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N.Z. NOTES AND COMMENT

by Colin Hamilton

The sale of specialised New Zealand at Temple Bar Auctions in London on 14th November last gave the first comprehensive public confirmation for some considerable time of something we ourselves have been very well aware of all along — that whatever the state of the philatelic market as a whole, demand for virtually anything at all out of the ordinary in the N.Z. field is as strong as ever it was. Although the condition of a significant proportion of the material on offer was indifferent to say the least, many notable, and some quite remarkable, prices were realised, as the following summary shows — even, in many instances, where condition ought to have been a severely restrictive factor.

Full-Face Queens/½d Newspaper. These were just about the only sections where representation in the sale was rather sketchy, but of the ten lots, eight sold at prices ranging from estimate to more than twice estimate.

First/Second Sidefaces. Most lots failed to reach the printed estimates (which in my view were generally far too optimistic). Even so, prices were high, considering the overall condition, and the lack of attractive pieces (the majority of the contents being unused and used single stamps).

1893 Adson: Realisations were consistently high. A very fine mint pane of 60 x 3d fetched £2,750, and prices for used, in the usual very mixed condition, ranged from £235 for an incomplete basic reconstruction to £610 for a lot of 229 x 1d green adverts, which included one or two large blocks.

First Pictorials: These were generally offered as single-value collections, and as always, attracted keen interest. A lot of ½d's (London and Local) fetched £900 (est. £600—£700), even though the unused and used imperf - between pairs it contained were both forgeries — a factor not taken into account in the estimate. A broken-up mint sheet of 1½d's went for £360 (est. £250), and a collection of 2d's fetched £425 (est. £250—£300). A 2½d imperf - horizontally pair sold for £205 (well above full C.P. Cat. price!), and a collection of 4d Local Prints realised £825 (est. £450—£500). The 24 or so 5/- Mt. Cooks included nothing really outstanding. The best of the mint copies sold for £120, others mint and used ranged down to £36, although a couple of fiscally used fetched £55 and £60 respectively, and a mixed-perf. copy with telegraph office cancel went to £180.

1d Universals: A rather mixed bag overall. An exploded first-type booklet (one pane toned) sold for £370, while a pane from the booklet plate, accompanied by front and back covers from a booklet, fetched £180. A lot from the Reserve Plate (10 mint, 74 used, plus a block of 4 plate proofs) went to £200 (est. £75), and a group of three proof items from the Waterlow Trial Plates issue reached £900 (est. £175—£200).

Edwards: Lotted mainly value-by-value. The ½d's (incl. plate proofs and part booklet panes) fetched £235, the 3d's £230, and two large mint blocks of the 5d £210.

1d Dominions: A big lot, with proofs, booklet panes and mint and used issued stamps, incl. many mint blocks, sold for £1500 (est. £400–£500).

K.G.V Recess: Again lotted mostly value-by-value, although, rather curiously, single copies of the common black plate proofs were put up as separate lots (and realised up to £20 each!). Of the stamps, the 3d's sold for £320 (est. £200), the 6d's £240 (est. £125) and the 1/-'s £320 (est. £275), but the big attraction was the 4d violet/purple lot, which went to £1900 (est. £750–£850).

K.G.V Surface Printed: Star items here were a ½d collection sold at £270 (est. £140), 1d Field Marshals with proofs and booklet panes £375, and a complete 2/- booklet with Parisian adverts £350 (est. £150). An unusual lot of the 1932 provisionals (7 stamps + 2 covers) realised £300.

Second Pictorials: The single wmk 1d's realised £190 (est. £45) — obviously the bidders took more account of the L2b's than did the auctioneers' estimate! The single wmk 3/-'s went to double the estimate of £95. A comprehensive study of the 2/- plate 1 realised £420, and a mint sheet of plate 2, broken into quarters, did well to go to £200.

K.G.VI: A sizeable collection (excluding the provisional values) fetched £520 (est. £375–£400).

