GREAT BRITAIN 1840-1910

The 'BESANÇON' Collection
(Part III)

Houses of Parliament, London

1840, Parliamentary Envelopes

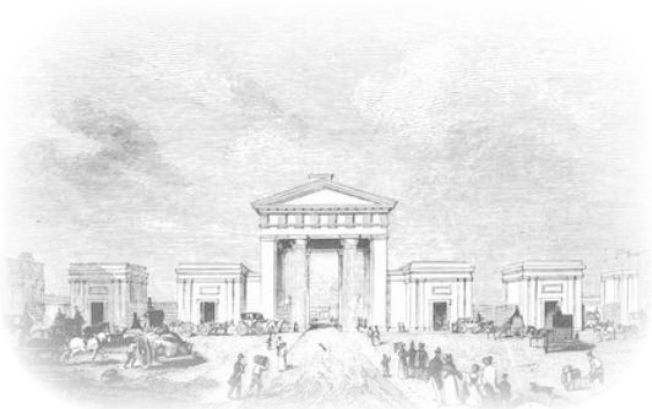
James Ransome

Col. Robert Rushbrooke

4501

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4501	**House of Commons 1 d. envelope** 1840: "To be posted at the House of Commons only. / Post Paid.- ONE PENNY.- Weight not to exceed ½ oz.", a used example of the 1 d. envelope on unwatermarked wove paper, mailed to Ipswich and struck with 'Crown Paid' cds (March 4) in red on despatch. Countersigned at lower left by Lt. Col. Rushbrooke, MP for the Western Division of Suffolk (1835-1845), with 'Library House of Commons' red wax seal on reverse. File fold at top, minor imperfections and some light aging but rare Gi = £ 3'000. *Reference: listed in Huggins & Klempka "The 1840 Parliamentary Envelopes" Prepaid as number 42 on page 83.*	PE9 ✉	**600**	*(€ 540)*

1840, Mulready Letter Sheets and Envelopes



Euston Arch facing Drummond Street, London

4502

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4502	**First Day of Issue** Mulready 1 d. black letter-sheet, stereo A24, a used example addressed to the Courier Office in the Strand, London struck with fine Maltese Cross in red with 'T.P. / Drummond St.' at right, reverse with clear hexagonal framed "MY.6 / 1840" despatch datestamp of First Day of Issue in red. Listed in Jackson 'May Dates' on page 227. Central file fold and aged at edges but rare and exhibits well Gi = £ 18'000. *Provenance: Collection 'Idiens', Robson Lowe, 27 Jan 1954, lot 27.*	ME1 ✉	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

Jane Whiteside MacLagan

4503

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4503	Mulready 1 d. black envelope, stereo A148, a used example from Chatham, Kent to Edinburgh cancelled by red Maltese Cross. Manuscript notation of despatch on front panel *'Robert. Chatham, May 10th 1840'* and reverse flap, opened for display with double arc CHATHAM cds MY.10 / 1840 in red - an extremely rare usage on First Sunday May Date that exhibits well. Listed in Jackson 'May Dates' on page 303. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi = £ 10'000. *Note: Mrs. Maclagan, Jane Whiteside Maclagan (1790-1878) lived with her husband David Maclagan (1785-1865) at 129 George Street, Edinburgh. David Maclagan served as Surgeon in Scotland to Queen Victoria.* *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 Sept 1995, lot 111.*	ME2	✉	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

4504

4506

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4504	Mulready 1 d. black envelope, stereo A167, a fine used example cancelled by black Maltese Cross with framed BARRAS BRIDGE RH at lower left in red (Receiving House). Reverse with double arc cds of 'Newcastle-On-Tyne' despatch cds (Aug 17, 1841) in black and 'Durham' arrival cds in blue (same day). Fresh and fine, the envelope used as a wrapper with the letter inside Gi = £ 550.	ME2	✉	**200**	*(€ 180)*

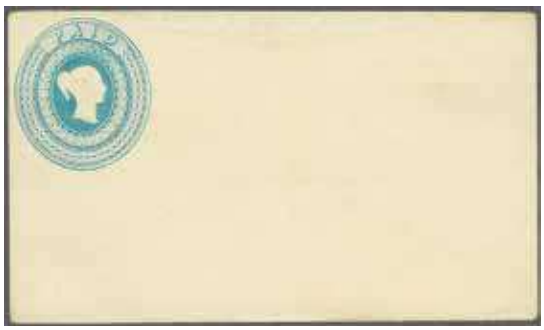
4505

Dawson Turner

Joseph Hume

4505	Mulready 2 d. blue letter-sheet, stereo a94, a used example from London to Great Yarmouth, cancelled by bold strike of London "No. 6" in Maltese Cross struck in black. Reverse with London Maltese Cross datestamp of despatch (Sept 23, 1843) in red and obverse with double arc Great Yarmouth arrival cds (Sept 24) in black. Signed at lower left by sender, Joseph Hume (1777-1855), the radical MP and mailed to Dawson Turner, banker, botanist and antiquarian. The Karl Louis Card Index records just 4 2 d. Mulreadies with the "No. 6" in Cross, of which this is undoubtedly the finest. A delightful and extremely rare usage Gi = £ 9'000. *Provenance: Collection Wills, Harmers, London, 7 Nov 1989, lot 51* *Collection Lou Grunin, Spink, London, 2 April 1998, lot 235.*	ME3	✉	**1'800**	*(€ 1'620)*
4506	Mulready 2 d. blue letter-sheet, stereo a104, a used example to Lambeth struck with 'Cornhill' despatch in red and London "55" numeral obliterator in black struck over Britannia, reverse with framed arrival (Sept 18, 1850) in red. Somewhat soiled at right but a scarce commercial late usage Gi = £ 2'400. *Provenance: Merkur Auktionen, Frankfurt, offer list 1971, lot 2347.*	ME3	✉	**350**	*(€ 315)*

1840, Essay for Prepaid envelopes



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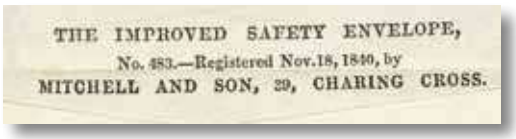
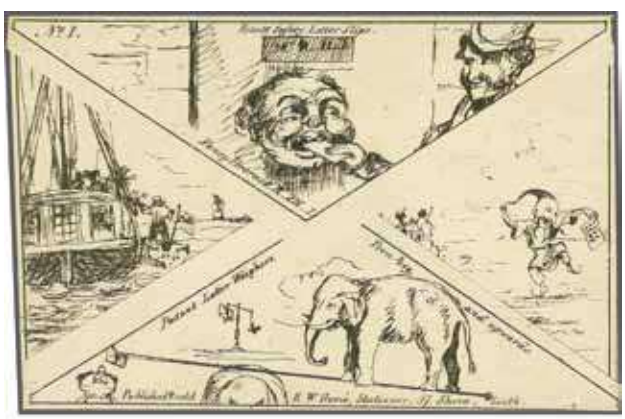
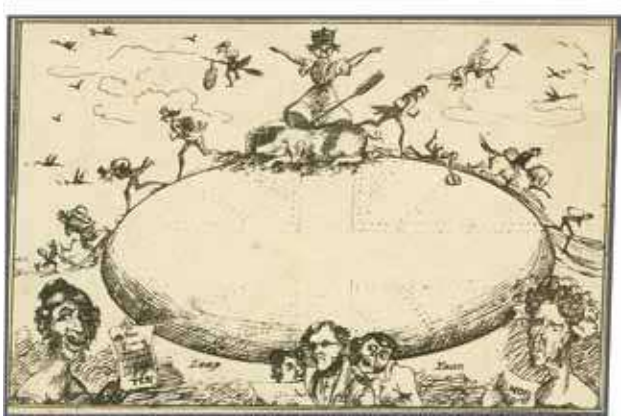

THE IMPROVED SAFETY ENVELOPE,
No. 483.—Registered Nov.18, 1840, by
MITCHELL AND SON, 39, CHARING CROSS.

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4507	Essay for a prepaid envelope, 116 x 69 mm., with Queen Victoria in oval 'engine-turned' surround with PAID at top printed in blue with no value indicated, internally printed in black "THE IMPROVED SAFETY ENVELOPE, / No. 484.- Registered Nov 18, 1840, by / MITCHELL AND SON, 39, CHARING CROSS'. Lower backflap partly torn into, otherwise very fine and fresh. Scarce.	✉*	**150**	*(€ 135)*

1840, Mulready Caricatures





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ex 4509

4508	R.W. Hume's Mulready caricature, No. 1, 'Leap Year', an unused example in fresh condition but for two or three light spots, opens well for overall album page display. Scarce.	✉(*)	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4509	Spooner's caricatures, envelopes No. 1 to No. 6 complete, lithographed in black, imprinted 'Mulheaded' at base, all unused with a few minor age spots, largely very fine for these, a scarce and most attractive group.	✉(*)	**250**	*(€ 225)*

4510

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4510	1 d. black, plate 1b, lettered LF, a fine four margined example tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 Southgate Mulready Caricature No.1 "Pick-Pocket", addressed on to the reverse from Wendover to Rotherham and readdressed on to Milton, Peterborough; with double arc Wendover datestamp in black (July 31), London (Aug 1) in red and double arc Rotherham cds in red (Aug 3) and manuscript *"P1"* prepaid endorsement at left. A wonderful cover of superb appearance and of great rarity. Cert. BPA (2019).	2	✉	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

4511

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4511	1 d. black, plate 3, lettered OD, a fine example with large even margins all round, tied to 1840 Southgate's Mulready caricature No.5 by black Maltese Cross. 'King William Street' despatch handstamp below in black and red arrival (Oct 1) on reverse. The envelope opens well to display the 'rejected Designs for the Postage Envelope' panel. Light vertical file fold well away from the adhesive which has been lifted for checking and replaced and some staining removed. Extremely rare and most attractive. Certs. BPA (1996, 2019).	2	✉	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

4512

4512 Fores's "Racing Envelope No. 5", printed in black, a used example appropriately mailed to Cheltenham with manuscript "1" to denote pre-payment and double arc 'Christchurch' despatch cds in black. London Tombstone transit in red (Dec 26, 1840) and reverse with double arc 'Cheltenham' arrival cds in red. Small unobtrusive repair to envelope at top right, ironed and part of flap missing but just 6 used examples recorded in 'British Pictorial Envelopes' by Bodily, Jarvis & Hahn. Extremely attractive and very rare.
Provenance: Robson Lowe, 3 June 1994, lot 3048. ✉ **1'500** *(€ 1'350)*

1840, 1d. black

4513

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4513	**Imprimatur** 1 d. black, plate 1a, lettered TC from the base of the Imprimatur sheet, ample to large margins all round and in a clear and distinct shade, *taken from the second registration sheet*, unused. Rare - only stamps AL, SC-SL and TA-TL were removed (22) from the 'After Hardening' Imprimatur sheet. Light horizontal bend at top not remotely affecting the wonderful appearance. Extremely rare and most attractive. Cert. RPSL (1985) Gi = £ 15'000. *Provenance: Board of Inland Revenue collection, Robson Lowe, London, 17 Dec 1975, lot 1195* *Robson Lowe, London, 16 July 1985, lot 55* *Phillips, London, 9 June 1988, lot 139* *Robson Lowe, London, 9 May 1990, lot 2* *Habsburg-Feldman, Zurich, 27 Nov-1 Dec 1989, lot 30044* *Spink, 17 Dec 1997, lot 1389* *Collection Dr. Pichai Buranasombati, Shreves, 15 March 2001, lot 30.*	2 Imprimatur	(*)	**3'500**	*(€ 3'150)*

4514

4514 1 d. black, plate 1a, an irregular block of eight, lettered EG-EL/FK-FL, margins on the strip large all round but crossed by file fold through EG, the block of four with tiny scissor cut in margin between the block, somewhat scuffed at lower left and margins touched at top of EK and on right side of FL, all cancelled by red Maltese Crosses and EL also cancelled by manuscript pen cross. Despite faults, a remarkable and dramatic piece. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi AS2 = £ 27'000+. 2 △⊞ **2'500** *(€ 2'250)*

4515

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4515	1 d. black, plate 1b, lettered JC, a used example with large even margins all round, tied to 1840 cover from Wareham to London by watery red Maltese Cross. Reverse with double arc WAREHAM despatch cds (Aug 26) in black and London arrival in red. File folds well away from the fine adhesive which shows the recut letters 'J' and 'C'. Gi = £ 1'000+.	2	✉	**250**	*(€ 225)*

4516

John Bathgate

4516 1 d. black, Plate 1a, lettered LH, a used example with good to large margins all round, tied to 1840 cover endorsed *"O.H.M.S."* and mailed from Edinburgh to Peebles, neatly tied by crisp red Maltese Cross. Flap states that the letter was from the 'Crown Agent' in Edinburgh (June 3), with "Peebles" double arc cds of receipt in red (June 4) on reverse. Some file folds not affecting the adhesive or appearance, a fine and unusual cover, the earliest O.H.M.S. usage wi*th a Penny Black by us*. Gi AS2 = £ 1'000 (for a normal cover).

Note: The "VR" 1 d. black was intended for a usage such as the above letter.

John Bathgate (1809-1886) was town clerk in Peebles and the principal promoter of the Peebles Railway.

2 ✉ **250** *(€ 225)*

4517

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4517	1 d. (deep) black, plate 1b, lettered FG, an unused example with just clear to large margins all round, early impression in a near intense shade, vertical crease and paper adherence on large part og. A rare and attractive stamp. Cert. BPA (1987) Gi AS5= £ 12'500.	2	*	**1'200**	*(€ 1'080)*

4518

4518	1 d. black, plate 1b, lettered II-IJ-IK, a used horizontal strip of three, good to large margins all round and showing portion of adjoining stamp at left, first stamp with ironed vertical bend not affecting the appearance and also showing the non-coincident re-entry in upper right star and 'Postage', IJ with left sideline recut. A most attractive and very scarce strip Gi AS5b+AS5h = £ 1'625.	2		**400**	*(€ 360)*

4519

Scene on the River Orwell at Ipswich

4519	1 d. black pl. 1b, lettered OJ, a used example on probably re-addressed small piece, with 1841 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, pl. 12, both stamps with ample to large margins all round, each tied by Maltese Crosses in black in differing shades. The piece with 'Ipswich' double arc cds above (Sept 29, 1841) in black. An exceptionally scarce and most attractive usage Gi AS5+BS1. *Provenance: Collection Ernest Hunt RDP, SG, London, 10 Nov 1966, lot 32.*	2+ 8	△	**500**	*(€ 450)*

J. B. Seymour

4520

4521

4522

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4520	1 d. black, plate 2, lettered MB, an unused example with ample to large margins all round and showing the horizontal guide line above the upper left hand corner square, fresh and fine with *'practically full'* large part og. An exceptionally fine and attractive example of this rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1988) Gi AS15= £ 12'500. *Provenance: Collection J.B. Seymour, Part 5, Robson Lowe, London, 30 April 1952, lot 96.*	2	*	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*
4521	1 d. black, pl. 3, lettered GG, an unused example with large even margins all round, tiny nick in the margin at base well away from the design and mentioned for accuracy only (and not on certificate), unused without gum. A very fine example from this extremely rare plate. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi AS20 = £ 19'500. *Provenance: Spink, London, 6-7 Dec 2005, lot 396.*	2	(*)	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*
4522	1 d. black, plate 6, lettered AA, from the top left corner of the sheet, good to huge margins all round, neatly cancelled by red Maltese Cross. A gem. Cert. BPA (1983) Gi AS41 = £ 375.	2		**150**	*(€ 135)*

4523

4523	1 d. black, Plate 7, lettered SC, a used example with large margins all round, tied to 1840 local entire letter from Lincoln's Inn Fields to Grays Inn, London by faint "T. P. / High Holborn EC" marking and crisp strike of experimental use of the Maltese Cross in black. Arrival datestamp on reverse (Oct 29) in red. Closed tears in address panel at top but very scarce Gi AS46 = £ 825.	2	✉	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4524

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4524	1 d. black, plate 10, lettered FI-FL, a used horizontal strip of four, close but just clear at top of FL and faint crease between centre stamps, large margins on three sides with portion of adjoining stamp at left, cancelled by Maltese Crosses in black. An extremely rare multiple from this plate (for example, a block of four remains unpriced by Gibbons) Gi AS66 = £ 7'000+ priced for two pairs. *Provenance: Harmers London 18-20 Nov. 1968, lot 116.*	2	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

1840, 2d. blue

Boulby Alum Works

4525

4525	2 d. blue, Plate 1, lettered CJ, a used example with close to large margins all round with portion of adjoining stamp at right and horizontal scissor cut in margin at top, of fine deep colour, neatly tied to 1841 cover to George Westgarth, Boulby Alum Works Guisborough by Maltese Cross in red. Reverse with London despatch cds (Feb 6) in black. File folds away from adhesive, an attractive cover Gi DS5 = £ 2'500.	5	✉	**500**	*(€ 450)*

Queen Victoria

4526

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4526	2 d. deep blue, Plate 2, Wmk. Small Crown, plate 2 lettered OK, an unused example with large margins all round, of excellent rich colour and wonderful appearance, ironed diagonal bend and part og. Rare and most attractive. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi DS7 = £ 48'000.	4	*	**8'000**	*(€ 7'200)*

4527

4528

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4527	2 d. blue, Plate 2, lettered SH, a used example with large even margins all round, neatly cancelled by near full strike of the Maltese Cross in black. A delightful stamp. Signed Calves Gi DS8 = £ 1'000.	5		**250**	*(€ 225)*
4528	2 d. blue, Plate 2, lettered DC, a used example, margins clear at right and large on three sides showing portion of adjoining stamp at left, neatly tied to small piece by Maltese Cross in black, with fine circular MORE / TO / PAY alongside. An attractive piece Gi DS8 = £ 1'000.	5	△	**250**	*(€ 225)*

4529

4529	2 d. blue, Plate 2, lettered GE-GF, a used horizontal pair with ample to large margins all round, of fine fresh colour, neatly cancelled by upright strikes of the Maltese Cross in black. A fine and attractive pair Gi DS8 = £ 2'500.	5		**500**	*(€ 450)*

4530

4530	2 d. blue, Plate 2, lettered AD-AF, a used horizontal strip of three with close to good margins all round, with AD showing 'Double Letter A', neatly cancelled by light strikes of the Maltese Cross in red. An attractive and scarce multiple Gi DS8+DS8d = £ 3'500.	5		**600**	*(€ 540)*

1841, 1d. red printed from "Black Plates"

4531

4531	1 d. red-brown on very blued paper, black plate 2, lettered BF-BH, a used strip of three in a deep shade, large margins all round, slight ironed bends but a most attractive and scarce multiple Gi AS18 = £ 1'125+. *Provenance: Collection 'G.L.', Harmers, London, 10 June 1981, lot 139* *Phillips, London, 4-5 Sept 1986, lot 451.*	7		**150**	*(€ 135)*

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Illustration 1

The 'recontructed' block of 13
Reference: The British Philatelist (1915/16)
Provenance: McGowan (1915); Colonel Bates (1934)
Block of ten
Provenance: Seymour (1951); Dodd (1962)
Strip of three
Provenance: Fisher (1983); Sayeed (2002)

Illustration 2

The 'damaged' block of ten
Provenance: Harmers Auction (1984)

Illustration 3

The 'irregular' block of eight
Provenance: Cooley (1995); Buranasombati (2001)

Illustration 4

Block of six
Provenance: Bonnams Auction (2002)
Horizontal pair
Provenance: Grosvenor Auction (2002)
Single stamp lettered EC
Provenance: The "BESANÇON" collection

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General Post Office in London

4532

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4532	1 d. red-brown on blued paper, black plate 11, lettered EC, an unused example with large margins all round, in a bright vibrant shade, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. An exceptional example of this rare stamp which is considerably scarcer in unused condition than the Black Plate 11 Gi AS74 = £ 8'500. Due to the damage to 'ED', the offered stamp was cut from the multiple. The remaining irregular block of eight was in the Cooley and Buranasombati collections. This was again split, with a pair DC-DD appearing in Grosvenor (16 April 2002, lot 366) and the block of six DE-DG / ED-EG in Bonhams (14 Feb 2002). From the auction descriptions above, 'EC' was always one of the faultless stamps in the original multiple. *Note: From the block of 13 unused stamps forwarded by Jas. Campbell to G.H. Backhoffner at the Polytechnic Institution on the 9th February 1841: "Sir, I have much pleasure in transmitting to you herewith, by permission of Colonel Maberly, two sheets of the Penny Labels, one black, the other red - and a third sheet Two. Penny blue, the whole free from the adhesive preparation". The three sheets were sent as Official notice had been taken of the blueing of the paper and it is presumed that the stamps were sent to Mr. Backhoffner to investigate the discolouration. The sheets were unlikely to have been sent without gum as this may have been a cause of the 'discolouration'. See the 'British Philatelist', 1915-16, page 82.*	7	*	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

1841, 1d. red, Alphabet I.

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4534

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4533	1 d. red-brown on blued paper, pl. 90, lettered EA, an unused example with ample to large margins all round with Plate variety 'Thick Outer Framelines' recut, fine unused without gum Gi BS30c/Gi 8g = unpriced, nomal £ 600.	8g	(*)	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4534	1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered OL, a fine used example with large margins all round (note horizontal guideline from right of 'L' in lower right square), tied to 1844 embossed Ladies's envelope from Neath to Manchester tied by '540' numeral obliterator in black. Backstamped at Neath (Dec 20) and on arrival in Manchester (Dec 21) in black. A charming cover.	8	✉	**150**	*(€ 135)*

1841, 1d. red, Alphabet II.

