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EDITOR'S PAGE.

Chairman's address.

Dr. Byam requests that the following be regarded as his address in future :-

"Les Divettes",  
St. Martins,  
Guernsey, C.I.

Jerbourg should be deleted as it has led to confusion with Jersey and Cherbourg.

Q.C. Vol. III. No. 3. Page 35. Pellas Essay.

The note occurring on this page alluded to a specimen as " an undoubted essay by Pellas of 1866 " requires correction. It has been pointed out by Ibrahim Chaftar Bey that the stamp there pictured is a Salama forgery. Your Editor and Dr. Byam have carefully considered the matter and have come to the conclusion that Ibrahim Chaftar Bey is correct.

Q.C. Vol. III. Pages 92 & 93. "Unrecorded Egyptian Items ".

In a personal letter to Dr. Byam, under date 26th September, 1949, M. T. Hammam, Director, Reproduction Offices, Survey of Egypt, Giza (Orman) writes :-

" Turning to another subject I have just seen a copy of the March 1949, Quarterly Circular, Egypt Study Circle in which on pages 92 - 93 there is a report by Ernest A Kehr on the sale at public auction of hitherto unrecorded " Egyptian Souvenirs ".

Nothing in the nature of the three items mentioned has been officially produced in Egypt or, to my knowledge, by Messrs

Harrison the printers of the 1926 50-piastre stamp. IN my opinion theses items are very suspect. “

We have received a letter on the same subject from Mr. E. F. Hurt of Yardley Gobion who also questions the genuineness of these items.

The Circle's contribution to the Star and Garter Home for Disabled Sailors and Airmen, Richmond.

We have received a letter from Mr. Ben Johnson, Hon. Secretary, Philatelic Circle of the Star and Garter Home in the course of which he writes, under date, 17 - 7 - 49. :-

“ On Thursday last, I had a visit from Mr. J. H. E. Gilbert.

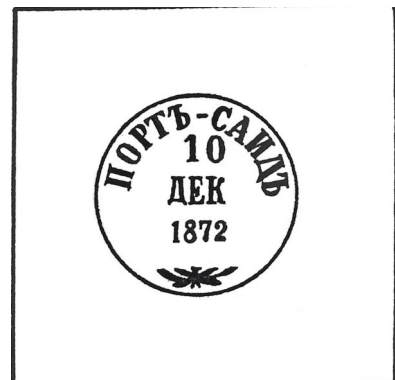
He brought along a large parcel of stamps, contributed by the undermentioned members of your Circle for the collectors in this Home. Messrs., W. Byam; F. J. Coomer; J. R. Danson; J. H. E. Gilbert; H. T. Hardy; G. Ward; and E. H. Warren.

May I say how much we appreciate the kindness of these donors. Our collections will be brighter for their efforts and in Egypt especially where we shall be able to fill in gaps not only in our personal collections but also add quite a few to the permanent Reference Collection of the Home.

Will you please, if space permits in your Journal, thank all those of your Circle who have been our benefactors. “

Russian Marking.

On page 89 of the “ Q.C. “ No. 7. we illustrated a Russian cover in the collection of Charles Fox of New York, U.S.A. and we now illustrate a tracing of the marking send to us by Charles Fox.



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STUDY VI.

THE POSTAL MARKINGS OF EGYPT - 1865 to 1888.

Period of Use - Earliest & latest recorded dates for each type.

By R. S. Blomfield, June 1947.

( and revised by the Keeper of the Record, June 1948.)

The following tabulation is submitted in the hope of eliciting further information on the subject. In the case of undated markings (unless noted on cover) the earliest and latest issues on which they have been seen are indicated, e.g. on "3A" means the 3rd. issue, Penasson printing; "3B" means the 3rd. Issue, Boulac printing, etc. Those seen on Interpostals are noted thus "IP IV b" in which IVb indicates the Interpostal type according to O. May. S.C. means Stampless cover. \* means used before 1st January 1866 as a Government Frank.

Type.		Earliest.	Latest.
I. 1.	*	. 4. 65.	13. 2. 70.
2.		. 8. 66.	29. 7. 67.
2.1.		12. 1. 66.	12. 9. 66.
3.	*	. 4. 65.	9. 5. 75.
4.		18. 5. 75.	6. 6. 75.
5.		23. 2. 74.	
II. 1.		17. 12. 68.	20. 10. 69.
2.		19. 3. 68.	25. 4. 72.
3.		9. 7. 69.	30. 11. 69.
4.		13. 10. 69.	10. 10. 72.
5.		31. 1. 70.	3. 1. 74.

