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A BUSY DAY IN 1974 AT THE SEAFORTH, JAMAICA, POST OFFICE. (Photo courtesy of Tom Foster)

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# BERMUDA MAIL ROUTES 

by C. Kilbourne Bump
With the advent of ocean going steamships, the mail service to and from Bermuda was made much faster and more reliable, as it was for most parts of the world.

From the mid-19th century onwards, letters between the colony and the mother country could be forwarded by a choice of routes. The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company stopped at Bermuda on its service between England and the West Indies for awhile. Later, Cunard ships, on their way to and from the West Indies and Halifax, carried mail that was transferred to ships going from Halifax to England at one end and from the West Indies to England at the other. As early as 1850 , mail could be sent by regularly scheduled steamers to New York to catch the fast transatlantic service to England.

Packet mail was also carried occasionally by Her Majesty's warships serving in the West Indies or based at the Royal Naval Dockyard in Bermuda. Also, commercial ships, carrying freight, often scheduled stops at Bermuda where they would leave or pick up mail. Of course, these services did not always operate simultaneously or continuously from the earliest period onward.

By the early 1880 's, correspondence with England could be routed via Halifax, via the West Indies (Jamaica), direct, or via New York, which was usually the fastest way. Since the postage rate was the same for all routes, four pence, the choice depended largely on timing.


FIGURE 1


FIGURE 2

Figure 1 shows a letter carried by the Royal Mail Steam Packet S. S. "Beta" which had arrived from Jamaica on 13 September 1883 and left for Halifax the same day. The letter arrived in London on 5 October 1883 after a trip of 22 days.

In the opposite direction, the R.M.S.P. S.S. "Alpha" arrived from Halifax on 9 June 1882 with the English mails, picked up the letter shown in Figure 2 and left the same day for Turks Island and Jamaica. Here the letter was transferred to a ship going directly back to England where it arrived on 11 July 1882 after 32 days en route.

The cover shown in Figure 3 came direct from England aboard the freighter S.S. "Ceto." The "Ceto" had left London on 7 July 1881, but picked up the letter at Dartmouth two days later.

It is dated London, 7 July, so it must have missed the sailing from London by a few hours and gone overland to Dartmouth. The ship left Dartmouth on 9 July and arrived in Bermuda on 25 July after 16 days at sea. The "Ceto" then proceeded on to Nassau with miscellaneous cargo, a $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ton gun, and possibly mail for the West Indies.


On 3 July 1883 another letter to George Smith, Figure 4, left Bermuda for New York on the S.S. "Orinoco" of the Quebec Steamship Company. From there it was transferred to the regular transatlantic service to England where it reached London on 21 July 1883. This trip took only 18 days. It was nearly as fast as on the direct route by an occasional ship like the "Ceto" even though the distance traveled was roughly $20 \%$ longer by way of New York.

In these days of less than 12 hours by air between London and Bermuda, it is hard to realize how 16 or 18 days was considered fast modern mail service by our ancestors.

## Grenada's Competent Authority

by W. Danforth Walker

When Great Britain declared war on Germany on 3 September 1939, Grenada immediately dispatched a telegram to the Secretary of State of Great Britain pledging Grenada's loyalty to the war effort. Immediate steps were taken by the Grenada Government to pass Colonial Defence Regulations, set up telegraph and postal censorship and price controls, and establish the office of Competent Authority.

To date, no covers posted during World War II and possessing Competent Authority markings have been recorded. "The Grenada Handbook and Directory 1946" lists E. Gittens Knight, M. B. E. as the Competent Authority. E. Gittens Knight is also listed as a Barrister and was Acting Colonial Treasurer and Controller of Supplies at the time the above book was published. It is probable that Mr. Knight was the Competent Authority throughout the war.

The first postal item recorded with a Competent Authority notation is in the collection of Harvey O'Connor. It is an OHMS envelope and typed in the bottom left corner on the front of the envelope is:

The undecipherable initials of the Competent Authority are above the typing. The cover has an Official Paid, Grenada c.d.s. dated 11 SP 1947. It is probable that the Competent Authority used this method of addressing his covers during the war, although confirmation of this is needed.

Long after the war, the Competent Authority had acquired a handstamp which is illustrated below.


The handstamp reads "APPROVED", with an adequate space provided for a signature above "Competent Authority". The "APPROVED" is $4.5 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}$ in sans serif capital letters and the "Competent Authority" has the first letters of each word in sans serif capital letters 3 mm high and the remaining letters in lower case $1.5-2 \mathrm{~mm}$ high with the two words 46 mm long.

The earliest known date for the actual use of the handstamp is 23 OC 1953. This was a registered letter addressed to the Moor Stamp Company of Ashland, Ohio and apparently was sent by a private citizen, Mrs. Veronica Xavier. This cover has the handstamp applied to the back in purple ink with the Competent Authority signature of N. Neckles. In "The Grenada Handbook and Directory 1946", a Nicholas N. Neckles is listed as a planter and proprietor of the Beausejour Ice Factory in St. George's parish. Below the handstamp are two strikes of a $5 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$ straight line datestamp of 23 OCT 1953, also in purple. Apparently the Competent Authority had to give this cover his stamp of approval since it contained stamps for collectors.

Harvey O'Connor also has a cover with the "APPROVED/ /Competent Authority" handstamp. The cover is dated 23 NO 1956 and is signed by G. Buggs, an unimpressive name for someone holding the impressive sounding position of Competent Authority. Mr. G. Buggs applied his handstamp to the back of the cover and used purple ink to apply the handstamp. He also applied one strike of the $5 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$ straightline datestamp in purple, dated 23 NOV 1956. In manuscript above the handstamp is "Contents/Used postage stamps", which probably was applied by the sender or a post office employee, as the handwriting is not that of G. Buggs. Like the previous cover with the "APPROVED/ /Competent Authority" handstamp, the author assumes the handstamp was applied because the cover contained stamps for collectors.

At the outbreak of World War II, the office of Competent Authority was of such importance that it was one of the first steps taken by Grenada to prepare for the war effort. By the 1950's, the Competent Authority was approving covers containing stamps for collectors. Since it is unlikely that the office of Competent Authority was formed in 1939 to check on stamp collectors, we are left in the dark on what its original purpose was.

Hopefully some member can throw some light on what the main functions of the Competent Authority were when the office was originally established and its functions after the war. The author would also like to know if any readers have covers with a competent authority notation used during the war or after, either from Grenada or the other islands.

## De La Rue Records: Jamaica

by Michael Vokins

(Editor's Note: This article begins a series on various items of Jamaica philately as gleaned by Michael Vokins from the De La Rue records.)

## 1. STAMP VENDING MACHINES FOR JAMAICA

The De La Rue records reveal that a stamp vending machine must, in all probability, have been first operated in Jamaica in 1913. The correspondence book with the Crown Agents (Vol. 56) has a letter dated 31 January 1912: 'We have received an inquiry from the Govt. of Jamaica as to rolls of stamps 1200 in each for use in an Automatic Stamp selling machine supplied by the British Stamp and Ticket Automatic Delivery Co. For how much could you supply such rolls of stamps?

The reply from De La Rue on 7 February stated 'We could supply reels, each containing 1200 stamps on a cardboard spool at 56s 5d the lot." On 4 April 1913 the Crown Agents wrote again "Please let us know if you can now undertake the manufacture of the rolls of stamps."

According to the Day Books (Vols. AA, AB) stamps in rolls were supplied to Jamaica on four occasions only and then the practice ceased:

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\begin{array}{rl}
15 \text { July } 1913 & 1 d-\quad 750 \text { sheets in rolls, } 150 \text { rolls of } 1200 \text { stamps each } \\
27 \text { July } 1914 & 1 d-260 \text { sheets in rolls, } 156 \text { rolls of } 400 \text { stamps each } \\
5 \text { July } 1915 & \text { ld }-1290 \text { sheets in rolls, } 258 \text { rolls of } 1200 \text { stamps each } \\
29 \text { May } 1916 & \frac{1}{2} d-510 \text { sheets in rolls, } 102 \text { rolls of } 1200 \text { stamps each }
\end{array}
$$

No more orders for stamps in rolls were placed until the George VI definitives were first issued. On 25 November 1937, the Crown Agents instructed De La Rue that when the new George VI $\frac{1}{2} d$ and 1 d stamps were ordered, dummy rolls would be required "in connection with stamp selling machines in Jamaica. "

The new George VI definitives were prepared and printed during 1938; on 11 August De La Rue wrote that dummy rolls of the new $\frac{1}{2} d$ and 1 d , in rolls of 500 stamps, would be ready in three weeks. However, the dummy rolls were not forwarded to the Crown Agents until 7 October.

It then took eight months for the Crown Agents to issue a contract, on 4 July 1939, for "stamps in rolls." But there were problems, because on 19 September De La Rue sent to the Crown Agents rolls interleaved with wax paper "which we trust will function satisfactorily in the vending machines." And, since the wax paper had to be inserted by hand, they asked a price of $1 / 8$ per roll. On 19 October De La Rue wrote to the Crown Agents that Messrs. Hall Telephone Accessories would be testing the roll. On 6 November they had to write that, because of delays and adjustments, Messrs. Hall would not be able to deliver the machines on time. However, they wrote again on the same day to the almost certainly impatient Crown Agents that the rolls had been tested that very day and had worked satisfactorily.

The 4 July contract was signed on 6 November for 240 reels of the 1 d and 240 reels of the $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. Delivery was promised for 21 December 1939.

Sadly, there is a gap in the records at this period and no evidence to tell us if these reels were ever printed and dispatched.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ----- (continued from page 62)
We are currently in the process of making plans for the Group's meeting in Toronto, Canada, next June. It is hoped that some 'togetherness' functions such as we had at our annual meeting in Chicago last year can be undertaken in addition to the meeting/auction scheduled for Sunday, June 11, 1978. Also under consideration for the weekend of June 10-11 are a dinnertime get-together and a meeting facility at the Chelsea Inn. A Monday tour/shopping expedition is planned for ladies attending.

My thanks to member Harold Gosney for assisting with local arrangements.
PAUL
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## Antigua Monograph

The following is a continuation of Section 7.3, King George V Definitive Stamps, whichbegan in the October 1977 BCPJ. The section was drafted by Bill Cornell, with reviews and contributions provided by George Bowman, Gil Holmes, Nat Surtees, Mark Swetland, and Edward Thompson.

## QUANTITIES

The data on stampquantities tablulated below were mainly obtained through the courtesy of the Crown Agents. However, certain data were obtained from the De La Rue Archives through the courtesy of A.G. Rigo de Righi, Curator of the National Postal Museum, who allowed A.J. Branston to examine the Museum's holdings. The De La Rue data shown below consists of all information on the initial shipment of Small Seal stamps in April 1921, as well as certain other data on dealers' quantities and Specimen quantities ((3)). This information is identified by ( DLR ) in the tabulations.

The "total quantities" are listed as dispatched in the Crown Agents' records. The "dealers' quantities" are from the same source, unless otherwise identified. The difference between total and dealers' quantities represent those sent to the island. Patrick Hamilton ((14)) indicates that the Crown Agents began to handle dealers' supplies with the St. Kitts-Nevis issue of 1920. Accordingly, the system for recording dealers' quantities in the records may well have not been fully developed at the time of the earlier printings of the Small Seal stamps ((3)).

