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N.Z. NOTES AND COMMENT

by Colin Hamilton

King George V 4d Plate 44. As mentioned in our Catalogue (Permanent Page K6) virtually every impression on this plate shows evidence of retouching. The major examples - affecting the cross on the top of the crown - are listed (on Temp. Page K5), and well-known. Also reasonably well-known is the fact that the small square at the bottom right corner of the design received a great deal of attention, and in particular the right-most of the four stars within that square. In the great majority of stamps from plate 44, the horizontal lines of shading in this star are clearly, and rather crudely, redrawn.

Rather less widely known is the similar attention that was given to the matching square in the bottom left corner, alongside N of NEW. Again it is in the horizontal lines of shading within the stars that the retouching is readily seen. To date I have identified eleven different impressions where this occurs, as follows:

Left-most star retouched: R1/9, 2/9, 3/5, 3/7, 3/12, 4/5, 5/3, 5/5, 5/6, 9/5.

Lowermost star retouched: R5/12.

The list is not necessarily a complete one, for I have not seen a complete sheet since embarking on the exercise. Note, however, that so far all except one (R9/5) are found in the top half of the sheet. These characteristics could therefore be a useful aid in identifying perf. 14 x 13½ copies as being from one of the very small number of sheets perforated throughout with this head. A nice proving point that would turn a good stamp (all 14 x 13½ plate 44's are good) into a very good one indeed!

On a more general point of identification, stamps from plates 20 and 44 are more or less equally common, and we frequently see them all "lumped together" on a page, with no attempt to differentiate, even in quite advanced collections. We know from experience that many collectors have difficulty in separating "violets" (the standard plate 20 shades) from "purples" (the usual plate 44 colour), and assume that to be the explanation. So for those who do tend to be confused by colour, all or any of the retouches offer an excellent alternative means of identification. This applies especially to the stars retouching, since it is so widespread on Plate 44, and totally absent on Plate 20. The simple rule is, if any is present, the stamp is **certainly** from Plate 44; if none is present, you can be at least 90% sure the stamp is from Plate 20.

1960 Pictorial Counter Coils - New Variety. Thanks to Mr. D.J. Board of New Zealand, we have seen two coil pairs of the 4d value (OC6b) with section no. 10 **upright**. Normally, of course, the section numbers are inverted (in relation to the stamp designs).

Specialists will be familiar with an identical variety on the 3d and 8d of the same series. Both have been recorded for many years, but this is the first inking we have had of the 4d. An obvious question presents itself. Why no. 10 in all three cases? There's no logical answer to that one that I can think of. The numbers 6 and 9 have full-stops precisely to obviate any confusion, but there are other numbers which one would have thought more likely candidates for tripping up an unwary printer; for example 8 or 11. In fact an inverted '8' did crop up on rare occasions in the much earlier King George VI counter coil issues (5d and 6d), but we know of no other instance of inexplicable accidental inversion, other than these three no. 10s in the 1960 issues. Curious!

MISCELLANY

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| 801 | 1/- Chalon Head. Rare marginal copy of the original 1855 Perkins Bacon plate proof in black. Beautifully clear crisp impression brings out all the beauty of the Full-Face design | £30.00 |
| 802 | 2d Chalon Head. The Hausburg reprint in black on thin card—in complete sheet (of 240) from plate 2. Since this was run off (in a limited quantity of 1000 sheets) in 1906, it shows the final state of the plate, with all the retouches to the damaged areas. The proof sheet, in fine condition | £125.00 |
| 803 | First Sideface 2/- and 5/-. The scarce top values — both with faults (the 2/- is regummed, the 5/- is creased). Facial appearance is totally unaffected, and is quite outstanding for these. Cat. \$1900 the pair (S.G. £900), an unrepeatable opportunity at | £115.00 |
| 804 | 1898 London Print Pictorials. Set of 15 (one of each value ½ - 5/-, but includes both 2½d's, and an extra copy of the 5d in sepia). One or two heavily hinged, but a fine fresh mint set (the 5/- is particularly nice). Cat. C.P. \$1200+, S.G. £490+ | £237.50 |
| 805 | 5/- Mt. Cook. In addition to the 'London' Print in the set above, we have in stock an excellent selection of the later printings, as follows: | |
| | (a) Perf. 11, Unwatermarked (E21b). Beautiful mint copy, deep shade, clean-cut perfs., centred | £97.50 |
| | (b) Perf. 11, Wmk. Sideways (E21c). Fresh mint, and very fine | £97.50 |
| | (c) Perf. 11, Wmk. Upright (E21d). Finest mint copy (light if rather extensive hinge) in a gorgeous deep rich shade of red | £100.00 |
| | (d) Perf. 14, Wmk. Sideways (E21e). Tiny hinge-thinning, and two small European "expertising" marks on back, but good-looking copy | £40.00 |
| | (e) Perf. 14, Wmk. Upright (E21f). Superb mint copy | £100.00 |
| 806 | 1d Universal. Plain first day cover bearing London Print 1d (G1a), clearly tied by 1st January 1901 postmark | £32.50 |