4535

4535	1 d. red-brown on blued paper, Alphabet II, pl. 168, lettered JL/KL/LL, an unused vertical strip of three with huge margins on all sides, marginal from right of sheet with full CIRCULAR FLORAL ORNAMENT and imprint *`Address and towards the RIGHT HAND SIDE of the Letter.`*, ironed horizontal bend and spot on central stamp, unused without gum. A delightful and most attractive multiple. *Provenance: Collection L. Praportchetovitch, Plumridges, London, 23-24 Feb 1933, lot 32 As a block of six JK/LL* *RL, London, 16-17 May 1978, lot 453. As a strip of three.*	8	(*)	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4536

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4536	1 d. deep red-brown on lavender-tinted paper, Alphabet II, pl. 135, lettered CA-CC / DA-DC, a used block of six with one stamp just grazed on left margin otherwise ample to large margins all round, CA showing Frame missing under "P" of PENNY, of outstandingly rich colour and all showing Ivory Head, neatly cancelled (contrary to regulations) by "852" numeral obliterators of Welshpool in black. Fresh and fine, a most attractive multiple Gi B2k = £ 1'800 (for six singles).	8	⊞	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4537

4537	2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 4, lettered CF and single 1841 1 d. red.brown on blued lettered AH, each with good to large margins all round, tied to 1852 triple rate or, more probably a 1 d. Late Fee cover from Sheffield to Birmingham by "700" numeral obliterators in black. Reverse with Sheffield despatch cds (Oct 28) and Birmingham arrival (Oct 29) cds struck in blue. Some light aging but scarce. Cert. BPA (1995) Gi B1+ES14 = £ 350+.	14+ 8	✉	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4538

4538	1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered FK, used example with large margins all round, on 1875 cover to Golford Gate, Sissinghurst, in combination with 1858/79 1 d. red pl. 147, tied by London duplexes (Aug 13) in black. Reverse with Staplehurst cds of receipt (Aug 14). A most unusual mixed imperf. / perf. combination cover. *Reference: listed in Simpson/Louis "Mixed Franking Covers" on page 73, table 5.3.*	8+ 43	✉	**400**	*(€ 360)*

1841, 2d. blue with Lines

Perkins Bacon printers at work

4539

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4539	1841 (Jan 15): 2 d. deep full blue, Small Trial Proof Plate of twelve impressions (4 x 3) with white lines and without corner lettering, produced as the March 1841 2 d. was yet to be fully prepared and the Trials were required to be distributed for the announcement for the forthcoming issue; the complete sheet with watermark upright, tiny nick in upper margin reported for complete accuracy only and not detracting from the appearance, of gorgeous colour and in stunning fresh condition. Rare and superb Gi DP43 = £ 17'500. *Provenance: Collection Durham (Ron Alcock), Phillips, London, 11 Nov 1993, lot 109.*	DP43	⊞(*)	**3'500**	*(€ 3'150)*

ex 4540

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4540	2 d. blue, pl. 3, lettered OG, and 2 d. blue pl. 4, lettered CE and TH, used examples (3) with ample margins all round, OG showing the Re-entry and horizontal guideline in G square clearly, CE in a pale shade showing the Re-entry on TWO PENCE at base, TH with Ivory Head and showing the fresh Re-entry on TWO PENCE clearly. A scarce trio Gi ES12b+ES13b+ES14c = £ 700.	13+ 14 var	**120**	*(€ 110)*

4541

4541	2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered QF, a used example with good even margins all round, the stamp with "Shifted Transfer" most noticeable on value tablet at base, tied to 1844 registered cover from Liverpool to Kendal by "466" numeral obliterator. Manuscript *"Registered"* and "1/-" in red ink alongside circular LIVERPOOL / PAID datestamp in red denoting that the registration fee was paid in cash. Kendal double arc arrival cds in blue (Sept 4) on reverse. A fine and most attractive cover Gi ES11d = £ 350 (for a normal cover).	14	✉	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4542

4542	2 d. blue, pl. 4, lettered TL, an unused example from the lower right corner of the sheet with large margins all round and portion of adjoining stamp at left, fresh colour and very fine, large part og. A delightful stamp Gi ES14 = £ 5'000. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 5 Sept 1996, lot 310. As a horizontal pair, TK with faults.*	14	*	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

Various Cancellations

Maltese Cross

4543

4544

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4543	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, pl. 13, lettered JD, a used example with large margins all round and showing portion of adjoining stamp at right, tied to small entire letter from St. Boswell`s to Melrose by bold strike of the Maltese Cross in black. Reverse with St. Boswell`s framed despatch datestamp (Nov 4) in black. Scarce Gi B2 = £ 325.	8	✉	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4544	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, pl. 28, lettered ML/PL, a used vertical strip of four, margins clear to large but touched at base and ironed crease between NL and OL not affecting the appearance, cancelled contrary to regulations by two strikes of the Maltese Cross in black Gi BS17 = £ 220.	8		**80**	*(€ 70)*

London Head office Maltese Cross with Numbers

4545

4545	1840: 2 d. blue, Plate 1, lettered MK, a used example with clear to large margins all round showing portions of adjoining stamps at top and at left, neatly tied to small piece by complete strike of the London "No. 5" in Maltese Cross in black. Just 5 single examples are recorded in the Karl Louis Card Index. Rare Gi DS5 / D1we = £ 14'000.	5	△	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

4546

4547

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4546	1841: 1 d. red-brown on lightly blued paper, black plate 9, lettered RD with O flaw, a used example with large even margins all round, used on 1843 cover within London tied by bold strike of London "No. 5" in Maltese Cross in black. Despatch and arrival datestamps on reverse (July 15) in red and in black. Superb and scarce very late use of a "Black Plate" with London MC with number.	7	✉	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4547	1841: 1 d. red-brown on lightly blued paper, lettered EI, a used example with ample to large margins all round and showing portions of adjoining stamps at top and at left, used on 1843 entire letter from London to Lancaster tied by bold strike of London "No. 8" in Maltese Cross in black. Despatch datestamp on reverse (Aug 2) in black and Lancaster arrival (Aug 3) struck in blue. Superb and scarce Gi B1uh = £ 450.	8m	✉	**150**	*(€ 135)*

4549

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4548	1841: 2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered DD, a used example with good even margins all round, with vertical guideline from NE square, neatly tied to 1843 cover from London to Preston (Horrocks Miller correspondence) by good strikes of London "No. 9" in Maltese Cross in black. Reverse with London despatch cds (June 27) and double arc Preston arrival (June 28) in dull blue. Scarce and attractive cover Gi E1vi = £ 3'200.	14f	✉	**600**	*(€ 540)*
4549	1841: 2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered HE, a used example with ample margin at left and huge on three sides showing portions of adjoining stamps at top and at right, neatly tied to 1844 entire letter from London to Edinburgh by fine strike of London "No. 10" in Maltese Cross in black. Reverse with London despatch and Edinburgh arrival (March 20) in red. File folds at left away from the fine adhesive, a very scarce entire Gi E1vj = £ 2'800.	14f	✉	**500**	*(€ 450)*

Local Maltese Crosses

View of Greenock

4550

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4550	**Greenock** 1841: 2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered BL, a used example with good even margins all round, applied just over edge of 1844 cover from Greenock to Edinburgh, neatly tied by superb strike of distinctive GREENOCK Maltese Cross in black. Reverse with Greenock despatch datestamp (Feb 20) in red and Edinburgh arrival cds (Feb 21). A scarce and attractive cover Gi E1um = £ 2'000.	14	✉	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4551

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4551	Manchester 1840: 1 d. black, plate 5, lettered IH, a used example in a deep shade, clear to large margins, tied to small piece by fine complete strike of the Manchester 'Fishtail' Maltese Cross in black. Scarce and most appealing piece Gi A1uf = £ 900. *Provenance: Cavendish, Derby, 8 March 1996, lot 94.*	2	△	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4552	**Mullingar** 1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered OF, clear margin at left and large margins on three sides, a fine used example cancelled by a neat strike of the MULLINGAR Maltese Cross handstamp in black (for further information see Rockoff & Jackson pages 206-207). Exceptional strike showing the cuts in the lines clearly and very scarce. Cert. RPSL (1977) Gi B1tr = £ 3'000.	8 var		**500**	*(€ 450)*

4553

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4553	Plymouth 1840: 1 d. black, Plate 5, lettered CL, a used example with large margins all round and small portion of adjoining stamp at left, used on 1841 entire letter to an artist, Mr. Apie, in St. Agnes, Cornwall, tied by neat strike of the distinctive PLYMOUTH Maltese Cross in black. Plymouth despatch cds (Feb 23) displaying well on reverse and double arc "Truro" cds on front in blue when the letter was forwarded on to St. Ives. A superb and exceptional entire, the earliest recorded with the Plymouth Cross by Rockoff & Jackson (see volume 2, pages 225-226) where this cover is illustrated; also shown in Alcock & Holland on page 61. Very rare, an exhibition item of the highest calibre Gi A1uc = £ 9'000. *Note: The letter concerns a request for a Portrait to be painted by Mr. Apie of the President of the Natural History Society, one Colonel Smith, for which the artist would receive 15 guineas upon completion.*	2	✉	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4554

4554	Plymouth 1841: 2 d. pale blue, pl. 3, lettered BK, a used example with ample margins all round, neatly cancelled by the distinctive Norwich Maltese Cross in black. Diagonal crease to the adhesive but rare Gi = E1ul, £ 1'300.	13		**150**	*(€ 135)*

'1844' Numerals

4555

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4555	1840: 2 d. deep blue, Plate 2, lettered FD, a used example with large margins all round and tiny portion of adjoining stamp at right, superbly cancelled by Irish "323" numeral obliterator of Galway in black. A beautiful and rare usage Gi DS7 = £ 1'300 / Gi 5i = £ 2'000. *Provenance: Spink, London, 11 June 1997, lot 174* *Spink, London, 10 June 1998, lot 1407.*	5i		**400**	*(€ 360)*

4556

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4556	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered DC, a used example with large margins all round and showing portion of adjoining stamp at base, on 1847 cover from Enniscorthy, Wexford to Dublin, neatly tied by Irish "212" numeral obliterator in blue. Reverse with Enniscorthy double arc despatch cds in blue (Jan 13) and Dublin arrival (Jan 14) in red. File fold away from the the fine adhesive, an attractive cover Gi B1xb = £ 650.	8p	✉	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4557	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered SG, a used example with good to large margins all round, used on 1847 entire letter from Howden to Beverley, Yorkshire tied by fine strike of "382" numeral obliterator struck in blue. Reverse with double arc HOWDEN cds in blue (Feb 13) with Beverley datestamp adjacent (Feb 14) in blue. File fold well away from adhesive, a fresh and fine cover Gi B1xb = £ 650.	8p	✉	**120**	*(€ 110)*

Town Postmarks

4558

4558	1841: 1 d. red-brown on lightly blued paper, lettered OG, a used example with clear to large margins all round, tied to 1842 entire letter from Honiton to Crewkerne by superb complete strike of Wessex type HONITON datestamp (June 24, 1842) in black: with the characteristic partially missing "4" in year date. Listed in Rockoff & Jackson on page 538, however the date of the cover can also be confirmed internally as June, with Crewkerne arrival cds in red at left. An attractive and rare entire Gi B1va = £ 2'750. *Provenance: Collection 'Maximus', Sale 3, SG, London, 1-2 Oct 1970, lot 70.*	8o	✉	**600**	*(€ 540)*

Wolsingham Church

4559

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4559	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered SJ, large margins all round and 1841 2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered KB, with good to large margins all round, each used on individual entire letters addressed to Stanhope Burn Ironworks, Weardale. The Oct 20, 1847 1 d. envelope with complete contents and the superb stamp tied by neat WOLSINGHAM undated circle in blue with equally fine strike on reverse; the June 15, 1848 2 d. entire letter (contents mention an enclosure) similarly tied by a double strike of the WOLSINGHAM undated circle in blue. Strangely omitted from the Rockoff & Jackson opus, the small correspondence was of 20 covers, 18 bearing the 1 d. red, the 2 d. entire being unique. Neither cover has been on the market since the original find thirty years ago, a dramatic and beautiful pair Gi B1vb = £ 4'500 + E1wf = £ 14`000. *Provenance: 2 d. entire: RL, London, 21 Feb 1989, lot 2486.*	8o+ 14g	✉ **4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

4560

4561

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4560	1841: 2 d. blue on blued paper, pl. 3, lettered DD, a used example with narrow clear margins all round, cancelled by small LONDON circular datestamp struck in black. Rare, possibly a late use. Cert. RPSL (1988) Gi ES11 var = unlisted.	14 var	**150**	*(€ 135)*

Penny Post (Handsworth)

4561	1841: 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, lettered SB, a used example with large margins all round and showing portion of adjoining stamp at right, small nick and bend in upper left corner, neatly cancelled by rare usage of framed Penny Post handstamp "PY P / No. 15" of Handsworth, Birmingham in black. Exceptional and extremely scarce Gi B1wf = £ 1'000.	8n	**250**	*(€ 225)*

Ship Letter

4562

4562	1840: 2 d. blue, Plate 1, lettered MH/NH, a used vertical pair with large even margins all round, on 1841 cover, no seal or side flaps, probably mailed from Dublin or Belfast and endorsed *"pr. Athlone"* (a Paddle Steamer and later an 'emigrant' ship and not the regular Packet) to Liverpool, tied by Maltese Crosses in red. Reverse with circular SHIP LETTER / Crown / LIVERPOOL datestamp (Jan 24, 1841) in black. An extremely rare Maritime usage: the Karl Louis Card Index records just three covers bearing imperforates from the Richardson Brothers correspondence to Liverpool with incoming Ship Letter markings, one with a 1 d. black, another with an 1840 2 d. blue and this cover with a 2 d. pair. Signed Calves. Cert. BPA (2020). *Note: The "Athlone" (built 1836), was a City fo Dublin Steam Packet Company" ship serving cross-charrelroutes between Britain and Irland including transporting mail. Starting in 1822 between Dublin and Liverpool, the C.O.D.S.P. Comp. added service in 1826 to London and Belfast.*	5	✉ **1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

'Paid at...' Liverpool

Catching Cholera Consequence

4563

	Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4563 1846: Cover and complete original contents from Liverpool to New York, with superb vignette of the 'Tower of London' with the Thames in the fore-ground, struck on despatch with octagonal framed PAID AT / LIVERPOOL datestamp (Aug 3) in red and "1/-" handstamp denoting pre-payment in red. Carried on the Cunard Steamer *'Caledonia'* with BOSTON / SHIP datestamp of lading (Aug 19) in red. Some splits to the letter but a remarkable and most appealing cover. *Note: The contents are interesting, besides the usual moans about sea-sickness, "there were more than a thousand deaths in London last week and many reports now in circulation that the Asiatic Cholera had made its appearance..." and tourism - British Museum, East India Museum, Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament, Eton College and Windsor Castle - and speed of transport "On friday I left London for this place (Liverpool), nearly 200 miles distant, and arrived here that evening".*	✉	**150**	*(€ 135)*

1855/57, 1d. red and 2d. blue, Die I/II, perforated 14/16

4564

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4564	1871 (February): Die Proof for the 1 d. value, Retouched Die II, printed in Prussian blue on thin hard white wove paper, with reversed "NEW" at top and "3" below the design, the thin paper with some lines from the Plate at left (this is not creasing, see the illustration in the SG Specialised catalogue on page 22) and the corners of the Proof with adhesive washed from where the Proof had been, presumably, placed on card and top corners with thins, minor corner bend at lower right mentioned for accuracy, otherwise fresh and fine. A most appealing Proof of considerable rarity Gi = £ 18'000. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 3-4 Oct 1966, lot 57* *Vessey, Whitstable, 22 Feb 1984, lot 26* *Collection 'Tes', Robson Lowe, 5 Oct 1995, lot 156.*	DP29b	(*)	**4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

Ormond Hill

4565

4565	1871 (Feb): Ormond Hill Die Proof for 2 d. value without corner letters in deep blue on thick card (46 x 48 mm.) of beautiful rich colour and execution, some thinning of the card well away from the stamp design and minor wrinkling as is to be expected in a Trial of this nature as all were removed from heavier backing, fresh appearance and very fine. Exceedingly rare with *just six examples* recorded. Exceptional Gi D46 = £ 18'000. *Provenance: Collection O'Connor, Phillips, 10 Sept. 1998, lot 137*	DP46	(*)	**4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

Watermark Small Crown

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4566	1855 (June): 1 d. red-brown on blued paper, Die II. wmk. Small Crown, perf. plate 14, lettered GB-GF, a used horizontal strip of four, of good colour, lightly cancelled by "158" numeral obliterators of Cambridge in black. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi C3 = £ 400	24		**100**	*(€ 90)*
4567	1855 (August): 1 d. red-brown on very blued paper, Die II, Alphabet III, Plate 24, wmk. Small Crown, perf. 14, lettered KC, a used example showing the "Gothic K", lightly cancelled by London numeral obliterator in black. An abnormal issue, a few sheets only were produced on the remaining Small Crown paper from the first plates of Alphabet III (22-27). Slight bends not affecting the appearance, two slightly nibbed perforations at base mentioned for accuracy only, a fine example of a very scarce stamp. Cert. BPA (1969), BPA (2020) Gi C7h = £ 900+.	C7		**150**	*(€ 135)*
4568	1855 (Feb 22): 2 d. blue, pl. 4, wmk. Small Crown, perf. 14, lettered OK, an unused example of fine colour, overprinted SPECIMEN in black (Type 2), reading down. Couple of nibbed perfs. but fresh and very fine, part og. Gi F2s = £ 1'700. *Provenance: Collection Marcus Samuel, Spink, London, 3 Dec 2011, lot 1012.*	23 spec	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*

Watermark Large Crown

4569

4569	1855 (June): 1 d. red-brown, Die II, Alphabet III, pl. 46, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered EJ-EK, an unused horizontal pair of rich colour, hinged for protection, large part og. A scarce multiple from one of the rarer C8 plates. Gi C8 = £ 480+.	29	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*

4570

4570	1857 (March): 1 d. orange-brown on lightly blued paper, Die II, Alphabet III, plate 43, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered HA-HD / IA-ID, an unused block of eight, in a rich shade, fresh and very fine appearance, large part or unmounted og. A very scarce and attractive multiple. Cert. BPA (1989) Gi C8(5) = £ 3'000+.	33	⊞*/**	**600**	*(€ 540)*

4571

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4571	1855 (Aug 18): 1 d. red-brown on cream paper, Die II, Alphabet III, plate 25, wmk. Large Crown, lettered GE-GF / HE-HF, variety **"Imperforate" from Neales Steam Press**, an unused block of four in a bright rose shade and without the blueing of the paper, good margins all round, light vertical crease on left pair barely affecting the superb appearance of an extremely scarce multiple Gi C8h = £ 12'000. *Note: A part sheet, AA-AL / JA-JL was secured by Robson Lowe in 1939, this was then cut up.* *Provenance: Collection Gerald Wellburn, RL, 14-15 Dec 1976, lot 268.*	29h	⊞(*)	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4572

4572	1855 (June): 1 d. red-brown on lightly blued paper, Die II, Alphabet III, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered ND, a single example paying the internal rate, used on 1856 cover to New York State, USA tied by "Newbury 544" Sideways Duplex code B in black (June 17). Reverse with London transit cds in red (June 18) and thence carried on Ocean Line Steamer *'Hermann'* with "N. YORK AM. PKT / 24" (cents) cds of receipt (July 3) in black. An attractive and unusual cover.	29	✉	**100**	*(€ 90)*

4573

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4573	**Transitional Issue** 1857 (March): 1 d. pale rose on yellowish paper, Die II, Alphabet III, plate 27, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered OG-OL / RG-RL, an unused block of twenty-four from the Transitional Issue, showing the 'Gothic' K on four stamps (OK, PK, QK and RK), a couple of minor bends not affecting the appearance: of vibrant fresh colour and very fine, an extraordinarily rare large multiple, large part or unmounted og. Cert. BPA (1988) Gi C9(4) = £ 15'000.	C9	⊞*/**	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4574

4575

4574	1856/57: 1 d. red, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, used example applied over edge of 1859 envelope to Otley, tied by 'Bradford Yks / 107' sideways duplex (July 18), the envelope with pre-printed "1859 / BRADFORD / TRIENNIAL MUSICAL FESTIVAL / AUGUST 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th." advertisement in red. Scarce and early advertising envelope.	40	✉	**75**	*(€ 70)*
4575	**Social Philately** 1857: 1 d. red, Die II, perf. 14, pl.39, letterd AC, used on April 15, 1862 mourning envelope locally addressed to the Lord Archbishop of Armagh in London, with full enclosure from the Society of Arts headed "National Memorial to the Prince Consort", with contents concerning *"an influential preliminary meeting was held...to make arrrangements to afford to persons of every class and station in the United Kingdom and the Colonies who desire it, the opportunity of taking a part in the intended national memorial of affection and gratitude to the Prince Consort..".*	40	✉	**75**	*(€ 70)*

4576

J. B. Seymour

4577

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4576	1855 (July 20): 2 d. blue, Die I, Alphabet II, pl. 5, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered MK-ML / NK-NL, a used block of four of good colour, lightly cancelled by framed LAURISTON / PLACE Scots local handstamps in black. Scarce multiple, accompanied by the piece from which the block was soaked. Gi F6 = £ 1'000.	34	⊞	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4577	1855 (July 20): 2 d. blue, Die I, Alphabet III, pl. 6, wmk. Large Crown, perf. 14, lettered ND-NE, an unused horizontal pair in a deep fresh shade, NE showing the re-entry on 'P' of POSTAGE and in value tablet and some plate wear, some gum creasing on large part og. An attractive and very rare multiple Gi F7+F7d / Gi 35 = £ 6'000. *Provenance: Collection J.B. Seymour, Sale 4, RL, London, 20 Feb 1952, lot 512.* *As part of rejoined block of four ND-NE / OD-OE* *Harmers, London, 16 Oct 1985, lot 1273* *As part of rejoined block of four ND-NE / OD-OE* *Phillips, London, 6-7 Feb 1986, lot 491.* *As part of rejoined block of four ND-NE / OD-OE* *Phillips, London, 12 June 1986, lot 338.* *As part of rejoined block of four ND-NE / OD-OE.*	35	*	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

1858/79, 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d. and 2d. with Plate Numbers

4578

4578	1858/79: 1 d. red, pl. 97, lettered AA, imperforate Imprimatur, corner marginal from top left of sheet with Plate Number 97 and imprint *'PRICE 1d. Per Lab(el)'*, large margins all round, fresh and fine, scarce Gi = £ 425. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 17 Feb 1994, lot 366.*	43 Imprimatur	(*)	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4579

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4579	1858/79: 1 d. red, plates 92, 166, 167, 169, 170, 173-178, 180-183, 185, 186, 191, 192, 193, 199 and 200, each lettered AC, **imperforate Imprimaturs** (22), all marginal from top of sheet with imprint '12. £ 1 Per Sh(eet)', all fresh and very fine, a superb and very rare matching group Gi = £ 9'350. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 31 Oct 1995, lot 480.*	43 Imprimatur	(*)	**1'800**	*(€ 1'620)*

4580

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4580	1858/79: 1 d. red, pl. 88, lettered QH-Qi / RH-RI, an unused block of four, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce plate Gi = £ 760. *Provenance: RL, Bournemouth, 13 Jan 1970, lot 206.*	43	⊞*	**120**	*(€ 110)*

4581

4581	1858/79: 1 d. red, pl. 116, lettered BE, **Imperforate 'Cardiff Penny'**, an unused example with large margins all round, fresh colour, vertical bend that does not affect the appearance, large part og. A very fine example of this exceedingly rare stamp which adjoins to the pair AE-AF in Ray Simpson's collection. Cert. RPSL (1970) Gi G1g = £ 7'500. *Provenance: Collection Harrop, Cavendish, Derby, 22 Oct 1994, lot 453.*	44a	*	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

4582

4582	1858/79: 1 d. red, pl. 225, lettered AE-AF / BE-BF, an unused block of four of fresh vibrant colour, marginal from top of sheet with part imprint *'(La)bels ABOVE the Address and twa(rds)'*, perfectly centred with superb large part crackly og. An extremely rare and spectacular multiple Gi = £ 12'000+. *Note: This block adjoins the block lettered AG-AH / BG-BH housed in the National Postal Museum.* *Provenance: Collection Michael Stephens, Harmers, London, 26-26 Oct 1937, lot 49.* *As a block of six with AD/BD* *RL, London, 9 May 1990, lot 15. As a block of four.*	43	⊞*	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

