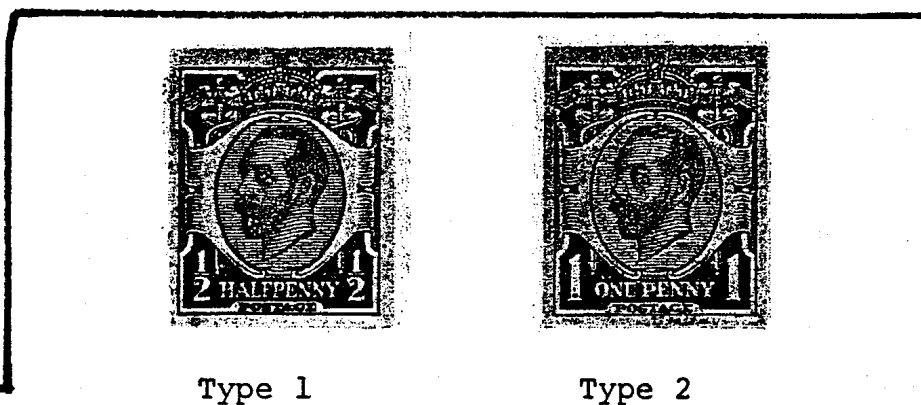
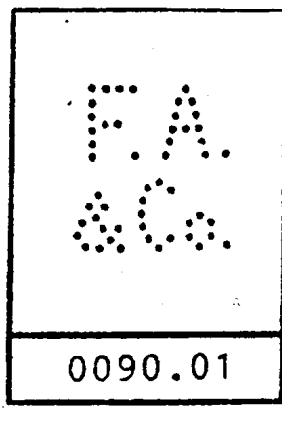
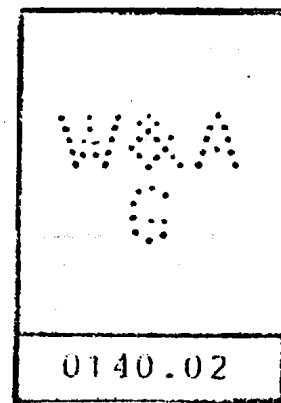
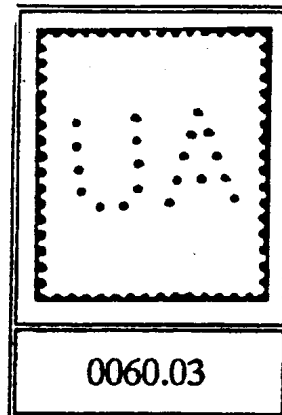
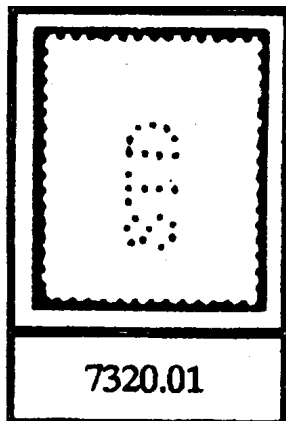
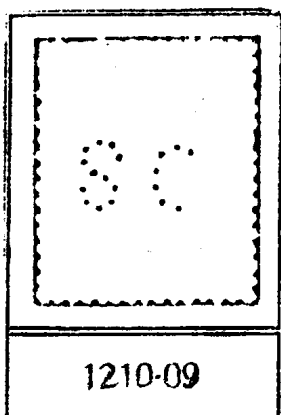
WRAPPERS WITH TYPE 2 – KEVII 1d carmine - STAMP

F0090.01	F.A./&Co.	F Albrecht & Co, Liverpool	C
S7320.01	STD	('Standard' Newspapers Ltd)	J









KING GEORGE V

Type 1 ½d green                      First issued January 1912  
 Type 2 1d carmine                      First issued January 1912

