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2. TO issue a quarterly BULLETIN containing articles, items of interest and other features.
3. TO loan books from the Circle library (**home members only**). Borrowers bear postage both ways.
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4. TO publicise 'wants' and furnish opinions on stamp(s) and/or cover(s) for a nominal fee.
5. TO encourage, assist or sponsor the authorship and publication of definitive handbooks, monographs or other works of reference appropriate to the aim in para 1 above.

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PROGRAMME

1991

Wed.	27 Feb	2.15 p.m.	Mr. H.F. Deakin - Barbados
			Mr. V.F.H. Smith - The Chalon Heads
			Venue: STAMPEX (Floral Room 'A')
Sat.	27 April	2.15 p.m.	AGM and Auction
			Venue: The Bonnington Hotel
	Autumn		BWISC Convention

STAMPEX - A COMMENT

With regards to the recent meeting held in London on Wednesday 17th October at the Autumn Stampex. A letter has been received from Dennis Mitton re the display put on for the benefit of members and friends attending the show. The letter is printed in full and it is hoped that members will take the trouble to read it and send constructive comments for the committee to note and possibly even act upon.

20 Calluna Drive,
Cophthorn,
Sussex.

Dear Sir,

STAMPEX A COMMENT

It is the object of the BWISC to promote interest in and the study of stamps and the postal history of the islands that comprise the British West Indies and in addition Bermuda, British Guiana (Guyana) and British Honduras (Belize). This objective is clearly stated and highlighted in the Study Circle Bulletin. Yet come Stampex in October 1990, we had Mr. J.W. Jackson giving a display of Dutch West Indies.

I would make it quite clear I have no objection to Mr. Jackson giving a display but why to us? I have no personal criticism of the display itself but really this is not a display that should have been shown at such a prestigious event as Stampex, where there is bound to be a reasonable number of members present from home and abroad who would enjoy a BWI display considerably more than a display of DWI however interesting and well presented.

Any potential new member attending would surely have wondered if they had come to the right venue.

Surely we as a group are not so philatelically bankrupt that we cannot muster a display of BWI. I know we have some of the very best collections in the world among our members. Even so if the best cannot be displayed for whatever reason then how about some of the more mundane collections would be almost as interesting. Certainly I for one could relate to such a display which is more than I can to any other country/area display no matter how good a display.

Personally I enjoy any philatelic display even of Outer Mongolian pre-adhesive newspaper wrappers (which are very rare and are only seen as often as the Yeti). If I want to see a display of any non BWI material then such displays are available to be seen at the major stamp shows or at a local stamp club, where an invited guest gives such a display. If I want to see BWI then I go to the display given by the Study Circle or do I?

I know it is the aim of the Study Circle to increase membership. We have a Public Relations Officer Peter Ford, who is doing an excellent job, but surely we cannot be helping his task by promoting through the Stamp Press that at Stampex there is a display of Dutch West Indies.

The thought crosses my mind that are we, as a Study Circle going to expand our membership by dropping the word British from our title and therefore letting in the Dutch, French, Danish, American West Indies into our group. Is that what we want, because that is what we are getting.

Signed: Dennis Mitton

Editors Note:

The Stampex Meeting and display details will be in the March 1991 Bulletin.

While I am making this note, I should like to take this opportunity to wish all members, advertisers and all concerned with the Bulletin production

“A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND AN ENJOYABLE NEW YEAR”.

My thanks go to all those people that have sent in material for the Bulletin in the past year. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SEND MATERIAL. To all those members that have not written in - PLEASE DO SO - as I need items for the March and subsequent issues. The material to hand is in very short supply. (Two pages can so far be completed).

For those members that pay their subscriptions/dues annually please note that the payment is required at the beginning of the year (January 2). Prompt payment saves on the extra work involved for the Treasurer in chasing up late payers. For details on how to pay - see details at the front of the Bulletin. Have you checked the details on the Bulletin Address label, this gives your Subscription/Dues details.

I get a minimum of three returned Bulletins each issue. If you are moving house please let the Secretary know your new address. Prompt notification saves money for the Circle.