## $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ VALUE

| REQN. NO. | DEALERS | TOTAL | REMARKS | DISPATCHED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 117/20 | 15,450 | 121,170 | Initial printing, dull green (i). Specimens 403. | APR 21(DLR) |
| 155/21 |  | 122,760 |  | 24 MAR 22 |
| 1931 |  | 120,960 |  | 25 JUL 26 |
| 2252 |  | 61,800 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 22 MAR 29 |
| 2457 |  | 61,560 | " " | 24 OCT 30 |
| 2580 |  | 61,200 | Numbered 1 up each duty. For dispatch by Parcel Post. | h 29 SEP 31 |
| 2841 |  | 61,080 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 7 MAR 34 |
| 3209 |  | 59,280 | " " " " | 26 OCT 36 |
| 3278/1 |  | 12,600 |  | 0-19 APR 37 |
|  |  | 682,410 |  |  |

( i) No Crown Agents' records are available for the initial printing issued in July 1921. However, the De La Rue archives contain the necessary data, and these are given in these tabulations for the nine values dispatched in April 1921 on Reqn. No. 117/20.
(ii) Geoffrey W. Groves ((15)) notes two shades - dull green and deep dull green, the latter presumably from a later printing (see section below on shades). The two shades are confirmed by Swetland and Cornell, and the chronological order of the shades is confirmed by a dull green block canceled 20 SP 1921 in the Cornell collection ((3)).

| 1d VALUE |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 117/20 | 10,230 | 242,190 | Initial printing, carmine-red. Specimens 403. | S APR 21(DLR) |
| 155/21 |  | 239,520 |  | 24 MAR 22 |
| 1659 | 12,000(DLR) | 246,600 | Color change-bright violet. Specimens 411 (DLR). | 23 AUG 23 |
| 1931 |  | 243, 360 | Probably the mauve shade (i). | 25 JUL 26 |
| 2252 |  | 120,960 | Color change-bright scarlet. GPO Specimens. | 22 MAR 29 |
| 2457 |  | 121,440 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 24 OCT 30 |
| 2593 |  | 61,680 | " " " " | 11 NOV 31 |
| 2841 |  | 61,560 | " " | 7 MAR 34 |
| 3099 |  | 61, 080 | Numbered 1 up each duty. Very urgently required. | 12 FEB 36 |
| 3209 |  | 60,720 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 26 OCT 36 |
| 3243/1 |  | 61, 080 | Numbered 1 up each duty. Very urgently required. Dispatch before Coronation issue. | 3 MAR 37 |
| 3335/1 |  | 12,600 |  | 21 DEC 37 |
|  |  | 2,790 | (i) of the four 1d stamps |  |
| (i) Since this is the second printing of the violet stamp recorded by the Crown Agents, it seems reasonable that this is the mauve shade recorded by Gibbons ((3)). |  |  |  |  |
| (ii) Total quantities of the individual stamps are: carmine-red, 481, 710; bright violet, 246,600; mauve, $243,360(?)$; bright scarlet, $561,120$. |  |  |  |  |
| 1 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ VALUE |  |  |  |  |
| 107A/21 | 7,830(DLR) | 59,430 | Initial printing, dull orange. New duty. Specimens 399 (DLR). | 28 NOV 21 |
| 1931 | 10,800 | 240,480 | Color change-carmine-red. GPO Specimens. | 25 JUL 26 |
| 2145 |  | 123,120 |  | 24 APR 28 |
| 2252 | 12,000 | 120,000 | Color change-pale red-brown. GPO Specimens. Numbered 1 up each duty. (i). | 22 MAR 29 |
| 2457 |  | 122,280 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 24 OCT 30 |
| 2841 |  | 62,640 | " " " " | 7 MAR 34 |
| 3243/1 |  | 40,800 | Numbered 1 up each duty. Very urgently required. Dispatch before Coronation issue. | 3 MAR 37 |
| 3335/1 |  | 12,480 |  | 21 DEC 37 |
| 781,230 of the three $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ stamps (ii) |  |  |  |  |

( i) Groves ((15)) notes two shades, pale red-brown and red-brown, the latter from a later printing. Reference 6 states that a 1931 (?) printing was in an appreciably deeper shade. The two shades are confirmed by Swetland and Cornell ((3)).
(ii) Total quantities of individual stamps are: dull orange, 59,432 ; carmine-red, 363,600; pale red-brown, 358, 200.

| 2d VALUE |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 117/20 | 7,770 | 28,890 | Initial printing, grey (i). Specimens 403. | APR 21(DLR) |
| 155/21 |  | 123, 120 |  | 24 MAR 22 |
| 1659 |  | 121,440 |  | 23 AUG 23 |
| 1856 |  | 60, 000 | Probably slate - pale or deep (i). | 25 JUN 25 |
| 2457 |  | 61,680 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 24 OCT 30 |
|  |  | 395,130 |  |  |

( i) Groves ((15)) notes three shades - grey, pale slate, and deep slate, the latter two from later printings. Melville ((1)) states that the printing issued 23 July 25 (presumably Reqn. No. 1856) was in a slate-grey as compared to the original grey. The three shades are confirmed by Swetland and Cornell, plus the fact that the grey shade appeared initially is confirmed by a block canceled 20 SP 1921 in the Cornell collection ((3)).

| 212d VALUE |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 117/20 | 7,666 | 18,586 | Initial printing, bright blue. Specimens 403. | APR 21 (DLR) |
| 1659 | 7,200(DLR) | 61,200 | Color change, orange-yellow. Specimens 23 411 (DLR). | $23 \text { AUG } 23$ |
| 1973 |  | 61,680 | Color change, ultramarine. Urgent. 10 GPO Specimens. | 10 NOV 26 |
| 2593 |  | 59,160 | Numbered I up each duty. The $2 \frac{1}{2} d$ stamps should be dispatched immediately they are received. | 11 NOV 31 |
| 3243/1 |  | 12,600 | Numbered 1 up each duty. Very urgently required. | 3 MAR 37 |
| 3278/1 |  | 12,600 | $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ value urgetly required. $10-19$ | 19 APR 37 |
| 3335/1 |  | 12,480 |  | 21 DEC 37 |
| 238, 306 of the three $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ stamps (i) |  |  |  |  |

## 3d VALUE

$\left.\begin{array}{llll}117 / 20 & 6,986 & 29,906 \text { Initial printing, purple on pale yellow, } & \text { APR 21(DLR) } \\ \text { wmk. MCA. Specimens 403. }\end{array}\right)$
(i) Groves ((15)) notes two shades of the SCA stamp, purple on pale yellow and pale purple
on lemon. Reference 6 states that the initial stamps were purple on pale yellow and that a ' 1936 " printing was in deep purple on pale yellow, presumably referring to the 24 OCT 30 dispatch on Reqn. 2457 ((3)). The existence of two shades of purple is confirmed by Cornell, but on a single paper color ((3)).
(ii) Total quantities of individual stamps are MCA, 29, 906 and SCA, 106, 320.

## 4d VALUE

| 107A/21 | 5,486 | 61,166 | Initial printing, grey-black \& red on pale yellow. New duty. Specimens 399 (DLR). | 28 NOV 21 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 6d VALUE |  |
| 117/20 | 6,446 | 12,326 | Initial printing, dull \& bright purple (i). Specimens 403. | APR 21(DLR) |
| 155/21 |  | 24,000 |  | 24 MAR 22 |
| 2252 |  | 23,520 | Numbered 1 up each duty. | 22 MAR 29 |
| 2788 |  | 30,600 | " " | 9 AUG 33 |
|  |  | 90,446 |  |  |

( i) Groves ((15)) notes two shades, dull and bright purple and purple and bright purple. Melville ((1)) states that a printing issued on 23 July 1925 was in 'brown-purple and bright purple." Reference 6 states that a mid-1925 (?) printing was in 'brown-purple and rosine," possibly following Melville. Although Melville seems accurate about the 2d "slategrey" and 3d SCA being issued on 23 July 1925 since Reqn. No. 1856, dispatched 25 June 1925, contained these stamps, no $6 d$ stamps were included, according to the Crown Agents' records. It may be that the 1921 and 1922 printings were of different shades or that the Crown Agents' records omit another 1925 dispatch. The existence of two shades of purple is confirmed by Swetland and Cornell ((3)).

## 1/- VALUE

117/20 5,746 13,066 Initial printing, black on emerald, wmk. APR 21 (DLR) MCA. Specimens 403 (i).
155/21 22,680 24 MAR 22
2252 7,200

2788

| 31,920 Watermark change, SCA. GPO Speci- | 22 MAR 29 |
| :--- | :---: |
| mens (ii). |  |
| 31,320 Numbered 1 up each duty. | 9 AUG 33 |

98,986 of the two $1 /-$ stamps (iii)
( i) Cornell reports two shades on the MCA stamp - black on emerald and deep black on emerald ((3)).
(ii) Groves ((15)) notes two shades on the SCA stamp, black on emerald and deepblack on pale yellow green, the latter from a later printing. The existence of two paper colors is confirmed by Cornell, but printed in a single shade of black ((3)).
(iii) Total quantities of individual stamps are MCA, 35, 746 and SCA, 63,240.
2/- VALUE
wmk MCA. Specimens 403.

| 2036 | 6,000 | 18,000 | Watermark change, SCA. GPO Specimens. | 23 MAY 27 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 30,435 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2/6 VALUE |  |
| 117/20 | 3,170 | 12,770 | Initial printing, black \& red on blue, wmk. MCA. Specimens 403. | APR 21(DLR) |
| 2036 | 6,000 | 12,240 | Watermark change, SCA. GPO Specimens. | 23 MAY 27 |
|  |  | 25,010 |  |  |

3/- VALUE
107A/21 2,020(DLR) 24, 120 Initial printing, green \& violet. New 28 NOV 21 duty. Specimens 399 (DLR).

4/- VALUE

107A/21 1,950(DLR) 23,400 Initial printing, grey-black \& red. New 28 NOV 21 duty. Specimens 399 (DLR).

5/- VALUE
107A/21 1,950(DLR) 24,960 Initial printing, green \& red on pale 28 NOV 21 yellow. New duty. Specimens 399 (DLR).
£1 VALUE

1511-61/22
1931

2,400 Initial printing, purple \& black on red. New duty.
2,400
4,800

## REMARKS ON SHADES

In defining shades in the above discussion of stamp quantities, Stanley Gibbons' nomenclature has been used and the Gibbons Color Guide has been employed in making comparisons among examples studied.

In addition to the definite shades discussed above, there are minor variations or "sub-shades" as well in the cases of the 1 d bright scarlet, $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ carmine-red, 2 d grey, and $2 /-\mathrm{MCA}$ purple and blue on blue (two shades of purple).

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## From the Editor's Desk---

Putting aside the editorial 'we" for a moment, I want to thank the British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group for the flowers sent on behalf of its members, and to thank the individuals who telephoned and those who sent flowers, memorials, and the numerous messages of sympathy and condolences on the passing of my beloved Stan. The BCPSG was an important part of Stan's life and it would have touched him deeply to witness the support and comfort given me by our fellow members. Thank you all.

A lesson well learned in the past months is that one must often do things that one prefers not to do. If you have read the President's Message, you know that we have had to extend our resignation as editor of the British Caribbean Philatelic Journal. We will continue in the position as long as possible, hoping that a replacement can be found in reasonable time.

We pledge our support and all the help possible to the new editor. We also know that Fred Seifert, who has helped us so much in the past, will also give his support. If you wish to know more of what is involved in the position, please do not hesitate to send your questions to Box 354, Sidney, OH 45365 . The editorship takes time, but it gives so much more in return.

We must take this time to thank George Bowman, our vice president, for stepping forward and offering to oversee production of the forthcoming Group membership list. This will relieve your present editor of one more time consuming job. We might add here that this type of co-operation and support is indicative of the officers and membership of the BCPSG. The membership list will be sent with the June or August Journal.

We also want to thank Dan Walker for his assistance and for a job well done during his tenure as secretary. We'll miss the phone calls, Dan!

Just because there is a change of editorship in the offing, do not stop sending your articles, items for Bits \& Pieces, Personal Mention and the like. You can help in this transition by continuing to supply journal material. Continue to send them to your present editor until further advised.

# BERMUDA FLIGHT UPDATE 

by Stephen E. Papworth
I would like to amplify the check list on Charles Cwiakala's "First Flights of Bermuda," which appeared in the August 1976 BCPJournal.

Concerning the flight per USS "Los Angeles," 21/23 April 1925, the two-line and three-line cachets applied in Bermuda for the return flight (Cwiakala Figures 5 and 6 respectively) are noted by Ludington in his major work as AC2 and AC1 respectively. Ludington also notes that the two-line cachet has been applied in both black and mauve, but only reports the three-line in black.

From covers in my own collection, I can report that the following combinations exist: a) twoline in black, (b) two-line in both black and mauve (or purple) on the same cover, (c) threeline in black, (d) two-line and three-line both in black on the same cover, and (e) two-line in mauve and three-line in black on the same cover.

I have never seen or heard of the three-line in any color other than black. From scarcity point of view, both two and three-line appear to be about equal, at least here in the U.K. The double cachet markings, both in black, seem only slightly more rare, the double cachets with twoline in purple a bit more difficult to find, and the two-line in mauve, on its own, the hardest of the lot. Prices. asked, however, do not reflect this relative scarcity, the single three-line invariably making a higher premium (unwarranted in my opinion).

There is also a further error of the three-line cachet - the "A" of AIR being missing, which I wrote about in the BWISC "Bulletin" No. 89 (June 1976).

With regard to the outward flight from Lakehurst, NJ, I have a cover dated with the New York cancel APR 15 1925, which also bears a three-line cachet in turquoise which reads 'Via Airmail/By Air Ship Los Ange les/From Lakehurst NJ." From the spacing of the letters it would appear that this was a made-up rubber stamp from individual letters. It is reported by Francis J. Field of Sutton Coldfield, U.K. , that this cachet is very rare, but I can find no references to such a cachet being officially used and I wonder whether this is a 'private" one or not. The cover is addressed to R.O. Clifford, St. Georges, Bermuda (as are most of my covers of this flight), has been machine numbered 148 in black on the reverse together with the St. Georges, Bermuda, CDS dated 22 Apr 26 C. Can anyone throw any light on this particular cachet?

Incidentally, I also have a cover flown on the first "Los Angeles" flight to Bermuda bearing the red New York mark dated Feb 20 which was posted at Varick St. Sta. on 18 February. The cover is addressed in normal script handwriting (again to R.O. Clifford) and bears a two-line cachet in purple reading "AIR MAIL BY/AIR SHIP LOS ANGELES FROM LAKEHURST NJ." This cachet has been type set and, once again, I can find no references to such a cachet being used. Information on this would also be most welcome.

## Postmarks of Guyana <br> by Mike Rego

The following is a continuation of the article on the Postmarks of Guyana which began in the October 1977 BCPJ.

