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## ANNIVERSARY MEETING

The Fourteenth Anniversary Meeting was held in the Board Room of the British Philatelic Association at 446, Strand, London, W.C.2, on Saturday, March 23rd, 1968 at 3 p.m.

The chair was taken by the Acting President, Mr. E. V. Toeg, who extended a warm welcome to the eighteen members present which included Messrs. W. ff. D. Hall, R. Henriques and F. E. Wellum all of whom had recently been enrolled. Apologies for absence were received from Rose Titford, G. Bridgmore Brown and W. A. Townsend.

At the invitation of Mr. Toeg, our Hon. Secretary/ Treasurer, in his capacity as Founder announced that Mr. L. E. Britnor had been awarded the 'G. W. Collett' Memorial Trophy for his various contributions to the Circle's Bulletin for the years 1966 and 1967. The judges were Mr. W. F. Deakin, Mr. M. Williams and Dr. I. M. Yarry (U.S.A.). In making the presentation to Mr. Britnor of a handsome Tudor Rose dish suitably inscribed Mr. Saunders amusingly expressed his regret that it had not been possible to arrange for a glamorous female to undertake the pleasant duty.

The Minutes of the Thirteenth Anniversary Meeting as published in Bulletin No. 53, pp. 20-23 were taken as read and with the approval of the meeting were signed as correct by the chairman.

### **Report of the Hon. Secretary/Treasurer.**

Mr. Saunders first referred to the very sad loss the Circle had sustained by the passing of five members - A. E. Beach (Committee member), H. D. Bessemer, P. A. Dorn (U.S.A.), G. W. Groves (Past President) and A. D. Pierce (U.S.A.) and all stood in silence as a tribute to their memory. He announced that 40 new members had been enrolled during the past year. After allowing for deaths, resignations and those whose subscriptions had lapsed the present membership totalled 259. Turning to the Accounts, Mr. Saunders pointed out that both credit balances showed increases. Whilst he regarded the present position as very satisfactory he had to mention that he had received advice from the printers that their charges were going to be increased by 5% and that postal charges were likely to be raised. In these circumstances he deemed it wise to state that the time might come when some of the funds standing to the credit of the Publications Account, which had originated from the Main Account, might have to be utilised for general expenses. There being no questions the adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. Britnor, seconded by Mr. Chard and passed unanimously.



### **Report of the Hon. Editor.**

Mr. Benwell stated that he had nothing to report but emphasised how important it was for members to send him contributions for the Bulletin. He also stressed the point that members should not be put off by thinking whatever they wrote might be regarded as elementary. Even if this were so they should realise that such information would be welcomed by new members.

### **Report of the Hon. Librarian.**

In the absence of Rose Titford this was read by the Hon. Secretary and is reported in full elsewhere in this issue.

### **Report of Chairman of the Publications Sub-Committee.**

Mr. Toeg first mentioned that Mr. Saunders had decided not to ask the Circle to sponsor his book on DOMINICA since its interest would be somewhat limited and in consequence it would not be right to tie up Circle funds. Mr. Toeg went on to say that he had approached Mr. Marriott on the subject of another Paper on Trinidad covering the period subsequent to 1862 and he was hopeful that this might be forthcoming in due course. He concluded his remarks by stating that there was a possibility of something being published on the Virgin Islands but that it was not possible to give any date.

### **50th Philatelic Congress of Great Britain.**

This is being held at Buxton, Derbyshire, from 4th-7th June and the Circle's Delegates are Messrs. A. J. Branston and W. A. Townsend. Mr. Branston agreed to furnish the Hon. Editor with a report of the proceedings including the Study Circle meeting covering the British West Indies.

### **Autumn Meeting:**

This will be held in the B.P.A. Board Room at 446 Strand, London W.C.2, on Saturday, September 28th, 1968 at 3 p.m. It is hoped that a display will be given of selected pages from the collection of JAMAICA formed by the late Mr. C. E. Patrick.

### **Fifteenth Anniversary Meeting.**

It was agreed that this should be held on Saturday, March 8th, 1969, to coincide with STAMPEX.

### **Election of Officers and Committee.**

It was proposed by Mr. R. H. Austin and seconded by Mr. E. S. Forshaw that Mr. E. V. Toeg be elected President which was passed with acclamation. There being no other nominations the other Officers and Committee members, being eligible and willing to continue, were re-elected en bloc. Mr. Saunders observed that there were occasions when matters arose to be dealt with in London and it would be most helpful if an Hon. Assistant Secretary was appointed. He made known that Mr. I. P. Chard would be happy to act in that capacity, and upon the proposal of Mr. Britnor and seconded by Mr. Benwell, Mr. Chard was formally appointed.

## **ANNIVERSARY MEETING (contd.)**

This concluded the official business and was followed by a number of short displays details of which are as follows: **Mr. P. T. Saunders: DOMINICA.** A used example of the 4d. S.G. 7 bearing part of the small c.d.s. and surcharged 'REVENUE' with what appears to be a rubber stamp. The type is similar but slightly larger than that on the recognised Fiscal stamps (S.G. R1, R2, R3 and R4). The surcharge must be assumed to be bogus and the need for it a complete mystery. (NOTE: Mr. Saunders will be glad to hear from any members who have seen other examples or can suggest any explanation for its use.)

**J. C. LOACH. Barbados:** Mint examples of the imperf. issues of 1852-55 (blued paper) and 1855-58 (white paper), of the rough perf. issue of 1861-70 and some of the imperf. varieties of it.

**W. ff D. HALL. St. Christopher:**

Manuscript postmarks, including a cover as described in March '68 Bulletin pages 13/14 and others on pieces.

**St. Kitts-Nevis:-**

1903-12. Paquebot (Southampton) "Posted on Board" and cancelled in Barbados, Bermuda, Dominica and Trinidad.

**Leeward Islands:-**

Paquebot and Posted Board; "St. John N.B. Ship Letter" and cancelled in Barbados, St. Lucia and Trinidad.

**Antigua:-**

Paquebot London and New York and "Posted on Board .

## **DISPLAY**

The Circle gave a display to The London & Provincial Stamp Club on Thursday, 25th January, 1968 and Messrs. E. V. Toeg, E. Shields Forshaw, Alfred Branston and William E. Irving attended on behalf of the Circle with stamps from their collections for display.