B.W.I. BOOKLETS

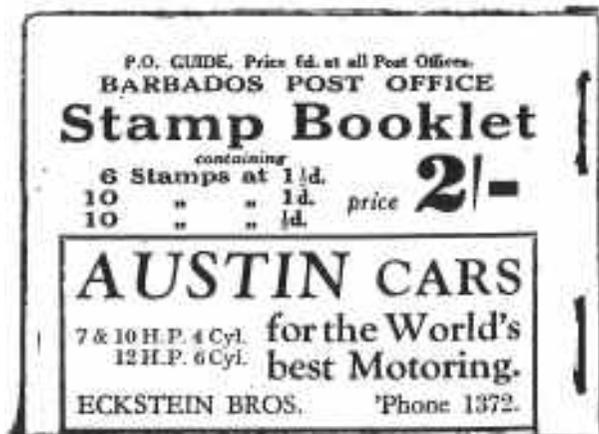
They say good things come in threes and my philatelic experience tends to bear this out. After many years waiting patiently for early BWI booklets to turn up, three different booklets have come my way in recent months. One of these, the Barbados 1932, came from our own Study Circle Auction, one of a number of rare items in this year's sale. The other two (British Guiana 1907 and British Honduras 1927) in public auctions. I have for some years also owned a Barbados 1916 booklet.

Since the format and appearance of these booklets may not be widely known to members (although they have been catalogued by Harrier Work), I list below some details and illustrate the Covers.

Barbados 1916 2/-

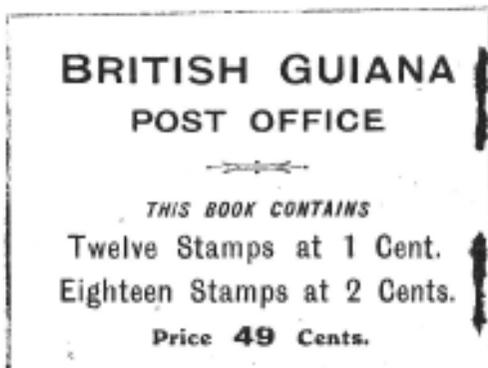
Thin size, stamps in top marginal vertical pairs, stapled in the margin, 6 pairs of ½d. followed by 9 pairs of 1d., with transparent interleaving. Single red cards at top and bottom, no advertisements.

Barbados 1932 2/-



“Normal” size, taking 6 stamps 3x2. The ½d and 1d stamps are in blocks of 10 (5x2, with four stamps folded over), and the 1½d is in a block of 6. Stamps perforated 13½ x 12½. Many advertisements, two-sided advertisements used as interleaving.

Br. Guiana 1907 49c



“Normal” size, taking 6 stamps 3x2. Two blocks of 6 of the 1c stamps and three blocks of 6 of the 2c stamp. Transparent interleaving. No advertisements.

Br. Honduras 1927 \$2



“Normal” size, taking 6 stamps 3x2. 10 pairs of 10 of the 2c red (5x2) with right-hand four stamps in each pane folded over. Transparent interleaving. No advertisements. Current rates of postage printed inside front and back covers.

Charles Freeland

Corrigendum

Bulletin No. 146 Page 53 - Dominica Slogan handstamp - This item of information was submitted by Doug Nottingham.

BRITISH GUIANA

Mahaicony Creek T.P.A.



A new type cancel has come to light "APT MO CREEK" no date but probably early 1960's judging from similar correspondence. Are any other examples known?

Emergency No. 2

Townsend and Howe suggest that this datestamp, as well as No's 1 and 3, may have been used at Issano Road P.A.'s at three small Postal Agencies set up during the building of the road - 13 mile P.A., 39½ mile P.A. and 51 mile P.A.

A 1943 cover to Australia dated 28?-29? Ju 1943 is cancelled with this Emergency No. 2 datestamp. It is endorsed Grant Triumph, Pomeroon River on the reverse and backstamped Charity 29 Ju 43 and Georgetown 7 pm 30 June 1943.

I can find no mention of Grant Triumph on my maps, albeit very limited. Does anybody know it's whereabouts?