<u>TYPE.</u>	<u>EARLIEST.</u>	<u>LATEST.</u>
III. 1.	11.12.70.	30. 9.79.
2.	.12.69.	6.12.78.
3.	30. 7.74.	18. 6.79.
4.	4. 1.74.	. 5.81.
5.	30.10.76.	28. 4.80.
IV. 1.	11. 9.73.	. 9.79.
1.1.	on 3A.	
1.2	27. 3.75.	26. 4.79.
2.	23. 3.73.	30.11.78.
3.	9. 5.73.	.10.75. ?
3.1.	23. 3.73.	1. 7.73.
4.		22. 7.76.
5.	.74.	
V. 1.	27.11.74.	2.11.78.
2.	24. 8.75.	12. 4.80.
2.1.	24.12.78.	
2.2.	25-10.75.	11.12.73
3.	10. 1.74.	3.11.79.
4.	12. 2.75.	29 1.80.
4.1.	? .4.74.	21. 8.78.
4.2.	11.12.74.	
5.	17. 6.74.	79.
6.	8.11.76.	. 3.79.
7.	3. 3.75.	20.4.80.
8.	27. 7.66.	17.12.78.

<u>TYPE.</u>	<u>EARLIEST.</u>	<u>LATEST.</u>
V. 9.	15. 3.66.	12. 9.76.
10.	4. 3.75.	1. 5.80.
11.	10. 4.76.	2. 4.78.
12.	9. 3.75.	.79.
12.1.	3. 8.74.	.78?
13.	10.12.75.	24.10.78.
13.1.		
V.0.1.	1. 1.75.	7. 3.78.
VI. 1.	9. 1.78.	17. 3.79.
2.	7. 7.78.	
VI.B.1.	28. 7.77. ?	
VII. 1.	3. 1.79.	7. 3.79.
1.1.	.11.80.	10.10.87.
2.	8.12.78.	1. 7.82.
3.	11.78.	.82.
VIII.1.	1. 1.80.	31.12.91.
1.1.	28. 7.79.	22.10.80.
VIII.D.1.	3.10.80.	24. 3.84.
1.1.	28.11.79.	22.10.80.
VIII.R.1.	5.11.78.	
2.	28.11.80.	13. 8.87.

<u>TYPE.</u>	<u>EARLIEST.</u>	<u>LATEST.</u>
A. 1.	. 62.	
2.	on 2.	
3.	on 3A.	
4.	on 2.	30.11.68.
5.	on 2.	
6.		
1.1.	20. 2.58.	
B. 1.	1. 1.66.	7. 9.88.
C. 1.	on 1.	IP. V. E.
2.	on 3.	
3.	on 3A.	
3.1.	IP. V. C.	on 4.
4.	IP. VII.	
5.	on 3A.	
6.	IP. IV. A.	
7.	IP. IV. B.	
8.	IV. V. D.	
9.		
9.1.		
10.		
11.		
12.		
13.		
CC. 1.	on 2.	

<u>TYPE.</u>	<u>EARLIEST.</u>	<u>LATEST.</u>
D. 1.	. 1.72.	.10.72.
1.1.	12.10.71.	19. 9.73.
2.	on 3A.	11.12.72.
E. 1.	on 3A.	on 4.
2.	on 4.	
3.	on 1884.	
F. 1.	4.10.67.	on 3A.
2.	12. 3.76.	3. 1.83.
G. 1.	Stampless cover.	
2.	1. 2.69.	on 3B.
H. 1.	14. 9.66.	12. 1.77.
K.		
2.		
2.1.	3. 2.68.	21 .1.77.
3.		
4.	3. 8.76.	
4.1.	12. 1.77.	
5.		
6.		

