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This lovely Swedish Crystal vase is the Cameron Trophy, to be awarded for the best BWI exhibit at NOJEX this fall!

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## President's Message

A block of 25 rooms has been tentatively reserved for BCPSG members at the motel where the NOJEX show will be held. It is imperative that we confirm our usage of these accommodations as soon as possible. Reservation cards are available from Ed Addiss. If you are planning to attend and stay at NOJEX, send a card to the Holiday Inn Jetport, U.S. 1 \& 9 South, 1000 Spring Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201, and indicate that you will be attending the BCPSG Annual Meeting. Do it now.

On Page 14 of the February Journal, it was reported that our Group experienced a net growth in membership in 1978 of only three people. While any increase no matter how small, is better than a decrease, it is somewhat frustrating to see that the Group's "bottom line" gain for that year wasn't enough for a bridge game.

I'd be repeating what you already know if I kept stressing the fact that BCPSG growth and prosperity requires not only the behind-the-scenes workings of the officers and trustees, but also the dedicated effort of the entire membership in general. And most organizations, be they philatelic or anything else, wouldn't have it any other way.

There's only one method of insuring the growth we want and need for the BCPSG, and that is the ongoing process of adding new members to our rolls. And it's not enough to recruit merely two or three new people each month, because the Group's
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# Notes from the Tudway Correspondence 

(Number three in a series)

By John M. Willem

In the first and second of this series we compared the Tudway find vs. that of Codrington as published by Robson Lowe in 1951, and concentrated on the "PD" and "PF" classifications as used by Lowe.

There is a gap in the Codrington Correspondence from 1806 to 1810; hence no light was shed on the transition period from the Antigua "PF" to the "PG" markings. Tudway fills this gap with an LKD of July 8, 1808, for the "PF", and an EKD for the "PG1" of September 26, 1808. There are two Tudway letters of this date, and a following one dated December 26, 1808. The "PG1" EKD in Codrington is dated July 15, 1809. Both Tudway and Codrington have five examples of "PG1" in 1809 .


Codrington has one "PG1" example dated 1810; Tudway has three, two of which reveal a new variety which shows only the last three figures of the year, vis " 810 ". One of these letters is dated February 26 and the other April 27.

In all, there are eight "PG1" markings in Codrington and eleven in Tudway. However while there are three of 1808 in Tudway and none in Codrington, there are two of 1821 in Codrington and none in Tudway.

It is interesting to note that there is a gap in Tudway from 1816 to 1825 , whereas Codrington flows through these years with both "PG1" and "PG1a".

The "PG1a" series (large Fleuron without year date) can therefore only be catalogued according to the dating of the contents. Codrington's EKD is July 7, 1810; Tudway's EKD is June 23, two weeks earlier.

By years here is how Codrington and Tudway compare in numbers:

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| "PG1a" |  |  |
| Codrington | Year | Tudway |
| 1 | 1810 | 3 |
| 1 | 1811 | 3 |
| 3 | 1812 | 7 |
| 2 | 1813 | 11 |
| 5 | 1814 | 9 |
| 4 | 1815 | - |
| 35 | Unknown | -3 |
| - |  | -38 |

The "PG1a" handstamp was followed by the "PG2" series. Since there are no letters of 1825 in either Codrington or Tudway, a transition date or dates cannot be established by usage. The EKD for "PG2" in Tudway is January 6, 1826; in Codrington March 4th.

There are many varieties of "PG2" and we refer you to The Codrington Correspondence for a listing of these. There are 86 examples of "PG2" in Codrington; 178 in Tudway!

The LKD for "PG2" in Codrington is September 25, 1840; in Tudway the LKD is February 21, 1841. (There are Tudway letters of January 13 and 18 which carry the year as 1840 when it whould be 1841 . This carryover year error occurs in other years as well.)

Curiously, Lowe writes that in the "PG2" series the year date was not changed in 1838 and that "1837" was used throughout 1838. Checking this in Tudway we found letters written January 18, February 8, and March 24, 1838, but handstamped with the year showing as 1837. On letters written in April, May and June the final figure for the year is missing completely. Then at last. on a cover handstamped August 14 there is a full 1838, and for the balance of the year 1838 is used. In all cases seen the first two digits of the year are inverted.


The fourth and final colonial stamp found in these two collections is the relatively common circular dated type known as the "PH" series. There are only 17 examples in Codrington to compare with over 400 examples in Tudway, most of which remain in the Taunton Archives and consist mainly of monthly Estate returns.

Tudway's EDK is March 2, 1841, the year it was registered for use at the G.P.O. in London. While the "PH" type is officially reported to have been used in Antigua from 1841 to 1857, there are two examples in Tudway dated 1858. The last (see illustration) carries the PH stamp of April 12 185. (last digit of year missing), PLUS the Red Crown Circle "Paid in Antigua", PLUS the red London PAID handstamp of May 4, 1858.

## U.K. REPORT FROM AL BRANSTON:

During 1978, the response from Group members in the U.K. was excellent. It is pleasant to report that a break-even position in regard to dues resulted despite the variations in exchange rates. Two medals were awarded at national exhibitions, both silver, while three bronze and four pewter medals were awarded at Federation or Association events for a wide range of Caribbean entries.

The number of new members enrolled during the year just exceeded the number of resignations. Toward the end of the year, a series of very successful conversations were held with the other Caribbean organizations about the possibility of a combined meeting at the London 1980 International. During September and early October, I had an excellent trip around the U.S., and enjoyed the best of hospitality at every stop. Thanks America!
-AL

## NEW ISSUE NEWS

## (Courtesy of the Crown Agents Stamp Bureau)

BARBADOS: A new definitive issue of 17 values, $1 \mathrm{c}-\$ 10$, is scheduled to go on sale July llth. The present definitive series will be withdrawn at that time. The new series features birds.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO: will release a set of 4 stamps and a souvenir sheet on July 3rd, honoring the 4th Latin American Geological Congress.

ST. VINCENT DISASTER RELIEF FUND OVERPRINT FROM BARBADOS: The Prime Minister of Barbados has requested that the 35 cents value of the Barbados current definitive series, depicting the Bletia patula orchid, be overprinted 28 cents +4 cents, and sold as a means of raising funds to help victims of the recent eruptions of the volcano Soufriere on the Island of St. Vincent. The stamp is planned to be sold for 32 cents. 4 cents of which will be donated to the disaster relief fund.

## EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Finally, with this issue of the Journal, we should be just about back on schedule, thanks to the efforts of our printer, Quiz Graphic Arts.

Please note that all changes of address are to go to Secretary Howie Austin rather than to me; this will make things much easier for both of us, and insure that your new address is correctly recorded everywhere that it's supposed to be.

Manuscripts are, as always, still needed. While I do have a good bit of material (and many thanks to those who have sent articles) no editor can ever have enough. If at all possible, articles should be typed, doublespaced, and with any illustrations on separate pages. Photocopies can be used, if they are very clear and sharp - photographs are preferred.

Many thanks to you for your patience in getting the "new regime" settled, and for the letters and comments.


## REGISTRATION MARKINGS AND LABELS OF JAMAICA

By W. Kenneth Watson

In the June 1978 Journal the series of articles by Reg. Lant, Robert Topaz and Clinton von Pohle on Jamaican Registration markings were concluded. Part 1 of the series first appeared in December 1976 and under reference RC 1 the use of the manuscript marking "Money Letter" was recorded in black as used apparantly from about 1843 to 1859. The range of dates can now be extended back by 7 years on the evidence of the cover illustrated.

This is a single letter dated 28th. August 1836 from Kingston to A. C. Logan at May Hill post office. A Kingston c.d.s. of that date was applied on posting and the letter inscribed in manuscript "Money Letter" and No. 26 in accordance with Post Office regulations. The manuscript postal charge of $1 / 10 \mathrm{~d}$. covers the rate of 6 d . for a single letter for distances between 60 and 100 miles (Kingston to May Hill being 63 miles). In this case a single letter with money inside counted as a double letter and therefore $1 /-d$. was charged with an additional fee of 10 d . for registration.

The letter itself is of some interest and reads as follows:Dear Sir,

My Merchants having cashed the order you sent me for $£ 96$ I now beg leave to enclose to you $£ 59$. 7.6 d . together with Mrs. Treu’s recpt. for $£ 36.12 .6$. being the Amt. she has expended on the children of the late R.B.

Mr. Gladstone complains of the inferior quality of the May day Hill Coffee when compared with former shipments. This I presume must have been occasioned by the long indisposition of Dr. Bygrave. With a tender of Mrs. Treu's best respects. I remain dear Sir, Very faithfully yrs.

## I. M. Treu

P.S. Wd. you have the kindness to take notice that I have paid $£ 22.13 .4 \mathrm{~d}$ to Mr. Marshall out of my donation of $£ 50$ to the Ellstree School.
W. Kenneth Watson.