- 807 King Edward V11 8d.** Set of 2 two-perf. vertical pairs, one ordinary, the other overprinted Official (H7d/H07d), showing superb contrasts of shade. Cat. \$230, a bargain at £55.00
- 808 K.G.V 2d Recess-Print.** Plate 15 R1/11 shows a nice re-entry not recorded in any of the reference books (we first noticed it on a plate proof a few years ago). Doubling is found mainly in the bottom right corner, especially below the right-most star, the bottom of which is completely duplicated. Our offer includes the variety in both issued colours - violet (a marginal single) and yellow (a corner pair). All stamps mint unhinged £24.50
- 809 (a) K.G.V 1/- An Extraordinary Proving Piece.** Plate block of 4 (no side selvedge) from Pl. 42, perf. 14 x 14½, and in vermilion shade—thus proving the recently established fact that 'vermilions' in this perf. do not only come from two-perf. sheets, but also from sheets perf. 14 x 14½ throughout. Only the third such plate block we have seen (one of the others was overprinted Official). Cat. \$1500 as a full corner block £225.00
- (b) As above.** If anything, an even more remarkable piece - a left marginal vertical pair, also perf. 14 x 14½, and also in vermilion. Selvedge has been trimmed, but sufficient of the marginal wmk. letters AGE (of POSTAGE) remain to show that the stamps are from the 4th and 5th horizontal rows—thus proving the same fact as the block above. In addition, there is notable lateral stepping between the two strikes of the comb head, strongly suggesting a two-perf. operation (even though the same head was used for both operations). Hinged in selvedge, stamps superb unmounted £95.00
- 810 1931-4 Air Mail Stamps.** For anyone who missed our unhinged mint offers of a couple of months ago, we can (unexpectedly soon!) repeat a set of 5—3d, 4d, 7d brown-orange, 5d on 3d, 7d Trans-Tasman—in brilliant unhinged condition. Just one set at £135.00
- 811 1902 Postage Dues.** Complete simplified set of 4 (½d, 1d, 2d, 3d) of the Second Types. Finest mint £17.50
- 812 1939 Postage Dues.** Similar complete simplified set of the Third Types. Again finest mint £9.00
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N.Z. BOOKLETS - THE DECIMAL ISSUES

All items offered are complete booklets.

- 814 1967 Pictorials 50c (W9a).** Without code letters on panes £5.75
- 815 1970 Pictorials 75c Wmk'd. (W10a).** £7.95
- 816(a) 1970 Pictorials 75c Unwmk'd. (W10b).** £5.50
- (b) As above.** Set of three different: (i) All panes with colourless gum; (ii) 1c three-stamp-three-label pane with bluish gum, others colourless; (iii) all panes with bluish gum. The three booklets £16.50

817	1977 \$1 (W11a). With selvedge at left or right of pane, each	£2.25
818	1977 80c (W12a). With selvedge at left or right, each	£1.20
819(a)	1978 \$1 (W13a). With cover Type A - black lettering below blue. Selvedge left or right, each	£2.75
(b)	As above, but with cover Type B - black lettering above blue. Selvedge at right of pane only	£2.75
820	1979 \$1 (W13b). Selvedge at left only	£2.25
821	1978 \$1-20 (W14a). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.50
822	1979 \$1-40 (W15a). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.50
823	1980 \$1-54 (W15b). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.50
824	1980 \$2 (W16a). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.00
825	1980 \$2-20 (W16b). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.00
826	1982 \$2-40 (W17a). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.25
827	1982 \$2-64 (W17b). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.25
828	1983 \$2-40 (W17c). Selvedge at left or right, each	£2.25
829	1984? \$2-64 (to be listed as W17d). Selvedge left or right, each	£2.25