WRAPPERS WITH TYPE 1 - KEVII ½d green - STAMP

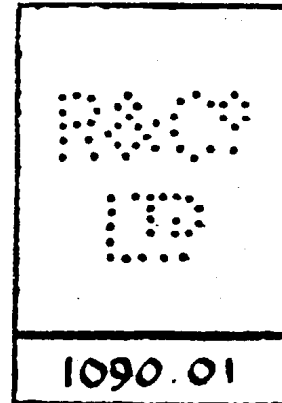
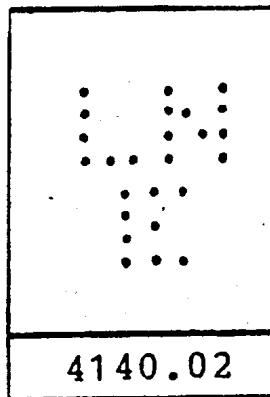
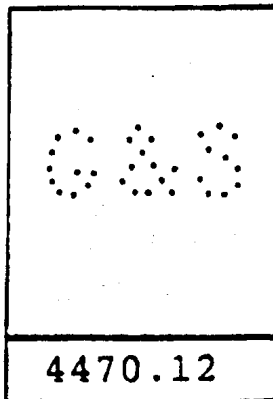
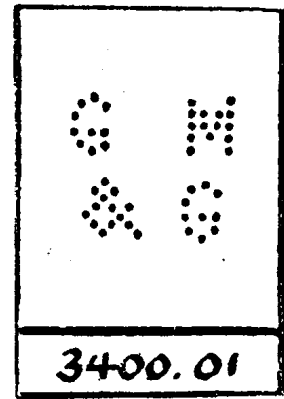
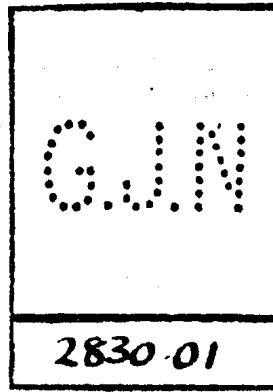
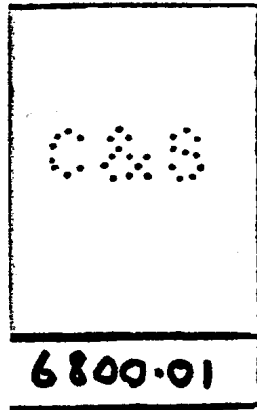
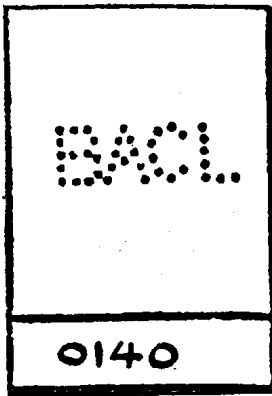
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B0140.01	BACL		12-1-15	+C
B5060.01	BN	(Bridgewater Navigation)	Man 1913	+C
C6800.01	C&S	(Churchill & Sim)		+C
G2830.01	G.J.N	George & John Nickson, L'pool	5-7-12	
G3400.01	GM/&G	*x3 (Ginner, Morton & Goddard)		
G4470.12	G&S	New Die?	10-9-12	+C
L4140.02	LN/E	(London & North Eastern Rly)		J

In Bowman's "Railway Perfins of Great Britain" the earliest date reported for this de was January 1924.

R1090.01 R&Co/Ltd (Rowntree & Co Ltd, York)

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W3800.?? WHS                      W H Smith & Sons Ltd                      J



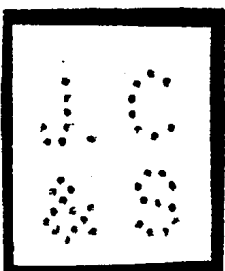
There are quite a number of anomalies in this section. If any member can answer any of the queries, confirm identities on wrappers or give dates, I hope they will write in with this information.