## THE R.M.S.P. "AVON"

A letter recently received from Morris Ludington provides further information on the above subject:

[^0]The normal length of time for letters from Kingston to Bermuda via Havana was 4 days to Havana and 7 days from Havana to Bermuda. So even if a prompt connection had been made at Havana, the date " 22 July" cannot be the date the letter was received in Bermuda (a sailing ship would take more than 5 days to reach Bermuda from Havana).

My letter, sent unpaid, has a manuscript " 4 " ( 4 d collect), and Dr. Van Winkle's should have a similar rate mark.

Letters arriving in Bermuda did not normally receive any datestamp, so the lack of a backstamp does not mean that the letter was privately delivered."

- Morris H. Ludington


# A History of Antigua Civil Censorship 

(Part III)

by George W. Bowman

Zwart has informed me of a Type L6, also with printed code number 6044, used on 18 OC 41 on a cover mailed from Guadeloupe to Canada. However, this cover bears no Antigua postal markings, and the label is not supplemented with a IB or a B/-. Thus, the odds are that it cannot be an item censored in Antigua. I therefore consider the 11 JA 42 date as the EDK for Type L6, assuming, of course, that the IB actually proves censorship activity on that island.

I find it interesting that, at least in my experience, all Type L6 devices associated with mail sent through Antigua - or the general area of the Leewards - contain the printed number 6044. If you recall, this number was earlier mentioned as appearing in crayon on a Type L4B label in the Mayo collection.

Late 1942 saw the initial use of a handstamp measuring 35-36 mm in height and approximately $281 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in width, having (Crown) $/$ PASSED / B/101 in three lines. The height of the crown is 9 mm ; the length of the word PASSED is $161 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. The device is designated Type S3. In early 1943 a similar handstamp (Type S3A) appeared with $B / 100$ in lieu of $\mathbf{B} / 101$, and with a slightly shorter height of 32-33 mm . These devices are shown in Figure 21.


Type 53


Type S3A

Figure 21

Type S3's EDK is on a cover (Kieffer) posted at Paramaribo on 23 DE 42 and mailed to St. Eustatius. The LDK is on a cover (Kieffer) mailed at Willemstad on 9 FE 43, and also sent to St. Eustatius. In each case the device is applied over a strip of blank sealing tape, tying the tape to the envelope.

The EDK OF Type S3A is 9 FE 43, on a cover (Kieffer) posted at Bonaire and arriving at St. Eustatius on 25 FE 43. Its LDK is on an item (Bogg) sent from Antigua to Canada. However, the date cannot be pinpointed; the St. John's CDS reads ? M( ) 43, which could be either March or May.

The majority of covers I have examined bearing either of these handstamps originated in one of the Dutch islands of the West Indies. Some, but not all, such covers contain the words VIA ANTIGUA, KLM, And some, but not all, are backstamped with a St. John's CDS.

Examples of supplementary manuscript notations exist in conjunction with most (but not all) strikes of Types S3 and S3A. On Type S3 devices I have noted only $B / 2$; on Type S3A I have seen $/ 2, / 3$, and 4.

A P.C. 90 label with all-serif letters (Type L7) was in use during the first part of 1943 (Figure 22). This label incorporates in the lower left corner a phrase "51-9912 G.W.D.", which is one of a series of inscriptions found on P.C. labels identifying the company or printer which produced it. Classified by Torrance/Walker as Type 1I, the device has the following measurements:

Length of OPENED BY: 76 mm . Height of OPENED BY: $71 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Length of EXAMINER: 50 mm . Space between OPENED and BY: 9 mm .

The label's EDK is on a cover (Kieffer) mailed from Paramaribo on 24 FE 43 to St. Eustatius. Mayo has informed me of a cover mailed at St. John's on 20 MY 43, which is the LDK.

The only printed code numbers yet discovered on Type L7 are $B / 100$ and $B / 235$. Some examples of the device carry a supplementary manuscript number / 2 or r/16.

The EDK of Label Type L8, shown in Figure 23, is 17 JA 44 (Larsen). The letters OPENED BY EXAMINER are $731 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in length and are sans-serif; the IB in the bottom line contains serifs. The LDK is 15 MY 45, on a cover (Broderick) posted at Barbuda on 14 MY 45 and mailed to New York. Only the printed code numbers $1 B / 112$, $\mathrm{IB} / 235, \mathrm{IB} / 493, \mathrm{IB} / 524, \mathrm{IB} / 728$, and $\mathrm{IB} / 952$ have so far been noted on this type. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

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Figure 22, Type L7


Figure 23, Type L8
The letters OPENED BY EXAMINER of Type L8 are 4 mm in height. However, Bennink has shown me a label similar to this type, but with the top line letters measuring 5 mm high and with a thinner appearance than those of L8. I have given his device, illustrated in Figure 24, a separate Type number L9. It is a code number IB493 applied to a cover posted at Curacao on 22 OC 43, and mailed to St. Eustatius. This is the earliest example of any printed IB/ -device applied to a cover apparently censored in Antigua, and is the only Type L9 I have seen.

Hand-inscribed IB notations on printed labels began to appear in the summer of 1943. The basic item, designated as Type L10, is a P.C. 90 "blank" device with the words OPENED BY EXAMINER on one line, under which is a pair of colinear dashes. The length of OPENED BY EXAMINER is $731 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$, and the height of the letters is 6 mm . The left dash measures $111 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$, the right dash $141 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. (See Figure 25.)

Figure 26 shows the label with a typical manuscript notation. The covers resealed with Type L10's having an added IB/493 code number
have EDK and LDK dates of 19 JY 43 and 27 SP 43, respectively. Most of these covers were transmitted between Curacao and St. Eustatius, and some, although bearing no Antigua postal markings, were inscribed with the words "Via Antigua". The 27 SP 43 item (Seifert) was postmarked at St. John's on that date and sent to New York.


Figure 24, Type L9


Figure 25, Type L10


Figure 26

In addition, Seifert possesses Type L10 with a handwritten IB/ 235 code on a cover postmarked at St. John's on 5 OC 43 and also mailed to New York. This is the only example brought to my attention carrying a IB number other than 493.

To summarize Type L10, the usage dates of these devices, irregardless of the code number inscribed, range from 19 JY 43 to 5 OC 43. And as is the case with previous label types, it can be inferred only that some envelopes with Type L10 were censored in Antigua, and that others may have been.

Figure 27 illustrates a label which I have seen on only three covers. Designated Type L11, it appears to be, due to the IB code, a device used in Antigua. However, in all three cases each of the letters I and B is followed by a period.


Figure 27, Type L11

## PASSED THE CENGOR

Figure 28, Type S4

One of these covers, from the Mayo collection, was posted at Guadeloupe on 28 MR 42; the second (from Lot 109 of the oft-mentioned War Cover Club sale) was mailed from Guadeloupe to New York in April of 1942; the third, shown to me by Zwart, was mailed on 4 AP 42 from Puerto Rico to Martinique. None of the trio contain any kind of Antigua postal marking.

The existence of these items (and notice that all three incorporate the now-familiar but mysterious number 6044!) lowers to the status of mere guesswork my original assumption, made in both references 1 and 2, that the covers actually passed through Antigua for processing and censoring. This has caused me to ask myself two questions: "Does IB, in this case, signify Antigua or doesn't it?" and "Has anyone ever
seen this label incorporating a number other than 6044 , and used in a month other than March or April of 1942?"

To me, the first question is the more intriguing. It can be stated another way: With the addition of periods after the I and the B, can we still assume that Antigua is in any way involved? Or do we now have, with those periods, examples of an entirely different censorship coding system?
(To be continued)

The Cameron Trophy for best British Caribbean area exhibit in NOJEX competition will be a Swedish crystal vase. The Royal Krona vase is approximately 8 cm square by 17 cm in height. BCPSG medals will also be made available to the jury on an open basis.

Dr. BEN RAMKISSOON received a silver medal, a BCPSG silver medal, and a USPS certificate for his exhibit of postal stationery of Trinidad and Tobago, at ROCKPEX recently in Milwaukee. He was also awarded a bronze medal at Bermupex '79, for "Britannia Issues of Trinidad".

In reference to the use of Trinidad stamps in Ciudad Bolivar (BCPJ, Oct. '78), Dr. Irwin Yarry reports that he has personally owned several Great Britain stamps used from Ciudad Bolivar, and recalls the Bertram McGowan collection sold in Philadelphia by Robson Lowe, November 25, 1950, which contained lot \#324, a $5 /$-rose, plate 2 , with a clear strike of D22, estimated value $\$ 25$ (!!), and lot 325,10 stamps, one with datestamp in red and a pre-adhesive cover, values to $5 /-$, a number with faults, estimated value $\$ 30$ (also)!! . . . times have changed.

