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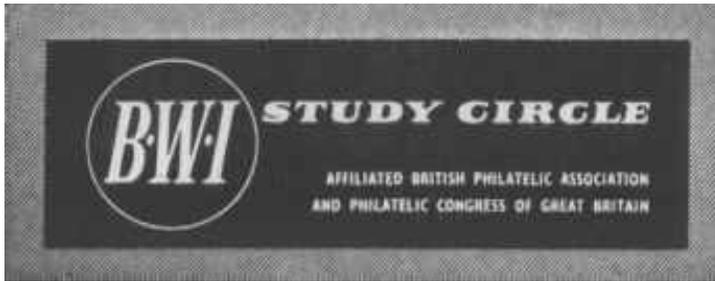
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ANNIVERSARY MEETING

The Thirteenth Anniversary Meeting was held in the Board Room of the British Philatelic Association at 446 Strand, London, W.C.2, on Saturday, April 8th, 1967, at 3 p.m.

It was attended by fourteen members which included Mr. I. P. Chard and Mr. M. A. Fairhead who had recently been enrolled. The chair was taken by the President who extended a warm welcome to those present. Apologies for absence were received from Rose Titford, Cdr. G. Bridgmore Brown and Commander F. W. Collins.

The Minutes of the Twelfth Anniversary Meeting held on April 23rd, 1966, as published in Bulletin No. 49, pp. 96-99, were taken as read and with the approval of the meeting were signed as correct by the chairman.

Report of the Hon. Secretary/Hon. Treasurer:

Mr. P. T. Saunders opened his remarks by referring to the loss the Circle had sustained by the passing of Mr. E. F. Aguilar and Mr. C. E. Patrick. He announced that 13 members had resigned, due in the majority of instances, to the fact that they had disposed of their collections. A like number had been removed from the roll since their subscriptions had lapsed. No less than 33 new members had been enrolled, bringing the total up to 238 which was the highest number since the Circle's foundation. As usual, it had been necessary to send out reminders to 61 members (81 in 1966) in regard to the non-payment of their subscriptions and at the time of writing this Report 11 remain outstanding. Turning to the Accounts Mr. Saunders emphasized their healthy state. In this connection it had occurred to him that some members might consider that an amount should be transferred to deposit, instead of remaining unproductive. In this respect he stated that the Bank made due allowance for the average credit balances maintained when assessing charges and he had satisfied himself that no advantage would be gained were an amount placed on deposit since the Bank would then be justified in imposing their full-scale charges. There being no questions the adoption of the Accounts was proposed from the chair and agreed to unanimously.

Report of the Hon. Editor:

Mr. B. B. Benwell stated that he had nothing to report but once again enjoined members to send in contributions for the Bulletin. In this connection he referred to the fact that all those published during 1966 and 1967 would be eligible for consideration for the first award of the G. W. COLLETT TROPHY (see Bulletin No. 47, pp. 53/54).

Report of the Hon. Librarian:

In the absence of Rose Titford this was read by the Hon. Secretary and is reported in full elsewhere in this issue.

Report of the Chairman of the Publications Subcommittee:

Owing to the unavoidable absence of Cdr.G.Bridgmore Brown through illness, information as to its activities was not available. Mr. L. E. Britnor, however, announced that Mr. Benwell was at present engaged in writing a paper on the Postal History of Barbados. It was proposed from the chair that a meeting of the Sub-Committee should be convened as soon as possible in order to ascertain the present position in regard to future publications. In order to strengthen this Sub-Committee it was proposed by Mr. L. E. Britnor and seconded by Mr. B. B. Benwell that Mr. R. H. Austin be appointed an additional member. Furthermore, to overcome the difficulty arising from the fact that Cdr. Bridgmore Brown was uncertain of his ability to preside at future meetings of this Sub-Committee it was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the Hon. Secretary that Mr. E. V. Toeg be appointed an additional member and to act as Vice-Chairman. Both these proposals were carried unanimously.

49th Philatelic Congress of Great Britain:

This is being held at Cambridge from May 30th to June 2nd and the Circle's Delegates are Messrs. A. J. Branston, G. W. Groves and W. A. Townsend. Mr. Branston agreed to furnish the Hon. Editor with a report of the proceedings including the Study Circle meeting covering the British West Indies.

G. W. Collett Trophy: Mr. Saunders said he thought that the time had now arrived to appoint the judges as laid down in the conditions governing the award. He also stated that Miss Titford had asked him to mention that she thought it might be advisable to appoint one of our overseas members. After due consideration by those present Mr. Saunders was requested to take the necessary action in this respect. It was further decided to convene a meeting of the Committee as soon as possible to consider the appointment of the other judges.

Autumn Meeting: This will be held in the B.P.A. Board Room at 446 Strand, London, W.C.2, on Saturday, September 30th, 1967, at 3 p.m. It is hoped that a display of Grenada will be given by Mr. J. L. Messenger to whom an invitation will be extended by the President.

Fourteenth Anniversary Meeting: It was agreed that this should be held on March 23rd, 1968, to coincide with STAMPEX.

