

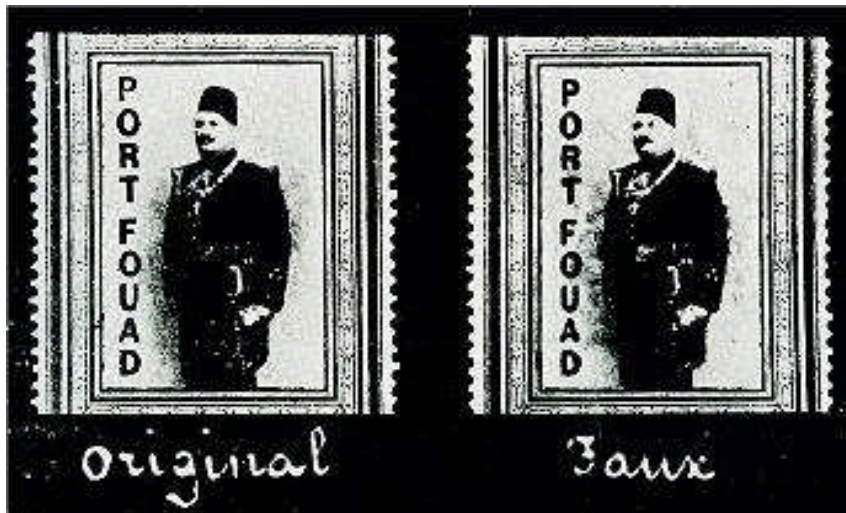
**DANGEROUS FORGERY OF OVERPRINT**

*We reproduce here, with some modifications, the illustrations and descriptions of two of the dangerous forgeries of overprints published in No. 7 and No. 8 of this Magazine and believe that they will help members to identify these forgeries*

The most expensive commemorative set of Egypt is that issued on the 21st December, 1926, to celebrate the inauguration of Port Fuad. It was issued in four denominations by overprinting PORT FOUAD on the three International Navigation Congress's stamps and on the A piastres stamp of King Fuad's 58th Birthday. This issue was of a very limited quantity, namely, 2500 stamps or each of the three lower values and 1500 stamps of the 50 piastres stamp.

Overprint was made lithographed, horizontally in two lines on the three lower values and vertically on the top value. Forged overprint exists on all the four values.

Two enlarged photos are reproduced hereunder for the 50 piastres stamp, one at the left-hand side) with the genuine the other with the forged overprint.



Although both of these two overprints have the same measurement (23½, millimeters), yet the difference in shape between most of the genuine and forged characters can be noticed, particularly the R, the T, the F and the A.

These differences in shape can be more clearly seen on the illustration re-produced here for the two overprints (genuine on the left-hand side).



Moreover the ink used in the forged typographical overprint has a lightly brilliant colour, compared with the dull colour of the genuine lithographic printing.

One can even come across a genuinely postmarked stamp with a forged overprint, as can be seen on the photo illustrated here.

