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EDITORIAL.

While attending a meeting in Houston, with other members of the Group, and after everyone had looked over the other fellows collections, had lunch, etc., the topic of conversation came around to how, upon our demise, our wives were going to dispose of our highly specialized material to the best advantage. In many cases, the material might be thrown on the open market and sold with no regard to the actual value, due to the wife's or buyers lack of knowledge about the real value of the collections.

After tossing a few ideas around, we came to the conclusion that it would be a fine thing if each of us were to appoint a trusted friend in the Group to act as Executor for that portion of our estates consisting of our stamp collections and other related stamp properties. This could be arranged by a simple codicil to our wills, empowering our friend to dispose of our collections to the best advantage, always with the wife's approval.

Your Editor has done this by requesting one of his friends here to assist in evaluating and disposing of his material, and it really gives us a feeling of satisfaction and security.

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According to the Florida members, "FLOREX-65" is shaping up very well. 25 bourse tables have been sold and already several exhibits of B.W.I. material have been submitted to Larry Resnick, Exhibition Chairman.

The Florida Members are planning several extra-curricular: a trip by bus to Key West, a trip through the Everglades National Park, etc. For those who might like to take a longer vacation after the show, the British West Indies Airways, Ltd., offer a trip from Miami to Kingston Jamaica, with stop-over privileges at Georgetown, Grand Cayman, and Montego Bay, for \$59.00 round trip. We made this trip in 1963 with Byron Cameron on an air-conditioned, four motor jet, Vicount plane, and can highly recommend it. During November the price of a beach club motel room on Grand Cayman and Jamaica runs about \$10.00 per person including meals, which, with advance notice to the cook, will include such items as turtle steak, breadfruit salad, fresh papaya and mango, and other items of fine native cookery, as well as the usual American dishes.

Eddie Adelson requests that when making reservations at the Everglades, to please mention that you are there for "FLOREX-65". This will give us financial benefits credited to the show.

Inclosed with this issue is a prospectus of the Exhibition and Exhibit application. We have been allotted fifty frames. (more if needed). If you have B.W.I. material of which you are proud, send in a couple of frames.

In another part of the Journal a list of good eating places in Miami is given.

See y'all in Miami.

Al Johnson

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The above applicants have applied for membership in the Group. In accordance with the Constitution their names are hereby published. If no adverse reports are received by the Secretary within 30 days, their names will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for full membership.

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A hillbilly had been courting a mountain gal. At last her father spoke up: "You've been seeing Nellie for nigh onto a year. What are your intentions - honorable or dishonorable?"

The startled yung blood replied: "You mean I got a choice?"

NOTES ON BRITISH WEST INDIES.

By Eric Heyer.

DOMINICA:

The "Federal Maple dropped anchor early in the morning at Roseau, the capital of Dominica. The low sun was lighting up the pastel colored building fronts along the shore, framed by the very green hills behind them. It reminded us very much of Tahiti, when arriving by boat from the island of Moorea or from Bora Bora. The harbor is too shallow for the F.M. to tie up at the pier and the freight has to be unloaded by lighters. After breakfast we went ashore in a launch. The small pier was very busy with loading and unloading island sloops with barrels of salt herring, rum, machinery parts and other necessities for the neighboring islands.

The first stop is as usual at the Post Office, which is right at the waterfront near the pier. A yellow stuccoed building, counters on lower floor and the postmaster's office upstairs. While the wife gets in line to buy the needed stamps, I visited with Mr. P. S. Rock, the Postmaster General, who was very courteous and helpful in providing all the wanted cancels and an up to date list of the 23 p.o.'s and 26 Postal Agencies and 22 sub-Agencies. The sub-Agencies can sell stamps and other postal materials, collect and distribute mail, but they have no canceling device of their own. Cancelling of outgoing mail is done at the nearest postal agency under whose supervision they come. The list of these P.O.'s and agencies are attached. I took a color photo of a map showing location of the P.O.'s in red and the agencies in green markings and can prepare a map from this in case anyone is interested.

Stan Durnin tells me that he has some relatively late cancels from two places not shown on this list, namely, Portsmouth and Bell. It is possible that the Portsmouth P.O. (2nd largest town) is now at Dos D'Ane, which is located quite close by and that Bell is short for Belle Vue Chopin. I will check with the P.M.G. about this. (maybe the girl forgot Portsmouth when typing my list?)

After our visit to the P.O. we wandered through town, photographing a few of the very old stone buildings, which survived the burning of Roseau by the French in 1805. Also went to the cathedral on the hill and the Convent School, where most of the Dominican straw and fibre mats and baskets are woven by young girls. Visited also with a friend of Stan Durnin's at the newspaper office and tried the local coffee with a rum chaser at a little native cafe on our way back to the boat for lunch. In the afternoon we met again with Stan's friend, Mr. Floissac, enjoyed meeting his family; we all went for a ride in the Floissac's car on a trip into the interior and up the hills overlooking the town and the lush green mountains. With about 150 inches of rain a year, the island is very tropical, has 365 rivers and grows many varieties of tropical fruits and spices. We drove back to town past Rose Lime Juice plant and through their plantations. After visiting the very interesting Botanical Garden, arrived back at the boat tired but contented. The only inhabitant who did not appreciate our visit was a big white Brahma Bull, who gave our car a resounding kick with a hindfoot, when we passed him on a narrow road. Maybe he did not like the tone of the horn we sounded to make him get off the middle of the steep path. That night at about 10 p.m. the boat left for Montserrat.

The P.O. at Roseau uses at present a modern double ring cancel, 26½ mm. inner ring, with Roseau on top and Dominica on bottom, date in 2 lines with the usual asterisk above the month date. Besides this one, two single ring older cancels are in use, (both 23½ to 24 mm. O.D.) with only G.P.O. Dominica around the top and date in 2 lines with asterisk above date. One has "DOMINICA" in 2½ mm high letters, the other one has 3mm letters and also heavier outer ring and thicker letters.