The following Pamphlets and Articles are available from our membership chairman, Thomas Giraldi, at the prices indicated.
A description of just about every phase of life on each of the
Islands by Byron Cameron .-- Indian
Dominica by Bertram W. H. Poole
Nevis by Fred J. Melville

## 1979 BCPSG AUCTION

The 1979 BCPSG mail/floor auction is scheduled to be held during NOJEX, 26-28-October 1979, time and place to be announced. Mail your bids EARLY to auction manager Bob Topaz, 34 Maryellen Road, Walton, MA 02168, USA. Bids must be received by Bob no later than 15 October.

Lot \#1
ANTIGUA - Covers - 12 covers plus three official unstamped covers mostly St. John but one from All Saints with branch Reg. stamp incl. 1923-date. Est. $\$ 6.00$.

## Lot \#2

Honduras - maritime cancellation - United Fruit Company Steamship cancel s/s Muba Posted On the High Seas Jun 7, 1932 addressed to Milwaukee. Est. $\$ 25$.

## Lot \#3

BWI - War Tax stamps on cover - including Caymans - a pair of MR4 and the three low values of the first KGV issue, Dominica franked by MR3, 4,5 and Jamaica franked by two diff. overprints on the $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ value. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#4

PAQUEBOT COVERS - a lot of 10 covers all attributed to the LADY boats with various frankings and paquebot markings incl. MAILED AT SEA, Lady Drake, Lady Hawkins, Lady Nelson etc. fine lot. Est. \$75.00.

Lot \#5
BWI - Censor - from Barbados, Bermuda, Br. Honduras, Curacaa, Dominica, St. Lucia and Trinidad - seven in all. Various censor labels. Est. \$10.00.

## Lot \#6

B.W.I. - Censored Covers - from Bahamas, Bermuda, \& B.G. all w/PO90 labels. Est. $\$ 6.00$.

## Lot \#7

FLIGHT COVERS - Three cacheted flight covers incl. Trinidad/Barbados by KLM 19 OC 38, Ascunsion/NY by PAA 1959, and Jamaica/Miami 1930. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#8

BAHAMAS - Used Variety of SC \#13 or SG \#18 - the 4dQV Chalon Head in the rose color perf $12 \frac{1}{2}$ but showing papermakers watermark rather than the CC wmk. A05 cancel f-vf. Est. $\$ 100.00$.

## Lot \#9

BAHAMAS - Specimen - of the Registered Letter envelope - unused - with red impressed stamp of the 2d value. A little staining. Est. \$9.00.

Lot \#10
BAHAMAS - Cover - dated 25 AU 98 Nassau to N.Y. with QV $2^{1 ⁄ 2} 2 \mathrm{~d}$ franking. Sc \#28. Est. \$15.00.

## Lot \#11

BAHAMAS - War Tax Cover - picture post card bearing the $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ green Sc \#6 to Toledo, Ohio. The PPC is of interest being a Spanish language card showing the ship and commander involved in the obstruction of Zeebrugge during WWI. Est. $\$ 7.50$.

## Lot \#12

BAHAMAS - War Tax Cover - bearing a pair of Sc \#7 red dated 5 OC 18 cancelled by cds type I Hope Town. Also Nassau cds - addressed to England. f-vf. Est. \$25.00.

## Lot \#13

BAHAMAS - War Tax Cover - dated 14 FE 20 bearing apr of Sc \#7 - 1d red - to London back partially missing - Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#14

BAHAMAS - War Tax Covers - bearing a blk of 4 SC \#MR \#7 id carmine f-vf on Reg. cover from Nassua to UK Oval R on face vf backstamped dated 70 oc 18. Est. $\$ 25.00$.

## Lot \#15

BAHAMAS - Covers - two fronts only circa 1924 to England - one cancelled at Nassua and the other with the out-island B. Also a 1950 cover internal franked with 1d gray. Est. $\$ 5.00$

## Lot \#16

BAHAMAS - Cover - a M.W. cover to Chicago registered from Nassau 20 MY 25 - oval R on face plus violet ink Registered s.L. mark. Backstamped. Franked with 3d staircase issue. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#17

BAHAMAS - First Flight Cover - a Dr. Hess cover mailed Nassau-Peru with magenta handstamped cachet to mark that service. The cover was mailed at Nassua on 2 Jan. 1930 with red ink cachet reading "FIRST DAILY FLIGHT/NASSUA TO MIAMI/1930". The reverse is covered with various backstamps of Miami, Canal Zone, Peru, Canal Zone, New York and Bahamas. Interesting. Opened Oct. Est. \$8.00.

## Lot \#18

BAHAMAS - Air Mail Cover - to Dallas dated 15 JY 35 and registered. Franked with three 10 values of Jubilee issue plus 8c Falmingo Sc. Cat. $\$ 11.00$ Est. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#19

BAHAMAS - Covers - two covers from Grant's Town to NY dated 1938 and 1956. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#20

BAHAMAS - Sea Floor Covers - Two diff. marks of the Sea Floor TRD dated 1940 and 1942. Est. $\$ 15.00$.

## Lot \#21

BAHAMAS - Covers - 27 covers and 3 PC-1926 to date - mostly large offices or Nassua. Includes a 1940 Sea Floor cover and a large size cover to the USA Secty of State bearing two nice copies of the KGV 8d flamingo. Cheap at $\$ 12.00$

## Lot \#22

BARBADOS - Cancellations - seven bootheel cancels on var. stamps, incl. $\# 3,5,6,8,10 \& 11$. Better than aver. Also 32 village cancels 1890 to date. Est. \$15.00.

Lot \#23
BARBADOS - Cancellations - 30 Datestamp cancellations. 1900-1950s. Est. $\$ 5.00$

Lot \#24
BARBADOS - Specimen - postcard H\&G \#8 $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ brown ovptd SPECIMEN - slight toning. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#25

BARBADOS - LARGE REGISTERED LETTER - dated Nov. 1926 from Barbados to New York and backstamped. 3d blue printed Registration stamp on flap. Est. $\$ 5.00$.
Lot \# 26
BARBADOS - First Flight Cover - dated 27 NO 40 to Trinidad by BWIA no cachet. Est. \$6.00.

## Lot \#27

BARBADOS - Covers - 62 asst 1898 to date incl 38 non-stamped official mailings from Philatelic Bureau. Some first day covers a few interesting. Est. $\$ 12.00$.

## Lot \#28

BARBUDA - Cover - a comm. cover to USA dated 1947 bearing Leewards SC \#110 - the 6d violet cancelled with Barbuda cds with backstamps of Barbuda and Antigua. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#29

BARBUDA - Covers - 23 asst. covers about half registered 1974-76 era some large but all franked with stamps imprinted Barbuda etc. listed at rear of Scott 1979. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#30
BERMUDA - Used copy of Sc \#3 - the 3d buff of 1873 lightly cancelled f-vf. Cat. $\$ 40.00$.

Lot \#31
BERMUDA - Used copy of Sc \#7 f-vf with an excellent blue ink strike of the numeral \#1 type K3 oblit. The stamp cats. \$25.00. Est. \$20.00.
Lot \#32
BERMUDA - Cancellations - a group of seven QV definitives with duplex canc. \#1(3) \#2(2) and \#9 plus a very nice strike of the \#2 K1 cancel. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#33

BERMUDA - Mint - two blks of 4 of Sc \#85, the 2d gray Caravel series of 1922 etc. one blk of 4 of \#89 the 3d violet on yellow and a corner strip of four of the 6 d claret. There is some separation in the 3 d blk. f-vf lightly hinged. Cat. \$15.20.

## Lot \#34

BERMUDA - Mrint - BLK of 4 of 1910 Caravel 2d gray SC \#43 and 2 blks of 4 of \#45 the 3d violet on yellow. f-vf lightly hinged or not hinged. Cat. \$26.00.

## Lot \#35

BERMUDA - Mint - blks of the KGVI set 1938-40 incl. blk. of 10 of 1d, ditto $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$, blks of 4 and 6 ( 10 total) of the $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ incl. shade, blk of 8 of the 3d blk \& blue, blk of 4 of the $1 /$-value and three blks of 4 of the halfpenny ovprt. 54 stamps in all f-vf some lightly hinged others NH. Cat. \$11.54.

## Lot \#36

BERMUDA - Cover - Hamilton to USA dated 3 Nov. 1887 franked by $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ ultra QV Sc \#22 cancelled by duplex oblit \#1. Est. \$7.50.

## Lot \#37

BERMUDA - Wrappers - a copy of the $1 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ brown Dockyard wrapper dated 23 MR 1906 and backstamped with an excellent strike of Ireland IsIand fine cond. plus a rather bedraggled copy of the KGV $1 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ brown wrapper with a smudged date, a red ink ms. censor marking, and a handwritten note "One of the first papers passed the Mail Cencor (sic) after war was declared between Germany and Great Britain. Est. \$10.00.

