

HM Stationery Office (Hurlin Die) contd.

Our request for further information regarding the variations to be found in the HMSO Die 11A produced replies from only two members. Mr. D. Shaw provided a photocopy of what may be a new type, now numbered 9. It is characterised by a missing hole in the 'M', but is otherwise very similar to No. 5 (as illustrated on page 5 of Bulletin 213) so its correct number may be 5a. Mr. M. Werner sent us photocopies of four examples from his collection. Two of these are new variations, numbered 10 and 11 below. He also owns the only pair we know of being 'se-tenant' examples of numbers 7 and 8.

This leaves one (or possibly two) variations unaccounted for, assuming the machine originally had twelve dies. There must be a few other examples in members' collections - although this die is very rare it is not that scarce. Dare we hope to find any more pairs or multiple pairs? Photocopies of the backs of any examples should be sent to the editorial address (or actual examples for copying and returning).