Hopefully the next Bulletin will see the last section, that is of Envelopes and Registered Envelopes. If you have any of these Postal Stationery items and would send the details, the information can be added to my existing data.

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JOHN CORY & SONS, CARDIFF

Member MARGARET HARDING from Wales, a habitue' at our London meetings, brought along a Victorian perforating machine to the last meeting. She had heard about this small size perforating machine being used as a door stop by a member of the Cory family.



The die in the machine is J.C/&S and appears to be J1700.06. This illustration is from a strike through a piece of paper at the meeting. Margaret is hoping to be able to purchase the machine. She also provided me with the following history of the company.

## JOHN CORY & SONS, LTD., MOUNT STUART HOUSE, CARDIFF

Taken from "British Bulletin of Commerce" Survey, 1955

John Cory was born in 1823 at Poundstock in Cornwall, the son of a farmer. As a young man he went to sea and in due course became Master, first of a coasting vessel, later of larger ships trading to the Continent. In 1854 he set up in business on his own in Padstow and bought his first ship, the MILLICENT, a 52 ft wooden smack. By 1863 he owned two larger ships and had retired from the sea to manage them, but as Padstow -had started to decline as a port, in 1872 he moved with his family to Cardiff.

Cardiff owed its rise to coal, and much of the firm's prosperity was built upon its export, and the import of iron ore from Spain. John Cory had married some twenty years previous to moving and he now brought his eldest son, JOHN, into the business, soon to be followed by his youngest son, HERBERT.

In 1885 John took his sons into formal partnership and the firm became John Cory and Sons, carrying on business as iron ore merchants, timber importers and coal exporters as well as ship-owners. When, in 1891, John Cory died the elder son took over as Chairman and in 1898 the firm became a limited company. Meanwhile the business continued to grow, so that in 1898 it had twenty-three ships, and had moved to larger offices - the present building.

On the coal side special attention was devoted to the famous coking coals and Cory Trading Company was amongst the largest exporters in the UK. Cory appointed representatives in Newcastle and Hull to oversee their interests. In 1913 Messrs. Marchbank and Bainbridge took charge of these areas and were later joined by Dan Stonehouse. On the retirement of two of the partners the firm was incorporated in 1927 as Stonehouse and Cery, Limited.

The first World War took many of the firm's employees and twenty ships: one, the "ROSS", rammed and sank a U-boat. To replace these losses the Directors in 1916 bought the Newport firm of Orders and Handford.

The family continued to increase in numbers and the two sons of John, JOHN and CHARLES, and two of Herbert's sons, DONALD and FRANK, joined the business. Herbert was elected to Parliament in 1915 as Unionist member for Cardiff and later as Conservative and

Unionist member for Cardiff South. In 1919 he was created a Baronet. John was Chairman of the Cardiff Channel Dry Dock and Pontoon Company and Mountstuart Dry Dock.

1920 saw the start of the post-war shipping boom; new firms sprang up in Cardiff and throughout the country, and when the boom ended in 1923 more than half the shipping firms in Cardiff crashed. Cory's however survived and continued to replace its tonnage but at a slower rate. The iron ore trade with Spain was becoming less satisfactory and the subsidiary firm. The Seville and United Kingdom Carrying Co Ltd, had been wound up soon after the war and now, in 1927, the firm's Middlesborough office was closed due to the exhaustion of high grade ore.

1931 saw a further slump in shipping and in December the Chairman, John Cory, died at the age of 76. His death was closely followed by his brother, Sir Herbert, in 1933 and of Sir Herbert's two sons, Frank in 1934 and Sir Donald in 1935. On the death of Sir Donald the Herbert Cory side of the family lost their last member in the firm for FRED, who had managed the firm's London office at Ocken-den, had taken to farming on the closing of that office in 1932. It was agreed that the John Cory side of the family should take over their interests but this inevitably led to some curtailment of the firm's activities.