## TYPE 4

PA before or after name of agency, GUYANA at foot in $29.5-30.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ diameter circle. Although these marks are used by the greatest number of postal agencies, they are scarcer than most other types; indeed, several of these should prove rare in time. This list includes a number of agencies which have been opened recently due to the expansion of postal business.


| Type 4 | EKD LKD | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PA Agricola | 5. $5.68 \quad 2.10 .70$ |  |
| PA Aishalton | 11. 8.74 | Year known missing |
| PA Apaiqua | 19. 7.74 | Asterisk below date |
| Baracara PA | 10. 1.74 11. 2.74 | Whole date in manuscript |
| PA Coomacka | 14. 2.75 | Year known missing |
| PA Dadanawa | 6. 2.75 | Date plug inverted |
| Dartmouth PA | 19.11.74 11. 3.75 | Year in manuscript |
| PA Enachu | 30. 9.69 6.12.76 | PA known missing |
| Ft Island P/A | 14. $5.73 \quad 22.4 .74$ | BR GUIANA at foot |
| GDF PA Timehri | 13. 2.75 13. 3.75 | Guyana Defence Force |
| Imbaimadai PA | 22. 9.76 13.12.76 | Y in GUYANA inverted |
| Ithaca PA | 24.7.74 | GUYANA moved to right |
| Ituni PA | 3. 9.74 1. 7.75 |  |
| Karandarnawa PA | 13.10.75 18.12.76 | (Lumid Pau) known in purple |
| P A Karasabai | 22. 4.74 | Asterisk below date |
| P A Kamarang | 12. 1.70 9. 3.77 | P A known missing |
| PA Kato | 9.6.73 6. 8.76 | Known in purple ink |
| Kwapau PA | 23. 3.77 | New postal agency |
| Makouria PA | 12. 4.75 | Two line date |
| Mahaicony-Abary PA | 8. 6.76 14. 8.76 |  |
| Monkey Mountain PA | X. 3.74 28. 9.74 | Known in purple ink |
| Mt Roraima PA | 12.11 .73 | Mount Roraima - Expedition |
| Mt Roraima PA | 12.11.73 | Different spacings |
| PA No 73 Village | 22.6.76 28.6.76 | On Dorentyne Coast, Berbice |
| No Fiftyone PA | 3.11 .69 11. 8.76 |  |
| Orealla PA | 8. 6.76 | Violet ink used |
| Port Kaituma PA | 3.11 .69 27. 9.75 | Asterisk above date |
| PA 110 Mls Potaro | 18. 3.72 12. 2.77 | 110 miles from Bartica (PA known missing) |
| Stanleytown PA | 16.12.69 26. 8.76 | Year in full or missing |
| St Marys PA | 27. 4.74 | Two line date |
| Sisters PA | 24. 7.73 24. 4.74 | Two line date |
| PA Tacana | 29. 2.74 | Year known in manuscript |
| Timehri Airport PA | 8. $6.76 \quad 4.10 .76$ | New postal agency |
| PA Wauna Yaraketa | 25. 3.75 | Two line date |
| Wineperu P A | 26. 9.68 | GUIANA at foot |

## TYPE 4a

PA before or after name of agency, GY or BG at foot, in $30-30.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ circle. Some of the BG postmarks have not been changed and, consequently, have been continually used to this present day.


PA Before or After Agency Name, GY or BG at Foot

| Type 4a | EKD $\quad$ LKD | Comments |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| PA Bonasika Creek | 8.10 .73 | E of CREEK missing |
| P A Bush Lot Cor | $7.9 .66 \quad 21.9 .76$ | B G at foot of CDS |
| Corentyne PA | 19.4 .69 | Number 19 in center of CDS |
| PA Imbaimadai | $24.11 .74 \quad 25.11 .74$ | BG at foot. Year incomplete |
| Rampoor PA | 30.9 .74 | BG at foot |
| PA Sheet Anchor | $8.7 .67 \quad 4.6 .69$ | BG at foot, see illustration |
| PA Two Mouth |  |  |
| Mazaruni | $30.1 .67 \quad 28.4 .67$ | BG continuous with office name |
| PA Vigilance | 4.12 .67 | BG at foot |

## TYPE 4b

PA before or after name of agency, $G$ at foot of 30 mm diameter CDS. Again, the old ' $\mathrm{BG}^{\prime}$ postmarks have been kept, but the ' $B$ ' has been removed; thus, the ' $G$ ' remains for Guyana.


PA Before or After Agency Name, G at Foot


| Type 4b | EKD $\quad$ LKD | Comments |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hague Sett P A | 22.4 .74 | Year in manuscript |
| PA Henrietta | 23.7 .74 | See illustration |
| PA Stampa | 18.8 .69 | 13.10 .69 |
| PA Tumatumari | $24.8 .74 \quad$ Asterisk added in CDS |  |
| PA Yakusari | 8.74 | See illustration |

## TYPE 4c

PA before or after name of agency in a $30-30.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ circle. These marks have been difficult
to collect. As yet, only one strike of each has come to light. It should be noted that the Corentyne postmark has been altered from Type $4 a$ in recent months.


PA Before or After Agency Name

| Type 4c | EKD | LKD |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Comments |  |  |
| PA Lesbeholden | 19.9 .76 | Two line date |
| No Corentyne PA | 6.10 .76 | Number 19 in center of CDS |
| Soesdyke PA | 1.10 .66 | One line date |

## TYPE 5

Name of agency at top, PA at foot, 30 mm diameter CDS. Atkinson Field Agency is now closed with the Timehri Airport Agency receiving its business since June 1976.


Name of Agency at Top, PA at Foot

| Type 5 | EKD $\quad$ LKD | Comments |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Atkinson Field | 13.11 .73 <br> 30. <br> 30. <br> A.74 | S in ATKINSON missing <br> A and A spaced closer |
| Caria Caria | 28.10 .74 |  |

## TYPE 6

This CDS contains the agency number or district. Again, these postmarks have continued in use since colonial days.

Agency and District

| Type 6 | EKD $\quad$ LKD | Comments |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Corentyne | 19.10 .68 | 30.9 .69 | See illustration |
| Issano Maz | 14.11 .74 | 19.12 .74 | Asterisk above date |



Postal Agency No $17 \mid 11.8 .69$ 11. 2.77 $\quad$ Old 'British' CDS (used at Kurupung Agency)

We should record that Kitty P.O. has been misusing its First Day 35 mm diameter cancel in black ink on commercial mail. The cancel reads KITTY/P O/Guyana. S. A./date/First Day/ of Issue.

Finally, a number of skeleton CDS' have been recorded with partial marks. Further strikes are needed for a type number, see illustrations below.


Incomplete Skeleton CDS, Further Strikes Needed For a Type Number

| $?$ | EKD $\quad$ LKD | Comments |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Cabacaburi (PA) | X.X.73 | PA in center of CDS |
| Orinduik PA | 11.5 .74 | Violet ink used |
| Troolierisi/uanai G | 29.10 .74 | Whole date in manuscript (Great Troolie Island) |
| Uitvlugt | 14.11 .69 | See illustration |

We now deal with Traveling Post Offices. As these marks vary considerably, it is easier to show them as they occur rather than give lengthy descriptions or varying type numbers. Several of the TPO's are now closed, therefore these may prove quite scarce in time. Being TPO's, these marks are much sought after by collectors.


(a)

(b)

(a)

Mobile Unit No 2
(b)

| Traveling Post Office | EKD LKD | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bartica Steamer (a) | 3. 9.69 20.10.69 | GUYA at foot and A moved |
| Bartica Steamer (b) | 2. 5.75 27.11.75 | M in STEAMER inverted |
| Canje Launch | 13.12.76 | See illustration |
| East Coast Railway | 16. 3.67 29. 9.69 | This TPO is now closed |
| West Coast Railway | 8.10 .73 2. 2.74 | Year known missing |
| Essequibo Steamer | 25. $8.69 \quad 19.10 .69$ | This TPO is now closed |
| Mobile Unit No 1 (a) | 1.12.67 12.11.70 | No 1 in center of CDS |
| Mobile Unit No 1 (b) | 4. 8.72 | See illustration |
| Mobile Unit No 2 (a) | 29.10 .67 18.7.72 | G Y at foot of CDS |
| Mobile Unit No 2 (b) | 10. 5.74 25. 3.77 | I of II moved to left |



Posted on board the West Coast Railway TPO on 2 February 1974, this cover received a skeleton CDS which, having been used in colonial days, has had the ' Br .' removed from the foot of the CDS to read 'Guiana.' GPO Georgetown, noting the cover was $15 ¢$ underpaid for the airmail rate to the U.K., applied the Insufficient Postage handstamp in violet.

Traveling Postal Agencies conclude this article with a full list as given below. Several postmarks have yet to be recorded (presuming they have been issued), thus readers and collectors of Guyanese postmarks could add to this list with their finds to help make the list more complete.


Bonasika Creek


Mahaicony Creek


Berbice River Steamer



Mahaica Creek


Pomeroon Launch

| Traveling Postal Agency | EKD LKD |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Abary Creek |  | Comments |
| Berbice River Steamer | $9.10 .68 \quad 31.12 .74$ | Year known missing |
| Bonasika Creek | 8.10 .73 | T of TPA missing |
| Coretyne River Launch |  |  |
| Cuyuni River |  |  |
| Demerara River-Launch |  |  |
| Upper Demerara Riv-Launch |  | Violet ink used |
| Launch-Parakeet | 6.11 .75 | No TPA shown in CDS |
| Mahaica Creek (Joe Hoop) | $5.4 .76 \quad$ 21. 6.76 | T of TPA not shown |
| Mahaicony Creek | 1.7 .76 |  |
| Mazaruni River Boat |  |  |
| Medical Mobile Unit N.W.D. |  |  |
| Pomeroon Launch | $12.1 .71 \quad 4.2 .77$ | Asterisk above date |

Sincere thanks are given to P. Al. Driffield, the Rev. I. McInnes, and T. Giraldi, who have provided a great deal of information to make this article possible. The author would appreciate information on and/or corrections to the foregoing.

## ELECTION RESULTS

The three new trustees, elected for a term of four years, 1 January 1978 to 31 December 1981, are: Kil Bump, Massachusetts; Tom Giraldi, Mlinois; and Tony Shepherd, Halifax, U.K.

The Board of Trustees have elected the following officers for the 1978 term: Paul Larsen, president; George Bowman, vice president; Howard Austin, secretary; Reuben Ramkissoon, treasurer; Elaine Durnin, editor; Alfred Branston, international director.

A $62.5 \%$ membership participation passed the proposed five changes to the constitution. Members will be receiving a copy of the revised constitution in the near future.

## NEW MEMBERS:

All applicants listed in the February Journal have been admitted into membership.

## NEW APPLICANTS:

ALEVRONTOS, Evangelos, 30-41 35th St., Astoria, NY 11103. Student. Collects Leeward and Windward Islands, especially Dominica, St. Lucia and St. Vincent. By Howard Austin

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DOSTER, Melvin, 197 Lambert Drive, Mannassas, VA 22110. Painter. St. Vincent. By Thomas E. Giraldi ELLERTON, Dr. Norman Vaughn, PO Box 609, Humaco, Puerto Rico 00661. Technical manager. Postal history; stamp booklets.

By Thomas E. Giraldi
ELLIOTT, Richard M., 3635 Bolivar Drive, Apt. 114, Dallas, TX 75220. Retail executive. British Guiana; Barbados; Trinidad \& Tobago. By American Philatelic Society FISHER, John E., 2473 Berryhill St., Harrisburg, PA 17104. Chemist. Leeward Islands. By Fred F. Seifert KUFCHAK, Gary, 1895 Sharon Copley Road, Wadsworth, OH 44281. Letter carrier. Stamps and postmarks of Caribbean and Pacific Is. Also US \& Canada. By Thomas E. Giraldi

LARSON, Duane, Rosemoor Stamp \& Coin Co. 2021 Ridge Road, Homewood, IL 60430. Stamp dealer. Encouragement of stamp group membership through phil. library. By Paul Larsen LEWIS, Anthony, 24 Darley Road, Ferndown, Dorset BH22 8QX, England. Assistant bank manager. Stamps of Antigua, Cayman Is., Bermuda, BWI general. By Alfred J. Branston MARTIN, Gary D., 202 S. Hammes Ave., Joliet, IL 60436. Auto technician. Jamaica, specialized.

By Robert Stein

OFNER, Robert E., 2385 Devils Glen Road, Bettendorf, IA 52722. Retired chemist. Worldwide stamps pre-1950.

By APS
SCHOENMAN, George, 10740 Wystone Ave., Northridge, CA 91326. School teacher. Bermuda.

By Elkin M. Adelson
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WALKER, Bryan J.

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DOAK, E.K.; FREYERMUTH, James; HELWICK, Louis; HICKS, Dr. H.; McKAY, Thomas; PETERKIN, E.

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FRIEDMAN, Barry, 9811 S.W. 2 Street, Plantation, FL 33324
ROSS, Donald F., 1375 Oslo Lane, San Jose, CA 95118
SMITH, David Ingle, 5 Vest Place, Weetangera, Canberra 2614, Australia
THOMPSON, Arthur, 30 High Thorpe Crescent, Cleethorpes, Sth. Humberside DN35 9PY, England.
WIKE, Ronald G., 15 Oaklands, Curdworth, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B76 9H0, U.K.