4583

Inside London's General Post Office

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4583	1869 (March 31): 2 d. blue, pl. 13, lettered AC, an **imperforate Imprimatur**, close to large margins all round, marginal from top of sheet, with part imprint *'12. £1...Per Sh(eet)'*, in a superb deep shade, fresh and very fine unused. Rare. The adjoining Imprimatur on the left, AB, was in Lady Mairi Bury collection, the adjoining Imprimatur on the right, AD, is in the N.P.M. London. Gi = £ 4'750. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 11 Nov 1993, ex lot 136.*	47 Imprimatur	(*)	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

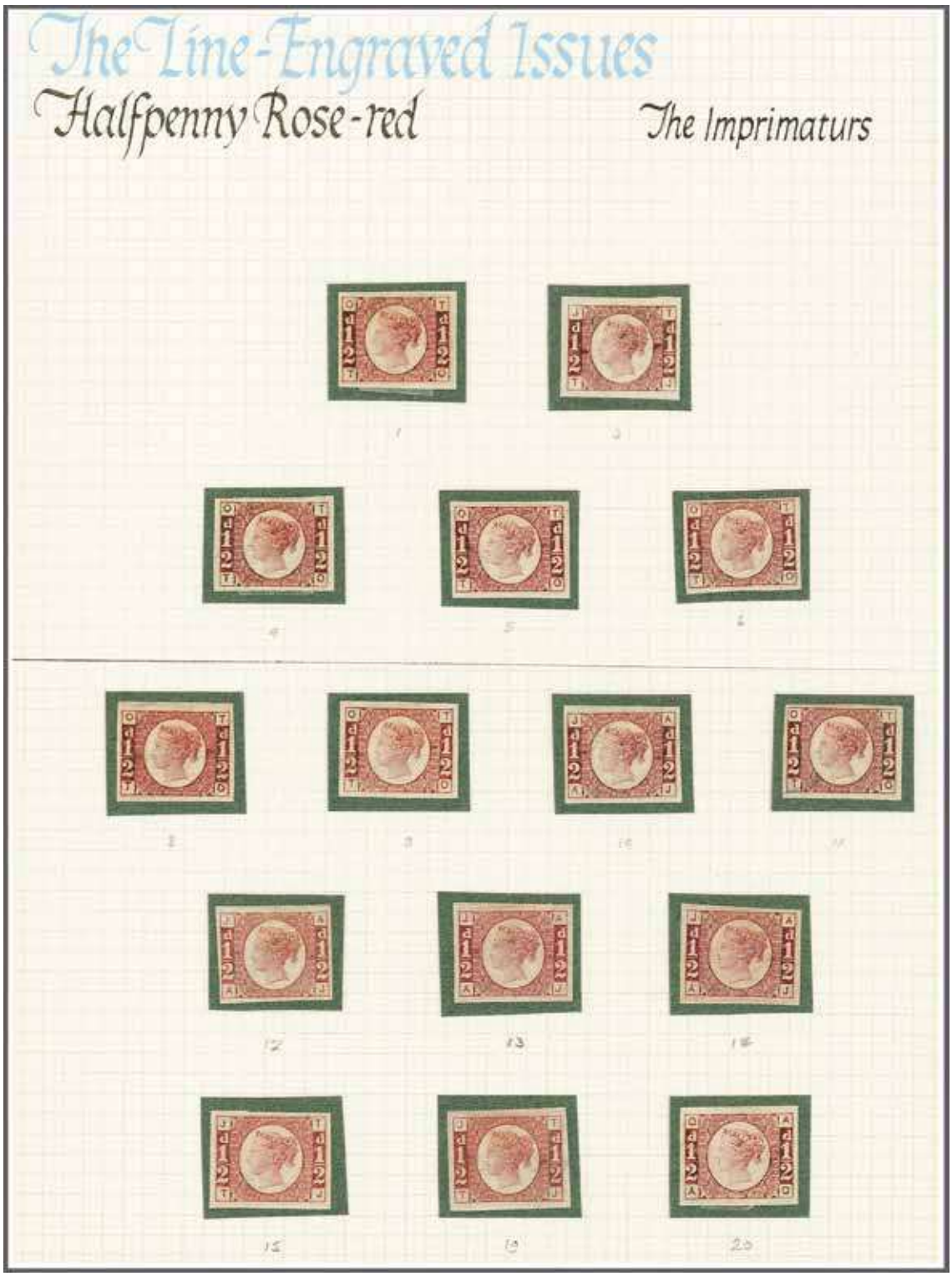
4584

4584	1858/69: 2 d. blue, pl. 9, lettered RA-RC / SA-SC / TA-TC, an unused corner marginal block of nine from lower left of sheet showing Plate Number 9 and part imprint *'PRICE 2d. Per Label. 2/- Per Row of 12. £ 1 Per'* on foxed margin, horizontal crease on upper three stamps and overall ageing on large part og. Despite imperfections a scarce and impressive multiple Gi G2 = £ 3'150+.	45	⊞*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

Premises of Perkins, Bacon & Co. where the stamps were printed

4585

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4585	1870 (April-May): Essay for the new ½ d. adhesive, printed in black on card (47 x 46 mm.) showing 'Grenada' Chalon Head and framed "½d." value tablet, with corner letter AE / EA and POSTAGE reading up at left and HALFPENNY reading down at right. Interestingly, the engraved impression is the size as adopted for the issued stamp with some scrolling around the frame being blacked out - the design of which was later placed near the corner letterings. Handstamped "6" at upper left and with manuscript *"Messrs Perkins & Co"* below in ink. An exceptional unadopted Essay: 19 different varieties were produced of which 6 are housed in the collection of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Perkins Bacon were instructed to show the value in figures at the sides. A great rarity Gi = DP59 = £27'500. *Provenance: Robson Lowe 28 Jan. 1981, lot 805.*	DP59	(*)	**5'000**	*(€ 4'500)*



4586

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4586	1870 (June) / 1878 (Dec): ½ d. deep rose-red, **imperforate Imprimaturs** (15) from all the issued plates from 1-20, each in a strong dark shade and with large margins all round, with Plates 1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 11 all lettered TO, the plate 11 with slight surface blue line, Plates 3, 15 and 19 lettered TJ, Plates 10, 12, 13 and 14 lettered AJ, Plate 20 lettered AO. A superb and extremely rare complete set Gi = £ 14'250. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 11 Nov 1993, lot 143.*	48 Imprimatur	(*)	**2'800**	*(€ 2'520)*

4587

4588

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4587	1870 (Oct): Bantam ½ d. deep rose-red, plate 5, lettered NV-NW, an unused horizontal pair on watermarked paper, variety **"Imperforate"** with large margins all round in a deep shade, fresh and very fine, large part og. Right hand stamp with traces of surface blueing, most attractive with just three pairs NV-NW, PV-PW, PX-QX, in private hands, one in the Royal Collection and one single OV recorded in K. Louis Card Index. Gi G4h = £ 6'000. *Provenance: Collection Wane, Harmer London 10-11 Nov. 1941, lot 256.*	49a	*	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*
4588	1870 (Oct): Bantam ½ d. deep rose-red, plate 9, lettered RE, a single example used on small 1872 piece tied by complete 'Glasgow' circular datestamp (Feb 15) in black. Choice and superb Gi = £ 850.	48	△	**250**	*(€ 225)*

4589

4589	1870 (Oct): Bantam ½ d. deep rose-red, plate 9, lettered KN, a single example on 1872 cover, no side flaps, addressed to the London, Brighton & South Coast Railway in Brighton; tied by 'South Shields / 704' duplex (Jan 29) in black. Reverse with Brighton cds of receipt (Jan 30). A scarce stamp on cover Gi = £ 850 off cover. *Provenance: Christies RL, 11-12 Jan. 1984, lot 527.*	48	✉	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4590

4591

4590	1870 (Oct): ½ d. rose-red, plate 11, lettered AA-AH / EA-EH, an unused corner marginal block of forty, with Plate Number '11' in corner margin and two parts of the sheet marginal imprint with *'PRICE ½d. Per Label. 1/- Per Row of 24.'* and current number 198 at top, *'(c) areful not to remove the Cement'* at left. Fresh and very fine, large part or unmounted crackly og. A most appealing and scarce multiple Gi = £ 4'800. *Provenance: Robson Lowe, 9 July 1958, lot 395; Harmer London 18 Nov. 1986, lot 72.*	48	⊞*/**	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*
4591	1870 (Oct): Bantam ½ d. rose, plate 14, lettered HH-HA / IH-II, an unused block of four, fresh and fine, superb large part og., lower pair unmounted og. Gi = £ 480.	47	⊞*/**	**120**	*(€ 110)*

Ormond Hill

4592

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4592	1871: Ormond Hill Die Proof for the 1½ d. value, printed in pale rose on thick card paper, 60 x 60 mm., imperforate without corner letters, small horizontal guide marks at left and at right outside the vertical framelines, fresh and very fine. Extremely rare and a most attractive Proof Gi DP56a = £ 12'000. *Provenance: RL, London, 12 April 1988, 708* *Phillips, London, 17 June 1993, lot 118* *Phillips, London, 17 Feb 1994, lot 381.*	DP56a	(*)	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

4593

4593	1860: Prepared for use but not issued: 1½ d. rosy mauve on blued paper, lettered EC, an unused example of exquisite colour, fresh and very fine, large part og. An extremely rare stamp Gi = £ 8'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 24 Feb 2003, lot 754.*	53a	*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

Queen Victoria

4594

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4594	1870 (Oct 1): 1½ d. lake-red, pl. 3, lettered II-IJ / JI-JJ, an unused block of four, of fine fresh colour, large part og. Scarce and most appealing multiple Gi = £ 2'300.	52	⊞*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4595

4595	1870 (Oct 1): 1½ d. lake-red, plate 3, lettered SG-SL / TG-TL, an unused block of twelve, corner marginal from base of sheet with italic imprint *'(towa)rds the RIGHT HAND SIDE of the Letter. In Wetting the Back be careful not to remove the Cement'* with "193" Current number below and Plate Number 3. Fine fresh colour and superb large part or unmounted og. A most attractive large multiple Gi G6(2) = £ 6'900. *Provenance: Collection Sir Henry Dodd, RL, 28 March 1962, lot 275.*	52	⊞*/**	**1'200**	*(€ 1'080)*

1847/54, Embossed Issues

John Dickinson
invented a continuous mechanised
papermaking process

4596

4597

John O. Griffiths

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4596	1848: Embossed 1 s. brown, Essay in the colour of the issued 10 d. value with smaller lettering, without the Pendant Curl added later, with complete frame, printed on Dickinson silk thread paper, a fine example with even larger margins than the SG catalogue illustration, two tiny thin spots of no great significance on this rare Essay, fresh and very fine with remnants of gum. Extremely rare and surely one of the finest of the *8 known* examples. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi EP2(b) = £ 8'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 1 March 1937, lot 149* *RL, Bournemouth, 30-31 July 1975, lot 99.*	57 Essay EP2(b)	*	**1'800**	*(€ 1'620)*
4597	1847: Embossed 1 s. pale (sage) green, Essay without the Pendant Curl added later, with complete frame, printed on Dickinson silk thread paper, a fine example, fresh and very fine with large part og. Extremely rare and probably one of the finest known examples Gi EP2(a) = £ 8'500. *Provenance: RL, London, 11 June 1952, lot 502* *Collection Ernest Dale, SG, London, 10-11 June 1969, lot 221* *Collection John. O. Griffiths, RL, London, 29 Sept 1982, lot 299* *RL, London, 18 April 1984, lot 401* *Collection Wade, Phillips, London, 20 March 1997, lot 127.*	54 Essay / EP2(a)	*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4598

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4598	1848: Embossed 10 d. brown, Die 1, an unused block of four, clear to very large margins all round, of fine embossing and good colour, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 1) in black. Fresh and fine, large part og. A very rare multiple of superb appearance Gi H2(1)s = £ 12'000+.	57 spec	⊞*	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

View of Plymouth

4599

4599	1847 (Sept 11): Embossed 1 s. deep green, a used example with good margins all round and showing portions of adjoining stamps at left and at right, in a rich shade, used on brown parcel piece and tied by complete strike of "Plymouth / 620" Spoon obliterator (March 27, 1854, code E) in black. Slight horizontal crease at base scarce and most attractive. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi H1(3) = £ 1'200.	56	△	**150**	*(€ 135)*

4600

4601

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4600	1847: Embossed 1 s. green, used example with good to large margins all round and showing portions of adjoining stamps at top and at base, tied to 1854 cover from Stowmarket to Cape Town, Cape of Good Hope by "752" numeral obliterator in black. Reverse with 'Stowmarket' cds in green (April 13), London cds in red and 'Cape Town / Cape of Good Hope' arrival cds in red (June 3). Sensible small repair to envelope at left, an attractive cover. Cert. RPSL (1980) Gi = £ 1'900.	55	✉	**350**	*(€ 315)*
4601	1847: Embossed 1 s. green, used example probably from the corner of the sheet with good to enormous margins, on 1854 cover to Baltimore, USA, cancelled by "392" numeral obliterator in green ink. Carried on the Cunard Steamer 'Europa' with incomplete circular arrival datestamp in red of Boston with 'Paid 24' at base (Aug 31) and '21 / CENTS' credit mark in red. Reverse with corresponding 'Dudley' cds on reverse (Aug 14) in green and Liverpool transit cds (Aug 15) in blue. File folds well away from the fine adhesive, a scarce and attractive cover Gi = £ 1'900.	55	✉	**500**	*(€ 450)*
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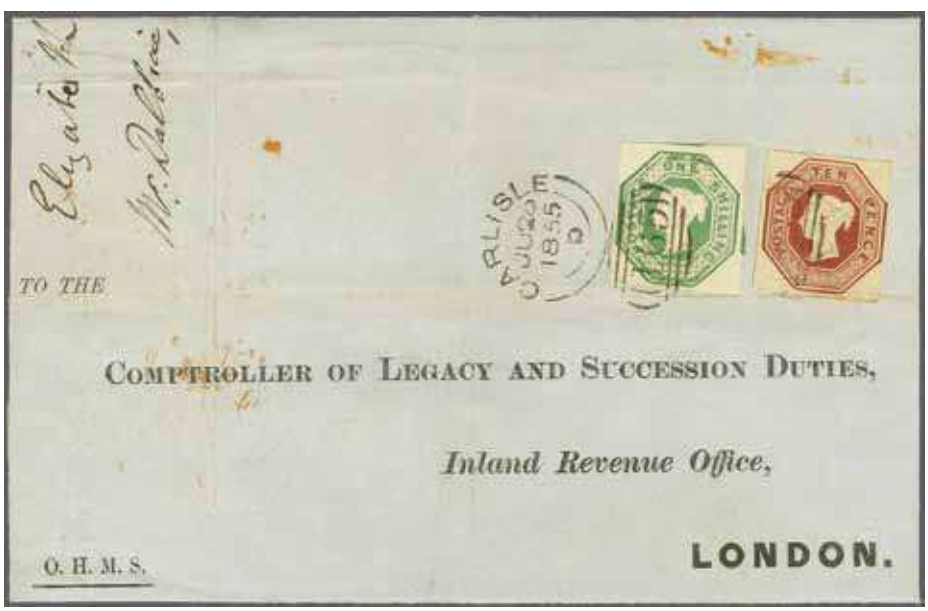


4603

4603	1848: Embossed 10 d. brown and 1847 1 s. green, the 1 s. with large margins all round and the 10 d. imperceptibly touched at right, used on OHMS refolded 1855 large part cover to London, cancelled by "Carlisle / 165" Sideways duplex (June 26, code B) and the 10 d. by "165" numeral obliterator. The cover, with internal reinforcement, mentions enclosures. Reverse with London arrival (June 27) in red and Revenue Office 'received' cancel inside of the same date. The Karl Louis Card Index records just one other internal 10 d. + 1 s. frankings, used from Cheltenham to Bristol. File folds but an extremely rare cover Gi = £ 4'200+. *Provenance: RL, London, 12 Dec 1989, lot 605.*	57+ 55	✉	**800**	*(€ 720)*

1855/57, No Corner Letters

4604

4605

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4604	1855 (July 31): 4 d. pale bright carmine on deeply blued highly glazed paper, wmk. Small Garter, an unused example of good colour overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 2) reading down in black. Minor gum bend not affecting the fresh and fine appearance, superb large part og. Scarce Gi J47s = £ 1'150.	62 spec	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4605	**Cancellation Trial** 1856 (April 9): Plate Proof for the 6 d. value, printed in green (the colour of the 1 s. value) on unwatermarked thin wove card paper, imperforate with large to huge margins all round, cancelled by circular "A M / AP-9 / 1856" cancellation Trial in black. A magnificent and extremely rare Proof in the foremost quality Gi J70 = £ 7'500.	69 Proof		**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

4606

4606	1857 (Jan): 4 d. rose on white paper, wmk. Large Garter, an unused block of four, of good fresh colour but with watermark showing through, central hinge for protection on large part og. An extremely scarce stamp in an unused multiple Gi J51(2) = £ 12'000.	66a	⊞*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4608

4607

4607	1856 (Oct 21): 6 d. lilac, wmk. Emblems, an unused example of good rich colour, fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi J70(3) = £ 1'350.	68	*	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4608	1856 (Nov 1): 1 s. pale green, wmk. Emblems, a used block of four of fine delicate colour, minor wrinkles and slight mark from ink in address, neatly cancelled by two strikes of Irish "Sligo / 410" duplex (April 30, 1861) in black. An appealing and scarce multiple Gi J100(3) = £ 2'000.	73	⊞	**300**	*(€ 270)*

1862/64, Small Uncoloured Corner Letters

4609

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4609	1862 (May 1): 3 d. deep carmine-rose, Plate 2, wmk. Emblems, lettered EG, an unused example, centred to upper left and of wondrous fresh colour, variety "Watermark Inverted", superb appearance, part og. A lovely stamp and very rare wmk variety, the first unused example recorded in K. Louis Card Index. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J26(1)d = unpriced / Gi 75Wi = £ 7'500.	75Wi	*	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

4610

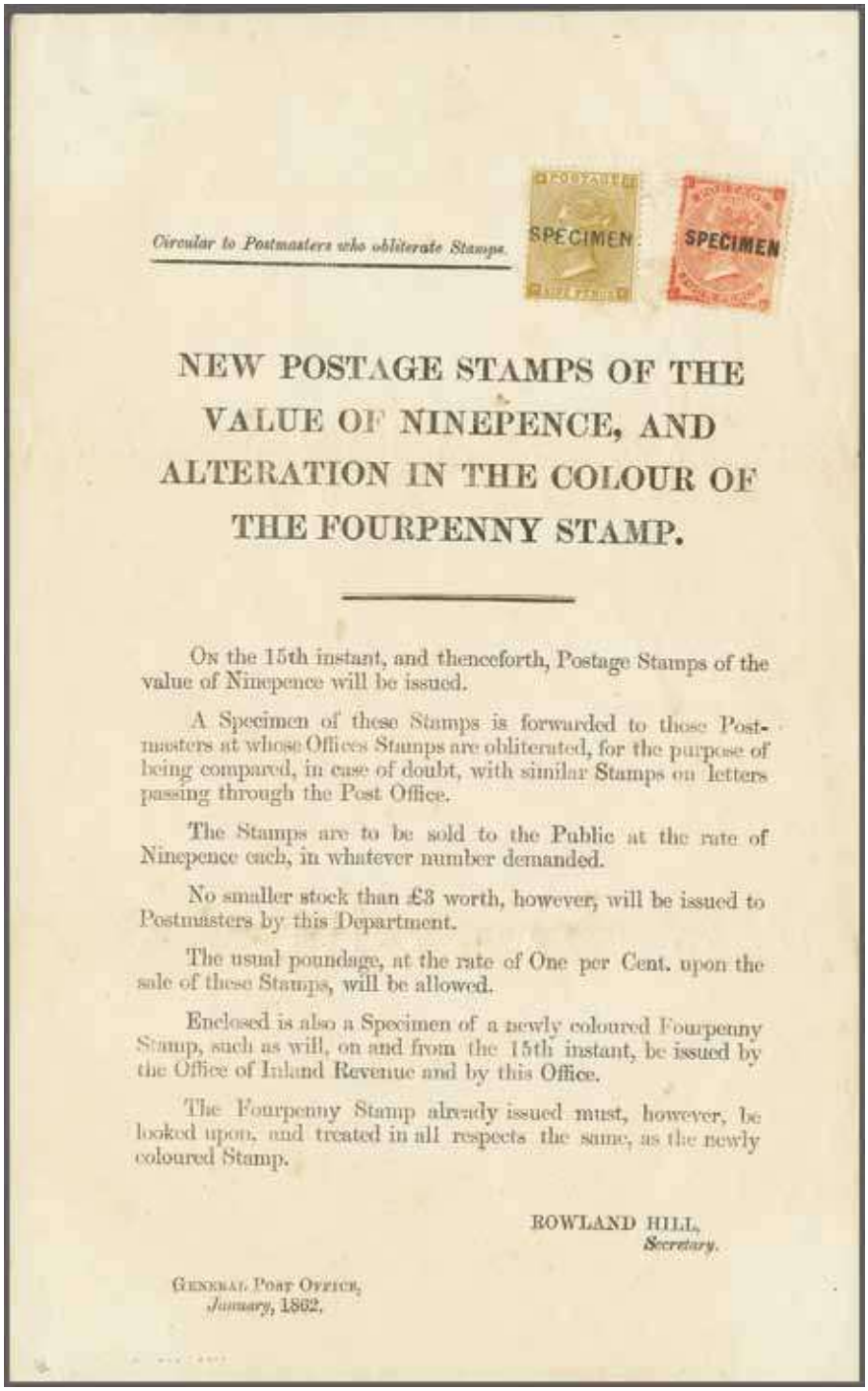
4611

4610	1862 (Sept 9): 6 d. deep lilac, Plate 3, wmk. Emblems, lettered BD, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, large margins all round, of superb colour and large part og. Rare, just 25 stamps were removed from the Imprimatur sheet. A magnificent stamp of perfect pedigree. Cert. RPSL (2008) Gi J71 = £ 4'500. *Provenance: Collection of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Spink, London, 3 Dec 2008, lot 249.*	83 Imprimatur	*	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*
4611	1864 (April 20): 6 d. lilac, Plate 4, wmk. Emblems, with Hairlines, lettered AC, an imperforate **Imprimatur** with large margins all round and sheet marginal at top, fresh and very fine, large part og. Just 22 examples removed from the Imprimatur sheet. Rare Gi J72 = £ 4'800. *Provenance: Collection Heinz Reck, Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 222.*	85 Imprimatur	*	**750**	*(€ 675)*

4612

4613

4612	1862 (Dec 1): 6 d. lilac, Plate 3, wmk. Emblems, lettered GG, an unused example of excellent colour, well centred, redistributed large part og. Rare and superb. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J71(2) = £ 2'200. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 19 Dec 2006, lot 285.*	84	*	**300**	*(€ 270)*
4613	1864 (April 20): 6 d. lilac, Plate 4, wmk. Emblems upright, with Hairlines, lettered DL, an unused example variety "Imperforate", large margins all round, fresh and very fine, unused without gum. A very rare stamp: especially so with upright watermark - Galland & Louis in 'Surface Printed Stamps' record just 12 examples. Cert. RPSL (1989) Gi J72g = £ 4'750 / Gi 85Eb = £ 3'500. *Provenance: RL, London, 12 Jan 1988, lot 396.*	85Eb	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*



Circular to Postmasters who obliterate Stamps.