The "PAQUEBOT" cancel says "Posted on Board Ship", with "Paquebot" underneath it. Letters are 3½ mm. high and are surrounded by an oblong (thin line), frame 75½ mm. long by 13 mm. high.

DOMINICA POSTOFFICES.
As received from P.M.G. P.S.Rock.

Pointe Michel	Grand Fond	Calibishie	Salsbury
Soufriere	San Saveur	Vielle Case	St. Joseph
Grand Bay	Riviere Cyrique	Dos D'Ane	Mahaut
Petite Savanna	Castle Bruce	Bublanc	Marigot
Delices	Salybia	Colihaut	G.P.O. Roseau
La Plaine	Wesley	Coulibistrie	

POSTAL AGENCIES
and Sub-Agencies

	S.A.'s		S.A.'s
Pond Casse		Fond St. Jean	
Atkinson	Bataca		Pte. Carib
	Concord		Bagatelle
	Deux Branches		Cacao Est.
Woodford Hill		Morne Jaune (formerly	Rosalie)
Anse-de-Mai	Bense		
	Welsh	Boetica	
	Morne Sampson	Petit Soufriere	
	Torite	Trafalgar	
Thibaud		Laudat	
Penville	Delaford	Cockrane	
	Demitre	Giraudel	
	Reposior	Massacre	
	Lahaut	Morne Prosper	
Paix Bouche	Belmathere	Melville Hall	
	Moore Park	Scotts Head	
	Providence	Morne Rchette	
	La Souce	Portsmouth)	Stan Durnin has record of
Dos D'Ane		Bell) these but not on P.M.G's list.
Clifton	Capuchin	Loubiere	
	Cottage	Belle Vue Chopin	
	Toucari	Pichelin	
	Hermitage	Tete Norne	

Eddie Adelson has sent me a list of some of the fine eating places in Miami, that will be available to our Group:

The Embers	Miami Beach	Steaks and Seafood - Excellent.	Priced at \$4.00 up.
Joe's Stone Crabs	"	Excellent Seafood.	\$7.00 "
Famous	"	Best Jewish food in the south.	\$2.95 "
Wolfie's-	Pumpenicks-Rascal House.	Fine Delicatessens	\$1.00 "
Chesapeake -	Miami Seafood -	Wonderful food - Unusual decor.	\$1.75 "
Gigi	North Miami -	Italian Best .99¢ meal in country	.99¢
Fontainbleu,	Eden Roc, Deauville	Hotels - Floor shows with dinner	\$5.95 "
Fong Shanon -	North Miami Beach -	Chinese schmorgasbrod. All you can eat	\$3.25
Town Restaurant -	3 blocks from Everglades	Hotel - Delicatessen	\$1.00 "

Eddie says that there are 500 more places to eat in Greater Miami from .99¢ up to as high as you want to go. This is a city of good food to satisfy anyone's taste or pocket book.

BAHAMAS BITS.

By the Bahamas Bum.

Gale Raymond and Moreton Black guessed right on the sleeper stamp of last year in the Bahamas. The 5d. New Constitution. However Al Branston in London just informed me that the 3d. of the last definitive issue of the Bahamas was issued in the new block watermark. I knew about the 2d. but the 3d. caught me flatfooted. Also two new stamp booklets made their appearance one for 3/- the other for 6/-. The International Telecommunications set released May 17 in 1d. and 2/- values, both stamps have little use as their rates just don't fit any category and were picked by the Crown Agents.

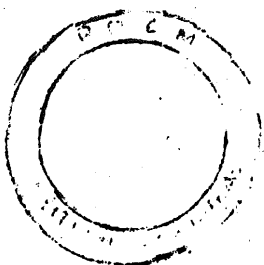
BOOM or BURRELL BOOM, BRITISH HONDURAS.

By Ralph E. Group.

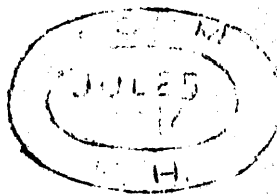
In the 17th Century one, Mary Burrell and Family (Portuguese origin) took up residence in Burrell Boom, and that is how the name was given to the village as Burrell. Later they decided to put a chain across the Belize River to check all mahogany logs coming down, and this was the source of the Boom. It should be mentioned that this chain can be seen on the ground up to the present day

In 1960 the population of the village was 521 persons, of which 97% were literate. There are the usual facilities such as a Credit Union, Baseball team, Red Cross Society, Methodist League, Football team, Library, Village Council and Village Association. The Post Office, which opened in 1925, is in the home of the District Postal Clerk, (since 1940, Mr. J. A. Sebastian, to whom I am indebted for the above information), who receives the mail once a week on Saturdays from Belize.

The following cancellations are known: Type 4, Approximately 34 mm. diameter, double circle. The letters are serified, although the drawing fails to illustrate this. Used circa 1927. Type 2, approximately 38 mm. diameter, double circle, oval, reading BOOM, B.H. Used circa 1947. Type 2, Approximately 39 mm. diameter, double circle, oval reading BURRELL BOOM, B.H. Used circa 1951. Type Z, 28 mm. diameter, double circle. The earliest example in my collection of this cancel is April 1961.



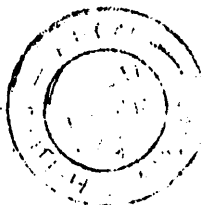
Type 4



Type 2



Type 2



Type Z

BAHAMAS NEWS LETTER.

By Gale J. Raymond.

Most stamp publications carried notices well in advance of the BOAC "VC-10" first flight, New York to Nassau, on April 30, 1965. Two weeks later, flight covers have not yet reached me (this article written late in May). Two weeks later, flight covers arrived promptly, postmarked Nassau 30, APR 65, and backstamped the next day, May 1, at Jamaica N.Y., A.M.F. Kennedy. Cachet was in form of a large blue sticker inscribed BOAC/VC-10.