Election of Officers and Committee: There being no nominations and the present holders being eligible and willing to continue, they were re-elected en bloc. The Chairman announced with regret that it was unlikely that Mr. A. E. Beach's state of health would permit him to take an active part in future meetings of the Committee. It was, therefore, proposed by Mr. E. V. Toeg and seconded by Mr. J. B. Marriott that Mr. F. D. Fitz-Gerald be appointed an additional member of the Committee which was approved unanimously.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING (contd.)

At the conclusion of the official business a number of short displays were given, details of which are as follows:-

J. B. Marriott. Trinidad: A display of most of the rarest stamps and covers:

(1). Lady McLeod - Unused, with gum, the only copy so far seen, originally in the Sir William Avery collection.

(2). Lithographs. - First impressions on yellowish paper including a superb corner copy on cover of 10 Oct., 1852, to St. Thomas.

(3). Lithographs. - Last impression in red on local cover from San Fernando to Port of Spain. A great cover rarity, only two others being known, one with a 4d. stamp missing from the cover.

(4). Pin Perf. 12½, unused.- (1d.) carmine lake. 4d. dull purple (the only copy seen, and not included in the Royal collection), 6d. yellow green and deep green, 1/- purple-slate (the only copy seen apart from the one in the Royal collection),

(5). Perforated 11½, 12 compound with 11: (1d.), three copies including a corner copy from the bottom right hand of sheet perforated 11 at right and at bottom.

(6). Perforated 13, (1/-), in pristine mint condition, a great rarity in this condition,

(7). 1d. on 6d. manuscript surcharge in black. A pair and a bisect on small piece, the bisect is the only one seen. There was a second pair in the Charlton Henry collection.

(8). 1901, 1d. black on red with words of value omitted. Originally one of a strip of three. A second is now in the Royal collection, but the third copy has not been heard of again since the early years.

P. T. Saunders. Dominica: A pre-adhesive, dated JA 10 1865 bearing the crowned circle in red and back-stamped with c.d.s. (R.L. Type P1) and the receiving mark of St. Andrews (Scotland) JA 30 65. A selection of K.E. VII Leeward Islands used in Dominica including a cover bearing an example of the 2½d. (S.G. 34) addressed to the U.S.A., and a page showing a variety of Paquebot cancellations.

W. A. Townsend. British Guiana: The original notice signed by E. T. E. Dalton - " Several parties being in the habit of affixing fractions of Postage Stamps to their letters, viz.: by using the $\frac{1}{3}$ of the 12c. or the $\frac{1}{2}$ of the 8c. stamps for the prepayment of a single local letter of which the postage is 4c. Notice is hereby given that all letters so improperly stamped will be treated as unpaid letters and taxed double the ordinary postage and newspapers sought to be forwarded in that illegal manner will be detained."

A bisected 8c. on cover was shown dated NO 12 1861 (before the appearance of the notice which was dated 9 AP. 1862).

A cover of 1870 with a trisected 12c, was shown which passed through the post together with a similar cover of 1871 which was not accepted and the recipient was charged double postage - 8 cents.

In 1911 all Colonies and Protectorates were requested to include the head of King George V on their stamps.

Four essays lettered A, B, C and D were submitted and British Guiana selected type D with a slight amendment. The original essay was shown with hand-painted details together with the resultant Die Proof of the Key Die and Die Proofs of the eleven duties from 1 cent. to 96 cents. The complete set of stamps overprinted SPECIMEN followed and examples of the stamps with Plate Numbers.

The care taken in producing stamps was illustrated by Die Proofs for the 1876 issue. First a Die Proof dated 10 DEC 1875 which was not considered quite suitable. Next Die Proofs dated 14 DEC 1875 and 16 DEC 1875 with amendments to the design. Undenominated Die Proofs in colour followed. Specimen stamps and examples of the 1 cent. duty, perforated 14x12½ and the 4 cents, duty perforated 12½. Possibly one sheet of each was produced - the normal perforation being 14.

Finally the original invoice from Waterlow & Sons dated Oct. 15th, 1870, for stamps and showing the number of stamps in each sheet of each duty. The charge was 2/6 per thousand, case lined Zink (zinc) 5/-, Freight 11/6, Insurance 6/3. The total invoice was £27 17s. 9d. for 214,000 stamps.

NOTES AND QUERIES

BAHAMAS

I have two covers from Nassau, dated 1st and 6th April, 1963, bearing Registration labels inscribed "Shirley Street P.O., Bahamas," this office closed March 31st, 1958. They are of two types, one is inscribed "Shirley Street" on the top line, the other "Shirley St. P.O." I would be interested to hear from any member via the Editor, who can give me any further information on this subject (and on the Post Office itself) or any similar examples of Closed Post Offices Registration Labels.