## DROPPED FOR NON-PA YMENT OF 1978 DUES:

Berman, Jon; Bishop, C.W.; Blanding, F.H. ; Brouillette, Gilles; Burgess, Mrs. O. ; Burkiewicz, R.J.; Cottman, R.J.; Dellamura, F.A.; Delman, P.; Dunn, W.R.; Edwards, D.G.; Evans, R.B.; Francis, W.D.; Gearing, P.; Grealy, M.J.; Hancock, P.D.; Heavens, T.D.; Hill, A. E.; Holmes, R.G.; Hoppe, J.M.; James, A.; Jones, A. G.J. ; Kanwit, E. L. ; Kimber, G. ; Limrick, B. ; Lister, J. ; Logan, J. B. ; Lundberg, J.; MacInnes, A.I. ; Miller, W. F. ; Morgan, Ian; Oesterly, P.E.; Payne, C.M.; Phillip, D.P.; Pierroz, M. G.; Rudes, K.; Sancho, Gerald; Siegel, B. F. ; Silk, D.; Singh, D. R. ; Slemrod, J. E. ; Spelman, H. M. ; Sugarman, S. ; Usick, M.A.; Wojtas, K.; Wynns, J. P.

## BITS \& PIECES from HERE \& THERE

BARBADOS - Ben Ramkissoon reports seeing a Worthing P. O. 3 CDS dated 17 OC 77. CDS ${ }^{\boldsymbol{\prime}}$ with P.O. 1, 4,5, and 6 have previously been reported.

BERMUDA - Lynn Wallace has noticed that official First Day Covers sold by the Bermuda Post Office lately do not have a cachet (Silver Jubilee, UPU, Piloting) and wonders if this is a new post office policy.
Along this line, Jack Arnell advises us an an unofficial First Day Cover for the Piloting issue. The Bermuda Maritime Museum produced 5, 000 souvenir covers on the first day of issue, 26 SEP 77, which show the pilot gig "Rambler," the only surviving gig which is on display in the Museum. These covers have the two stamps depicting pilot gigs on them and are available from the Bermuda Maritime Museum, PO Box 273, Somerset 9, Bermuda, for $\$ 2.50$ plus $25 ¢$ postage and mailing under separate cover.
Ben Ramkissoon advises that he has a cover with two of the piloting stamps on which has a return address of Bermuda Biological Station. The cover is signed by Captain Emmett of the $R / V$ "Panulinus II" for oceanographic research under the auspices of the Biological Station and NSF.

Referring to articles on Bermuda Prize Court Mail by Lincoln Kieffer (August 1972 BCPJ) and Jack Arnell (Dec. 1974 BCPJ), Richard Heap writes that he has now seen a cover with this mark in red with a Bermuda Registered GPO CDS dated 7 Aug 48, which is an earlier date.

Heap also writes that in reference to Lynn Wallace's article on Bermuda Railway Parcel Stamps which appeared in the October 1976 BCPJ, a cover similar to that described by Wallace (P6910) bearing No. P6907 went for $£ 50$ in a recent London auction. It is a West Indian Oil cover from St. George's to Hamilton. The auctioneer sent Heap a cutting of the item which included a photostat which reads "A curiosity than of orthodox philatelic character. Its date is in April 1937. Immediately after I had obtained a few of such covers out of a friend's waste basket in Hamilton the company began using the parcel stamps with the control number torn off and have been doing so`ever since, apparently lest they should be used again. "

Heap is now turning his attention to U. S. military labels and marks used in Bermuda. He would appreciate any information members may have on this.

Dan Walker reports that at a recent USCS Admiral Byrd Chapter meeting, Dr. Forest Swicker, President of the USCS, discussed a recent trip he took to Bermuda. In Bermuda he visited St. George's and asked about their Paquebot mark. Apparently, at one time they had a straight-line
mark, but are presently using a small, blank double circle, approx. 17 and 15 mm in diameter, on paquebot mail. Swicker asked if they would be interested in a new Paquebot handstamp and they answered in the affirmative. Ilustrated is a proof strike of the marking which Swicker had made up for the St. George's Post Office.


The Bermuda Post Office set up a special post office at BERMUPEX'78 at the Castle Harbour Hotel on 28 January. Both a datestamp and registration handstamp were used on this day.

BRITISH HONDURAS - O. N.D. Phillips has discovered a slogan RED/CROSS/ROLL CALL/ JOIN on a KGVI 4¢ stamp on piece (S. G. 153). The first four words are 2.5 mm in height and the last is 4.5 mm . The words are enclosed in a box $20 \times 24 \mathrm{~mm}$ which is joined to seven horizontal lines at least 26 mm long and spaced 3.5 mm apart. He is interested in the EKD and LKD dates for this slogan. Can anyone help him?

In the October 1977 BCPSG auction Phillips noted a British Honduras KGV 10¢ stamp (1913) was offered with a violet pre-cancel reading POSTMASTER/BELIZE/BRITISH HONDURAS. He advises that the full reading of this cancel would have been COLONIAL/POSTMASTER/BELIZE/ BRITISH HONDURAS. Although it was stated to be an apparently unused o.g. copy, Phillips feels that it must have beenused fiscally, doubtless on an 'unsealed' document, perhaps a contract between the Postmaster and another party for the carriage of the mails.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS - Charles Ricksecker sends a letter written by BVI Postmaster T.A. Fahie, clarifying the handling of future BVI postage stamps. Fahie writes:
"After making inquiries, the Government was satisfied to enter into a sales agreement with I.G.P.C. for the sale of B.V.I. stamps in West Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Japan on an exclusive basis. France, Holland, Belgium and Spain were assigned to the Crown Agents on an exclusive basis and the rest of the world including the United States, Canada and Great Britain was to be shared by both agents. The Crown Agents were unhappy about the European countries assigned to them and have proposed a worldwide sharing arrangement instead. This is being negotiated with I. G. P.C. who are inclined to accept the new suggestion.
'The Crown Agents will also retain responsibility for design and printing control of B. V.I. stamps as they have been doing in the past and the agreement with IGPC is not a departure from our stamp issuing policy except that now two agents are retained instead of one.
"Finally, I would like to say that as far as I know all negotiations made in connection with the agreement with IGPC have been above board. "

DOMINICA - Charles Ricksecker writes that in Dominica 2, 000 government civil servants were out on general strike from 1 Sept. to 17 Oct. 1977, protesting the failure of their government to pay them raises which had been due for the past three years. The postal services on the island were at a complete standstill, as the post office employees, air traffic controllers, and dock workers all participated. LIAT, the only airline to serve Dominica, was unable to do so for over a month. Sea mail was held up at Barbados or St. Lucia.

Ricksecker says that since the strike, the opposition members of the legislature are calling for a "No Confidence" vote against the current government in an attempt to force them to reveal financial figures to show why the Dominica government is practically bankrupt. If the campaign is successful, Ricksecker says it may prove interesting to see the postal revenue figures for Dominica over the past several years, especially for the overseas sales of postage stamps.

ST. LUCIA - Bob Deveaux advises that there is a new sub-post office at PERROT as of 1 November 1977.

TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Brian Renshaw points out an error in his listing of T\&T cancels which appeared in the Oct. 1977 Journal (p.165). A Garden Hill is listed for Tobago, but Garden Hill is in Jamaica! The listing should read Belle Garden.

Both Renshaw and Mike Romano advise of several new p.a. and p.o. openings in Trinidad: the first is PREYSAL (PA), which Renshaw says is near Gran Couva. His dated example is 18 JY 77 , but he believes it opened much earlier in the year than that; BELLE EAU ROAD (PA), advises Romano, opened 21 NO 77. The agency is at the home of Mrs. Elsa Benjamin in the Belmont District, an eastern suburb of Port-of-Spain; VALSAYN Post Office opened on or about 1 DE 77 and is located in a huge super-modern "Valpark" Shopping Center according to Romano. Renshaw advises that two CDS' are in use (Types X and XIII). ST. HELENA (PA) was re-established 1 DE 77 at the home of Arjoon Prabhoo in St. Helena Village. The village had been without a postal agency for some time. It is in the Arouca District. PLUM ROAD (PA), Renshaw has a 1 NO 77 example.


Romano writes that Roderick Pemberton is now Acting Postmaster in Trinidad and that things seem to be moving in the way of improvement.

Although a Type XIII CDS has been in use at least for $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years at Signal Hill, Tobago, Renshaw does not think it has yet been reported in the BCPJ. His example is dated 23 DE 75.

Ben Ramkissoon reports a meter slogan used in San Fernando, Trinidad, reading SAVE PRECIOUS WATER seen used 2 April 1976. Claxton Bay has a meter RN64 used by Trinidad Cement Ltd.

TURKS \& CAICOS - John Alden writes that the "Conch News," published at Grand Turk, 22 Dec. issue, reports "Estimated revenue to the Treasury (of the Turks \& Caicos Islands) from the postage stamp deal done between the Philatelic Bureau and I. G. P. C. is expected to be $\$ 240,000$ a year, according to Minister Liam Maguire. "

However, Alden feels that there may be a possibility that the islands will experience a slump in philatelic interest comparable to that of Grenada, where sales are said to have fallen to oneeighth of their former figure. The belated issue under I.G.P.C. auspices of a $\$ 5$ miniature sheet for the Queen's Jubilee appears to be an omen of future emissions.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Fellow Members:
You will find the 1977 Treasurer's Report to our membership of interest this year. Despite the cver rising costs of operations, we have been able to increase our cash position, ending the fiscal year $\$ 1,405.62$ ahead of the 1976 totals.

In presenting the report, I have shown the comparative figures for 1976 and 1977, and, in addition, presented a percentage distribution of income and expense. This should make for more seasoned conclusions, and should aid our Trustees in consideration of our budget and goals of this year.

We are grateful for membership support of our Journal, and appreciate its pivotal role in keeping us together. We must continue a realistic budget for its publication and the editorial support in meeting the costs of preparation of the paper.

Your tax-deductible contributions to our General Operating and Publications funds were coupled by the recruitment of five new life members. The continued interest by sellers, buyers, and members making donation lot proceeds in our annual auctions brought us close to a nondues income of $\$ 2,000$ which we felt to be needed to maintain a sound financial background.

We ask again for your help in making this responsibility easier to carry, by responding promptly to dues notices, membership renewals, and change of addresses. These are positive measures in reducing postage costs.

My family expresses with me their thanks for your appreciation for the work done in fulfilling this responsibility. I am grateful to all who have helped, particularly our officers, Editor Elaine Durnin, and to my able UK assistant, Al Branston. A special thanks is extended to Dan Walker as he leaves the secretary's position, for his invaluable help.

Respectfully submitted,
Reuben A. Ramkissoon, MD.

A Word From Our International Director:
The dues from the UK component of the membership for 1978 have been coming in most creditably. So far, there have only been a few resignations, mostly due to cessation of collecting of the Caribbean area.

I especially appreciate and thank all those who have continued to show a lively interest in the Group .

Respectfully,
Alfred J. Branston

BRITISH CARIBBEAN PHILATELIC STUDY GROUP, TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT 31 December 1977

|  | 1976 | \% Dist. | Balance <br> Forward | 1977 | \% <br> Dist. |  | \|Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BALANCE ON HAND |  |  | 3,318.19 |  |  |  | 3,743.30 |
| RECEIPTS: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dues: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current | 928.80 | 11.68 |  | 1,540.95 | 13.49 |  |  |
| Advance | 1,978.00 | 24.88 |  | 2,939.00 | 25.73 |  |  |
| Life | 600.00 | 7.54 |  | 650.34 | 5.69 |  |  |
| Admission Fee | 54.00 | . 67 |  | 54.00 | . 04 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General | 119.12 | 1.49 |  | 166.27 | 1.45 |  |  |
| Publications | 254.69 | 3.20 |  | 160.09 | 1.40 |  |  |
| Auction Lots | 3,409.44 | 42.88 |  | 4,980.26 | 43.61 |  |  |
| Advertising | 374.00 | 4.70 |  | 475.00 | 4.15 |  |  |
| Seals | 14.00 | . 17 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Postage: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Journal | 60.65 | . 76 |  | 212.77 | 1.86 |  |  |
| Auction |  |  |  | 27.30 | . 02 |  |  |
| Interest Income |  |  |  | 47.76 | . 04 |  |  |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | 7,949. 31 |  |  |  |  | 11,418.71 |  |
| EXPENDITURES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Postage: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Journal | 872.97 | 11.60 |  | 937.08 | 9.35 |  |  |
| Officers | 239.42 | 3.18 |  | 236.14 | 2.35 |  |  |
| Awards | 6.06 | . 08 |  | 6.06 | . 06 |  |  |
| Supplies/Stationery: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Officers | 23.37 | . 29 |  | 34.74 | . 34 |  |  |
| Editor | 243.42 | 3.23 |  | 49.62 | . 49 |  |  |
| Plaques | 37.52 | . 49 |  | 37.52 | . 37 |  |  |
| Telephone | 11.07 | . 14 |  | 20.46 | . 20 |  |  |
| Journal: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Printing | 2,729.32 | 36.27 |  | 3,353.08 | 33.48 |  |  |
| Editor's Expense | 300.00 | 3.98 |  | 302.83 | 3.02 |  |  |
| IBM Service Contract | 58.33 | . 77 |  | 63.22 | . 63 |  |  |
| Auction Lots | 2,374. 55 | 31.55 |  | 4,022.60 | 40.17 |  |  |
| Life Membership transfer | 600.00 | 7.97 |  | 600.00 | 5.99 |  |  |
| Refunds-Dues, Admissions |  |  |  | 4.25 | . 04 |  |  |
| Annual Group Meeting |  |  |  | 163.46 | 1.63 |  |  |
| Misc. (flowers, bankg charg |  |  |  | 58.73 | . 58 |  |  |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | ,7,524.20 |  |  |  |  | 10,013.09 |  |
| Excess of Receipts over Exp | en. |  | 425.11 |  |  |  | 1,405.62 |
| BALANCE ON HAND |  |  | 3,743.30 |  |  |  | 5,148.92 |
| (Dec. 31, 1977) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND |  |  | 1,773.08 |  |  | 2,440.70 |  |



