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NEW ZEALAND NOTES

New Additions to Q.E. Stamps. As announced some time ago from Official circles that 1/9d and 2/6d dominations were to be issued as a result of increases in certain postage rates; these two stamps, the former in black centre with orange frame and the latter in a warm shade of brown appeared on Post Office counters on 1st July. The 1/9d being printed from the new centre plates 2A and 2B bears the Plate numbers 1A 2A and 1B 2B and the 2/6d is from a Plate numbered 4. Sheet values are impressed in the top right corners of each value as usual. Perforating machines of 14 for 1/9d and 13½ for 2/6d as employed for the similarly sized 1/- and 3/-, have been used. An innovation insofar as the 1/9d is concerned is an "engine turned design" in the gutter between the two panes, apparently used to prevent illegal use of the paper, but serving to give the complete sheets a most attractive appearance. It is reported some Masterton collectors were lucky enough to secure cancellations on these two stamps of the 6th and 7th of June when the new values were inadvertently offered for sale there some 24 days before the due date.

9d Q.E. Blurred Centre. Some time ago Mr. Henwood was kind enough to show us a used copy of a blurred centre in this value and now we have been shown the same variety (almost certainly a double print) as the top stamp in a mint vertical formation coil pair.

1/3d Arms Type. This stamp continues to excite attention and has now been printed on a new supply of paper with better quality appearance and with horizontal mesh and an unsurfaced finish whereas all previous printings since the stamp was re-introduced on June 14th, 1955 have been on surfaced, vertical mesh paper. A new perforation head of the same 14 x 13½ gauge has been used on the new paper. Collectors will be interested to know that the latest Govt. Bulletin states that initial printings on this new paper have been done with a "blue-black" ink mixture for the lettering and that future printings are intended to be in "black." You can take our word for it that as a further colour variety to place alongside the "blue" error of colour you may or may not have, the blue-black is a washout as it cannot be distinguished from black with the naked eye. The issued figures of the "blue" at 378,000 are enlightening and make the retail price of 70/- as reported in certain quarters in England, extremely premature to say the least of it. The various printings then are as follows:—

Inverted watermark	V.M.	surfaced paper,	black lettering	issued	June 14, 1955.
Normal	"	"	"	"	Sept., 1955
Inverted	"	"	" blue "	"	July, 1956
Normal watermark	H.M.	unsurfaced paper,	blue-black (really black)	issued	Nov., 1956

COLLECTION OF GEO. VI PLATE & IMPRINT BLOCKS

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There are possibly a number of people, particularly the many who expressed interest in our last months offers of Geo. VI shades, who feel that the cost of a complete series of the many Plate and Imprint blocks associated with this issue is beyond their means. However, a very interesting collection on simplified lines showing the different positions of the Plate number and/or Imprint in relation to each value plus the use of the two dies in the 1/- and the two frame transfer roller states of the 1/3d may be got together at a fraction of the cost and yet be quite a highlight of your Geo. VI section. Accordingly, we offer the following forty one plates, every one of which definitely assists the theme of the collection.

- (a) A collection which includes: $\frac{1}{2}$ d green Pl. 1 (Plates 1 and 2 were on left side of sheet only), 19L & R, Imprint; $\frac{3}{4}$ d chestnut HM 17L & R, Imprint. $\frac{3}{4}$ d chestnut VM 38, 101, 133; 1d red Pl. 3 (Plates 3 & 4 were on left side only) 7L & R; 1d green 32, 123, 128; $1\frac{1}{2}$ d red 20L & R, Imprint, 21, 130; 2d yellow 44, 140; 3d blue 63, 138; 4d magenta 94; 5d grey 96; 6d carmine 98; 8d violet 95, 110; 9d sepia 97, 134; 1/- Die I brown & claret 1-1, Die II 3A-2; 1/3d brown & blue Die 1A 3A-1, Die 1B 4-2; 2/- orange & green 1-1; 3/- red-brown and grey 3A-1; $1\frac{1}{4}$ d Arms Provisional; 3d on 1d green Provisional 112, 1d on $\frac{1}{2}$ d ches. Provisional 133. Cataloguing about £12/10/0. The price £11/0/0