The large single circle TRD at the GPO inscribed "AIR MAIL, NASSAU, BAHAMAS" is already obsolete, replaced by the reappearance of the up-dated 30 mm. steel-die. I've seen one nice cover with the TRD cancelling the stamps; my sole example is only a backstamp

In a recent routine check of P.O.'s, I find a new T.R.D. in use at Freeport reading "SHIP MAIL, Freeport, Bahamas", (Type 2c-2, for paquebot mail only. Dateline on mine is APR 22, 65; can any reader report an earlier date, or an actual cover? Here is a real test of your ingenuity, as the cancel cannot be applied to ordinary mail. It must be handled as per UPU regulations, mail actually posted at sea and handed in by a ship's officer under certificate and properly endorsed. If you know how to get such covers through from Freeport - put in a cover for me! (Editor, me too)! The fact a new ship-mail mark has been issued to Freeport by GPO suggests an increased volume through P.O. there of Paquebot mail (bearing foreign stamps of the ship's home registry) The Freeport Postmaster in 1960 insisted on Bahamas stamps being added to such mail, UPU regulations or no, however that is probably not now the case. Reports of recent Freeport ship mail covers would be appreciated.

John Taylor, son of members Bert and Polly Taylor, was married in April, and spent their honeymoon in Nassau and Eleuthera, posting covers from virtually every Eleuthera sub-postoffice recording current postmarks. Wemyss Bight, (whose Postmaster is from Ft. Myers, Florida), is pronounced there as "wimes" like wines, he reports. Many thanks, John, for some mighty fine covers!

For those members of BCPSG, EWISC, and other interested collectors who will be at the "BIG SHOW" in Miami in November, be advised that a special junket is planned to Bimini, Bahamas, just a brief boat-run from Miami of 50 miles. Boats run over in the mornings, passengers spend the hours leisurly, and return in the evening to Miami, and all very inexpensively. In particular, the Bahamas Postal History Circle will hold there a called convocation and the Bimini Postmaster has been warned to brace himself for a veritable horde of avid collectors! His remedy for overenthusiastic collectors is to pass out a handful of various cancels and datestamps, and put them to work cancelling the staggering mounds of tourists letters and postcards posted there daily! More about the Bimini meeting later, as plans firm up--and perhaps an extra surprise will be in store for all of us. I hasten to add that these plans will not contend or interfere with the Show schedule or programs.

In Nassau the new P.O. facilities at the "SUNLEY BUILDING" opened on 23 APR 1965, with only ordinary "NASSAU" c.d.s. in use, nor will distinctive cancels be forthcoming.

The new 9d. overprint on the 8d. "yachting" stamp was issued on 12 JULY in Nassau, and is most attractive. 9d. is the Airmail rate for postcards to the U.S.A. Many thanks to Basil Burnside for a fine F.D.C.

"How are you" is a greeting not a question.

NEW ISSUES, FURTHER PRINTINGS, ETC.

You will find inclosed brochures from the Crown Agents on the new definitive issue for Barbados, of July 15, 1965, and for the Bermuda Boy Scout issue. We appreciate the sending of these B.W.I. Brochures by the Crown Agents, as they give our members much information on the current stamps.

New definitive issues are planned for Antigua, Montserrat and St. Vincent. Release dates will be announced later. Commemorative issues on order are Virgin Islands, Centenary of Postal System, Jamaica, Centenary of Salvation Army and Trinidad, Eleanor Roosevelt.

Omnibus issue of the I.T.U. for Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, Br. Guiana, Br. Honduras, Br. Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Turks and Caicos Islands.

FURTHER PRINTINGS OF CURRENT ISSUES:

Grenada, 2,3,4,5, and 12 cents.

Jamaica, 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 3/-, 5/-, 10/-, £1, 1/6, and 2/-.

Barbados, 1,4,8,12,24,48,60 and \$2.40.

We Have Just Received the Data on the new issued for St. Vincent and Montserrat from the Crown Agents:

ST VINCENT new issue dated August 16th, 1965, consisting of 15 values and printed by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., in sheets of 50 stamps, by the photogravure process, watermarked CA Block, size 1.1" x 1.65" perforation to perforation.

The Format: Horizontal - 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 and 12 cent values, Vertical - 4, 6, 8, 20, 25, 50 cents and \$1, \$2.50 and \$5 values. They are in multi-color.

MONTSERRAT New issue released August 16, 1965, consist of 17 values, printed by Harrison & Sons., Ltd, in sheets of 50, by the photogravure process, watermarked CA Block, size 1.320" x 1.072" perforation to perforation, format vertical.

The values are as follows, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 24, 42, 48 and 60 cents, \$1.20, \$2.40 and \$4.80. The illustrations depict various native fruits and vegetables.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS.

The copybook circulated 1961-1965 by the B.V.I. Research Leader, Gale J. Raymond, is now available in reproduced form, (Zerex). The EWISC and BCPSG libraries each contain a copy in book format, which may be borrowed upon request from the individual libraries. A third copy is being recirculated among those previously contributing data and items therein, so that all may see the results of the total effort, and add such further information as may be available now. Other readers who can contribute new information, after reading the above book, are urgently requested to communicate directly with the B.V.I. Research Leader, Mr. Gale J. Raymond, P.O. Box 35143, Houston 35, Texas, U.S.A., who will add it to the book. Mr. Raymond asks too that any capable person with time to place the impressive mass of data into finished form for publishing please contact him or the Editor.

FURTHER ON THE "FLOREX-65" Exhibition from Adelson and Resnick: Enclosed is a list of ocean front Hotels with their rates, the Eden Roc, Fontainbleu, and other luxury hotels are omitted, due to the fact that there are two large conventions in Miami at the same time as FLOREX, and they are sold out. The Algiers Hotel at \$10.00 double, \$8.00 single, per day; the DiLido Hotel, \$9.00 double, 7.00 single, Shelborne Hotel, \$9.00 double, \$7.00 single and the Roney Plaza Hotel, \$10.00 double, \$7.00 single, for those desiring to stay a few days after the show, that is, November 8th on.