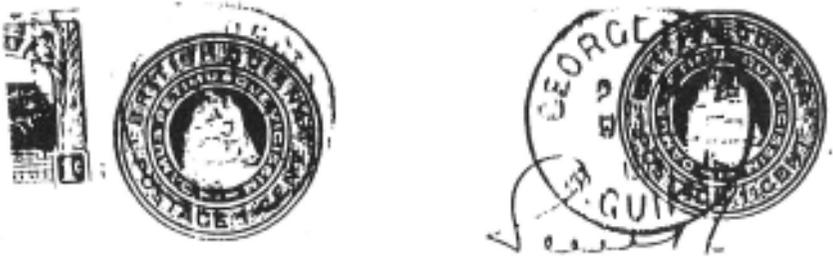
The cover is dated within the period of use recorded by Townsend and Howe and would seem to suggest that Emergency No. 2 wasn't used on the Issano Road but somewhere on the Pomeroon River.

Rob Colacin

BRITISH GUIANA

Postal Stationery Envelopes

The only 1894 1c. green envelopes (H & G B1 and 1a) I have seen are as illustrated on the next page and not, as in both Higgins & Gage and Townsend & Howe, the round design with the scalloped (fluted?) surround. I refuse to believe that two such well researched tomes have made the same error.



Does the 1c. exist with the scalloped edge? If so, where and when were the envelopes illustrated produced?

Peter Ford

BRITISH HONDURAS (BELIZE)

With reference to Ed. Addiss's note on page 34 of Bulletin No. 145 (June 1990). The boxed "L1" mark in red is a late fee mark applied in Great Britain, in this case in London.

When the writer of a letter wished to catch a particular post but for some reason failed to do so, then it was still possible to catch that post by taking the letter to a post office and handing it in on payment of a late fee.

The boxed "L1" mark represents payment of 1d. as the late fee on the cover to Belize. The amount of the late fee was dependant on how late a letter was handed in after the last post. For example, the boxed "L2" mark would indicate a late fee of 2d. paid.

It is probable that "L1" was applied if the letter was handed in at the post office within one hour of the last post and in the case of "L2" within two hours of the last post.

Victor Toeg

HAND PAINTING OR RETOUCHING?

Shortly before Bulletin No. 145 arrived, with Patrick Williams' piece about a Bermuda SG 117b "gash in chin" flaw being found with correction by hand painting, (not retouching; surely that term should be reserved for minor repairs to the metal of the plate), I had been conferring with Mr. Robson Lowe about similar corrections on the issue of St. Kitts-Nevis contemporary with the one found by Patrick Williams, and from the same printer.

I believe that hand painting can be detected in one or both of two ways:

(a) The ink differs in shade and texture from the surrounding printing.

(b) The outlines of the corrections are not precisely aligned with the adjacent printed lines.

The examples I have seen on the St. Kitts-Nevis stamps are as follows : -

- (1) 2d. SG 71a, No. 60 head plate; damage to right hand side above value tablet, corrected.
- (2) 3d. SG 73b, No. 56, breaks in two frame lines above S of KITTTS filled in by hand painting. Cracks in frame below the S just visible. (1950 printing on C paper).
- (3) 5/- SG 77a, No. 60 frame flaw, consisting of a semi-circular notch in the inside of the oval frame at about 0430 relative to the King's portrait. This is usually found without any correction, but I have one (1945) on which the gap has been partly filled with darker ink, and there is a "quiff" curling away inwards, towards the portrait. Another which I saw at Christie's, had a bar of red ink across the gap, darker in colour than the printed frame, and just a little too far down in the gap to line up with the oval frame (1943 printing).

This flaw on the 5/- was eliminated by the time the 1950 printing was made, having first appeared in 1941. It is prominent enough to be seen with the naked eye without difficulty. I have found it on what I believe to be the 1943, 1944 and 1945 printings as well as on the 1941 printing on C paper.

I should be interested to hear from any member who can report other examples on stamps from these issues printed by De La Rue.

Peter Baldwin

JAMAICA

The Squared Circle postmark of Jamaica follows the pattern established throughout the Empire. Their use extending to over 50 years - indeed some of the small offices probably used theirs into the '40s.

There would seem to be some gaps in our knowledge of these rather handsome cancellations and once again, I would welcome assistance with dates etc. of the Kingston type.

The first type, widely used, was the series with Roman numerals 'I' to 'V' preceding a single letter, introduced in Kingston in 1885. It would seem that it was in use until 1890 when a new type was phased in. Similar in most respects, it varied in one important area. The Roman numeral was replaced with Arabic numbers '1 - 4'.