Important. It is inevitable that there should be a shortage of one or two items of a scarcer nature and yet essential to really complete such a showing. The following are missing: 1d red Imprint, Pl. 25 or 26, booklet plate 5; 1941 Provisional Imprints 1d on $\frac{1}{2}$ d green, 2d on $1\frac{1}{2}$ d chocolate; $1\frac{1}{2}$ d choc. 20 or 21 left and right; Imprint. Should any purchasers of the above lot desire us to try and procure these we will gladly do so or conversely should any collector have any of these missing Plates in duplicate we would be pleased to buy them.

- (b) A collection, simplified a little further, but calculated to make an attractive showing and comprising:— $\frac{1}{2}$ d green Pl. 18, Imprint; $\frac{3}{4}$ d chestnut 19, Imprint, 38, 101, 133; 1d red 12; 1d green 33, 122, 128; $1\frac{1}{2}$ d red 21, Imprint, 21 (Plate No. & Imp. combined) 137; 2d yellow 62, 143; 3d yellow 58, 139; 4d 94; 5d 96; 6d 92; 8d 95, 110; 9d 97, 134; 1/- 3A-2; 1/3d 3A-2; 2/- 1-1; 3/- 2-1; $1\frac{1}{2}$ d Arms Provisional; 3d on 1d green Provisional 115; 1d on $\frac{3}{4}$ d chestnut Provisional 101. Atotal of 33 Plates and Cat. over £9/10/0. Price £8/0/0

Note.—Here again the 1d red Imprint, 25 or 26, booklet plate 5; 1941 Provisional Imprints; $1\frac{1}{2}$ d choc. left or right and Imprint are really needed for completion and will be “noted” on request.

FURTHER MOUNTED LOTS

We are still breaking up a collection, all mounted on F.G. “Graduate” leaves, part of which was advertised in July Newsletter and judging by the response we again emphasise **BE EARLY WITH YOUR ORDERS!**

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- (a) **Edward VII Mint Officials.** A fine two page collection of blocks and pairs complete less the 3d perf. 14 x $13\frac{1}{2}$ and vertical pairs. Contains also 3 pairs De La Rue 1d Dominion and 2/- (long type) Official fiscal. 5 blocks of four. 11 pairs and 3 singles, 45 stamps in all catalogued £4/8/0 £4/0/0
- (b) **Edward VII Mint Officials.** Page of single stamps only $\frac{3}{4}$ d, 1d Dominion (2), 3d, 6d (2), 8d (2), 1/- (2). Total of 10 stamps, Cat. 22/6d 20/-
- (c) As for Lot (b) but this time a fine used set nicely set out on one page. Cat. 14/- 12/6
- (d) **Edward VII Used.** A lovely 2 page collection covering all perfs. of this issue except the scarce perf. 14 line of the 8d value. Quite a few extra shades of some values also. In all, 29 stamps. Cat. over £2/18/6 £2/10/0
- (e) **1935 Pictorials.** This is a really beautiful two page simplified collection of the single watermark issue. The mint page has an extra 2/- value in order to balance the layout. Catalogued over £3/17/6 we strongly recommend this at £3/7/6
- (f) As for the above but in this case the changeover to multiple watermark. Here again well arranged with the mint page containing a fine pair of 2/- as extras, one showing the very obvious R9/9 re-entry. Catalogued at over £3/15/6 it is an excellent companion to the above £3/7/6

LIFE INSURANCE

With the advent of the new Pictorial design (various Lighthouses) the popularity of this issue has increased immensely. It is not often that the earlier issues are seen in good condition nowadays and a recent purchase of a collection allows us to make some fine offers.

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- (a) Blocks of four mint of the 1913-20 issue on De La Rue paper, nicely arranged and all blocks in good condition. The eight blocks cataloguing over £5 £4/15/0
- (b) Blocks of four mint of the 1925-37 issue Perf. 14 on Cowan paper embracing $\frac{3}{4}$ d, 1d, 2d, 3d (two shades) and 6d values. The six blocks catalogue over £1/18/0 £1/15/0

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