Mr. Alfred Branston first showed pages from his collection of Bahamas commenting on the pages to his audience at the same time. The chief items were:

(1) Two letters addressed to "Col. Charles Long" (in London) dated 1709 and 1712, the latter endorsed "per the Jeffryes Galy QDG." (2) 1837 entire from Nassau to London showing a boxed Greenock Ship Letter, June 12, 1837, endorsed "single sheet" and "from Bahamas." (3) New York AM Packet Paid letter 1855 from Abaco to London. (4) 1857 letter from Harbour Island to London rate 3/3d. with circular cancellation NEW YORK BR PKT 3, 5 Nov.

London circular mark on reverse. (5) Bahamas Ship Letter (large letters) and marked as "Per Plover" to Baltimore and mounted on G.P.O. Records Room photostat of Book entry to show characteristic lettering and date of sending to colony. (6) SG 18 on cover, cancelled A05 NY Steamship with large 3, to New York. (7) SG 51 on cover cancelled at Governors Harbour, also with circular date stamp Nassau New Providence, Oct. 27, 96. (8) Queen Victoria Perkins Bacon plate block showing major scratch on stamp No. 40 with two singles and a pair showing this scratch. (9) Queen Victoria, a selection including 6d. grey lilac imperf. Control blocks SG 47, 50, 51, 53 and 54. Mint blocks of SG 38 and 44 the latter showing the marginal number 23, SG 2 mint marginal blocks very fine condition. (10) photostats of the G.P.O. Records for the A05 handstamp sent out on April 14th and 28th, 1858 with example of each showing typical features together with a forged A05 cancellation. (11) The Spiro forgeries of the 1d., 2d., 4d. and 1/- values arranged to show details with singles and panes (Plate I part and plate 2). Examples of the Fournier and other unidentified forgeries. (12) a selection of The Queens Staircase on cover, a corner block of SG 103 showing AX of TAX on the rear of stamp No 12, the vignette retouch to clouds on No. 13 stamp Plate 2 in blocks and singles, a re-entry described as "line-to-boys Head" on stamp No. 12 of SG 70, 110, S3 and S4 in positional blocks. Also a pair of vignette proofs in blue, SG 70, watermark inverted, reversed and reversed on the wrong side of the paper, together with the origin of the design from the British Guiana Kaieteur Falls issue, Completing this section, the Special Delivery stamps with the 1917 printings and 1918 normal and double overprints also regular and irregular use of the Special Delivery stamps on covers. Two of the varieties given special attention were (a) the Double tree on No. 56 in pairs on SG 59 frame plate No. 1 Vignette plate 2, SG 97 frame plate 1 Vignette plate 2, SG 123 Frame plate 1 Vignette plate No. 1 to this was added (b) the Long Tail to figure 7 in a complete pane of 60 showing the variety at No. 42. Also a used block and a registered cover together with SG 95 dated 23.1.18. In this section an item, the property of Raymond Austin was shown i.e. the War Tax forgery with the upturned R (Note A.J. Branston wishes to acquire a copy of this forgery and is prepared to be very generous to any owner who will sell). (13) In order to economise in time only one King Edward item was shown, a sheet of pairs of Specimens (15mm) to £1. A little out of place came one of the several TRDs from Miliville dated July 12, 1930. (14) some time was spent with the Tercentenary issue of the Colony with the late printing and the use of a design not now seen to be The Badge of the Colony but presented as such. This was followed by a description of the circumstances in which the German Liquidation of Empire bogus issues were made and copies of the ½d., 1d., 2d., and 3d. values were included.

## DISPLAY (contd.)

(15) **The Landfall overprint.** The following items were displayed (a) the setting shift on Row 56-60 with 1492 to left and 1942 to the right in positional blocks up to £1. (6) the "filled letter A" on the 6d. and 8d. in positional blocks with blocks used on cover, (c) the broken figure '2' in 1492 on the 4d., 6d., and 8d. values, (d) positional blocks of the "mark in letter N" on ½d., 1d., 2½d. and 1/- values, (e) the setting shift of 'L' to the left in positional blocks on the 2/- and 3/- values, lastly (f) the COI umbus variety on the 4d. and 6d. values.

**Other King George VI items** shown were (16) Sea Floor covers, the constant break in the Head frame on ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d. (blue and violet), 3d. (ditto both colours) and 1/- values. (17) the progressive shortening of letter 'T' in 'TWO'. Also (18) a Specimen Air letter with 7d. black border together with the 1943 colour changes in corner blocks.

**In the last group** some modern material shown included (19) the Queen Elizabeth Centenary SG 217-220 a study of the prints of the Essays A and C which were not adopted and Essay B which was used. Included were complete upper panes of each value. (20) the Olympic Games Overprint in blocks and singles showing a crook to the 'd' of 8d. on stamps Nos. 25 and 61. (21) modern postmarks for Freeport, Gambier, Grants Town, Mastic Point, Mangrove Cay, Pure Gold and Man 'o War Cay. The display closed with a magnificent cover with a pictorial cancellation from Bimini on 8th November, 1965 given to "Al Branston" by his many friends in America much to his great delight.

Mr. E. V. Toeg then followed with a display of Antigua commencing with examples of the Great Britain 1858 Two pence blue from plate 8 on piece, the 1857 Four pence rose, the 1856 One shilling green each being cancelled "A02" (St. John's) and also the 1856 Six pence lilac on cover with a similar cancellation. In addition a fine copy of the 1856 Six pence lilac cancelled "A18" (English Harbour) was also displayed.

There then followed a die proof of the Six pence value attributed to Charles Henry Jeens in black on India pacer, plate proofs of the same value in black, yellowish-green and green (the last being with pen cancel) in blocks of four. Next was shown a block of ten (5 x 2) of the 1862 Six pence blue-green no watermark mint and a mint horizontal pair of this same value with perforation 14 to 16 and 11 to 13 partly mixed. The 1863 set with small star watermark was exemplified by blocks strips and covers of the one penny rosy-mauve, one penny dull rose and one penny vermilion and included as well a horizontal pair of the one penny vermilion imperforate between.

The next items displayed consisted of a cover to Bath with a pair of the Six pence green watermark small star cancelled "A02" and a further cover addressed to Liverpool with a pair of the Six pence yellow-green with small star watermark cancelled "A18".

Mr. E. V. Toeg continued with pages from his collection of the Leeward Islands showing Leeward Islands' stamps with cancellations from various sub-post offices in the Island of Antigua such as All Saints, Bolans, Cedar Grove, Grays Farm, Johnson's Point, Parham, St. Mary's and St. Peters.

Mr. William E. Irving very kindly came and exhibited sheets from his vast general collection and he aroused very considerable interest by showing several pages of fine classics from St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Barbados and Grenada.

