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Anglo-Palestine Company Ltd. (A.P.C.) perfin on 1922 definitives as seen from back of stamp held upright. The sheet was first folded in the middle and then perforated, resulting in a mirror perforated in each half sheet. (Figure 1)

The spacing between perfin settings indicates that it was intended to perforate the sheets vertically. Stamps perforated vertically have a perfect fit perfin (Figure 3), while stamps perforated sideways are mis-spaced (Figure 3).

The sheet could be perforated upright, inverted,

sideways or inverted sideways, resulting in eight different perfin positions of which four are upright and four are inverted. See Figure 4.

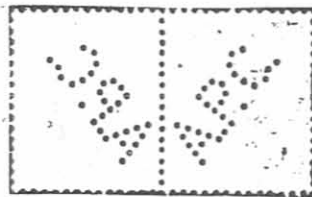


Figure 1.



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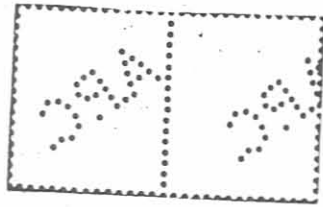


Figure 3.

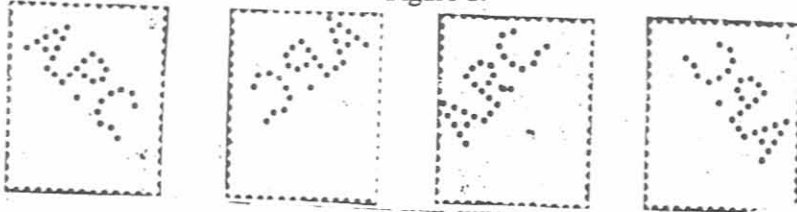


Figure 4. The four upright positions

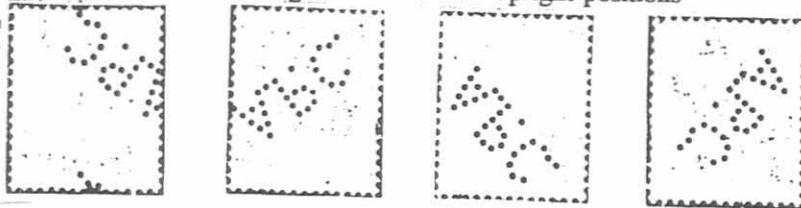


Figure 5. The four inverted positions.

Anglo-Palestine Company, Ltd. A.P.C. perfin on 1922 definitives as seen from back of stamp held upright (Figure 6).

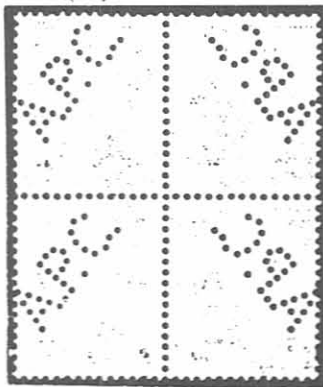


Figure 6.

Mirror image tete-beche indicating that the sheets were folded in the middle prior to perforating (Figure 7).

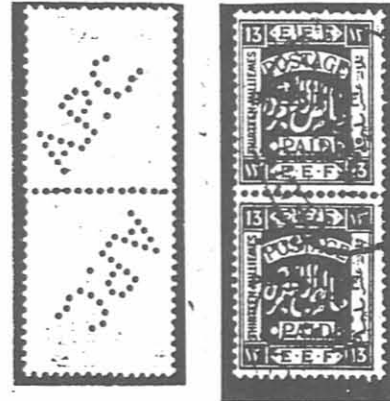


Figure 7.

True tete-beche from a sheet not folded prior to perforating (Figure 8).

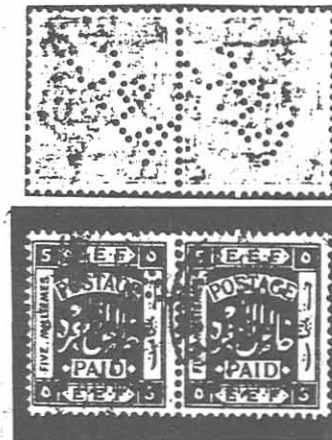


Figure 8. Perfect fit perfin from a sheet perforated vertically.

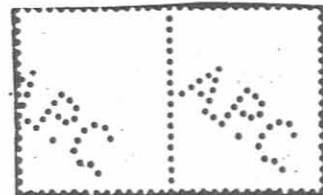


Figure 9. Mis-spaced perfin . . . . . from a sheet perforated sideways.