To date Larry Resnick advises that he has received payment and reservations for 19 frames from our Group. 27 bourse tables sold and among the group of dealers will be such well known people at Weill of New Orleans, Sy Colby, Herman Herst, H.E. Harris, Stolow, Apfelbaum, Edson Fifield, Scott Publications, Inc, and the New England Stamp Co. 116 frames paid for to date, (approximately 300 anticipated). Anyone planning to enter material in the exhibition, please get in touch with Larry Resnick on the inclosed "Prospectus and Entry Blank" included with this issue of the Journal. The Crown Agents are planning to enter a number of exhibition frames both for B.W.I. countries and for previous B.W.I. colonies that are now independent.

If you are planning on coming, be sure and make the hotel reservations promptly, as it looks like well have a fine crowd. Headquarters will be at the Everglades Hotel in Miami Beach.

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Everard Aguilar has just sent me a copy of the Jamaica Philatelic Society's Newsletter, announcing date of publication of the Jamaica Philatelist, No. 24 for October, 1965, the first issue of the reactivated journal. In the newsletter he gives a list of the Postal Agencies now using T.R.D's, which is reprinted as of interest to our members:

Allman Hill	St.C	Barbary Hall	St. E.
Bath Mountain	W.	Bonnett	St. C.
Boyne Park	St. M.	Broadgate	St.M.
Caledonia	W.	Chantilly	M.
Chatworth	P.	Chudleigh	M.
Coffee Grove	C.	Coker	St.E. (see note)
Cotterwood	St. E.	Denbigh	C.
Dignum	St. C	Ellicress	St.Andrew.
Flagstaff	St.J.	Frazer	St.E
Garden Hill	St.C.	Green Pond	M.
Hamilton Mountain	St. M.	Hayfield	St. T.
Highland Head	St. T.	Hounslow	St. E.
Irwin	St. J.	Joe Hut	T.
Jubilee Town	St. C	Kennay	P.
Kentucky	W.	Lewisburg	St.M (see note)
Long Lock	C.	Malcolm Square	C.
Mongrave	St. C	Moores	C.
Mt. Moriah	St. Ann.	Mt. Salus	St.Andrew.
Muirton Pen	P.	Norwich	P.
Pear Tree River	St. T.	Plum Tree	St. J.
Priory	St. Ann.	Reach	P.
Rock	C.	Spicy Hill	T.
Strawberry	W.	Summerfield	C.
Torrington	St. Andrew	Ythanside	P.

NOTE: Coker TRD should have read COKA and is now being corrected.
Lewisburg TRD should have read Lewisburgh and is now being corrected.
Torrington removed and new TRD being issued.

NOTES ON MONTSEERRAT.

By Eric Hoyer.

The Federal Maple arrived early at this "Emerald Isle". The Harbor here is shallow and the ship had to anchor farther out again. The island hills looked very green and luscious with white clouds hanging on the top of the highest peak.

Five stowaways were found aboard last night after leaving Dominica and a search this morning reveals three more. They all refused to tell where they came aboard after a long palaver, the local police took some ashore, and the captain put the others to work and will have to take them back where they came from. It was too late to put them on the sister ship the "Federal Palm", which we met yesterday in Dominica on its return trip from Jamaica to Trinidad

The town of Plymouth looks a bit more modern than some of the towns on the other small islands. Several new hotels are operating here now and Canadians have started a subdivision of homes, where they stay for the winter. The telephone system is an intriguing one; a mass of wires run from power pole to power pole through town and finally are bundled together and disappear into an attic hole of the central exchange. Apparently every subscriber has his two wire connection run from the exchange to his home phone. No suitable multiple cable here! Nine years ago in St. Lucia they had a similar system and it was all mixed up. They had hired an expert telephone engineer from the States, who after one year's work had not accomplished anything and was ready to give up.

Could not meet the Postmaster General at the Plymouth P.O., who was in a meeting; a very busy man, as he is also the Island's Treasurer. His assistant, a Miss Taylor was very helpful and accommodating in providing the needed cancellation samples and a list of the P.O.'s on the island, (as shown below). According to her, all P.O.'s are now using the modern single ring steel dies, which are ordered, when it has been decided to open a new postoffice.

The outside diameters of these single ring dies are of various sizes from $23\frac{1}{2}$ mm. for G.P.O. Plymouth up to 26 mm. for some of the others. Name of P.O. is around the top, MONTSEERRAT around the bottom, with the date in 2 lines and an asterisk above the date. The automatic cancelling machine at Plymouth has a die similar to our typical American dies with 7 wavy lines, (about 47 mm. long - $3\frac{1}{2}$ mm. apart) on the right side and the town and date cancel of 21 mm. O.D. about $2\frac{1}{2}$ " from the edge of the envelope. The date on this cancel is in 3 lines; day and month in top line; hour of day in the middle and the full year date in third line. The "PAQUEBOT" cancel at Plymouth is of plain letters, (4 mm. high and 27 mm long overall) with no frame line around it.

LIST OF POSTOFFICES IN MONTSEERRAT - 18 March 1965.

G.P.O. Plymouth

Sub Postoffices:

Harris	St. Peters
Bethel	Cudjoe Head
Dyers *	St. Patricks
St. Johns	Salem

* Opened about 4-5 years ago, could not get exact date.

PERSONAL MENTION:

EDDIE ADELSON, LARRY RESNICK AND OTHERS have been working on Florex with a good will and we are sure it will be one of the outstanding National shows this year.

EVERARD AGUILAR is Secretary of the newly activated Jamaica Philatelic Society, which will publish a bulletin. Have just received his first one and it is full of Jamaica information.