## Lot \#38

BERMUDA - Covers - three covers 1905-1927. Two from Ireland Island, the other from Flatts. Some tears. The best item is the 1905 Ireland Island which is a small neat cover franked by the 1d Dockyard stamp (red \& brown) which is in very nice cond. Est. $\$ 6.00$.

## Lot \#39

BERMUDA - Maritime cancel - Cover to New Jersey franked with Bermuda 21/2 d Caravel canceled by a NY paquebot cancel dated $8 / 10 / 34$ and a circular Posted/On The/High Seas. Est. \$15.00.

## Lot \#40

BERMUDA/BARBADOS - Censor Covers - 6 WWII Censor covers 5 from Bermuda, 1 from Barbados. Est. $\$ 25$.

## Lot \#41

BERMUDA - Covers 40 covers and 8 postcards 1910 to date with various sizes, frankings, cancels and cachets. A few official Paid covers. A real melange. Est. $\$ 15.00$.
Lot \#42
BERMUDA - FFC - Pair of Flight covers both dated Mar 16, 1938 First Official mail per PAA "Bermuda Clipper" Baltimore-Bermuda with magenta FAM 17 cachet BS-Hamilton Bermuda-Baltimore no cachet manuscript "Bermuda Clipper" BS Baltimore Mar 17, 1938 second scarce. Est. \$20.

## Lot \#43

BRITISH GUIANA - A correspondence consisting of 16 entires to Liverpool from 1820-1835 dealing with plantation and commercial matters. Good condition. No postal markings but names of ships often noted. Est. \$75.00.

## Lot \#44

BRITISH GUIANA - Specimen - Registered Letter envelope - very nice cond. 1902 - 4c blue impressed. Est. $\$ 8.00$.

## Lot \#45

BRITISH GUIANA - Cancellations - 20 late 19th - early 20th century stamps with var. town cancels incl. clear partial strike of the very rare HOPE PACER dated 2 JY 1902 plus 13 strikes 1899-1951 of various Railway TPO etc. Est. $\$ 12.00$.

## Lot \#46

BRITISH GUIANA - Used Block of eight of the $\$ 1.00$ deep violet KGVI of 1938 lightly cancelled \#239 f-vf except one stamp. Cat. \$5.60.

## Lot \#47

BRITISH GUIANA/GUYANA - Covers - 32 covers to 1960 to date mostly from Philatelic Bureau with various postal markings. Some large sizes some commercial. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#48

BRITISH HONDURAS - Specimen - a fresh looking copy of the 3c brown of $1891-\mathrm{QV}$ - rather heavily hinged. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

Lot \#49
BRITISH HONDURAS - War Tax - Upper left block of 18 of MR2 - the 1c green of 1917 including the broken A position 9. Some margin separation. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#50

BRITISH HONDURAS - War Tax - Lower left block of 18 of MR4 - the 1c green of 1918 f -vf showing current no. 2. N.H. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#51

BRITISH HONDURAS - War Tax - block of 18 from upper left including gutter but not outside margin of Sc \#1 - the 1c with moire ovprt - f-vf but some margin separation. Shows broken foot of $A$ in position 9. Current \#1. Est. \$10.00.
Lot \#52
BRITISH HONDURAS - War Tax - block of 18 from lower right showing current no. \#2 and including gutter and margins. vf-nh. Cat. \$
Lot \#53
BRITISH HONDURAS - War Tax - corner block of 12 of Sc \#MR3 - the 3c orange of 1917 - current \#2 f-vf nh slight corner crease in margin. Est. \$10.00.

Lot \#54
BRITISH HONDURAS - Mint Blocks - blks of 4 of Sc. \#'s 59, 60, 65 and 72 - the KE 2d, 5d, \& 10d of 1904-06 and the 2d of 1909 - f-vf full gum hinged. Cat. \$45.- + .

## Lot \#55

BRITISH HONDURAS - Mint blk - of four of Sc \#74 the KE 25c green of 1911 - f-vf lightly hinged full gum. Cat. $\$ 40.00$.
Lot \#56
BRITISH HONDURAS - SPECIMEN - postcard $1 / 2 d$ green QV ovptd SPECIMEN f-vf. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#57

BRITISH HONDURAS - Registered Cover - dated Apr. 1916 from Benque Viejo to Los Angeles Reg. label and oval R on face - violet ink Belize cds plus New Orleans and L.A. on reverse. Slight tear. Est. \$8.00.
Lot \#58
BRITISH HONDURAS - Registered Cover - to England dated 1916 franked with Sc. \#75, 76 \& 78. Very neat. Belize Label backstamped. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#59
BRITISH HONDURAS - REGISTERED Letter - A registered cover on postal stationery dated 1919 to Birmingham, England franked with two diff. War Tax stamps plus the 5c moire overprint of 1915. The Registered Letter stationery is embossed with a $2 \mathrm{c}+3 \mathrm{c}$ franking with moire overprint. VF and scarce. $\$ 25.00$.

## Lot \#60

BRITISH HONDURAS - Registered Cover - a rather tattered but scarce cover from Belize to Montgomery Ward in Chicago dated 1920. The face has a handstamped Registration oblong of Belize plus the 8 c franking and MW receiving markings. The reverse has backstamps of Belize, New Orleans, and Chicago plus two impressions of the oval R marking in violet ink. Despite condition. Est. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#61

BRITISH HONDURAS - Registered Cover - dated 1923 to New York and franked with 4 d gray $\# 90$ \& \#96 5c blue. Stamped violet ink Registration marking of Belize. Backstamped - commercial. \$10.00.

Lot \#62
BRITISH HONDURAS - Covers - two covers and four fronts - 1923-46. The fronts are all franked by the 4c gray 1922 issue Sc \#90 and incl. Corozal Registration stamp etc. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#63
BRITISH HONDURAS - Covers - three covers - 1920 to USA 1928 from Punta Gorda to USA and 1954 Registered airmail cover from Belize to Chicago. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#64

BRITISH HONDURAS - First Flight Covers - a cover from Belize to USA franked with the $1 \mathrm{c}+25 \mathrm{c}$ values of the $1913-17$ issue plus the 4 c 1922 gray tied with violet ink cachet reading BELIZE/FIRST FLIGHT/MIAMIPANAMA. Backstamped in USA on 7 May, 1929. Also cover from Miami to Belize franked with 15c USA stamp and violet ink cachet of FAM \#5 backstamped Belize 21 May, 1929. Est. \$20.00.

## Lot \#65

BRITISH HONDURAS - Registered Cover - dated 1936 and franked with comp. set of 1935 Jubilee issue. Very neat. Backstamped. Belize N label. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#66

BRITISH HONDURAS - Censored covers - two covers with diff. types censor sealings - one to Guatemala, and the other to Detroit. Scarce. Est. \$10.00.

## Lot \#67

BRITISH HONDURAS - First Day Covers -_ three covers incl. 1953 Coronation, 1948 4c Silver Wedding \& 1946 Peace Issue comp. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#68

BRITISH HONDURAS - Covers - a lot of 10 covers - all posted to Iowa circa 1949-52 - with various frankings. Non-philatelic. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#69

BRITISH HONDURAS - Covers - 20 var., 10 of which are not stamp bearing. Incl. some FDC and a censored cover. El Cayo and Benque Viejo cancels incl. Est. $\$ 5.00$

Lot \#70
CAYMANS ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - the $1 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ postcard and the 1 d red on grey embossed envelope (circa 1909) both unused and in f-vf cond. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#71

CAYMANS ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - Unused copies of the $1 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ postcard and the $2 \frac{1}{2}$ d stamped envelope - circa 1909 - fine. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

Lot \#72
CAYMANS ISLANDS - Covers - two large registered covers to Germany (1924-25) franked 1921-26 stamps, one bearing 6d, and the other a 2d \& 3d. Backstamped Kingston and Germany. Fair cond. Handstruck Caymans registry marking on each. Also one cover - 1968 - to London with free frank. Est. \$10.00.

Lot \#73
CAYMANS ISLANDS - Covers - two covers - one registered - to Scotland bearing franking of the 1921-1926 issue and cancelled Cayman Brac. f-vf. The registry marking is indistinct. Includes $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ pr., 2d, $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$, \& 3 d values. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#74

CAYMAN ISLANDS - Registered Cover - bearing a blk of 4 of the 1932 2d value with oval R on face and Kingston backstamp dated 1940. Small tear at top does not detract. Est. $\$ 5.00$.
Lot \#75
CAYMAN ISLANDS - Registered Covers - two registered covers dated 1936 and franked with 1935 issue $6 \mathrm{~d} \& 1 /-$. f-vf cancelled at Georgetown. Oval R markings on face and Kingston Jamaica backstamps. Est. \$10.00.