M. A. Fairhead

BERMUDA

COLOUR TRIALS OF THE BERMUDA "DOCK" ISSUE

The existence of a large number of colour combinations of the 1d. "Dock" design of Bermuda has been recognized for some years. Sir John Wilson in his book "The Royal Philatelic Collection" lists twenty-four different colour combinations, while Arthur Pierce in the Essay Proof Journal (Vol. 5, pp. 195-201) added five more, two of which appear to be only shades. In his book "Bermuda," Morris Ludington increased the list to a total of forty-four and speculated that other colour combinations may exist.

Both Sir John Wilson and Morris Ludington give 1902 as the date of printing of these various colour trials. However, Ludington recently told me that his date of May, 1902, was merely associated with the first submission of suggested colours by Messrs. de la Rue to the Crown Agents. It is now quite clear that these colour trials were produced in response to requests from the Crown Agents spanning a period of four years and that a total of about sixty colour combinations may have been produced.

In the de la Rue philatelic collection, which was assembled by Mr. G. Leslie Newman and is now in the custody of Mr. J. A. Mackay, Curator of Philatelic Collections at the British Museum, there are three separate submissions of gummed, imperforate 1d. "Dock" stamps watermarked Crown and CA in various colour combinations. These were sent by Messrs. de la Rue to the Crown Agents in response to requests from Bermuda for stamps of different denominations. The details of the colours of the stamps in these submissions are given below, with the vignette colour first, followed by that of the frame:

The Colour Scheme of 30 May, 1902 (Reqn. 82/1901)

chocolate and red

chocolate and grey

chocolate and pale olive

dark brown and red (approved for 1d. - 3/6/02)

dark brown and grey (approved for ¼d. - 3/6/02)

(Note beside this stamp "another colour selected - see below")

dark brown and orange-yellow

grey and red

grey and orange-yellow

black and red

black and grey

black and orange-yellow

red and pale olive (approved for 3d. - 6/4/03)

purple and pale olive

purple* and violet (approved for ¼d. as dark brown and violet - 14/7/05, cf. note below*)

* The **dark brown** vignette of the dark brown and orange-yellow stamp was apparently cut out and stuck over the **purple** vignette of the purple and violet

stamp to produce an acceptable colour combination for the ¼. stamp some time after this submission was first made and presumably in 1905, when this colour combination was approved.

The Colour Scheme of 14 August, 1903 (Reqn. 71/03)

- dark brown and green
- chocolate and green
- pale green and green
- black and green (approved for ½d - 17/8/03)

The Colour Scheme of 6 April, 1906 (Reqn. 31/06)

- red and ultramarine
- red and chestnut
- red and yellow-brown
- grey and orange-brown (approved for 2d. - 12/4/06)
- grey and dark brown
- grey and chestnut
- blue and orange-brown
- blue and dark brown
- blue and chocolate (approved for 4d. - 12/4/06)
- dark brown and ultramarine (approved for 2½d – 12/4/ 06)
- dark brown and chocolate

All approvals were initialled "W.H.M.," as Mr. W. H. Mercer was the Crown Agent at the time.

All eleven colour combinations submitted in the Colour Scheme of 6 April, 1906 (Reqn. 31/06) are to be found among the twenty-four colour combinations of the Royal Philatelic Collection. These latter form a matrix of four vignette colours and six frame colours, which may be displayed as follows:

Red	Grey	Blue	Dark Brown (Vignette)
Dk. brown	Dk. brown*	Dk. brown*	Dk. brown
Chocolate	Chocolate	Chocolate*	Chocolate*
Chestnut*	Chestnut*	Chestnut	Chestnut
Ylw-brown*	Ylw-brown	Ylw-brown	Ylw-brown
Orange-brn	Orange-brn*	Orange-brn*	Orange-brn
Ultramarine*	Ultramarine	Ultramarine	Ultramarine*

* Colour combinations in Colour Scheme of 6 April, 1906.

If the fourteen colour combinations submitted in the Colour Scheme of 30 May, 1902 (Reqn. 82/1901) are set up in a similar matrix, together with two similar colour combinations reported by Ludington, the following is obtained:

Chocolate	Dk. Brown	Grey
Red	Red	Red
Grey	Grey	—
—	Orange-yellow	Orange- yellow

BERMUDA (contd.)

Pale Olive	—	—
Violet *	—	—
Black	Red	Purple (Vignette)
Red	—	—
Grey	—	Grey*
Orange-yellow	—	—
—	Pale Olive	Pale Olive
—	—	Violet

* Colour combinations listed by Ludington, which do not appear in the Colour Scheme of 30 May, 1902.

It seems logical to assume that the printing for the Colour Scheme of 30 May, 1902, would have included the total matrix of five frame colours paired with each of the six vignette colours for a total of thirty colour combinations. If this were the case, the other colour combinations must have been destroyed by the printers and did not get into the hands of collectors.

Turning to the Colour Scheme of 14 August, 1903 (Reqn. 71/03), it is seen that the four colour combinations submitted all have green frames. This could be taken to imply a total printing of only four different stamps. However, Ludington has a light green and ultramarine stamp in his collection, which suggests that the four vignette colours were also printed in ultramarine frames, but subsequently discarded.

