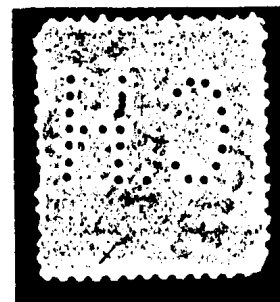


LIVERPOOL COTTON ASSOCIATION.

In February I received a letter from JOHN DONNER, asking for any information about a private 'stamp' perfined C.H (11,16). The stamp was for the Liverpool Cotton Association. I too had not seen one of these before the previous week. By coincidence I had bought a similar stamp and had been fortunate to see a friend who collects Revenue Stamps. In his Cat. of Revenue Stamps is the following information.



"Liverpool was the home of the cotton trade in the 19th century: the Liverpool Cotton Association operated similarly to the Corn Association in issuing adhesive stamps for pre-payment of fees for recording contracts and fines. Little information has been recorded, and the stamps were not available to the general public. It is therefore likely that many other issues may have been used besides those recorded. Usual cancel is by perfin. Research by Chris Tennant."



The book lists values from 6d to £3 with duplication of values in different colours, designs and sizes. The earliest known are about 1875 I believe. The perfin C.H stands for Clearing House, the full name on the stamps being 'LIVERPOOL COTTON BROKERS ASSOCIATION CLEARING HOUSE.'