Lot \#76
CAYMAN ISLANDS - Covers - 18 covers 1937 date various cancels - some FDC some officials w/o stamps. Est. \$6.00.
Lot 77
DOMINICA - Covers - twenty asst. from Roseau and some small towns incl at least six Registered with handstruck stamps from these smaller offices. 1937 to date. Est. \$8.00.

Lot \#78
GRENADA - Covers - to Trinidad dated 1918 and 1917. Est. \$10.00.
Lot \#79
JAMAICA - Stampless - An entire with filing creases dated 3 Mar 1773 to London showing two line T1 of KINGSTON plus Bishop marking and FREE marking on face. Addressee is MP. Est. $\$ 50.00$.
Lot \#80
JAMAICA - Entires three entires written locally dated 1783-89 but bearing no postal markings. Well preserved and well written - interesting. Also a long letter dated 1842. w/poor Clarendon strike. Est. \$20.00.
Lot \#81
JAMAICA - Stampless Covers - two 1789 entires to Spanish Town various ms rate markings and Bishop Marks of UK. An 1847 entire to Mayhill, an 1856 entire to London with fair Jamaica PAID cds and an 1852 envelope to Mo Bay with Kingston \& Mo Bay markings. 5 items. Est. \$15.00.

Lot \#82
JAMAICA - Marine Insurance etc. - 13 stamps, 3d-5/- values plus one 1832 Bill of Lading complete and in f -vf condition with impressed 10d stamp. Est. $\$ 25.00$.
Lot \#83
JAMAICA - Loose Letter - written on board at Port Royal to London (1862) and franked w/6dGP and cancelled with \#51 in Diamond (London). Collett writeup. Est. $\$ 25.00$.

Lot \#84
JAMAICA - Postcard - showing ms. TOO LATE in blue crayon. Dated 18 NO 93 to Kingston from Mo Bay. Two diff. Sq. circle cancels. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#85
JAMAICA - Obliterators - A pair of the rare A79 h type H with the Missing 7 on \#7 and \#8 Strikes Fine, stamps damaged. Est. \$25.00.

Lot \#86
JAMAICA - Oblit Postcard mailed at Lacovia 27 Ap 87 and cancelled with distinct strike of E30 oblit. also shows Lacovia and Kingston cds on face. Est. \$35.00.

## Lot \#87

JAMAICA - Registration Markings - on Sc \#21, 26 and 04 plus three covers to England dated 1900, 1903 and 1941 all complete with markings and backstamps. Est. $\$ 12.00$.

## Lot \#88 <br> JAMAICA - Registered Cover - dated 1901 to England franked by two 4d QV stamps and showing oval R and oval Registry markings on face. Partially hidden under stamps is LCCN's M49 circular mark readings "ON POSTOFFICE BUSINESS/FREE/JAMAICA. Backstamped. Scarce. Est. \$25.00.

## Lot \#89

JAMAICA - As above - dated 1933 - franked with 6d QV (damaged) but M49 mark is clear and entirely visible and legible. Est. $\$ 25.00$.

## Lot \#90

JAMAICA - Covers - 25 Registered Covers 1914-38 all from various offices outside Kingston - only one large cover. Plus six postcards and one PPC Condition mixed. Est. $\$ 50.00$.

## Lot \#91

JAMAICA - Free Franks - a very interesting card franked by ON H M SERVICE/FREE/REGISTRAR GENERAL recording the marriage of a man from Ramble. 1898. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#92

JAMAICA - Free Franking - an unusual cover - creased from a fold through center - local Kingston - reading G. VERNON'S STORM RELIEF COMMITTEE. Very scarce. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#93

JAMAICA - Paid Markings - a neat but stained envelope to Kingston dated 1 Dec. 1899 and bearing the red ink Paid Marking Nicholson type M8 but predating his. Est. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#94

JAMAICA - Paid Markings - Three diff. machine stamped PAID markings 1926-31 on three covers - one opened roughly. Incl. POSTAGE PAID, ONE PENNY POSTAGE PAID in both black and red inks. Est. \$10.00.

## Lot \#95

JAMAICA - Paid Marking - an envelope to Kingston bearing the double ring undated mark reading PAID POSTAGE/JAMAICA in violet ink. Very rare. Nicholson M9 circa 1925. Est. \$25.00.

## Lot \#96

JAMAICA - PAID Marking - a partial envelope a bit tropical stained addressed to United Fruit Co. in Kingston and bearing two very scarce and unusual markings. The first is a blue ink 46 mm circle reading UNITED FRUIT COMPANY/COMPANY/MAIL and the second mark is a double ring cds about 31 mm reading GENERAL POST OFFICE/SE 17/PAID/29(1929)/ JAMAICA. Very rare. Est. $\$ 35.00$.

## Lot \#97

JAMAICA - Paid Marking - a partial wrapper with the red ink double ring undated mark reading POSTAGE PAID/JAMAICA, circa 1935. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#98

JAMAICA - Maritime - a partial cover bearing a pr of SG GB \#160 f-vf cancelled with the duplex oblit of Manchester (498) and backstamped at Liverpool Packet Office on 12 OC 82. There is a ms inscription reading "Jamaican from Liverpool Oct. 12, 1882". The Jamaican was a ship of the West India and Pacific Steamship Co. Est. $\$ 30.00$.

Lot \#99
JAMAICA - Paquebot Marking -- 1954 cover addressed to Detroit stamps cancelled with a Montreal Canada " J " oblit Cover also has "paquebot" and boxed S.S. "Sunvalley" markings. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#100

JAMAICA - Cover franked with 3 21/2 d Returned Contingent stamps each neatly canceled "Taiohae/Ile Nuka Hava" circular datestamp dated 9-4-28. Receiving cancel San Francisco 5/4/28. Est. \$25.00.
Lot \#101
JAMAICA - Cover - from Haiti to Port Maria addressed to Vendryes and received in Kingston 11 Jan. 1912 on board the SS Siberia. Scarce f-vf. Est. $\$ 25.00$.
Lot \#102
JAMAICA - Covers - a 1912 reg. cover to USA from Lacovia and a first day cover 1952 commemorating the Boy Scout Jamboree. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#103

JAMAICA - Money Order Letter - An official blue paper cover from the Money Order Office - No. 1 - addressed to Mrs. Baker in New Hampshire USA. Franked by stamped sig-no stamps? Rare. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#104

JAMAICA - Money Order Letter - from England to Kingston dated Jan. 18, 1909 and showing on face the London and Kingston M.O.B. (rare) marks plus Kingston oval " $R$ " and Kingston Registration marking - all on face. Est. \$35.00.

## Lot \#105

JAMAICA - Money Order Letter - an unusual even though torn when opened cover from England to Jamaica bearing a square Longon M.O.D. mark dated 18 NO 36 on face. Onit's arrival in Kingston it received a registration marking - a registered label of Kingston (rare usage) both on the face and the Kingston MOB cds on reverse. Also cds of Mo Bay, Anchovy and Reading. Est. \$25.00.

## Lot \#106

JAMAICA - Booklet - the 1916 War Label booklet with all inserts but no attached stamps at - just the covers and the interleafing ads. There are two loose half penny stamps included. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

Lot \#107
JAMAICA - Internment Camp - cover written from Internment Camp, Up Park Camp to London - cancelled at Kingston and marked with Postal Censor \#1 stamp in black ink and bearing a stamped framed inscription in red ink reading "FROM INTERNMENT CAMP" Circa 1930-40. Scarce. Est. \$20.00.

## Lot \#10s

JAMAICA - Armed Forces Markings - 15 covers plus one partial and a piece, all showing military markings and/or franks. Some TRDs etc. Very interesting lot. Est. \$40.00.

## Lot \#109

JAMAICA - Military Covers - a large and very scarce cover to Egypt with a free frank marking of the 5th Bn. West Indies Regt. dated 17 Sept. 1917, and a 1939 cover franked with the mark of the Jamaica Reserve Regt. to Kingston. Both of these markings are very rare. Est. \$50.00.

## Lot \#110

JAMAICA - Slogan Cover to Kingston showing a nice strike of the "Duke of Gloucester" slogan dated 9 Mar. 1935. Cover torn but neat. Rare. Est. \$7.50.

## Lot \#111

JAMAICA - FFC - First Fight from Cristobal Canal Zone - Kingstown Front Machine canceled Cristobal/Canal Zone 12/3/30. Boxed Air Mail - First Flight/Canal Zone to Jamaica Back - Machine cancel Kingston Jamaica 12/6/30. Boxed First Flight/inaugrating/Air Mail service/to Jamaica B.W.I. Est. \$7.50.

## Lot \#112

JAMAICA - Misc. Covers and postcards. There are ten covers 1942-67 incl. a test Air cover PAA system, "Missent to Jamaica" Paquebot tec. and 6 postcards incl. an autograph of the Bishop of Jamaica - 1892-08. Est. \$10.00.