EARL APFELBAUM will have a booth at Florex. Will be nice to see him again.

RAYMOND AUSTIN has retired from his employment. Hope you have as fine a time in retirement as I have and am having, Raymond. Now that you have all the time in the world (?), drop us a line or two for the Journal.

HAROLD BOX writes that he has been under the weather with "flu" and bronchitis, but is now on the mend. He says their last auction, (Trinidad Philatelic Society), was a "wow", with lots of spirited bidding both by mail and from the floor. Glad you are better, Harold.

ALF BRANSTON writes that he will be happy to see any of the Group when in London. His office telephone is TCY 3211. Look him up, when you are in London. Understand he spoke at the Southend Club recently on Bahamas, with his subject "Piracy".

JOHN BUCKNER hasn't reported in lately. Hope you will be able to make it to Miami in November. Remember, we can get turtle steak there. And Bring Ruth long, too.

WHERE'S BYRON CAMERON? Last I heard he was around Cape Cod, and if you want to know, I've got my spies out.

Start of looked for JIM CAMPBELL and CARRIE down this way this summer, but haven't heard from them.

JIM CLAPP has retired and is bouncing all over the U.S. Had a letter from him from Alexandria, Minnesota last month, but when answering, he had moved on and left no forwarding address. Hope you and Mignonne are having a wonderful time Jim.

LEONARD COURTNEY wrote last February that he might be able to make the Miami meeting. Have you made your plans, Arthur, and why not drop by Baytown, while in this neighborhood?

Looking forward to having MILT ERICKSON in Baytown and Houston around Sept 18. Milt has entered a number of frames in the Miami show and will be there in Nov. Hurry down, Milt, the Shrimp are now running and we'll catch a mess for you.

Understand that STANLEY INESON has been confined to the hospital recently. Hope you are better and up and around by now.

ISAAC KIRKLAND back from a Georgia vacation, and chasing the cancellations again.

REG LANT back from overseas and back in harness. By the way, Reg now has all of the back issues of the Journal and brochures. Please write him if you require any back issues.

PAUL LARSEN writes that three of the group members took awards at the Park Forest Annual Exhibition, he, Mrs Elaine Strauss and Dick Higgins. Good going, Paul.

MORRIS LUDINGTON has entered some frames in the Miami exhibition and will be on hand at the meeting.

DONALD MASON, will be at the University of Pennsylvania for the next two years, doing post-graduate work. Note his change of address in this issue.

JOHN MEDLAND hasn't sent in an item for the Journal in a long time. Let's hear from you John.

CLINTON von POHLE was in this neck of the woods last week and visited with your Editor and Gale Raymond. Gale and I drooled over the material he brought with him, stuff from Jamaica previously owned by Astley Clerk and G.G.Gunter, along with much other old and rare material. Was great to meet Clint, although his schedule was far too short. Paul Edwards joined the soiree, and a good time was had by all.

FRANK SAUNDERS writes that he and Madeline are vacationing in the south around Cambridge, Reading, Winchester, and over to see Roy Botwright, and one or two others in his area.

ALBERT SCHWALM took a n award at the Houston Philatelic Exhibition on his Hawaii. Albert gave a talk to our Baytown Clyb recently on Hawaiian history as depicted on their stamps. A fine talk, come back and visit with us.

FRED SEIFERT picked up a new Volkswagon in Houston, that he had purchased while in Europe this spring, and spent a few days with me and with Gale Raymond. Gale got the Houston group together and we had another fine "stampfest". Fred will be in Miami for the show in November, as will Gale Raymond. Some of us plan to go on to the Caymans and Jamaica after the show.

HENRY SPELMAN will be in the New England Stamp booth at Florex- 65. Looking forward to seeing you Henry.

Saw TOMMY THOMPSON at the Houston Show recently. What about the Montserrat article, Tommy? We're ready when you are.

BOB TOPAZ has been in high gear lately, but still had time to stencil and mimeo the "G" Jamaica Cancellations, which appear in this issue. Thanks, a lot Bob, this helps much.

RONALD WARD is now Secretary of the Sheffield Philatelic Society.

ED WEINBERG sends me his card by Clint van Pohle, thanks Ed, come down and see us.

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The HELL, P.O. on Grand Cayman at West Bay, has been removed to a new location, known as the "Club Inferno", but uses the same 24 mm. single ring cancellation as heretofore. Mrs. Mary Bush, Postmistress, will be glad to service any covers sent to her, carrying the return address and 1/- shilling Cayman stamp.

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We havent had any SWAP COLUMN advertisements this month. Also the number of articles for inclusion in the Journal has fallen off drastically. Write us and send in anything of interest that you may have for the benefit of the Group. Our Journal is of interest, as you members make it.

The Chronological Postmark History of the

Post Towns of Jamaica — Continued

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GALINA St. Mary Opened 10 December, 1955

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|----|-----------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
| 1. | TRD type 37 b | violet ink | 10 DE 55 | 24 FE 56 |
| | Possibly exists in black ink also | | | |
| 2. | MSR | * | 21 SP 56 | 5 JU 64 |

GARDEN HILL St. Catherine Opened 16 November, 1962

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|----|--------------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
| 1. | TRD type 37 a | violet ink | 22 DE 62 | 24 MR 64 |
| | | black ink | 30 AP 64 | 31 AU 64 |
| | Inner ring was initially very faint. | | | |
| 2. | TRD type 37 | violet ink | 19 OC 64 | 15 FE 65 |

GARRISON St. Andrew
The military post at Up Park Camp

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|----|------------------------------------|------------|----------|--|
| 1. | TRD Special — about 46 mm X 29 mm. | violet ink | 24 AP 57 | |
| | | black ink | 28 JU 57 | |
| | | bluish ink | 2 JY 57 | |
- The above mark reads: GARRISON POST OFFICE/ date/ JAMAICA in three lines.

