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## **The West Indies Federation.**

On January 3rd, Lord Hailes was sworn in as Governor-General of the Federated Islands. The Federal elections will take place on March 25th, while the opening of the House will take place on April 23rd. To give the reader a little idea of the plan and formation of the Federation, and also of each island - the following detail facts and figures will help.

### **Islands In The Federation**

**JAMAICA** The largest island of 4,411 square miles and a population of 1,579,620 with an export trade of £38,056,126, while the imports amounted to £58¼ million. Jamaica will have 17 elected members in the House while 2 will be nominated for the Senate. The distance by Air from Jamaica to Trinidad is 1,211 miles. Jamaica takes in Cayman and Turks islands, both being dependencies of this island.

**TRINIDAD** Capital of the Federation with an area of 1,980 square miles and a population of 720,450. Trinidad exported £59,570,551 while its imports were £61,254,832. Trinidad will have ten elected members in the House and 2 nominated members in the Senate.

**BARBADOS** Just 212 miles from Trinidad. Barbados is only 166 square miles with a population of 229,119, and will have five elected members in the House and two nominated members in the Senate. Exports were £8,424,980, while imports for the same year were £10,159,031.

**ST. KITTS NEVIS** Capital being Baserterre. An island of 152 square miles and a population of 54,327. Number of elected in the House will be 2 while two nominated members will be in the Senate. The Exports amounted to £1,828,973, while the imports were £2,077,433. St. Kitts Nevis is just about 411 miles from Trinidad.

**GRENADA** Known as the island of spice - the capital of the island being St. George with an area of 133 square miles and a population of 85,300. It will have two elected members in the House, and two nominated members in the Senate. Grenada exported £1,772,977 while its imports were £1,689,306 for the same year. This small island is only 109 miles from Trinidad.

**DOMINICA** Capital being Roseau, with an area of 305 square miles. Population was 61,398 when last taken, while its exports was £953,366, and its imports amounted to £1,167,873. Dominica will have two elected members in the House, and two nominated members in the Senate. From Trinidad its just 302 miles (air miles.)

**ST. VINCENT** Capital Kingstown, an area of 150 square miles, with a population of 75,200 and will have two elected members in the House and two nominated members in the Senate. Exports amounted to £889,666 mile the imports came up to £1,136,667.

**ST. LUCIA** Capital Castries, an area of 233 square miles, with a population of 86,219 and will have two elected members in the House, and two nominated members in the Senate. The island exports £739,936 while its imports were £1,005,506. St. Lucia is 372 miles from Trinidad by air.

**ANTIGUA** Capital St. Johns, with an area of 170½ square miles, population of 50,908. Will have two elected members in the House, and two nominated members in the Senate. The exports amounted over the year to £541,324. While for the same period its imports were £1,545,225. This island is 613 miles from Trinidad.

**MONTserrat** The smallest island of 32½ square miles with a population of 14,145. The Capital being Plymouth. This Colony will have one elected member in the House, and one nominated member in the Senate. Its exports amounted to £83,725, and its imports amounted to £248,592.

These ten islands will form the Federation along with Cayman and Turks islands which are dependencies of Jamaica, and will have no elected or nominated member in either House.

**THE COUNCIL** will consist of the Governor-General with the Prime Minister next, and ten other Ministers, and three official Civil Service members of the Federal establishment. (These offices were specified in the Federal Constitution, but may be nominated by the Governor-General to take part in discussions, but do not have a vote.)

**THE SENATE** The Senate of the Federal Parliament will consist of 19 members who shall be appointed by the Governor-General. The Senate will elect a President and Vice-President. The Senate will have power to delay a bill up to a year, but No Money Bill should be introduced.

**THE HOUSE** The Federal House of Representatives will be the principal Legislature Chamber of the Federation, which will consist of 45 members. A Speaker will be elected from among the House. The normal life of the House is 5 years, but the Governor-General may and can dissolve the House at any time.

The islands in question are each putting out a special issue of Postage stamps on the 23rd April, and readers interested in getting any of these may write to the editor of this magazine. First day covers with a special design have been prepared and the prices per set-mint-used-F.D.C's (First Day Covers) which are not addressed are as follows:

Full set mint 14/- \$2:00 Post Paid. 1/3d 18c per set plus postage.

Used sets for all the islands 1/6d- 21c per set plus postage.

Full used sets 16/8d \$2:38 postage paid.

First Day Covers for all islands 2/6d per cover 35c plus postage.

Full set post paid 28/- \$4:00.

All orders must be paid for in advance, while large wholesale orders special rates will be given.

## **UP TO DATE**

Such is the interest in King George VI and Queen Elizabeth II stamps, that when anything happens (as is often the case with current stamps) stamps can shoot up over night.

Before the advent of mail carried by air, this placed overseas collectors under a great disadvantage. Now however all this has changed and wherever you live, you need only be a day or two behind London, if you subscribe to the Commonwealth Courier.

This is a little monthly which deals exclusively with King George VI and Queen Elizabeth stamps. Each number contains, hundreds of bargain offers (many dealers tuck in here and help themselves) tips, articles and comments, Commonwealth Catalogue additions and price changes, and the findings of an expert panel of philatelists on all Crown Agent's releases.

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### Commonwealth News Letter

Since my last notes appeared, there have been the usual amount of happenings in the British Commonwealth philatelic field, and looking back at the year just ending, I think QE II collectors will later be pleased at some of the purchases they have made, and KG VI collectors cannot help but be happy, for gradually those big stocks of "PEACE" stamps, which were clodding the market and preventing the better items getting a fair show, as being liquidated, and it is a fact, whatever may be claimed to the contrary, the best selling stamps today in Britain are KG VI and QE II stamps, with the former just as good as the latter.

Some of us thought that after the Trinidad "provisional" job that strict instructions would be given by the Colonial Office, informing Colonial Postmasters, what their duty was in treating overseas collectors and dealers fairly.

But this doesn't seem to have been the case, for once more the average dealer got a raw deal when the Seychelles 5¢ "Provisional" was issued. Though in this case it was probably a stupidity rather than cupidity which caused the trouble. The Crown Agents announced that Seychelles would issue a provisional stamp, but that they would have no stock. Immediately a number of dealers cabled cash, and in most instances kept their orders as low as possible to make more certain of getting a share of what was going. You can imagine their surprise when later it was learned that only orders of 2,000 copies and upwards were attended to.