Lot \#113
JAMAICA FFC - Lot of 8 covers 1965-1976. Eastern Minn/Atl/MoBay/King Delta NO/King. BOAC NY/MoBay Southern Miami/Gr Cayman. Est. \$15.00.

## Lot \#114

JAMAICA - FFC - Three First Flight Covers; Eastern - 12/13/69 Mo Bay-Baltimore, Lufthansa New York - Kingston 1/11/66 and Lufthansa DC10 4/8/76 New York-Kingston. Est. \$10.00.
Lot \#115
JAMAICA - Covers - two covers of the 1927 and 1938 Philatelic Exhibitions. The 1927 cover is foxed somewhat. Est. $\$ 8.00$.

## Lot \#116

JAMAICA - TRD covers - 37 diff. 1965-68 mostly local and commercial incl. some scarce markings like blk ink Glenislay etc. Est. \$50.00.

## Lot \#117

JAMAICA - First Day Covers - of Comm. Heads of Gov't meeting. Incl. one full set on cacheted cover and three sets of two covers each showing the use of the TRD on the first date and the last date of the meeting. Used at Pegasus. Est. \$5.00.
Lot \#118
JAMAICA - 1st Day Covers - as above but used at Sheraton Hotel. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#119

JAMAICA - FDC - 20 First Days many with cachet 13 different including '62 LX Games stamps/SS, Nat. Heros, Tercentinary TRD, Royal Visits '52 and ' 66 , Constabulary, E. Roosevelt and Sangster. Est. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#120

JAMAICA - Covers - Lot of 100 covers from 1960-72 era some registered many air mail, many town cancels. Est. $\$ 5.00$.
Lot \#121
JAMAICA - Covers - Lot of 100 Covers from 1960-72 era some registered many air mail, many town cancels. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

Lot \#122
JAMAICA - Cancellations - About 75 squared circles. Good variety of towns including Spur Tree, Laughlands, Riverside, Mile Gully, Shooters Hill Cancels Fair - Fine. Est. \$15.

Lot \#123
JAMAICA - Cancellations - About 95 Double Rings 1890s-1970s good variety mostly fine cancels - little duplication. Est. \$7.50.

Lot \#124
JAMAICA - Cancellations - 11 street letter Box cancellations/Kingston Montego Bay and Pt Antonio 1890s-1940s and 2 T.P.O. one with index 3. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#125

JAMAICA - Cancellations - 29 single rings 1890s-1920s 15 different cancels fair to good. Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#126

JAMAICA - Cancellations - about 200 MSRs and Birminghams 50s-70s on stamps or pieces. Good variety of towns with little duplication. A few in violet ink. Cancels. Good - Fine. Est. $\$ 5.00$.
Lot \#127
JAMAICA - Cancellations - Lot of 85 TRDs, 45 different types from the 1940s-1970s including Kelly-Kingston, Tower Isle, Sandy Gully, Morgans Pass, Mt. Pleasant, Denbigh, Spaldings, Malvern, Beacon Hall, Belgar, Hayes, Leamington. All on small piece. Est. \$15.00.

Lot \#128
JAMAICA - TRD - two small pieces containing complete strikes of the ST. PAUL'S (Aguilar TD 34) in violet ink. Scarce. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#129
JAMAICA - TRD Cover - a nice copy of a cover addressed to Lady Doorly showing the blue ink TRD of the JPS 3rd Philatelic Exhibition dated 8 Feb 1938. Backstamped which shows actual usage. Est. $\$ 500$.

Lot \#130
JAMAICA - Mint Sheet - of Sc \#154 the 2d Royal Visit stamp in complete sheet mint NH f-vf plate \#1-current 6. Cat. $\$ 9.00++$.
Lot \#131
JAMAICA - Mint Variety - a full sheet mint vf cond. of SG 219 Ei the watermark inverted variety - 60 stamps current 1A. Est. $\$ 180.00$.

## Lot \#132

LEEWARDS Paquebot Covers - two covers - 1931-32 - franked with Leewards stamps and cancelled with NY Paquebot markings. The first cover has a stamped "Posted ON THE HIGH SEAS" straight line marking, the second has a circular mark reading "Western Ocean S.S. Co./Posted at Sea/S.S. Western Ocean. Small tear on second cover. Est. \$20.00.

Lot \#133
MONTSERRAT - Covers - 35 in all 1937 to date mostly large sized official covers with stamps overprinted OHMS. A couple of first day covers also incl are 7 unfranked official envelopes. Est. $\$ 8.00$.

## Lot \#134

MONTSERRAT - Mint - a f-vf copy of the $\$ 4.80$ value of 1958 , Sc \#149 NH Cat. \$15.00.

## Lot \#135

NEVIS - BB used in Nevis - a copy of the 1d red GB SG \#ZS84 nice appearing but perfs clipped for about $2 / 3$ of left side. Cat. L150. Est. $\$ 60.00$.

Lot \#136
ST. KITTS-NEVIS - Mint War Tax - a study of about 90 stamps - all mint f-vf NH mostly MR2 the $1 \frac{1}{2 d}$ d orange stamp in pieces mostly showing current nos. and apparently separated by dates of issue of various shades. Interesting. Also one cover dated 1919 showing both War Tax stamps etc. Est. \$20.00.
Lot \#137
ST KITTS-NEVIS - War Tax Cover - a large cover to Switzerland dated 1918 bearing a strip of 6 , strip of 5 , and a single of the $1 / 2 d$ War Tax stamps. There are also several strikes of the oval $R$ and a strike of the scarce POSTMASTER/ST. KITTS marking. Est. $\$ 30.00$.

## Lot \#138

ST. KITTS - NEVIS - Maritime ship cancel on cover addressed to Detroit S.S. Manaqui and N.Y. Paquebot cancels 12/9/38. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#139

ST. KITTS-NEVIS - Registered Covers - three incl 1949 set of UPU stamps comp., a 1948 cover franked with Sc \#89 the $10 /$-map stamp (Cat. \$8.50) and a 1946 cover with both stamps of the Peace Set. Est. $\$ 6.00$.

## Lot \#140

ST. KITTS-TURKS etc. - Covers - 9 covers from St. Kitts-Nevis, 1949 to date - incl. Registered, First Day covers and a cover from Anguilla Valley dated 1951. Also five covers from Philatelic Bureau without stamps. Also 10 covers from Turks \& Caicos mostly large philatelic covers and modern. Est. $\$ 6.00$.

Lot \#141
ST. LUCIA - Cancellations - 9 stamps - QV \& KE - with various cds coded $\mathrm{C}(4), \mathrm{M}(1), \mathrm{S}(3)$ and $\mathrm{VF}(1)$ Est. $\$ 5.00$.

## Lot \#142

ST. LUCIA - Registered Covers - six philatelic registered covers to London all bearing blks. of 4 of the 1936 issue-values incl. $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}, 11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{~d}, 21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}, 3 \mathrm{~d}, 4 \mathrm{~d}, \&$ 6d. All f-vf and backstamped at Castries.

## Lot \#143

ST. LUCIA - Covers - 16 covers plus 2 fronts 1921 to date incl several FD covers and several registered covers. One cover has a pr. of 1951 Phoenix stamps on it. Also five unfranked large covers from Philatelic Bureau with various markings. Est. \$6.00.

## Lot \#144

ST. LUCIA - FFC - Flight cover from PAA sail system dated 7 Nov 1946. Mailed from Milwaukee Date stamped Nov 1, 1946 and franked with 10c postage. Franked with 16d St. Lucia postage and datestamped 7 No. 46 Backstamped Castrie St. Lucia 6 Nov 46 and blue PAA ticket stamp Nov 6 46/Port Castries. Est. \$4.50.

## Lot \#145

ST. VINCENT - Covers - 15 modern covers - 1937 to date incl some FD covers and several small towns like Edinboro Canouan, Questeles etc. plus 60 covers 1974-1977 mostly large size with modern colorful franking. Est. $\$ 12.00$.

## Lot \#146

ST, VINCENT - Maritime ship cancel on cover addressed to London. Cancelled Kingstown, St. Vincent $5 / 27 / 56$. Has boxed S.S. "Merchant"/Liverpool cancel and franked with St. Vincent stamps and one 70c French Stamp. Est. $\$ 5.00$.

Lot \#147
TRINIDAD - Used - a fine copy, margins all around of Sc \#6 the (1d) brown red of $1854-57$. Cancelled with numeral " 1 " but lightly. Cat. $\$ 50.00$.

## Lot \#148

TRINIDAD - Postmark - a neat copy on small piece of the straight line boxed mark - AG SHOW P.O. tied to a $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ QV stamp and dated with cds of 18 OC 95. Est. $\$ 15.00$.

Lot \#149
TRINIDAD - Cover - from Arouca to Port of Spain dated 27 AP 08 torn but repairable. Est. $\$ 8.00$.