## ANGUILLA

1 NO 77400 th ANNVERSARY OF RUBENS' BIRTH. Four values plus souvenir sheet: $25 ¢$ - "Le Chapeau De Paille"; 4 C - Helene Fourment with her two children; \$1.20-Rubens and wife; \$2.50-Marchesa Brigida Spinola-Doria. Artwork done by John Lister Staff Artists, lithographed by Questa. (JL)

## ANTIGUA

21 NO 77 CHRISTMAS 1977. Details in December BCPJ; new release date. (CA)
29 DE 77 10th ANNIV. OF STATEHOOD. Five values and souvenir sheet: 10ç - "Agriculture for Self Sufficiency"; 15¢ State Flag; 50ç - Police Band; 90¢ - Premier V.C. Bird; $\$ 2$ - Arms of Antigua. Designed by Waddington Studio and lithographed by Waddingtons. (IGPC, CA)

## BAHAMAS

25 OC 77 CHRISTMAS 1977. Four values and souvenir sheet, all showing manger scenes. Designed and lithographed by Waddingtons. (IGPC)
MR ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE. Four values plus souvenir sheet: 3¢ - Nassau Public Library; 8¢ - St. Matthew's Church; 16¢.-Government House; 18¢ - The Hermitage, Cat Island. Lithographed by Questa. (IGPC)

## BARBADOS

REVENUE STAMP. A $\$ 25$ revenue stamp has been issued. Printed by Waddingtons. (CA)
21 FE 350th ANNIV. OF FOUNDING OF BRIDGETOWN. Four values: 12 - Gibson's Map, Bridgetown 1766; 25¢ - A Prospect of Bridgetown from an engraving by S. Copens, 1695; 45¢ - Trafalgar Square, Bridgetown, from a drawing by J. M. Carter, Royal Regiment, 1835; \$1 - The Bridges, 1978. Designed by Waddingtons and lithographed by House of Questa. (CA)
MR SHIPS. A set of four values: 12¢ - an early steamer; 25¢-QEII in Deep Water Harbour; 50¢ - Rall nearing Barbados; $\$ 1$ - an early mail steamer. Designed by John Cooter and litho. by Waddingtons. (CA)

## BELIZE

DEFINTIVE NEW PRINTING. The following new printing is now available: $2 \hat{¢}, 4 \hat{\phi}$, and $10 ¢$ on CA Spiral Sideways watermarked paper; 15¢ and 25¢̣ on CA Spiral Upright paper. (CA, SG)

## BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

TOURISM. Six values: $\frac{1}{2} ¢$-divers; $5 ¢$ - cup coral inside bow of RMS "Rhone"; $8 ¢$-sponge formation on superstructure of RMS "Rhone"; $22 ¢$ - sponge and cup coral; $30 ¢$ - scuba divers; 75 - typical V.I. marine life. Designed by Waddington and lithographed by Bruder Rosenbaum, Vienna, in two panes of 25. (CA, SG)

27 FE CORALS. Four values: $8 ¢$ - Fire Coral; 15 $¢$ - Staghorn; 40 $\langle$ - Brain Coral; 75 $¢$ - Elkhorn Coral. Designed by Gordon Drummond and lithographed by Harrison and Sons in two panes of 25 stamps each. (CA, SG, IGPC)

## CA YMAN ISLANDS

2 DE 77 BUTTERFLIES. Six values: $5 ¢ ¢$ - Composia fidelissima; 8¢ -Heliconus charitonius; 10¢ - Danaus gilippus; 15¢ Agraulis vanillae; 20ç - Junonia evarete; 30¢̧ - Anartia jatrophae. Designed by John Cooter and lithographed by J. Enschede en Zonen (Holland), in two panes of 25 stamps each. (CA, SG)

NEW DEFINITIVE PRINTING. The $8 \%$ definitive has been reprinted on CA Spiral Sideways watermarked paper. (CA)
23 JA NEW HARBOUR AND CRUISE SHIPS. Four values: 3¢̧ - Cruise ship 'Southward"; $5 ¢ ¢$ - "Renaissance'; 30¢̣ - New Harbour; 50¢ - "Daphne." Designed by Glyn Hutchins and litho. by House of Questa. (CA, SG)

DEFINITIVE NEW PRINTING. The following new printing is now available: 10¢ and $20 ¢$ on CA Spiral Sideways watermarked paper. (CA)

## DOMINICA

9 JA CARNIVAL. Six values: $\frac{1}{2} ¢$ - Sousouelle Souris (costume worn by small boys representing bats in flight); $1 ¢$ - Sensay Costume; $2 ¢$ - Street Musicians; 45¢ - Douiette Band (Douiette is national costume of Dominica); 50¢ - Pappy Show Wedding (Mock society wedding); $\$ 2$-Masquerade Band. Designed by L. Honeychurch and Waddington Studio and lithographed by. Questa. (IGPC)

## GRENADA

DE 77 NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS. Six values and souvenir sheet: $\frac{1}{2} ¢$ - Christjaan Eijkman, Dutch, 1929 Medicine Prize; $1 ¢$ - Sir Winston Churchill, British, 1953 Literature Prize; 2¢ - Woodrow Wilson, American, 1919 Peace Prize;

35¢ - Frederic Passy, French, 1901, Peace Prize; $\$ 1$ - Albert Einstein, German, 1921, Physics Prize; $\$ 3$ - Carl Bosch, German, 1931, Chemistry Prize; souvenir sheet - $\$ 2$ value showing Alfred Nobel. Designed by Waddington and lithographed by Questa. (IGPC)

## GRENADA GRENADINES

DE 77 SPACE SHUTTLE. Six values and souvenir sheet: $\frac{1}{2} ¢, 1 ¢, 2 ¢, 22 ¢, 50 ¢, \$ 3$, souvenir sheet $\$ 2$. Designed by Waddington and litho. by Questa. (IGPC)

## GUYANA

1 FE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION. Four values: $8 ¢$ - Manatee; $15 ¢$ - Giant Sea Turtle; $35 ¢$ - Harpy Eagle; 40 - Iguana. Designed by BG Studios and lithographed by House of Questa on Lotus Blossom Bud watermarked paper. (CA, SG)


JAMAICA
7 MR ARAWAK ARTIFACTS. Set of three stamps and souvenir sheet: 50¢ - birdman, found 1792; 20¢ - standing figure, found 1792 ; 10¢ - half-figure with 'canopy,' found 1792 ; souvenir sheet incorporates all three values with a reproduction of the figure seen on the $50 ¢$ stamp and a 1775 map of Jamaica showing the Parish of Vere where the artifacts were found. Designed by John Cooter and litho.by Waddingtons on Jamaica Pineapple wmk'd paper. (CA, SG)

ST. KITTS-NEVIS
15 NO 77 CHRISTMAS 1977. Details in December BCPJ; new release date. (CA)

## ST. LUCIA

CHRISTMAS 1977. Details in December BCPJ - a souvenir sheet was not issued as previously announced. (IGPC) 17 OC 77 BOY SCOUT JAMBOREE. Details in December BCPJ; new release date. (IGPC)

## ST. VINCENT

FISH DEFINITIVE REPRINTS. Post office supplies of the $8 ¢$ and $50 ¢$ fish definitives were depleted and a reprint ordered; as these values were required immediately on receipt no pre-release announcement was made. The two new printings were released at all post offices on 27 October. A First Day Cover was issued. The original 1975 and the 1976 reprint of the $10 ¢$ fish definitive were sold out and a reprint of $100,000 \mathrm{stamps}$ of this value was to have been released in early 1978. (SVPS)

NO 77 CHRISTMAS 1977. Six values and souvenir sheet, all based on the carol 'While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By

2 JU 25th ANNIV. OF QEII CORONATION. Four values and souvenir sheet: 40¢ - Westminster Abbey; 50¢ - Gloucester Cathedral; \$1.25-Durham Cathedral; \$2.50-Exeter Cathedral; souvenir sheet bears all four values. Designed by Gordon Drummond. Stamps will be issued in sheetlets of 10. (SVPS)

## ST. VINCENT GRENADINES

31 OC 77 ROYAL VISIT TO MUSTIQUE ISLAND. Two values $40 ¢$ and $\$ 2$, were issued to honor Queen Elizabeth's having visited Mustique on 30 Oct. In addition, the stamps were overprinted locally "Silver/Jubilee/1952-1977/ ROYAL VISIT/MUSTIQUE/30th October 1977. " Printing quantities were $40 ¢, 100,000 ; \$ 2,80,000$. No pre-release announcement was made for this issue. An official First Day Cover was produced locally. (SVPS)
CANOUAN ISLAND. Four values: $5 ¢, 35 ¢, 45 ¢$, and $\$ 1$, were issued in sheetlets of 10 stamps with two labels. Printed by Harrison and Sons on CA Spiral watermarked paper.

2 JU 25th ANNIV. OF QEI CORONATION. Four values and souvenir sheet: 5¢̧ - Worcester Cathedral; 40¢ - Coventry Cathedral; $\$ 1$ - Winchester Cathedral; $\$ 3$ - Chester Cathedral; souvenir sheet - bears all four values. Designed by Gordon Drummond. Issued in sheetlets of 10. (SVPS)

Beach Hotel, Tobago; 25¢ - Mount Irvine Hotel, Tobago; 70¢ - Mount Irvine Beach facilities, Tobago; $\$ 5$ - Holiday Inn, Trinidad. Designed by Waddington and lithographed by Questa. (CA)

## TURKS \& CAICOS

6 DE 77 SILVER JUBILEE SOUVENIR SHEET. A $\$ 5$ souvenir sheet has belatedly been added to the Turks \& Caicostribute to the Queen. Designed by Waddington and litho. by Questa. (CA)

23 DE 77 CHRISTMAS 1977. Six values and souvenir sheet, all featuring Christmas paintings by Rubens: $\frac{1}{4} ¢, \frac{1}{2} \hat{q}, 1 \hat{c}, 6 \hat{C}$, $20 ¢, \$ 2$, souvenir sheet - $\$ 1$. Designed by Waddingtons and litho. by Questa. (IGPC)

2 FE TURKS ISLAND PASSAGE-SHIPPING CHANNEL. Four values and souvenir sheet: $6 \boldsymbol{\$}$ - map showing Turks Island Passage; 20¢ - lug cargo ships; 25¢ - sporting vessel; 55¢̧ - Jamaica Planter. Designed by G.G. Barrett and litho. by Waddington. (IGPC)

WITHDRAWALS: Antigua Silver Jubilee Visit Overprint, 17/1/78; Barbados Silver Jubilee Royal Visit, 31/1;350th Anniv. of Charter, 10/1; Belize Birds Series I, 2/12/77; Bermuda Piloting, 25/12/77; Royal Visit, 26/1/78; St. Kitts 75th Anniv. of PAHO, 10/1; Trinidad \& Tobago Christmas 1977, 10/1/78.

## 1978 CORONATION ANNIVERSARY OMNIBUS

Each country will issue three stamps in se-tenant format. The center stamp reproduces a Peter Grugeon portrait of the Queen. The stamp to the left depicts a Royal Beast and the one to the right a Local Beast, both in heraldic form. The stamps are produced in sheetlets of six. The latest information on the Caribbean countries involved is as follows:
BARBADOS, $3 \times 50 ¢$, 21 April 1978, Griffin of Edward III (Royal Beast) and Pelican (Local Beast); BELIZE, $3 \times 75 ¢, 21$ April, White Lion of Mortimer (R. B.) and Maya God of Day and Night, Jaguar (L.B.); BVI, $3 \times 50 ¢, 2$ June, Falcon of the Plantagenets (R. B.) and Iguana (L.B.); CA YMAN ISLANDS, $3 \times 30 ¢ ̧, 2$ June, Vale of Beaufort (R.B.) and Screech Owl (L. B. ) ; ST. KITTS, $3 \times \$ 1$, Falcon of Edward III (R.B.) and Pelican (L.B.).

Information in the aforegoing listing has been provided by the CROWN AGENTS STAMP BUREAU, STAN-GIB LTD., the INTER-GOVERNMENTAL PHILATELIC CORP., JOHN LISTER LTD., and ST. VINCENT PHILATELIC SERVICES.