SPECIMEN SPECIMEN

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE VALUE OF NINEPENCE, AND ALTERATION IN THE COLOUR OF THE FOURPENNY STAMP.

On the 15th instant, and thenceforth, Postage Stamps of the value of Ninepence will be issued.

A Specimen of these Stamps is forwarded to those Postmasters at whose Offices Stamps are obliterated, for the purpose of being compared, in case of doubt, with similar Stamps on letters passing through the Post Office.

The Stamps are to be sold to the Public at the rate of Ninepence each, in whatever number demanded.

No smaller stock than £3 worth, however, will be issued to Postmasters by this Department.

The usual poundage, at the rate of One per Cent. upon the sale of these Stamps, will be allowed.

Enclosed is also a Specimen of a newly coloured Fourpenny Stamp, such as will, on and from the 15th instant, be issued by the Office of Inland Revenue and by this Office.

The Fourpenny Stamp already issued must, however, be looked upon, and treated in all respects the same, as the newly coloured Stamp.

ROWLAND HILL,
Secretary.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
January, 1862.

4613A

Sir Rowland Hill

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4613A	1862 (Jan): 9 d. bistre, pl. 2, lettered RF overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 6) in black, applied at top of Postal Notice alongside *"Circular to Postmasters who obliterate Postage Stamps"*, with additional 4 d. bright red, pl. 3, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 5) in black, headed NEW POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE VALUE OF NINEPENCE, AND ALTERATION IN THE COLOUR OF THE FOURPENNY STAMP, stating *"On 15th instant (January) and thenceforth, Postage Stamps of the value of Ninepence will be issued...Enclosed is also a Specimen of a newly coloured Fourpenny Stamp"* with *"Rowland Hill, Secretary"* at base. Minor staining near the adhesives but a delightful Postal Notice in much above average condition Gi J52t + J92s. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 67.*	79s+ 86s	(*)	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4614

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4614	**Abnormal** 1862 (May): 9 d. bistre, Hairlines, Plate 3, wmk. Emblems, lettered TJ, a used example of outstanding colour, neatly cancelled by "75" numeral obliterator of Birmingham leaving the Hairlines clear. Ironed vertical bend and blunt perf. thin at top but an extremely rare stamp: just 57 examples exist of which 11 are unused. Signed Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J93 = £ 13'000/Gi 88 = £ 13'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 5-7 July 1976, lot 115* *Corinphila, sale 80, Zurich, 24-31 March 1990, lot 4947.*	88	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

4615

4615	**Abnormal** 1862: 1 s. green, Plate 2 = Plate 3, wmk. Emblems upright, with Hairlines, lettered AG, an unused example variety "Imperforate", good to large margins all round, minor corner bend not affecting the appearance, of fine colour and superb, large part og. Rare, Galland & Louis in 'Surface Printed Stamps' record just 8 examples Gi J102a = £ 7'000. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1994, ex lot 90.*	91a	* **1'200**	*(€ 1'080)*

4616

4616	1862 (Dec 1): 1 s. green, Plate 1 = Plate 2, wmk. Emblems, lettered RH and QH, used on 1864 cover endorsed *'via Southampton'* to Arequipa, Peru tied by 'Liverpool / 466' duplexes (Nov 1). Fine double PANAMA British P.O. cds of transit (Nov 24) on front and reverse with dotted "YSLAI" handstamp in black and manuscript docketing of receipt (Dec 9). A fresh and fine entire carried at under ½ ounce rate.	90	✉ **200**	*(€ 180)*

1865/67, Large Uncoloured Corner Letters

4617

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4617	1865 (March 1): 3 d. rose, plate 4, wmk. Emblems, lettered CH, an unused example of good colour and perfs. with two sides cut by scissors, minor ironed vertical bend not apparent on face, large part og. A scarce stamp unused Gi J28 = £ 2'500.	92	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4618

4618	1867: Die Proof pulled for the Paris Exhibition, 4 d. vermilion in issued colour, imperforate on thick card paper (37 x 37.5 mm.), without Corner Letter and Plate Numbers. Exceptionally attractive and extremely rare Gi = £ 7'000. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 2 Nov 1989, lot 73.*	94 Die Proof	(*)	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

4619

4619	1865 (July 4): 4 d. deep vermilion, Plate 10, wmk. Large Garter, lettered DL, an unused example, marginal from right of sheet with imprint *'4d. per Label'*, minor gum wrinkles but of fresh bright colour and large part og. A most attractive stamp Gi J57 = £ 825. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2005, lot 83.*	95	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4620

Maurice Burrus

4621

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4620	1865 (July 4): 4 d. vermilion, Plate 11, wmk. Large Garter, lettered AJ-AL / CJ-CL, an unused block of nine from top right hand corner of the sheet, with Plate Number "11" at top and "Crown / POSTAGE / 4d." in blue in margin (the margin extends downwards with *'PRICE - 4d. per Label'* imprint), of vibrant bright colour, perfect centering and superb, large part or unmounted og. BL with thin and folded between the stamps but a magnificent and choice multiple Gi J58 = £ 6'325. *Provenance: Collection Howard O. Fraser, Spink, London, 7 Nov 2001, lot 671* *Andrew G. Lajer list, Spring 2010.*	94	⊞*/**	**2'000**	*(€ 0)*
4621	1865 (July 4): 4 d. vermilion, Plate 12, wmk. Large Garter, lettered CA-CC / FA-FC, a used block of nine, marginal from left of sheet with imprint *'(R)ow of Six. £ 1 per Sheet of Sixt(y)'*, all neatly cancelled by single ring "Buxton" datestamps (June 21, 1872) in black. One or two wrinkles of no significance, a charming and attractive multiple Gi J59 = £ 800. *Provenance: Collection Maurice Burrus, Shanahan sale 102, Dublin, June 5-6 1959* *Collection 'Maximus', Sale 1, SG, London, 5-6 Feb 1970, lot 458.*	94	⊞	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4622

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4622	1865 (July 4): 4 d. vermilion, Plate 12, wmk. Large Garter, lettered SK-Sl / TK-TL, an unused Imperforate block of four, good margins all round, marginal from lower right corner of the sheet with Current number "321", overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 6) over two stamps, of fine fresh colour, minor wrinkles on superb large part or unmounted og. Gi J59s = £ 2'300. *Note: It should be noted that all 4 d. plate 12 imperforate Specimens emanate from the same sheet. Provenance: Collection 'Koh-i-Nor', Harmers, London, 8 July 2003, lot 22.*	94 spec	⊞*/**	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4623

4623	1865 (March 7): 6 d. lilac, Plate 6, with hyphen, two examples used with single 4 d. bright vermilion, Plate 10, on 1869 cover endorsed *'via Marseilles'* to Hong Kong, China, all tied by "Brunswick Star" Edinburgh / 131 duplexes in black (Jan 14). Reverse with London cds (Jan 15) and circular HONG-KONG / MARINE SORTER / SINGAPORE TO HONG KONG datestamp (Feb 18/23) in black. The cover sensibly opened for Exhibit display, very rare and most attractive.	97+ 95	✉	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4624

4625

4624	1865 (Jan 4): 6 d. deep lilac, Plate 5, with hyphen, wmk. Emblems, lettered AI, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, large margins all round, fresh deep shade and very fine, large part og. Rare, just 21 stamps removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi J73 = £ 3'800. *Provenance: Collection Harold Fisher, Phillips, London, 22-23 Sept 1983, lot 607 Collection Christopher Beresford, Sotheby's London, 24 Nov 1987, lot 415.*	96 Imprimatur	*	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4625	1865 (Oct 30): 9 d. straw, Plate 4, wmk. Emblems, lettered CA, an unused example of deep colour, minor corner bend not detracting from the fine appearance, large part og. Gi J94 = £ 4'500. *Provenance: Spink, London, 24 April 2003, lot 733.*	98	*	**800**	*(€ 720)*

1867/80, Large Uncoloured Corner Letters, Watermark Spray

4626

Harold W. Fisher

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4626	1872 (Feb 29): 3 d. rose, Plate 8, wmk. Spray, lettered SL, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, marginal from right of sheet with large margins all round, fresh and very fine, large part og. Just 22 stamps were removed from the Imprimatur sheet. Rare Gi J33 = £ 2'500. *Provenace: Collection Harold Fisher, Phillips, London, 22-23 Sept 1983, lot 632* *Phillips, London, 2 Nov 1989, lot 86.*	103 Imprimatur	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4627

Dr. Douglas Latto

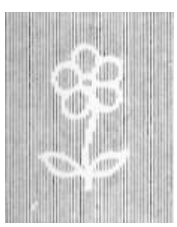
4627	1869 (March 8): 6 d. dull violet, Plate 8, without hyphen, wmk. Spray, lettered QA, a used example, variety "Imperforate", large margins all round, neatly cancelled by complete strike of "BO1" obliterator of Alexandria, Egypt in black (or probably a Trial cancellation applied at Somerset House). An outstanding example of a very rare stamp Gi J76c = £ 4'500 / Gi 109a = £ 5'000. *Note: For further information, see the 'GB Journal', July 1970, for an article by Douglas Latto who believed these were Trial cancellations.* *The Karl Louis Card Index records three copies lettered QA which lends credence to Dr. Latto's argument.* *Provenance: Collection Egly, RL, Bournemouth, 2 July 1952, lot 100* *Collection 'Cicurel', Harmers, London, 19-21 June 1961, lot 736* *Harmers, London 30 June 1969, lot 961* *Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 162.*	109a		**800**	*(€ 720)*

4628

4628	1867 (March 8): 6 d. mauve, Plate 9, without hyphen, wmk. Spray, lettered RH, an unused imperforate example on 'Dr. Perkins' deeply blued paper, large margins all round, vertical crease in right margin only, large part og. The adjoining examples, lettered RG is in the National Postal Museum and SH is housed in the collection of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. A fresh and fine example of this scarce Trial Gi J77d = £ 2'800. *Provenance: Collection Heinz Reck, Phillips, London, 2 Nov 1994, lot 435.*	109 Trial	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4629

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4629	1867 (March 8): 6 d. mauve, Plate 9, without hyphen, wmk. Spray, lettered ME-MF / NE-NF, an unused block of four of excellent centering in a fresh bright shade, superb, large part og. A rare and most attractive multiple Gi J77 = £ 3'800. *Provenance: Phillips 27 Nov. 1997, lot 389.*	109	⊞*	**800**	*(€ 720)*



4630

4630	1869 (March 8): 6 d. mauve, Plate 9, without hyphen, wmk. Spray, lettered CE-CF / EE-EF, a used block of six in a bright shade, neatly cancelled by "Falmouth" circular datestamps (March 1, 1872) in black. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi J77 = £ 755.	109	⊞	**180**	*(€ 160)*

4631

4632

4631	1867 (Oct 3): 9 d. straw, Plate 4, wmk. Spray, lettered IB, an unused example of good colour and perfectly centred, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine, large part og. Gi J96t = £ 425.	110 spec	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4632	1867 (Oct 3): 9 d. straw, Plate 4, wmk. Spray, lettered DJ, a used example of fresh colour, neatly cancelled by 'Leadenhall St / EC' cds in black (Sept 18, 1872). Scarce so fine Gi J96 = £ 300.	110		**100**	*(€ 90)*

Dr. Douglas Latto

4633

Major K. M. Beaumont

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4633	1864: De La Rue Die Proof for the circular head-plate of the 10 d. value, engraved by Joubert de la Ferté, in grey with rectangular surround in black on white glazed card, handstamped "April 8, 1864." in black and with manuscript annotations *"50 41"* and signed at lower right *"JB"* in ink. Some aging at sides of no significance and splendid and rare Proof Gi J97 = £ 3'500. *Provenance: Collection Sugden, RL, London, 24 Jan 1951, lot 430* *RL, London, 5 Dec 1951, lot 314* *Collection K.M. Beaumont, RL, London, 7-8 Dec 1965, lot 324* *Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 186.*	112 Die Proof	(*)	**800**	*(€ 720)*

Lord Crawford

4634

Colonel Bates

4634	**Abnormal** 1862 (May): Unissued 10 d. pale red-brown, Plate 2, wmk. Spray, lettered TB, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, good to large margins all round, of excellent fresh colour and superb large part og. The Plate number '2' was, at some time between 1934 and 1992, sadly removed. Rare, just 24 stamps removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi J98 = £ 20'000. *Provenance: Collection Lord Crawford, 'British Philatelist',* *(Vol VIII pages 70-74)* *Collection Colonel Bates, Harmers, London, 3-5 Dec 1934, lot 582* *Phillips, London, 12 March 1992, lot 565* *Phillips, London, 10 Sept 1992, lot 372.*	113 Imprimatur	*	**4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

4635

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4635	1867 (July 1): 10 d. red-brown, Plate 1, wmk. Spray, lettered RF, an unused example of excellent colour, fresh and very fine, large part og., with pencil manuscript on gum *'Alcock, May 1962'*. A rare stamp unused Gi J97(1) = £ 3'500. *Provenance: 'Sir Gawaine Baillie', Sotheby's, London, 28 Sept 2005, lot 219.*	112	*	**600**	*(€ 540)*

4636

4637

4636	1867 (July 13): 1 s. green, Plate 6, wmk. Spray, lettered AC-AD / BC-BD, an unused block of four of good colour, small scrape in wing margin at right, not mentioned on certificate, of fine appearance, unused without gum. Just three blocks of four are recorded in the Karl Louis Index, a block of four being the largest recorded block from this Plate. An extremely rare multiple. Cert. BPA (1977) Gi J106(2) = £ 6'500. *Provenance: RL, London, 19 Jan 1978, lot 1308.*	117	⊞(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4637	1867 (July 13): 1 s. deep green, Plate 5, wmk. Spray, lettered KE-KH / OE-OH, a used pane of twenty (4 x 5), in a fine deep shade, cancelled by ten strikes of the 'East Cheap B.O. / EC' datestamp (Jan 5, 1872) in black. Hinged for protection and one or two nibbed perfs., but a marvellously attractive and very scarce multiple Gi J105(1) = £ 1'080. *Provenance: 'A Continental Philatelist', SG, London, 16-17 Nov 1972, lot 574.*	115	⊞	**350**	*(€ 315)*

4638

View of the Turks Islands Harbour

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4638	1867 (July 13): 1 s. green, Plate 6, wmk. Spray, lettered IB, a used example on 1872 cover addressed to *'J. C. Crisson, Postmaster, Turks Islands'*, tied by 'London / 83' duplex in black (Dec 17). Double arc TURKS-ISLANDS arrival cds at left (Jan 6, 1873) in black. The Karl Louis Index records just five covers to the Turks Islands, all from the same correspondence: this being the sole example with the arrival datestamp on the obverse. A fine cover to a very scarce destination Gi J106. *Provenance: Stanley Gibbons, London, 1984* *Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 640.*	117	✉	**350**	*(€ 315)*

4639

4639	1867 (July 1): 2 s. pale blue, Plate 1, wmk. Spray, lettered DG, an unused example, fresh colour, minor horizontal bend not affecting the frontal appearance, large part og. A rare stamp unused. Signed A. Diena Gi J118(3) = £ 4'700. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 14 June 2005, lot 618.*	120	*	**800**	*(€ 720)*

4640

4640	1867 (July 1): 2 s. pale blue, Plate 1, wmk. Spray, lettered PF, used example with marginal imprint *'Two Shillings per Label'* on 1876 cover from London to Bombay, India endorsed *'via Brindisi'* paying the under ¾ ounce rate, tied by London duplex (Feb 18) in black. Reverse with 'Sea Post Office / F' cds of transit (Feb 25) and carried on the Steamer *'Travancore'*. The adhesive with slight rub at lower right corner but a remarkable marginal usage and a most attractive cover Gi J118(3). *Provenance: Harmers, London, 12 Oct 1999, lot 899.*	120	✉	**300**	*(€ 270)*

1872/73, 6d. New Design and Colours

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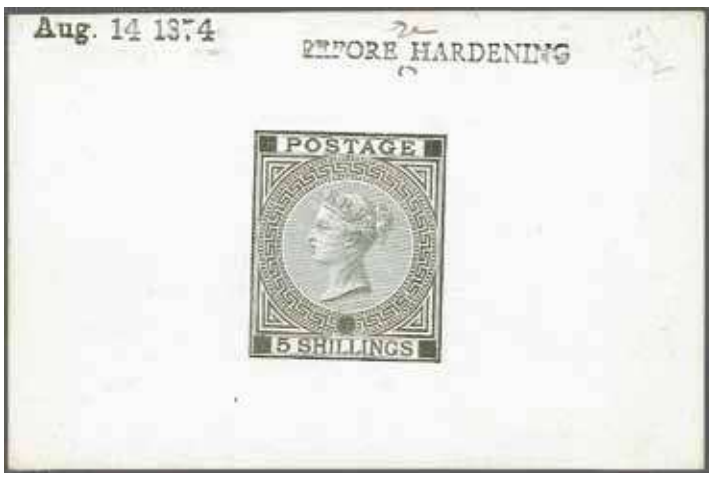
		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4641	1872 (April 12): 6 d. deep chestnut, Plate 11, wmk. Spray, lettered FF-FH / JF-JH, a used block of fifteeen (3 x 5), of lovely depth of colour, all cancelled by "The Exchange / Sunderland" circular datestamps (June 23, 1872) in black. Two stamps with minor bends of absoluetly no significance, second largest used multiple recorded in K. Louis Card Index. Charming and rare Gi J79(2) = £ 1'875+. *Provenance: Stanley Gibbons Merkur, Frankfurt, 10-12 =ct 1974, lot 799* *Phillips, London, 7 Feb 1991, lot 383.*	122	⊞	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4642	1873 (April 24): 6 d. grey, Plate 12, wmk. Spray, lettered SA-SB / TA-TB, an unused block of four, corner marginal from lower left of sheet with Plate Number "12" in lower margin and "Crown / POSTAGE / 6 d" in blue at left, of fine colour and centering, fresh and very fine appearance, some age spots on reverse and paper hinge removed from margin, wrinkling on large part og. Rare Gi J81 = £ 10'000. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 2 Nov 1989, lot 163. As a block of eight, SC-SD / TC-TD detached* *RL, London, 11 Dec 1990, lot 3497. As a block of four.*	125	⊞*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*
4643	1873 (April 24): 6 d. grey, Plate 12, wmk. Spray, lettered OG, an unused example of good colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. Fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi J81s = £ 375.	125 spec	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

1867/83, High Values

Watermark Maltese Cross

Dr. Douglas Latto



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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4644	1874: De La Rue Die Proof for 5 s. value, 2nd Die, Plate 4, printed in black on glazed white card, with uncleared Plate Number and Corner Letters, handstamped "Aug. 14 1874" and endorsed BEFORE *(Re)* HARDENING with *'Re'* inserted in manuscript and initialled *'FJ'* in pencil at right. Minor soiling of no importance, the Karl Louis Card Index records just two examples (the other was ex Dale-Lichtenstein) of this rare and beautiful Proof Gi J123 = £ 5'000. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1994, lot 277.*	130 Die Proof	(*)	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

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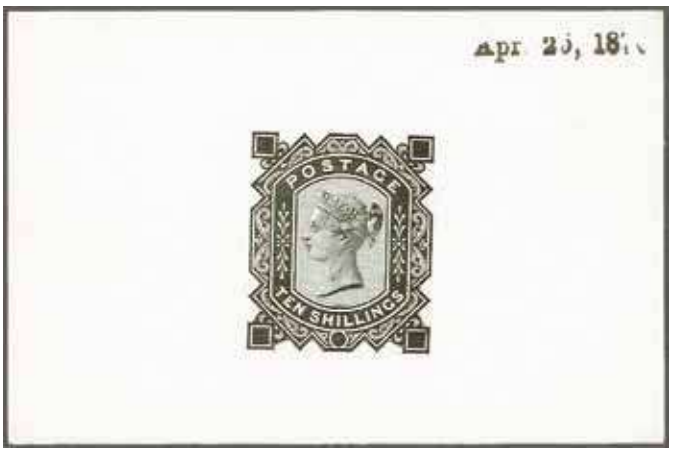
4645	1867 (April 18): 5 s. deep rose, Plate 1, wmk. Maltese Cross, lettered EJ, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, large margins all round, superb colour, minor wrinkles not affecting the appearance, large part og. Superb and of great scarcity, just 24 examples were removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi J121(1) = £ 18'000. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994. lot 258.*	126 Imprimatur	*	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*
4646	1867 (July 1): 5 s. rose, Plate 1, wmk. Maltese Cross, perf. 15½ x 15, lettered DH, a used example of vibrant colour, neatly cancelled by "Cardiff Docks" cds (May 2, 1872) in black. A choice example of a scarce stamp. Gi J121(1) = £ 600.	126		**150**	*(€ 135)*



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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4647	1878 (April 25): De La Rue Die Proof for 10 s. value in black on glazed white card, with uncleared Corner Letters and Plate Number, the scratches on the face of the Die in the POSTAGE tablet have been reduced since 16-18 April Proof; heavy line under nose and outer lines not sharp, but the NW letter square repaired; handstamped "Apr. 25, 1878" in black. A rare and very fine Proof Gi J124 = £ 3'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 26 Jan 1994, lot 797.*	128 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4648	1878 (May 2): De La Rue Die Proof for 10 s. value in black on glazed white card, with uncleared Corner Letters and Plate Number, the ornaments above 'O.T.G.' of POSTAGE have been altered since the tuesday 30 April Proof and strengthened since the 1 May Proof, the NE letter square now repaired, handstamped "May 2, 1878" in black. A rare and very fine Proof Gi J124 = £ 3'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 26 Jan 1994, lot 801.*	128 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*

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4649	1878 (Aug 8): Plate Proof for the 10 s. value, imperforate, lettered BH, printed in black on thick slightly toned wove paper, horizontal crease not affecting the appearance, a rare and most appealing Proof of which the K. Louis Card Index recorded of only five plate proofs lettered AJ, BH, BI, FH and GH. Gi J124 = £ 3'000. *Provenance: Collection S.H. Carter, Harmer London 4-5 Feb. 1946, lot 124 Phillips 4-5 Sept. 1986, lot 616 Collection Wade, Phillips 20 March 1997, lot 196.*	128 Proof	(*)	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4650	1878: Colour Trial Proof for the 10 s. value, wmk. Maltese Cross, imperforate, lettered DH, printed in greenish-grey (as issued), large margins all round and sheet margin at base with 'TEN' imprint, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine, some wrinkles on large part og. Scarce and most attractive Gi J124 = £ 2'400. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 26 Jan 1994, lot 808.*	128 Trial	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4651	1878: Colour Trial Proof for the 10 s. value, wmk. Maltese Cross, imperforate, lettered AA-AB, printed in bistre, a horizontal pair from top left of sheet with Current Number "559" in margin and POSTAGE' imprint alongside "Crown / POSTAGE / 10s. 0d" in red, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. Fresh and very fine, minor wrinkles on unmounted og. A most attractive Trial Gi J124 = £ 4'800.	128 Trial	**	**750**	*(€ 675)*