However, between these two marks there was, for some reason, a similar type introduced which had an exceptionally short life span.

The comparative measurements of the three types are:-

Type I



1885
21mm
Three arcs
+ apex
Roman I - V

Type Ia



1890
22½mm
Three arcs
+ apex
Arabic numeral
4 only.
Known only 1890

Type II



1890
21mm
Two arcs
+ apex
Arabic numerals
1-4

It is possible that Type Ia was introduced in 1890 to replace a damaged - or mislaid handstamp. It seems strange that it was superseded so quickly by the Arabic series Type II - (which would have been ordered as a complete set) - as it would have taken several months to order, have made and have delivered to the island.

The few dated copies recorded are mostly in the March/April period - with an odd copy in August. Letters seen include 'H', 'I', 'O' and 'R' with a possible sighting - unconfirmed of 'B'.

Certainly it is not a rare mark, more likely unrecognised for its variation.

Any help would be most gratefully received.

Bob Swarbrick

JAMAICA

During a recent visit to Jamaica I was able to obtain a listing from the Postmaster General of all TRD's currently in use as at 1st March 1990 together with their dates of issue, These may be of interest to members and are listed below:-

Dates of Issue	TRD
1989 June 14	Red Hills PO, Trout Hall PO, York Town PA, Halfway Tree PO
1989 June 15	Western District Office
1989 June 22	Athlone PA, Higgins Town PA, Leicesterfield PA
1989 June 28	Connors PA
1989 June 29	Hounslow PA
1989 July 14	Banana Ground PA, Fletchers Land PA, Meadowbridge PO
1989 Aug. 14	Cave PO, Ginger Hill PO, St.Margaret's Bay PO, Brighton PO, Warwick Castle PA, Tranquility PA, Enfield PO, Gayle PO, Priestman's River PO
1990 Feb.	Little London PO
1990 Feb. 27	Franklin Town PO

I have also a listing of all Post Offices, Postal Agencies and Postal Sub-Agencies as of March 1990. I will send a copy of this to the Librarian as it is far too bulky for the Bulletin.

David Atkinson

SHIP LETTER RATES

The 'problem' ship letter rate reported by Alex Thomson in the September Bulletin 146 page 57 appears to be rated correctly at 1s.4d. This figure was composed of:

- a. Ship letter rate (1710-1799) - 1d.
- b. Inland postage, Weymouth-London, 131 miles - 5d. per single letter, but charged as a treble letter at 3 x 5d. = 1s. 3d.

The "Captain's gratuity" of 1d. per letter was NOT charged to the addressee, but was paid by the Post Office out of the ship letter rate.

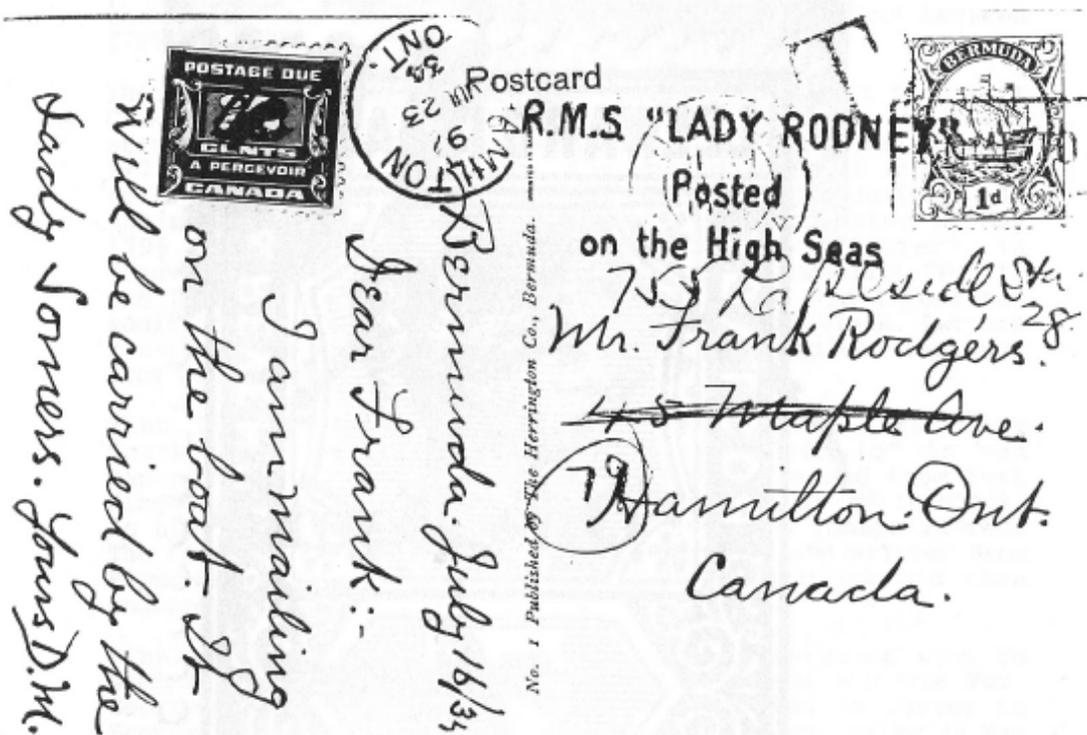
The source documents have, in recent years, been closely examined by a collector with many years experience in the legal profession: the original mistaken interpretation of the Acts was made a long time ago, and has since been repeated in print on many occasions.

