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NEW ZEALAND NOTES AND COMMENTS by WARWICK PATERSON

This month I take the opportunity of the beginning of our twenty-ninth year of continuous monthly publication and service to collectors of the stamps of New Zealand, to invite any of our readers who feel they have a worthwhile observation, to submit it to us for the benefit of all readers. Some may have an article they have always wanted to publish about their own philatelic hobby-horse. Our advice - submit it for consideration. We do not guarantee to publish, but if we do it will be read and appreciated under your own by-line by the readership of Newsletter the world over. Two fine examples of research and observation are included this month. If you wish to know how to go about it - read on.

The 7¢ on 3¢ and 8¢ on 4¢ Provisional Surcharges for use in the "POSTAFIX" dispensing machines. Jim Lawrence of Opotiki has written with comprehensive details of the above current issues. He writes "I have one each of the start and end papers of both values (each is in a roll of 400 stamps). The 3¢ o/p 7¢ is attached to the start paper of the old 2½¢ "lightning rolls".

* The basic start paper is yellow and bears a caption "2½¢ Lightning Roll 400 stamps. Value \$10-20". Still on the basic yellow start paper the "2½¢" and "\$10-20" have been obliterated with a black rectangle and "4¢" and "\$16-20" added. NOW, for use in "POSTAFIX" machines a covering red label has been affixed which reads "7¢ Postafix Roll. 400 stamps (value \$28-30)".

* The paper is on the left of the upright stamps with the details upright in both obliterated and label forms.

"The 4¢ o/p 8¢ is attached to start paper of the old 3¢ "lightning roll" It is pink and a blue label is stuck over the old caption "3¢ Lightning Roll 400 stamps value \$12-20". The covering blue label states "8¢ Postafix Roll 400 stamps (value \$32-30)".

* The paper is on the right of the upright stamps with the details upside-down in both obliterated and label forms. End papers conform to these patterns, the 7¢ is on the right and the 8¢ is on the left.

"The examples I have show many slight variations in the overprint placement; and in the 8¢ particularly, quite a rough outline with inkspread and blurring. Rolls have been very carefully guillotined in my examples - all perforations are perfect."

Editor's Note: The Postafix surcharges have both been prepared for machines to be used for the automatic stamping of letters not in the Post Office, but in private and commercial hands - hence the premium on each roll of 30¢ over face value. They are therefore designed for the same use as the old "lightning rolls" which are (with the machines they were designed for pre- sumably) now obsolete. Only unwatermarked stamps with a variety of blue and

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white gums have yet been found in these surcharges to my knowledge. The discovery of watermarked stamps (3¢ and 4¢ Moths) could be a momentous one! The method of surcharging interests me. While it bears the characteristics of being a poorly executed "letterpress" (or surface printing) job, certain flaws which we have noted on the stamps, together with the prevalent poorly printed outlines, suggest to me that one of the modern surface printing methods of the "Dycril" type, using a photo-polymer surface bonded to a metal cylinder may have been used to surcharge these sheets. Perhaps a reader with a more intimate practical knowledge of printing than I might like to comment? As previously noted the only major variety yet noted is a partial yellow offset in the 4¢ o/p 8¢ of which examples (presumably from the same sheet) have been found as far apart as Auckland and Christchurch. "Lightning Rolls" incidentally, may yet turn out to be the most neglected aspect of N.Z. Philately ever. Results of an initial enquiry to P.O.H.Q. in Wellington seem to indicate that the Lightning Machines - forerunners of the Postafix machines - have been in use since before World War II and although everyone has heard of them, no-one in the Post Office seems to know anything about the Rolls. I am continuing my investigation and hopefully will have something interesting to report within the next few months.

"SHADOW IMPRESSIONS"

Tom Robinson of Nelson, in response to "Newsletter" notes of May has been doing some sleuthing of his own and last month filed this valuable report of the above feature of offset printing. He writes:

"I was interested in your Newsletter article on the 1970 U.N. issue. A good friend of mine is a printer and also a sympathetic listener to any hobby ideas.

