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NEW ZEALAND NOTES AND COMMENT by Peter Oldham

New Premises

To our friends who visited us during the first week in our new office, we wish to express our regret that we were not fully operational. The painters and decorators have departed at last however, and we are rapidly making up for lost time. By the large number of callers who have rendezvoused at **Room 44**, it is apparent that our move to the city is a popular one—so much so that we have found it necessary to occupy **Room 45** in addition.

We are pleased to be able to meet in person so many clients who, until recently, we have only known through correspondence. When in town pay us a visit and help us to make **Room 44** the stamp centre of N.Z.

News Flash! 3d Kowhai with white flowers

We have recently seen a striking variety in this stamp. The yellow colour is missing in a horizontal band across the centre of one sheet, leaving 2 full rows (24 stamps) with completely white flowers, and the row above and below (12 stamps ea.), with the flowers partially coloured. We are told by the owner that of the 24 stamps with completely white flowers, 8 are believed to have been used as postage and 3 are damaged, leaving only 13 good mint copies. Of these, several have already been reserved, but we are very fortunate in being able to offer one or two copies of this outstanding variety (subject to being unsold), in vertical pairs, one stamp with the flowers completely devoid of colour and the other with flowers partially white. Details of this offer appear elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Rises in price in C.P. Catalogue. The 1906 Christchurch Exhibition 1d Claret (mint or used) which has been underpriced in our Catalogue for some time, is raised from £85 to £100.

Cze. First Side Face, Provisional Printing, 2d rose in mint condition, is raised from 40/- to 80/-.

We are making this announcement of price alterations through our Newsletter as we do not intend reprinting the pages concerned for one price change on each.

H I N G E S

Take warning! The hinge position is none too bright under present import restrictions. We have just received new supplies but have no idea when we will get more. All top quality only:

"Ideal," pre-folded, per 1,000 2/3d, postage extra.

NOTES BY JACK KEATLEY

Q.E. 1/- Frame 1A Row 7 No. 7.

Away back in May 1959 Mr. K. G. Baker called attention to a frame retouch to the short horizontal dashes of the top line forming the lower panel of the stamp. The retouched area was located over the **EAL** of **ZEALAND** and extended to a lesser degree into the second and third lines. Messrs. Larsen and Marx have now submitted used copies of not only the original flaw but an earlier recognisable state of retouch which thickens two dashes immediately over the **A**, thickens a very small area of the second line and results in a thinning of the third line. These are not describable as major but when one can illustrate the sequence with examples, very interesting.

1/- Plate 1A 2A and 1A 3A Row 7 No. 1.

The frame retouching on this impression shows in the region of the second set of lines curving to the right into the ladder-like ornamentation (on the left side of the stamp and approximately level with the base of the Queen's neck). The curvature of these two lines has been redrawn, as has a section of the

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3d KOWHAI WITH WHITE FLOWERS

262 We are fortunate in being able to offer (subject to being unsold) one or two copies of this outstanding variety, in vertical pairs, one stamp with completely white flowers and the other with flowers having a small strip of yellow at the bottom. This very rare pair £100

FULL FACE QUEENS

At present we have in stock a very comprehensive range of really lovely copies including SG Nos 1, 2, and 3. Those who have studied the market over the last few years will know just how rare such copies are and what a gilt-edged investment they represent. In excellent condition, like these, the Imperf. Fullface is probably the safest bet in the whole range of N.Z. Stamps. Doubtless many would like to see individually priced stamps rather than sets. Why not call and take your pick whilst they are available? Or write, and ask to see one of our Approval Books. We have a wonderful stock and they can be sent anywhere in N.Z. to known customers or those giving references. Have them in your own home and select what you want at your leisure.

FULL FACE BARGAIN LOTS

263 **Bargain One.** All Imperfs. An amazing offer of stamps of high catalogue at a very low price. These and following lots are quite definitely not rubbish. They are of fine appearance and will look well in any collection. As the price indicates, they are not "super-superb" but they provide an unequalled chance to add some real rarities. This set includes: (S.G. Catal. prices in brackets) 2d London (S.G.2, 4 margins, £40); 2d Blue paper (SG5, £25); 1d Blue paper (SG4, £70); 1/- Blue paper (SG6, £150); 1d white paper (SG8, £28); 2d white paper (SG10, £17); 6d and 1/- white paper (SG14 & 16) both defective but of fine appearance, Cat. £82. This lot then, being one London print and complete sets of the blue and the white paper Richardsons, 8 stamps in all, total S.G. Cat. over £400—to the first applicant £50

264 **Bargain Two.** Of similar astonishing value as the above, includes 2d blue paper (SG5, £25); 1d white paper (SG8, £28); 1/- white paper (SG17, £60); 1d, 2d, 3d, 6d, 6d, 1/-, Star Wmk imperfs (SG £49); 2d Roulette (SG 51, £18); 3d Roulette (SG52, £22); 6d Roulette (SG55, £15). Twelve imperfs or roulettes, total Cat. £217. Price the lot £30