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## CAPEX

The BCPSG will have a combined auction/annual meeting on Sunday, 11 June, at the Sheraton Center Hotel, the official CAPEX '78 hotel. There is a shuttle bus service between the hotel and the exhibition hall where the stamp show will be held.

Member Eddie Adelson has found a more reasonably priced hotel for members and has tentatively reserved 20 rooms for Group members. However, it is important that each member make the reservations desired by himself. Mention that you are a member of the British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group (please do not use the BCPSG abbreviation this time).

The hotel seiected is the Chelsea Inn, 33 Gerrard Street West (between Bay and Yonge), Toronto, Ontario M5G 1Z4, Canada.

Group rates are as follows: Single, $\$ 28.00$; Double/Twin, $\$ 33$. This does not include $7 \%$ Ontario sales tax.

Eddie says the hotel is modern, with spacious rooms, and is a short cab ride from the Sheraton Center (cost $\$ 1$ for cab ride).

Rooms will be hard to find, especially economically priced ones, so it is extremely important that you make your reservations TODAY!

Group activities are being planned for the weekend of 9-11 June, including group meals and a ladies shopping tour. Check with Dan Walker, 4401 Lee Highway, Apt. 71, Arlington, VA 22207, for further details as show time nears.

The 1978 BCPSG mail/floor auction is scheduled to be held at the Sheraton Center Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on Sunday morning, June 11. Mail your bids EARLY to auction manager Robert Topaz, 34 Maryellen Road, Waban, MA 02168, U.S.A. Bids must be received no later than June 7.

100 LITERATURE - An excellent set of the first seven volumes of the first seven volumes of Earee's "Album Weeds, "A through $S$, the third reprint.
101 U.S. USED IN ANTIGUA - Cover postmarked U.S. /NOV 28 1941/NAVY, blue censor mark, to Canada. EST. \$ 7.
102 U.S. USED IN ANTIGUA - Cover postmarked MAR. DET. ISLAND OF ANTIGUA, March 25, 1941, F-VF. EST. \$ 8.
$103^{\circ}$ U. S. USED IN ANTIGUA - Cacheted censored cover postmarked AMERICAN BASE FORCES A.P.O. 806, dated Dec. 8, 1941, the day the U.S. declared war on Japan. VF. EST. \$ 7.
104 B.W.I. - map - (circa 1800-23). Steel engraved black and white map of the West Indies by "the bestauthorities," folded and slightly tatty small tear at left edge. About 12 " $\times 7 \frac{1}{2} "$.

EST. \$15.
105 B.W.I. - map - (c. 1860). Steel engraved hand colored map of the W.I. by London cartographer J. Dower. Pretty and ideal for framing. About $10 \frac{1}{2} " \times 8 \frac{1}{2}{ }^{\prime \prime}$.

EST. \$10.
106 B.W.I. - mint - Complete omnibus Univ. of W.I. issue, unmounted. Some gum toning 28 stamps. EST. \$ 4.
107 ANGULLA - Cancellations - Anguilla/Valley dated between 1930-32 on various stamps of the St. Kitts 1921-29 Script CA (Sc.\#s 37, 38, 41, 42, $43 \& 45$ ). F-VF. Cancels are good to fine with most strikes fully showing. EST. $\$ 15$.
108 ANTIGUA - First Flight Cover - Antigua small seal stamps ( $\frac{1}{2} \alpha, 4,1 /-; \# s 42,53,59$ ) on F. F. airmail cover to U. S. A. postmarked Sept. 26, 1929; airmail border envelope; home-made PARAVION label in shape of airplane. EST. \$7.50
109 A NTIGUA - First Flight Cover - Antigua small seal stamps ( $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 3 \mathrm{~d}, 1 /-; 47,51,53$ ) on F. F. airmail cover to U.S.A. postmarked Sept. 26, 1929; black first airmail handstamp; addressed to A. C. Roessler. Good. EST. \$5.
110 ANTIGUA - First Flight Cover - Antigua small seal stamps ( $1 \mathrm{~d}, 1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 4 \mathrm{~d} ; 43,47,49,59$ ) on F. F. airmail cover to Puerto Rico, Sept. 26, 1929; airmail border envelope; black first flight handstamp. Fine. EST. \$7.50
111 ANTIGUA - First Flight Cover - Antigua small seal stamps (3d, 6d;51,52) on first flight airmail cover to Puerto Rico postmarked Sept. 26, 1929; blue airmail label and black first flight handstamp;backstamped San Juan. Fine. EST. \$10.
112 ANTIGUA - cover - Tercentary issue ( $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{~d}, 1 /-; 69,73,74$ ) on March 29,1932 , to England. Address partially eradicated. Good.

EST. \$15.
113 ANTIGUA - Cover - Tercentary issue ( $\frac{1}{2} d, 1 d ; 67,68$ ) to England. Postmarked St. Johns, March 21, 1933,VF. EST. $\$ 5$.
114 ANTIGUA - Specimens - set of four 1935 Silver Jubilee perforated Specimen in arc. Only $2 \frac{1}{2} d$ has hinge mark.F-VF. EST. \$20.
115 ANTIGUA - Ship Mail Cover - Coronation stamps ( $1 \mathrm{~d}, 1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d} ; 81-3$ ) on cover postmarked St. Johns, Sept. 20, 1937, with "Lady Hawkins" POSTED ON HIGH SEAS circular stamp. Fine.

EST. \$10.
116 ANTIGUA - Specimens - 1938 KGVI set complete to $5 /-(84-93)$ in mint, NH, F-VF and with diagonal perforated Specimen. Some slight gum curling or minute cracking, but still excellent. EST. $\$ 30$.
117 BAHAMAS - Used Multiples - Block of five and Block of six of the 1918 WAR CHARITY overprint, light 8 FEB 1921 Nassau CDS, also with light violet U.S. receiving CDS on five of the stamps; perf. breaks in block of 5 . EST. $\$ 12.50$
118 BAHAMAS - F. F. Cover - Nassau-Miami 2 Jan. 1929 FF, PANAM FAM 7 (AAMC \#F7-2) daily service flight, cach eted, backstamped. EST. \$ 5.
119 BAHAMAS - Cacheted Cover - souvenir cover for May 30-July 8, 1948, Cat Cay Int' 1 . Tuna Tourney, 30 May 48 Cat Cay CDS. EST. \$ 5.
120 BAHAMAS - F. F. Covers - Set of two for the first FAM 5 "Direct Service" by PANAM, N. Y. to Nassau and return, on 21 Feb. 1957, cacheted and backstamped (AAMC\# F5-215, 216). EST. \$ 5.
121 BAHAMAS - F. F. Covers - Set of two for 11 April 1966 BOAC Nassau-Lima, Peru, and return leg first flights, on imprinted/cacheted covers, backstamped. EST. $\$ 7.50$
122 BAHAMAS - F.F. Covers - Set of two for the Cunard Eagle Airways Miami (G. P. O. \& A. M. F.) to Nassau inaugural flight of 5 May 1962, cacheted and backstamped (AAMC \#J914, J914f). EST. \$ 5.
123 BAHAMAS - F.F. Covers - Complete set of three for the PANAM Miami (G. P. O. \& A. M. F.) to Rock Sound (Eleuthra) and Miami return inaugural flights of 24 Dec. 1964; cacheted and backstamped. (AAMC\#F5-295, 295F, 296) EST. $\$ 5$.
123A BAHAMAS - Used - F-VF complete set of 15, 1965 (\#204-218), all neatly canceled. CAT. $\$ 24$.
123B BAHAMAS - Used - as above in fine condition. CAT. $\$ 24$.
123C BAHAMAS - Used - F-VF set of the 1966 decimal overprints (230-244). CAT. $\$ 22$.
123D BAHAMAS - Used - as above in fine condition. CAT. \$22.
124 BAHAMAS - F. F. Covers - Set of two for the first Lufthansa flight of $5 / 6 \mathrm{Feb} .1973$, Cologne-Nassauand returnlegs (special TRD) cacheted and backstamped. EST. \$ 5.
125 BAHAMAS - F. F. Covers - Set of three for the first Lufthansa flights of $2 / 3$ April 1973, Frankfurt-Nassau, NassauMexico City, Nassau-Frankfurt (special TRD) legs, cacheted and backstamped. EST. \$10.
126 BAHAMAS - F.F. Cover - for the first Lufthansa flight, 8 April 1973, between Merida, Mexico, and Nassau, cacheted and backstamped. Scarce. EST. \$10.
126A BAHAMAS - Used - Scott 252-266 (15), all fine used. $\quad$ CAT. $\$ 20$.
127 BAHAMAS - F. F. Covers - Set of two covers for the first Lufthansa DC-10 flight of $10 / 11$ Feb. 1975, Frankfurt to Nassau and return (special TRD) legs, cacheted and backstamped. EST. \$ 5.
128 BAHAMAS - Mint - 1935 Jubilee issue (186-89); 1949 UPU (212-25); 1952 Stamp Centenary (230-33); 1953 Coronation (234), and 1958 Federation (248-50). All F-VF except gum toning on Jubilees, NH. CAT. $\$ 9.75$

128A BARBADOS - Used - Scott 267-280 (14) fine used, plus Scott 439, a pair of $45 ¢$ world cricket stamps. CAT. $\$ 11.50$
128B BARBADOS - Used - Scott 235-237 (13) complete, fine used.
CAT. $\$ 12.50$

129 U.S. USED IN BERMUDA - Cover dated 19 June 1941, postmarked MARINE DET./BERMUDA. VF. EST. $\$ 6$. 130 BERMUDA - Specimens - Complete set of 1920-21 Seal issue (55-69); fair to good with no gum, some creases, and some fading. EST. \$15.
131 BERMUDA - Specimens - Complete set of 1921 Representation series (71-79); F-VF appearing, but no gum. EST. \$25.
132 BERMUDA - Christmas Seals - Unused complete set of the 1946-65 issues, incl. blocks of four where indicated, and imperf. proofs of the 1951-52 and 1960 issues. F-VF.

EST. \$ 6.
133 BERMUDA - Mint - 1953 definitives (\#s 143-162 less the $2 d$ and $4 \frac{1}{2} d$ values and the 1957 second dies); 16 stamps including the pound value. F-VF.

EST. \$15.
134 U. S. used in BRITISH GUIANA - Cacheted Cover - Postmarked MAR. DET. GEORGETOWN/BRITISH GUIANA dated 7 Nov. 1941 (Pearl Harbor Day) with censor markings.

EST. \$10.
135 U.S. used in BRITISH GUIANA - Cacheted Cover - postmarked at APO 807 ( Br . Guiana) and censored with violet ink marking, dated 7.Jan. 1942.

EST. \$ 7.
136 BRITISH GUIANA - Registered Envelope - the $18884 \xi$ orange-red on cream paper envelope (Higgins \& Gage 4a) used to England with four additional copies of the 1898 1¢ 60 th Anniv. QV commemoratives (two on reverse), clean Townsend \& Howe Type 12a "NIGG" CDS of 14 FE 1899.

EST. \$25.
137 BRITISH GUIANA - Used - Nice copy of Scott \#71, the $\$ 2.40$ Postage and Revenue ship stamp of 1905. Neatly canceled, but possibly fiscal cancellation, and is offered on that basis. Two short perfs. EST. \$15.
138 BRITISH GUIANA - Slogan Cover - an 11 Feb. 1933 cover to the U.S.A. with three KGV $2 \hat{C}$ deep violet stamps. With a good strike of the G. P. O. "Buy Demarara Rice" handstamp. EST. \$ 5.
139 BRITISH GUIANA - Flight Cover - a PANAM Mail System test cover mailed from Tampa, Fla., on 1 Nov. 1946, and franked with $10 ¢ ̧$ U.S. postage, backstamped in Georgetown 3 Nov., refranked with $24 ¢ \subset$ British Guiana postage, and mailed on 5 Nov.