Q.E. Heads and Later Definitives: Nothing really outstanding on offer here, although several of the 1960 Pictorial lots exceeded estimates.

Commemoratives: A 3d Christchurch Exhibition lot, incl. a mint block of 12 with the R4/2 flaw, fetched £430. 1920 Victories including proof material, sold for £430 (est. £200–£250). Other earlies varied from about two-thirds to one and two-thirds estimates. A 1946 Peace collection went to £230 (est. £90–£100).

Heaths: Sale was weak on earlier issues, but one or two exceptional single issue studies from the 1940s went to about double estimate, and a 1958 2d miniature sheet with the lower half largely unprinted sold for £260.

Officials: An extensive section, and prices reflected the keen interest virtually right across the board. A complete unused set of Reefton Provisionals, with defects, the most serious affecting the 2/- (no gum, and torn) fetched an astounding £6,500. Single copies of 1d (used) went for £240, and the 2d (unused) £480. O.P.S.O.'s also hit the roof. Two 5d's, both with serious defects, fetched £150 the pair, a 1d £155, and 2½d £150, and a lot of 17 (incl. 10 unused), sold 'as is', went to £1,750. A study of the Long Fiscal 2/- — £1 (incl. 3 of the top value) sold for £1,600. 1d Universal booklet stamps, incl. 4 panes, fetched £170, and a nice lot of 2d Pembroke Peak, incl. a plate block, realised £260 (est. £95). A collection of Edward Officials fetched £520 (est. £350–£450). Among the K.G.V, a used copy of the 3d with double overprint (with certificate) sold for £300, while a 4d collection went to £500 (est. £250–£300). A Second Pictorial collection (values to the 1/- only) realised £500, and a George VI collection £370. Q.E.'s went to £115 (est. £75), and a copy of the 4d printed on the gum to £70.

Life Insurance: The best-looking 1/- unused had no gum — it fetched £75. Others, with some gum, but off-centre or with other defects sold at up to £230 each. A complete unused set of 'No VR', the rare 2d having facial marks, went for £800 (est. £450), and another unused copy of the 2d brown-red, with serious perf. faults, fetched £750 (est. £500). Other realisations in this group ranged from about two-thirds to nearly twice estimates.

Long Fiscals: An unused and used lot of 197, values 4d — 10/-, fetched £1,500. Individually offered, some unused went to remarkable prices: 30/- (toned) £100 (est. £25); 35/- £1,800 (est. £200); £4 £900 (est. £200); another £4, perf. faults £700 (est. £300).

Arms Types: 35/- unused £975; £3/10/- unused £625; £4/10/- unused £480; £7 on £7 £135; £9 on £9 £165. All of these, incidentally, were hinged mint — this was almost invariably the case throughout the entire sale.

Finally, a well-used, tatty copy of Volume 1 of the N.Z. Handbook went to £330; Vol. 2 in similar condition £105; Vol. 3, again well-used, and damaged £110; Vol. 4 (good) £130.

SECOND PICTORIALS SPECIALISED (continued)

