

PERFIN "OBT/&C°" (O0270.01) ON KEVII STAMPS By P.TUCKEY.  
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Whilst checking thorough some of my duplicates recently I noticed I had acquired a large number of O B T/& C° (0 0270.01) "83" ½d Blue-Green. "48" 1d Reds." 90 of which had readable postmarks. I temporarily mounted these in some old Hagner-Type stock sheets, The front of these stamps offered nothing unusual, (all appeared to had London, pmks) On reversing the stamps (face down) I noticed that a large number had missing pins, sorting these missing pins revealed the following information. (Dates are at postmarks)

All Pins Complete.



½d Green.	(10)	13/Jan/1902 - 28/Feb/1902
1d Red	(5)	03/Jan/1902 - 12/Feb/1902
		Earliest Date 03/January/1902
		Latest Date 28/February/1902

Top Pin Missing from the ° of C°.



½d Green.	(22)	03/Mar/1902 - 22/July/1902.
1d Red	(9)	31/Mar/1902 - 21/July/1902.
		Earliest Date 03/March/1902
		Latest Date 22/July/1902

(As Above Plus) 9th Pin of Ampersand Missing.



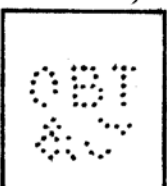
½d Green.	(10)	07/Aug/1902 - 26/Nov/1902.
1d Red	(7)	02/Sep/1902 - 22/Dec/1902.
		Earliest Date 07/August/1902
		Latest Date 22/December/1902

(As above Plus) pin missing from First O at 5 o'clock.



½d Green.	(6)	15/Jan/1903 - 04/Apr/1903.
1d Red.	(7)	08/Jan/1903 - 04/July/1903.
		Earliest Date 08/January/1903
		Latest Date 04/July/1903

(As Above Plus) 2 Pins missing from C of C° at 10-11 o'clock.



½d Green	(10)	27/Aug/1903 - 18/Nov/1903
1d Red	(4)	01/Sept/1903 - 12/Jan/1904
		Earliest Date 27/August/1903
		Latest Date 12/January/1904.

The above information has only been gathered from my own holdings, and may not be totally accurate and is almost certainly not complete, but it may be of some interest to other members, and I would be interested in any other members findings and or comments.

(Ed. - The above article is printed exactly as received from Mr. Tuckey. The illustrations therefore are now reduced but there was only this particular OBT/&C° die used on KEVII stamps. Any replies to 2 Morrells Close, Didcot OX11 7DJ.)