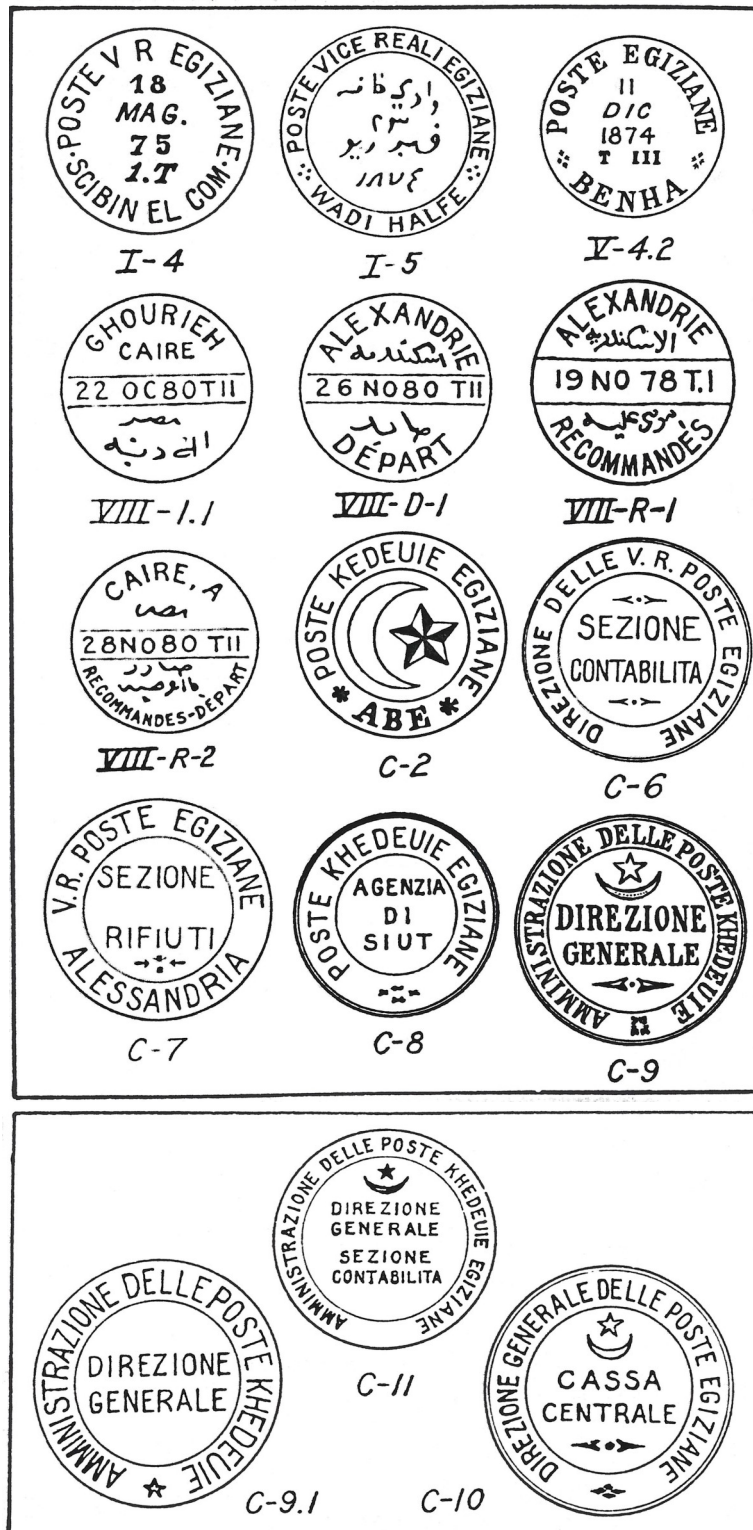
NOTES: Markings not yet illustrated.

D. I.1. Similar to D. I. but letters 5mm. high; 50 mm. long.

K. 4.1. "3" different type to K.4.

The illustrations of the Postal Markings are from recent drawings by R.S. Blomfield





NOTE. Types I.4.; I.5.; V.2.; VIII.I.1.; VIII.D.1.; VIII.R.1.; VIII.R.2.; C.8.; C.9.; C.9.1.; C.10; C11.; have not been illustrated before. Types C.2.; C.6. and C.7. are completed drawings of the types illustrated in L. O. P. 30 and 43.

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W A G H O R N D I A R Y .

This Diary is published for comment by members of the Circle. If approved, we hope it will serve as a model for other Diaries, e.g. Air Mail; British Posts in Egypt; Suez Canal Company's Posts, etc. which in turn will form the basis for our Check List of Egyptian Posts & Stamps which List in turn should provide the outline for a more detailed book, when one is eventually attempted.

DATE.

