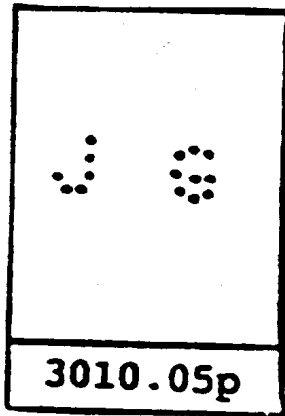


I acquired a copy of the United Grand Lodge provisional perfin UG/L (U0870.01p) and noted from Roy's Provisionals Catalogue that the position of the "L" varies, as you would expect in a provisional, but the "U" & "G" are always the same distance apart. So it would seem that Sloper made a die "UG" in this period but examination of Roy's Catalogue of Provisional Dies reveals no intended user for a "UG" perfin, so why not make it "UG/L"?



However, I note that the provisional "JG" (J3010.05p) has exactly the same spacing and presume that the "UG" die was for the "UG/L" provisional and with some pins removed it made the "JG" provisional.

I would be pleased to have any comments on this theory. I have asked some collectors of Masonic Philately for details of any covers they have - the "UG" perfin may yet appear used by the United Grand Lodge.