4652

King Carol II of Romania

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4652	1878 (Sept 26): £ 1 brown-lilac, Plate 1, wmk. Maltese Cross, perf. 15½ x 15, lettered FH, an unused example of excellent delicate colour, a couple of slightly blunted perforations at top mentioned for full accuracy, otherwise fresh and very fine, large part og. A splendid example of an enormously rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1997) Gi J126 = £ 90'000. *Notes:* *On September 7, 1940, a very special train was waiting to depart from Bucharest. Loaded in haste with treasures from the Royal Palace, the train under steam was waiting for some prominent passengers: Carol II, King of Romania, accompanied by his mistress, servants, three poodles, two pekinese, parts of the Royal art collection and his famous stamp collection. The day before King Carol II was forced by the Antonescu's pro-German Iron Guard and a mob baying in the streets for his blood, to abdicate the throne in favour of his son Michael.* *The train carriages were sealed and the train immediately departed, heading at full speed towards the Yugoslavian border. Shortly before reaching Yugoslavia the Iron Guard caught up and opened fire on the Royal train. King Carol and his mistress Magda Lupescu had to lie on the floor of their carriage to save their lives.* *Finally, the train crossed the Romanian – Yugoslavian border with the prominent passengers uninjured and the valuable freight intact. Amongst the stamps on board the Royal train was an enormously rare British stamp in the King's collection: One of the finest preserved Great Britain 1878, ONE POUND brown-lilac with Watermark 'Maltese Cross', lettered FH, in mint condition. It is believed that King Carol had purchased the stamp on 23 February 1933, when the mint ONE POUND was sold as lot 4652 at the London stamp auction house Plumridge & Co. as part of the L. Praportchetovitch collection.* *In exile, King Carol II and Magda Lupescu married in 1947 and settled in Spain, Portugal and Mexico. From time to time, they had to sell parts of the King's stamp collection to raise funds, including the mint 1878, ONE POUND which was offered and sold in March 1951 in New York.* *Provenance: Collection L. Praportchetovitch, Plumridge 956th sale, 23-24 Feb. 1933, lot 66* *Collection King Carol II of Romania, Harmer Rooke, New York, March 1951* *Corinphila sale 100, Zurich, 16-21 June 1997, lot 4536.*	129	*	**20'000**	*(€ 18'000)*

Watermark Anchor

4653

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4653	1882 (Nov 25): 5 s. rose on white paper, Plate 4, wmk. Anchor, perf. 14, lettered BB, an unused example of perfect centering, fresh delicate colour and large part og. Minor internal bend mentioned for full accuracy only and not affecting the appearance of a splendid example of an exceptionally rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1974) Gi J123a = £ 32'000 / Gi 134 = £ 35'000. *Provenance: Phillips 2 Sept. 1982, lot 166* *Spink, London, 9-10 March 2005, lot 87.*	134	*	**5'000**	*(€ 4'500)*

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4654	1882 (Nov 25): 5 s. rose on lightly blued paper, Plate 4, wmk. Anchor, lettered DG, a used example, well centred and of fine delicate colour, neatly cancelled by "Highbury Near Station B.O." circular datestamp (Nov 24, 1883) in black. Slight ironed bend on one lower left corner perf. of no great significance and not affecting the appearance of a very scarce stamp. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J123 = £ 4'800.	130		**800**	*(€ 720)*

4655

4655	1883 (Feb): 10 s. grey-green on blued paper, Plate 1, wmk. Anchor, perf. 14, lettered GD, an unused example of good centering and colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine appearance, large part og. A very rare stamp. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J125t = £ 9'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 26 Jan 1994, lot 821A.*	131s spec	*	**1'200**	*(€ 1'080)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4656	1882 (March 21): £ 5 orange on blued paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered DA, an unused example, marginal from left of sheet, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. Fresh and fine, large part og. Gi J128s = £ 3'500.	133 spec	*	**600**	*(€ 540)*
4657	1882 (March 21): £ 5 orange on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered DE, a used example tied to small linen parcel piece by oval "Registered / Threadneedle St." datestamp in black, with part oval "R" adjacent at left. Fine and scarce postal usage of this iconic stamp Gi J128a = £ 4'750. *Reference: Illustrated in 'The £5 Orange' by Dr. John Horsey on page 158.* *Provenance: Collection Morton Bond, Harmer London 11-12 March 1946, lot 508* *Phillips 12 March 1992; Harmers, London, 29 Feb 1996, lot 842.*	137	△	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

1873/80, Large Coloured Corner Letters

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4658	1875 (July 1): 2½ d. rosy mauve on blued paper, Plate 1, wmk. Anchor, lettered HL and PJ-PL (single and strip from different sheets showing different degree of blueing), used on 1876 quadruple weight cover, with contents, to Calvados, France, all tied by "56" numeral obliterators and by single circle 'Forest Row' cds (Feb 7) in black. Falaise arrival cds on reverse. Faults but a scarce franking.	138	✉	**120**	*(€ 110)*

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4659	1878 (Sept 30): 2½ d. rosy-mauve, Plate 13, wmk. Orb, lettered PD, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, with large margins all round, superb colour and large part og. Just 22 examples were removed from the Imprimatur sheet. Exceptional and very scarce Gi J14 = £ 2'500. *Provenance*: Harmer London 26 Oct. 1994, lot 176.	141 Imprimatur	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4660	1876 (May 1): 2½ d. rosy-mauve, Plate 8, wmk. Orb, lettered DH, an unused example of fine fresh colour, typical gum wrinkle on large part og. Gi J9 = £ 500.	141	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

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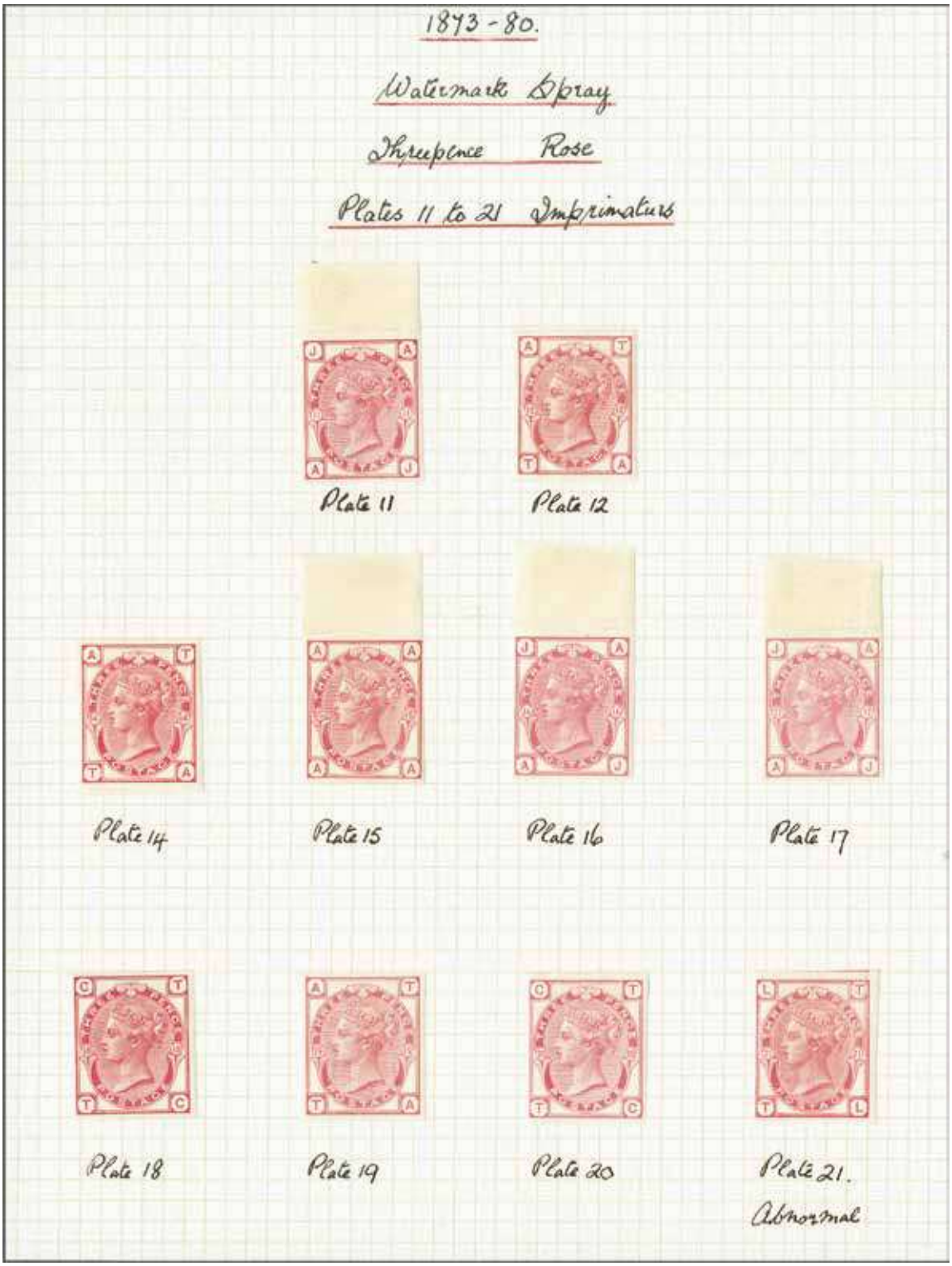
		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4661	1876 (May 1): 2½ d. rosy mauve, Plate 8, lettered OG-OL / PG-PL, an unused block of twelve, corner marginal from lower right of sheet and showing Current Number "531" and 'POSTAGE 2½d.' imprint in margin, of fresh true colour and fine, large part or unmounted og. Marginal crease crossing PC but away from the other adhesives, a splendid and most attractive multiple Gi J9 = £ 9'600. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 378.*	141	⊞*/**	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

Sir Gawaine Baillie

4662

4662	1880 (Nov 11): 2½ d. blue, Plate 18, wmk. Orb, lettered OG, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, of fresh bright colour and superb large part og. Rare, just 25 stamps were removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi J20 = £ 2'500. *Provenance: Collection Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, London, 29 Sept-1 Oct 2004, lot 225.*	142 Imprimatur	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*



4663

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4663	1873/80: 3 d. deep rose, Plates 11-21, the complete set of imperforate **Imprimaturs** (10), clear to generally large margins all round, Plates 11, 15, 16 and 17 being marginal from top of sheet, fresh and fine, large part og. Rare - especially the 'Abnormal' Plate 21 un-issued on Spray paper, with just 22 stamps removed from each plate of the Imprimatur sheets. A charming and seldom seen set Gi J36/44 = £ 26'750. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 20 Oct 1993, lot 274.*	143 Imprimaturs	* **4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4664	1873/80: 3 d. rose, Plate 17, wmk. Spray, lettered GF, an unused example of fresh colour, small imperfection on large part og. Gi J41 = £ 500.	143	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4665	1880 (April 21): 6 d. deep grey, Plate 17, wmk. Spray, lettered AE, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, marginal from top of sheet with large margins all round, minor bend not affecting appearance, large part og. Rare, just 22 stamps were removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi J87 = £ 2'750. *Provenance: Stanley Gibbons 16 June 1977, lot 342.*	146 Imprimatur	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*

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4666	1874 (March 20): 6 d. deep grey, Plate 16, wmk. Spray, lettered FA-FD / JA-JD, an unused imperforate pane of twenty (4 x 5), with large margins all round and showing full imprint *'PRICE / 6 Pence per Label / 2 Shillings per Row of 4 / 1 Pound per Sheet of 40'* at top and *'POSTAGE SIX PENCE'* at base, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) diagonally in black with GB and HA showing partial doubling of the overprint. Fresh and very fine but for some small splits caused by the overprints and not noticeable on face, mounted in margins only, the stamps unmounted og. A dramatic and beautiful multiple Gi J86s = £ 9'000. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 428.*	146 spec	⊞*/**	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4667	1874/80: 6 d. deep grey, Plate 17, wmk. Spray, lettered AE-AF, an unused horizontal pair with sheet margin above and wing-marginal at left, minor bend in margin only, of vibrant fresh colour and superb unmounted og. Cert. RPSL (2004) Gi J87 = £ 1'900.	147	**	**350**	*(€ 315)*
4668	1873/80: 6 d. grey, plate 17, wmk. Spray, a used example, one slightly blunted corner perf., cancelled by near complete PLYMOUTH TO BRISTOL TPO cds in black. Scarce thus and most attractive Gi = £ 180+.	147		**100**	*(€ 90)*
4669	1876 (Sept 11): Colour Trial of 8 d. orange, Plate 1, wmk. Large Garter, lettered MK-ML / NK-NL, an imperforate marginal block of four, large margins all round and sheet marginal at right with imprint *'EIGHT PEN(CE)'*, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 11) diagonally in black. One or two minor creases on large part og. Rare Gi J91A = £ 1'300. *Provenance: Harmers, London 26 Jan. 1994, lot 838.*	156 Trial	⊞*	**400**	*(€ 360)*

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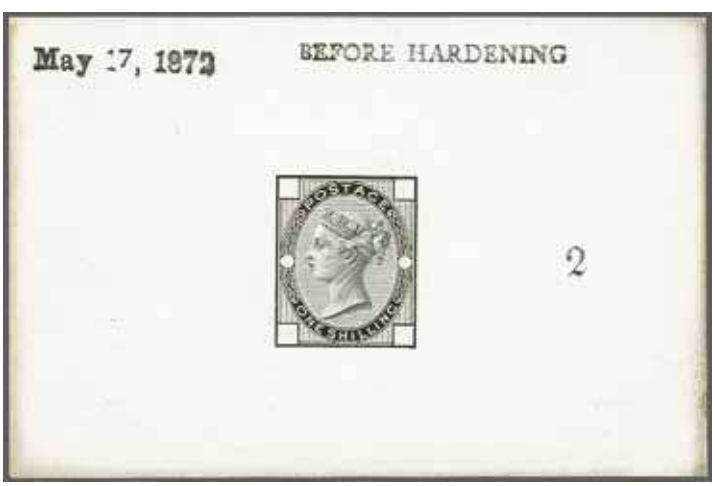

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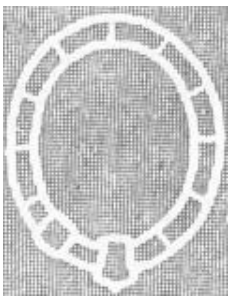
4670	1872 (May 17): De La Rue Die Proof for 1 s. value, printed in black on glazed white card, the Master Die Proof without Corner Letters or Plate Number, handstamped "2" at right and dated "May 17, 1872" and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in black. Some light soiling at edges but rare and most attractive Gi J108 = £ 2'750. *Provenance: Collection Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, London, 29 Sept 2004, lot 378.*	148 Proof	(*)	**800**	*(€ 720)*
4671	1873/80: 1 s. green, Plate 12, wmk. Spray, lettered JH, an unused example, well centred and of fresh colour, large part og. Gi J112 = £ 625. *Provenance: Collection Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, London, 28 Sept 2005, lot 228.*	148	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4672	1880 (Oct 14): 1 s. orange-brown, Plate 13, wmk. Spray, lettered AC, a used example of fine colour, variety "Watermark Inverted", neatly cancelled by complete strike of 'Lockerbie' circular datestamp (Dec 21, 1880) in black. Slight corner bend but a delightful example of this rare stamp Gi J115c = £ 1'750. *Provenance: Collection Grant, Spink 25 Sept. 2003, lot 2321.*	151Wi		**300**	*(€ 270)*

1876/80, 4d. Watermark "Large Garter"

4673

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4673	1876 (March 1): 4 d. vermilion, Plate 15, wmk. Large Garter, lettered PA-PF / TA-TF, an unused block of thirty (6 x 5) from the lower left corner of the sheet with Plate Number "15" under TB, 'Crown POSTAGE 4d.' in red in left margin and imprint above *'PRICE 4 d. per Label. 2 s. per R(ow)'*, each stamp overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. A few perf. imperfections of no significance and some minor bends at base but a stunning multiple of vibrant fresh colour and large part or unmounted og. A delightful block Gi J62t = £ 12'000. *Provenance: Collins Collection, Harmer London 22 Sept. 1941, lot 325 (not illustrated then, but should be the same block because no other block of 30 so far recorded) Phillips, London, 17 Feb 1994, lot 381.*	152 spec ⊞*/**	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*



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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4674	1877 (March 12): 4 d. sage-green, Plate 16, wmk. Large Garter, lettered BA-BC / EA-EC, an unused block of twelve of vibrant fresh colour, small mark on DB otherwise in wonderful quality, large part or unmounted og. Probably from the original Lord Crawford pane purchased by Charles Nissen, mentioned in 'Surface Printed Stamps' by Galland & Louis on page 148, this being the second largest unused block known. A magnificent and rare multiple. Cert. BPA (1982) Gi J65 = £ 20'000. *Provenance: Collection Kennedy-Kisch, Harmers London 2 May 1966, lot 218* *Phillips 2 Sept. 1987, lot 177* *Collection Howard Fraser, Spink, London, 7 Nov 2001, lot 744.*	153	⊞*/**	**4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4675	1880 (Aug 15): 4 d. grey-brown, Plate 17, wmk. Large Garter, lettered EJ, an unused example of rich colour, fresh and fine, large part og. Rare Gi J67 = £ 2'800. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 19 Dec 2006, lot 333.*	154	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

1880/83, Watermark Imperial Crown

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4676	1881 (March 23): 2½ d. blue, Plate 22, wmk. Crown, lettered LC, an unused example of good centering and colour, fresh and fine, browned large part og. Gi J24 = £ 425.	157	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4677	1881 (March 23): 2½ d. blue, Plate 22, wmk. Crown, lettered MD-MF / OD-OF, an unused block of nine, of vibrant fresh colour, large part or unmounted og. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi J24 = £ 4'725.	157	⊞*/**	**750**	*(€ 675)*

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Cryolite Mine

4678	1881 (March 23): 2½ d. blue, Plate 23, wmk. Crown, lettered FK, used on 1884 cover from London to ***"The Manager, Cryolite Co., Cryolite Bay, Greenland"***, tied by hooded 'London EC' datestamp (May 10) in black. Reverse with Copenhagen transit datestamp (May 12) in black and obverse with '25' (öre) charge in blue crayon. Extremely rare - a quite extraordinary destination for British mail at this date. *Note: Cryolite is an uncommon mineral identified with the once large deposit at Ivigtût on the west coast of Greenland, since depleted. It was historically used as an ore of aluminium and later in the electrolytic processing of the aluminium-rich oxide ore bauxite.*	157	✉	**500**	*(€ 450)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4679	1883 (Jan 1): 3 d. on 3 d. lilac, Plate 21, wmk. Crown, lettered KC-KD / LC-LD, an unused block of four, marginal at top with part marginal marking, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. Paper hinge on margin, stamps large part or unmounted og. A scarce and attractive multiple Gi K8As = £ 1'200.	159 spec	⊞*/**	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4680	1880 (Dec 8): 4 d. grey-brown, Plate 17, wmk. Crown, lettered NI-NL / RI-RL, an unused block of twenty (4 x 5), marginal from right of sheet, of fresh rich colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, minor horizontal crease not affecting the dramatic appearance, superb large part og. or unmounted og., the largest recorded SPECIMEN multiple recorded in K. Louis Card Index (the formerly adjoining block SI-TL was in Dr. Douglas Latto Collection). Gi J68s = £ £ 5'000. *Provenance: Stanley Gibbons 21 May 1975, lot 550.*	160 spec	⊞*/**	**750**	*(€ 675)*

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4681	1880 (Dec 8): 4 d. grey-brown, Plate 17, wmk. Crown, lettered DI, an unused example, well centred and of good colour, fresh and fine, large part og. Signed A. Diena Gi J68 = £ 425. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 24 Aug 2005, lot 475.*	160	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4682	1881 (Jan 1): 6 d. grey, Plate 17, wmk. Crown, lettered MJ-MK, an unused horizontal pair, well centred and of fine deep colour, large part og. Minor splitting of perfs. at base but an attractive pair Gi J88 = £ 850.	161	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4683	1880/83: 6 d. grey, Plate 18, wmk. Crown, lettered ED, an unused example in a deep shade, tiny surface indentation, superb slightly toned unmounted og. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi J89 = £ 400. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 19 Dec 2006, lot 342.*	161	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

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Major K. M. Beaumont

Dr. Douglas Latto

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4684	1881 (May 24): 1 s. orange-brown, Plate 14, wmk. Crown, lettered JC, an unused example in a delicate pale shade, fine large part og. Gi J117 = £ 675.	163	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4685	1883 (Jan 1): 6 d. on 6 d. lilac, Plate 18, wmk. Crown, lettered GH-GI, imperforate **Imprimaturs** hinged back together, large margins all round and of fresh colour, some minor gum wrinkles on large part og. Rare, with just 27 stamps removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi K8B = £ 6'500. *Provenance: Robson Lowe 27 April 1949, lot 220 Robson Lowe 7-8 Dec. 1965 (G.H. only), lot 409 Collection Beaumont, Robson Lowe, 7-8 Dec. 1965 (G.H. only), lot 409. Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 534.*	162 Imprimatur	*	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4686	1881 (May 24): 1 s. orange-brown, Plate 14, wmk. Crown, lettered KI-KJ / LI-LJ, a used block of four centred to lower left, lightly cancelled by two strikes of RLB obliterator (Returned Letter Branch) in black, a trial cancellation usually associated with the 1884, lilac & green issue and the 1887 Jubilee Issue. An extremely rare stamp. Gi J117.	163	⊞	**250**	*(€ 225)*