The recent publications, by the Postal History Society, of "British Postal Rates, 1635-1839" by O.R. Sanford and Denis Salt; which, at long last, provides a definitive guide to the calculation of postal charges, including overseas letters.

David Cornelius - Christie's Robson Lowe.

LADY BOAT CANCEL

For the many members interested in the Lady Boats of the Canadian National Steamship Line, I can record a Lady Rodney mark I have not seen before. It is a three line mark and reads RMS "LADY RODNEY"/Posted/on the High seas.



The postcard bearing the mark is dated 23rd July 1934. There is a mystery, however, in the message which reads "I am mailing on the boat. It will be carried on the Lady Somers. D.M." The card is addressed to Frank Rogers in Canada. Can anyone explain why a card carried on the Lady Somers should bear a Lady Rodney handstamp?

Charles Freeland

LEEWARDS ISLANDS QUERY

The illustration below shows the top left hand stamp of a block of four of Leeward Islands 1902 1d. on 7d. overprint, used on a small piece.



Readers will be interested to note the unlisted error of an inverted 'n' in 'Penny' which has a certificate of authenticity but is stated not to be a constant variety.

This item has been sent in by a non-member, Mr. Harris of 14 Rousebarn Lane, Croxley Green, Herts WD3 3RL. Anyone wishing to comment may do so directly with the owner.

Michael Wilson

ONE PENNY SOLDIERS' RATES

The Secretary has received a letter from Mr. Gerald Sattin, a non-member of the Study Circle but a collector of items concerned with the "One Penny Soldiers' Rates of the British Empire", including of course the B.W.I.

Non-enthusiasts in this particular field may like to know that an Act of Parliament in 1795 granted NCO's, Private Soldiers, Seamen, etc. the right of a privileged postage rate of 1d. while on service of the King under certain conditions. Mr. Sattin has been lucky enough to acquire the correspondence of a sergeant serving in the West Indies, first in St. Vincent then Tobago and lastly in Grenada, with the 60th. Foot between 1795 and 1799.

There are four entries from St. Vincent, the first from Fort Charlotte on 25 December 1795 which shows a black straight-lined St. Vincent handstamp. The letter was charged 1/7 on delivery in Scotland. The second dated 10 April the following year was also marked and charged 1/7 on delivery. It has no handstamp of origin nor has the third dated 12 May 1796. However, that is endorsed "A Soldier's Letter", is franked by the Commanding Officer and has a manuscript "Pd 1". The fourth is also franked, has a manuscript "Pd 1" but has additionally the straight-lined St. Vincent in black. Letters 2 and 3 were written from Walliaboo Falls and the last was from Kingstown.

Then follows three entires from Tobago. The first from Scarborough on 18 January 1797 shows "Paid 1d" in red manuscript and is franked by the C.O. The second from Fort King George on 10 February 1797 also shows "Paid 1d" in black, is also franked and shows the straight-lined Tobago in red. The third of this series is dated 20 May 1797 and written from Plymouth has the straight-lined Tobago in black and then endorsed in manuscript 'pd 1d".