Mr. E. Shields Eorshaw wound up the evening's display by exhibiting on this occasion the postmarks and cancellations on adhesive stamps from British Guiana making his comments at the same time as follows:-

**Demerara.**

3 quarter circle with Demerara in 4mm, caps with date within shewing 8 June, 1801 in error for 1810. Robson Lowe. P.2.

4 specimens of Large Fleurons dated 1814-1815-1817 and 1819.

**Demerary.**

In 7 mm. caps dated 20 June, 1821, only two known copies exist. Ship letter from Demerary to Liverpool, dated 1810.

2 line strike in 4 mm. caps dated 7 March. 1821 spelt Demerary.

**Demerara.**

Small Fleuron dated Sept. 2, 1825.

First type double circle entires dated No 18, 1840 and May 12, 1842. serif letters.

Second type sans serif double circle dated JA 31, 1849 and OC 25, 1854.

Second type double circle sans serif letters in RED dated SP 18, 1846.

SG 18 with sans serif double circle postmark dated MR 11, 1854.

SG 20 with single circle R.L. type P.10 dated AP. 8, 59.

**Berbice.**

2 line R.L. type P.4 dated Nov. 18, 1817.

2 line R.L. type P.4 dated Mr. ?. 1817.

2 line R.L. type P.4 dated Ap. 17, 1817.

2 line R.L. type P.2B dated Dec. 31, 1818.

2 line R.L. type P.4 dated Jan 26th, 1825. with scarce "th" after day of month.

2 line R.L. type P.4 dated Dec. 24, 1828.

## **DISPLAY (contd.)**

Entire with double strikes shewing small Demerara Fleuron coupled with Berbice 2 line R.L. type P.2 b dated Sep. 6, 1836.

Entire with Handstruck Numeral "1/2" dated 31.7.1847.

4 entires with 3 mm. letters Berbice month and day on first line and year of date on bottom line, dated Nov 23 1837.

Mar 1. 1837, Nov 4 1839 and Jan 30 1840. this type known to exist between the years 1837 and 1840 and is scarce.

Single line R.L. type P. 1a in caps month abbreviated as follows, Augu. 4. 1840.

Single line as above but Berbice and month all in caps 2 specimens dated MAR 23 1841 and JUN 9. 1841.

Double circle R.L. type P. 6 serif dated Dee 31 1842 another specimen dated 17 feb. 1845. also 12 Ag 1846, Double circle R.L. P7 dated Sp 26 1850 and Ap 8 1851.

Double Circle sans serif dated 24 Ap 1854 3 years earlier than given by R. Lowe.

### **Demerara.**

British Guiana stamps with cypher postmark East Coast Demerara shewn as E.C.1., E.C.2., E.C.3., E.C.4., E.C.5 and E.C.6 also Entire with E.C.7. 1860 proving that this mark applies to MAHAICONY.

Demarara River Cypher mark D.R.W.1 and D.R.W.2. also the very rare D.R.E. (Demerara River East) 1.

Cypher mark R believed to infer Reliance on the Canje River Berbice.

Selection of Demerara Railway marks with one of the earliest known dated copies Nov 12th 1881.

Georgetown Duplex postmark shewing one of the earliest known dated copies May 1862 also the rare American Type Georgetown postmark dated 1879.

Selection of American Type postmarks of the villages Taymouth Manor and Buxton. also the earliest Mahaica village mark and Wakennam dated 1878 in each case.

Deal Ship Letter with Handstruck Numeral "6" dated 1.11.1836.

Part of letter from Colonel Warren adjutant to H.E. The Governor written to his wife dated 15.7.1841 while he was on leave in England.

Antique key to military box owned by Colonel Warren,

Gravesend Ship Letter from Demerara dated 14.2.1834.

Greenock Ship Letter from Demerara dated Jan 23. 1837 Large Box shape.

Greenock ship letter from Demerary small box type backstamped type.

Greenock 22 Jul 1821 and mileage mark 429-9 also double circle Glasgow mark dated 22 Jul 1821 and mileage mark 405-5.

# BRITISH WEST INDIES STUDY CIRCLE

## LIST OF MEMBERS 1968

KEY. – Names of colonies are given in a three-letter code, consisting in most cases of the first three letters of the name. "All" means all the colonies within the Circle's field of study. Meaning of symbols:-

C – Cancellations and postal markings; D – deals in material specified; M – Mint **only**; PH – Postal history or pre-adhesive material; PS – Postal stationery; U – Used **only**; x – Except.

\* - Specialised collection, i.e., a collection including Postal history, Proofs, Specimens, Cancellations, Postal stationery, etc., unless otherwise indicated. The absence of this sign indicates a 'straight' collection of adhesives and catalogued varieties, † Overseas Member.

EXAMPLES.- "ANT, BAR & C" in col. 2 with "CAY" in col. 3 means the Member has straight collections of ANTIGUA and BARBADOS with the Cancellations of these colonies; as a secondary interest he also collects CAYMANS. "CAY: KGVI, M" would mean that his CAYMANS are limited to stamps of King George VI and only Mint.

"StL\*, StV\*, xPS" followed by "C of All xBrG, xBrH" means the Member has specialised collections (as defined above) of St. LUCIA and St. VINCENT but excluding Postal stationery; he also collects Cancellations of all colonies within the Circle's field except Br. Guiana and Br. Honduras.

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
†Adams, J.M.G.	BAR*	
†Adelson, E. M.	BAH	
†Aleong, J.C.	StV*	
†Aman, Dr. P. M.	JAM*	
†Arnell, Dr. J.C.	BER*	
Ash, S	JAM*	
Astridge, G. W.	LEE* BrG*	
Austin, R. H.	BAH*	BAR, BER, GRE, JAM, StK, StL, TRI
Bailey, J. M.	BAH*	
Baker, A. H.	DOM* GRE*	
Baker, J. W.	StL*	
Barnard, C. R.	All	
†Barrow, T.D.	LEE* WIN*	
Bartlett, C. D.	BER	
†Bartlett, Edmund		All & C
Bartlett, G. C.	StL*	
†Bayley, C. H.	BAR*	All xBrH
Baynes, E.	BAR* BER*	Most & C
Beardwood, Dr. H. K.	GUY*	
Beauchamp, A. R.		All
Benwell, B. B.	BAR*	
Berridge, J. M.	All	
†Betts, E. C., Jr.		All & C
Bishop, C. W.	JAM*	
Black, H. Moreton	BAH*	BAR from 1892
Blackburn, Dr. R. H.	JAM*	
Bodily, R.		D all
†Bogg, W. G.		D, All PH
†Bolling, R.	BAR*	DOM
Bolton, K.	JAM*	
†Box, H. E.		All
Branston, A. J.	BAH*	
†Brassler, Norman	All* xPH, xPS, on cover	All xPH, xPS
Britnor, L. E.	BAR* xPS	PH & C of All xBrG, xBrH
Brooks, B.A.	St.K*	
Brown, G. Bridgmore, M.B.E.	BER*	All C of BAR, StV
Brown, Dr. H. V.	DOM*	GRE®, ANT, StK, StL (C & PS)
Burdett, A.E.	BAR*	