Fortunately, the British dealers who did obtain supplies did not think that "twelve times face" was "a ridiculous offer" and they let their fellow traders have a share at reasonable prices. The result is that though the stamps are about as scarce as the "Trinidad" provision, they are being retailed at well below what those in Trinidad wanted for stamps which they had obtained at face without any extra cabling costs etc.

Actually I rather like this stamp, and the three letter varieties of the overprint, (c, e & s in italics) which are being catalogued should turn out very well.

My firm brought out a new edition of the Commonwealth QE II Catalogue, but within a day or two of publication of a printing of record size, a reprint had to be ordered, and now this is oversold. In fact, we have already had to turn down orders for 600 copies.

The KG VI section which is now out is also selling like hot cakes, which proves my point about the popularity of the stamps it deals with and also the fact that the collectors of today, asks for the best, and be hanged to tradition. An awful lot of work has gone into both catalogues this year, and I am sure that the West Indian collectors are going to be as satisfied with the result of that work, as are collectors here in Britain.

Of the new items, I suppose the most important new set was that for Turks and Caicos, as far as West Indian collectors are concerned, but all those new Malayan sets are proving very good sellers here, for the set which went off. were so popular that the new ones sort of enjoy reflected interest. Moreover, of course there will be a good chance of perforation varieties cropping up in subsequent printings.

Writing of new printings, Oct. 30 there was a release of a printing of several values for St. Lucia. The 10c was a rather nice shade, and the 15¢ a shade for the catalogue. I suggest that the latter value should be obtained without fail whilst current.

Another stamp causing a lot of fun, is the current Nigeria 2d Two printings have come from the Colony, and two from the Crown Agents, which differ completely. When the first shade arrived from Nigeria, the comment was made that the difference was due to climatic changes. Some Climate. Be sure and ignore such nonsense and get a copy. It is now off sale in the Colony, and there are not many about in Britain. I am sure that Mr. Aguilar will be able to show you one, though I doubt if he will have stocks.

The news that the ten West Indian Islands are to have a Commemorative set in April, is leaving us all wondering what will be done with the definitives? We look like having a lot of fun in the West Indies next year; I hope I am in time to wish all West Indian Philatelist readers a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Since my last notes appeared in the West Indian Philatelist, whilst there have been no particular fireworks, collectors of Modern British Commonwealth stamps, have had one or two interesting

events to help maintain their enthusiasm. but it has been the stamps of the larger components of the Commonwealth, such as New Zealand which have provided most fun.

For instance, the miniature sheets for the N.Z. 1957 "Health" set duly appeared, and as it seemed that there was nothing very special about them, nobody was particularly interested, and then those who had placed late orders found that their sheets had the watermark upright, as against sideways in the first printing. This set everyone was chasing. Some were lucky, others had to buy dear, and a pair of sheets with watermark upright retails at about a pound, and I have a feeling that they are worth this sum, though when stamps make big money at the start, they have a habit of tumbling down later.

Another New Zealand shock, was provided by the Rose Dependency 8d value. First arrivals, were of stamps, with a distinct ultramarine frame (I do not think that ultramarine is really the right designation, but any stamps which vary from the normal blue, generally get called ult. by catalogue editors.) Later supplies arrived with frames of a quite different blue.

The stamps had been listed as ultramarine, but I have a feeling that later we may consider the blue the normal, and the ultramarine the shades, in spite of the fact that the latter came first. The printers say that there has only been one printing, but my experience is that printers will say anything.

Which brings me to the current Nigeria 2d. I have probably mentioned this stamp before, but it is still providing plenty of interest for collectors, and comments made in some quarters are only making the affair more complicated, rather than helping to explain the why and wherefore of the values, shades which exist.

There is no room to go into details here. Suffice to repeat that supplies which have come over from the Colony, differ quite a lot, from those distributed in London. This has been put down to the effect of the climate, but readers of these notes can take my word for it, that such an explanation is sheer unadulterated, poppy-cock, and I cannot understand how anyone making the slightest pretence to know anything about printing, can repeat such rubbish. I have in my possession mint sheets of all the printings, all which show the characteristic differences in colour, and there is not the slightest trace of climatizing. The paper is as white as when the stamps went out to the Colony. I received them as a matter of fact, soon after the stamps were placed on sale. Further, I submitted mint specimens to a first class chemist, and he confirmed, what I already knew, that the inks themselves differed.

To get back to New Zealand for a moment, collectors will be interested in the way the 3/6 and 3/6 has risen in price since last year. When the Commonwealth Queen Elizabeth II Catalogue was published in September, knowing what a scarce stamp No. 82 was, I listed it at 50/-. At the same time Gibbons Part 1 came out, with the stamp priced at 4/8, actually 4d cheaper than the common variety (when buying make sure you get the right one, with the letter without serifs), and two collectors wrote very indignant letters about our valuations.

When Gibbons "Two Reigns" came out in November, they had raised their price to 55/- and now I see they have lifted that valuation up to 75/-. I guess that my critics are now sorry that they spoke.

I suppose that collectors interested in the stamps, will know that Ghana, is marketing its stamps through an outside firm, and I will not claim that dealers in Britain, are particularly keen about having to buy their supplies from a competitor. However one thing can be said, the London sub-agent, is giving dealers a really first class service, and after all that is important.

There was a new printing released January 22nd for North Borneo and both the 15¢ and \$2 are good shades. So good that I will have to consider them for the Catalogue. I think both may make the grade.

I would like to mention one shade variety however, which is not very new, but being of the West Indies (Bermuda) will be of interest to collectors who read these notes.

When the Bermuda 1/3d was overprinted for the "Ocean Race" Commemorative issue. A small quantity of a quite outstanding shade received the overprint. Instead of the normal light blue, the variety was of a bright deep blue. A few of the latter came to England and they sell about 40/- or so, when they can be found. Used at about a quarter that price, and they are snapped up. Maybe you can find some of the latter amongst your duplicates. It is worth your while to look.

## **News Here And There**

### **Bermuda – QEII 8d Plate Numbers**

Plate settings for the 8d value can be found with 1-1, 1a-1a, 2-1 2-2, 2a-2a, 1-2, 2a-1a, 1a-2a.

### **Jamaica -- TRDs**

Dr. R. H. Blackburn has found in Jamaica Temporary Rubber Date marks that the spelling of DUMPHRIES can be found DUMFRIES also BROADLEAF which has a second type. In the first type the word BROADLEAF is 30 mm. against the second type which is very much smaller and is 20 mm. The word Jamaica is 21 mm. for the first, and 16 mm. for the second. The Editor has not seen the second type.