LONG FISCALS - MINT

Scarce and seldom offered, these. All fine

830	2/- Blue. De La Rue paper, perf. 14. C.P. Z2f, S.G. F98	£12.50
831	2/6 Brown. Cowan paper, perf. 14½x14. C.P. Z3m, S.G. F114	£15.00
832(a)	4/- Brown-Red. De La Rue paper, perf. 14½x14. C.P. Z5k, S.G. F114 Unhinged!	£60.00
(b)	As above. Another copy, hinged	£40.00
833(a)	5/- Green. Cowan paper, perf. 14½x14. C.P. Z6j, S.G. F135	£50.00
(b)	As above but with wmk. reversed. C.P. Z6k, S.G.— Superb unhinged!	£75.00

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A series of completed pages (i.e. with all spaces filled) from an incomplete Stanley Gibbons printed N.Z. Album. All offered at 50% Catalogue price or less. A wonderful opportunity for the less-specialised collector. Stamps are all mint, and mounted in Hawid strips over the printed illustrations. Although only one lot of each is available, we will endeavour wherever possible to repeat identical lots of stamps only to second and subsequent orders. (Page numbers refers to the Gibbons numbering).

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844	Page 25. 1953-58 Q.E ½d - 10/-, 1955 Health (19 stamps)	£35.00
845	Page 26A. 1956 Southland, 1955-59 Q.E 1d - 8d Large Figures, 1956 Health (incl. extra 1½d shade), 1957 Lamb Export (16 stamps)	£7.00
846	Page 27. (plus an extra page) 1957 Healths + Mini Sheets with both wmk. (2 stamps, 4 mini sheets)	£15.00
847	Page 28. 1958 Trans Tasman, 1957 Plunket, 1958 Q.E 2d Surcharge (both dot sizes), Nelson, 1959 Marlborough, 1958 Hawkes Bay, 1959 Scout (12 stamps).	£1.75
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851	Page 33. 1960 Health (incl. extra pair perf. 11½x11) + Mini Sheets (4 stamps, 2 mini sheets)	£16.25
852	Page 34. 1961 Healths + Mini Sheets (2 stamps, 2 mini sheets)	£7.00
853	Page 35. 1960-63 Christmas, 1961 Q.E 2½d/3d Surcharge. 1962 Telegraph, 1963 Railways (9 stamps)	£2.25

854	Page 36. 1962 Healths + Mini Sheets (2 stamps, 2 mini sheets)	£6.95
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860	Page 45A. 1967-69 Pictorials 7c - \$2 (10 stamps).....	£35.00
861	Page 53A. 1970-71 Pictorials ½c - \$2 (21 stamps)	£8.75
862	Page 02A. Actually only a half-page here—1916-31 K.G.V Officials ½d - 1/-, including the good 8d and 9d, of course (10 stamps)	£100.00
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1970 COUNTER COIL PAIRS CONCLUDED

864(a)	6c (PC8a). Set of starter and centre papers	£12.50
(b)	As above. Complete set of coil pairs, numbered 1 - 19. (Cat. \$190).....	£50.00
(c)	As above. Coil pair showing the two stamps in colours of red and pink	£6.00
865(a)	6c (PC8b). Set of starter and centre papers	£8.50
(b)	As above. Two coil pairs, section nos. in brown-red and orange	£4.50
(c)	As above. Two coil pairs, one with dull "wishy-washy" green, the other a full bodied glowing green, fine contrasts	£4.50
866(a)	8c (PC11a). Set of starter and centre papers	£12.50
(b)	As above. Complete set of coil pairs, numbered 1 - 19 (Cat. \$171)	£45.00
(c)	As above. Two coil pairs, section nos. in dark red and orange	£8.00
867(a)	8c (PC11b). Set of starter and centre papers	£17.50
(b)	As above. Two coil pairs, section nos. brown-red and orange	£10.00