1880, The 'Provisional' Issues

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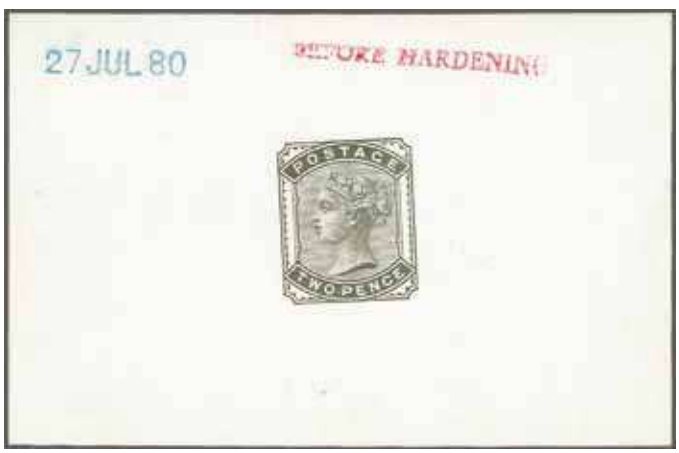
4687	1879: Tender Essay by Waterlow & Co., for proposed 2 d. value, imperforate in deep sepia-brown on white wove ungummed paper, with "Queensland" at top and value "Two Pence" below, unadopted, very rare.	Essay	(*)	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4688	1880 (Oct 14): ½ d. deep green and ½ d. pale green, wmk. Crown, imperforate **Imprimaturs** (2), good margins all round, part og. Gi K1 = £ 725.	164+ 165 Imprimaturs	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4689	1880 (Oct 14): ½ d. deep green, wmk. Crown, an unused block of four in a grey-green shade, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine, large part or unmounted og. Gi K1s = £ 240.	164 spec	⊞*/**	**80**	*(€ 70)*
4690	1880 (Jan 1): 1 d. Venetian red, wmk. Crown, lettered AD, an imperforate Imprimatur, probably from Plate 21, with good to large margins all round, minor spots on large part og. Gi K3 = £ 275.	166 Imprimatur	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

4691

Sir Gawaine Baillie

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4691	1880: De La Rue Die Proof for 1½ d. value in black on glazed white card, completed design, dated "27 JUL 80" in blue and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in red. Fresh and very fine, a rare and most attractive Proof Gi K4 = £ 1'600. *Provenance: Collection Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, London, 28 Sept 2005, lot 278.*	167 Proof	(*)	**350**	*(€ 315)*



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4692	1880: De La Rue Die Proof for 2 d. value in black on glazed white card, dated "27 JUL 80" in blue and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in red. Fresh and very fine, a rare and most attractive Proof Gi K5 = £ 1'600. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 329.*	168 Proof	(*)	**350**	*(€ 315)*

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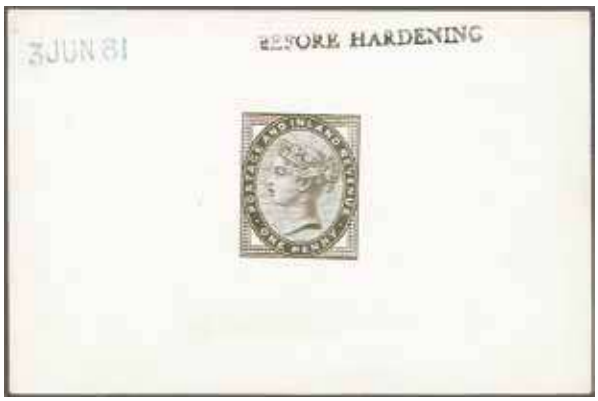
4693	1880 (Dec 8): Colour Trial for the 2 d. pale rose, wmk. Crown, perf. 14, printed in dull mauve without gum; with 2 d. pale rose, the issued stamp, large part og. for comparison. Despite the colour proofs in the N.P.M. London, this is the only proof dull mauve trial recorded in private hands (K. Louis Card Index). Rare Gi K5 = £ 5'000+. *Provenance: Maximus Collection, Stanley Gibbons Feb. 1970, lot 590.*	168 Trial	*/(*)	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*
4694	1881 (March 15): 5 d. indigo, wmk. Crown, an unused example, variety "Imperforate", with large margins all round and large portion of adjoining stamp at left, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14A) in black, minor wrinkle on part og. A very rare stamp Gi K6t = £ 2'750. Note: As far as one can say the stamp is ex the unique "Superseded" block of six from the De La Rue colour-standard collection (see W.A. Wiseman 'De La Rue Years' vol. 1, page 188) and formerley adjoined to the right-hand stamp of the Mareus Samuel pair at the top.	169 var	*	**750**	*(€ 675)*

1881, First Unified Stamp 1d. lilac



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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4695	1881: De La Rue Die Proof for the 1 d. value in black on glazed white card, completed Die II design, dated "3 JUN 81" in blue and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in black. Superb and rare Gi K8 = £ 1'500. *Provenance: Pearch Collection, Robson Lowe 15 June 1983, lot 229* *Phillips 11 July 1991, lot 422.*	172 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 360)*

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4696	1881: Colour Trial for the 1 d. value on wmk. Crown paper, perf. 14, printed in bright orange on white paper, fresh and very fine, large part og. Very rare, see page 253 in the specialised catalogue listing Gi K8 = £ 3'250. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Sept 2008.*	172 Colour Trial	*	**700**	*(€ 630)*
4697	1881: Colour Trial for the 1 d. lilac (Die II) value on wmk. Crown paper, perf. 14, printed in purple on pink paper, fresh and very fine, large part og. Very rare. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi K8 = £ 3'000. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2009.*	172 Trial	*	**600**	*(€ 540)*

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4698	1881 (Dec 13): 1 d. lilac, Die II, an unused horizontal strip of three, corner marginal from top left of sheet, position 2 showing "Frame Broken at Base" variety, fresh and fine, mounted in margins only, stamps unmounted og. Scarce positional multiple Gi K8j = £ 950. *Provenance: Harmer London 26 Jan. 1994, lot 854.*	172b	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4699	1881 (Dec 13): 1 d. lilac, Die II, an unused horizontal pair, corner marginal from lower right of sheet, showing "O over N" Control, fresh and very fine, large part og. Rare Gi KC44 = £ 3'000. *Provenance: Kennedy-Kisch Collection, Harmer London 2 May 1966, lot 240; H.W. Fisher Collection, Phillips 22-23 Sept. 1983, lot 1019.*	172 var	*/**	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4700	1881 (Dec 13): 1 d. lilac, Die II, a used example on small piece tied by complete BRITISH ARMY POST OFFICE / EGYPT cds (Code B, Sept 18, 1882) in black. Scarce. Cert. BPA (1953) Gi ZA4 = £ 175.	172 (ZA4)	△	**100**	*(€ 90)*

1883/1901, High Values

Blued 'Fiscal Paper'

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4702

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4701	1883 (July 2): 2 s. 6 d. lilac on blued paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered GA-GC, a used horizontal strip of three in a pale shade on very blued paper, lightly cancelled by "Newport Docks" circular datestamps (April 29, 1886) in black. Some pressed bends but an exceedingly rare multiple of the early printings on glued fiscal paper. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi K9 = £ 4'500+. *Provenance: Harmer London 12 Oct. 1999, lot 973.*	175		**800**	*(€ 720)*
4702	1884: 2 s. 6 d. lilac on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered JF, an unused example, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black. Fresh colour and large part og. Rare Gi K10t = £ 4'000.	178 spec	*	**800**	*(€ 720)*

Sir Gawaine Baillie

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4703	1884: 2 s. 6 d. lilac on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered GC-GD, an unused marginal pair, each stamp overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 11) in black. Fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Scarce Gi K10s = £ 850. *Provenance: Sir Gwaine Baillie, Sotheby's 29 Sept. 2004, lot 465.*	178	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4704	1884: 2 s. 6 d. deep lilac on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered CB-CD / DB-DC, a used block of four all cancelled by circular "Swiss Cottage" datestamps (Nov 29, 1897) in black. An attractive and scarce multiple Gi K10(2) = £ 1'100.	179	⊞	**250**	*(€ 225)*

Dr. Douglas Latto

4705

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4705	1883: De La Rue Die Proof for the 5 s. value in black on glazed white card, dated "11 JUL 83" and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in black. Negligible removed stain at lower left of Proof impression but fine and very rare Gi K11 = £ 3'500. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Douglas Latto, Phillips, London, 22 Oct 1992, lot 557.*	176 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*

4706

4706	1883 (April 1): 5 s. rose on slightly blued paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered FF, an unused example of good appearance but for one short perf., some small creases, small part og. A very rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1989) Gi K11 = £ 18'000. *Provenance: Christies RL, London, 9-10 June 1993, lot 2333.*	176	*	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

4707

4707	1884 (April 1): 5 s. rose on lightly blued paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered BH, a used example of good centering and colour, neatly cancelled by "College Green / Dublin" circular datestamp (July 23, 1885) in black. A fine example of a rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1990) Gi K11 = £ 4'000.	176		**800**	*(€ 720)*

White Paper

4708

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4708	1884: 5 s. rose on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered AB, a used example of good colour and centering, slight rub at lower left, cancelled by "Borough High Street 19a B.O / SE" circular datestamp (July 19, 1892) in black Gi K12(1) = £ 250.	180		**100**	*(€ 90)*

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4709	1884 (April 1): 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered LG, an unused example of good colour, overprinted *"Specimen"* in manuscript, of unknown status, some minor creasing, slight rubs, large part og. Rare. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi K14(2) var. *Reference: the stamps is mentioned by W.A. Wiseman in 'De La Rue Years' vol. 2, on page 91: "LG known and there may be others." The Karl Louis Card Index has also recorded LF an KG with 'Specimen' in ms., indicating that the three originate with the missing KF from a block of four.*	183 spec	*	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4710	1884: 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered IC, an unused example of good true colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 11) in black. Fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi K14s = £ 550. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 360.*	183 spec	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4711	1884: 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered HG-HH / IG-IH, an unused corner marginal block of four, setting 1 without interpane ladders between horizontal 'G' and 'H' - rows, of fresh vibrant colour, minor splitting in margin at upper right, fine unmounted og. Rare and most attractive Gi K14(2) = £ 12'750. *Provenance: Robson Lowe 8-9 Sept. 1971, lot 1620 (as part of the unique mint pane HA-NH that was later split)* *Harmers, London, 25 Oct 1991, lot 2147.*	183	⊞*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

William H. Crocker

4712

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4712	1884: 10 s. cobalt on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered HE, an unused example of outstanding true colour and freshness, excellent centering, one or two insignificant slightly blunted perfs. at right mentioned for full accuracy only and not on the certificate, two small marks on slightly toned large part og. A superb stamp of great rarity. Cert. BPA (1938), BPA (2020) Gi K14(1) = £ 42'000. *Provenance: Collection William H. Crocker, 1938* *Collection Lloyd, 1959; Harmers, London, 1 Feb. 1972, lot 321* *Harmers, London, 19-20 Jan 1993, lot 711.*	182	*	**8'500**	*(€ 7'650)*

Houses of Parliament, London

4713

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4713	1884 (April 1): £ 1 brown-lilac, wmk. Crowns, lettered BB, a delightful unused example of brilliant colour, superb large part og. with usual faint vertical gum crease. A wonderful stamp, without doubt one of the finest mint examples known. Signed Oliva, A. Diena. Cert. RPSL (1991) Gi K15 = £ 32'000. *Provenance: H.R. Harmer, London, 28-30 Nov. 1966, lot 298* *Joseph Silkin, Harmers London, 14-16 June 1971, lot 618* *RL, London, 7 May 1992, lot 1109.*	185	*	**8'000**	*(€ 7'200)*

4714

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4714	1891 (Jan 28): £ 1 green, Plate 2, wmk. Crowns, lettered BD, an unused example of excellent colour, overprinted with the rare type 15 SPECIMEN in black, slight ink spot from overprint at top, large part og. Gi K17t = £ 1'100. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 17 Feb 1994, lot 466.*	212 spec	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4715	1891 (Jan 28): £ 1 green, Plate 2, wmk. Crowns, lettered IC / JC, a used vertical pair, lower stamp (JC) showing the "Broken Frame" variety clearly at base, lightly cancelled by oval "Registered / Threadneedle St." datestamps (Feb 4, 1902) in black. Minor splitting at right with precautionary hinge, upper stamp with fault in one perf. at top. Cert. RPSL (1977) Gi K17+17a = £ 2'800. *Note: The only other pair IC/JC recorded in the Karl Louis Card Index was in the Mc Gowan collection 1948 and is now in the Phillips collection, N.P.M. London.* *Provenance: Stanley Gibbons Auction 7-8 Nov. 1974, lot 971* *Harmer, London, 16 Oct. 1985, lot 1462.*	212a+ 212		**500**	*(€ 450)*

1883/84, The "Lilac and Green Issue"

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4716	**Stamp Committee** 1884 (April 1-Oct 30): Colour Trial for the 1½ d. value, lettered TD, imperforate with large margins all round, printed in purple on buff unwatermarked paper; fresh and fine, large part og. Rare Gi = £ 550. *Notes: The neighbour stamp TE was in the Stoneham collection (1988).* *Provenance: Phillips 27 April 1988, lot 480.*	188 Trial	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4717	**Stamp Committee** 1884 (April 1-Oct 30): Colour Trial for the 1½ d. value, lettered BL, printed in bright blue-green on white wmk. Crown paper, perf. 14; two slight thin spots and trace of age stain on perfs. at top, probably removed from the Trial sample sheet, unused with part gum. Rare Gi = £ 2'100. *Provenance: Phillips 2 Nov. 1989, lot 504.*	188 Trial	*	**350**	*(€ 315)*
4718	1884 (April 1): 2 d. pale lilac, Plate 1, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, lettered JT, ample to large margins all round and sheet marginal at right, fresh and fine but for minor bend, large part og. Rare, just 25 stamps removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi K19 = £ 600. *Note: The status as an Imprimatur is not certain. Another imperf. 2d. lettered JT is known but only one JT Imprimatur from plate 1 can exist. JT still remaining in plate 2 Imprimatur sheet.*	189 Imprimatur	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4719	**Stamp Committee** 1884 (April 1-Oct 30): Colour Trial for the 2 d. value, lettered DT, printed in bright blue on white wmk. Crown paper, perf. 14; probably removed from the Trial sample sheet, fresh and fine, unused with large part gum. Rare Gi = £ 2'100. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 24 Aug. 2005, ex lot 504.*	189 Trial	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4720

4720	1884 (April 1): 2 d. lilac, lettered JK-JM / LK-LM, an unused block of nine with sheet margin at base, of fresh colour and centering, superb large part or unmounted slightly browned og. A most attractive multiple Gi K19 = £ 2'000+.	189	⊞*/**	**400**	*(€ 360)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4721	1884 (April 1): 2 d. bright lilac, an unused example, lettered JG, variety "Imperforate", of resplendent colour and superb, large part og. Not to be confused with the imperforate Imprimaturs which come in a much paler shade. A lovely stamp Gi K19b = £ 4'500. *Provenance: Collection 'Ziba', Spink, London, 12 Nov 2008, lot 199.*	189a	*	**800**	*(€ 720)*
4722	**Stamp Committee** 1884 (April 1-Oct 30): Colour Trial for the 3 d. value, lettered TC, imperforate with large margins all round, printed in purple on wmk. Crown white paper, unused without gum. Rare and most attractive Gi = £ 2'100. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Feb 2007.*	191 Trial	*	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4723

4723	1883: De La Rue Die Proof for the 4 d. value, printed in black on glazed white card, dated "13 JUL 83" and endorsed BEFORE HARDENING in black. Slight soiling and small age spot otherwise fresh and very fine, a rare Proof Gi K22 = £ 1'750. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 388.*	192 Proof	(*)	**350**	*(€ 315)*

4724

4724	1883 (April 1): Unissued 5 d. dull green with "line under d.", Die I, lettered BA, an unused example of excellent deep colour, heavily overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and very fine, minor wrinkle on superb large part og. Extremely rare Gi K23at = £ 13'500. *Note: The Karl Louis Card Index has records of a total of six die I stamps overprinted SPECIMEN and twelve die I stamps without SPECIMEN. As far as one can say, they all originate from one sheet.* *Provenance: "The Post Office Treasure Trove", Robson Lowe 15 Oct. 1947, lot 79* *Harmer, London, 2 Feb. 1960, lot 367* *Harmer, London, 26-27 Nov. 1981, lot 889 (on front cover of auction catalogues)* *"Derby" Collection, Chrities 2 Feb. 1995, lot 416.*	193 var spec	*	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4725	1884 (April 1): 5 d. dull green, lettered OJ-OK / PJ-PK, an unused block of four of fresh rich colour, well centred and with superb, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. A rare and most attractive multiple Gi K23 = £ 3'500. *Provenance: Phillips 7 april 1994, lot 392.*	193	⊞*/**	**700**	*(€ 630)*

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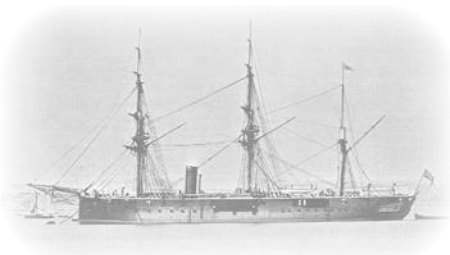

HMS 'Invincible'

4726	1884 (April 1): 5 d. dull green, lettered MG-MH, a used horizontal pair, one with contemporary fault, on 1885 cover from Raithby endorsed *'via Brindisi'* and addressed to a *"Captain Buckle RN, HMS Invincible, Singapore"*, tied by 'Spilsby / 728' duplex in black (June 25). Reverse with 'Raithby' cds (June 25). Closed cover tears but a scarce usage to an unusual destination Gi K23 = £ 350. *Note: HMS Invincible was Admiral Seymour's temporary flagship at the 1882 bombardment of Alexandria. She provided men for the naval brigade that was subsequently landed and she also provided men for Charles Beresford's naval brigade in the Sudan campaign of 1885. By this date she was in Asian waters on her way to China.*	193	✉	**150**	*(€ 135)*

4727

4727	1884 (April 1): 6 d. dull green, lettered JE, a used example of good colour, tied to "Parcel Post" label by "Catford" circular datestamp (Oct 21, 1884) in black. Scarce Gi K24 = £ 230.	194	(✉)	**100**	*(€ 90)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4728	1883: De La Rue Die Proof for the 9 d. value, printed in black on glazed white card, showing three faint circular plugs for corner letter placement, dated "26 JUN 83" and endorsed AFTER STRIKING in black, pencil initials 'GFS' have been removed at lower right. Fresh and very fine, a rare Proof Gi K25 = £ 2'000. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, ex lot 396.*	195 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 360)*

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4729	1883 (Aug 1): 9 d. dull green, lettered CQ, a used example of good true colour, centred to right, cancelled by "Chippenham" circular datestamp (Jan 28, 1884) in black. Sound example of a scarce stamp Gi K25 = £ 475.	195		**100**	*(€ 90)*

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4730	1884 (April 1): 1 s. dull green, lettered AE-AG / BE-BG, an unused block of six, variety "Perf. 12", all overprinted SPECIMEN in black (Type 9) in black, fresh colour, minor wrinkles on large part or unmounted og. Extremely rare and almost certainly the largest multiple known, we know of only one other block of six CE/DG in the Marcus Samuel collection which originally made a block of twelve with AE/BG. Gi K26t = £ 3'750. *Note: The first perf 12. overprinted SPECIMEN stamp from the 1884, lilac & green issue were described by Baron Antony de Worms in February 1892.* *Provenance: Ffooks collection, Spink 6-7 Dec. 2005, lot 1085.*	196 spec	⊞*/**	**800**	*(€ 720)*

1887/1901, The "Jubilee Issue"

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4731	1887 (Jan 1): ½ d. vermilion, an unused example, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black, small ink mark from overprint at top, fresh and fine, superb large part og. Rare Gi K27t = £ 1'150. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 36.*	197 spec	*	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4732	1887 (Jan 1): ½ d. vermilion, an unused example with "PEARS' / SOAP." advertisement, outline lettering in orange on reverse, fresh and fine, light hinge mark on face but rare. Photocopy of RPSL cert (1984) Gi K27m = £ 625. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 43.*	197 var	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*

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4733	1887 (Jan 1): 1½ d. dull purple & pale green, an unused block of four of good colour, fourth stamp showing "Horns" variety - with both figure 1's in "1½" showing the flaw from Duty Plate 4, row 16, stamp 7 - fresh and fine, unmounted og. Scarce Gi K29+K29c = £ 400.	198 var	⊞**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4734	1887 (Jan 1): 1½ d. deep purple & pale green, a used example of good colour, variety "Watermark Inverted", cancelled by part "Henley-On-Thames" cds in black. Scarce and fine Gi K29(3)b = £ 450.	198Wi		**150**	*(€ 135)*
4735	1886: Colour Trial for the Jubilee 2 d. value, on white wove paper without watermark, perf. 14, printed in purple with duty tablet in sandy olive, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Prepared for a colour standard for the 1 s. green & carmine. Rare and most attractive Gi K30 = £ 1'000. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 20 Oct 1993, ex lot 324.*	199 Trials	*	**250**	*(€ 225)*

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4736	1886: Colour Trial for the Jubilee 2 d. value, on white wove paper without watermark, perf. 14, printed in green with duty tablet in purple, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Prepared for a colour standard for the 1 s. green & carmine. Rare and most attractive Gi K30 = £ 1'000. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 87.*	199 Trials	*	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4737	1887 (Jan 1): 2 d. green & carmine, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, large margins all round and part sheet margin above, of good colour, superb large part og. Rare, just 24 examples removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi K30 = £ 725. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 92.*	199 Imprimatur	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4738	1887 (Jan 1): 2½ d. purple on blued, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, ample margins all round, fresh and fine, large part og. Scarce, just 46 stamps were removed from the Imprimatur sheets K31 = £ 725. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 104.*	201 Imprimatur	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4739	1887 (Jan 1): 2½ d. purple on blued, an unused example, marginal from top of sheet, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black. Fresh and very fine, stamp unmounted og. Rare Gi K31t = £ 1'250. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 107.*	201 spec	**	**250**	*(€ 225)*

Queen Victoria's Jubilee Service

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4740	1887 (Jan 1): 2½ d. purple on blued, an unused strip of three, marginal from top of sheet, variety "Imperforate between Stamp and Margin", positions 4-6 on the sole top row known with this variety (this strip adjoining the 'Maximus' (1970) strip of three, positions 7-9) and Chartwell (2012) positions 10-12, central stamp with vertical crease otherwise of superb colour and full unmounted og. A magnificent and extremely rare multiple with just twelve stamps known thus *Gi K31b = £ 12'000.* *Provenance: Collection J. Silkin* *Harmers, London, 14-16 June 1971, lot 664* *Harmers, London, 31 May 1994, lot 2096.*	201 var	**	**4'000**	*(€ 3'600)*

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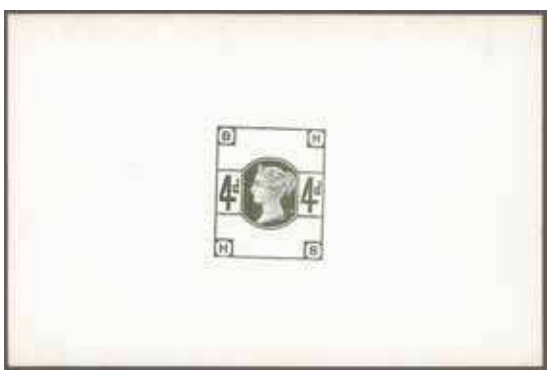
		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4741	1900: De La Rue Due Proof for the 3 d. value, printed in black on glazed white card, dated "24 AUG. 00" in blue and endorsed AFTER / STRIKING in black, signed in manuscript *"G.F.S."* below in ink. Rare and very fine Gi K32 = £ 1'550. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 423.*	202 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4742	1887 (Jan 1): 3 d. purple on yellow, an unused example of good colour, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black. Fresh and very fine, large part og. Rare Gi K32t = £ 1'250. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 123.*	202 spec	*	**300**	*(€ 270)*