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
Burns, T		1958 Federal Issues
Bush, R. W.	BER*	
†Butler, W.	LEE	
Butt, D.G.	BER* xPh	C of BAR, JAM, TR1
Byl, J.H.	CAY*	
†Cameron, Byron R.	JAM*	CAY, TUR
Campbell, W.A.B.		All
†Campe, G. C.	CAY*	D
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Chard, I.P.	BER*	
Chidley, A. H.	BAR* GRE* JAM	
†Churchill, Jordan C.	BAH* CAY* JAM*	
Coasby, L. R.	BAH* GRE	All xBER, xBrG, xBrH
†Coleman, Dr. R. C.	VIR*	
Collins, Cdr. F. W.	D All	
†Cornell, W. G.	ANT* BER*	All
Courtney, L. A.	JAM*	PH & C of all
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†Creed, E. G.	StV*	BAR, BER
†Crider, Dr. D. B.	DOM*	
Crow, W. H. H.	JAM*	C of all
†Curtiss, J. T.		All also Cuba & Puerto Rico
Davis, B. A.	PH of BrG & BrH	BAR, BrG, BrH, DOM, MONT
Day, S. J.	GRE*	
Davis, F. Leonard.	LEE	
Deakin, H. F.	BAH* BAR* CAY* StV*	
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†De Lise, M. B.		All M & U & Varieties
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†Dickason, L. T.		
Dickson, I. W. D.	StL, StB & C	
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Donne, C. E.	VIR* xPS	
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†Dumin, Stanley C.	LEE* (C)	
†Eden, O. K.	JAM*	
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†Ericson, Edwin M.	JAM*	
Evans, J.F.	BrH* StL* TUR & CAI*	All others
Fairhead, M.A.	BAH*	
†Fashingbauer, R	BAH*	
Fitz-Gerald, F. D. , O.B.E.		All xBER, BrG, BrH, JAM, & TUR
Fletcher, H.G.L.		Forgeries
Forshaw, E. S.	BrG	
†Fredrick, J. L.	VIR* to 1900	
†Freeman, F. G.	JAM* xPS	
Garrard, Dr. N.	BAH*	All xBrG, xStV
Garraat-Adams, H.		Philatelic Literature
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Giffin, W. L.		All
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Gould, M. J. R.		All
Gregson, J. M. A.	BAR* TRI*	
Grimble, R.W.	ANT* GRE* JAM*	
†Grinevicius, A.		
†Griswold, Dr. A. S.	BAH* BER*	
†Group, R. E.	C of BrG & BrH,	
†Guymer, Miss P. E.	BAR (Badge Issues)	
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†Hamilton, R. W.	MONT* VIR*	
†Harris, Dr. Forest D.	BAR*	
Heap, J. L.	BrG	
Heathcote, Dr. H. J.	StV* xPS	DOM TOB xPS
Henriques, R	JAM*	
Herbert, J. A. C.	CAY*	
Hershman, A. A.	JAM; (T.R.D's)	
Hershman, R. E.	BAR*	
†Higgins, R. D.	ANT* BAH* BAR* BER*	
Hill, Dr. A. E.	TRI & TOB*	
Hoey, S. Graham	BAH*	
Howe, F. G.	PH, C & PS of BrG	
Irving, W.	Classics of All	
†Ishibara, M.		All
†Jaffe, Peter	StV*	GRE to 1901, PH of LEE, StL, C of BAR, BrG BrH, DOM, GRE



<b>NAME</b>	<b>MAIN INTEREST</b>	<b>Other Interests</b>
Jex Long, I.D.	ANT* BAR* BrG* GRE* StL StV VIR	
†Johnson, A. N.	JAM*	CAY, TUR
Johnson, B. E.	GRE*	
Johnson, F. M.		All, particularly PH
Jones, C. E. R.	BER	
†Jones, R.	GRE*	
Kimber, H. E.	StL, StV	
†Kirkland, I.R., Jr.	CAY JAM (New issues and C)	
†Kitchen, Dr. P. F.	CAY from 1937, JAM	All
†Kopf, Dr. K	TOB* TRI*	BAR, BER
†Larkin, R. H.	GRE (PH)	
†Larsen, P. A.	LEE	
Latham, A. H.	JAM, BAR (C)	
Lea, W. E.		D all
Lee, R. A. G.	CAY*	StL
Leverton, A. M.		D All
Lewis, V		All
Lickfold, E. K.	StV	
Lisle, F. B.	BAR, BER, BrG, TRI & C	
Loach, J. C.	BAR* StK* TRI*	ANT, BAR, BER, GRE, StV VIR
†Lockie, Dr. J. M.	CAY* StL*	KG V onwards (BAH, BAR, BrG, JAM, , StK, TRI, TUR & CAI
Lowe, Robson	BAH: Chalon Heads	
†Ludington, M. H.	BER*	PH & C of BAH, TUR & PH
†Lyman, R. W.		D All (Classics)
Lyons, Mrs. S.	TRI*	BAR, JAM
M <sup>c</sup> Caughey, D.	CAY	
McDowell, R. J.		
Macmillan, H. B.	JAM* xPS	All
†Malin, L. R.	BER, BrG, JAM, TUR & CAI	
Manning, K. J. A. O.	ANT* DOM* MON* StK* VIR* xPS to 1935	All to 1936 x JAM, xStV
Marriott, John B.	TRI* to 1910	
Marshall, L. M. W.	ANT* xPS	GRE LEE StV xPS BER
†Mata, J. F.	TRI TOB* TRI & TOB*	All blocks of four
Meitinger, J.A.	ANT, StK, StL, StV, VIR	
Messenger, J. L.	GRE* StV*	All others
†Michael, J.N.	NEV*	
Mitchell, Hooton	BAR* TRI* xPS	All, others except StL & TUR
Mitchell, Dr. T. J.		All, particularly C & PH
†Mosely, T.E.	JAM*	
†Mounsey, R. C., Jr.	BAR* BrG*	
Murray, Col. A.		D PH & C of all
Nabarro, F. J. N.	DOM* to 1935	
Neale, H. A.		All (KGV only)
†Newns-Smith, R.		All M & U
Nissen, H.		D all
Norris, Lt. Col. S. S. J.	DOM*	
†O'Connor, Harvey	JAM*	All
†Osborn, G. A.	BER* to 1901	GRE* to 1901
Oxley, H. M.	GRE	
Palmer, C	StL*	
Parker, C. Angus	D all, specially PH, C, Ps, Covers, Proofs, etc.,	
Partridge, R. F.	GRE & C	
†Paton, C. D.	LEE*	
Paton, I. M.	LEE from 1937	All others from 1937
Payne, C.M.	GRE*	
Peart, Brigadier A.G.	LEE*	
Pilkington, G. L.	GRE* to 1890	StC, LEE (C)
†Plass, G.N., Jr.	VIR*	LEE
Pratt, R. G.	StV	
Pritchett, G. C.	BAH, BAR, GRE, StL, STV, TRI	All from 1953 M xANT BrG & BrH
Proffitt, B.	JAM*, LEE*	
Proud, E. B.		D all & PH
Pullar, G. L.	StL (M)	ANT, BAR, MON, (M)
Pywell, J. G.	ANT, BAR, StV, C & PS	
Ransom, Mrs H. S.	TRI* TOB*	
Ransome, R.	TRI* TOB*	
†Raymond, Gale J.	BAH (PH) LEE (PH)	ANT, BrH, Anguilla, Barbuda (PH)
Richards, J. A.	CAY	
†Ritchie, G. W. S.	BER* from 1953	BAH, BrG, BrH, CAY, DOM, JAM, LEE, StL, StV, TUR From 1953 All (QEII)
Ritchie, J.M.		
Roberts, J.	JAM, LEE	
Roberts, T. V.	ANT, DOM, GRE, StK,	StL, TRI & TOB
Robertson, K. J.	JAM*	
Robinson, A. G.	BER* JAM* LEE*	
Rockett, R. C.	CAY*	All others (KG VI & QEII)
Samuel, M. F.J.		All (specimens & Revenue)