EST. \$7. 50
140 BRITISH HONDURAS - Cover - King George V 3¢ orange (77) on cover postmarked Belize July 31, 1919, addressed to Baltimore, Md., U.S. A. Good. EST. \$ 2.
141 BRITISH HONDURAS - TRD Cover - bearing a block of 4 of the $1 \&$ Moire Ovpt. War Tax stamp. Centrally canceled (not tying) with a blue strike of the emergency TRD introduced after the 1918 fire. To the U.S.A., witha U.S. 1¢ postage due and PASSED BY CENSOR/1189 circular handstamp. Scarce.
142 CA YMAN ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - an unused envelope with the 1d numeral red imprint, 1909. EST. \$35. EST. \$ 4.
143 CAYMAN ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - the 1d red envelope F-VF, but overprinted SPECIMEN. EST. \$6.
144 CAYMAN ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - an unused $2 \frac{1}{2} d$ blue envelope, F-VF, overprinted SPECLMEN, 1909. EST. $\$ 8$.
145 CA YMAN ISLANDS - Official First Day Covers (1970) - Easter issue; $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\$ 2$ definitives; Christmas. Each set on cacheted unaddressed FDCs (Sc. \#252-57;262-76;277-82). Cat. value as stamps \$18. VF. EST. \$10.
146 DOMINICA - War Stamp Cover - nice strip of three of the $1916 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d} / \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ War Stamp issue on cover to England, 1 Sept. 1917 Dominica G. P.O. CDS. EST. \$15.
147 GRENADA - Mint - 1938 10/- Seal of Colony and $1951 \$ 2.50$ same motif. VF, NH. 1970 CAT. $\$ 10.50$
147A GRENADA - Used - Scott 195-202 (7) fine used. Includes \#199 at $\$ 75$ cat.
CAT. $\$ 76.20$
147B GRENADA - Used - Scott C12 block of four ; 682; 748 (PR) - all fine used.
CAT. \$ 6.25
148 GUYANA - Cover - dated 29 June 1976, bearing current stamps all overprinted "Revenue Only," incl. 40¢; 50¢; 60¢; $\$ 1 ; \$ 2$; and $\$ 5$ values plus others. Very attractive - philatelic - 11 stamps F1-10 \& F4a. To London. VF. EST. E10.
149 GUYANA - Mint - Corner block of four, F4a variety, the $25 ¢$ Marabunta with Revenue Only overprint. VF, NH.
CAT. £27.50
150 U. S. used in JAMAICA - Cover dated Jan. 11, 1942, and postmarked MAR. DET. PORTLAND BIGHT/JAMAICA BR. and censored by blue ink naval marking. Cacheted.
151 U.S. used in JAMAICA - Cover - bearing $1 ¢$ and $2 ¢$ USA Defense stamps postmarked MAR. DET. PORTLAND/BIGHT JAMAICA BR. July 18, 1941 with three bars and words FIRST DAY/CANCEL between bars. Good. EST. $\$ 7.50$
152 U. S. used in JAMAICA - Cover - with 3̧̧ USA Defense stamp postmarked MAR. DET. PORTLAND BFGFT/JAMAICA BR. , 20 Oct. 1941 with three bars and BRITISH/WEST INDIES between bars. Cacheted. U.S. Naval Censor hand stamp. Good.

EST. $\$ 7.50$
153 U.S. used in JAMAICA - Cover - with pair of $3 ¢$ Defense USA stamps sent airmail to USA, postmarked as above with date 13 Jan. 1942. Naval handstamp in blue. Good. EST. \$ 5.
154 U.S. used in JAMAICA - Sample Cancellations - card bearing cancellations in purple of MAR. DET. PORTLAND BIGHT/JAMAICA BR. with words BRITISH/WEST INDIES between three bars and circular datestamp MAR. DET. PORTLAND BIGHT JAMAICA BR./REGISTERED. Both dated 18 June 1942. Fine. EST. $\$ 3.50$
155 U.S. used in JAMAICA - Cover - dated 17 Nov. 1941 and postmarked at APO 804 (Jamaica) and censored by black ink Army censor mark. VF. Possibly first day of use. Cachet. EST. \$ 6.
156 U.S. used in JAMAICA - 1¢ US postal card postmarked AMERICAN BASE/FORCES A. P.O. 804/NOV/17/P. M. $/ 1941$ with Army censor handstamp. Fine. EST. $\$ 3.50$
157 U.S. used in JAMAICA - airmail envelope with 5¢̧ USA airmail stamp postmarked U. S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE/A. P.O. /861/MAR/12/1947 addressed to Collector of Internal Revenue. Good. EST. \$4.50
158 JAMAICA - Stampless Entire - showing a very nice red strike of PD3, the JAMAICA/PAID marking on an entire to Edinburgh with a very nice strike of the Paid marking of that office plus a very nice strike of the green boxed " $\frac{1}{2}$ " marking. The letter is a bit fragile. Dated 25 July 1834. EST. \$75.
159 JAMAICA - Stampless Entire - to London dated 10 Dec. 1852 and showing on the face the Kingston Paid marking PD5 and on the flap a fair strike of the very rare Claremont P5 marking. EST. \$50.
160 JA MAICA - Obliterators - F81 (1); G14 (1); 193 (3); 199 (1); and 622 (1) on various stamps. The valuation per Topaz check list $\$ 30.75$. Fine. EST. \$22.
161 Jamaica - Obliterators - F95 (6) on various Jamaican stamps. Val. per Topaz check list \$18.75. Fine.EST. $\$ 12.50$

162 JAMAICA - Obliterators - $201^{\circ}(2) ; 622 ; 640(2)$; and 647 on various stamps. Val. per Topaz $\$ 40$. Fine: EST. $\$ 30$.
163 JAMAICA - Obliterators - B (2); C; and E on various stamps. Val. per Topaz \$22. Fine. EST. \$20.
164 JAMAICA - Cancellations - five pages mostly with squared circle cancels, 34 diff. offices, about 120 stamps. Also five Kingston SLB 1900-01.

EST. \$30.
165 JAMAICA - Used - Exhibition Post Office squared circle postmark struck twice on partial $\frac{1}{2} d$ QV wrapper with $\frac{1}{2} d$ QV stamp added, dated April 17, 1891. Rare. Fine. EST. \$100.
166 JAMAICA - Postmark - showing the Jamaica Exhibition squared circle CDS dated Feb. 91 on sound $\frac{1}{2} d$ official stamp, 17.5 mm overprint. The cancellation is about $70 \%$ complete.

EST. \$10.
167 JAMAICA - Cover - Block of 7 \#16, and two singles and pair \#24 on large OHMS cover imprinted COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE postmarked Kingston Sept. 14, 1897; addressed to Gotha; backstamped London Sept. 29 and Gotha, Sept. 30, 1897. Good.

EST. \$10.
168 JAMAICA - Cancellations - 10 stamps with fiscal or telegraph cancels, incl. some foreign cancels. Interesting.
EST. $\$ 10$.
169 JAMAICA - Postmarks - 31 red Falls stamps show ing various indices including SLB, Sq. Circles, and double ring C DS. Also six diff. Judicial stamps, incl. 2/- and 5/-(2). EST. \$ 7.
170 JAMAICA - Cancellations - lot of double ring CDS 1896-1925, incl. 14 Kingston strikes, 44 others incl. Alley, P.G. River, Carron Hall, etc. Some duplication.

EST. \$25.
171 JAMAICA - Cancellations - collection of 38 diff. early single ring postmarks on 46 stamps from about 1890-1904 except one strike from 1921. Incl. Blue Mountain Valley, Pedro, Shooters Hill, etc.

EST. \$50.
172 JAMAICA - Cancellations - Street Letter Box CDS cancels from all three offices that used them - 12 Kingston, three Montego Bay, and three Port Antonio strikes. Fair to excellent. EST. \$ 5.
173 JAMAICA - Unused - copy of Sc/SG \#36, the 5d yellow \& black Arms stamp. Lightly hinged. F-VF. CAT. £8.50
174 JAMAICA - Paquebot Cover - U.S. \#374 pr., $405(6), 406(2)$ on United Fruit Co. cover backstamped PAQUEBOT/ KINGSTON JAMAICA/NO 12/12. EST. \$25.
175 JAMAICA - Postal Stationery - copy of the QV $\frac{1}{2} d$ green wrapper, slightly soiled, and a good copy of the KGV 2d plus ld Registered Letter envelope, both overprinted SPECIMEN. EST. \$15.
176 JAMAICA - Parcel Receipt - bearing cancellation Parcel Post Office G.P.O./Jamaica/JU 26/16 showing Import Duty 4/10 and War Tax 3d paid. Extremely scarce. Good. EST. \$20.
177 JAMAICA - War Stamp Error - March $1917 \frac{1}{2} d$ KGV with OVERPRINT ON BACK, instead of face (Scott MR7b, SG 730) CAT. \$35.
178 JAMAICA - War Stamp Error - March $19171 \frac{1}{2} d$ KGV with INVERTED OVERPRINT (Sc. MR8c, SG 74d), unused, hinge remnant, centered to bottom (perfs touch).

CAT. \$32. 50
179 JAMAICA - Cover - Official War Office envelope with printed Official Paid canceled Sept. 1, 1917, with boxed handstamp ARMY PAY OFFICE/JAMAICA. Envelope has been folded in half. Fair. EST. \$25.
180 JAMAICA - TRD - super strike of Aguilar TD18, Grange Lane, violet ink on small piece dated 22.10.1918. EST. \$10.
181 JAMAICA - Railway Marking - Type 57 Kingston Baggage Office, blue ink, mostly complete and fairly legible. On small piece. Scarce. $\quad$ EST. \$6.
182 JAMAICA - Railway Marking - of Richmond, dated JUN 6 1914. There are two mostly complete strikes on a piece bearing three stamps. Strikes and stamps are F-VF. EST. \$10.
183 JAMAICA - Railway Marking - excellent strike of the S3a mark of Annotto Bay on piece with part of another strike. EST. \$ 6.
184 JAMAICA - Proofs - of the 1919-21 set, the $2 \mathrm{~d}, 2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}, 3 \mathrm{~d}, 4 \mathrm{~d}, 2 /-$ and $3 /-$, all in wrong colors. Imperf., very fine, but no gum. All overprinted "Specimen". Robson Lowe estimated at $£ 125$.
185 JAMAICA - Proof - very fine gummed copy of the 2/-1919-21 stamp in correct colors; hinged. Robson Lowe estimates at $£ 30$. EST. \$25.
186 JAMAICA - Registered Cover - to N. Y. with three copies of $1 \frac{1}{2} d$ Contingent Embarking stamp canceled with Kingston Registered oval dated April 16, 1920, and showing large $R$ in large double oval, a scarce marking. Good. EST. $\$ 15$.
187 JAMAICA - Registered Cover - 1923 to Boston, Mass., with two 1d \#89 and one $2 \frac{1}{2} d$ Semi-Postals. The Semi-Postal stamps are all scarce used on cover. Fine. $\quad$ EST. \$25.
188 JAMAICA - Cover - 1926 from Spaldings to Topeka, Kansas, one 1d and one 2d stamp marked T Jamaica 20 centimes due, N. Y. GPO, Due 6 cents. With enclosure. Good. EST. \$ 5.
189 JAMAICA - Used - copy of Sc. 98, SG 10, the $3 /-$ Metcalfe monument. Fine used at Meyers Wharf, 1926. CAT. £7.50
190 JAMAICA - Cover - TRD in purple JAMAICA PHILATELIC EXPOSITION 21 to 26 Feb. 1927 on 1d stamp on cover backstamped Kingston 21 Feb. 1927. First day of use of this TRD. Cover is creased, not affecting stamp or cancellation. Good.

EST. \$40.
191 JAMAICA - Cover - 1928 cover from St. Ann's Bay to Topeka, Kansas, with two 1d and one 2 d stamp to pay double rate postage. Marked TESTIMONIAL, but no enclosure. Good. EST. \$ 5.
192 JAMAICA - Cover - 1928 to Topeka, Kansas, with 1d stamp (89) stamped Due 30 centimes in Jamaica, with unusual N. Y. Due 6 cents handstamp. Good. EST. \$ 5.
193 JAMAICA - Registered Cover - 1928 cover from Port Antonio to Topeka, Kansas, one 2d and one $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ stamp (91, 92) with large thick $R$ in single oval. Fine. EST. \$ 5.
194 JAMAICA - Cover - 1928 from Porus to Topeka, Kansas, with one $2 \frac{1}{2} d$ (92) stamp. Marked TESTIMONIAL. With enclosure. Fine.

EST. \$ 5.
195 JAMAICA - F. F. Cover - the Colon (Panama) to Kingston (backstamped 3 Dec. 1930) flight leg cover for the 2 Dec. 1931 Direct Flights via Jamaica and Cienfuegos, Cuba. With both cachets, some slight toning. AAMC \# F5-70a.

196 JAMAICA - Registered Cover - 1931 from Mandeville to Topeka. Two 1d and one $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}(92,103)$ stamps on reverse, \&
large $R$ in single oval on front. Good.
EST. \$ 5.
197 JAMAICA - Cover - TRD in blue, JAMAICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY/THIRD STAMP EXHIBITION/AT NATHAN'S STORE/3rd to 10th. February 1938. addressed to USA, backstamped Kingston Feb. 3, 1938. First day of use of this TRD. Very Fine.

EST. \$60.
198 JAMAICA - Cover - red circular POSTAGE PAID/JAMAICA on local letter, no stamps. Letter was sent unsealed. Envelope has vertical crease not affecting the handstamp. Fair. EST. \$ 5.
199 JAMAICA - Cover - $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ Coronation, 6 d "Exhaust Pipe"variety $(114,123)$ on cover. EST. \$ 5.
200 JAMAICA - Censored Cover - 1d and 9d $(117,124)$ stamps on censored airmail cover to USA postmarked Kingston, 11 Dec. 1939 with OPENED BY/CENSOR tape. EST. \$ 3.
201 JA MAICA - Cover - $1 \frac{1}{2}$ d (118) stamp plus Red Cross War Fund label on local cover postmarked 12 APR 1940 with slogan cancel BUY BRITISH GOODS in oval over crown. Very Fine. EST. \$10.
202 JAMAICA - Cover - $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ and $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}(116,118)$ stamps on cover with Red Cross War Fund label on cover to England postmarked Half Way Tree, Oct. 21, 1940. Fine. EST. \$10.
203 JAMAICA - Censored Cover - 1d, 2d $(117,119)$ stamps on cover with pair of Red Cross War Fund labels, censored \& resealed with tape reading OPENED BY/CENSOR postmarked 1 June 1940, with slogan cancel BUY BRITISH GOODSin oval over crown. Tear in cover front, 1d stamp torn.

