PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY ENVELOPES

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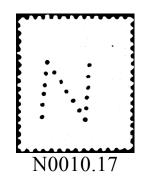
This update follows the original article in Bulletin 288 Pages 16-20 (1997). Additions to that research are:-

QV Type 2 1d with date plugs

M0540.02 M.B/&C^o 22-1-70 & 7-10-79 Cut-out only. Die user not identified. N0010. 17 N 26-11-74 Postmark Maidstone Die user not identified.



A4205.04



J1680.01

OV Type 3 1d without date plugs

A4205.04 A&N/C.S.L 23-2-92 Army & Navy Civil Service Supply Ltd C1510.09a C&C^o 16-6-96 & 16-11-99 Die user not identified J1680.01 J.C&S 15-10-00 Postmark London W Perfinned through front & back. Die user not identified.

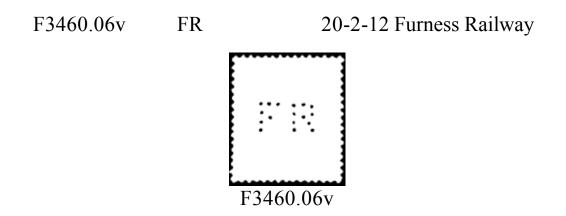
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C1510.09a

In my original article I mentioned the fact that all envelopes with the exception of those from the Army & Navy Co-operative Society were perfinned through from front to back. I noted, "The envelopes with A&N/C.S.L are only found perfinned through the <u>front</u> of the envelope, through the impressed stamp. The un-answered question has always been: were the envelopes perfinned prior to folding and gluing or had the die a long foot which went into the envelope?"

When Michael Lockton sent me the report of the J C&S cover he wrote, "The perforation is on a Post-Office envelope, type (Huggins) EP 31b. This is perforated through the back of the envelope, and like you, I am unable to explain why this is not so with the A&N/C.S.L envelopes. If the envelopes had been of the 'Stamped-to-order' type this could have happened as Somerset House would have returned the stamped unfolded sheets to the customer but the envelopes identified are Post-Office issue and would have been supplied folded and gummed unless A&N had a special contract (which I consider unlikely). I think that I must favour your theory that the perforating machine had a long foot that went into the envelope."

Edward VII ¹/2d Type 1



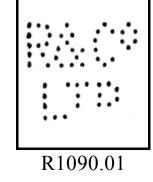
Perforated only on the front of the envelope, the flap of the envelope is at the **opposite** end to the perforation. This report came via a member of the Cumbria P.S. and he wrote in "The Cumbrian Post", "The fact that the holes do not go through the back of the envelope made me assume that the perfin was applied before the envelope was actually assembled, but E.L. Whitehead suggests his example was hand-done. Would they have a machine long enough to

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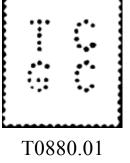
be put into this envelope to perfin the other end? Could my example be the long-arm type whilst the other (perforated all through the envelope and reported in the Cumbria article) was a short-arm type? So this question vexes the minds of other than the Perfin Society.

R1080.03		Cut-out. New to original survey
R1090.01	R&C ^o /L ^{td}	13-10-06 and 29-1-13 (late use)
		Postmark York
T0815.01	ΓC/C	This is another similar cover to the one
		originally reported, no identification but
		both have 'CBV' in triangle for Bute
		Docks, Cardiff pink.
T0880.01	TC/GC	14-4-07 (earlier date)









Edward VII

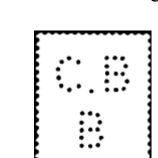
1d Red Type 2

A4205.04 A&N/C.S.L C0530.04 C.B/B

Cadbury Bros Ltd. 20-9-05. New date and confirmation of 'Cinderella Philatelist' listing.



A4205.04



C0530.04

George V ¹/₂d Green Type 1

A4205.0? A&N/C.S.L

Army & Navy Co-op Supply Ltd 15-1-15 & 9-9-15. New value to original survey.`

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George V 1d Red Type 2

R3065.01 RJ&S/B 3-10-14 Postmark Bradford. This is a new die to the Perfin Society Catalogue. Again this is a cover, which is only perfinned through the <u>front</u> of the envelope.

S3845.01 S.I.O Line cancel only.

This is a new die to the Perfin Society Catalogue.



George V 9d Purple/brown

B4750.01 B&M Busk & Mellor, London WC. New value and die to original survey. Cut-out only



B4750.01



GVI - Not a legitimate P.P.S. item but worth a mention here.

A piece from an envelope with a George VI 2¹/₂d light blue dated August 1950 postmark Birmingham. The stamp and the envelope piece is perfinned through with B.T./A. (B7080.01). The top of the 'B' and 'T' are off the stamp so only perforated through the paper of the envelope. The identity for B.T./A. is the British Traders Association. Birmingham.

Once again, many thanks to all the members, and non-members, who reported these new details. I am always ready to receive new information about any Postal Stationery items and I will continue to publish all new data.

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