

PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY

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ENVELOPES AND REGISTERED ENVELOPES

This fourth article on Perforated Postal Stationery deals with the Envelopes and Registered Envelopes which are perfined through the actual envelope. With the exception of the Army & Navy Stores (note various names in the text) all these Postal Stationery envelopes are perfined through from the front to the back of the whole envelope/ including the flap if the die is positioned behind it. Perforating of the Registered Envelopes I will mention in the appropriate section.

ENVELOPES

QUEEN VICTORIA

I have only seen 3 different types of stamps perfined on Postal Stationery Envelopes from the reign of Queen Victoria.

Type 1 ½d vermilion First issued September 1892

There are two types of this embossed stamp - difference to the pendant curl at the back of the head - but I am not differentiating between these types in this survey.

Type 2 1d pale-deep pink First issued August 1866
These stamps have the date plugs at the bottom part of the circle.

Type 3 1d pink First issued 1883
No date in circle.

The poor illustrations are due to the very pale shade of pink.



Type 1



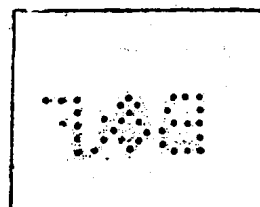
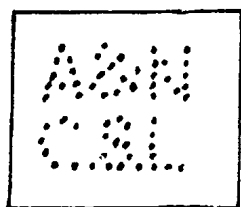
Type 2



Type 3

Envelopes with Type 1 - QV ½d vermilion – stamp

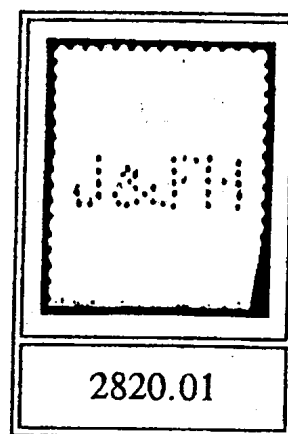
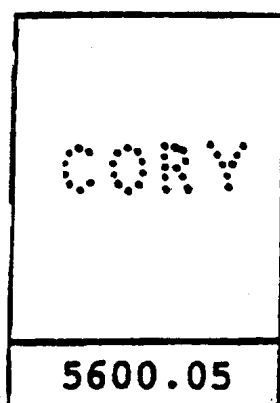
Cat.No.	PERFIN	IDENTIFIED USER	<u>EARLIEST</u>	<u>LATEST</u>
A4205.01?	ASN/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd	1892	1894
B? New?	BSF	?		16-2-01



The ASN/C.S.L illustration is from The Cinderella Philatelist.
The B&F illustration is from the reverse of the author's cover, with postmark from London W.C.

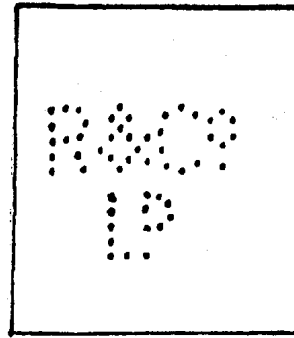
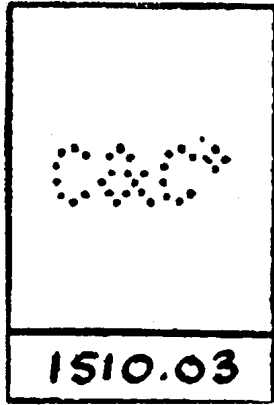
Envelopes with Type 2 - QV 1d pale-deep pink - stamp

C5600.05	CORY	Wm. Cory & Son Ltd Cardiff & London	25-1-70	29-4-78
J2820.01	J&FH	J & F Howard, Bedford		19-1-81



Envelopes with Type 3 - QV 1d pink - stamp

C4205.01?)	ASN/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil	21-10-92	11-4-02
C4205.02?)		Service Supply Ltd		
C1510.03	C&C°	?	12-12-01	
R1085.01	R&C°/Ld	?	1-9-84	
				Postmark Basingstoke