From the above, it seems clear that there were two major printings of colour trials for the Bermuda "Dock" stamps and one minor one in between. The first printing in 1902 may have consisted of thirty colour combinations, of which only sixteen are known to exist. The second occurred in 1903 and may have included eight colour combinations, five of which still exist. The third in 1906 appears to have survived intact and is represented by the twenty-four colour combinations reported by Sir John Wilson as part of the Royal Philatelic Collection. Both Arthur Pierce and Morris Ludington have reported a number of shades of the colours listed above. These are not considered to be additional colour combinations, but only the result of fading or the like.

J. C. Arnell

BRITISH GUIANA

I have a set of George VI stamps 1c., 2c., 3c., 6c., 12c., 36c. and \$1 of the 1938 issue perforated 12½ which are overprinted - Marine Detachment. (The extra t is an unusual spelling). The 1c., 3c. and 12c. in black; and the 2c., 6c., 36c. and \$1 in red.

I had always looked on these with suspicion until I noticed that a well known auctioneer is offering similar stamps.

Can anyone tell me the origin and reason for this overprint ?

W. A. Townsend

BRITISH WEST INDIES STUDY CIRCLE

LIST OF MEMBERS 1967

KEY. - Names of colonies are given in a three-letter code, consisting in most cases of the first three letters of the name. "All" means all the colonies within the Circle's field of study. Meaning of symbols:-

C - Cancellations and postal markings; D - deals in material specified; M - Mint only; PH - Postal history or pre-adhesive material; PS - Postal stationery; U - Used only; x - Except.

* - Specialised collection, i.e., a collection including Postal history, Proofs, Specimens, Cancellations, Postal stationery, etc., unless otherwise indicated. The absence of this sign indicates a 'straight' collection of adhesives and catalogued varieties, † Overseas Member.

EXAMPLES.- "ANT, BAR & C" in col. 2 with "CAY" in col. 3 means the Member has straight collections of ANTIGUA and BARBADOS with the Cancellations of these colonies; as a secondary interest he also collects CAYMANS. "CAY: KGVI, M" would mean that his CAYMANS are limited to stamps of King George VI and only Mint.

"StL*, StV*, xPS" followed by "C of All xBrG, xBrH" means the Member has specialised collections (as defined above) of St. LUCIA and St. VINCENT but excluding Postal stationery; he also collects Cancellations of all colonies within the Circle's field except Br. Guiana and Br. Honduras.

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†Adelson, E. M.	BAH	
†Aleong, J.C.	StV*	
†Aman, Dr. P. M.	JAM*	
†Arnell, Dr. J.C	BER*	
Austin, R. H.	BAH*	BAR, BER, GRE, JAM, StK, StL, TRI
Baker, A. H.	DOM* GRE*	
Baker, J.W	St.L*	
Barnard, C. R.	All	
Barrow, T.D.	LEE* WIN*	
Bartlett, C. D.	BER* xPH	
†Bartlett, Edmund	All & C	
†Bayley, Colin H.	BAR*	All xBrH
Baynes, Eric	BAR* BER*	Most & C
Beach, A. E.	TOB*	ANT, BAR, BrG, DOM, LEE, StK, StL, TRI to 1902
Beauchamp, L. R.	All	
Benwell, B. B.	BAR*	
†Berridge, J. M.	All	
Bessemer, H. D.	StV*, xPS	
†Betts, E.C., Jr.	All (C)	
Bishop, C. W.	JAM*	
Black, H. Moreton	BAH*	BAR from 1892
Blackburn, Dr. R. H.	JAM*	
Bodily, R.	D all	All
†Bogg, W.G.	D. All PH	
†Bolling, R	BAH*	
†Box, H. E.	All	
Branston, A. J.	BAH*	
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Britnor, L. E.	BAR* xPS	PH & C of All xBrG, xBrH
Brooks, B.A.	St.K*	
Brown, G. Bridgmore	BER*	All C of BAR, StV
Brown, Dr. H. Vivian	DOM*	C of GRE, C & PS of ANT, StK, StL
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Burns, T		1958 Federal Issues
Bush, E.	BER*	
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Challis, J. J.	TUR*	
Carr, Cdr. R. G.	All	
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Chidley, A. H.	BAR* GRE* JAM*	
†Churchill, Jordan C.	BAH* CAY* JAM*	
Coasby, L. R.	BAH* GRE	All xBER, xBrG, xBrH
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Colvin, J. H.	LEE & C	
†Cornell, W. G	ANT*	All
Courtney, L. A	JAM*	PH & C of all
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†Crider, Dr. D. B.	DOM*	
Crow, W. H. H.	JAM*	C of all
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Dickson, Ian W. D.	StL, StB & C	
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Donne, C. E.	VIR* xPS	
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Evans, J.F.	BrH* StL* TUR*	
Fairhead, M.A.	BAH*	
†Fashingbauer, R	BAH*	
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Forshaw, E. Shields	BrG* xPS	
†Frederick, J. L.	VIR* to 1900	
†Freeman, F. G.	JAM* xPS	All
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†Griswold, Dr. Arthur S.	BrG* BAH* GRE* C of all	C of Gambia, Mauritius, Seychelles, Br. Australasia and India used abroad
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Irving, W.	All	
†Ishibara, M.	All	
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Kimber, H. E.	StL, StV	
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Lickfold, E. K.	StV	
Lisle, F. B.	BAR, BER, BrG, TRI & C	
Loach, J. C.	BAH* StK*	ANT, BAR, BER, GRE, StV TRI
†Lockie, Dr. J. M.	CAY and C	LEE. StL & C, StK, TUR from 1900. Others from 1912
Lowe, Robson	BAH; Chalon Heads	
†Ludington, M. H.	BER*	PH & C of BAH, TUR & PH
†Lyman, R. W.		All (Classics)
Lyons, Mrs. S.	TRI	BAR, JAM
Macmillan, H. B.	JAM* xPS	All
M'Caughey, D.	CAY	
†Malin, L. R.	BER, BrG, JAM, TUR	
Manning, K. J. A. O.	ANT* DOM* MON* StK* VIR* xPS to 1935	All to 1936 x JAM, xStV
Marriott, John B.	TRI* to 1910	
Marshall, L. M. W.	ANT* xPS	GRE* LEE* StV* xPS BER
†Mata, J. F.	TRI UR* TRI & TUR*	All blocks of four
Messenger, J. L.	GRE* StV*	All
†Michael, J.N.	NEV*	
Mitchell, Hooton	BAR* TRI* xPS	All, xStL, xTUR
Mitchell, Dr. T. J.	All, particularly C & PH	
†Mosely, T.E.	JAM*	
†Mounsey, R. C., Jr.	BAR* BrG*	
Murray, Col. A.	PH, C, etc., of all	
Nabarro, F. J. N.	DOM* to 1935	
Neale, H. A.	KGV only	
†Newns-Smith, R.	All M & U	
Nissen, H.	D all	
Nixon, W.C.	BAH*	
†O'Connor, Harvey	JAM*	All
†Osborn, G. A.	BER* to 1901	GRE* to 1901
Oxley, H. M.	GRE	
Parker, C. Angus	Covers, Proofs, Specimens etc., D all, specially PH, C, Ps,	
Partridge, R. F.	GRE & C	
†Paton, C. D.	LEE*	
Paton, I. M.	LEE from 1937	All from 1937
Payne, C.M.	GRE*	
Peart, Brig. A.G.	LEE*	