265 **Bargain Three.** Three rarities of the Richardson white paper group: the 2d SG8a deep ultramarine, the 6d SG15 Chestnut and the 1/- SG17 blue-green. None is absolute perfection but at the price they are a choice trio and of lovely appearance. Cat. S.G. £150. The three £29

266 **Bargain Four.** Includes a beautiful 4 margin, 1d blue paper (SG No. 4 £70, there is probably a paper repair here); 2d blue paper (SG No. 5 £25); 6d Pelure paper (SG85 £30); 6d Star Wmk black-brown (SG41 £10); ditto 6d red-brown (SG42 £6); 6d (SG53, roulette, £22). The set of six, cat. £163 £15

267 **Bargain Five.** The Star Wmk imperfs. 1d orange, very fine purple pencil mark on back; 2d very fine 4 margins, 3d 4 margins exceedingly fine, 6d black-brown 4 margins, 6d red-brown ditto superb. Only the 1/- in a bright yellow-green has a real defect—a thin at the top. The fine comp. set Cat. £49—(remember these are all but one really fine copies) £24

268 **Bargain Six.** An unusual set of items seldom seen. 3d Star Wmk Perf 13, very fine; 6d Star perf 13 black-brown (imperf vertically, no extra charge for that but it looks O.K.); 6d ditto brown perf 13; 6d ditto red-brown perf 13; 2d Pelure paper, a better than average specimen, good margins; 2d pelure perf. 13, (S.G. 92 £50) this having a straight edge at bottom, otherwise not too bad; 6d imperf. Pelure paper small nick; 1/- imperf. pelure paper, narrow margins but otherwise good, light p/m off the face; 1/- pelure perf. 13 (SG94, £45), a sound clean copy, very light p/m, off-centre as usual but a good stamp; finally the 2d blue no wmk (SG96a, £30, thin spot at top). This remarkable collection of 10 rarities, S.G. Cat. to £278 £52

269 **Bargain Seven.** All "NZ-Wmk" stamps. Includes 1d red, good, (SG97 £18); 2d blue fine (SG98, £18); 1/- green (SG100 £20), four margins, fine; 1/- roulette 7 (SG104, £40, has a small thin but a reasonable copy of this rarity); SG's 105, (£17) and 108—this last unused, quite a rarity thus, has a crease. Cat. £15. The total S.G. Cat. of the lot of six stamps is £128 and the whole set a gift at £34

270 **Bargain Eight.** A complete lot of values of the perf. 12½ set, including some of the more outstanding shades. A lot that would make an excellent front page to any album. These are copies chosen for their appearance. Includes 1d red, 1d brown (unused), 2d blue Plate 1, 2d blue Plate 2, 2d orange, 3d lilac, 3d mauve, 4d rose, 4d yellow, 6d brown, 6d blue, 1/- green. The set £12/12/0

TERMS: Any one of the above sets would make a good Christmas present—for oneself or for a friend. Readers can order now and receive the sets immediately but payment may—if desired—be delayed until December.

SPECIALISTS & BUDDING SPECIALISTS—THESE OFFERS ARE FOR YOU!

All the following offers—a-h—are from a beautifully mounted and written up collection, on Favourite album leaves, highlighted by neat annotation and skilfully executed drawings. They cannot be repeated so it is first in, first served.

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(a) A tailor made little collection of the popular 1946 Peace stamps covering the values which have proved most productive for specialised study i.e. 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d and 9d. A considerable number of the most popular plate varieties are there including retouches, re-entries and flaws; mostly in blocks of four but larger blocks on occasion where warranted. The 3d value is represented by four blocks and a pair, 4d by two, 5d by six, 6d by two, 9d by four. The collection £5

(b) 1948 Otago Centennial—a two re-entry block of 1d value, 2d value major re-entry Row 5 No. 8 & 6d popular “gun on turret” flaw in blocks. The page 10/-

(c) 1957 Meat Export stamps. A four page collection covering the better known flaws of both values in a series of five mint blocks and five mint or used singles. In addition there is a “Totara Homestead” cover and mint block of four and single of the quite scarce sideways inverted watermark. A choice little lot this £6

(d) 1957 Plunket Jubilee—two mounted blocks of four showing retouching of outer frame 5/-

(e) 1958 Tasman Anniversary Flight. A four page lot this time of six mint and used blocks illustrating the two plates used and the re-entries common to both. Also included are a First Day of Issue cover and one carried on the N.Z.-Australia leg of the special commemoration flight, the attached stamp showing Row 7 No. 7 re-entry. The four pages £2

(f) 1959 Marlborough Centennial. Two pages of Plate Blocks drawing attention to the difference in perforating heads used for 2d and 8d values with the 3d in two blocks one being a fine example of the partial double perforation known to exist in this stamp. Two attractive pages £2

(g) 1946 Health Stamp—always a happy hunting ground for the specialist. A five page lot of eight blocks (majority used) again wonderfully illustrated with pen drawings. All well known varieties; “bird on hat” “no clouds” etc., etc. This little collection 30/-