Several new Temporary Rubber Date marks have been seen. These have been for:-

- Coley Mountain in Manchester.
- Davyton in very heavy type similar to 37E.
- Rose Hill.
- Reported Gregory Park.

### **1960 International Philatelic Exhibition in London**

ENGLAND. The Royal Philatelic Society announced that an International Philatelic Exhibition will be held at the Royal Festival Hall from the 9th to the 16th July, 1960. Open to all collectors - further notices will appear in this magazine.

### **Virgin Islands – Virgin Gorda Single Ring**

Mr. D. Turner of USA has sent a fine cover with a new Postmark from the Virgin Islands a single ring of VIRGIN - GORDA.

### **Jamaica – 3d Vignette Omitted**

ENGLAND. Mr. R. J. M. Burns of Surrey has sent in a very interesting copy of the Jamaica 3d where the vignette isn't shown. This is the first occasion that this error has shown up, and inasmuch that the editor has not seen the item itself, it should not be difficult to tell whether the vignette was removed or a case, where it was never printed. Has any other collector, ever seen this item or heard of it?

## **Review**

### **The 1958 Stamp Collecting Annual**

This new publication for 1958 has just come to hand containing 96 pages, and as usual is very interesting. Some of the articles are as follows:-

- Freak Stamps make Front Page News.
- Stamps and the Man in the Street.
- World Wide Brotherhood.
- Italys Stamps on Stamps.
- Best Designs.
- 100 Years of Stamp Collecting.
- Beginners Guide to Postmark collecting.

These are but a few of the articles in this very fine publication, which Harris Publication Ltd. has brought out. Copy can be obtained from the Editor or by writing 27 Maiden Lane, Strand, London WC 2. Priced at 3/6 plus postage.



### American Publication on Booklets

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7. Listing of Catalogue value has been done from Stanley Gibbons and Commonwealth Catalogues.
8. Closing date is June 1st, 1958.

### **Mail Auction Listing.**

Lot 1.	GREAT BRITAIN USED IN JAMAICA 2 Letters with GB 4d used in Kingston AO1 back- stamped, Clarendon 1859 13, and the duplex J8 dated De. 12, 1959.	£4.
Lot 2.	Used GB stamps Type 7 with AO1, J 4 on 4d and 6. lilac J5.	£1. 1/-
Lot 3.	GB 1/- used with AO1 on piece Ex Brinkley Turner A fine item J 6.	£6.
Lot 4.	Strip of 3-1d with AO1 on newspaper to Southampton dated 26/6/59 type 2.	£4.
Lot 5.	Cover with 4d GB from Highgate to Kingston. Pmkd. with pen at Highgate and AO1 superimposed at Kingston used Feb. 1859 during when AO1 period was the only obliterator. Town Killers not having been put into use-A very rare and unusual cover. E	£ 10.
Lot 6.	Part of cover with 4d GB cancelled with A77. Stewart Town. Pmk. date penned in-Mr. 9. 59 in very good state.	£ 10.
Lot 7.	2 covers GB 4 with AOI, J3 with the first date Kingston stamp and 6d GB with AO1 J 10 dated Ja. 26, 59. Letter stained otherwise a very fine item.	£3. 10/-
Lot 8.	A59 Morant Bay on full cover front Morant backstamped in Bay good shape.	£ 10.
	PINEAPPLE ISSUE	
Lot 9.	Small lot of specimen stamps with block over- print in the type 1d, 2d 4d: (2) and 6d Type 1 Nicholson and a Manuscript 1d torn at side 21. A few of the block type types are stained. 6 stamps E.	£4.
Lot 10.	3 unused Pineapple stamps the 1d blue 3d and 6d dull lilac a bit faded, otherwise all fine. Cat. £17.	£3.
Lot 11.	Full cover addressed to Falmouth with 1d blue along with Bisect cancelled A77 but a little indistinct with Philatelic Certificate.	£ 14.
Lot 12.	A cover with bisect forged. E.	£2.
Lot 13.	Used set with shades 1d (4) 2d (2) 3d 4d (1) (2) 6d (4) 1/- (2) 14 all well Cat. stamps £16. pmkd.	£7.
Lot 14.	Used Pines with the Town cancellation numbers. id with A57, A28, 2d A 29, 3d A29, 4d A 38, 6d AO1, A49 1/- A 34 A 56 all fine strikes 9 stamps. Cat. £ 12.	£9.
Lot 15.	2 covers one with Pr. 1d blue Pineapple cancelled A38 backstamped s/r Falmouth No. 25, 72. The second cover with 4d cancelled A 91 with small s/r of Bath dated Feb. 3, 61 this cover has been creased.	£ 2. 2. 0.
Lot 16.	A fine cover of strip of 3-4d red brown shade with long Sugar Loaf Pineapple. Cancelled A 42 Gordon Town addressed to England.	£ 10.
Lot 17.	Cover with strip of 3-2d pines Cancelled A 44 and well tied to s/r Goshen dated Ap. 2 61.	£4.