101(a)	2½d Mt. Cook/Lilies, Mult. Wmk, Perf. 14-13x13½ (L5c). Single copy, unhinged mint	£3.00
(b)	As above, but superb used	£4.00
(c)	As above. Commercially used block of 4. Fine	£12.50
(d)	As above. Mint plate block of 4. Fine	£12.50
(e)	As above. Single copy with Watermark Inverted (L5cZ). Unhinged mint ...	£6.00
102(a)	2½d Mt. Cook/Lilies, perf. 14 line (L5d). Unhinged mint copy	£3.00
(b)	As above, but with variety Watermark Inverted (L5dZ). Mint unhinged	£9.00
(c)	As above. A perfect used copy with Wmk Inverted. Scarce thus. One only at	£10.00
(d)	As above. Fine mint plate block, with the distinctive plate number 3-in-reverse	£12.50
(e)	As above. Superfine used copy	£3.00
(f)	As above. Set of two, finest used, in the listed centre shades of deep chocolate and red chocolate	£6.00
(g)	As above. Another set of two superb used, one normal, one with a notable upward shift of the centre, giving a prominent 'snowfield in foreground' effect. Offered at no premium. Attractive!	£6.00
(h)	As above. The same spectacular normal-and-misplaced contrasts, but in lovely commercially used blocks of 4. A delightful pair of blocks	£25.00
103(a)	2½d Mt. Cook/Lilies, Perf. 14 Comb (L5e). Unhinged mint copy	£2.50
(b)	As above. Set of three shades as listed, including the scarce bright red-brown, all superfine mint. We have two sets — in one, the red-brown copy is the good R10/1 frame re-entry (found only in the 14-comb issue) — and this set will go to the first order received	£17.50
(c)	As above. Similar set of the three Catalogued shades, but finest used	£12.50
(d)	As above. Single copy used (cheaper shade)	£2.50
(e)	As above. Positional block of 4 including the R7/5 re-entry (doubling in upper left quadrant of the frame design). Unhinged mint	£13.50

104(a)	2½d Mt. Cook/Lilies, Perf. 13¼ x 13½ (L5f). Unhinged mint copy	60p
(b)	As above. Set of two, finest mint, with chocolate and reddish-chocolate centres	£1.20
(c)	As above. Plate block of 4 (pl. no. 4) without burele band in the bottom selvage	£2.50
(d)	As above. Another plate block (this one of 8 stamps, 4x2), showing a very striking example of the burele band, fully 8mm deep. As well as the frame plate no. 4, this block shows the complete centre plate 'job number' (1653 — 2 in reverse) below R10/4-5, and the re-entry on R10/4. A spectacular piece	£17.50
(e)	As above. Mint corner block of 4 including the good R1/1 'Stalk to flower' flaw to the left of '2½d' (LV5d)	£9.00
(f)	As above. A group of four mint positional blocks (18 stamps), with no less than 10 different re-entries, all plated and full annotated. Superb specialist material	£35.00
(g)	As above. A fine lot of 13 mint singles, all with different plate 4 varieties — two show the listed flaws (R1/1 and R8/6), the others all have plated re-entries. Again full annotated	£30.00
(h)	As above. A superb study of the plates (both frame and centre), and the late attention they received, by means of matching pairs of large mint blocks of the perf. 13¼ x 13½, and the scarcer 14¼ x 13½, issues. There are positional blocks of 12, 12, 6 and 6 from each issue (72 stamps in all), mounted on three album leaves, with copious annotation and thumb-nail sketches. Magnificent stuff!	£47.50
105(a)	3d Maori Girl, Single Wmk (L6a). Marginal block of 4, mint, barely hinged	£47.50
(b)	As above. Single copy, unhinged mint	£13.75
(c)	As above, but lightly hinged mint	£10.00
(d)	As above. Used copy	20p
106(a)	3d Maori Girl, Multiple Wmk (L6b). Marginal block of 4, superb unhinged mint	£50.00
(b)	As above. Single stamp, unhinged mint	£12.50
(c)	As above, but lightly hinged	£8.50
(d)	As above. Plate block of 4, full selvages, and with plate number complete and intact	£52.50
(e)	As above. Set of two shades, as listed, used. Fine contrasts	50p
(f)	As above. Marginal copy with variety Watermark Inverted (L6bZ), unhinged mint	£22.50
(g)	As above. Superb used copy with inverted watermark	£17.50