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|----|-----------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
| 2. | TRD Special — 48 mm X 31 mm | violet ink | 12 SP 59 | 25 NO 60 |
| | | blue ink | 27 OC 59 | 17 DE 59 |
| | | red ink | 22 JA 60 | 18 MY 61 |
- The above mark reads: "GARRISON/POST OFFICE/ date/ JAMAICA" in four lines.

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| 3. | TRD Special — 53 X 33 mm. | violet ink | 2 AP 62 | 7 OC 64 |
| | | red ink | 10 NO 61 | 22 NO 61 |
| | | blue ink | 11 NO 61 | 4 DE 61 |
- The above mark reads: " GARRISON POST OFFICE/ date/UP PARK CAMP/KINGSTON, JAMAICA" in four lines- all block caps.

There is a mark known consisting of a double circle reading "British Military Hospital/ 17 Sep/1958/JAMAICA, B.W.I.". The outer circle is 48 mm. The inner circle is 29 mm. and it is in violet ink. This mark is believed to be other than a postal marking.

GARLANDS St. James Opened 1964

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| | Moved from Hutchins Hill | | | |
| 1. | TRD type 37 | violet ink | 3 AP 64 | 26 AU 64 |
| 2. | MSR | * | 1 AP 65 | |

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<u>GAYLE</u>	St Mary	Opened	1856
1. P 6(Foster P 8) (sent out 5 DE 56)		2 JY 57	OC 62
2. A 41 oblit type H			
3. S.R.	A index (1870)	8 SP 74	30 MY 94
4. A 40 oblit			30 MY 94
	Known in blue ink on #1 & #2 - could be Flint River		
5. D.R. 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. 3 mm. letters dots		21 JA 95	4 SP 36
6. D.R. 30 mm. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. letters		14 JU 37	5 MR 62
7. MSR	*	8 JY 61	10 AU 64
	no *	8 SP 62	11 AU 64

<u>GEDDES TOWN</u>	St Mary		
1. TRD Type 37 a	violet ink	18 MR 63	3 JU 63
2. MSR	no *	16 AU 64	27 AU 64
	Forwarding Office: Free Hill and Oracabessa		

<u>GEORGES PLAIN</u>	Westmoreland	Opened 2 October, 1931	
1. D.R. 29mm. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. letters		29 JY 35	21 JA 65
2. MSR	*	11 MR 57	13 OC 59
	Forwarding Office: SavannaLaMar		

<u>GEORGES VALLEY</u>	Manchester	Opened 4 June, 1954	
1. MSR	*	12 JU 54	15 JA 65
	This mark was reported without * on 29 DE 54 - possibly poor strike.		

<u>GIBRALTAR</u>	St. Ann	Opened 6 August, 1897	
1. TRD type 8	black ink	AU 97	
2. D.R. 27 mm. 3 mm. letters dots		7 JA 98	16 DE 98
	This office was reported as closed on 28 Feb., 1899		
	Reopened on 27 May, 1920		
3. D.R. 28 mm. 3 mm. letters		17 JA 27	9 JA 28
4. D.R. 28 mm. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. letters		31 OC 47	8 JY 64

<u>GIBRALTAR CAMP</u>	St. Andrew	Opened 1 April, 1941	
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This camp was opened initially to house the refugees from Gibraltar and then later to keep prisoners of war.

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GIBRALTAR CAMP (cont.)

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| 1. TRD type 37 | violet ink | 13 JA 42 14 JY 42 |
| Very large asterisks on each side. A slogan mark has been noted used with this mark consisting of a violet ink oblong 36 mm. X 28½ mm. reading "V/ For Victory" | | |
| 2. TRD special | black ink | 9 DE 40 |
| This mark is a double ring mark - undated - 35 mm. in diameter - and is believed to be an orderly room marking and not a postal marking. However it has been seen used as a canceller in 1943 - probably unauthorized. | | |
| 3. B 2 | no * | 15 MY 43 19 FE 47 |

A straight line mark reading "GIBRALTAR CAMP" has been noted used on 13 NOV., 1940 in red ink. Probably not a postal system marking.

GIDDY HALL

St. Elizabeth

Opened 13 March, 1903

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| 1. TRD Type 12 | violet ink | 14 SP 03 |
| | black ink | NO 03 24 FE (04) |
| The year "03" was a part of the above die. "04" in ms. when necessary. | | |
| | black ink | 19 FE 04 11 MR 04 |
| As above
The year "04" was a part of the second stamp. | | |
| 2. D.R. 28 mm. 2 3/4 mm. letters dots | | 26 SP 04 28 SE 55 |
| The dots are usually quite faint. | | |
| 3. MSR | * | 4 FE 57 11 JY 64 |

GINGER HILL

St. Elizabeth

Opened 6 August, 1907
 Closed 1 December, 1908
 Reopened 23 January, 1912

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| 1. TRD type 13 | violet ink | MR 12 3 AP 12 |
| 2. D.R. 28 mm. 3mm. letters | | 23 AU 19 12 JA 60 |
| 3. MSR | * | 5 FE 57 21 SP 61 |

GINGER RIDGE

St. Catherine

Opened 26 June, 1928

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| 1. TRD type 25 | violet ink | 8 OC 28 30 OC 28 |
| This TRD is 59 mm. X 25 mm. | | |
| 2. D.R. 28½ mm. 3 mm. letters | | 4 MY 33 4 JA 63 |
| 3. B 1 (Issued but never recorded). | | |
| 4. MSR | * | 12 FE 58 25 AU 64 |

GLASTONBURY

Trelawney

Opened 1962

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| 1. TRD type 37 | violet ink | 15 JA 63 28 NO 64 |
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GLENGOFFE

St. Catherine

Opened 1 April, 1882

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| 1. S.C. type I | index A | 5 JA 83 | 10 JY 27 |
| | B | JA 90 | 4 FE 95 |
| | C | 17 JA 82 | 31 JA 87 |
| | No index | 21 JA 01 | 25 JA 18 |

Note that the earliest date listed (17 JA 82) predates the opening. The date is recorded correctly, although the probability is an error in the cancelling. This office was supposed to have been closed in 1922 and re-opened in January 1928.