In 1936 the firm had only three ships left, but the Trading Company was fully engaged in exporting coal to Spain. In 1939 John Cory died leaving only his brother Charles to carry on into the second World War, where their remaining tonnage was lost. After the war they took tonnage on charter from the Ministry of Transport. In 1948 they bought a ship from the Ministry and the Coal Department started up again, but the market was now controlled by The National Coal Board.

RAYMOND, elder son of Charles, the first of a new generation, came from the Navy and joined the firm, as did many other employees back from service, though there were many who had lost their lives, particularly among the ship's crews.

The firm looked for new activities. In 1939 the Cefn-On-Basic Co Ltd had been acquired by Cory's Trading. Their plant produces first class doloma and the Company contracted with all the South Wales steel works. An airbroking department was started and has expanded into the travel business with agencies for all the

principal liner and air companies. The company has a financial interest in Cambrian Airways, the principal air operator in Wales. The family also has an interest in ship chandling.

The above history was from an article written in 1955 and I am led to believe that John Cory Ltd is now a Travel Agency and Tourist Operator: shipping interests are with Cory Brothers Shipping Ltd.



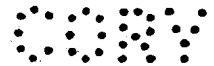
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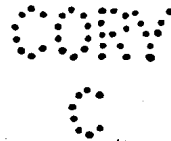
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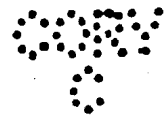
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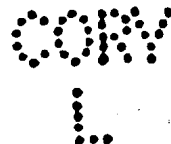
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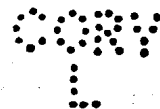
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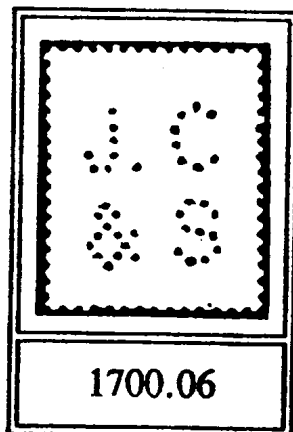
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In use: 1895-1905.

Dates: 17 Feb 1905 (late usage!).

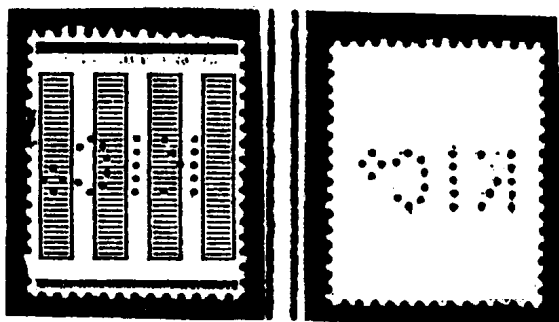
Issues: B 1d E ½d(verm), 2½d

Ident:

Pmks: D57, Bute Docks (Cardiff).

## MEMBERS' COMMENTS ON PREVIOUS ARTICLES

What Is It? Bulletin 284 Pg.12.



From JACK BRANDT:-

This photocopy is of another perfin punched through the selvedge. The perfin is KIC<sup>o</sup> (K1000.01) - identity not known. The selvedge is red and Jack believes it is from an Edward VII 1d. The other copy is the

reverse of an actual KE7 1d stamp - the die of which he has both with and without the missing hole. (See Bulletin 285 Pg.9 for his article on Missing pin dies)

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Perforated Triangle Stamps Bulletin 285 Pg.10.

I apologise to the gentleman who rang with the following information. I was in the throes of dishing up the evening meal and although I wrote down the information I did not catch the name of the caller, forgetting to check at the end of the conversation: tantalising smells invading my nostrils!! Drop me a line and I will acknowledge in the next Bulletin.

I was told that there is a triangle Netherlands 1936 6c Pictorial Definitive with perfin 'SB' and a 1926 4d of South Africa with 'JD&C<sup>o</sup>' perfin.