MISCELLANY

- 107 First Sidefaces.** Superb used well-centred copies of the 1d and 2d with Large Star wmk. Outside of the Full-Face Queens, these were the only two stamps ever to have this watermark (and then only in a small provisional printing, the 1d being particularly scarce). Superb examples of an unique issue, offered at the price of the 1d alone £100.00
- 108 K.E.VII 3d.** A brilliant mint bottom marginal block of 4, perf. 14x14½ (H3a) with the distinctive Royle 'Three-Dots' plate marking centrally positioned in the selvage. All 'Edward' plate blocks are rare — this is a magnificent example £300.00
- 109(a) K.E.VII Two-Perf. Pairs.** An incredible set of no less than seven pairs — 3d, 5d (two glorious shades), 6d (two glorious shades), 8d (two glorious shades) — the like of which we have never before had the pleasure of offering. Appearance is quite breathtakingly fine, but some rather extensive (though not too heavy) hingeing allows (Cat. \$1990) £625.00
- (b) As above.** A superfine used example of a 3d two-perf. pair, with neat registered c.d.s. on each stamp. Difficult enough to find in mint, but in this condition, truly a connoisseur's item £275.00
- (c) As above.** Completing a trio of remarkable offers, a 6d two-perf. pair (the other very scarce value), finest commercially used £245.00
- 110(a) 1d Dominion Varieties.** Our offer a month or two ago of a used set of 'Q', 'Feather' and 'Broken Globe' flaws was, as usual, a sell-out. A small new stock now allows us to make up the same set of three (all on De La Rue paper), but mint. One set only £25.00
- (b) As above.** An extended set of four used, consisting of the three varieties mentioned above, plus the scarce and seldom seen "Ship's Bow Split" (actually this Plate 13, R9/19 flaw extends from the top of the ship's bow, through the sea and the frame enclosing 'UNIVERSAL', to the S of that word). The set of four listed flaws £25.00
- (c) As above.** Commercially used copy of the De La Rue unsurfaced paper issue with Broken Globe flaw (J3aZ). A great rarity! £82.50
- (d) As above.** Unhinged mint copy from the 'Litho Wmk' issue, with the rare variety Colourless Wmk on Horizontal Mesh Paper (J5aS). Guaranteed of course £50.00
- (e) As above.** Another example, but mint unhinged £35.00
- 111 K.G.V 6d.** A most unusual and attractive single-value collection of genuine commercially used multiples. In perf. 14x13½ there are four blocks of 4, four strips of 3 and eight pairs; in perf. 14x14½, two blocks of 4 and two

	pairs; and in two perfs. se-tenant, a block of 4: Although most have parcels cancels which are, almost by definition, extensive, condition overall is clean and exceptionally good for such material, and the range of shades is out of this world. The used multiples collection (60 stamps), quite unrepeatable ..	£67.50
112(a)	K.G.V 2/- and 3/- Admirals. Complete set of 4 (Jones and Cowan papers). Used with typically heavy circular parcels cancels, but sound, very fresh, and beautiful colours. Cat. \$675 with thin ring cancels — a superb space-filling chance at	£25.00
(b)	As above. Set of 2, on Cowan paper only, very similar in quality to the above	£11.50
113	2/- Capt. Cook. Set of seven mint, showing the R1/4 COOK on all issues of the stamp (LV13aZ — T inclusive). Cat. \$280, a marvellous chance at, the complete COOK set	£115.00
114	O.E. 2½d on 3d Provisional. Set of three blocks of 4 — one with all stamps narrow surcharge setting, one all wide settings, and one with two narrows and two wides, giving two wide-and-narrow pairs se-tenant. All perfect unhinged mint. Lovely coverage!	£32.50
115	1960 Pictorial ½d. Fine commercially used copy with error Blue Colour Omitted (O1aZ). Cat. \$60, given away at only	£15.00
116	1960 Pictorial 2d. An interesting bottom right corner block of 4, with the sheet value '£2' in the bottom selvedge, (this marking normally appears above the top right hand stamp in the sheet, the variety being due to faulty guillotining). Supplied with a normal value block to make a most attractive pair	£32.50
117(a)	1967 Pictorial 50c Booklet. Set of two complete booklets, one from the original printing, one from the later (1969) printing. These are easily identifiable, five of the advertisement pages being altered in the later printing. The two booklets	£15.00
(b)	As above. Set of four complete booklets, all panes having selvedges markings (i) XA at top; (ii) XA at bottom; (iii) XB at top; (iv) XB at bottom. The set	£37.50
118	1d Auckland Exhibition. Copy with double gum — from the small quantity (less than 18,000) sold through slot-machines, (S6aZ). Cat. \$150, but with faults, hence only	£12.50
119	1963 Christmas. Major error Imperforate (SC4aZ) — the unique corner pair with sheet value marking. From the only sheet issued. Mint unhinged. Cat. \$250 (S.G. £130) as an ordinary imperf. pair. Supplied with a matching normally perforated sheet value pair	£100.00
120	Healthe 1943-1968. A collection of plate, imprint, sheet value and traffic lights blocks. Not complete, but a fine basis for expansion into a specialised showing of these popular issues. In all, 101 mint blocks (of from 4 to 10 stamps each). Cat./normal retail £90, superb value at, the lot	£32.50