(h) 1958 3d plus 1d Health stamp on three pages. The first two are devoted to the highly interesting and striking Row 4 No. 1 flaw in which portion of the design of the stamp is reproduced in the “Jubilee line” bordering the sheets. The flaw is shown in mint positional block, fine used single and on First Day cover. There is a lot of value on the third page of eight matched used stamps from the large sheets, four showing “tent retouches.” These occurred in the right hand vertical row and are known to be scarce. The three pages 35/-

272 **Geo. V Something Special!** A page of used 3d brown and 4d violet embracing one normal, three Official 3d all having inverted watermark; and the major re-entries of Plates 20 and 44 i.e. R1/6, 4/10, 3/8, 10/12. Finally there are five examples of “worn plate.” No pen drawings here but all mentioned re-entries are to be illustrated in our forthcoming Catalogue revision. The page cataloguing approx. £4/15/0 55/-

273 **Life Insurance (1913-1920 Third Design).** Five pages of pleasure made up of 3d green (40 odd in singles, pairs strips blocks on a wonderful shade range); 1d red (over 30 in singles, pairs, strips and block together with three “sky” retouches and a desirable block showing two retouches); 1½d black x 2, 1½d brown x 10 in singles and strips; 2d purple x 2; 2d yellow x 12 including strips; 3d and 6d in singles. A little lot of used all mounted and cheap at £5

274 **Postage Due 1939-1949.** The Postage due series are no longer with us but they are by no means a dead issue. Here, tastefully arranged, are the single watermark issue, the 1946 "stars left" and the 1949 "stars right." The scarce 3d "upright wmk" of 1945 is represented in even scarcer form than usual—a used block. The ten fine blocks on two pages, catalogued at £3/13/0 £3

275 Two "Bargain" variety lots.

(a) All mint and as follows: 2½d 1898 Pictorial R11/9 re-entry to "2", 1d Field Marshal single with offset, ½d 1920 Victory single with clear doubling of right-hand lettering, 2/- Captain Cook R1/4 COQK (1935 issue in pair with normal), 1949 Health "no dot under D" in pair, 6d Otago "gun on turret" in block of four, 3d Southland pair showing selvedge plate cracking, 8d Meat Export block with R10/1 flaw between 1 and 8 of 1882 and Marlborough Cent. blocks of 2d (R14/3 major retouch to bow and sky) 3d (R9/1 retouch in sea near bullock muzzle and block with double perfs) 8d (R9/2 sky retouch under EW of NEW).

Someone is going to be happy with this lot. Going cheap 95/-
 Alternatively without COQK pair 55/-

(b) All used as follows: 1935 single wmk "clematis" flaw (a rarity in 1935 issue); 1936 ditto; three different "value tablets," varieties including the celebrated R5/17; 8d Tuatara R13/10 "broken 8"; 1946 Peace R8/1 "trailing aerial", R9/2 lower frame retouch, 9d panel re-entry; : Geo. V1 1/3d R10/3 retouch top left frame, 2/- R12/3 retouch to N of REVENUE; 3d 1953 Coronation broken R of REVENUE; 1/- Q.E. R4/10 frame re-entry; 1d Field Marshal "no stop"; Booklet pane pair with major re-entry to "chevrons", etc.; 1933 Pathway Health R2/1 retouch to HEALTH in combination with "rift in clouds"; 1946 "no clouds" (on Christchurch Industries Fair cover), 1949 R4/1 "bandaged finger"; 1940 Centennial Official R1/1 left value tablet re-entry. Never has so much been offered for so little 95/-

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ladder ornamentation. Also it is apparent that some of the short lines bordering on to the central vignette have been redrawn.

1958 3d plus rd Health "tent" retouches from large sheets.

These are just as prominent as those from Miniature sheets and almost identical in appearance. A further point of similarity is that all the used examples shown us had been positioned as coming from the extreme right of the large sheet, i.e. R1/20, 3/20, 4/20, 6/20. It seems incredible that not one of our happy band of students got on to these during currency or if anyone did so, failed to pass the information on.

Red Cross

A further addition to the list of small plate varieties is a retouch to shading in N.E. corner of the flag on Row 4 No. 3, this time rather more interesting in that the earlier state showing as a white flaw was also available on some sheets as illustrated by an example provided.

Row 13 No. 6 is proved to be a most interesting impression as the reason for the retouch to shading in S.W. corner (as reported by Mr. A. Dexter in July 1959 notes) is found to be a very prominent nearly vertical flaw in this position. Having now seen this original flaw one can detect faint signs of it below the retouch.

Row 7 No. 5 is also well worth recording as being in two states, flaw and retouch. Apparently the retouch is the scarcer of the two as, from memory, our Variety Service distribution was all of the flaw. The retouch reduces the depth of the flaw (on south coast of Greenland) to a pale area hardly detectable with the naked eye.

SOUVENIR CHRISTMAS COVERS

We have a good supply of these colourful covers in 2 designs. One is a Reddish-Sepia depicting Joseph with Mary on a Donkey, and the other in Indigo-Blue showing the Three Wise Men looking towards the "Star in the East." In addition to being used with the **Christmas Stamp** which was issued on 1st November, these attractive covers are meant for use with all Xmas Mail. Order NOW and pay any time before Xmas. Our very competitive price is: 6/- per doz. post free, or small lots at: 6d per copy, postage extra.

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