BRIAN DENNIS from South Africa knows of six other triangular stamps with perfin. On the South Africa 1926 4d 'Hope' stamp:-

- 1 E.A./C. of the East Asiatic Co Ltd.
- 2 WD/SS (2 copies) which was probably used by William Dawson « Sons (South Africa) Ltd.
- 3 D.R/C - likely used by the Dunlop Rubber Co (S.A.) Ltd.
- 4 TB (2 copies) user unknown.

From the Netherlands:-

- 5 SG461 - the 12½ Gisbertus Voetius Commem with N.B/V. perfin.

From Austria:-

- 6 An Austrian Newspaper stamp. SG N32 - which is a 2h Express stamp. This has the MF/C die of M Faber 6 Co, Vienna.

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T/BC° Perfin Bulletin 284 Pg.8-9 etc.

DAVID SCOTT writes to say that although the earliest cover for this perfin is 24-3-71, in the Sloper Impressions Books it shows that the die for this perfin was made by Sloper – Machine No.2670 - and was supplied on 17th January 1870.

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German POL Perfins Bulletin 285 Pg.8.

BARRY MILLER says that the 1995 MICHEL Specialised Catalogue has the following note after the POL entry for West Germany.

"Although the formal suspension of the use of perfins by the Police-Department took place on 15 June 1965, the production of perforated stamps by subordinate offices continued until 31 December 1965. From 1-1-66 (reference to circular 178/65) the use of any perforated stamps was no longer allowed."

The last stamp referred to with the POL perfin is Mi 478 (issue of 29 MAY 1965).

This seems likely to be the last use because the last East German POL stamp mentioned in the catalogue is Mi 408 (from the 1953 5-year plan issue).

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Sheffield Corporation Dies Bulletin 284 Pg.22-24.

BOB BREMNER suggests that the reason for the shortage of 1d stamps (1st para, Pg.24) was not necessarily because 1d was the general postage rate.

During the war, everyone was exhorted to buy War Savings Certificates to help finance the war. "Street" collectors were organised (I remember my mother taking me, as a small child, round our neighbours once a week selling 6d saving stamps) and for many, a 6d stamp, which was the cheapest one, was beyond their means.

A smaller savings card was introduced on which could be stuck 1d postage stamps and these could then be exchanged for the War Savings Stamps.

I have no reference book to check the dates when this system started during the war, but from enquiries of people who remember buying War Savings Stamps, this '1d saving' was correct.

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## PERFIN ON ADDITIONAL MEDICINE DUTY OVERPRINT STAMP

By DAVID SCOTT

Medicine Duty stamps were first issued in 1783. In 1915 the basic rates of 1½d and 3d were each doubled. To allow stocks of existing duty stamps to be used up, a provisional issue of overprinted postage stamps 1½d and 3d was made. These stamps were stuck on to all the old medicine duty stamps to double the duty.

I was very surprised to find a C/AN/S perfin C0270.05a on a 3d violet overprint.



On the back of this stamp, at the top edge, there is a small bit of the medicine duty stamp to which this additional duty stamp has been stuck, and although this obscures a few of the perfin holes, it does prove that the stamp has been properly used.

The user of the C/AN/S perfin was the ARMY & NAVY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, 105 Victoria St., Westminster S.W.1. Although a large Department Store, they were also listed in Kelly's Directories at this time, 1915, under the classification of Chemists & Druggists, and presumably the Medicine Duty overprint stamps would have been perfined along with the postage stamps which they were using at this time.

The Army & Navy Co-operative Society acquired the assets of the Army & Navy Auxiliary Co-operative Supply Ltd in 1919, perfin AUX between parallel lines. In May 1934 the name was changed to Army & Navy Stores Ltd.

Background information for this article has been taken from the Barefoot Revenue Catalogue and information provided by John Nelson.

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**NEW IDENTITIES submitted to the CATALOGUE EDITOR (Roy Gault) - 10 Contributors.**

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

From Rosemary Smith.

