PERFORATED P.P.S REGISTERED ENVELOPES

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From John Barker, Editor of the Postal Stationery Society, came this very useful piece of information.

"The following illustration is from a 'Huggins RP 20 Gc' (the P.P.S. identification number of a particular item of stationery) with perfin C0270.01M through the QV 2d Blue impression and C0207.03 through the adhesive. The interesting point is that on close examination of the flap, holes from two other dies on the multi-die head can be seen. This was something I had not noticed before."

Since receiving this letter I have checked my own C/AN/S Registered Envelopes and am ashamed to admit that I too missed noticing the evidence of a multi-die machine on two of my QV 2d Blue Type 2 Registered Envelopes.



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This next unusual item came via our Publications Officer, Jeff Turnbull. It is a KGV 3d Brown Registered Envelope with perfin die R&Co/Ld – R1080.03 – through the embossed stamp. (This die is also known through P.S. Envelopes.) However, this Registered Envelope also has a 1d KGV Red embossed stamp on the flap, also perforated through with R&Co/Ld. Both perfins are made through the flap of the registered envelope only and with their relative alignment appear to be from a multihead die.

The perfin die was used by Rowntree & Co. Ltd., Confectioners, York and is known used between 1905 and 1936. This envelope is dated 09-08-20 and is cancelled at York. Jeff says that in 1920 some of the old stock of GV 3d brown embossed Registered envelopes from 1912 were updated in price by adding a further 1d embossed value in red. (Huggins RP32). Another oddity to watch for.

Dated 09-08-1920.

R 1080.03