Rex read your notes and then took me to an offset press, the one that does our labels (some enclosed). He then showed me how the "shadow" impression can occur. Enclosed are some pieces of offset blanket which he has cut up for you to view. These are as clean as would usually be required to go on to a new job. You can see previous impressions of various jobs. Various solvents are used to clean ink from the surface and this can be done many times. However, the time comes when this blanket material takes on a glaze and at that point is inclined to repel ink; so a special solvent has to be used to remove this glaze. (This is named METHOL ETHOL KETONE.) Now this glaze remover has also the power of revitalizing the rubber and at that point some previously used dye, from the ink, is released from the pores of the rubber. If this blanket is not properly cleaned and has paper put to it, what Rex describes as a "Ghost print" can be reproduced on the paper, especially on a highly surfaced, multi-called paper. As you suggest in your notes that four or so rows on one side of the sheet are showing this ghosting; Rex showed me by diagram how this would happen

In the diagram the centre roller has the blanket on it. If this has been cleaned in position and the operator did not rotate the machine several times, an area the full width of the roller may have enough ink or dyed solvent left on the blanket, say to print four or five rows of stamps. Rex was able to demonstrate the whole thing. He went to a rack and selected a cleaned, rested blanket. He then cleaned it with the usual solvent (a Shell Company product), something like kerosene. He dried that, then rubbed a fair amount of Methol Ethol Ketone on, waited a few moments, then pressed the blanket onto a piece of paper that our labels are printed on. We could read the impression without any difficulty. After about two minutes of drying time in the air, the same piece of blanket on a clean piece of paper left no mark at all."

Tom enclosed some pieces of used offset blanket showing superbly the "ghost impression" mentioned above, in the form of glazed shapes of lettering. It was easy to imagine how a variety of the U.N. 3¢ issue (May N.L.) could occur - Ed.

Editor's Note: The "shadow impressions" described and explained so well above should be distinguished from the double or treble impressions found frequently in modern offset lithography printing. While the "shadow impressions" are usually of a previous and different printing job the double impressions are, I believe, more in the nature of a "slip print" caused by loose adjustment of the offset roller during printing.

TWO FINE NEW ZEALAND COLLECTIONS - MINT

Truly lovely material in both cases. In the first we break the collection up page by page. Each page is beautifully mounted and headed. Many rare stamps and sets are included. In the second case - a sale by private treaty - the stamps have been stored in Hawid mounts and are ready for mounting. Again, many of the rarest of N.Z. stamps are included.

Lot 1 : New Zealand mint sets - by the page -

- 1 (a) FIRST SIDEFACES ½d Newspaper stamp and the complete 1874-1881 set. The 3d and 4d have tiny stains, but where the main interest in such a set must inevitably lie - the 2/- and 5/- of 1878 - condition is superb! The glorious set \$650.00
- (b) Second Sidefaces 1882-1898 Gorgeous page again. They're all there and in really top condition - ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 5d (corner missing - no charge) 6d, 8d, 1/- \$75.00
- (c) 1898 Pictorials Another really outstanding complete set. All are the desirable London Prints, except for the 3d Huia, 5d Otira, 8d Canoe and 1/- Kea and Kaka (p11 - no wmk) and the 6d Red Kiwi (p11 - wmk). Two pages are included and of course all the redrawn designs are there. The 1½d Boer War is of interest - it is in the scarce Brown colour. The 5/- Mt. Cook is an outstandingly good copy. The perfect set (25 stamps) includes ½d Green Mt. Cook and 1d Universals (surface and recess printed)..... \$240.00
- (d) King Edward VII 1909 Beautifully mounted again.. 10 stamps (includes 1d Dominion) in lovely condition. Couldn't be bettered. (The 1/- Orange-Vermilion is the scarcer perf. 14 line) \$45.00
- (e) King George V Superb! Twenty-five lovely copies nicely set out on a beautifully headed page. The 2/- and 3/- Admirals are the scarcer "Jones" paper. All the recess and surface printed stamps are there in the finest condition \$165.00
- (f) 1935 Pictorials Fourteen lovely copies. (3d Maori Girl is the scarcer single watermark) \$22.50
- (g) Queen Elizabeth II The set of twenty-four mint includes a superb complete set of Queen on Horseback \$100.00
- Note: The above set does not include the rare N41a 2d on 1½d surcharge "with stars" error. We can supply a lovely mint single on request.*
- (h) N41a "With stars" 2d on 1½d \$75.00
- (i) 1960 Pictorials On two pages - some of these are already becoming quite scarce. Eighteen stamps in fine condition (omitted are the 2½d, 5d, 7d, 1/9 and 3/- multicolour - these will be supplied to complete on request) \$67.50
- (j) Postage Dues A really excellent page includes 1899 issue Y1a (½d), Y2a (8d), Y3a (1/-), Y4a (2/-), Y5a (5d), Y6a (6d), Y7a (10d), Y11a (3d), Y12a (1d), Y13a (2d), Y14a (4d) and in the 1902 issue ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d. The page \$180.00

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8¢ Josephine Bruce

Mr. B.H. Gascoigne of Auckland recently showed me a most spectacular missing colour in this issue. Used on cover postmarked "Wellington 11.45 pm, 3 May 1977" the single he had was a total omission of the Black. It is hard to see how such a variety could be a result of fading or removal by other bleaching agents and so I am inclined to accept this variety as genuine.