Lot 18.	A most interesting cover. A cover for Green Island as a Provincial dated with s/r No. 7. 66 and stamped in London De.1.66. It appeared that during this very early period this P.O. despatched mail with the Pineapple stamps, unless these were out of stock. A most interesting item. E.	£7.
	C. C. ISSUE	
Lot 19.	Mint CC Id, 2. (2), 4d, 6d, 1/-, 2/- (2) 5/-, a few faded, the 5/- has slight rust spot. 9 stamps. Cat. L17. plus.	£ 8.
Lot 20.	Used CC with shades ½d (4) 1d (1) 2d (2) 3d (3) 4d (2) 4d (8) A block 4 cancelled AOI 1/- (3) 2/- (2) and 5/- nearly all well Pmkd. A few faded. 20 stamps Cat. £13. plus.	£6.
Lot 21.	Used CC with town numbers. ½d A 72 and strip of 4 with A 34, 1d with A 44, 2d A 33 and the very scarce letter "C". 3d A 52 and the letter .` B" 4d A 66 - 11 stamps. E.	£7.
Lot 22.	The 1d and 2d CC with inverted wmk. The 2d stamp has not been pmkd. nicely. 2 stamps. E.	£2. 2/-
Lot 23.	5 covers and 1 large part cover with following 3d green with AO1. on piece single 2d-3d with AO1 and STEAMSHIP 10 NY Oct. 4. Third cover pr. 2d with A 32, 2 cover with pr. 6d cancelled AO1 and A 42 and single 2d with A76 a fine lot and a rare selection. E.	£6.
	OFFICIAL	
Lot 24.	Pr. Official with short overprint 15-16 mm. Used A 55 with single unused & used of normal ovpt. 17-17½ mm. unused stained and de la Rue Officials unused and used 32/6 - 17 stamps.	14/-
Lot 25.	Overprint Official inverted used A good item Cat. 45/-	30/-
Lot 26.	Overprint Official double unused stamp slightly stained. Cat. 45/-	£ 1. 1/-
	FISCALS	
Lot 27.	Fiscal 1d CA., 1½d (2) 3d (4) and 1/- Many shades 8 stamps Cat. £8. plus.	70/-
Lot 28.	Used lot of Fiscals, 1d (7) No. Pines 1½d (1) 3d (5) many faded all well pmkd. 13 stamps Cat. £5. plus a most useful lot.	£3. 3/-
Lot 29.	Cover address to Ohio USA with 9 Fiscal-4 on back stamps all 1d ea. F3 a rare cover.	£2. 10/-
Lot 30.	Large block 2 X 4 of 3d purple and black 3d purple lilac pen cancelled with Pr. purple 3d Imperf. pen cancelled and 1½d blue double perforation; a rare item all pen cancelled. E.	£ 1. 10/-
Lot 31.	Cover with Pr. 1½d and 3d Fiscal use from Spanish Town to Kingston dated Mr. 11, 96 a fine item. E.	£3. 31-
	TELEGRAPH STAMPS	
Lot 32.	Cover with 3d Telegraph stamp used from Claremont to Falmouth No. 96. A very rare item. These stamps were never authorised for Postage- with single 3d unused and 1/- cancelled. E.	£5.
	CA. ISSUE	
Lot 33.	Mint collection.½d block & single 1d red Pr. 1d blue 2d grey and slate. 3d (2) 4d (1) 1/- (2) 6d (2) 2/- and 5/- 19 stamps a fine lot • Cat. £ 17.	&8.
Lot 34.	Used lot of CA ½d (5) 1d blue (6) 1d rose (4) 2d rose (3) 2d grey (6) 3d (5) 4d (1) 6d (2) 1/- (3) 2/- (3) 38 stamps Cat. F-8. plus.	£3. 10/-
Lot 35.	3 cover with CA Pr. ½d from Chester Castle Pr. 1d rose with A 68 and single 2d rose A 29 faint a useful lot. E.	£2.
Lot 36.	The CA with Town Cancellation 2 Prs. 1d rose with G22, and A 34 The 2d grey the letter "B" 4d A 41 6 stamps.	£1 1/-
	KEY PLATE	
Lot 37.	Key Plate block, Pr. and singles of 1d Single shade of 2d and 2½d all unused 16 stamps. A few stained and 2d with worn plate Cat. £2.	£1. 1/-
Lot 38.	1d with scarce blue tablet used a very good copy indeed. 9 E.	£5.
Lot 39.	Large picture of exhibition buildings at Mico 1891 with copy. of postmark on 1d Key Plate. E.	£.2. 2/-
Lot 40.	2 Key Plate stamps with very small part of the Cay- man Island T.R.D. on dated 1889 third item Key Plate bisected and on piece well tied to s/r port Royal. 3 items. E.	£3. 3/-

Lot 41.	Used Key Plates with shades 1d (32) with one cover 2d (7) and 2½d (1). a good selection in the 1d shades 40 stamps and 1 cover. E.	£ 1. 10/6
Lot 42.	2 Key 2d green with town cancellation G 42 Peterfield watermark inverted and the letter "B". Scarce items. E.	£4.
	PROVISIONAL 1890	
Lot 43	3 copies used of 2½d on 4d with normal overprint Cat. 31/6	£1. 1/-
Lot 44.	Used copy with Pfnny for penny with Part Can- cellation Alligator Pond T.R.D. TD 4	£2. 10/-
Lot 45.	Double overprint with Certificate of 2'hzd on 4d SG Sob.	£4.
Lot 46.	A second copy with Pfnny postmarked and dated Ap. 20, 91.	£2.
Lot 47.	Llandovery Falls Block of both colours. One block has gum very dirty. 16 stamps. Mint	10/6
Lot 48.	Used collection of 1d Llandovery Falls, both colours with shades and 2 pairs of inverted wmks. 1 pr. reverse watermark. 25 stamps. E.	£2.
	ARMS	
Lot 49.	Specimen set of the CA and of the Mult. CA 2½d blue 6d and 5/- 7 stamps. E.	£ 2.
Lot 50.	Arms in blocks, pairs and singles CA wmk. ½d and 2½d with SER.ET error. ½d single with wmk. inverted. 2½d block rusty on back. 20 stamps. Cat. £5.	£3.
Lot 5L	Used 1903/4 set blocks ½d and 1d with singles ½d 2½d and 5d block ½d has aniline frame, but heavily pmkd. 17 stamps with strip of three 1d seret Cat. £6. plus.	£3. 10/-
Lot 52.	Arms Set. 1905/11 block ½d with ser.et error block 2½d blue & block 6d singles ½d (2) 1d (2) 2½d (4) 5d (1) Cat. £6. plus. .	£3. 10/-
Lot 53.	Used set with shades of the 1905/11 issue single ½d with aniline frame. ½d (15) 1d (1) 2½d (9) 5d (1) 6d (3) 5/- (2) A clean and well postmarked lot. Cat. over £7.	£3. 10/-
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Lot 56.	Mint 3d green (2) 3d purple (5) 4d black 4d brown 4d red/yellow plate block 6, block 6d singles of other values to 2/- A useful lot Cat. £ 14. plus 26 stamps.	£7.
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	EDWARD VII	
Lot 58.	Block from and single mint and single used 6 stamps. Cat. 23/-	14/-
Lot 59.	Mint collection of George V head 1912/19 issue with many shades 1d (5) 1½d (2) 2d (2) 3d (3) 4d (2) 2½d (2) 6d 1/- (4) 2/- and 5/- a fresh bunch 23 stamps Cat. £8. plus.	£4. 4/-
Lot 60.	Used George V head in blocks, pair and with shades singles 1d (41) 1½d (4) 2d (8) 2½d 3d (11) (12) 4d (4) 6d (8) 1/- (9) 2/- (2) 99 Cat. stamps over £ 13.	£6. 10/-
Lot 61	Obliterator collection on the 2d rose CC with the fol- lowing numbers, A 27, 28 both types, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38 both types 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 both types, 58, 59, 60 both types 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 65, 69, 70, 66, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, both 78, 79, both types, 77, types, 82, E 06, E 30, F F F 95, 58, F 96, 81, F 97, F 98, G 13, G 15, G 16, 196, 199, 193, 201, 617, 622, 640, 642, 647, and the letters B & E. Total of 82 stamps which contain some very rare marks an extremely fine collection.	£36.
Lot 62	Obliterator collection on 2d CA grey with the following numbers A 27, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 49, 50, 51; 52, 55, 56, 57, 58, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76; 77, 78, 82, E 30, F 80, F 81, F 95, F 96, F 98, G 15, G 16, 196, 199, 598, 617, 640, 647 and the letters. B & C. Very nearly all tine strikes.	£25



