

THE PAC PERFIN

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Most collectors eventually find a few (or few thousand !) examples of the Prudential Assurance Company perfin in their stock, but usually try to rid themselves of this extremely common perfin. However they can become an interesting study. The two illustrations shown below are of No P0120.03 which was used by the Pru. Careful inspection shows that a number of slightly different heads have been used so presumably this is an example of a multi die head. Can it be reconstructed ? The pieces below make a good start. The upper and lower rows are identical as would be expected but horizontally there are seven different types. Members are invited to search both for additional types (there probably are at least twelve) and for blocks which help put the types in their correct relationship to each other.

For those who have large accumulations of the later die (No P0120.01) it would seem from the third illustration that this too is a multiple head die. Can that be re-constructed ?

Examples and information please to the Catalogue Editor, either in the form of photocopies of the backs of the stamps, or the actual stamps if you do not want them (after recording they will be passed on to Haberdashers Askes Boys School Stamp Club).