8¢ John Dory

Mrs. J.L.D. Craw of Christchurch has induced me to break my rule a second time this month of not accepting a single copy of a colour omission as genuine, if that single is used - provisionally I'll break the rule, anyway! Her 8¢ stamp features missing Green in the body of the fish. Once again everything about the stamp tempts me to accept it - any other sightings, mint or used?

MINT NEW ZEALAND (Contd.)

- (k) 6d Express Delivery and S16a 1d Map \$10.00
- (l) Air Stamps 1931 and 1935 Gorgeous page - complete airs.
1931 3d Chocolate, 4d Deep Purple, 7d Brn. Orange, 5d Yellow-Green and 7d Trans Tasman Blue plus 1935 1d, 3d, 6d \$50.00
- (m) Government Life Insurance The 1913 "No VR" set. ½d Green, 1d Red, 1½d Black, 1½d Orange-Brown, 2d Purple (slight stain - no charge), 2d Yellow, 3d Yellow-Brown, 3d Chocolate, 6d Pink. \$50.00
- (n) Government Life The 1947 set, excluding 2½d Cape Campbell .. \$2.25
- (o) Government Life Ditto 2½d Cape Campbell mint \$5.00

COMMEMORATIVES

- (p) S2a 1d Christchurch Exhibition ONE OF THE ALL TIME GREAT RARITIES. THE STUPENDOUS 1d CLARET. Yes - and it's in superb condition with its characteristic deep brown gum. This month's pick of the lot Price on Request
- (q) Christchurch Exhibition ½d, 1d, 3d, 6d - a complete set - mint in fine condition \$275.00
(At today's prices the above is a gift)
- (r) Auckland Exhibition As above - complete ½d, 1d, 3d, 6d in super order \$400.00
- (s) Silver Jubilee set ½d, 1d, 6d in superb condition \$40.00
- (t) Victory set complete Some stamps have stains (no charge). The 3d and 1/- are superb (latter deep shade) \$30.00
- (u) Commemorative sets On two fine pages - Southland, Meat Export, Smithy 6d, Plunket, Nelson Cent., Hawkes Bay, Marlborough, Red Cross, 1959 Jamboree and Westland, also 1960 Xmas \$10.00
- (v) Healths In superb condition, complete from 1929 to 1942. (Blue Boy has minor crease) \$300.00
- (w) Healths on four pages - 1943 to 1960 complete, fine \$6.00
- (x) Ross Dependency 1957 set complete - 3d, 4d, 8d, 1/6 \$5.35

OFFICIALS

- 2 (a) 1898 Pictorials ½d Green Mt. Cook, 1d Universal, 2d Pembroke Peak, 2/- Milford Sound, 5/- Mt. Cook (sideways smk). Superb!. \$180.00
- (b) Edward VII Officials ½d Green, 1d Dominion, 3d Chestnut, 6d Carmine, 8d Blue, 1/- Orange-Vermilion \$27.00
- (c) George V Recess and surface printed. ½d Green, 3d Chocolate (both), 4d Violet, 6d Carmine, 8d Red Brown (the rarity - superb!), 9d Sage Green (now Cat. at \$60), 1/- Orange Vermilion, 1d Field Marshal, 1½d Black (both), 1½d Orange-brown, 2d Yellow, 2/- Blue (Admiral)(- stain, no charge) Complete! \$265.00
- (d) 1935 Pictorial official Complete - superb condition (12) ... \$30.00
- (e) Queen Elizabeth II Complete set includes elusive 3/- Grey .. \$32.50

A SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY

- 3 (a) This is a magnificent New Zealand (MINT) collection which prices up at current values well in excess of our asking price. All of the better sets are there complete and outstanding rarities included in fine condition are the 4d Rose Chalton Head unused, 8d Official George V, Christchurch, Dunedin and Auckland Exhibition, Early Healths, First Sidefaces, Healths with mini sheets (complete), Edward VII Officials, Airmails (complete), p.12½ Full Faces 1d, 2d, 3d, both 4d, 6d, 1/-, 1898 Pictorials (2 x 5/-).