Lot 63	Obliterator collection on the 1d Key Plate A 27, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 40, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 50, 53, 55, 57; 58, 59, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, 74, 76, 78, 79, 82, 83, E06, F58, F 81, F 95; F 98, G 14, G 15, G 16, 193, 201; 617, 640, 642, 199 and the letter B on full covers A 81, F 81 an extremely fine lot. E.	£20.
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## **Bermuda – 1956 8d And 1/3 Yacht Stamp Varieties**

By Mr. G. H. Ulrich Jr.

Must thank Mr. G. H. Ulrich Jr., who has kindly sent the following detail check list of varieties to be found in the Bermuda Yacht Stamp Collectors will have a lot of pleasure finding all these, as they are not very easy - All early printings, the short hyphen of 1½ mm. was used. 8d value all stamps in the early printing (top row) have a short hyphen 1½ mm. In the later printing this is 1¾ mm.

- 8d on the 13th stamp the letter A is found broken on the left hand side.
- 8d on stamp 23 the "O" of ocean is raised above the other letters. 8d on stamp 24 the letter "O" of ocean is 1 mm. below the other letters of the word.
- 8d on stamp 25 the letter A is not joined-seen on most sheets but a few sheets does not show this variety.
- 8d on stamp 31 the letter "C" of ocean falls under the 5 of "50".
- 8d on stamp 33 the letter "O" of ocean is raised above the other letters of the word.
- 8d on stamp 54 disformed "O" in the later printings.
- 8d on stamp 58 this letter "O" of ocean is raised above the other letters of the word.

All stamps on the right hand side (North to South) have a short second line - 18 mm. and short hyphen. Also 50 falling over the letter "O" of ocean.

1/3d value on stamp 1 the letter "N" of Ocean will be found broken on later printings.

- On stamp No. 8 of the 1/3d value the "5" of 1956 will be found broken.
- On stamp No. 9 the letter "B" is broken-this does not appear on all sheets.
- On stamp 13 "A" will be found on most sheets broken in the word Ocean".
- On stamp 34 the word "5" of 1956 will be found broken.
- On stamp 50 the letter "H" of yacht will be found broken,
- On stamp 56 the letter N is broken in half of Ocean.

In sheet form, reading from left to right always.

The third line overprinted "OCEAN RACE 1956" will be found to be Ms mm. long on the following stamps 5, 8, 10, 13, 14, 20, 24, 29, 34. The "O" of OCEAN will be found directly under "5" of 50th on stamps 16, 17, 21, 26, 43, 46, 51, 56, 60 which is almost under the "5" of "50" on the following 12, 18, 22, 23, 42, 47, 48 and 52.

## **Letter To The Editor**

### **Jamaica – 'ORO' cds**

Dr. R. H. Blackburn writes:- "You might be interested to know I have just got a cover with the "ORO" c.d.s. similar to the one for "SPANISH TOWN" (Type PP1) described on page 196 of the Jamaica Handbook. I do not know if this has previously been recorded. Incidentally, the date has been inserted in manuscript 13 Deer. 42."

### **Jamaica Flint River TRD**

C. L. Von Pohle: T.R.D. of Jamaica of FLINT RIVER in type 37d in heavy black letters has been shown to me by Mr. Harvey O'Connor.

### **Bahamas – Pine Ridge TRD**

G. J. Raymond: Bahamas T.R.D's "Pine Ridge" listed in March edition of the magazine as BTD 1 is not of this type. But of a new sub. type BTD 1a with a solid single ring of 37 mm. (this will be illustrated in the next issue).

### **Bahamas – Sweetings TRD**

L. A. Courtney: "I have another new strike to report in the Bahamas it's a T.R.D. as Sweetings (type 6) but "SHIP MAIL" at the top and Nassau at the bottom in blue.

### **Bahamas – TRDs**

S. G. Hoey: A very keen collector on the Bahamas T.R.D's and he has listed the following:-

- BT 1 MAN-OF-WAR Cay known dated up to 15 April 1953.
- BT 1 TRUE BLUE known dated up to 24 April 1953.
- BTD 2 No proof of Tarpon Bay.
- BTD 4 Pompey Bay known dated up to March 4th, 1951.
- BTD 5 South Palmetto Point found in red ink.
- BTD 6 Mortimers dated 2 May 1955 (the '55 has been entered in manuscript).

Mr. Raymond writes:- "I have found two new T.R.D's Moores Town USA and United Estates. Both are rectangles.

### **Exchange Stamps**

I will send you United States and United Nations stamps. You send me in exchange British Colonies or other countries. Howard L. Grandey, 1703 No. Central St., Olympia, Washington. USA.

EXCHANGE: Send 100 different West Indian stamps and receive 100 different USA postage, airs, dues, commemoratives. Maurice John, 35-47 80th St., Jackson Heights 72, New York. USA.

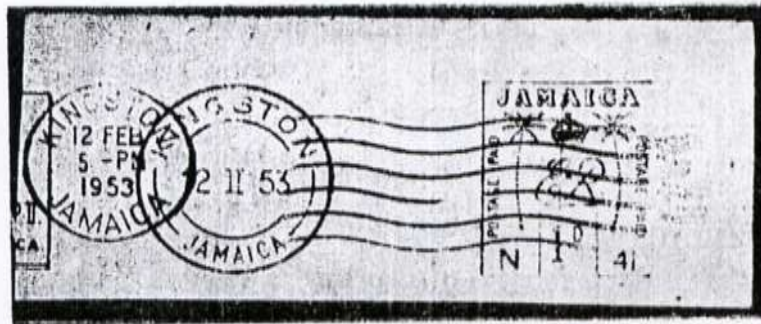
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### Meter Marks For Jamaica.



