

MISSING PINS
From JACK BRANDT

G(de) PERFIN G1390.01 Bulletin 218/9.

In 1985 I wrote a short article about the G(de) perfin of A.de Gruchy S Co Ltd, St.Helier, Jersey. I was making the point that at sometime in its long use, this die lost a pin from the 'D' and I was trying to pin point when this occurred.

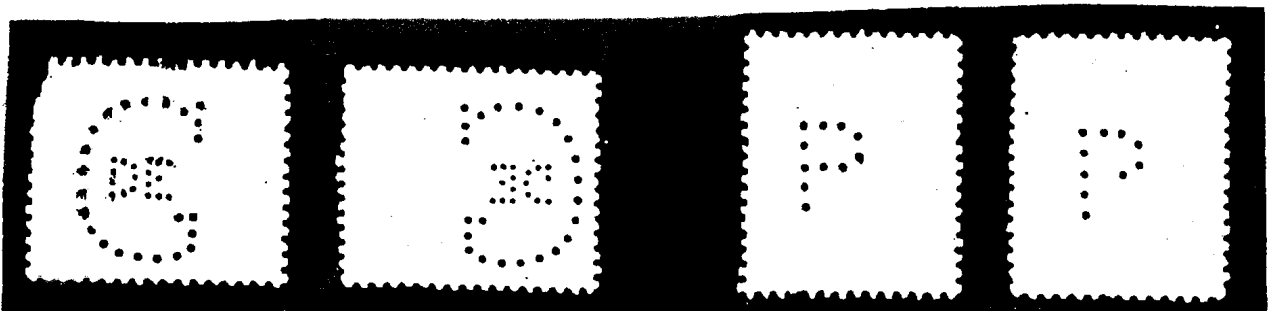
I had three replies to that article but never passed on the information. Since that time I have added to my collection of this perfin and so from information received and the additions to my own stock I can narrow down the missing pin.

The die is found complete on 1d reds, Plates 174, 195 and 213. Still complete on 1d lilac with DE 17 96 cancel. By KEVII, 1d dated JU 2 02, it was broken and stayed that way. This leaves a gap of 6 years. Can anyone fill in any dates between - with or without the missing pin?

"P" PERFIN P0010.21.

This perfin has no identified user but all examples I have seen have Liverpool cancels. I have 7 copies of this perfin, 5 of which are missing one pin. 6 of my stamps are the 1d lilac, which includes the 2 complete ones. Unfortunately only one has the date available and it is JU 8 94. By OCT 8 95 it was broken and remained that way on copies in 1899 and 1902. So we have narrowed this one down to a little over a year. Can we get closer?

Information on either of the above to 1006-727-6th Ave S W, Calgary, Alberta, T2P OV1, CANADA.



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PETER MAYBURY has a 1d lilac with the G(de) die which fits into the gap mentioned by Jack Brandt. The stamp is dated 31 May 1900. The relevant pin is present but very blunt.

Peter wonders if it was then deliberately removed as it could be interfering with the process of perfining the stamps – i.e. the stamps were not released cleanly from that pin.

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