The lovely collection ready for mounting \$2500

(For a private viewing of this lovely lot, contact us. Alternatively, this lot will be forwarded on request to known clients).

FIRST SIDEFACES 1874-1881

An unusual chance this month - must be years since we've been able to offer much in this line. If any group of N.Z. stamps has "taken off" lately it's this one - and it's still going - all this after years of "neglect"!

ALL USED - 1d LILAC

- 4 (a) C1a, perf 12½, HM Fine copy in Lilac \$1.25
 (b) C1a Ditto This time in Dull Lilac \$1.25
 (c) C1a Ditto Example in Deep Lilac (scarce). Perfs slightly
 Clipped, but good of the shade \$1.00
 (d) C1a (Y) Ditto Paper blued - nice example \$15.00
 (e) C1b Perf 10x12½ Lovely used copy \$10.00
 (f) C1b Ditto Excellent copy - wide margin at left \$8.00
 (g) C1b (X) Ditto An interesting item. Irregular compound perf
 (one side perf 10). Apparently unused (no gum) \$10.00
 (h) C1b (X) Ditto Even more interesting. This stamp is a good
 used of the irregular compound perf - one side perf 10 - with
 double perfs 12½ at bottom. Must be excessively rare thus ... \$30.00
 (i) C1e Perf 12x11½ Mauve-lilac in fine used 50¢
 (j) C1e Ditto Deep Mauve-lilac fine 50¢
 (k) C1e Ditto Fine used strip of three in Deep shade \$2.50

2d ROSE

- 5 (a) C2a Perf 12½ Nice used in Rose 50¢
 (b) C2a Ditto A fine pair in lovely shade of Rose \$1.25
 (c) C2a Ditto In Pale Rose - super single 50¢
 (d) C2a Ditto In the Deep Rose - copy defective, but superb
 appearance. Good shade sorting reference - paper may be slightly
 blued \$1.00
 (e) C2e Perf 12½ "Large Star" wmk Fine used of this good item ... \$2.50
 (f) C2f Perf 12x11½ In Rose - a lovely copy 50¢
 (g) C2f Ditto In Deep Rose - a vibrant shade 75¢

3d DEEP BROWN

- 6 (a) C3a Perf 12½ Lovely used copy \$12.00
 Not-so-fine \$2.00
 (b) C3b Perf 10x12½ Another fine copy \$18.00
 Not-so-fine \$3.00

4d INDIAN RED

- 7 (a) C4a Perf 12½ Superb copy \$12.00
 Slightly less than fine \$8.00
 Not-so-fine \$2.00
 (b) C4d Perf 12x11½ Superb \$10.00
 Slightly less than fine \$7.50
 Not-so-fine \$1.50

6d BLUE

- 8 (a) C5a Perf 12½ Superb copy - Blue \$4.00
 (b) C5a Ditto Super in Deep Blue \$4.00
 (c) C5a Ditto Lovely used pair in Blue \$8.50
 (d) C5a Ditto Not-so-fine 75¢
 (e) C5b Perf 10x12½ Fine used in Blue \$10.00
 (f) C5b Ditto Deep Blue - superb \$10.00
 (g) C5c Perf 12x11½ Blue shade - fine! \$4.50
 (h) C5c Ditto Pale Blue - fine \$4.50
 (i) C5c Ditto Not-so-fine, but looks excellent \$1.00

FIRST SIDEFACES (Contd.)

1/- GREEN

- 9 (a) C6a Perf 12½ Deep Green in fine single \$10.00
 Green slightly less than fine \$5.00
 Not-so-fine \$2.00
- (b) C6a Ditto A good dated used pair \$20.00
- (c) C6b Perf 10x12½ Good used \$17.50
- (d) C6b Ditto A stamp of superb appearance - reverse side thin spot \$3.00
- (e) C6c Perf 12x11½ A copy with heavyish but clear date. For this issue a lovely certifiable used - and worth a lot for that! \$10.00

2/- ROSE

- 10 (a) C7a The pick of the offering. A superb (and we mean it) used copy. Mark slightly over head, but clean, clear and genuine postal obliteration. One of the nicest looking ones we've seen for years \$300.00
- (b) C7a Ditto Another lovely looking item. Corner pulled unfortunately, but is most desirable! \$35.00

1d. UNIVERSAL - ROYLE PLATES

Some fine and rare material.