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4743	1886: Jubilee 4 d. De La Rue Die Proof for the rejected Die, lettered BH / HB with two large value tablets at sides and head-plate within an unutilised frame design, printed in black on glazed white card. Fresh, fine and very rare Gi K33.	205 Essay	(*)	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4744	1887 (Jan 1): 4 d. pale green & purple-brown, an unused example with variety "Inverted Watermark", fresh and fine, unmounted og. Rare Gi K33b = £ 1'500.	205Wi	**	**350**	*(€ 315)*

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4745	1892: De La Rue Die Proof for the 4½ d. value, head-plate only, printed in black on glazed white card, dated "25 MAY. 92" in blue and endorsed BEFORE / HARDENING in black. Fresh and fine, a rare Proof Gi K34 = £ 1'850. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 119.*	206 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4746	1892: Colour Trial for the 4½ d. value, printed on watermark Crown paper, perf. 14, with Head-plate in grey-green and Duty plate in bright blue, fresh and fine, large part og. Rare and beautiful Trial Gi K34 = £ 4'500. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 122.*	206 Trial	*	**800**	*(€ 720)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4747	1886: De La Rue Die Proof for the 5 d. value, Head Plate Die, printed in black on glazed white card, dated "12 AUG. 86" and endorsed BEFORE / HARDENING in black. Fresh and very fine, a rare Proof Gi K35 = £ 1'850. *Provenance: RL, London, 15 Sept 1994, lot 2380.*	207 Proof	(*)	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4748	1887 (Jan 1): 5 d. dull blue & purple, Die I, an imperforate **Imprimatur**, good margins all round, fresh and very fine, large part og. Rare, just 24 stamps removed from the Imprimatur sheet Gi K34 = £ 800. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 151.*	207 Imprimatur	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*

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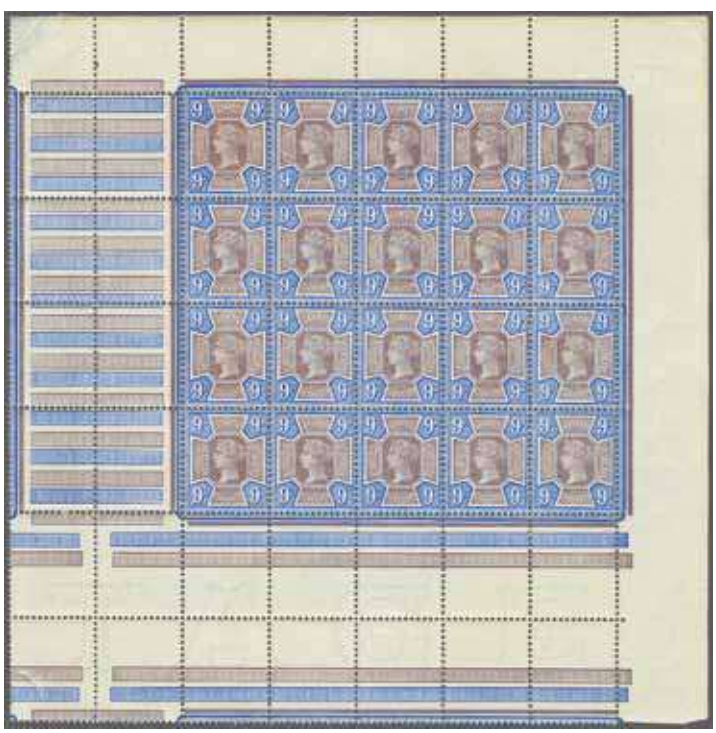

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4749	1887 (Jan 1): 9 d. dull purple & blue, an unused block of four in a bright shade, each stamp overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black. Fresh and fine, large part og. with some colour from sheet stored below, a delightful multiple of great scarcity Gi K38t = £ 5'600. *Provenance: Collection Jeffrey K. Weiss, RL, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 184.*	209 spec	⊞*	**800**	*(€ 720)*
4750	1887 (Jan 1): 9 d. dull purple & bright blue, Setting C, an unused complete pane of twenty (5 x 4), from lower right corner of the sheet, with complete margins all round and adjoining vertical row of margin at left, of fresh vibrant colour, superb, large part or unmounted og. Rare and most appealing multiple Gi K38(2) = £ 2'750+. *Provenance: Phillips, London, 7 April 1994, lot 441.*	209	⊞*/**	**600**	*(€ 540)*

4751

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4751	1892 (Feb 3): Colour Trial for 10 d. value (actually produced for the new 4½ d.), printed in purple with the Duty plate in blue on yellow paper, watermark Crown inverted, perf. 14, a top marginal example of fabulous colour (the blue on the yellow appears greenish), fresh and superb, mounted in margin only, Trial unmounted og. A wonderful Trial of the utmost rarity Gi K39 = £ 6'500. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, May 2010.*	210 Trial	**	**1'200**	*(€ 1'080)*

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4752	1890 (Feb 24): 10 d. dull purple & deep dull carmine, an unused example in this scarce shade, fine, large part og. Cert. RPSL (1985) Gi K39(2) = £ 625. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 19 Dec 2006, lot 392.*	210a	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4753	1886: De La Rue Die Proof for 1 s. in black on glazed white card, a cut down example on small piece from the De La Rue Striking Books, dated *"Aug 11"* in manuscript with *"1886"* in red crayon and *"5/768"*. rare and most appealing Proof Gi K40 = £ 1'850. *Provenance: Board of Inland Revenue collection, Robson Lowe 16 Dec. 1976, lot 1305* *Phillips Auction, 7 Dec. 1989, lot 241* *Collection Jeffrey Weiss, Spink, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 195.*	211 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4754	1899 (Oct 27): Colour Trial for the 1 s. value, printed in brown on watermarked Crown paper, perf. 14, fresh and very fine, part og. A rare and charming Trial Gi K40 = £ 2'400. *Provenance: Phillips 27 Nov 1997, lot 443* *Collection Jeffrey Weiss, Spink, London, 17 Dec 1996, lot 199.*	211 Trial	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4755

4755	1887 (Jan 1): 1 s. dull green, an unused corner marginal example of good colour, variety "Watermark Inverted", unobtrusive vertical bend and creased through perfs. and margin otherwise fresh and fine, large part og. A rare watermark variety, the only corner example with full sheet margins recorded in Karl Louis Card Index. Gi K40(1)a = £ 1'700. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 10 Sept 2003, lot 1878.*	211Wi	*	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4756

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4756	1887 (Jan 1): 1 s. dull green, an unused block of twenty (4 x 5) corner marginal from lower right of sheet with ornaments in both margins, of beautiful fresh colour, superb and extremely rare, one stamp with slight mark on gum otherwise fine unmounted og. A spectacular multiple Gi K40 = £ 8'500+. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 27 Jan 1998, lot 565.*	211	⊞**	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

4757

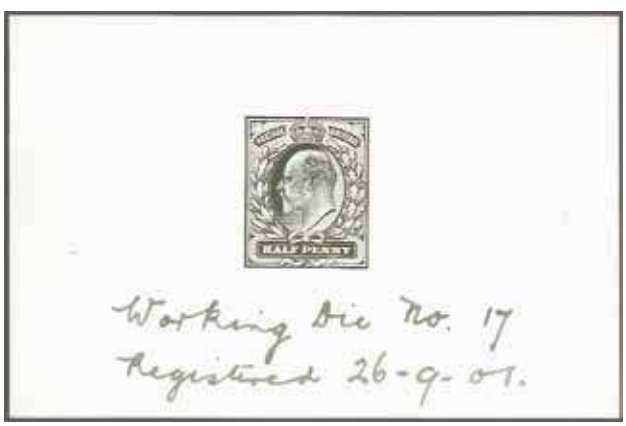
4757	1900: ½ d. blue-green, an unused block of six from lower right corner of the sheet, Control "R", variety "Watermark Inverted", fresh and very fine but for some gum creasing, large part og. with lower three stamps unmounted og. Scarce Gi K28a = £ 375. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2006, lot 99.*	213Wi	⊞*/**	**100**	*(€ 90)*

4758

ex 4759

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4758	1900 (July 11): 1 s. green & carmine, a used block of four, neatly tied to small piece, close but clear of perfs. at right, cancelled by "Hexham" circular datestamps (March 20, 1901) in black. A rare stamp in a used multiple Gi K41 = £ 700.	214	△⊞	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4759	1887/1900: Jubilee issue, the complete set of 14 values (incl. both ½ d. and 1 s. values, excl. 5 d. Die I), all in unused blocks of four, fresh and fine, large part or unmounted og. A generally splendid and scarce assembly in lovely quality Gi K27/K41 = £ 3'275+.	197/211+ 213/214	⊞*/**	**800**	*(€ 720)*

1902/10, Edward VII, De La Rue Printings



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4760	1901: De La Rue Working Die Proof for the ½ d. value printed in black on glazed white card, with manuscript endorsement in ink at base *"Working Die No. 17 / Registered 26-9-01"*. Rare and splendid Proof Gi M1 = £ 2'500. *Provenance: Collection 'Aurelius', Grosvenor, London, 8 Oct 2009, lot 2435.*	215 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*

4761

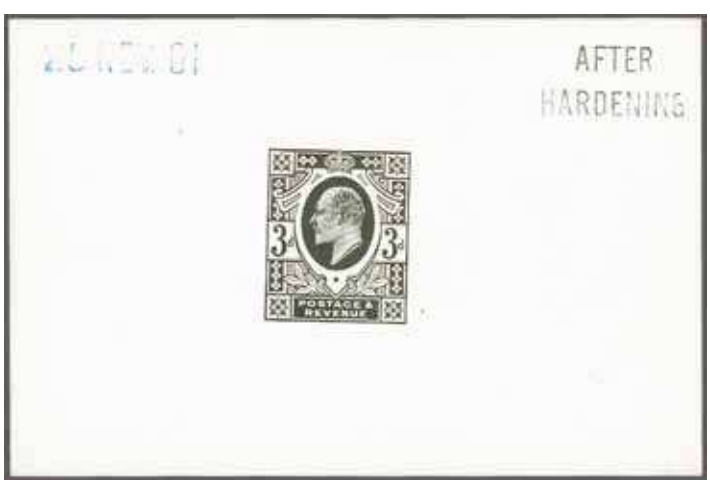
4761	1902 (Jan 1): De La Rue Plate Proof for the 1 d. value, printed in the colour of the issued ½ d., in deep bluish green, imperforate on thick card paper, a sheet marginal block of four. Fresh and very fine Gi M5 = £ 320.	219 Proof	⊞(*)	**100**	*(€ 90)*

4762

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4762	1902 (Jan 1): Colour Trial for the 2½ d. value, perf. 14 on watermarked Crown paper, printed in "pale dull blue", a marginal example from left of sheet, large part og. Rare. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi M16 = £ 1'800.	230 Trial	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4763

4763	1902 (Jan 1): 2½ d. pale ultramarine, a fine used block of four, neatly cancelled by oval "POSTED IN ADVANCE / FOR DELIVERY ON XMAS DAY / W. I. / 1903" cachet applied in Wigan in black. Rare and most attractive Gi M16(3). *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2006, lot 128.*	231	⊞	**200**	*(€ 180)*



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4764	1901: De La Rue Die Proof for the 3 d. value, printed in black on glazed white card, dated "25 NOV. 01" in blue and endorsed AFTER / HARDENING in black. Rare and very fine Proof Gi M19 = £ 2'800.	232 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*

ex 4765

ex 4766

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4765	1902 (March 27): 4 d. green & grey brown, an unused horizontal strip of four marginal from upper right of sheet, 4 d. green & brown in a marginal block of four from right of sheet, unmounted og. and 4 d. green & chocolate brown in a horizontal strip of three from lower left corner of the sheet, all fresh and fine, large part or unmounted og. A scarce group Gi M23(1)+M23(2)+M23(3) = £ 1'000+.	235/236	⊞*/**	**250**	*(€ 225)*
4766	1909 (Dec): 4 d. pale orange, an unused block of four from lower right corner of the sheet, fresh and fine unmounted og.; 4 d. orange-red unused, unmounted og. and a top marginal imperforate Plate Proof on poor quality buff paper. A scarce and attractive group Gi M25(2)+M25(3) = £ 340.	240+ 241+ Proof	⊞**	**120**	*(€ 110)*

4767

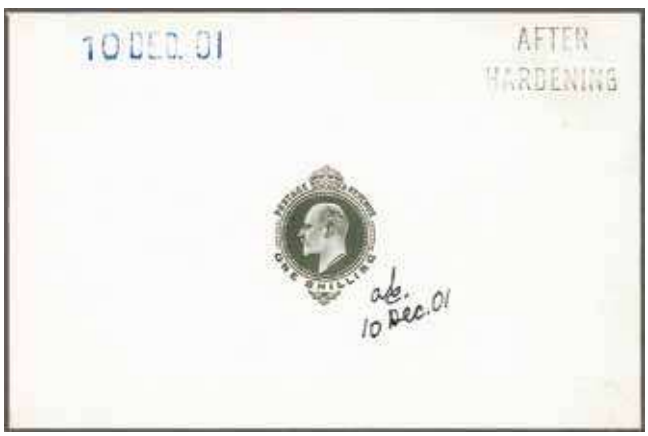
4767	1902 (Jan 1): 6 d. slate-purple, an unused block of four, marginal from left of sheet, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black, fresh and fine, superb unmounted og. A rare and attractive multiple Gi M31(2)s = £ 1'400.	246 spec	⊞**	**300**	*(€ 270)*

4768

4768	1902 (July 3): 10 d. slate-purple & carmine, an unused example of fresh colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 16) in black. Ink mark on large part og. Scarce Gi M42(2)s = £ 450.	254 spec	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*

4769

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4769	1902 (July 3): 10 d. dull purple & carmine, a used block of twelve (6 x 2), of fresh colour and neatly cancelled by circular "London EC" Parcels cancellations in black. A scarce block Gi M42(1) = £ 900.	254	⊞	**200**	*(€ 180)*



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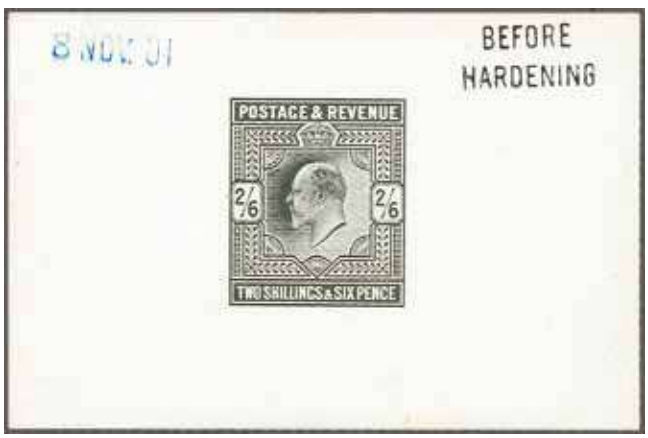

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4770	1901: De La Rue Die Proof for the 1 s. value, printed in black on glazed white card, showing the Head Plate only, dated "10 DEC. 01" in blue and endorsed AFTER / HARDENING in black; further endorsed *"A.C. 10 Dec 01"* in manuscript ink. Fingerprint mark at upper right otherwise superb and extremely rare Gi M45 = £ 3'000. *Provenance*: Spink Auction 24 April 2003, lot 840.	257 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4771	1901: De La Rue Die Proof for the 2 s. 6 d. value, printed in black on glazed white card dated "8 NOV. 01" and endorsed BEFORE / HARDENING in black, fresh and very fine, a rare Proof Gi M48 = £ 3'250. *Provenance: Collection 'Aurelius', Grosvenor, London, 8 Oct 2009, lot 2730.*	260 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 675)*

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ex 4773

4772	1905 (Oct 7): 2 s. 6 d. pale dull purple and 2 s. 6 d. dull purple on chalk surfaced paper, unused examples of fine centering and colour, the latter slightly rubbed, large part og. Gi M49(1)+M49(2) = £ 525.	261+ 262	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4773	1902 (April 5): 5 s. bright carmine and 5 s. deep bright carmine, unused examples, each of fine defining colour, fresh and fine, tiny gum bends on each, large part og. Scarce Gi M51(1)+M51(2) = £ 700.	263+ 264	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*

1905/07, Chalk Surfaced Paper, De La Rue Printings

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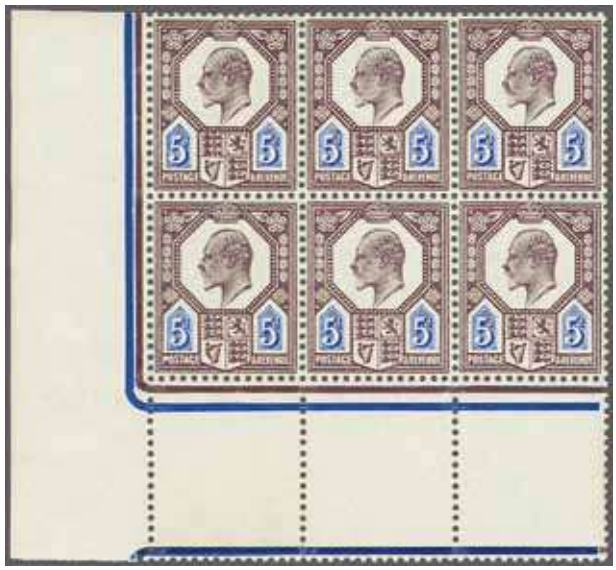
		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4774	1905 (July): 1½ d. pale dull purple & green on chalk surfaced paper, an unused example of fine appearance, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 18) in black, ex the NPM archives, reverse with some toning on large part og. Rare Gi M9(1)t = £ 1'100.	223 spec	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4775	1905 (July): 1½ d. pale dull purple & green on chalky paper, an unused block of nine, marginal from right of sheet, one stamp with closed corner tear otherwise fine, and appealing multiple with eight stamps unmounted og. Gi M9(1) = £ 560.	223	⊞*/**	**180**	*(€ 160)*

4776

ex 4777

4776	1907: 2 d. dull blue-green and carmine on chalk surfaced paper, an unused block of six, marginal from upper left corner of the sheet, Plate D3, with position 1 showing variety "Distorted Tablet / "Rhombus", early State", fresh and very fine, unmounted og. Rare Gi M12(2)b = £ 925+.	227 var	⊞	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4777	1906 (March): 3 d. pale reddish purple on orange-yellow on chalk surfaced paper, an unused block of four, marginal from base of sheet, slight rub, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og., and 3 d. dull reddish purple on lemon back in a used block of six cancelled by oval "Registered" datestamps in black, this last with Cert. Hendon Stamp Co. (1993). A scarce pair Gi M20(1)+M20(3) = £ 485+.	232a+ 233	⊞*/**	**150**	*(€ 135)*



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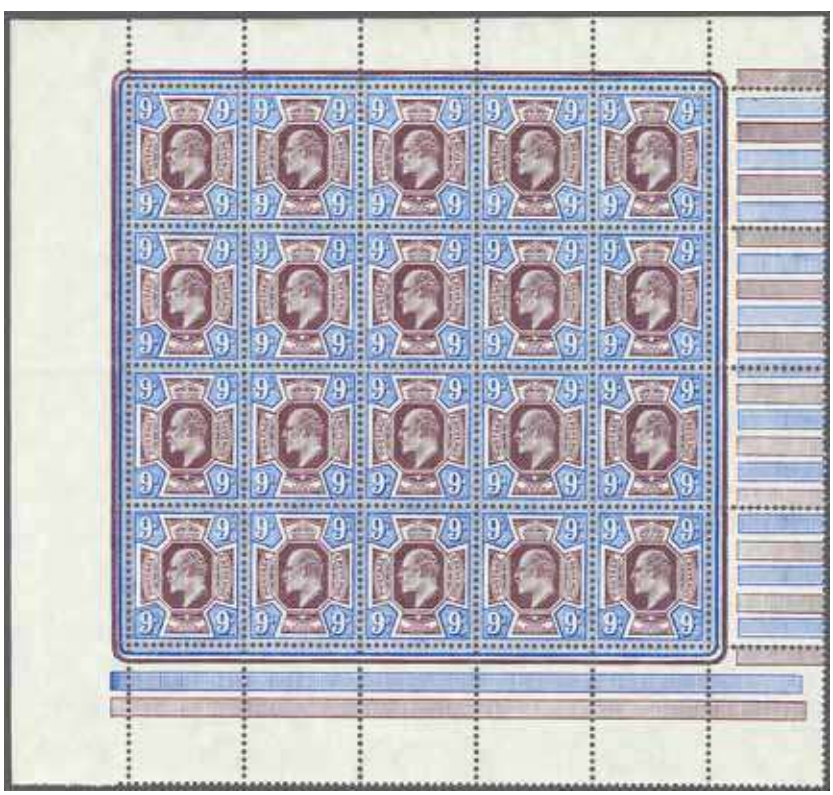
		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4778	1906 (May): 5 d. slate-purple & dull ultramarine on chalk surfaced paper, an unused block of six, marginal from left of sheet with interpanneau margin below, of excellent vibrant colour and superb unmounted og. A lovely multiple Gi M29(2) = £ 700.	243a	⊞**	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4779	1905 (June): 9 d. slate purple & ultramarine on chalk surfaced paper, an unused block of four of excellent colour, fresh and fine, unmounted og. A scarce multiple Gi M40(3) = £ 975. *Provenance: Bonhams, London, 19 Dec 2006, lot 414.*	251	⊞**	**200**	*(€ 180)*



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4780	1905 (June): 9 d. slate-purple & deep ultramarine on chalk surfaced paper, an unused pane of twenty (5 x 4) from the upper left corner of the sheet, of lovely fresh colour, fresh and very fine, unmounted og. Most attractive, superb and very rare. Cert. Hendon Stamp Co. (1994) Gi M40(4) = £ 5'000. *Provenance: Andrew G Lajer list, Feb 2006.*	251a	⊞**	**1'000**	*(€ 900)*

4781

King Edward VII

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4781	1905 (Sept): 1 s. dull green & pale carmine on chalk surfaced paper, an unused horizontal pair showing variety "Full Beard" on the right hand stamp, where the green ink has obliterated the moustache and beard of Edward VII, the left hand stamp with tone spots on reverse, the variety superb, large part og. A magnificent rarity, *the sole recorded multiple with this variety*. Unique Gi M46d = £ 6'000. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Sept 2006.*	257a var	*	**2'500**	*(€ 2'250)*