<u>A1235.01</u>	AC&N	10,9,14,14	5½	III	Armitage, Clough & Norton, Accountants & Auditors, 23 John William St, Huddersfield. Receipt dated 27/3/1889.	B
A4160.05	AN	14,19	8		Army & Navy Co-operative Society Ltd. Victoria St, London. Cover dated 18/5/1917.	I
B4750.06	B&M	13,12,15	4	IIIa	Bryant & May. Cover dated 18/8/83.	B
C6780.01	C.S.	8,11	5½		Carlisle South-End Co-operative Society Ltd, 48 Botchergate, Carlisle, Cumberland. Cover pmk 24/2/1934.	I
D4590.01	DS/&S	11,10/14,10	5	I	Debenham, Storr & Sons Ltd, Auctioneers, Estate Agents, Appraisers, Valuers, Surveyors, 26 King St, Covent Garden, London WC. Receipt dated 5/1/1921.	I
E2640.01	ELC <sup>o</sup> /L	10,7,8,6/7	4½		E Lloyd & Co, London. Item dated 13/4/1897.	E
E2880.04	EM	10,15	5		Earnest Mathews & Co, 61 St Mary Axe, London EC. Cover pmk 11/10/1901.	B
G4210.01	GRAPHIC	9,10,8,8,10,4,7	3½		The Daily Graphic, Milford Lane, Strand, London WC.	E
Note: See also ILN (I1580.01) below.						
H0830.01	HB/&S	12,13/13,11	4½	Ia	Henry Bamford & Sons, Leighton Iron Works, Uttoxeter. Receipt dated 13/4/1897.	B
H1160.05A	HC	11,8	5		Hastings Corporation. Cover dated 15/12/1936.	O
H1590A1a	HC <sup>o</sup> /L <sup>d</sup>	10,7,4/6,7	4		Hall & Co Ltd, Radawn House, Station Approach, Cheam, Surrey. Cover dated 24/1/1936.	O
H1920.02	H&D	10,12,9	4½	Ia	2. Guest Industries Ltd, Raw Materials Division, 81 Gracechurch St, London EC3. See note - N. I. page 15.	
H4930.02	HMC	9,11,7	5		The Hoffmann Mfg Co Ltd, Chelmsford. Cover dated 25/9/1914.	I
H6550.03	HS/&C <sup>o</sup>	11,13/14,8,6	5	III	Herman Schurhoff & Co, Birmingham. Cover dated 2/8/1888.	E
I1580.01	ILN	5,7,13	4½		Additional details - The Illustrated London News & Sketch Ltd, Milford Ln, Strand, London WC2. Cover dated 15/12/1919.	

Note: See also GRAPHIC (G4210.01) above.