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| 2. TRD type 25 | black ink | 11 JA 28 | 19 JU ? |
| | violet ink | 13 FE 28 | 10 NO 28 |
- The first three numerals of the year appear in the mark.

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| 3. D.R. 28 mm. 3 mm. letters | violet ink | 19 DE 28 | |
| | black ink | 14 MY 29 | 1 JA 65 |

This mark appears as a very thick single ring in later years, but the early strikes of this mark show two very thin rings closely spaced. Glengoffe was using an "Unclaimed" mark in 1960 that was 40 mm. X 6 mm. in slanted seriffed fancy letters - in black ink (16 MY 60) Although this office is recorded as being closed in 1922, it was not. Several marks dated as late as 1927 have been seen and it is listed on the post office schedules for these years. It is probable that it was closed down for a couple of short periods during this era, but was open most of the time.

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| 4. B 1 (Issued | but never recorded.) | | |
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GENISLAY

Westmoreland

Opened 23 November, 1933

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| 1. D.R. 29 mm. 2½ mm. letters | | 13 OC 33 | 11 MY 55 |
| 2. B 1 | | 13 AU 56 | |
| 3. MSR | no * | 6 FE 57 | 16 MR 64 |

GLOUCESTER

Clarendon

Opened 1956

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| 1. TRD type 37 b | violet ink | 21 MR 57 | 7 OC 57 |
| 2. MSR | * | 15 JU 59 | 7 MY 64 |

Forwarding Office: Thompson Town & Four Paths

GOLDEN GROVE

St Thomas

Opened 15 October, 1913

Formerly named Plantain Garden River (P.G.R.)

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|---------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
| 1. D.R. 28 mm. 2½ mm. letters | dots | 10 NO 14 | 27 OC 30 |
| 2. TRD type 21 | violet ink | undated | 21 |
| The "1921" is part of the mark. | | | |
| 3. D.R. 28 mm. 3¼ mm. letters | | 23 SP 32 | 1 MY 57 |
| 4. B 1 (Issued 15-17 Feb. 1940) | * | 24 JY 41 | 25 AU 64 |

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GOLDEN GROVE (cont.)

5. MSR * 7 NO 57 8 SP 64

In 1960, Golden Grove was using an "Unclaimed" mark 40 X 60 mm. in slanted seriffed fancy letters in black ink (May 2-30, 1960)

GOLDEN SPRING St. Andrew Opened 1846

1. P 5 (sent out 13 NO 46)

2. A 42 oblit type H (issued 1 MR 59)

3. A 41 oblit type H
Transferred from Gayle in late Oct., 1862. Transferred to Stony Hill in 1890.

4. S.R. 24 mm. (sent out about 1880) 9 OC 88 14 JA 90
For some reason, this mark was often used to cancel stamps in the 1880-90 era.
On 5 June, 1890, this office was closed and moved to Stony Hill - about 1½ miles away in the same parish.
An office was opened with this same name and approximate location on 23rd December, 1958.

5. TRD type 37 c violet ink 15 JA 59 6 OC 59

6. MSR * violet ink 19 MY 60 14 AU 62
* black ink 29 NO 63 28 SP 64

In 1960, this office was using an "Unclaimed" mark about 40 mm. X 60 mm. of slanted seriffed letters in black ink. (2 MY 60)
Forwarding Office: Stony Hill (1964)

GOLDEN VALLEY

1. MSR * 19 MR 65

GORDON'S CROSSING

St. Elizabeth Opened 3 April 1959

1. TRD type 37 c violet ink 7 MY 59 18 SP 59
bluish ink 14 DE 59
black ink 9 AU 60

This mark is spelled "Gordon Crossing".

2. MSR * bluish ink 14 JU 60
violet ink 8 MR 62 13 MR 62

Forwarding Office: Montego Bay

GOOD INTENT

Manchester Opened April, 1962

1. TRD type 37 a violet ink 18 AP 62 18 JY 63
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GORDON TOWN

Opened May, 1851

1. P 5 (sent out 31 MY 51) 25 MR 54 19 MY 74
2. A 43 oblit type H (issued 1 MR 59) SP 61
In late Oct., 1862, this oblit was transferred to Goshen and the A42 oblit was received from Golden Spring to replace it.
3. A 42 oblit type H 9 DE 71 2 AU 92
4. S.R. 24 mm. 9 JY 84 24 NO 10
5. D.R. 28½ mm. 2 3/4 mm. letters faint dots 31 MY 15 1 AP 35
6. B 1 (issued 18 JY 39) * 29 SP 39 3 FE 65

GOSHEN

St. Elizabeth

Opened before 1788

1. T 2 (Foster T 3) 11 MR 05 14 DE 33
2. T 3 (Foster T 4)
3. P 2 (sent out 1 April, 1839) 28 AU 45 3 JU 59
4. A 44 oblit type H (issued 1 MR 59) 3 JU 59 25 NO 59
This oblit was transferred to Grange Hill in late Oct. 1862 and the A43 oblit was received in its place from Gordon Town.
5. S.R. 22 mm. A index 21 OC 59 23 DE 82
Noted in 1883
6. A 43 oblit type H
This oblit was transferred to Santa Cruz on 1 Oct. 1883 as office closed.

Another office by this name was opened in about the same location on 13 May, 1960.