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
†Pierce, A. D.	StV* xPS	BER, CAY, GRE
Pilkington, G. L.	GRE* to 1890	StC. C of Lee
Plass, G.N., Jr.	VIR*	
Pratt, R. G.	StV	
Pritchett, G. C.	All xBrG, xBrH	
Proffitt, B.	JAM*, LEE*	
Proud, E. B.	D all	
Pullar, G. L.	StL, M	ANT, BAR, MON: M
Pywell, J. G.	ANT, BAR, StV & C & PS	
Ransom, Mrs H. S.	TRI*	
†Raymond, G. J.	BAH (PH) LEE (PH)	ANT, BrH, Anguilla, Barbuda (PH)
Richards, J. A.	CAY	
†Ritchie, G. W. S.	BER* from 1953	BAH, BrG, BrH, CAY, DOM, JAM, LEE, StL, StV, TUR From 1953
Roberts, T. V.	ANT, DOM, GRE, StK, StL, TRI & TOB	
Robertson, K. J.	JAM	
Samuel, Marcus	Spec. & Rev. stps. of all	
†Sancho, G. E.	All C	
Sanders, Miss G. M.	ANT, BAR, DOM, GRE, JAM, MON, TRI	
Sargeant, K. S.	D All	All
Saunders, P. T.	DOM*	
Scott, R. J.	All	
†Seifert, Col. F. F.	JAM*	All* C & PS
Shaxted, J.	StL*	
†Shepard, J.H.	All	
†Shilstone, H. M. Jr.	BAR*	All
Smith, C Hardeman	ANT, GRE, MON, StL, StV	
Smith, Lt.-Col. G. Saville	JAM*	
†Spelman, H.M.	D all (C)	
Spencer, Eric	BAR*	
Spreckley, A. E.	BAR*, StV*	
†Stitt, W. B.	BAH*, BER*, CAY*, JAM*	All
Stokes, E. W.	CAY, GRE	
†Stone, R. G.	LEE & WIN Is., BAH	G.B. used abroad
†Strachan, T. J.	LEE*	BAH BER BrG, BrH
Surtees, V. N. F	JAM*	
Sutton, Col. T.	All	Denmark & Japan
Swarbrick, R. V.	JAM*	All xBrC, xBrH
†Sweeney, Miss M.G.	MONT*	
Swetland, M. W.	ANT*, BER*, JAM*	
Tansley, K	All: KEVII, U	
Taylor, J.	All P.B. issues & covers	
Taylor, Mrs. M. W.	GRE* to 1935	C of BrG
†Taylor, Mrs. P. K.	BER*	BAH (PH) BrG (PH)
†Tennison, P. J.	JAM*	
Terry, W.	CAY	BER
†Thetford, Dr. N. D.	St.K, LEE, VIR	
Thompson, E. K.	D ANT, BAR	
Thompson, F. H.	JAM*	BER, BrH
†Thompson, J. N.	BER*	StV, MON
Titford, Rose		
Todd, J. D.	DOM*	TUR
Toeg, E.V.	ANT*, LEE*, MONT*	
†Topaz, R	JAM*	All
†Towers, Dr. R. P.	GRE*	
Townsend, W. A.	BrG*	ANT, BAH, BAR, BER, GRE, StL, StV
†Tse, T.H.		Registered covers
†Tucker, Sir Henry J.	BER*	BrH* GRE, StV
†Vooyo, D. W.	Philatelic Literature	
Ward, B.T.D.	JAM*	
Ward, R.	BrG from 1953	C of all
Watkinson, R.J.	All	
Watson, W. K.	JAM*	NEV, StC, StK
Watts, M.D.	ANT*, JAM*	All others
†Weinberg, E. A.	LEE*	
Wells, R. W.	GRE*	DOM, StL, StV
Wheeler, L. S.	BAR	
Wood, Dr. P.J.	ANT*	
Woodhead, L.A.	BER*, GRE*, JAM*, StL*	
†Zelt, L. E. Jr.	TUR* from 1901	All from 1953