Finally, before returning to England the sergeant went to Grenada, from where there were two entires. Both are from Fort George. One, dated 16 June 1799, was carried by favour to Scotland and bears no postal markings. The other, dated 24 May 1799, is endorsed by the C.O., shows "P P 1" in red, and has the handstamp Grenada/June 5 99.

Mr. Sattin would like to know if there are other soldiers' entires from these three islands. Are there any documents available to establish the right of soldiers to pre-pay their mail at the privilege rate of 1d? Nothing, apparently, is mentioned in Charlston or in Messenger's book on St. Vincent.

If any member would like to correspond with Mr. Sattin on this subject in general, or about these letters in particular they are invited to do so direct with him at 14 King Street, St. James', London SW1Y 6QU.

Mike Wilson

SLOGANS

With regards to the Bahamas Reply Card shown in the September Bulletin No. 146 p.51, I have had replies from "Buzz" Jehle and Tom Giraldi stating that they have similar cards from British Honduras and Cayman Brac respectively.

The post offices in question being BARRANCO, GALES POINT and SAN ANTONIO in British Honduras and STAKE BAY in Cayman Brac.

The following are new Slogan Handstamps in my possession. Can members give dates when these would have been in use?

ST. KITTS



It's/ "Fun Galore"/Visit St. Kitts/NATIONAL/CARNIVAL/Dec.24 - Jan 1.
Hand applied six line, 43mm x 53mm boxed slogan in Violet.

ST. VINCENT

VISIT ST. VINCENT
FOR CARNIVAL
28TH JUNE - 8TH JULY

VISIT ST. VINCENT/FOR CARNIVAL/28TH JUNE - 8TH JULY

Hand applied three line, unboxed slogan in Red. Top line 58mm x 3.5mm, middle line 61mm x 4.5mm, bottom line 74mm x 3.5mm. Overall 74mm x 19mm.

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS

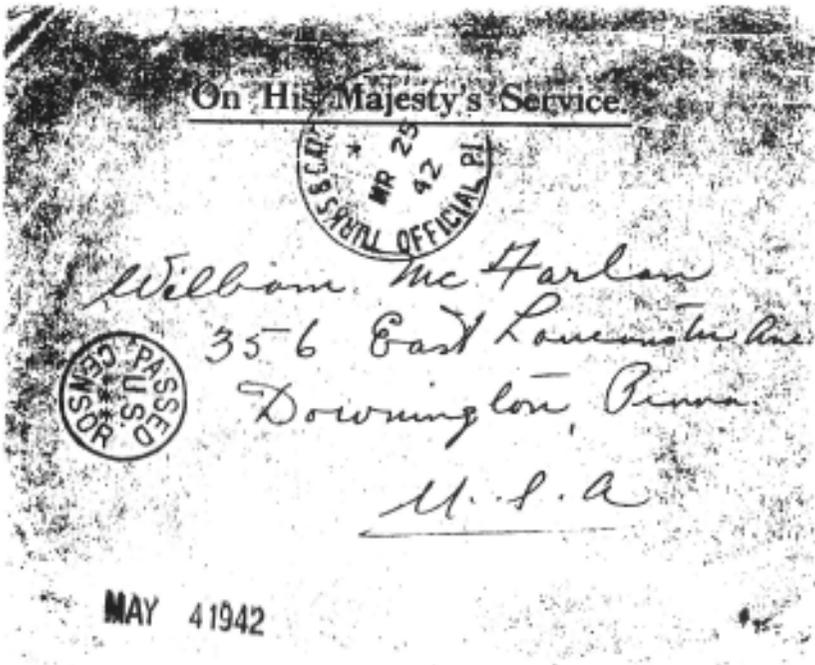
TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS CARNIVAL
GRAND TURK
AUG. 28th — SEPT. 3rd

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS CARNIVAL/GRAND TURK/AUG.28th-SEPT. 3rd
Hand applied three line, unboxed slogan in Black. Top line 78mm x 3.5mm, middle line 29mm x 3.5mm, bottom line 49mm x 3.5mm. Overall 78mm x 14mm.

Doug Nottingham

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS

U.S. Censor



To the best of my memory the U.S. Censor's handstamp depicted on the above 1942 cover has not been previously reported.