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
†Sancho, G. E.	TRI PH	
†Sargeant, K. S.		D PH of all
†Saunders, P. T.	DOM*	PH of Herefordshire
†Scott, R. J.		All
†Seifert, Col. Fred F.	JAM*	C & PS of all
†Shaxted, J.	StL*	TRI & TOB
†Shepard, J.H.		All
†Shilstone, H. M. Jr.	BAR*	All others
†Slingsby, P. J.		All
†Smith, B. C.	Anguilla VIR(Br. & U.S.)	
†Smith, C Hardeman	ANT, GRE, MONT, StL, StV	
†Smith, Lt.-Col. G. Saville	JAM*	
†Spelman, H.M. III		D all (C)
†Spencer, E.	BAR*	
†Spreckley, A. E.	BAR*, StV	
†Stephenson, G. M.	StV*	
†Stitt, W. B.	BAH*, BER*, CAY*, JAM*	All others
†Stokes, E. W.	CAY, GRE.	
†Stone, R. G.	LEE & WIN, BAH	G.B. used abroad
†Strachan, T. J.	LEE*	BAH BER BrG, BrH
†Surtees, V. N. F.	JAM*	
†Sutton, Col. T., O.B.E.		All also Denmark & Japan
†Swarbrick, R. V.	JAM*	All others xBrC, xBrH
†Swetland, M. W.	ANT*, BER*, JAM*	
Taylor, J.		D All P.B. issues & covers
†Taylor, Mrs. M. W.	GRE* to 1935	
†Taylor, Mrs. P. K.	BER*,	BAH (PH) BrG (PH)
†Tennison, P. J.	JAM*	
†Terry, W.	CAY*	BER
†Thetford, Dr. N. D.	St.K, LEE*, VIR*	
†Thompson, E. K.	ANT*, BAR*	D all
†Thompson, F. H.	JAM*	BER, BrH
†Titford, Rose		Canada (PH)
†Todd, J. D.	DOM*	TUR
†Toeg, E.V.	ANT*, LEE*, MONT*	
†Topaz, R.	JAM*	All others
†Towers, Dr. R. P.	GRE*	
†Townsend, W. A.	BrG*	ANT, BAH, BAR, BER, GRE, StL, StV
†Tse, T.H.		D Registered covers
†Tucker, Sir H. J.	BER*	BrH* GRE, StV
†Vooyo, D. W.		Philatelic Literature
†Walker, B.	JAM* TRI & TOB*	BAH, BAR, BER, StV
†Ward, R.	BrG from 1953	C of all
†Watkinson, R.J.		All
†Watson, W. K.	JAM*	NEV, StC, StK
†Watts, M.D.	ANT*, JAM*	All others
†Weeks, C. A.	BAR* BER* BrG* GRE* JAM* StV* TRI* TRI & TOB*	
†Weinberg, E. A.	LEE*	
†Wells, R. W.	GRE*	DOM, StL, StV
†Wellum, F.E.		
†Wheeler, L. S.	BAR*	
†Wood, Dr. P.J.	ANT*	
†Woodhead, L.A.	BER*, GRE*, JAM*, StL*	
†Woodward, I. R.	JAM*	
†Woodward, R. G.	JAM*	
†Wright, D. A.	ANT* BAR* GRE* MONT* TRI & TOB*	
†Yarry, Dr. I. M.		PH & C of all xBrG * BrH
†Zambirini, V.	BAH, BAR, BER, TRI	
†Zelt, L. E. Jr.	TUR from 1901	All from 1953

## **Demerara.**

1st type double circle serif letters date No 18.1840. and My 12 1842.

Sans serif double circle entires dated JA 31. 1849 and Oct 25. 1854.

Sans serif double circle in RED dated Sp 18. 1846.

S.G. 18. with sans serif double circle dated MR. 11. 1854.

Entire with back stamp strikes single circle sans serif Demerara dated JA 16. 1871. (Very late strike) and double circle sans serif Berbice dated JA. 17.1871 (very late strike).

Sans serif single circle S.G. 20 dated Ap.8.1859.

Entire from England with 6d. stamp to Demerara with single circle sans serif mark dated Jy 23 1861 and Glasgow strike shewn as "Posted since 10.15 p.m. last night" and dated Jy 2 1961.

Entire from England with 3 6d. stamps (pair and single dated 1858 and cancelled A03.

3 specimens of A03 first type on 1d., 4d. and 6d. G.B. stamps 1858/9 issue.

Selection of British Guiana stamps with A03 cancellations type 2 also bisected 4 cts. on piece with A03 strike, 1863 issue.