HALF-PRICE SALE – MINT BLOCKS OF 4

Another 'special', solely for Bulletin subscribers. All of the following are superb unhinged blocks of 4, and offered at **50% off advertised prices**. Cash with order for these, please. Remember – order (say) £10 worth, you pay only £5. While surplus quantities last only.

K.G.VI Definitives

121(a) ½d Chestnut (M1d)	60p	121(h) 4d Magenta (M8a)	£1.00
(b) 1d Green (M2c)	30p	(i) 4d Purple (M8b)	£4.50
(c) 1d Green (M2d)	30p	(j) 9d Brown/Sepia (M12a)	£5.00
(d) 1d on ½d Green (M3a)	40p	(k) 1/- Red Brown/Claret (M13c)	£4.00
(e) 1½d Rose Red (M4b)	£1.30	(l) 1½d Arms Type (M17a)	30p
(f) 1½d Rose Red (M4c)	40p	(m) 3d on 1d Green (M18a)	30p
(g) 2d Orange (M6a)	30p	(n) 1d on ½d Chestnut (M19a) ...	40p

Q.E. Definitives

122(a) ½d Grey (N1a)	40p	122(g) 9d Brown/Green (N9a)	£2.00
(b) 1d Orange (N2a)	40p	(h) 1/- Black/Carmine (N10a) ...	£2.00
(c) 1½d Lake Brown (N3a)	80p	(i) 1/6d Black/Ultra. (N11a)	£3.00
(d) 2d Green (N4a)	60p	(j) 3/- Green (N14a)	£40.00
(e) 3d Vermilion (N5a)	40p	(k) 2d on 1½d Lake-Brown (N40a) ..	30p
(f) 8d Rose-Carmine (N8a)	£2.00	(l) 2½d on 3d Narrow (N42a) ...	50p

1960 Pictorials

123(a) 1d Slot Machine, wmk s/w (02b) strip of 4	£2.00	123(f) 3d Slot Machine, wmk s/w (05b) strip of 4	£2.00
(b) 1d Chalky paper (02c)	30p	(g) 3d Chalky Paper (05c)	£1.00
(c) 2d Kaka Beak (03a)	30p	(h) 4d Original (06a)	60p
(d) 2½d Titoki (04a)	50p	(i) 5d Daisy (07a)	£1.00
(e) 3d Original (05a)	30p	(j) 7d Koromiko (09a)	£1.40
		(k) 1/9d Multicolour (015b)	£8.00