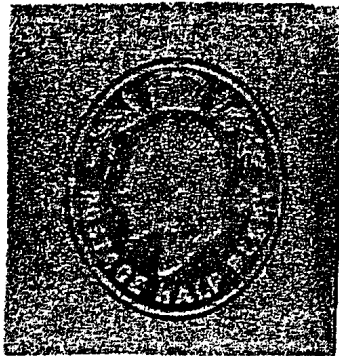
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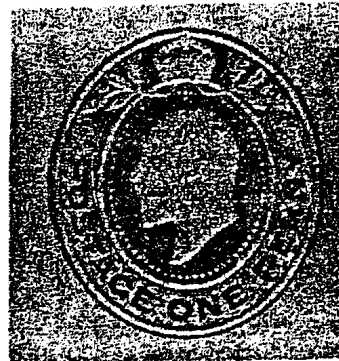
KING EDWARD VII

Type 1 ½d green
 Type 2 1d red

First issued January 1902
 First issued February 1902



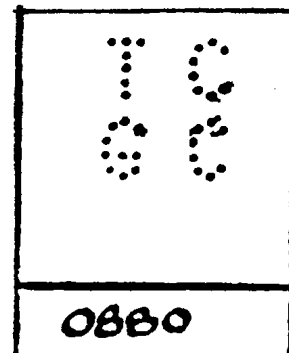
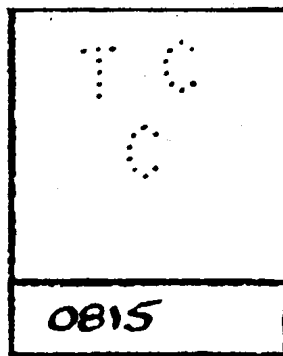
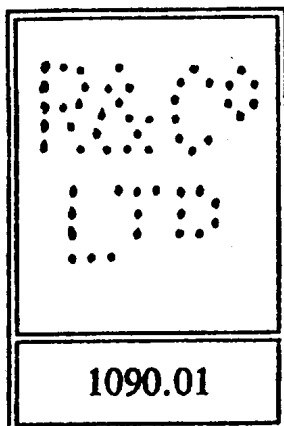
Type 1



Type 2

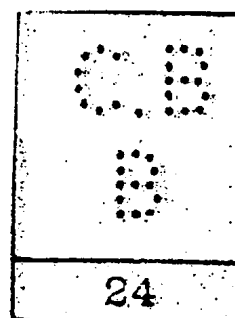
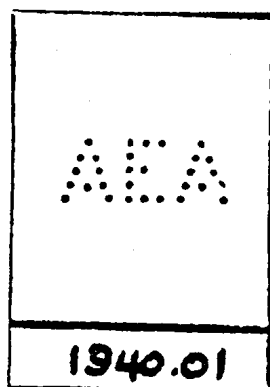
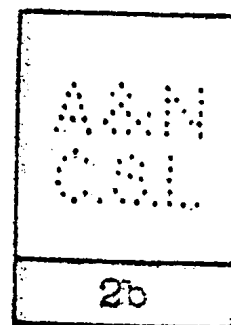
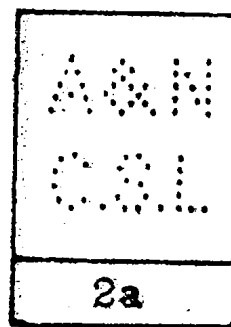
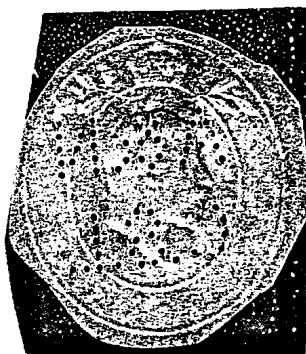
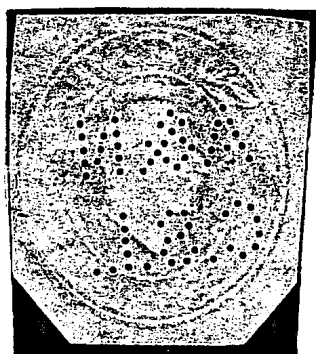
Envelopes with Type 1 – KEVII ½d green – stamp