2 specimens of A03 (large letters) in RED.

2 specimens of the 5d. surcharge on 12 cents lilac 1860/1863 issue.

British Guiana 6 cents 1863 issue with surcharge G.B.40centimes in diamond shaped box, strike in Black.

## **Berbice.**

Specimens of A04 (New Amsterdam) on B. Guiana stamps,

Envelope with British Guiana 2 cents perf 12½ and A03 postmark and dated 3.May 1874 (elusive day before month type) Demerara single circle sans serif one of the latest known dates.

2 New Amsterdam covers 1863 with rare strike, and one entire is the last known issue from Demerara without an adhesive stamp affixed.

## **Demerara.**

2 double circle covers with strike shewing DEMERARA *only* dated 1867 and 1868.

British Guiana stamps with cypher postmark Arabian Coast - A.C. with numbers A.C.1., A.C.2., A.C.3., A.C.4. and A.C.5. 1860-1870 years

At the end of the display a representative of The London & Provincial Stamp Club expressed his very warm appreciation and thanks on behalf of the members of his Club for the display by the Circle which was well received and Mr. E. V. Toeg made a short reply on behalf of the Circle Members indicating that it had been a very great pleasure to attend and give the display which he hoped would result in even more Collectors being attracted towards the stamps of the British West Indies.

## **NEVIS**

Re the "Crowned Circle" surcharge, Mr. Peter Jaffe raised an interesting subject in the last Bulletin. In "Priced Catalogue of Hand-Struck Postage Stamps of the British Empire, 1680-1900," published 1937-38 by Robson Lowe, it states under Nevis on p. 163 that the Crowned Circle "Paid at Nevis" is found surcharged on the 1883 1d. rose during 1885 and 1886 during a shortage of 6d. stamps; the face value was then raised to 6d.

I suggest that this would be because the stock of 1020 6d. green stamps (S.G. 32) delivered in 1883 (de la Rue invoice dated 9th May, 1883) became exhausted.

My copy of the "provisional" (originally 1d. rose) has no marking other than the Crowned Circle but I have seen another copy cancelled with the A09 obliterator.

It would be helpful if any member who has a cover bearing such a stamp could give the date and mention whether the surcharged stamp has been cancelled.

Since the next delivery of 6d. stamps (S.G. 33, the colour being changed to chestnut) was not made until late in 1888 (de la Rue invoice dated 15th October, 1888) it would be interesting to establish how late the "provisional" was used.

I have never heard of a ½d. Nevis stamp being similarly overprinted but have seen a ½d. Dominica overprinted with the Crowned Circle "Paid at Dominica"; on p. 161 of the same book by Robson Lowe it is noted that such stamps are known but no detail is given.

*J. C. Loach*

## **ST. LUCIA**

Since my list of the opening dates of the St. Lucia sub-post offices was published in the March Bulletin Dr. Lockie has suggested that the following are probably the more correct opening dates of a few of them and after some further checking I think this is so. The revised dates are as follows:-

Delaide, September 1st, 1960

La Croix Maingot, June 1st, 1957

Marchand, May 1st, 1956

Millet, July 1st, 1954

Monchy, April 17th, 1957

It would be interesting to know if any other Members have any information on this matter.

*J. V. Shaxted.*

## OBITUARY

### HENRY DOUGLAS BESSEMER

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of Mr. H. Douglas Bessemer on the 5th February, 1968. Mr. Bessemer was a founder-member of the British West Indies Study Circle, being one of the first Fellows of the Royal Philatelic Society, London to join. He was elected to the "Royal" as far back as 1922.

Mr. Bessemer was born in 1894 and was educated at Winchester College and University College, Oxford. His scholastic activities at Oxford were interrupted by World War I, but he was able to take a degree after the War. Whilst at Oxford he read law but afterwards qualified as a chartered accountant and became senior partner in the firm of his adoption - Kemp Chatteris & Company. Sir Henry Bessemer, the inventor of the steel process that bears his name, was his great-grandfather.

Douglas Bessemer's interest in stamps was doubtless fostered by his father the late Henry W. Bessemer whose name was a household word as far as French stamps were concerned, as he had one of the finest collections of the classic period in England. There is also no doubt that the senior Bessemer's appreciation of fine stamps found a ready response in his son, who searched only for the best for his collection. Douglas Bessemer began his collection of West Indies when his father gave him, during his lifetime, a small collection of the stamps of St. Vincent. After World War II Douglas Bessemer became interested in St. Lucia and St. Helena and also in the Virgin Islands of which he formed fine collections, but later he disposed of St. Helena and concentrated on West Indies generally, subsequently increasing his interest in the stamps and postal history of St. Vincent. He frequently displayed parts of his collection and was a notable exhibitor of St. Vincent in the Display given to the Royal by the B.W.I. Study Circle on March 24th, 1960 when he showed a fine series of covers and a group of the Village postmarks in which he was especially interested.

Following his retirement about nine years ago, Mr. Bessemer took up residence at Lyndhurst where he was able to follow his other great pastime - the collecting of British butterflies together with a general interest in the natural history of the New Forest.

The Circle's deep sympathies are sincerely extended to his widow Mrs. Jessie Bessemer who so warmly supported her husband in his hobbies.

*Rose Titford*

## OBITUARY (Contd.)

### ERNEST HENRY HUNT

News has recently been received of the passing of yet another well known philatelist, Ernest H. Hunt of Natal, formerly of Johannesburg. Mr. Hunt celebrated his 90th birthday last September and up to a few years ago had enjoyed reasonably good health, maintaining a keen and lively interest in world philately. His philatelic tastes were catholic but it was his extensive general collection which engaged his attention for the major part of his life, and it was no idle boast of his that with the exception of a few of the major rarities - which seldom came along anyway - the collection was virtually complete.

Mr. Hunt had been a member, and subsequently a Fellow, of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, for nearly 20 years. He joined the British West Indies Study Circle in 1955 and it was only a few weeks ago that he resigned his membership on account of ill-health. He was a juror at all South African exhibitions for many years but he will probably be best remembered by many for his very able Chairmanship of the Executive Committee of "Unipex" held in Johannesburg in 1960. In 1959 he was elected to the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists.

In his philatelic pursuits, both in collecting and socially, Mr. Hunt was charmingly supported by his wife - Gertrude, a philatelist of standing in her own right. An acknowledged expert in his own field - the automobile industry - a genial host and a witty raconteur, Ernest Hunt was a man who commanded respect wherever he went and to those who knew him well, received their affection.

To his wife and family we would like to express our sincere sympathies on the passing of this 'grand old man'.