EST. \$15.
204 JAMAICA - War Labels - 13 War Labels, 12 WWI, 1 WWII; WWI no overprint, 1 unused, 2 used; red JAMAICA overprint, 1 used; black JAMAICA overprint, 1 unused, 5 used plus 1 on piece :vith \#61; black JAMAICA/Half Penny overprint, 1 used. Good to fine.

EST. \$15.
205 JAMAICA - Censored Cover - Orderly Room Gibraltar Camp marking on censored cover postmarked Kingston Oct. 8, 1941, backstamped Gibraltar Nov. 11, 1941. EST. \$20.
206 JAMAICA - Censored Cover - letter from USA to Cross Roads, Jamaica, censored coming into Jamaica. OPENED BY/CENSOR label and censor No. 11 in circle in purple, postmarked Nov. 12, 1941.

EST. $\$ 7.50$
207 JAMAICA - Censored Cover - outgoing letter from Half Way Tree with P. C. 90 label reading OPENED BY/EXAMINER I.D./8824 and bearing large label P. C. 23/D RETURNED TO SENDER/BY THE CENSOR. Good. EST. \$25.
208 JAMAICA - Prisoner's Card - POW form card to acknowledge receipt of a package addressed to Buffalo, N. Y., with Prison Camp TRD in purple, Jamaica censor handstamp and US Censor handstamp, both German and English on undated form (JU 42). Fine.

EST. $\$ 10$.
209 JAMAICA - Prisoner's Envelope - POW envelope addressed to Buffalo, N. Y., with purple handstamp POSTAL CENSOR/JAMAICA/PASSED/(5). Manuscript written in German. Fine.

EST. $\$ 10$.
210 JAMAICA - Prisoner's Envelope - POW envelope addressed to Buffalo, N. Y., with Internment \& P. of W. CAMP/ JAMAICA TRD dated 30 Oct. 1942 and both Jamaica and USA censorship. Letter in Germanonfront. EST. $\$ 10$.
211 JAMAICA - Prisoner's Envelope - POW envelope mailed to Geneva, Switzerland, with purple TRD of INTERNMENT \& P. of W. CAMP/JAMAICA dated 17 JUN 1942 on reverse, UK censor handstamp. Letter in Italian on front. Fine.

212 JAMAICA - Stamp Booklet $-3 /-$ booklet with six each $\frac{1}{2} d, 1 d, 2 d, 2 \frac{1}{2} d$ stamps (159-162), 1956. Fine. EST. $\$ 7.50$
213 JAMAICA - Stamp Booklet - $3 /-$ booklet with six each $1 \mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{~d}$ and $3 \mathrm{~d}(217,219,221), 1964$. Very Fine. EST. $\$ 5$.
214 JAMAICA - Mint Plate Blocks - of four of each of the 1966 Games set complete (254-57), VF, NH. EST. \$ 4.
214A JAMAICA - Used - \#306-318 plus two varieties of $3 /-$ value (p. $14 \frac{1}{2} \times 14$, p. $14 \times 14 \frac{1}{2}$ ) CAT. $\$ 12$.
215 JAMAICA - Modern Covers - large box containing about 2500 covers, mainly 1960 onwards, selected for postmarks.
EST. \$100.
216 JAMAICA - Mint varieties - in an excellent VF, NH corner plate block (1C) of 18 stamps ( $6 \times 3$ ) of the 2¢ "C-DAY" overprint, watermark inverted, including varieties V24-V25 not listed with inverted watermark. Scott \# 280 var., SG 281 var.
217 JAMAICA - Mint block of four, VF, NH, of the $\$ 1$ overprint "C-DAY" on 10/-. Scott \#290, SG 291. Owner claims only one sheet known.
218 JAMAICA - Mint Variety - corner block of four, 50c Port Royal stamp of 1970. Scott\#316, SG 317. VF, NH. Current number 099. Includes V18 variety.

CAT. £5. 25
219 JAMAICA - Mint Variety - F-VF, NH, variety SG 359 (Sc 360 var.), the 3¢ Tenth Anniversary overprint of 1972. CAT. £ 8.
220 JAMAICA - Mint Variety - as above. CAT. £8.
221 JAMAICA - F. F. Covers - Set of three covers for the first Lufthansa DC-10 flight of 8 April 1976, New York (G. P.O. and A.M.F. and U. N.) to Kingston, cacheted and backstamped. EST. \$6.
222 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d} Q V$ envelope used in Antigua postmarked Sept. 1891, addressed to the Isle of Jersey, backstamped Jersey, Oct. 8, 1891. VF. H\&G 2. EST. \$20.
223 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Postal Stationery - $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ QV envelope used in Antigua postmarked Dec. 23, 1892, addressed to Germany, backstamped 13 Jan. 93, also marked postage due (?) with Large T. H\&G 2a. EST. \$40.
224 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Wrapper - 1d QV wrapper used in Antigua, Oct. 18, 1893, addressed to Jamaica. Type 72 , Gray paper, large letters. H\&G 2. Fair. EST. \$10.
225 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Post Card - $1 \frac{1}{2} d$ QV post card used in Antigua, Dec. 21, 1894, add. to Germany. VF. EST. $\$ 10$.
226 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - 1d QV envelope used in Antigua, May 13, 1896, addressed to Saxony, and backstamped 29 May 1896. H\&G 1.

EST. \$10.
227 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - 2 d QV registered envelope with $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ QV L. I. stamp used in Antigua, postmarked June 26, 1896, addressed to Philadelphia, backstamped in N. Y. and Phila. July 10, 1896. H\&G1. VF.

EST, \$20.
228 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Wrapper - $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ QV wrapper with $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ QV L. I. stamp added used in Antigua 1897, addressed to London. Fair.
229 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Post Card - 1d QV post card used in Antigua, 15 Feb.1899, add. to Eng. Fine. $\quad$ EST. $\$ 10$.

230 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Postal Stationery - 1d QV envelope used in Antigua, 4 Nov. 1902. Addressed to London. H\&G1 small letters.

EST. \$10.
231 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Wrapper - $\frac{1}{2}$ d King Edward VII wrapper with $\frac{1}{2} d$ KEVII L. I. stamp used in Antigua, 8 April 1903 and addressed to Holland. H\&G 3. Very Fine. EST. $\$ 40$.
232 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Postal Stationery - $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ KEVII envelope used in Antigua, July 9, 1903, addressed to Germany, backstamped 4 Aug. 1903. H\&G 4, but size a. VF. EST. \$50.
233 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Cover - $2 \frac{1}{2}$ d KEVII L. I. stamp on blue envelope used in Antigua, 15 Nov. 1905, addressed to Philadelphia, manuscript per SS Korona. Fine. EST. \$10.
234 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Postal Stationery - 1d KGV envelope with $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ Antigua stamp added, used in Antigua, addressed to Bristol, England. H\&G 7 plus Antigua 42. VF. EST. \$35.
235 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Post Card - $\frac{1}{2} d$ KGV used in Antigua, 10 Aug. 1928, add. to Germany. H\&G 9. VF. EST. \$ 4.
236 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - $1 \frac{1}{2} d$ KGV envelope with 1d L. I. stamp added, used in Antigua 4 July $1929 \&$ addressed to Berlin. H\&G 8. VF. EST. \$10.
237 LEEWARD ISLA NDS - Postal Stationery - $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ KGV envelope used in Antigua, 19 Nov. 1931, addressed to London. VF H\&G 8. EST. $\$ 10$.
238 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ KGV envelope used in Antigua, Sept. 16, 1933, addressed to London. VF. H\&G 8. EST, \$10.
239 LEEWARD ISLANDS - Post Card - 1d KGV post card used in Antigua, June 14, 1937, addressed to London. H\&G 15. Fair. EST. \$ 2.
240 MONTSERRAT - Seals - 1917 (?) imperf (very slight surface scratch) and perf. "DeLandre" 1d plus 1d French Red Cross Society Charity Seals, very scarce, fine. EST. \$20.
241 ST. KITTS-NEVIS - War Stamp Cover - the $19181 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ War Stamp issue on cover to USA, opened slightly rough at top, 1 OC 1919 St. Kitts "A12" duplex G. P.O. CDS. EST. $\$ 7.50$
242 U.S. used in ST. LUCIA - Cover - dated 1 July 1941, postmarked MAR. DET. ST. LUCIA. WINDWARD ISLA NDS. VF. Cacheted. EST. \$10.
243 U.S. used in ST. LUCIA - Cover - dating Feb. 19, 1942, and postmarked in violet with CDS of APO 805. A newspaper cartoon has been used as a cachet and tied. Interesting. EST. \$ 7.
244 ST. LUCIA - Unused - blocks of four of the $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ green KGV 1921 (three blocks) plus blocks of the 1 d brown, $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ ultra. and the 6 d violet and red violet (the last apparently mint) plus a block of the War Stamp MR2. All F-VF, some small defects. The 6 d block is the best item.

CAT. $\$ 11.28$ b
245 U. S. used in TRINIDAD - Cover - cacheted and dated May 11, 1941, canceled by circular MARINE DET. TRINIDAD, cachet on 4th anniversary of N.C.S. EST. \$10.
246 U. S. used in TRINIDAD - Cover - postmarked 17 Jan. 1942 at APO 803-A. Violet censor mark. VF. EST. $\$ 6$.
247 TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - F.F. Cover - The Colon (Panama) to P.O.S. (backstamped) flight leg cover for the 11 Feb. 1931 Lindbergh Circle, Trinidad and Venezuelan extensions (FAM 5), with both cachets signed by the pilot, AAMC \# F5-88.

EST. \$15.
248 TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Specimen - set of the 1935 Jubilee issue complete. Fine appearance, but disturbed gum and hinged. Unused. Perfed in arc.

EST. \$20.
249 TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Flight Cover - a PANAM Mail System Test cover mailed from Detroit, Mich., on November 1, 1946, franked with $10 ¢$ US postage, backstamped P.O.S. 4 Nov., refranked with $8 \&$ and $12 ¢$ T\&T stamps and mailed on 4 Nov. It is marked 11/7/1946 in manuscript on the reverse. EST. \$7.50
250 TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Unused - set of 1953 definitives up to $60 ¢$ value ( 10 stamps) F-VF, lightly hinged, in souvenit folder. Cat. \$2.86. Plus a mint Registered Letter envelope, QEI, 15¢ navy blue.

EST. \$ 2.
251 VIRGIN ISLANDS - Mint Variety - of the $10 ¢$ Churchill 1974 stamp (322E1 variety). VF, NH.
CAT. £7.50

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## Personal Mention

VINCENT DUGGLEBY has been called on as an advisor on the next St. Vincent definitive set scheduled for 1979. The theme is the postal history of St. Vincent with the stamps depicting a map of the island together with examples of the original abbreviated postmarks alongside present day postmarks. At last, says Vincent, you will know who to blame if everything is not absolutely accurate!

While in London a few months ago, JOHN ALDEN had the pleasure of spending a couple of evenings with MIKE WILSON. He also enjoyed visits with Bob West, in charge of the British Library's philatelic collections, with Rigo de Righi at the National Postal Museum, with two editors at Stanley Gibbons, and with Ken Chapman. He even found time to acquire a few Turks \& Caicos items.

RUSS SKAVARIL is editor of the "St. Helena Philatelic Study Group Newsletter." This recently formed group also includes Ascension and Tristan da Cunha. Further information can be obtained by sending a SASE to Mrs. Vivian Finne, Box 292, Calpella, CA 95418.

CLEMENS PROKESCH is presently serving his 18th term as President of the Thames Stamp Club in New London, Conn. He also recently completed two years as President of the Connecticut Philatelic Society. On top of this, his stamp club runs an annual show called Thamespex. The 1977 show was their 12th exhibition -- and Clemens has been chairman for all of them!

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JACK ARNELL has a new hobby making doll's house furniture. He does the woodworking in Bermuda cedar and his wife CELIA makes the bedding, upholstery, etc. He says they are finding quite a market for their product.

MIKE ROMANO visited Trinidad (where he managed to visit 50 or so post offices and agencies), St. Vincent, and Barbados in December. We hope to get a report of his activities in Trinidad in a future Journal article.

PETER McCANN had a day in London with RUSS OTT one weekend last October. Their conversation centered around British Honduras TRD's and BVI, which they both collect.

PAUL LARSEN won a vermeil award for his German Togo at MILCOPEX. HOWIE AUSTIN won a silver medal for his Jamaica postmarks. It was the first time Howie exhibited.

GEORGE BOWMAN's article "A Leeward Islands Mail Supplement" appeared in the February issue of "The American Philatelist."

TOM FOSTER is in the hospital and is unable to answer correspondence. Letters are to be sent to Frank Foster, 526 Hotham Rd. South, Hull H05 5RN, England. Hope itisn't anything too serious, Tom.

AL BRANSTON has been honored with an Award of Merit by the British Philatelic Federation. Al says he "feels great" about it!

HOWIE AUSTIN also informs us that he has been appointed baseball coach at Lincoln High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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