- 427 (a) G10a, perf 14 Mint sheet number block of four, in a rich shade, from the three-dot plate, thus including the big R2/24 re-entry. The block \$23.50
- (b) G10a Ditto Similar corner blocks, but from Plates R1 and R2, in contrasting shades. The two beautiful mint blocks \$39.50
- (c) G10a Ditto Yet another sheet number block (from R1) with markedly brown gum. Superfine mint \$20.50
- (d) G10a Ditto Mint block of four (non-marginal) with the extraordinary curry-coloured gum - used for a short period in 1906. The block, scarce \$21.85
- (e) G10a Ditto Four superb shades, including a brilliant aniline all in glorious mint blocks of four. The set of shade blocks ..\$48.00
- (f) G10a Ditto Plate blocks of four from the Royle Trial Plates, with the Bold plate numbers R1 and R2 in the bottom selvedge. The two fine mint plate blocks of four (in contrasting shades of both ink and gum). Scarce! \$152.00
- (g) G10a Ditto An equally fine plate block, from R1 only\$77.00
- (h) G10f, Perf 14 x 14½ Comb Used (dated) block of four. Used multiples in any condition are seldom if ever seen - as fine as this one, they are gems indeed. The lovely block\$52.50
- (i) G10f, Perf 14 x 14½ Comb Mint single, also centred somewhat high\$21.85
- (j) G10f Ditto Top marginal block of four (with selvedge arrow). Off-centre to top, but otherwise in brilliant fresh mint condition\$105.00
- (k) G10f Ditto Mint copy as previous lot, but with a crease (not noticeable from front). An excellent space-filler at \$8.00
- (l) G10f Ditto Vertical mint pair from bottom of sheet, both stamps with variety complete double perforations (G10fZ). Fine spectacular and rare \$87.50

N.Z. FIRST DAY COVERS

- 417(e) T7a 1935 "Key to Health" Fine F.D.C. \$15
- (f) T8a 1936 "Lifebuoy" Superb on F.D.C.\$8
- (g) T9a 1937 "Hiker" On fine F.D.C.\$8.50
- (h) T13a, T13b 1941 "Beach Ball" On F.D.C. Useful - and hard enough to find used off F.D.C!\$15
- (i) S18c 6d. Silver Jubilee On F.D.C. A real rarity this - and a most promising stamp in used\$32.50

ANOTHER MISCELLANY

In which we offer selected items which have taken our eye during the month. They always seem popular.

FULL FACE QUEENS

- 11 (a) SG 74 3d Brown-Lilac perf 13 UNUSED A lovely stamp - unconditionally guaranteed and centring excellent for these normally badly centred "p.13"s. A real chance and the sort of item that fetches the big values in the stamp centres of the world \$250.00

SECOND SIDEFACE

- 12 (a) D9c Perf 10 with "PONEKE" advertisement fine used \$20.00

1898 PICTORIALS

REENTRIES USED Last time we did such a lot they were snapped up.

- 13 (a) 1d Taupo Three different and really major reentries (ref. C.P. Cat. R3/6, R3/2, R2/8 various plates). 3d Huias local plate R11/9, R10/2 (top marginal doubling). 4d Taupo Row 1/3 - a huge reentry. 5d Otira Gorge R5/2, R6/6 (mainly in letters of New Zealand). Excellent pair. 9d Pink Terrace Row 6/6 (bottom right "9" - good). The nine fine and fascinating items \$34.00
- (b) Reentries a lot similar to the above. 1d. Taupo R2/6, 6/3, 3/3 (pl.2). 3d Huia R5/11, R7/9. 4d Taupo R8/10 (a beauty "ZEA" etc.). 5d Otira R10/9, R10/11 (Zealand). 9d Terrace R1/1 \$25.00
- (c) More 1898 Reentries 1d Taupo, pl.3 R2/10, pl.2 R3/5 (right frame and "Zealand" resp.). 3d Huia R1/10 in pair (see C.P. Cat.). 5d Otira R 7/12 (right frame). 9d Terraces R2/1, R5/8 R6/1 (all minor) \$22.50

1/2 GREEN MT. COOK

- 14 (a) F5c The amazing "two-perf pairs" (two comb perforating heads gauging 14x15 used se-tenant. A BLOCK OF FOUR. Authenticated by one of NZ's leading specialists and guaranteed by us as genuine. This is a new discovery by our company's experts and will feature in the Catalogues henceforth. This block is not one of those mentioned in "Newsletter" of June and thus provides corroborating evidence for this new and important discovery. F5c - The superb "two-perf" block showing clearly the characteristic configuration of the two different comb heads..... Price on Application