1800. Feb. 2nd. Born at Chatham.
1812. Joined R.N. as Midshipman; took the examination for Lieutenant.
1817. Paid off. Joined a Free Trade as Third Mate.
1819. Appointed to Bengal Maritime Pilot Service.
1824. Arracan expedition, for two years and a half.
1827. First endeavour to enlist support at Calcutta, Madras, etc. for Steam transport via Cape of Good Hope.
1829. April. 4th. Approached Sir Francis Freeling for his support in carrying mail.
- Oct. 29th. First Overland journey via Paris, Milan, Trieste to Bombay with dispatches from Lord Ellenborough of the East India Co. to Sir John Malcolm, Governor of Bombay.
1831. July 1st. Resignation from Bengal Pilot service accepted.
1832. Earliest contact with Mohamed Ali with suggestion of Railway - Cairo to Suez; as a result the Pasha instructed T. J. Galloway Bey to survey a possible route for a railway.
1835. Issued his Circular to Traders.
- Late this year went to Egypt to conduct his Postal Service.

1835. Nov. 1st. First Indian Mail carried by Waghorn - W. to E.-  
Recorded by "Morning Herald" of March 24th. 1836.
1825. Feb. 5th. First Indian Mail carried, E. to W.  
Mar. 26th. Earliest Cachets. Eastbound - ( Type 4.)  
Nov. 16th. - - Westbound - ( Type 1.)
1837. June 14th. Appointed Deputy Agent in Egypt for the superintendence  
of the East India Company's mails.
1841. Sept. Latest recorded Cachet.  
  
Joined Raven and Hill in partnership and the name of  
the firm was then changed to Messrs. J. R. Hill & Co.  
Previously Waghorn had run his service in opposition to  
Raven and Hill.  
  
Relinquished post of Deputy Agent East India Co. when  
P. & O. had taken over British P.O. Packet Service  
from Falmouth to Alexandria and also in the Indian Ocean,  
and were about to take over the overland service  
across Egypt.
1842. Messrs Waghorn & Co. published "Overland Guide to  
India".  
  
Mar. 22nd. Gazetted Lieutenant R.N.  
  
July 18th. Waghorn urges the adoption of the Route though Belgium,  
Germany, Austria, in place of the Marseilles route.
1843. May 26th. Egyptian Transit Co. formed by the Pasha at the  
instigation of the P. & O. which then bought out Hill  
& Co. Waghorn negotiated an agreement with the Transit  
Co. to carry passengers and parcels for his Agency.
1845. Oct. 1st. Waghorn left Bombay with despatches for "The Times" and  
reached London via Dwino, Cologne and Ostend, 14 hours  
before the arrival of the ordinary Indian Mail via  
Marseilles.
1846. Aug. 27th. Waghorn's six trial trips from E. to W. The first from  
Bombay on 27 Aug. 1846 and the last on 2 Feb. 1847. The  
object of these trial trips was to prove that the  
Trieste Route was quicker than the Marseilles Route.  
The average gain in time for the six trips proved to be  
2 days 1 hour and 34 minutes in Waghorn's favour.
1850. June 7th. Waghorn died in England at the age of 49.

DE LA RUE DIE PROOFS on glazed cards ( 1878 - 1914 ) in the DANSON Collection. Contd. From Vol.II.

Issue.	Description	Dated.	State.	Comments. All theses proofs are in black.
April 1879.	Oval Head Die	Aug.13. 1878	None.	Lines on shoulder run downwards & are thin. Lower part of sphinx very dark. 2 lines of shading ( white lines ) on left of pyramid cut black margin round the design. This black margin varies from lmm. At 5 o'clock to nil at 2 o'clock. The white plate mark shows oval immediately outside the black margin, so the plate was cut to the shape of the die. This die was never used
-	5 Paras.	Nov.13.1878.	Before hardening	General Soft Appearance.
-	-	Nov.15.1878.	After Hardening	General appearance harder and blacker.
?	10 Paras.	None.	None.	A very fine dark print.
April 1879.	20 Paras.	Nov.19.1878.	Before hardening	General Soft Appearance.
-	-	Nov.20.1878.	After Hardening	Harder but lighter.
? Dec. 1884.	-	Oct.17.1881. in red.	None.	Clear and black.
April 1879.	1 Piastre.	Nov.19.1875.	Before hardening	This is mounted with cellophane over the stamp and a card stuck over the original card. The state & die can be seen through the card at the back
-	-	-	-	A fine dark print.
-	-	Nov.23.1878.	After Hardening	Very clear but lighter.
? 1902.	-	Sept.19.1905. in blue.	After striking	Clear dark print. Card bears manuscript E.D. in black ink.
April 1879.	2 Piastres.	Nov.13.1875.	Before hardening	Soft and clear.