The Meter Postage Stamps for Jamaica are extremely popular, and below is a re-list of the Jamaica numbers of Neopost.

"Meter Postage Stamps are stamps printed by the users under licence from the Postmaster General, direct on to the envelopes wrappers or labels to be posted, by means of a franking machine which records by a meter the amount expended. Designs are settled by the Post Office They are rarely changed and must not be departed from. Impressions are not negotiable, and are only valid for use on the mail of the licence-holder, on the day of printing, indicated by the date-mark printed at the same time as the stamp design. The user may also print his own advertisement or slogan post mark if he desires at the same operation.

The advantages of this plan have so strongly commended themselves to businessmen in almost every civilized country on the grounds of economy, efficiency and security, that the use of the unhygienic Post Office adhesive label-often lost and pilfered, and seldom properly recorded-has already become a relic of the past in tens of thousands of business firms throughout the world."

Meter Postage Stamps are becoming more and more popular in use today, with certain Islands in the B.W.I. Territory. As we look back on our records, we see New Zealand introduced this type of meter mark in 1904. With the new Queen Elizabeth stamps shortly to come in issue, all the existing meter marks now in use in the B.W.I. Islands will be automatically changed, and new numbers will be coming into use, which already has started.

There is a lot to say for these little machines, which stamp off your letters neatly along with a slogan if required, and keeps a very accurate account of the amount of postage used per month. Any envelopes spoilt will be refunded when the machine is being re-filled. Unfortunately the one little clause which does not legalize it on stamping receipts, otherwise they would be without question universally used throughout Jamaica.

It will be found that there are four distinct types of machines in use at the present time in Jamaica. "U" with the numeral representing the Universal type of meter, while just recently introduced is the latest type of Simplex. No example for this has been obtained as yet. Distributing agents for these two machines are Messrs. J. S. Webster & Sons, while the letter "N" Neopost type of meter has two types of dies. These are distributed by T. Geddes Grant. Those of George VI are now being replaced with the new Queen Elizabeth die.

As will be seen 106 numbers are now listed, of which a few numbers have not been filled in. In stock at Messrs. T. Geddes Grant at present are ten machines.

N1.	Obsolete	Jamaica Milk Products.
N2	Obsolete	T. Geddes Grant Ltd.
N3	Obsolete	T. Geddes Grant Ltd.
N4	Obsolete	
N5	Obsolete	Chin Yee & Co.
N6	Obsolete	United Motors.
N7	Obsolete	Telephone Co. of Jamaica.
N8		Issa Retail.
N 9		Central Trading Co.
N 10		Jamaica Milk Products.
N11		Grace Kennedy & Co.
N 12	Obsolete.	United Motors.

N 13		Henderson & Co.
N 14		Colonial Insurance Co.
N 15		N. A. Taylor Ltd.
N 16		United Motors.
N 17		Water Commission.
N 18		Nathan & Co.
N 19		DeCordova & Co.
N 20		Knutsford Park Ltd.
N 21		John Crook Ltd.
N 22		Adolph Levy & Co.
N 23.	Obsolete	C. B. Facey & Co.
N 24		Desnoes & Geddes Ltd.
N 25		Sugar Manufacturers' Association.
N 26		Hopwood & Co.
N 27		Citrus Co. of Jamaica.
N 28		The City Printery Ltd.
N 29		Jamaica Bauxite, Mandeville.
N 30		Issa's Retail.
N 31		Victoria Mutual Building Society.
N 32		Moo's Agencies.
N 33		Water Commission.
N 34		Insurance Co. of Ja.
N 35.	Obsolete	Lascelles DeMercado Ltd.
N 36		Judah & Randall Ltd.
N 37		Jamaica European Traders Ltd.
N 38		Manufacturers Life.
N 39		Jamaica Automobile Association.
N 40		- Jamaica Mutual Life Assurance Society.
N 41		T. Geddes Grant Ltd.
N 42		Palace Amusement Co.
N 43		Worthy Park.
N 44		Alumina Jamaica Ltd., Williamsfield.
N 45		John Crook Ltd.
N 46		Middlesex Building Society.
N 47		Citrus Growers of Jamaica.
N 48		Cecil DeCordova & Co.
N 49		Chin Yee & Co.
N 50		Lascelles DeMercado & Co. (Airlines)
N 51		City Radio Service.
N 52		H. E. Robinson & Co. Ltd.
N 53		Jamaica Livestock.
N 54		United Fruit Co.
N 55		Banana Board.
N 56		Caribbean Commercial Agency Ltd.
N 57		Hills' Galleries.
N 58		Texas Co. Ltd.
N 59		Citrus Co. of Jamaica-May Pen.
RN 60		Wonards Radio Engineering Ltd.
RN 61		A. C. Seward Ltd., Kingston. RN 62-
RN 63		DeLisser Bros., Montego Bay.
RN 64		W. I. Sugar Co., Frome.
RN 65		J. H. G. Mapp Ltd.
RN 66		Lascelles de Mercado & Co. Ltd. (Port Royal St.)
N 67		
N 68		
N 69		
RN 70		Sprostons (Jamaica) Ltd.
N 71		Catholic Opinion.
N 72		

RN 73	Barclays Bank - Harbour St.
N 74	
RN 75	Confederation Life Assurance Co.
RN 76	Insurance Co. of Jamaica.
RN 77	J. Wray & Nephew Ltd.
N 78	
RN 79	Kaiser Bauxite - Spur Tree.
N 80	Half Moon Hotel-Montego Bay.
N 81	Browns Town Building Society.
N 82	E. A. Issa & Bros. Ltd.
N 83	Stanley Motta's Ltd.
N 84	Montego Beach Hotel, Montego Bay.
N 85	Cecil B. Facey Ltd.
N 86	Water Well & Engineering Constructor Ltd. (Race Course).
N 87	Martin's Tours.
N 88	Jamaica Oxygen & Acetylene Ltd.
N 89	Esso Standard Oil.
N 90	Soap & Edible Oil.
N 91	Trinidad Leaseholds (Ja.) Ltd.
N 92	Montego Shop-Montego Bay.
N 93	Leslie Mordecai Ltd.
N 94	Singer Sewing Machine Co.
N 95	United Motors Ltd.
N 96	Myrtle Bank Hotel.
N 97	British Caribbean Insurance Co.
N 98	H. M. Kalphat
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FME102	Ivan B. Fraser Ltd.
FME103	Delapenha & Ivor-Mandeville.
FME104	Catholic Opinion.
FME105	Arawak Hotel.
FME106	Barclays Bank - King St.