Rosemary Smith continued

J0460.08	JB	7,15	7		3. John Bull, Registration Dept., 128 Long Acre, London WC2. Cover dated 25/3/1942.	Q
J5425.01	JMN	5,11,10	4½		John M Newton & Sons Ltd, Plate & Sheet Glass Merchants, 21-23 Charles St, Hatton Gdns, London. Receipt dated 12/3/1924.	I
J5920.01	JO/&/SL <sup>d</sup>	7,10/14/10,7,7	4	I	Joseph Owen & Sons Ltd, Liverpool. Item pink 13/5/1913.	H
J8320.01	J.W.B	7,16,14	4½		J Wheeler-Bennett & Co, Hibernia Chambers, London Bridge, London SE. Cover dated 19/3/1908.	F
K0920.02	K&H	10,14,12	5	III	Kahn & Herzfelder. Warnford Ct, London EC. Cover dated 18/11/1901.	E
L3180.02	LINE	7,5,13,10	5		John Line & Sons Ltd, 16 Picardy Place, Edinburgh 1. Cover pmk 25/10/1949.	T
L3410.04	LL	7,7	5½		Loeber Ltd, 49/50 Milton St, London EC. Cover dated 2/11/1916.	I
L5790.01	L&W	7,14,14	4½	III	Lloyd & Ward, Stock & Share Brokers, 3 Throgmorton Ave, London EC. QV 1/- Contract Note on Receipt. Confirm I & R Morley Ltd. Cover pmk 16/11/1937.	Q
M0010.07	M	15	4½		Malden & Coombes UDC, 50 Kingston Rd, New Malden. Cover dated 3/10/1942	R
M1250.02	McE	15,7,10	7		P McEvoy, Sons & Pinnington Ltd, 14-16 Highfield St, Liverpool. Cover dated 23/10/1909.	F
M2860.02a	MH	15,12	4½		The Middlesex Hospital, London. Cover dated 16/11/1936.	O
M2900.01	MH/A	13,11/10	6		1. MacCabe, Hughes & Alexander Ltd, Liverpool 2. [Cover dated 1953]. 2. F Bower & Co Ltd, 19 James St, Liverpool 2. [Dated 23/11/64] 3. MacCabe-Bower Shipping Ltd, 16 James St, Liverpool. [18/9/69]	U V
M4730.01M	MR/C <sup>o</sup> L <sup>d</sup>	11,10/7,4,6,6	4½		Additional address - 47 Stamford Hill London N16. Cover dated 6/3/1947.	R
O0010.12	O	12	7½		Thomas Owen & Co Ltd, Ely Paper Works, Cardiff. Receipt dated 31/3/1931.	I
P0010.28	P	15	8½		Polikoff Ltd, 31/51 Chatham Place, London E9. Cover dated 19/3/1937.	M
R0467.01	RB/&C <sup>o</sup> .	13,14/15,10,8	5½	IIIa	Robert Baelz & Co, Continental Agents for Peek Frean, Cadbury, Spratts etc, 14-20 St Mary Axe, London EC. Cover dated Aug 1888.	E

Rosemary Smith continued

R0950.03a RC/&C<sup>o</sup> 12,8/14,8,4 5 I Rickett, Cockerel/ & Co Ltd,  
4 Lloyd's Ave, London EC3.  
Note: Cover dated 18/4/1940 addressed to 'The Accountant, Room 101, 4 Lloyd's Ave,  
London EC3. Rickett, Cockerel/ & Co Ltd operated from this address according to  
Rosemary's 1956 Stock Exchange Year Book.

R1360.01a R/D/C 10/9/7 4½ Rowson, Drew & Clydesdale Ltd,  
Hardware & Builders Merchants,  
London. Item pmk 19/1/1935. I&M  
Note: Two other identities in Tomkins currently attributed to Rowson, Drew & Clydesdale  
(i.e. R1350.01M and R1365.01) should read Rown\_son, Drew & Clydesdale.

T0150.01a TA/&C<sup>o</sup> 6,8/12,7,4 4½ Ia Thew, Arnott & Co Ltd,  
3 & 4 Water Lane, Great Tower St,  
London EC3. Cover dated 7/6/37. O

U1820.01 US/&S 10,10/13,10 6 III Udal, Sons & Symonds, Birmingham.  
Receipt dated 13/5/1896. B

Robert Dedecker

A1540.01 ACT 10,8,7 6 Additional info - Mercantile Stationer  
& Printer, 113 Union St, Glasgow.  
QV ½d (gn) P.S Card dated 21/1/1885.  
E0770.091 E&C<sup>o</sup> 10,13,8,5 \_ 5½ III Ellinger & Co, Manchester.  
QV 1d (br) P.S Card dated 25/10/1889.

From Bob Schwerdt.

C0470.07 C.B 10,15 7½ Castell Brothers (Cabinets),  
27 Warwick Lane, London EC.  
QV 1d (br) P.S Card dated 29/2/1886.