1911, Edward VII, Harrison & Sons Printings

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4782	1911 (May 3): ½ d. deep dull yellow green (very blotchy print), an unused block of four, marginal from top of sheet, of fine rich colour, fresh and very fine, stamps unmounted og. Rare. Cert. BPA (1952) Gi M3(4) = £ 300. *Provenance: Collections Beaumont, Laycock, Cronk..*	267 var	⊞**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4783	1911 (May 3): 1 d. deep rose-carmine, an unused strip of three from base of sheet, perf. Control "A 11", of vibrant colour, central stamp large part og. with two unmounted og. A very scarce shade. Cert. Brandon (1997) Gi M6(6) = £ 1'600. *Provenance: Phillips Auction 27 Nov. 1997, lot 479.*	274 var	*/**	**350**	*(€ 315)*

1911, Edward VII Perf. 15x14, Harrison & Sons Printings

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4784

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4784	1911 (Oct 30): ½ d. deep dull green, perf. 15 x 14, an unused example showing the very blotchy print, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. A rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1995) Gi M4(3) = £ 700. *Provenance: Andrew G Lajer list, Dec 2006, lot 136.*	279 var	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*

4785

4785	1911 (Sept 22): 3 d. purple on lemon, perf. 15 x 14, an unused strip of twelve, sheet marginal from base of sheet with Date Cut under fourth stamp, of fresh vibrant colour, full unmounted og. Rare and most attractive multiple Gi M22(1) = £ 840. *Provenance: Collection 'Aurelius', Grosvenor, London, 8 Oct 2009, lot 2558.*	285	**	**200**	*(€ 180)*

1911/13, Edward VII, Somerset House Printings

4786

Somerset House

4786	1913 (July): 6 d. deep plum on chalk surfaced paper, a used block of four, lightly cancelled by "Registered" datestamp in black, two small corner bends not apparent on face, a scarce multiple. Cert. RPSL (1991) Gi M36 = £ 350.	303	⊞	**100**	*(€ 90)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4787	1912 (Aug 1): 7 d. slate-grey, an unused block of twelve (6 x 2), Plate 1, corner marginal from the lower left of sheet, fresh and fine; and May 1913 7 d. pale grey in a corner marginal block of four from lower right corner of the sheet, Plate 2. Both blocks with good colour and large part or unmounted og. Gi M38(2)+M38(3) = £ 500.	305	⊞*/**	**150**	*(€ 135)*

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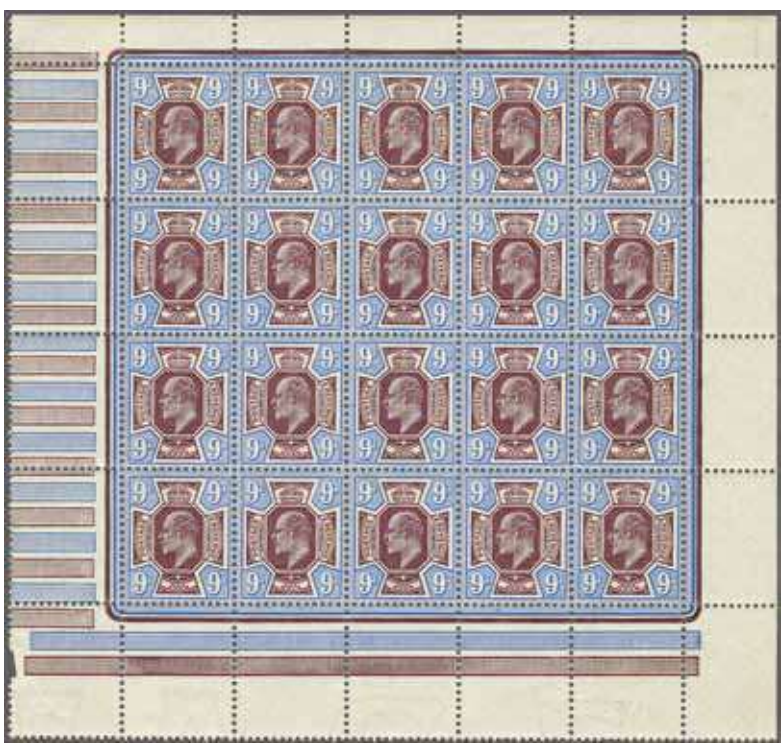

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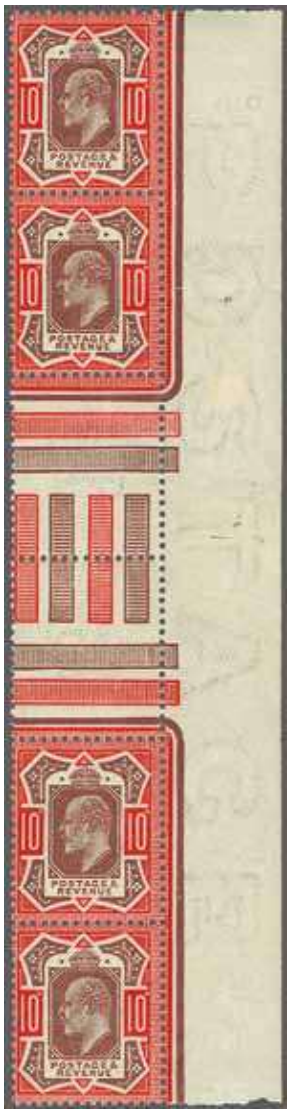
4788	1911 (July 24): 9 d. reddish purple & light blue, an unused block of four of resonant colour, Plate D, Pane B, Row 1, Stamp 1 showing variety "Left Frame Cracked" and adjoining stamp with a (somewhat larger) unlisted flaw showing the upper right Duty tablet broken at left, mounted in margin only, stamps unmounted og. A scarce and attractive multiple Gi M41(1)g = £ 700+. *Provenance: Collection 'Aurelius', Grosvenor, London, 8 Oct 2007, lot 2671.*	306	⊞**	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4789	1913 (July): 9 d. slate-purple & cobalt blue, 7th printing, pane F, an unused block of twenty (5 x 4) from right of the sheet, fresh colour and very fine appearance, small nick in margin at lower left, mounted in margins only, stamps unmounted og. Rare and most appealing multiple Gi M41(5) = £ 2'400.	307a	⊞**	**500**	*(€ 450)*



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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4790	1911 (Oct 9): 10 d. dull reddish purple & aniline pink, an unused vertical strip of four, divided by interpanneau margin and with sheet margin at right, of lovely colour, fresh and very fine, slightly toned unmounted og. A rare shade. Cert. Hendon Stamp Co (1995) Gi M44(5) = £ 1'900.	310	**	**350**	*(€ 315)*
4791	1911 (Oct 9): 10 d. dark plum & carmine, an unused block of four, 2nd printing, fresh colour, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi M44(8) = £ 560+.	311 var	⊞*/**	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4792	1912 (April 15): 1 s. green & carmine, an unused block of four, marginal from right of sheet, 5th printing, of good colour, fresh and very fine but for diagonal crease in margin, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. An attractive and scarce multiple Gi M47(5) = £ 500+.	314	⊞*/**	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4793	1912 (Feb 29): 5 s. carmine, an unused block of four, marginal from top of sheet, of superb colour, creased between perfs. vertically, unmounted og. A rare and most appealing multiple. Copy of Cert. Pröschold (1982) for the original block of twelve Gi M52(2) = £ £ 4'000.	318	⊞**	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4794	1912 (Jan 14): 10 s. blue, a used block of four, of good if a tad faded colour, neatly cancelled by "Guernsey" circular datestamps (May, 1912) in black. A scarce and attractive multiple Gi M54 (2) = £ 3'000.	319	⊞	**600**	*(€ 540)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4795	1882 (Oct 1): 1 d. lilac, an unused example overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) large part og., together with a block of four, marginal from base of sheet, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black; fresh and very fine, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. Gi L3s = £ 900.	O3 spec	⊞*/**	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4796	1882 (Nov 3): 6 d. grey, Plate 18, lettered IJ-IK / JJ-JK, an unused block of four, of fine colour, all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black. Fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce multiple Gi L5s = £ 1'300. *Provenance: Collection Dr. C.L. Casimir, Bonhams, London, 1 March 2006, lot 500.*	O4 spec	⊞*	**300**	*(€ 270)*
4797	1882 (Nov 3): 6 d. grey, Plate 18, lettered SG-SH / TG-TH, a used block of four, of fine colour, all cancelled by probable "198" numeral obliterators of Chorley, Lancashire in black. A very scarce multiple Gi L5 = £ 1'000.	O4	⊞	**200**	*(€ 180)*

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4798	1885 (March 12): 2½ d. lilac, lettered KI-KJ / LI-LK, an unused block of four, marginal from right of sheet, of full rich colour, fresh and very fine, slight wrinkle on part og., one stamp unmounted og. A very scarce stamp in a multiple Gi L4 = £ 3'000.	O6	⊞*/**	**750**	*(€ 675)*
4799	1885 (March 12): 1 s. dull green, lettered MF-MG, an unused horizontal pair with full rich colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and very fine, large part og. Very scarce Gi L6s = £ 2'500.	O7 spec	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

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4800

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4800	1890 (March): 5 s. rose on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered KD-KE / LD-LE, overprinted in blue-black ink, an unused block of four of consummate freshness, some splitting between the lower pair, very fine, large part or full unmounted og. A very scarce stamp, despite the block in the Duke of Leinster collection (Irish National Museum, Dublin) and the block of eight original find in 1976 (R.L. 30 April 1976), this is the only block known to us,superb. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi L7(2)b = £ 56'000+.	O9b	⊞*/**	**10'000**	*(€ 9'000)*

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4801	1890 (March): 5 s. rose on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered KF, a used example of good colour, neatly cancelled by central "Oldham" circular datestamp (Dec 18, 1896) in black. A fine and scarce stamp Gi L7(2) = £ 2'500.	O9		**500**	*(€ 450)*
4802	1890 (March): 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, Plate 4, lettered AH, an unused example showing the variety "Raised Stop after R", of excellent colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 11) in black, superb appearance, large part og. A very rare stamp. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi L8(4)as = £ 2'500+.	O10as spec	*	**850**	*(€ 765)*

4803

		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4803	1890 (March): 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered GA, an unused example, marginal from lower left corner of the sheet, of perfect centering and exquisite colour, fresh and very fine, creased along perfs. and into margin at base, superb large part og. A wonderful example of an extremely rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1965) Gi L8(4) = £ 11'000. *Provenance: Collection Bill Frazer, Spink, London, 24 April 2003, lot 944.*	O10	*	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

4804

4804	1890 (March): 10 s. ultramarine on white paper, wmk. Anchor, lettered LE, a fine used example of fresh colour, neatly cancelled by "Dundee M.O.O." (Money Order Office) in black (Oct 11, 1894). Minor bend not affecting the appearance of a scarce stamp Gi L8(4) = £ 3'500.	O10		**750**	*(€ 675)*

4805

4805	1890 (March): £ 1 brown-lilac, wmk. Orbs, lettered BA, an unused example, marginal from left of sheet, of rich deep colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, extremely fresh and very fine, unmounted og. Rare and most attractive Gi L10s = £ 9'250.	O12 spec	**	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

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		Gibbons		Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4806	1888 (May 15): ½ d. vermilion, an unused block of four, marginal from base of sheet, Control "Q", fresh and very fine, unmounted og. Gi L12= £ 350.	O13	⊞**	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4807	1889 (Sept): 1 s. dull green, an unused example of fresh colour, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black, fresh and very fine, unmounted og. Rare Gi L16t = £ 1'400.	O15 spec	**	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4808	1889 (Sept): 1 s. dull green, a used block of four of fine centering and colour, neatly cancelled by "Oldham" circular datestamps (Dec 28, 1896) in black. A rare and attractive multiple Gi L16 = £ 1'700.	O15	⊞	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4809

4809	1892 (June): £ 1 green, wmk. Crowns, lettered KD, an unused example of vibrant fresh colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 10) in black, fine and most attractive, large part og. A very scarce stamp Gi L11s = £ 2'250.	O16 spec	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*

4810

4810	1892 (June): £ 1 green, wmk. Crowns, Plate 1, lettered JC, an unused example not showing the "Frame Broken" variety, of fresh bright colour, two vertical gum bends not affecting the lovely appearance, fresh and fine, large part og. Rare and most attractive Gi L11 = £ 12'000.	O16	*	**3'000**	*(€ 2'700)*

Reconstruction of the block

4811

		Gibbons	Start Price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4811	1892 (June): £ 1 green, wmk. Crowns, lettered BC, a used example of good colour, neatly cancelled by "Dundee M.O.O." circular datestamp (Oct 3, 1894) in black. A very scarce stamp. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi L11 = £ 2'500. *Note: BC was originally part of a block of four AB/BC, that has been split more than half a century ago. The neighbouring stamp BB was in the Maurice Burrus collection (R. Lowe 1963). AB and AC was seen as a pair in a Phillips auction in Sept. 1993 and was later split into singles.* *Provenance: "A Continental Philatelist Collection", Stanley Gibbons 16-17 Nov. 1972, lot 827.*	O16	**600**	*(€ 540)*

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4812	1901 (July 1): 6 d. purple on rose-red, an unused example, one or two slightly blunted perfs., overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 16) in black, large part og. Gi L16s = £ 240.	O18 spec	*	**80**	*(€ 70)*
4813	1902 (April 29): 1 s. dull green & carmine, an unused vertical pair, marginal from top of sheet, of excellent fresh colour, very fine, superb og. with lower stamp unmounted og. An extremely rare stamp, especially so in a multiple. Cert. RPSL (1976) Gi MO5 = £ 7'000. *Provenance: Collection Dr. C.L. Casimir, Bonhams, London, 1 March 2006, lot 526.*	O24	*/**	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*

Government Parcels

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4814	1886 (May 1): 1½ d. lilac, lettered IG-IH / JG-JH, an unused block of four of rich colour, fresh and very fine, large part og. An extremely scarce stamp in a multiple Gi L18 = £ 2'300.	O61	⊞*	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4815	1883 (Aug 1): 9 d. dull green, lettered KQ, an unused example of outstanding deep colour, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. A magnificent example of this rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1986) Gi L20 = £ 2'500. *Provenance: Spink, London, 9-10 March 2005, lot 255.*	O63	*	**750**	*(€ 675)*

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4816	1883 (Aug 1): 1 s. orange-brown, Plate 14, lettered JA-JB, an unused horizontal pair, marginal from left corner of the sheet, of rich vibrant colour and superb, large part og. Corner bend in margin only, an extremely rare and attractive multiple of a very rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1982) Gi L22 = £ 7'000.	O64c	*	**1'800**	*(€ 1'620)*

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4817	1887 (Oct 29): 1½ d. dull purple & pale green, an unused example of deep colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 10) in black, fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi L24s = £ 300. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Feb 2006.*	O65 spec	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4818	1887 (Dec 19): 6 d. purple on rose-red, an unused example, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black. Fresh and fine, large part og. Scarce Gi L27s = £ 300.	O66 spec		**100**	*(€ 90)*
4819	1888 (Aug 21): 9 d. dull purple & blue, an unused example of excellent colour, overprinted CANCELLED (Type 14) in black. Age spots on lower perfs. on gum and corner crease otherwise of fine frontal appearance, large part og. Scarce Gi L28t = £ 1'300.	067 spec	*	**200**	*(€ 180)*
4820	1890 (March 25): 1 s. dull green, an unused example of excellent true colour, with variety "Dot to the Left of T", overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black. Fresh and very fine, large part og. Scarce and unusual Gi L29cs = £ 300+. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2009.*	O68c spec	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4821	1890 (March 25): 1 s. dull green, an unused example of good rich colour, marginal from base of sheet, slight crease not detracting from the appearance, large part, slightly browned og. Gi L29 = £ 650.	O68	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4822	1897 (June 18): 1 d. lilac, Die II, a used horizontal strip of three on small OHMS piece, second stamp showing variety "No Dot under T" clearly, tied by "Lanark" circular datestamps (March 1, 1902) in black. Scarce Gi L23+L23a = £ 135+.	O69+ O69b	△	**80**	*(€ 70)*

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4823	1892 (Sept 29): 4½ d. grey-green & carmine, an unused example of good colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine, large part og. Gi L26s = £ 300.	O71 spec	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4824	1900 (Nov): 1 s. green & carmine, an unused example of good colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, fresh and fine, large part og. Scarce Gi L30s = £ 375. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Feb 2006.*	O72 spec	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4825	1902 (Aug 28): 9 d. dull purple & ultramarine, an unused example of good colour, fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi MO12 = £ 600. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 14 June 2005, lot 797.*	O77	*	**150**	*(€ 135)*
4826	1902 (Dec 17): 1 s. dull green & carmine, an unused example of excellent colour, fresh and very fine, superb unmounted og. A very rare stamp Gi MO13 = £ 1'100. *Provenance: Collection Dr. C.L. Casimir, Bonhams, 1 March 2006, lot 577.*	O78	**	**400**	*(€ 360)*

Office of Works

4827

4827	1896 (March 24): ½ d. vermilion, an unused block of four, the two right hand stamps with variety "Large Stop after O", all overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black leaving the variety clear; of fresh colour and fine, large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. Unusual and scarce Gi L31as = £ 1'200+- *Provenance: Collection Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, 30 Sept 2005, lot 1438.*	O31 var spec	⊞*/**	**300**	*(€ 270)*

Manchester's Ship Canal

4828

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4828	1896 (March 24): ½ d. vermilion, a horizontal pair used on 1902 OHMS cover ('Her' changed to 'His') to Wigan, neatly tied by "Manchester" circular datestamps (Feb 17) in black. Reverse with Wigan arrival (4pm.) of the same day. Small portion of flap missing otherwise superb - an extremely rare issue on letter, more especially so from Manchester rather than Parliament Street Gi L31 = £ 750.	O31	✉	**300**	*(€ 270)*

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4829	1902 (Feb): ½ d. blue-green, an unused example from base of sheet, Control "R", slight gum crease but of fresh and fine appearance, large part og. Scarce Gi L32 = £ 2'500. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 289.*	O32	*	**400**	*(€ 360)*
4830	1902 (April 29): 5 d. dull purple & blue, Die II, a used example of good colour, cancelled by "Parliament St. / SW" circular datestamp (July 30, 1903) in black. A rare stamp. Signed Schlesinger. Cert. BPA (1979) Gi L34 = £ 1'200.	O34		**350**	*(€ 315)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4831	1902 (May 28): 10 d. dull purple & carmine, a used block of four, on small piece, of rich colour but one or two perfs. at left trimmed, cancelled by four "Parliament St / SW" circular datestamps (May 29, 1903), fine appearance and very scarce. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi L35 = £ 12'000. *Provenance (in pencil on reverse): Stanley Gibbons Auction, 22 May 1922.*	O35	△⊞	**2'000**	*(€ 1'800)*
4832	1902 (Feb): 10 d. dull purple & carmine, a used example tied to small piece by "Leicester Square" datestamp (Feb 9, 1904) in black. A very rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1976) Gi MO18 = £ 6'000. *Provenance: Collection Dr. C.L. Casimir, Bonhams, London, 1 March 2006, lot 246.*	O40	△	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

Army

4833	1896 (Sept 1): ½ d. vermilion, 1 d. lilac Die II, 2½ d. purple on blued, all unused examples, each with handstamped surcharge of unofficial "IR" in black and SPECIMEN (Type 9) in black, largely fresh and fine, large part og. Rare. Two with certs. BPA (1992) Gi L36s var = £ 660+. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 312.*	O41+ O43+ O44 spec	*	**500**	*(€ 0)*

ex 4834

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4834	1896 (Sept 1): ½ d. vermilion, unused examples (2) from base of sheet, Control "O", imperf. and perf. margin examples, slight rub on one otherwise fresh and fine, unmounted og. Scarce Gi L36 = £ 500. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, ex lot 314.*	O41	**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4835	1896 (Sept 1): ½ d. vermilion, an unused strip of three from lower right corner of sheet, Control "P", fresh and fine appearance, toned part og. Scarce Gi L36 = £ 250+. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, ex lot 314.*	O41	*	**80**	*(€ 70)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4836	1896 (Sept 1): 1 d. lilac, Die II, an unused strip of three, central stamp with variety "OFFICIAI", fresh and fine, large part og. Attractive positional strip Gi L38c = £ 240.	O43a	*	**80**	*(€ 70)*

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4837	1896 (Sept 1): 2½ d. purple on blued, an unused block of four, marginal from base of sheet, all overprinted CANCELLED (Type 18) in black, fresh and very fine, full unmounted og., extremely rare Gi L39t = £ 6'800. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 320.*	O44 spec	⊞**	**1'500**	*(€ 1'350)*

ex 4838

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4838	1902 (Feb 11): ½ d. blue-green in an unused horizontal pair and 1 d. scarlet in an unused strip of three, each marginal from lower right of sheet showing Control "A", first and central stamp respectively with variety "Long Top to second F in OFFICIAL" (Row 20, Stamp 11), fresh and very fine positional multiples, unmounted og. Gi MO19j+MO20j = £ 360+.	O48+ O49 var	**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4839	1902 (Feb 11): ½ d. blue-green (two horizontal pairs) and December 1903 6 d. pale dull purple, thicker overprint Type L6a, all used on small piece, cancelled by circular "Salisbury" parcel handstamps in black. A very scarce usage. Cert. BPA (2020) Gi MO19+MO22 = £ 1'200+. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Feb 2006.*	O48+ O52	△	**300**	*(€ 270)*

Board of Education

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start priceapprox. €
4840	1902 (Feb 19): 1 s. green & carmine, an unused example of fresh true colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black, minor creases not affecting the appearance, large part og. A rare stamp Gi L42s = £ 2'700. *Provenance: Collection W.A. Wiseman, Harmers, London, 8 Oct 1997, lot 357.*	O82 spec	*	**500**	*(€ 450)*
4841	1902 (Feb 19): 1 d. scarlet, an unused example of good centering and colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 15) in black, vertical bend otherwise fresh and very fine, large part og. Gi MO24s = £ 300.	O84 spec	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

Admiralty

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4842	1903 (April 1): 1½ d. dull purple & green, an unused example of good colour, overprinted SPECIMEN (Type 16) in black, fresh and fine, large part og. Scarce Gi MO32s = £ 400. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Dec 2006, lot 152.*	O103 spec	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4843	1903 (April 1): 1½ d. dull purple & green, an unused example with variety "Frame Broken at Base" (Plate H1, Row 20, Stamp 2), fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Rare Gi O103 var = £ 300+. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Sept 2006.*	O103 var	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4844	1903 (April 1): 2 d. yellowish-green & carmine-red, an unused block of four of excellent fresh colour, diagonal gum crease not significantly affecting the appearance, superb large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. A rare multiple Gi MO33 = £ 2'000. *Provenance: Andrew G. Lajer list, Feb 2006.*	O104	⊞*/**	**400**	*(€ 360)*

4845

4845	1904 (March): 2 d. yellowish-green & carmine-red, a used horizontal strip of six, narrow 'M' overprint L10, tied to small piece by "Portsmouth" circular datestamps in black (April 22, 1904). Fresh and very fine, an extremely rare and appealing multiple, probably the largest known used, an extremely rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1976) Gi MO39 = £ 3'900. *Provenance: Collection Dr. C.L. Casimir, Bonhams, London, 1 March 2006, lot 604.*	O110	△	**800**	*(€ 720)*