Lot \#150
TRINIDAD - Cover - from ERIN to Port of Spain dated 31 AU 1911. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#151

TRINIDAD - Cover - from Chaguanas to Port of Spain dated 20 Jan 1912. Some staining. Est. \$8.00.

## Lot \#152

TRINIDAD - Cover - from Mayaro to Port of Spain dated 6 May 1913. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#153

TRINIDAD - Cover - - Registered cover from CAURA to Port of Spain dated Nov. 1916. Oval $R$ on face Label on reverse and backstamped St. Mary's etc. Est. \$12.00.

Lot \#154
TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Cover - dated AP 1917 and franked with one WAR TAX stamp and one regular stamp. Internal addressed to Charlestown BG. Unusual. Est. \$20.00.

## Lot \#155

TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Covers - 46 covers 1913 to date - some modern large size some interest. Reg. markings. Est. \$12.00.

Lot \#156
TRINIDAD - Paquebot Cover - on Prince Line stationery franked with GB $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ but cancelled with violet ink boxed PAQUEBOT/TRINIDAD and receiving mark of P.O.S. dated 26 Aug 1935. Est. \$8.00.

## Lot \#157

TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Cancellation - the very scarce cds of TETERON BAY dated 23 Aug 1941 on 6d KGVI stamp small piece. Very fine. Est. \$12.00.

## Lot \#158

TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - Cover - dated 10 MR 1944 to the Red Cross International Committee on Red Cross stationery and censored with PC90 label. Several odd handstamps on cover and Lisbon transit mark. Est. \$5.00.

Lot \#159
TRINIDAD - Cancellation - a local cover bearing two types of the skeleton SAN FERNANDO CENTENARY strikes dated Feb. 17 and 18. 1946. Est. $\$ 8.00$.

Lot \#160
TRINIDAD - Exhibition Covers - four diff. covers from various stamp exhibitions all cacheted 1948, 1967, 1968 \& 1972.

## Lot \#161

TRINIDAD - Mint Variety - a lovely copy of SG 295a - the 60 c perf $14 \frac{1}{2}$ Lilies stamp. Cat. L38.

## Lot \#162

TRINIDAD - FFC - First Flight Cover addressed to Connecticut, Trinidad — USA, Part of Lindberg circle - 1929. Est. \$7.50.

## Lot \#163

TRINIDAD \& TOBAGO - First Flight Cover to Tobago by NYPPA from P.O.S. 1930. Est. \$8.00.

## Lot \#164

TRINIDAD - FFC - First Flight between Port of Spain and Kingston, Jamaica registered and dated Ja 2, 31 and Back Stamped Kingston Ja 7, 31. Est. \$16.00.

## Lot \#165

TRINIDAD - FFC - Flight cover Trinidad - St. Vincent dated Jy 28, 32. Back Stamped GPO St. Vincent 29 Jy 32 Scarce - 240 carried. Est $\$ 25.00$.

Lot \#166
TRINIDAD - FFC - Flight cover Trinidad - New York dated July 18, 1946 violet cachet "First flight/Pan American Airways. Trinidad-NewYork/ Direct" Back Stamped NY July 19, 1946. AAMC \#F5-161. Est. \$3.50.

## Lot \#167

TRINIDAD - Flight Cover from PAA mail system dated No. 4, 1946 Mailed from Milwaukee Nov 1, 1946 datestamp and franked with 10c US postage. Franked with 20c T \& T postage canceled POS No 4, 1946 Backstamped POS No 4, 1946. Est. \$4.50.

## Lot \#168

TRINIDAD FLIGHT COVER - WRECK - a cover from Canada to Trinidad postmarked at Montreal on Dec. 16, 1935 and endorsed on reverse as follows "Damage due to immersion in sea, owing to wreck of Sea Plane on 20/12/35" followed by a set of initials and mark "Asst Postmaster General". Postmarked at Port of Spain on 21 Dec. 1935. Est. $\$ 35.00$.

## Lot \#169

TURKS ISLANDS - Postal Cards - unused f-vf cond - the $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ QV brown on beige and the same card overprinted "1d". Est. \$5.00.

## Lot \#170

TURKS ISLANDS - A somewhat damaged cover - large parts of reverse missing but the front can be made very decent looking - bearing apr. of Sc \#45 the 1d carmine lake and a single of \#51 the $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ green all cancelled by three strikes of the T1 oblit. Addressed to USA and dated 28 FE 95 with cds on front. Backstamped USA Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## Lot \#171

TURKS ISLANDS - Cover - Registered cover dated 17 JA 96 to USA bearing a strip of 3 of Sc \#48 and a single plus a pr of Sc \#52 the $2 \frac{1}{2}$ d ultra all cancelled by nice strikes of the T1 oblit and bearing the oval reg, " $R$ " and an oval Reg. cds on face. The back has two USA rec. markings. The face of the cover is f -vf but the reverse has some missing parts. Very nice appearing. Est. $\$ 20.00$.

## Lot \#172

VIRGIN ISLANDS - GB used at St. Thomas DWI - a pr of GB 1867 3d rose Sc \#49 cancelled with a strike of C51 - St. Thomas. Est. \$25.00.

## Lot \#173

VIRGIN ISLANDS - Covers - 25 asst - mostly large size and eleven of which are official mail w/o stamps. A couple are First Days. Est. \$5.00.

Lot 174
VIRGIN ISLANDS - Postal Stationery - a SPECIMEN envelope of the $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ ultra. St. Ursula envelope f-vf. Est. $\$ 10.00$.

## SALE OF "SIR HENRY TUCKER" COLLECTION OF BERMUDA

By Colonel Lynn D. Wallace

The auction catalogs of the "Sir Henry Tucker" collection of Bermuda for the sale in London, October 27, 1978 and the sale in New York City April 24, 1979 constitute in invaluable addition to the philatelic literature of this small colony. With these catalogs and the new revised edition of Ludington's "Bermuda", the student has reference material undreamed of a few short years ago.

Sir Henry Tucker's collection was no doubt the largest and most complete philatelic collection ever assembled and its sale was a major philatelic event. The London catalog prepared by Harmers of London is a masterpiece of presentation. It is profusely illustrated both in color and black and white; there are eighteen covers alone in full color. Among these are Postmaster stamps, First Issues, those franked with the overprinted issues, and early military covers. There are several full page plates of covers in black and white as well as many individual photographs of rare covers.

There are many examples of early postal markings; all of the early stamp issues are shown in full color as well as the overprinted issues.

The illustration in full color and in black and white of the various essays is most interesting and informative, while illustrations of die proofs and color proofs are extensive.

All together these catalogs show that Sir Henry Tucker must be listed among the great collectors of our time as well as an outstanding Bermuda philatelist; the writer strongly suggests that these catalogs be added to your library.

## Our Secretary Reports

## New Members:

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

## New Applicants:

DAY, Richard F., Box 235, Lohn, TX 76852, Woodworker. Collects British Honduras - Belize. By Thomas E. Giraldi

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LESLIE, George F. 1720 Pacific \#23, San Francisco, CA 94109. Businessman, Collects 19th century BWI early postmarks, and Jamaica. By Thomas E. Giraldi.

THOMPSON, Peter H. G., 1517 Bracher Dr., Houston, TX 77055, Manager Operations Research. Collects St. Vincent, Trinidad \& Tobago, Canada and Great Britain. By Charles Sawyer and Richard Rogers.

DIESTO, Josue L., Bureau of Posts, Bacolod City 6001, Philippines, Postman, Collects Flowers, Bible, and Christmas topicals. By Howard Austin.

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## UNPAID LETTERS AND BERMUDA CURRENCY IN THE EARLY 19TH CENTURY

## By Jack Arnell

In these days of fluctuating exchange rates, it is interesting to look back a century and a half and find a similar situation here in Bermuda. The change in the value of Bermuda currency in the early 1800s in relation to sterling is recorded on the many letters from England which have survived.

This was not true of the earliest packet letters, because for reasons that are not clear, the British postal authorities required that letters addressed to Bermuda had to have the postage prepaid. This presumably was related to the difficulty in having the postage due sent back to London, after it was collected from the addressees. About 1820, this postal order was withdrawn and letters were accepted either with or without the postage being paid.

Due to the hazards of weather, privateers and war, in the days of sailing ships, many vessels and even more mailbags never reached their destinations. To ensure that a letter was delivered, it was the practice to send commercial mail in duplicate or triplicate by different vessels. Postage was expensive and to avoid unnecessary costs, letters were sent with the postage unpaid. The recipient would accept the first copy of a letter to reach him and pay the postage due, and then refuse subsequent copies as they arrived. These would be returned to a special office in London for disposal.

A letter would be charged both inland postage in England and packet postage from Falmouth in Cornwall to Bermuda. As an example, the inland postage from London to Falmouth was $1 /-$ Stg. (sterling) and the packet postage was $1 / 2$ Stg., making the total postage due $2 / 2$ Stg. All such letters for Bermuda would be listed on a special form with the postage to be collected on each shown beside it. This list would accompany the mail and would show the Bermuda postmaster the total amount in sterling which he was to remit to London.