BRITISH HONDURAS

Has any member seen a Q.E. II 10c. (S.G. 207) with inverted watermark? I came across a pair in some shipping mail but have not found any other examples.

Byron R. Cameron

BRITISH WEST INDIES

BERMUDA POSTAGE RATES

With reference to the note in Packet Minutes No. 289S/1892, quoted in Bulletin No. 51, Dec., 1966, page 136, the rates given for the Post Cards were misquoted. The rates should read:

Post Card Single - 1s. 8d. per dozen.

" " Reply 3s. 2d. " "

L. E. Britnor

The article in Bulletin 51 on the West Indies Mail Boat Service is most interesting.

I notice, however, that no mention is made of any boats calling at St. Lucia, neither do the maps show any routes to this island.

Can the author shed any light on this omission and tell us how mail was delivered to St. Lucia in 1890?

I wonder if any member can tell me when CASTRIES first appears in the St. Lucia postmark.

J. V. Shaxted

In answer to Mr. Shaxted's query above: St. Lucia changed hands no less than nine times between 1762 and 1803, and was only finally ceded to Britain in 1814. The maps refer to the routes of the Packets and Mail Boats as on 23 Feb., 1799, at a time when it would seem that St. Lucia was not directly served.

Below are extracts from the original documents so far discovered relating specifically to St. Lucia:

26 Sep. 1803. "A part of this Plan* includes the Accommodation of St. Lucia (now that the Island is again under British Dominion), but it will in some degree affect Antigua and the other Islands to the Northward."

*21 Sep. 1803. "The (Leeward Is.) Packet to proceed from Barbados to St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Dominica, Antigua, Montserrat, St. Kitts, and Tortola."

At some time between this and 1807 it is evident that the Jamaica Packet had been touching at St. Lucia, because:

BRITISH WEST INDIES (contd.)

21 Sep. 1807. Freeling refers to a proposal of Gen. Beckwith's "that the Jamaica Packet instead of touching at St. Lucia as it now does, should touch at St. Vincent and Grenada, on her way to Dominica." . . . The Packet Captains reported "that no great detention would arise from the Leeward Is. Packet touching at St. Lucia, if convoyed through the Islands, otherwise there would be great danger in passing to the Leeward of Martinico."

15 June 1811. Freeling reports petition from St. Lucia "that the Jamaica Packet might touch there with the Mails as formerly, on her way to Martinique, or that a regular Mail Boat may be allowed." Both ideas were turned down because (a) there would be excessive delay to the Packet, (b) expense - a Mail Boat would cost about £800 per an., whilst "the amount of Letters last year for St. Lucia is only £215 8s. 6d." . . . " The Letters for St. Lucia are at present forwarded to Martinique, from whence they find their conveyance by the first opportunity that offers - but if it is more convenient for the petitioners to receive theirs from Barbados, an Order shall be given to that effect."

11 Oct. 1814. "The Jamaica Packet on her outward bound voyage calls at Barbados then at Martinique and St. Lucia on her way to Jamaica."

Regarding the first use of CASTRIES, I imagine it would be possible to trace this in the Die Impression Books at the G.P.O. Record Office.

Leonard E. Britnor

LEEWARD ISLANDS

For some years now we have been accumulating the stamps of the 1897 Sexagenary set in the hope and expectation of identifying the genuine overprint one day and classifying some, if not all, of the various forgeries which obviously exist. It must be apparent to all interested in this set that a number of different forgeries have been circulating for years, but so far as we are aware no one has up to the present time dealt with the problem in a way which will help collectors to identify the genuine from the forged overprints in their collections, and what is just as important, to avoid acquiring forged overprints in the future, offered frequently in all innocence no doubt, as genuine.