R1090.01	R&Co/Ld	Rowntrees & Co Ltd	12-6-07
		York	
T0815.01	TC/C	?	
T0880.01	TC/GC	?	13-8-09
			Pmk Bute Docks



Envelopes with Type 2 – KEVII 1d red - stamp

A4205.01?A&N/C.S.L)	Army & Navy Civil	4-07-02	1913
A4205.02?) Service Supply Ltd		
A4205.04?)		
A1940.01 AE/A	?	8-10-01	11-5-13
C New? C.B/B	Cadbury Bros,	Pmk Harrogate	From Cinderella
		Philatelist	
C1510.03 C&Co	?	11-3-02	



The envelopes with A&N/C.S.L are only found perfined through the front of the envelope, through the impressed stamp. The unanswered question has always been: were the envelopes perfined 13-8-09 prior to folding and gluing or had the die a long foot, which went into the envelope?

It is certain that there were quite a number of dies used, some holes are quite large, others thin. I illustrate the back of two typical dies, which are of differing width but I have noted other variations. There are two different ampersands used as well. Until the 'A' section of the New Illustrated Catalogue is tackled by Roy, these 'Army & Navy' dies will remain guess work.

The Cinderella Philatelist shows 3 different dies but these cannot be taken as accurate. What can be said of these dies on Postal Stationery Envelopes is that they are very, very common and prices paid for them should reflect this. I have, or have seen, or had reported at least 50 of these dies but unfortunately the reportings were not really accurate as to which die. Until I undertook this survey I had assumed that all the dies were the same.

Many of these envelopes were sent abroad and are usually found with additional stamps perfined with one of the C/AN/S dies.

ENVELOPES

Type 1 ½d green
 Type 2 1d red

KING GEORGE V

First issued September 1913
 First issued 1913



Type 1



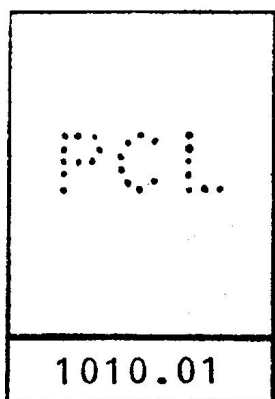
Type 2

Envelopes with Type 1 - KGV ½d green - stamp

R1090.01	R&CO/Ltd	Rowntree & Co Ltd,	8-10-25
		York	3 of these known

Envelopes with Type 2 - KGV 1d red - stamp

A4205.01?	A&N/C.S.L	1913	2-8-15
P1010.01	PCL	Prices' Patent Candle Co Ltd, Birkenhead	25-2-14



REGISTERED ENVELOPES

Registered Envelopes which have perforated initials through the embossed stamp on the flap of the envelope are difficult to find. Again the most common user seems to be the Army & Navy Co-op Society but very few other users have come to light. Illustrations for some of the following are in the previous 'envelope' section

REGISTERED ENVELOPES

QUEEN VICTORIA

Type 1 2d blue
Type 2 2d blue

First issued 1881
First issued 1893

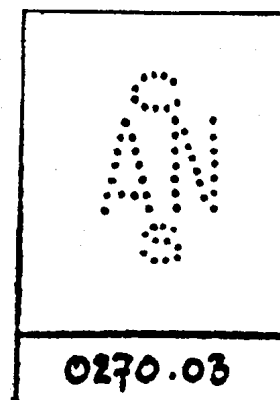
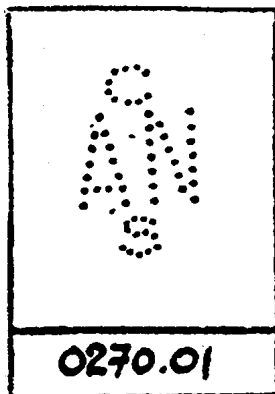


