Wm.Dawson & Sons Ltd./ Machinery Publishing Co.Ltd.

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In 1989 I mentioned a trade card I had bought on which was a Wm.Dawson & Sons perfin (W2040.03) but the card was from the MACHINERY PUBLISHING CO.LTD. No answers were received to my query about this apparent wrong usage of the WD/SS perfin.

Now ARTHUR SMITH has sent me a photocopy of a very similar card from this firm with a perfin M0010.28 - single letter "M". This is a new identity. However, it does not explain the discrepancy in the use of the two perfins. The "WD/SS" perfin was dated 1915, address 51-52 Chancery Lane, WC; the "M" perfin is dated 1935 and the address is 52 «54 High Holborn, WC. Any new ideas?

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