DE LA RUE DIE PROOFS on glazed cards ( 1878 - 1914 ) in the DANSON Collection. Contd. From Vol.II.

Issue.	Description	Dated.	State.	Comments. All theses proofs are in black.
April 1879.	2 Piastres.	Nov.15.1878.	After hardening	Very dark print.
1902. ?	-	May 24.1901. blue in	After striking.	Clear dark print.
1902. ?	5 Piastres.	Aug.15.1904 blue in	Before striking.	A lighter print.
Jan. 1888.	10 Piastres.	Oct.20.1888.	Before hardening	A somewhat light print. Card bears manuscript H.G. in black ink.
Jan. 1888.	2 Mills.	July 22.1887.	Before hardening	Clear dark print.
Jan. 1888.	-	July 27.1887.	After striking.	Soft print.
?	4 Mills.	April 17.1899. in blue	Before hardening	Die never used. background on left of pyramid shaded.
?	-	April 18.1899. in blue	After hardening	- - - - -
1906.	-	Sept.19.1906. in blue	Before hardening.	No shading on left of pyramid.
1906.	-	June 9.1909. in blue	After striking.	Bearing manuscript initial in pencil, L.M. 8/6/09 on face of card.
1888.	5 Mills.	July 26. 1887.	After hardening.	In black ink manuscript at foot of card " 2nd Die hardened".
-	-	August 2. 87.	After striking.	Clear dark print.
-	-	March 13.1891 in blue.	After striking.	Card bears manuscript H.G. in black ink.
?	5 Mills.	Aug.23.1906. in blue.	After striking.	Not very good. In pencil on front E.D.
?	-	July 1908 written in black ink	None.	A light print. Card bears M.S. "H.G." in black ink.

DE LA RUE DIE PROOFS on glazed cards ( 1878 - 1914 ) in the DANSON Collection. Contd. From Vol.II.

Issue.	Description	Dated.	State.	Comments. All theses proofs are in black.
?	5 Mills.	July 9. 1908. in blue	After striking.	A new Die. Card bears Manuscript H.G. in black ink
1914.	2 Mills.	None.	None.	Upright on card.
-	3 Mills	See remarks		In manuscript ink "After striking, July 11th 13. W.N."
-	5 Mills.	See remarks		In manuscript ink "After striking, July 11th 13. W.N."
-	-	Sept. 17.1913. in blue	After striking.	Clear and dark.
-	10 Mills.	See remarks		In manuscript ink "After striking, July 9th 13. W.N."
-	-	-	-	In manuscript ink "After striking, July 14th 13. W.N."
-	-	3/2/21 in pencil.	Before striking.	A new Die for Harrison's printing.
-	-	3/2/21 in pencil.	After striking.	Very clear and sharp.
-	20 Mills.	July 11.1913.	Before hardening.	Very clear and sharp.
-	-	Aug.25. 1913. in blue	After striking.	In manuscript ink, W.N.
-	50 Mills.	July 28. 1913. in blue	Before hardening.	Fine clear print.
-	-	Aug.25. 1913. in blue	After striking.	In manuscript, W.N.
-	100 Mills.	None.	None.	Not very deep.
-	-	Sept.12.1913. in blue	Before striking.	Clear and dark.

DE LA RUE DIE PROOFS on glazed cards ( 1878 - 1914 ) in the DANSON Collection. Contd. From Vol.II.

Issue.	Description	Dated.	State.	Comments. All theses proofs are in black.
1914.	100 Mills.	Sept.17.1913. in blue	After striking.	Clear and dark.
Postage Due 1889.	2 Mills.	Oct.24.1888.	After hardening.	"Before hardening" erased in ink. Manuscript H.G. in black ink on front.
Feb.1.1907.	Key Plate.	Oct.3.1895. in blue.	None.	Die proof for the Key Plate of the unissued pictorial series. Cleopatra reclining on a couch with Nile, part of an ancient boat and pyramids in background.

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New Members of the Circle.

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