*Rose Titford*

## MISCELLANEA

### AUCTION GLEANINGS

#### STANLEY GIBBONS AUCTIONS. Sale of December 6, 7, 8, 1967

#### The " Lars Amundsen " Collection

- Antigua: 1862**, Rough perf. 14-16, 6d. blue-green, o.g., block of 4, £240  
centred slightly to bottom, S.G. 1, showing the "Sefi" re-entry. (Ex. Charlton Henry)
- Bahamas: 1859**, thick paper. 1d. reddish-lake, S.G. 1, R.P.S. cert. Used. £160  
(Ex. Crawford)
- 1859**, thick paper. 1d. brown-lake, S.G. 1a, corner marginal block of 6, full £825  
sheet margin at top, o.g., B.P.A. cert.
- 1861**, rough perf. 14-16, 6d. pale dull lilac, S.G. 6a, o.g., marginal copy, £160  
B.P.A. cert.

### Barbados

- 1852-55**, (½d.) dp. green, S.G. 2, marginal block of 20 (5 x 4), full sheet margin at right, o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry) **£250**
- Cover to Newfoundland franked with 1852-55 (½d.) dp. green, vert. pair, and (2d.) greyish-slate bisect; cover bearing 'via Bermuda' in ms. on front; back stamped St. Thomas and Newfoundland; (vert. filing fold away from stamps), S.G. 2 and 4b, R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry) **£550**
- O.H.M.S. Cover (blue) to St. Lucia, franked with 1852-55 (4d.) brownish-red, S.G. 5, tied with "1" cancel. The envelope is pmkd. Barbados, August 11, 1856 which is the earliest-known date for the use of the 4d. stamp, it also exemplifies the use of this stamp to pre-pay the quadruple rate of Island postage. (Auctioneer's note) **£160**
- 1861-70**, Rough perf. 14-16, error, imperf., from the rare Pl. II (½d.) grass-green, S.G. 22a, block of 20 (5 x 4) sheet margin at top, showing centre line, o.g., (slight crease in 3rd row). (Ex. Charlton Henry) **£460**
- 1875-78**, Perf. 14, 3d. mauve-lilac, block of 12 (4 x 3), o.g. S.G. 75 (Ex. Charlton Henry) **£220**
- 1878**, Large numeral "1" 7mm., 1d. on half 5/-, error, without dividing perf., showing types A and B, S.G. 86d. R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry) **£1300**
- Bermuda: 1848**, The 'W. B. Perot' Postmaster's stamp. 1d. black, S.G. 01. Has slight thinning but a large and clear example **£5,250**
- For the record we give the 'pedigree' extracted from the Auction catalogue:-* This stamp was discovered in 1918 and acquired by Mrs. E. S. Williams, granddaughter of W. B. Perot, who disposed of it in 1935 when it was purchased by T. Allen. In 1961 it was contained in the T. Charlton Henry collection of Bermuda which was sold intact to Sir Henry Tucker of Bermuda. In 1962 Sir Henry, having purchased the Bermuda Postmaster on cover, sold the above stamp.

### British Guiana

- 1852**, lc. black on magenta, S.G. 9, enormous margins and light clear cancel. R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Caspary) **£900**
- 1852**, 4c. black on dp. blue, S.G. 10, used on cover, large margins three sides, just touching at top. R.P.S. cert. (Ex. W. S. Davy) **£850**
- 1853**, lc. vermilion, S.G. 11, a horiz. strip of 4, used on piece Demerara Oc. 29. 1855. R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Clayton) **£1,400**
- 1858-59**, lc. brownish-red. Type B, S.G. 15. Full o.g. (Ex. Ferrary). **£575**
- 1856**, 4c. black on magenta, S.G. 24; Vertical pair, large margins; the earliest known cancellation FE 22 1856. R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Ferrary and Caspary) **£1,900**
- British Honduras: 1872-79**, 1d. pale blue, S.G. 5, block of 4, o.g. (Ex. Burrus) **£45**

<b>Dominica: 1887-88</b> , wmk. CA, 1/- magenta, S.G. 26, marginal block of 4, o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£130</b>
<b>Grenada: 1863-80</b> , Cover accepted by the Postal Officials for the 7½d. rate, viz. 6d. vermilion, 1875, 1d. and bisected 1d. with additional bisect added after posting. It was evidently noted that the letter was underpaid and then an extra ½d. (bisected 1d.) was added and the cover was again pmkd.; the first pmk. can be seen under the lower bisect, (Auctioneer's note). R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Gilbert Lodge)	<b>£240</b>
" <b>1886</b> , surch. on Revenue stamps. 1d. on 1½d. error, double surcharge, two pairs, tied to neat cover to New York. S.G. 37b, R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£320</b>
<b>Jamaica: 1860</b> , 6d. dp. purple, S.G. 5b, o.g. block of 6 (3 x 2). (Ex. Charlton Henry).	<b>£575</b>
" <b>1860-63</b> , 1/- purple-brown, block of 24 (6 x 4), marginal imprint at left, S.G. 6b, o.g.	<b>£525</b>
<b>Montserrat: 1867</b> , 6d, blue-green, S.G. 3, o.g., block of 4 with top sheet margin, R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£400</b>
<b>Nevis: 1886</b> , 1/- yellow-green, on Laid paper, light cane, S.G. 14a, R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£425</b>
<b>St. Christopher: 1870-76</b> , Perf. 14, 1d. magenta, block of 20(5x4) with sheet margin and controls at top and bottom, o.g., S.G. 6 (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£80</b>
ONE	
" <b>1886 PENNY</b> inverted on 6d., S.G. 24a, o.g. (faint crease and few perfs. mellowed) (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£210</b>
<b>St. Lucia</b>	
<b>1860</b> , 1d. rose-red, S.G. 1, marginal block of 56 (7 x 8), sheet margin at left, full o.g., slightly reinforced and some minor creases (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£725</b>
" 4d, blue, block of 16 (4 x 4), slight creases, o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£700</b>
" 6d. green, corner marginal block of 24 (6 x 4), full sheet margins at left and bottom, showing major re-entry No. 85, slightly reinforced in places, full o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>1864</b> , Perf. 14, 1/- dp. orange, S.G. 18a, corner block of 20 (5x4) with sheet margins at top and left. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£525</b>
" Perf. 12½ 1/- pale orange, S.G. 14c., block of 20 (5 x 4). o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£600</b>
<b>1882-84</b> , Perf. 14, 1/- orange, block of 10 (5 x 2), o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry).	<b>£500</b>
<b>St. Vincent</b>	
<b>1861</b> , 6d. dp. yellow-green, intermediate perf. 14-16, S.G.2, pair, almost full o.g. R.P.S. Cert. (Ex. Lickfold)	<b>£1,300</b>
<b>1866</b> , Perf. 11-12½, 1/- slate-grey, S.G. 9, block of 4, slight gum crease. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£1,700</b>