7. TRD type a violet ink 4 JY 60 9 SP 60
Black ink 26 JA 61 27 FE 61
8. MSR * 16 DE 63 3 OC 64

GRANGE HILL

Opened before April, 1839

1. P 2 (sent out 1 April 1839) 20 AU 44 25 SP 59
2. A 45 oblit type H (issued 1 MR 59) 23 MY 59
This oblit was transferred to Green Island in late Oct. 1862 and the A 44 oblit was received from Goshen in its place.
3. S.R. 24½ mm. A index 23 MR 65 15 AU 95
This mark was sent out in 1859. A 21 mm. mark is supposed to exist.
4. A 44 oblit type H 23 MR 65 19 AU 93
5. D.R. 28 mm. 2½ mm. letters dots 6 JY 96 17 MY 21
6. D.R. 28 mm. 3 ¼ mm. 4 JY 33 1 SP 55
7. D.R. 30 mm. 2½ mm. letters 5 SP 45 JY 56
8. MSR * 6 FE 56 6 OC 64

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GRANGE LANE

St. Catherine

Opened 18, July, 1918

1. TRD type 18

violet ink

26 JY 18 11 MY 19

black ink

2 AU 18 24 OC 18

The "18" was originally part of the mark, but was removed in 1919.

2. D.R. 29 mm. 3 mm. letters dots

22 JA 20 13 JA 23

Closed 31 July, 1923

GRANGE LANE RAILWAY

St. Catherine

Opened before 1880

1. S 1 a

While no date is reported, it is definitely supposed to exist.

2. S 1 b

blue ink

16 JA 02 3 JA 17

3. S 2

blue ink

13 JU 05 06

4. S 3

blue ink

2 NO 11 14 JY 21

5. S 4 b (government)

blue ink

21 11 FE 24

GRANTHAM

Clarendon

Opened on 25 August, 1920

1. TRD type 21

violet ink

13 OC 20 14 MR 21

2. D.R. 28 mm. 3 mm. letters

29 JY 27 4 JA 65

Forwarding Offices: Frankfield

GRANT'S PEN

St. Thomas

Opened 21 April, 1958

1. MSR 23½ mm

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16 AU 61

The above mark has been reported as a faint strike. It is not normal for subpostal agencies, such as this, to get cancellers. Does anyone have any first hand knowledge of any other strikes of this nature?

GRANVILLE

St. James

Opened 7 November, 1949

1. TRD type 44

violet ink

7 NO 49 9 JA 51

This mark is erroneously spelled "Glanville"

2. TRD type 49

violet ink

7 JY 51 12 DE 51

3. B 4

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8 AU 52 9 SP 64

Forwarding Office: Montego Bay

GREAT VALLEY

Hanover

Opened on 28 July, 1927

1. D.R. 28 mm. 3½ mm letters

12 NO 28 29 MR 46

2. B 1

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4 AP 51 16 JA 65

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GREEN HILL

Portland

Opened 29 November, 1937

1. D.R. 29½mm. 2 3/4 mm. letters

14 OC 38 21 MR 61

Forwarding Offices: Spring Hill and Buff Bay

GREEN ISLAND

Hanover

Opened 1788

1. T 1 (Foster T2) 95
2. T 2 (Foster T3) 2 DE 20 12 MR 22
3. P 2 (sent out 1 April, 1839)
4. P 3 (sent out 15 Dec. 1842) 5 MR 49 31 AU 52
5. S.R. 21½ mm. A index 3 AU 60 7 DE 76
Supposedly used in 1858.
6. A 46 Oblit type H (issued 1 MR 59)
This oblit was transferred in late Oct. 1862 to Highgate and the A45
obliterator replaced it, coming from Grange Hill.
7. A 45 Oblit type H
8. S.R. 24½ mm. 8 OC 86 29 AP 17
Reported in 1882 - - no date.
9. D.R. 28 mm. 3¼ mm. letters 19 JA 14 29 OC 36
10. D.R. 30 mm 3¼ mm. letters 5 NO 30 16 OC 64
11. B 1 * 30 MR 51 16 FE 65

GREEN POND

Manchester

Opened 1808 or earlier

1. T 2 (Foster T3) 6 DE 08
2. T 3 (Foster T 4a) 9 JU 27 9 SP 27

This office was closed on 1 April, 1839. Another office was opened
in the same locality on 11 March, 1963.

3. TRD type 37a violet ink 27 MR 63 17 JA 64

GREEN VALE RAILWAY

Manchester

1. S 1 a blue ink 16 SP 01 17 OC 07
2. S 3 a blue ink 21 JY 17 1 AP 24
violet ink 1 DE 45

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<u>GREENWICH TOWN</u>	St. Andrew	Opened 4 December, 1956
1. TRD type 37 b	violet ink	12 DE 56 17 SP 58
2. MSR	*	23 SP 58 30 SP 64

<u>GREGORY PARK</u>	St. Catherine	Opened 2 October, 1896
1. D.R. 26½ mm. 2½ mm. letters dots		2 AU 97 7 OC 19
2. D.R. 28½ mm. 3 mm. letters		20 DE 22 6 AU 64
3. MSR	*	20 FE 65

<u>GREGORY PARK RAILWAY</u>	St. Catherine	
1. S 1 b	blue ink	12 DE 04 31 JA 24

<u>GREY GROUND</u>	Manchester	Opened 24 September, 1954
1. TRD type 37 b	violet ink	6 OC 54 19 SP 55
Strikes exist dated 14 SP 56, which are probably proof or favor strikes.		
2. MSR	* violet ink	5 NO 55 29 MR 56
	* black ink	19 JY 56 22 MY 64

<u>GROVE TOWN</u>	Manchester	Opened 15 February, 1946
1. TRD type 37	violet ink	15 FE 46 22 AU 46
2. B 1 (issued 1 JA 47)	*	2 DE 49 1 OC 63
Forwarding Offices: Newport and Constant Spring		

<u>GUANABOA VALE</u>	St. Catherine	Opened 17 July, 1896
1. TRD type 8	black ink	JY 96 11 NO 96
2. D.R. 28 mm. 3mm. letters dots		20 SP 97 26 FE 25
3. D.R. 29mm. 3½ mm. letters		31 DE 40 18 JA 65
Forwarding Offices: Spanish Town		

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