

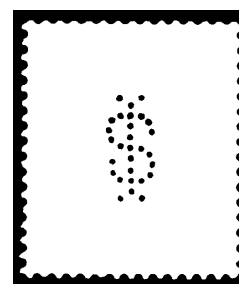
A NEW SLOPER “IS” Monogram!

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As I’m currently preparing a 2nd Edition for the Letter “I” of the New Illustrated Catalogue, the report by **Michael Millar** of a new “IS” monogram is timely.

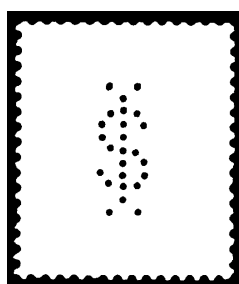
Michael reports this new die (I2260.05m) on a Queen Victoria 3d Plate 20 (wmk spray), dating to c1879. This becomes the 5th such monogram, and having a London postmark, was almost certainly used by Joseph Sloper & Co.

c1879



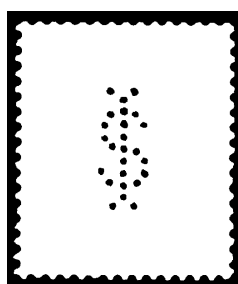
I2260.05m

1930-1941



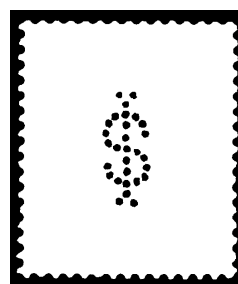
I2260.01m

1895-1920



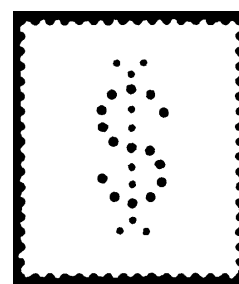
I2260.02m

c1879



I2260.03m

1883-1895



I2260.04m

All five dies are illustrated here for reference, but because of the similarity between I2260.03m and I2260.05m, could I ask you to check your holdings of these two early dies and report any new information, including the correct assignment of any of the unallocated items?

I2260.03m

QV 1d (SG43) - plate 215

I2260.05m

QV 1d (SG43) - plate 219

QV 3d - plate 20 (wmk spray)

Unallocated

QV 1d (SG43) - plates 212, 213

QV 1½d (SG51) - plate 3