1967 Pictorials

124(a) ½c Manuka (0D1a)	36p	124(l) 50c Falls (0D16a)	£12.00
(b) 1c Karaka (0D2a)	20p	(m) \$1 Geyser (0D17a)	£90.00
(c) 2c Kaka Beak (0D3a)	20p	(n) 7½c Trout wmk s/w (0D26a)	£3.00
(d) 2½c Kowhai (0D4a)	20p	(o) 7½c Trout wmk upr. (0D26b)	£3.00
(e) 3c Paurangi (0D6a)	20p	(p) 28c Fox Flacier (0D27a)	£5.00
(f) 4c Daisy (0D6a)	70p	(q) 7c Fishing (0D20a)	£3.00
(g) 6c Koromiko (0D8a)	£2.00	(r) 8c Fruit (0D21a)	£3.00
(h) 8c Flag (0D10a)	£2.40	(s) 10c Timber (0D22a)	£1.80
(i) 15c Altered colours (0D12b)	£3.60	(t) 20c Meat (0D24a)	£6.00
(j) 20c Rock Drawing (0D13a)	£4.80	(u) 25c Dairy (0D25a)	£14.50
(k) 30c Wmk'd (0D15a)	£20.00		

1970 Pictorials

125(a) 25c Perf. 13¼x13½ (P17a) ..	£8.00	125(e) 50c Park (P19a)	£5.00
(b) 25c Perf. 14 (P17b)	£2.50	(f) 7c Postafix (P31a) strip of 4 ..	70p
(c) 30c Perf. 13¼x13½ (P18a) ..	£2.40	(g) 8c Postafix (P32a) strip of 4 ..	70p
(d) 30c Perf. 14 (P18b)	£15.00		

FURTHER MISCELLANY

- 126(a) K.G.V 4d Violet, Pl. 20.** Finest mint copies showing both of the big 'wrong value' re-entries (R1/6 and 4/10 — KV5d(a) and (b)). The set of two major varieties, Cat. \$135 £52.50
- (b) As above.** Set of 2 two-perf pairs (K5f) in very distinct shades. Unusual £65.00
- (c) As above.** Similar set of two pairs, but used — infinitely more unusual thus! One is quite superb (1917 c.d.s.), the other much better than average commercially used, with not-too-obtrusive parcels cancel £72.50
- 127 K.G.V 4d Deep Purple, Pl. 44.** Very fine mint block of 4, perf. 14x14 (K5g), showing pronounced lateral 'stepping' of the perfs. Although both strikes are from the same comb head, this block provides strong evidence of a "two-perf" operation, since it is plated to Rows 5 and 6 (where the division occurred in the conventional, albeit very rare, two-perfing of this issue). A lovely proving piece £47.50
- 128(a) 1960 Pictorial Booklet Panes.** Set of 3 panes (½d, 1d, 3d) stapled £8.50
- (b) As above.** Similar set, but stitched, with number in selvage £11.00
- (c) As above.** A complete, complete set of 1960 panes in all forms: (i) stapled — one pane each value; (ii) stitched and unnumbered — one pane each value; (iii) stitched and numbered — six panes each value, numbered 1 to 6 in each case. The set of 24 panes (Cat. \$171) £72.50
- 129 1960 Pictorial Booklets.** Set of six complete booklets, all with panes in each with selvages numbered 1 to 6 respectively. (W8c(b)). Cat. \$195 £82.50
- 130 1961 Christmas.** Marginal block of 4 with the prominent and attractive 'Rainbow' variety at the foot of the design (caused by an upward shift of the yellow colour). Mint unhinged £7.50

RECENT ISSUES

- 1983 Christmas (18c, 35c, 45c, issued 7/10/83)**
- Unmounted mint set of 3 78p
- Complete set of 3 imprint/plate blocks (6 stamps each block) £5.50
- Official illustrated F.D.C. (Wanganui pmk) 88p
- \$1 Shell.** Imprint block of 6 with one reprint asterisk by R10/1 £5.40
- 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 9c Minerals** Set of 5 plate blocks, all perf. 14½x14, all bottom selvage not perforated, and all with two dots in the print box. (Note the 5c has not yet been seen) £1.50
- 1983 Collectors Pack,** including all 1983 issues released to date, 25 stamps plus Health mini sheet, in attractive illustrated folder (post paid) £10.50