Louis E. Zell

BOOK REVIEW

THE BERMUDA PACKET MAILS AND THE HALIFAX-BERMUDA MAIL SERVICE 1806 TO 1886 by J.C. Arnell and M.H. Ludington.

Published by the Postal History Society (1989)

Copies may be obtained from G. Henderson, 15 Wickham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 2JS at £28 each plus **£3** postage overseas. (Members £23 each). Size A4 (landscape), 162 pp, no illustrations except the covers.

The introduction refers to Bermuda as the “Gibraltar of the West” as it was an important naval base in the early 19c and communications by letter were the only link between London and the C in C, North American Squadron which operated from the dockyards of Bermuda and Halifax. The importance of the naval base is explained as is the setting up of the Packet Service between Falmouth, Halifax and Bermuda to speed up the delivery of the mails. Postal rates are covered but no mention is made of the postal markings then in use. The tables which follow provide a wealth of information for those interested in the transatlantic mails for they list all the sailings to and from England.

From a personal point of view I would have preferred the binding to have been A4 portrait.

Basil B. Benwell

NEWS ROUND UP

Ed Addiss has sent details from Naples, Florida regarding the release of a Monograph entitled “The Town Cancellations of British Honduras, 1880-1973” that he has written.

The work gives much useful information about the history of the early posts, the transport of the mails and provides examples of the known postmarks of the towns of British Honduras. Included are illustrated examples of the obliterators, single and double-ring cancellations, temporary marks, duplex handstamps and mailbag seals.

The 64 page monograph is priced at \$15.50, (USA printed matter postpaid). Overseas postage rates are US \$1.50 extra surface or US \$4.50 for air mail. Orders may be sent to the following addresses with full remittances to cover the cost of the Monograph and return postage.

In the USA: Mark W. Swetland, 32 Cat Brier Lane, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29928.

In the UK: Robert V. Swarbrick, “The Four Winds”, 919 Uppingham Road, Leicester LE7 9RR.

Note: A review of this book will be included in a future bulletin.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

The Library is grateful to the Postal History Society for a copy of "Bermuda Packet Mails and the Halifax-Bermuda Mail Service 1806-1886" reviewed elsewhere in this Bulletin.

The Library is also indebted to member Ed Addiss for "The Town Cancels of British Honduras 1880-1973" which we hope to review in our next Bulletin.

We have also received "The Postal History of the Cayman Islands" by Tom Giraldi and Peter McCann and from Edmund Bayley a copy of the Index that he has prepared for his "Barbados".

A new edition of the Library List is now being prepared and should be ready sometime next year. Any suggestions re-the Library would be most welcome.

The use that members are making of the Library this year is greater than for several years past and we all hope that this splendid resource, which has hidden depths for the discriminating user, will prove to be of even greater help to our members in the future.

Derek Nathan

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B.W.I. AUCTION - No. 19

Material accepted for inclusion in the Auction will be offered for sale on the following terms:-

1. All lots may be sold with or without reserve and the seller may participate in the bidding either himself or by an agent.
2. The buyer to be the highest bidder.
3. Wherever possible the description of a lot will include an estimate by the Circle of the price which it is expected to realise, and the lot will not be sold without the consent of the seller at substantially below 75% of estimate.
4. The Auctioneer will be appointed by the Auctions Sub-Committee designated by the Circle to organise the Auction Sale. The bidding shall be under the control and at the sole discretion of the Auctioneer, who shall have power to settle all disputes and to re-open the bidding in the event of dispute. He may withdraw lots or group two or more lots together without assigning a reason.
5. The Auctioneer reserves the right to bid on behalf of sellers and prospective buyers but shall not be liable for any errors or omissions in executing instructions to bid.
6. Lots will be sold with all faults, imperfections and errors of description and the Circle cannot be held responsible for the genuineness of any lot or of an individual item therein. Where however the buyer within 14 days after receipt of a lot (or such further time as the Auction Sub-Committee may allow) satisfies the Auction Sub-Committee that there is a substantial inaccuracy in the description and returns the lot in unaltered condition, the sale of that lot will be rescinded and the purchase price refunded to the buyer less any costs and expenses incurred by the Circle in connection with the sale.
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