Registered Envelopes with Type 1 – QV 2d blue – stamp

A4205.0?	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd	12-12-85	1887
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Registered Envelopes with Type 2 – QV 2d blue – stamp

A4205?	A&N/C.S.L	Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd	9-4-00
C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	13-1-94 4-1-95
C0270.03	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	21-5-97

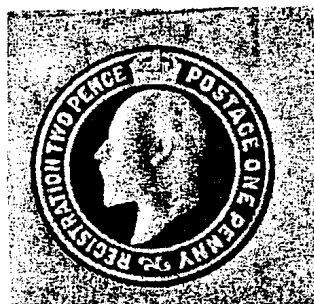


REGISTERED ENVELOPES

KING EDWARD VII

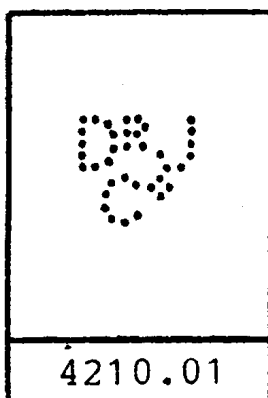
Type 1 3d brown

First issued February 1902



Type 1

C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	19-2-09	
D4210.01	DrJ/Co	Dr Jaegers' Sanitary Woolen Co Ltd	1-10-02	1908



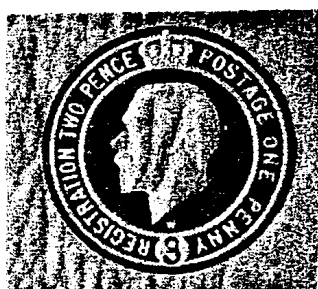
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REGISTERED ENVELOPES

KING GEORGE V

Type 1 3d brown
Type 2 3½d blue

First issued 1911
First issued 1918



Type 1



Type 2

Registered Envelopes with Type 1 – KGV 3d brown – stamp

C0270.01	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	3-1-13
C0270.03	C/AN/S	Army & Navy Co-op Soc.	January 1911
D4210.01	DrJ/Co	Dr Jaegers' Sanitary Woolen Co Ltd	12-1-21

Registered Envelopes with Type 2 – KGV 3½d blue – stamp

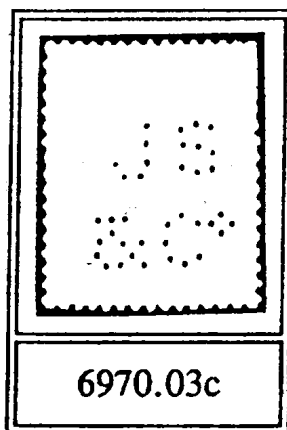
R1090.01 R&Co/Ltd Rowntree & Co Ltd, York 1919
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REGISTERED ENVELOPES KING GEORGE VI

Type 1 5½d brown First issued May 1940



J6970.03c JS/&Co Joseph Sloper & Co Ltd 6-5-46



The earliest date for a perforated Registered Postal Stationery Envelope would be December 1885 and the latest seen - May 1946. I tend to discount the latter as Joseph Sloper would surely perforate their own stationery as a matter of course.

There would appear to be a long gap from 1921 to 1946. I hope members will advise me if they have any examples later than 1921, and indeed any examples they hold of any die.

Information for these two sections has been taken from sources mentioned in previous sections plus John Button and Jerry Soutar. Sincere thanks to all those who have sent me information over many years.

The next Bulletin should see the few details I have on Perforated Air Letters and' Telegraph Forms. All new information sent in since I began this survey will be collated in a future Bulletin.

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