On reaching her sixtieth year on the Throne, Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee was commemorated in the case of the Leeward Islands by the issue of the Sexagenary set consisting of the eight values of the 1890 definitive set overprinted in black with a buckled garter inscribed SEXAGENARY 1897 enclosing in the form of a monogram the letters VRI. This commemorative set was placed on sale at the various Post Offices throughout the Leeward Islands from the 22nd July 1897 for a period of one week only and according to the authorities the remainders were eventually disposed of with some difficulty.

The overprint was applied on each stamp separately by Mr. E. D'A. Tibbits by means of a handstamp consisting of a steel die. Mr. E. D'A. Tibbits was at that time

a clerk in the Colonial Office who apparently took the greatest care in carrying out what must have been a most exacting duty. The fact that the overprint was manually applied creates a major difficulty because despite all the care taken by Mr. E. D'A. Tibbits the appearance of a genuine overprint can vary very considerably. This is due to the human element involved: for instance, too much or too little ink may have been used on occasions, or the pressure applied on the handstamp may have been greater on one side than on another, thus causing a strong impression on one side and either a fainter impression on the other side or perhaps even no impression at all.

It is because the genuine overprint can appear apparently in different guises that it is difficult to identify. What appears at a glance to be in fact a forgery may turn out to be the genuine overprint and vice versa. No similar problem will of course normally arise, where as is so often the case, an overprint or a surcharge is applied to a stamp by some mechanical means,

Our first and main problem therefore, regarding the Sexagenary overprint was to identify the genuine overprint beyond doubt and the next problem was to classify the remaining types of overprints as forgeries. The only sure way of identifying the genuine overprint was to accumulate a quantity of the lower values of the set including the occasional block of four or larger piece which came our way; and this we did in the course of time.

When a quantity of stamps had been accumulated, each stamp was identified and then classified. We found that apart from the genuine overprint we were surprised to note that there were no less than eleven different types of forged overprint, including both of the Fournier types. We do not think that these eleven types of forged overprint are by any means exhaustive and no doubt further types will surely come to light from time to time. However, we must record one interesting point which is that we have only found the forged overprints up to the present on single stamps.

A word of warning about double overprints. From experience we look upon double overprints with some suspicion to commence with: usually one overprint is genuine and the second overprint is forged but sometimes both overprints are forged.

Before continuing we would like to acknowledge with gratitude, the unstinted help we have received from another member of this Study Circle. We refer to Mr. Robson Lowe, who has made available to us the relevant material from his reference collection. The loan by Mr. Robson Lowe to us of material to study has resulted in the discovery by us of additional types of forged overprint.

To commence with an enlarged illustration of the genuine overprint is shown, followed by three dangerous forgeries and then by eight forgeries which are not really dangerous when the characteristics of the genuine overprint are known. In each case the main points of identification are set out below the appropriate illustration; several lesser points of identification being ignored for the purpose of these notes.

LEEWARD ISLES (contd.)

1897 Diamond Jubilee overprint handstamped in black on ½d. 1d.; 2½d. 4d.; 6d.; 7d.; 1/-; 5/-; key type.

Genuine overprint.



Monogram - upper line in cross bar of R extends very slightly in front of I.
Sexagenary - first A is crossed centrally and slopes up; second A is crossed lower and has large top serif; lower limb of second E is longer than top limb.
Inner circle - has weakening below first E of Sexagenary.
1897 - 1 has sloping top serif; 8 has flat top; 9 is closed; 7 has sloping top serif.
Central flap of garter - has 2 white holes and 6 shading lines.
Note shape of ornament below.
Left of flap of garter - has 9½ shading lines broken by diagonal white lines.
Right of flap of garter - has 7 shading lines, complete hole and half hole in garter.
Buckle - not clear, has 6 tapering lines to left.

The following three forgeries are the really dangerous ones.

Forgery 1.



Monogram - upper line in cross bar of R does not extend at all in front of I.

Sexagenary - first A is wide and crossed low; second A is narrow and crossed centrally; all letters have large thick serifs.

1897 - 1 has fine sloping serif; 8 has sloping flat top; 9 is open; 7 has vertical serif. Central flap of garter - has large central hole and 10 shading lines. Note spike to ornament below.

Left of flap of garter - has 2 coloured diagonal lines, also vertical lines above and below.

Right of flap of garter - has 6 shading lines, 2 complete round holes and stop after 7 of date.

Buckle - narrow and oval shaped, large pointed prong, 5 shading lines to left.

(Dangerous forgery).

E. V. Toeg and H. G. Leslie Fletcher

(To be continued)

MONTSERRAT

With reference to the "½" overprint on the Montserrat 1d. bisect of 1884, described on p. 40 in the Montserrat Paper, I have received a very interesting letter from Col. F. F. Seifert. He enclosed a photograph of a Post Card in his collection, which reads:

Dominica, W.I.
27.5.84.