<b>1869</b> , 1/- indigo, unused marginal block of 4, S.G. 13, with sheet margin at bottom. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£450</b>
<b>1873-74</b> , Perf. 11-12½ x 15, 1/- lilac-rose, S.G. 19, almost full o.g.	<b>£625</b>
<b>1881</b> , ½d. in red on half of 6d., S.G. 30, unused block of 18 (6 x 3), one stamp "1" straight top (two perfs. separated). (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£800</b>
<b>Trinidad</b>	
<b>1847</b> , The "Lady Mcleod," (5c.) blue, S.G. 1, ms. cancel. R.P.S. cert.	<b>£675</b>
" The "Lady Mcleod," (5c.) on cover, with ms. cancel. R.P.S. cert.	<b>£1,600</b>
<b>1852-60</b> , 3rd Issue (1d.) dp. blue, S.G. 16, strip of 3 plus single tied to front to Port of Spain. Strip has lower left corner sheet margin; (faint filing fold across cover and single stamp). R.P.S. cert. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£2,100</b>
<b>1852-60</b> , 5th Issue (1d.) bluish-grey, S.G. 19, a strip of 5, used on cover to Barbados, well tied by canc. "1" and with additional ms. "1" (light filing crease away from stamps). B.P.A. cert. (Ex. Burrus)	<b>£1,300</b>
<b>1862-63</b> , Perf. 13, 1/- bt. mauve, S.G. 67, unused block of 4 (tiny natural crease at right). (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£1,600</b>
<b>Turks Islands: 1881</b> , 2½d. on 1/- lilac, complete sheet of Setting 5, S.G. 29, showing three varieties in a vert. strip repeated 10 times in a sheet (30 stamps); sheet margins 3 sides; (bottom perfs. trimmed). (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£750</b>
" " " 4 on 1/-, Setting 3, block of 18 (6 x 3) with top left sheet margin, showing both types., o.g. (Ex. Charlton Henry)	<b>£450</b>

*Rose Titford*

## HON. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that members are continuing to make good use of the Library as there has been a steady request for the loan of items by post. Unfortunately one parcel containing two important (and almost irreplaceable works) were lost in transit by registered post. These were the Grenada Handbook by Bacon and Napier, and Mr. Charlton's work on Grenada published in 1955. The claim for the value of these books was fully met by the postal authorities, but obviously it may be some time before we are able to see these important works of reference in the market for purchase.

Arising from this loss I now advise members requesting books on loan of the despatch of the parcel (registered when necessary) separately and enclose a

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stamped addressed post-card asking for immediate acknowledgement of the books. This is an additional expense to the Circle which is fully justified in the circumstances.

An up-to-date list of books was published in the Bulletin for September 1967. Since then I have been able to make further additions to the Circle's "Scrap Book" and would like to record our thanks to Mr. S. Graham Hoey who sent many additions to the section dealing with Bahamas. A wide selection of articles on several of the larger countries has within the past 10 days been purchased for the Library's Scrap Books, but since a vast amount of work is involved in adding them to these books, it is unlikely that they will be included before the winter months. Until they have been, members can have access to them on loan by post, and in this connection I shall always be pleased to advise members of the subjects covered in their respective interests on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

One very important addition has also been made by purchase, as follows:

"A History of the Ship Letters of the British Isles." (An Encyclopaedia of Maritime Postal History). In Two Volumes, by Alan W. Robertson, M.B.E.

These volumes can only be sent by registered post and at the present time the total cost each way is in the neighbourhood of 12s. The length of time during which members may borrow this important work will have to depend on its demand. Obviously I have to bear in mind that it is a work that cannot be just 'scanned' for information and also the postage involved by those wishing to borrow it is such that it would be unreasonable to request its speedy return.

May I conclude by expressing the wish that if any members have duplicate books or articles they do not want they will find a welcome home in the Circle's Library.

*Rose Titford, Hon. Librarian.*

In response to a number of requests consideration is to be given to the holding of two additional meetings each year at 446 Strand, London, W.C.2. on a week-day evening at 6 p.m. (Thursday excepted). Members who are interested should advise the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible stating a first and second choice of either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday. It should be noted that arrangements will ONLY be made subject to a minimum attendance of TEN members.

## HON. SECRETARY'S PARAGRAPH

DEAR MEMBER,

It was once again a great pleasure to meet some of our members at STAMPEX and only distance prevented me from making a second visit on March 27th which was designated 'British West Indies Day.' Our Committee member - Leonard Britnor - who represented us on Stand 57 did a wonderful job dealing with many enquiries throughout the day. This Exhibition goes from strength to strength and will be even better in 1969 with the additional space available in the New Hall of the Royal Horticultural Society at Vincent Square, London, S.W.1, which is to be its new venue. If you collect any of the following countries - ANTIGUA, BAHAMAS, BRITISH GUIANA, BRITISH HONDURAS, CAYMAN ISLANDS, DOMINICA, GRENADA, ST. KJTTSNEVIS, ST. LUCIA, ST. VINCENT or TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS - you may be interested in acquiring Waterlow Sample Stamps. From 1930 it was the custom of Waterlow & Sons Ltd. to purchase sheets printed by them from the Crown Agents of what they considered their best designs. These they used as samples of their printing after a small hole was punched in each stamp as a measure of security. The number available is very small and the prices range from 2/6d - 10/- (30c. - \$1.20) per stamp. I understand that enquiries should be addressed to: U.K. - Robson Lowe Ltd., 50 Pall Mall, London, S.W.1.

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U.S.A. - Lt. Cdr. Wm. H. Wells, U.S.N. Retd., P.O. Box 575, San Leandro, Calif. 94577., U.S.A. No orders will be accepted after July 31st so it is a matter of 'first come first served.'

On your behalf it is my pleasure to extend a warm welcome to the following new members: K. Bolton (Lanes.), Dr. R. C. Coleman (U.S. Virgin Islands), R. A. De Freitas (Colombia S.A.), R. Henriques (London), R. J. McDowell (Northern Ireland), J. A. Meitiner (Sussex), C. Palmer (Bucks), J. Roberts (Yorks), P. J. Slingsby (Middlesex), B. C. Smith (Surrey) and F. E. Wellum (London).

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