1d UNIVERSAL

- 15 (a) GS2a Slot machine issue (July 8th 1905). A pair (Dot Plate) with two large circular holes and roulette gauging 14½ at the one side, Superb pair - guaranteed (unused) \$140.00

KING GEORGE V

- 16 1½ Orange-Brown (surface printed). A superb series in (guaranteed genuine) used condition, fine.
- (a) K17c Cowan paper perf 14 \$3.00
- (b) K17d Cowan paper perf 14x15 \$30.00
- (c) K17e Wiggins Teape, paper \$25.00

These are nigh impossible stamps to obtain fine used. The above offer will not be repeated possibly for years - take your chance while it lasts.

- 17 (a) K18d 2d Orange-Yellow Cowan perf 14x15. Complete offset on back in superb block of four \$40.00
- (b) K20a 2/- Jones paper Dark Blue - a block of four. Gum has liquified at some stage, but is intact and the stamps are superb. A wonderful chance at our price (Cat. \$120) \$100.00
- (c) K20a Ditto A single - description as above - condition lovely \$25.00
- (d) K20b 2/- Cowan paper Condition mint unhinged - fine \$25.00

17 (e) K010d 8d George V Recess printed Official of great rarity. We offer this month a magnificent block of four. Perfectly centred, perfect in every way and very rare - unused \$735.00
 (We have heard of such a block recently being offered at \$800. This fact must make the above offer the pick of this month's listing).

- (f) K010d Ditto Fine mint - single \$180.00
- (g) K010d Ditto Superb! Used \$175.00

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

18 (a) N41a 2d on 1½d Brown-Lake "with stars". The famous error now seen here in glorious mint unhinged block of four \$300.00
 (Worth a sizable premium, this block is offered at Catalogue price only).

- (b) N039a 3/- QEII Official Another growth item! Mint here in block of four \$150.00
- (c) N039a Ditto Lovely mint single \$30.00
- (d) N039a Ditto Lovely used block of four \$200.00
- (e) N039a Ditto Lovely used single \$40.00

1931 AIR STAMPS AND PIGEON POST

- 19 (a) V5a 7d Blue "Trans Tasman". Fine used copy shows the famous "Broken N" \$17.50
- (b) The rare Dominion Airlines Ltd air-labels (1930). Two labels are offered. (a) Dominion Airways Ltd with "Airways" crossed out and "Airlines" typed in. "Sixpence" with agent's initials. "Hastings to Gisborne". (b) "Dominion Airways Ltd" Gisborne to Hastings. The two \$15.00
- (c) Pigeon Post "Agency" triangulars. 6d Blue unused (thins)... \$5.00
 6d "good" used \$40.00
 1/- Red (tiny thin) \$20.00

½d GREEN MT. COOK - PIRIE (WATERLOW) PAPER

- 20 (a) Fla, Perf 11 A fine top right corner selvedge block of 16 in Deep Green (8 x 2). Condition superb. Several stamps show minor re-entries \$25.00
- (b) Fla Ditto A superb piece. A block of 50 (top and bottom selvedge 5 x 10) in the Pale Yellow Green shade. Condition perfect - not checked exhaustively for plate varieties. A show piece \$75.00
- (c) Fle, Mixed Perfs - 11 and 14 in 2 x 3 block of six. Another delightful piece. Four stamps show full mixed perf and patching. A gift at \$80.00
- (d) Pirie paper set of singles - mint. Nice little collection - includes perf. 11 Pale Yellow Green, perf. 14 Green, Deep Green, perf. 14 x 11 Green, Deep Green, perf. 11 x 14 Green ... \$20.00

BASTED MILLS PAPER

- (e) (e) Perf. 14 single, perf. 11 x 14 single and block of four \$27.50
- (f) Perf 11 x 14. Two fine shades - one very deep \$9.00

COWAN WATERMARKED

- (g) Perf. 14, Perf. 14 x 11 and a side selvedge single showing mixed perfs to advantage (3) \$7.50
- (h) F4e Mixed perfs side selvedge single - fine \$4.00

Modern New Zealand stamps have produced a fascinating range of varieties, some very rare.

NEWSLETTER SUBS NOW DUE!

If you've forgotten to pay, please remit now. For \$5 it's still the best philatelic value around!