From Phil Butcher, with additional information from John Nelson.

C2563.01 C&F/B 8,14,8/15 4½ III Constantine & Floyd, Mfg Jewellers,  
20 Regents P1, Birmingham.  
QV 1d (br) P.S Card dated 31/7/1885.

From Michael Goodman.

A3520.02 A.L 10,7 5½ American Line,  
Southampton - New York Service.  
Cover dated 28/3/1913. H  
Note: The stamp used on the cover has no stop. This was originally catalogued as  
A3510.04 and can now be deleted. Loose stamps are known postmarked London,  
Liverpool and Southampton.

From Kim Bjarnt.

R4200.01 RP/Z 10,8/8 4½ Used to commemorate the "Polish help  
for Jews (1939-45)" - a documentary  
exhibition held at the Polish Institute  
and General Sikorski Museum,  
20 Princes Gate, London SW7 1QA.  
Cover with commemorative cancel  
dated 22/11/1988. W

From John Nelson.

R2373.01 RHH/&S 12,12,12/12,11 4½ IIIa Ø R Hood Haggie & Son, Hemp & Wire Rope Mfrs, 11 Queen St, Newcastle-on-Tyne. E

Note: The above company became Limited on 28/11/1900, and had Ld added to their perfin die to form RHH/&S/Ld (R2375.01).

R2373.02 RHH/&S 12,11,11/13,11 5½ III Ø R Hood Haggie & Son, Hemp & Wire Rope Mfrs, 11 Queen St, Newcastle-on-Tyne. B

Note: Identity suspected from a loose stamp with duplex '545' of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

R2375.01 RHH/&S/L<sup>d</sup> 12,12,12/12,11/6,7 4½ IIIa Ø R Hood Haggie & Son Ltd, Hemp & Wire Rope Mfrs, 11 Queen St, Newcastle-on-Tyne. BEF

Note: Identity suspected from loose stamps postmarked Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Wallsend. Earliest known use of this die (with Ld added) is 4/11/1901.

From Harry Skinner. - item found amongst auction material from A G Moore.

R2985.01 R&J/DICK 12,13,7/11,5,8,10 6 III Ø R & J Dick Ltd, Rubber and Canvas Belting Mfrs, London, Glasgow, Leeds, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Birmingham, Manchester, Bristol and Belfast. I

Note: Suspected identity provided by John Nelson - 2 examples known, one of which has a London postmark.

From Norman Hewerdine.

E1970.01 E.H/&C<sup>o</sup>/L<sup>td</sup> 10,12/13,8,6/6,5,7 4½/4½/3½ Ia E Hulton & Co Ltd, Printers, Withy Grove, Manchester. Cover pmk Manchester, 5/9/1910. F

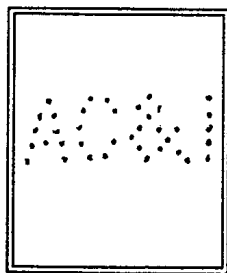
Note: Stop on top line is missing, but the pattern matches E.H/&Co/Ltd (E1970.01).

From Roberto Eissler.

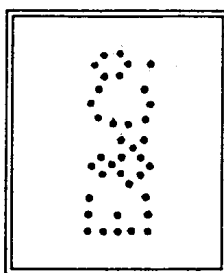
B2020.02 BD/&C<sup>o</sup> 14,11/14,8,4 5 III Brooker, Dore & Co Ltd, 5 Fenchurch St, London EC3. Q

U1770.01 US/Co 10,10/8,4 4½ The United Shipping Co Ltd, 106 Fenchurch St, London EC3. Q

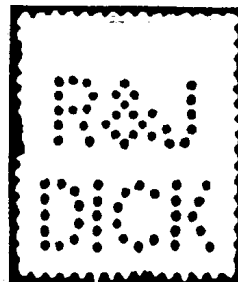
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A1235.01



E0770.09



R2985.01