Dear Sirs,

Your several letters came duly to hand, and I was sorry that I did not wait for your last, before disposing with the lot of Stamps I had on hand. Tempting prices, some higher than yours, were offered, and I sold all. I am now collecting some more, and as soon as a fair quantity is mustered I will forward them to you. What will you pay for Montserrat penny cut in half with ½d Red surcharged on it? (on envelope postmarked). Some have been offered to me but I do not know that to pay for them to ensure me a profit. This card was addressed to a London dealer.

Col. Seifert's comments on this are also worth noting:-

The name of the sender had been removed from the card before I purchased it, but from other correspondence I have been able to identify as a man who held some office or other in the P.O. at Roseau, Dominica. Perhaps he was intending to make these up when he received a firm order, and had not discovered that a red surcharge would not work out well on a red stamp.

Several members have sent me additional information on postmarks, etc., and the production of a small supplement (3 or 4 pages) to the Montserrat Paper is being considered, possibly about the end of the year. If any other Member has further additions and/or corrections I should be most grateful to receive them within the next month or two so that they may be included.

L. E. Britnor

ST. LUCIA

I have two queries which you may wish to put into the Bulletin, viz:-

St. Lucia 1/- C.C. with postmark LUG (barred obliterator with LUG in Roman capitals with three bars above and below the letters and two arcs to the left of the 'L'). The name is incomplete at the right but might be a blob.

The whole thing looks home-made - can any member help?

Antigua. 1d., C.A. with manuscript cancellation as under: -

8 - 8 - 87

St - philip

Iain W. Jex Long

MISCELLANEA

HON. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

More use has been made of the Library since my last Report although there is no doubt that the increased postal charges have tended to damp the enthusiasm for members borrowing books. In this connection I would like members to know, that so long as lengthy chapters are not involved I am always happy to check any references that may be useful and supply a typed copy. It is hoped to publish an up-to-date list of books in the September issue of the Bulletin, thus enabling new members to know what the Library contains.

A few new books have been added, and I am grateful to our President for sending me a large number of cuttings on West Indies philately from various philatelic journals, which has added greatly to those I have been collating for the Circle's "Scrap Book," For want of a better name this is what I term it at present, but it is definitely more than that. It has been apparent over the last few years that with decreasing space it was becoming impossible to house complete volumes of philatelic magazines, I therefore cut out every article or snippet dealing with West Indies and have collated them in a loose-leaf reference register (already there are two thick volumes and I shall shortly have to commence a third). I have also added reference material which I have personally collected over the years. There is still a shortage of very early articles so if any member is having a "Spring Clean" I should be very glad to have any notes on B.W.I. for this register. Members will be able to borrow sections on demand, bearing the cost of postage by Recorded Delivery both ways. At present I do not envisage making an Index of this material, but if any member desires to know what his particular colony or colonies covers I shall be happy to send a list of the most important articles on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

Rose Tifford,
HON. LIBRARIAN

MISCELLANEA (contd.)

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Leeward Islands: (All Mint). S.G. 8, 10 and 14 (in blocks of four)
S.G. 18 and 19 (complete panes of 60).

St. Lucia: S.G. 5-8 Used.

S.G. 19-22, perf 13 "

St. Vincent: S.G. 9 "

Trinidad: S.G. 25 "

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HON. SECRETARY'S PARAGRAPH

Dear Member,

I feel sure that those of our members who paid a visit to STAMPEX will agree with me that it was the best that has so far been held. With the standholders accommodated in the Upper Hall and the exhibits concentrated in the Lower Hall the congestion experienced in previous years was eased considerably. I thoroughly enjoyed my brief visit and meeting many of my friends and having travelled so far I much appreciated the fact that I was able to attend our Anniversary Meeting on the same day. As you will have observed elsewhere it has been decided to arrange our Fourteenth Anniversary Meeting to coincide with STAMPEX in 1968. It is hoped to announce the names of the judges for the first award of the G. W. COLLETT TROPHY in the September Bulletin and I take this opportunity to urge you to send in an article as soon as possible to our Hon. Editor. If necessary I am sure he will be happy to provide additional pages for the remaining issues for 1967. A few members have responded to my invitation to advise me of any changes in their interests and these have been recorded in the List of Members included in this issue. Once again it is with pleasure that I extend on your behalf a warm welcome to the following new members: J. M. G. Adams (B.W.I.), J. W. Baker (Leicestershire), R. Bolling (U.S.A.), B. A. Brookes (Worcestershire), M. A. Fairhead (Middlesex), R. Fashingbauer (U.S.A.), H. G. L. Fletcher (Kent), R. F. Haig (Scotland), R. W. Halliday (B.W.I.), J. M. Hoppe (Surrey), A. G. Horton (Lincolnshire), I. R. Kirkland Jr. (U.S.A.), Dr. K. Kopf (Nigeria), R. M. Lamb (Canada), J. N. Michael (U.S.A.), A. G. Robinson (Canada), R. J. Scott (Surrey) and P. J. Wood (Northumberland).

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