868 (a)	10c (PC12a). Coil pair, one stamp with sideways-inverted watermark (PC12aZ)	£27.50
(b)	As above. Two coil pairs, section nos. deep red and orange	£8.00
869	10c (PC12b). Two coil pairs, section nos. brown-red and orange	£7.00
870 (a)	20c (PC15a). Set of starter and centre papers	£12.50
(b)	As above. Three coil pairs, section nos. in deep red, red and orange	£10.00
(c)	As above. Coil pair, with the R4/1 flaw (PV15a)	£5.00
(d)	As above. Coil pair, with R1/10 variety (mentioned in Vol 6)	£5.00
(e)	As above. Coil pair, with R8/10 flaw (also in Vol 6)	£5.00
(f)	As above. Coil pair, with R9/1 variety (again a Vol 6 listed variety)	£5.00
871 (a)	20c (PC15b). Set of starter and centre papers	£12.50
(b)	As above. Complete set of coil pairs, nos. 1 – 19. Cat. \$228	£60.00
(c)	As above. Two coil pairs, section nos. brown-red and orange	£8.00
(d)	As above. Coil pair, with R8/10 flaw	£5.00

KING GEORGE VI CONTINUED

All varieties supplied with full description where necessary.

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(b)	As above. For the collector of used multiples, a block of 8, c.d.s. cancels dated 1949	£2.00
(c)	As above. Set of 8 imprint/plate blocks, plate nos. 45, 57, 58, 63, 67, 69 (all blocks of 8), 138, 139 (blocks of 6). Complete except for plate 39, mint	£16.50
(d)	As above. Imprint/plate nos. 138 and 139, in mint blocks of 4	£1.75
(e)	As above. Mint single on thin paper	£1.50
(f)	As above. Mint plate block (8 stamps), on thin paper	£10.00
(g)	as above. Used copy of the inverted watermark variety (M7cZ). Small fault, but a scarce item	£10.00
(h)	As above. Corner block of 15 from plate 45 showing the R8/5 variety (listed in Vol. 4 of the N.Z. Handbook), mint	£10.00
(i)	As above. Marginal mint block of 6 (plate 139) with R2/12 retouch - MV7c(f)..	£8.50
(j)	As above. Counter coil pair with rubber stamped section number (MC1f)	£4.75

(k)	As above. The Official Overprint issue (MO7c), in imprint/plate (139) block of 4	£1.75
873(a)	4d Fine Paper (M8a). Three mint blocks of 4, lovely magenta shades	£4.00
(b)	As above. Three similar shades, mint singles	£1.00
(c)	As above. Both imprint/plate blocks (nos. 90 and 94), mint	£3.75
(d)	As above. Two plate blocks, both no. 94, chosen for their remarkable shade contrasts, one bright, the other deep magenta, mint	£7.50
(e)	As above. Corner block of 10 with defective watermark variety (the wmk. is unrecognisable as NZ and Star), mint	£10.00
(f)	As above. Mint corner block of 12, plate 90, showing R1/6 and R2/4 varieties (MV8a(b))	£9.00
(g)	As above. Mint marginal block of 4 (also plate 90), with R1/17 variety—a Vol. 4 listed item	£6.00
(h)	As above. Corner block of 20, includes plate no. (90), and re-entries to R6/4, 7/4, 8/4, 9/4, 10/4. Mint	£12.50
(i)	As above. Marginal mint block of 6, with R4/3 variety from plate 94	£6.00
(j)	As above. Marginal mint block of 8, R4/16 variety (plate 94)	£7.50
(k)	As above. Mint corner block of 8, includes plate no. (94) and R9/2, 10/1 and 10/4 varieties. (the latter is in Vol. 4)	£10.00
(1)	As above. Three used singles, showing the 3 states of the plate 90 R2/4 variety—MV8a(a,aa,b). A few faults but an unusual set	£10.00

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Two mint stamps	£2.20
Two used stamps	£2.20
Two Imprint blocks of 6, one each value	£14.75
Two Sheet Value blocks of 4	£9.75
Official Illustrated F.D.C.	£2.30
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Mint set of 4 stamps	£1.30
Complete set of 4 imprint/plate blocks (6 stamps each block)	£8.75
Official Illustrated F.D.C. (Wanganui pmk.)	£1.40