In the early 19 th century, all local transactions were made with gold and silver coins. At first, little attention was paid to the kind of coins that were used, as in any significant transaction they were usually weighed and their value in local currency calculated from the weight.

Great Britain had no precious metals of her own and had to sell manufactured products overseas in order to get the bullion needed for her own currency needs. This did not provide enough for the needs of all her colonies as well. While the Commissary General in London periodically sent silver and copper sterling coins to his deputy at St. George's to pay
the military garrison and purchase their supplies, most coinage on the Island was Spanish - gold doubloons and silver dollars - earned by Bermudians trading in the West Indies. As a result, Bermuda currency (called pounds, shillings and pence) was related to Spanish dollars (fi $C y .=S p \$ 3.00$ ), instead of to the pound sterling.

As there was no banking system, there was no single authority in Bermuda to fix the exchange rate between currency and sterling, so that there were usually several different rates in the various St. George's offices on any given day. Generally speaking, the British authorities discounted foreign coinage more than the merchants. For example, in 1825, $\mathrm{Sp} \$ 1.00$ was worth $4 / 5-1 / 3 \mathrm{Stg}$. in the market place, but was only valued at $4 / 4$ Stg. by the King's Council. At the first rate, f1 Stg. equalled f1-10-0 Cy., and at the second, f1-10-9 Cy.

During the next few years, the shipping business out of Bermuda suffered greatly from competition out of the Canadian maritime provinces. As a result, less Spanish money found its way to the Island, while more sterling coinage was being sent out to the Commissary. While the Commissary continued to accept dollars at $4 / 31 / 2$ Stg., its rate elsewhere on the Island fluctuated between $4 / 2 \mathrm{Stg}$. and $5 /-\mathrm{Stg}$.

An official report in 1832 summarized the situation as follows: "British Silver is now the principal silver circulating medium in Bermuda. The inconveniences experienced by the Public during the last three or four years, arising from the unsettled relative value of the Spanish Dollar, with reference as well to British silver as Spanish gold, added to the embarrassment caused by keeping the now useless distinction of a Colonial Currency while the Commissariat issues are confined to British silver, and in Sterling money, have caused the Public to unite, by general consent, in receiving British silver at the rate of 4 shillings to the dollar in place of $4 / 5-1 / 3$ - which is the nominal par of Sterling for Currency, or even $4 / 4$, which is its intrinsic value. The Spanish dollar has consequently disappeared from general circulation except when required for payment of Customs duties, when it is received by the Officers of that Department at the rate of $4 / 4$ Sterling per dollar."

One can imagine the problem faced by the Hamilton postmaster every time a mail packet arrived during this period. He had to collect enough postage in Spanish dollars from the recipients of letters to ensure that he had the equivalent of the sterling total shown on the letter bill accompanying the mail. An examination of a number of British letters passing through the Hamilton post office between 1823 and 1832 shows the gradual depreciation of the local currency as outlined above. Two covers with $2 / 2$ Stg. postage due are shown here. One mailed in January 1825 has $3 / 8 \mathrm{Cy}$. postage due, representing 5 d Cy . local postage and $3 / 3 \mathrm{Cy}$. as the equivalent of $2 / 2$ Stg., or f1 Stg. $=1-10-\mathrm{Cy}$. The other mailed in October 1831 has 4/- Cy. postage due, where 3/7 Cy. was equivalent to $2 / 2 \mathrm{Stg}$., or f 1 Stg . $=\mathrm{f} 1-13-4 \mathrm{Cy}$. This latter rate was used for the next ten years until the Act of 1841 made sterling the official local currency.

# BRITISH CARIBBEAN PHILATELIC STUDY GROUP Treasurer's Annual Report - R. A. Ramkissoon, M.D. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1978 

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1977 \\ \text { Amount } \end{array}$ | \% | $\begin{array}{r} 19 \\ \text { Amount } \end{array}$ | \% | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Balance } \\ 5,148.90 \end{array}$ |
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| Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1977 |  |  |  |  |  |
| RECEIPTS: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dues: Current | 1,540.95 | 13.49 | 1,240.45 | 14.43 |  |
| Advance | 2,939.00 | 25.73 | 1,502.75 | 17.50 |  |
| Life | 650.34 | 5.69 | 180.00 | 2.09 |  |
| Admission Fee | 54.00 | . 04 | 45.00 | . 52 |  |
| Contributions: Publica- |  |  |  |  |  |
| General | 166.27 | 1.45 | 188.58 | 2.20 |  |
| Stan Durnin Memorial | - | - | 450.00 | 5.23 |  |
| Al Johnson Memorial |  |  | 100.00 | 1.15 |  |
| Cameron Trophy |  |  | 1,000.00 | 11.64 |  |
| Publications | 160.09 | 1.40 | 93.07 | 1.04 |  |
| Auction Lots | 4,980.26 | 43.61 | 3,134.14 | 36.49 |  |
| Advertising | 475.00 | 4.15 | 324.20 | 3.77 |  |
| Postage-Journal | 212.77 | 1.86 | 184.60 | 2.15 |  |
| *Interest Income | 47.76 | . 04 |  |  |  |
| Total Receipts | 11,418.71 |  | 8,587.79 |  |  |
| EXPENDITURES: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Postage: Journal | 937.08 | 9.35 | 1,138.15 | 11.45 |  |
| Officers | 236.14 | 2.35 | 333.48 | 3.35 |  |
| Awards | 6.06 | . 06 | 10.70 | . 11 |  |
| Membership Roster | -- |  | 26.42 | . 26 |  |
| Supplies \& Stationery: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Officers | 34.74 | . 34 | 50.00 | . 50 |  |
| Editor | 49.62 | . 49 | 6.85 | . 07 |  |
| Plaques | 37.52 | . 37 |  |  |  |
| Telephone | 20.46 | . 20 | 27.43 | . 27 |  |
| Journal: Printing | 3,353.08 | 33.48 | 3,571.48 | 35.94 |  |
| Editor's expense | 302.83 | 3.03 | 450.00 | 4.52 |  |
| Membership Roster |  |  |  |  |  |
| IBM Typewriter service |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auctions Lots | 4,022.60 | 40.17 | 2,144.10 | 21.57 |  |
| Life Member transfer | 600.00 | 5.99 | 270.00 | 2.71 |  |
| Special Funds transfer |  |  | 1,550.00 | 15.60 |  |
| Annual Group Meeting | 163.46 | 1.63 | 45.00 | . 45 |  |
| Misc. (bank charges, etc.) | 58.73 | . 58 | 88.60 | . 88 |  |
| Total Expenditures/ transfers | 9,975.57 |  | 10,086.37 |  |  |
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## "President's Message", Cont.

attrition rate due to death, resignation, and "dropped-NPD" will considerably exceed those numbers. We need to bring in, at a minimum, at least twenty BWI collectors between Journal mailings.

It seems logical to me that practically any one of us would know at least one person who is interested in BWI philately and who, if enthusiastically approached, would be willing to join our great organization. Howie Austin and Tom Giraldi have adequate supplies of membership application forms which are yours for the asking.

We now number 500 . Let's try to top 600 by the end of the year!

## GEORGE

DAN WALKER recently was elected First Vice President of the Washington Philatelic Society, and will also be one of the Postal History Society panel of judges at SEPAD, October 5-7th.

RICHARD HEAP informs us that he is currently revising his studies of Bermuda censorship during WWII and working on that of WWI, and asks that anyone with information or details of covers contact him, for which he will be most grateful.

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[^0]:    "In his article in the December issue of the Journal, pp 223-25, on two new subtypes of Kingston Commercial Rooms markings, Dr. Walton van Winkle states that the second sub-type is on a letter, written on 12 July 1843, posted at the Commercial Building the following day and addressed to Bermuda, where it was received on 22 July. The letter was endorsed 'P.H.M. Ss 'Avon' on the front.

    I have an almost identical letter, also endorsed 'p.H.M.Sr. 'Avon', written on 12 July 1843 but with the regular Kingston datestamp (Forster type K6) of JY 131843 on the back, also to Bermuda. Mine was written by Wm. Burgess to his partner William A. Astwood, and in view of the common mistake in the endorsement "H.M.S." instead of "R.M.S.", suspect that Dr. Van Winkle's cover is from the same writer.

    There was no H.M.S. "Avon" at this time. The R.M.S.P. steamer "Avon" sailed on the 13th for Havana, where she arrived on the 17 th, about six days after the "Teviot" had sailed for Nassau, Bermuda and England. The next steamer, the "Medway", left Havana on 10 August and arrived in Bermuda on the 17 th.

[^1]:    9. As will be pointed out later, number $1 B / 952$ has been seen only in a modified state.