## **Postmarks And Cancellations Of BWI Islands**

Over the past couple of years, there have been so many enquiries from collectors overseas for certain obliterator numbers, and other marks that we now list all the islands in the B.W.I. including Bermuda, Bahamas, British Honduras, and British Guiana with their numbers. This does not take in Jamaica, which has been done in detail and already published. In the case of Bermuda, only the last set of numbers have been given as the first issue of these numbers correspond to our different town names. The collecting of the letters in Grenada and St. Vincent have been more sought after than perhaps any of the other islands, and many of these are extremely difficult and rare. One of the most difficult being the letter "G" for St. Vincent. The Trinidad numbers form one of the most interesting group. Here again, different types are not given. Any reader wishing to obtain a detail description of any of the numbers this will be done in due course.

### **Numerical Cancellations Of The B.W.I.**

#### **Including Bermuda, Bahamas, British Guiana And British Honduras.**

##### **Antigua**

- A 02 St. Johns capital of the island
- A 18 English Harbour.

These cancellations appear on British as well as Antigua early Q.V. stamps.

##### **Bahamas**

- A 05 Nassau.
- 27 Inaugua.

A 05 is known used on British as well as the early Q.V. stamps for the Colony.

##### **Barbados**

- 1 - Bridgetown (Capital)
- 2 - Christ Church
- 3 - St. Philip
- 4 - St. George
- 5 - St. John
- 6 - St. Joseph
- 7 - St. James
- 8 - St. Thomas
- 9 - St. Andrew
- 10 - St. Peter
- 11 - St. Lucy

These marks are found in two types of postmarks.

##### **Bermuda**

- 1 - Hamilton
- 2 - St. Georges
- 3 - Ireland Island (Inscribed Inland Island)
- 4 - Mangrove Bay
- 5 - Paget East

- 6 - Paget West
- 7 - Warwick East
- 8 - Warwick West
- 9 - Southampton East
- 10 - Southampton West
- 11 - Somerset Bridge
- 12 - Bailey's Bay
- 13 - Crawl
- 14 - Harrington Sound
- 15 - Flatts
- 16 - Devonshire North
- 17 - Devonshire South
- 18 - St. George West
- 19 - St. David's

These numbers were the latest known - earlier numbers represented the latest types. There are four different types. The first type was in use in 1865, while the latest was used between 1907/9 as listed above.

#### **British Guiana**

- 03 Georgetown or Demerara.
- 04 New Amsterdam or Berbice.

Found in G.B. and early Q.V. stamps.

#### **British Honduras**

- A 06 Belize
- K 65 Belize
- "O" Orange Walk
- "C" El Cayo

A 06 known used on G.B. and early issues the other killers are known on Q.V. to the late Edward issue.

#### **Dominica**

- 07 Roseau (Capital)

In two types known used on G.B. as well as the early stamps of the Colony.

#### **Grenada**

A 15 St. Georges (Capital) "A" Gouyare

- "B" Victoria
- "C" Sauteurs "
- "D" Granville
- "E" St. David's
- "F" Carriacou (an island of the Grenadine Group)
- "G" St. George

"A 15" can be found on G.B. as well as the early Q.V. stamps of the Colony. The town letters can be found in two types.

### **Jamaica**

Already done in the B.W.I. Philatelist.

### **Montserrat**

- A 08 Plymouth

Known in G.B. and early stamps of the Colony. Two types being re-corded.

### **Nevis**

- A 09

Known in two types - can be found on G.B. stamps.

### **St. Christopher**

- A 12 same as St. Kitts.

### **St. Kitts**

- A 12 Basseterre.

Known on G.B. stamps and all the early issues of the Colony. There are three types.

The town marks were as follows:-

- "AN" Anguilla
- "DB" DIEPPE BAY
- "CA" Cayon
- "OR" OLD Road
- "SP" Sandy Point

### **St. Lucia**

- A 11 Castries (Capital)

There are two types horizontal and vertical oval. The former being used on G.B. stamps.

The town marks were:-

- "C" Castries
- "D" Dennery
- "L" Labourie'
- M" Micoud 'I
- S" Soufriere
- "VF" Vieux-Fort

Found on Queen Victoria and Edward VII stamps.

### **St. Vincent**

- A 10 Kingstown (Capital)

Two types are known the various town marks were "K" Kingston.

- 'M" Micoud
- "BAR" Barouallic
- "BEQ" Bequia
- "BI" Biabou

- "BU" Buccament
- "CA" Calliagua
- "CH" Chatcaubelair
- "CO" Colonarie
- "CUM" Cumberland
- "G" Georgetown
- "L" Layou
- "MES" Mesopotamia
- "RAB" Rabacca
- "ST" Stubbs
- "UE" Union Estate

Found in both black and red cancellations. Most are scarce, mainly on Queen Victoria stamps.

### **Tobago**

- A 14 Scarborough (Capital)

used on GB as well as early stamps of the Colony.

### **Trinidad**

- 1 - Port of Spain (Capital)
- 2 - San Fernando
- 3 - St. Joseph
- 4 - St. Juan
- 5 - Santa Cruz
- 6 - Arouca
- 7 - Arima
- 8 - Toco
- 9 - Manzanilla
- 10 - Mayaro
- 11 - Tumpuna
- 12 - Blamhesseuse
- 13 - Diego Martin
- 14 - Moruga
- 15 - St. Marys
- 16 - Chaguamas
- 17 - Couva
- 18 - Princes Town
- 19 - Oropouche
- 20 - La Brea
- 21 - Cedros
- 22 - Claxton Bay
- 23 - The Cedros Steamer
- 24 - St. Madeliene
- 25 - Not put into use



- 26 - Erin
- 27 - Monos
- 28 - Mucurapo
- 29 - Not put into use

### **British Virgin Islands**

- A 13 Tortola

Known used on G.B. stamps as well as early Queen Victoria and Edward stamps of the Colony-scarce.

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### The Ladies Of The West Indies (LadyBoats)

The Ladies of the West Indies will long be remembered. They consisted of the Lady Somers, Lady Rodney, Lady Hawkins, Lady Drake, and the Lady Nelson, visiting very nearly all of the islands in the West Indies. The Lady Hawkins who did such magnificent war work, was torpedoed in January, 1942, while the Lady Drake met the same fate a few months later.

In the year 1922, a Trade Agreement was signed between Canada and the West Indies, and was drawn up that the Canadian Government would endeavour to arrange for mail, passenger and freight services to the West Indies, which would call at most of the islands. Sailings would be from Halifax or St. Johns.

The Lady Nelson sailed on her Maiden Voyage on December 12, 1928, arriving in St. Kitts on the 19th December, then on to Antigua, Montserrat, Dominica, St. Lucia, Barbados, St. Vincent, Grenada (Christmas Day), Trinidad (Boxing Day) and three days later sailing for Halifax So that was more or less the standard route. While the Lady Rodney and Lady Somers, did the Bermuda/Jamaica run.

Looking back to the year 1891, the first release pertaining to letters posted on the High Seas was discussed at a meeting of the Universal Postal Union Committee. For the first time, we run into the word "Paquebot" - "Mailed on the High Seas".

"Correspondence posted on the High Seas, or between two ports of embarkation, and handed to officers of vessels carrying a mail, subject to contrary agreement between the administrations concerned, postage may be prepaid by means of postage stamps and according to the postage rates of the country under whose flag the vessel sails. But if the mailing on board occurs during the stay of the vessel at one of the two terminal ports of the voyage or at one of the ports of call, prepayment is valid only if effected by means of postage stamps and according to the rates of the country in whose waters the vessel happens to be."

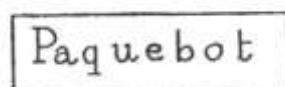
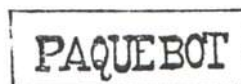
Also all persons on board British Ships are entitled to send their correspondence prepaid by means of British Postage stamps - such letters were handed to the Master or Officers, and these are postmarked on board the vessel, and on arrival at the port, the letters are conveyed to the Post Office.

### **MAILED AT SEA**

On these Lady Boats, we find a number of items, which will be listed below many of them being Paquebot or Mailed on the High Seas. The Paquebot mark which is the most frequent is an oblong 32 X 7 mms. with the word Paquebot in block letters. One often finds the name of the same ship on the side of the envelope. This type is constant and most often found on letters in the West Indies.



The second type which is seen quite a good amount is an oblong of 30 X 10 mms. with heavy serif letters in the middle.



The third type of Paquebot used in Trinidad, is an oblong 30 X 10 mms. The letter "P" is large while the remainder of the letters are in small type. This strike can be found very disfigured with broken lines. Also used very extensively is a straight line cancellation in block letters - "Mailed at Sea".

Usually across the stamp, all about 46 mm. a very interesting type used in Trinidad mainly, has an oblong 43 X 16 mm. with large block letters Paquebot underneath Trinidad, likewise in purple, with the name of the ship usually typed in. While the third variety appears from Trinidad. This is a double ring circle of 32 mm. The inside of the circle is wavy with the word Paquebot at the top around the circle, and Trinidad at the bottom. All in heavy block letters.



We will now look at the marks used by the Lady Boats. The most frequently seen is a double ring circle of 32 mm. With the wording around the top of the circle "R.M.S. Lady Drake" around the bottom of the circle "Canadian National Steamship". While in the middle - Mailed - on the - High Seas. This mark is found in purple, blue or black inks, known used for the Lady Hawkins, the Lady Nelson and the Lady Drake. In use between 1934-1937.



A double ring semi oval of 33 mms. with large block letters around the top of R.M.S. Lady Nelson and in the middle Mailed - at sea. This mark is usually only found on the Lady Nelson, particularly from the Leeward Islands.



A double ring circle of 30 mms. inside the ring has "Canadian National Steamship Lady Hawkins", while at the bottom in between the ring "Pursers Office", and in the middle in four lines Posted - on the - High Seas, can be found from all the ships in purple, blue green and black inks. From 1931 - 1934 in use.



A double ring mark of 42 mms. around the top are "R.M.S. Lady Drake" while around the bottom "Canadian National Steamship". In the middle in large block letters Mailed - on the - High - Seas, in

four lines, this can be found for all the boats. In purple, blue, black or blue/black inks. Known used from St. Vincent, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Bermuda.

The collecting of these marks is very interesting and fascinating, as it is so difficult nowadays to find any envelopes that is complete. For inasmuch that the stamps will bear the Paquebot mark, the full envelope will give you the name of the vessel.

It has just been announced, that the Canadian National Steamships will resume their service between Halifax-Bermuda-Jamaica this December.

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### **Jamaica – Unclaimed Marks**

During the past few months, there has been a large amount of Commercial material coming in, and it has been interesting to see the number of unclaimed letters locally despatched being returned. The largest part of this mail had the word unclaimed usually written in red ink or pencil. As the smaller Post Offices invariably do not have its own rubber stamp.

#### **UNC 1**

Looking back on the Jamaica Handbook, the late L. C. C. Nicholson lists the first item as M 44 which we will now call UNC 1.



This type is the earliest recorded, and is still seen quite heavily used, at all the larger post offices in Jamaica such as Mandeville-Montego Bay-Port Antonio-Kingston. A rubber stamp of 37 X 4½ unframed with serif letters although sometimes many of the strikes do show extreme wear in the letters.

#### **UNC 2**



EX-M 45. In block letters 45 X 4½ unframed is very little used, and can only be found at a few Post Offices, Alexandria being one.

#### **UNC 3**

The larger type with block letters measuring 50 X 4½ Most of the copies seen show heavy wear on the letters. This type does not seem to be in use at very many offices.

#### **UNC 3a**

Similar to above with block letters measuring 37 X 6½ The letters are larger and heavy.

#### **UNC 4**



A small type with block letters of 27 X 3 mm which is in use at a large number of Post Offices and a few of the larger Postal Agencies. This type is neat and seems to stand up a long time.

#### **UNC 5**



A framed item of 50 X 10 with heavy block letters of 5 mm. known for Middle Quarters and Watts Town. In most cases the letters are heavy with ink. The Majority of Postal Agencies all use manuscript ink or red pencil in putting in the word unclaimed.



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