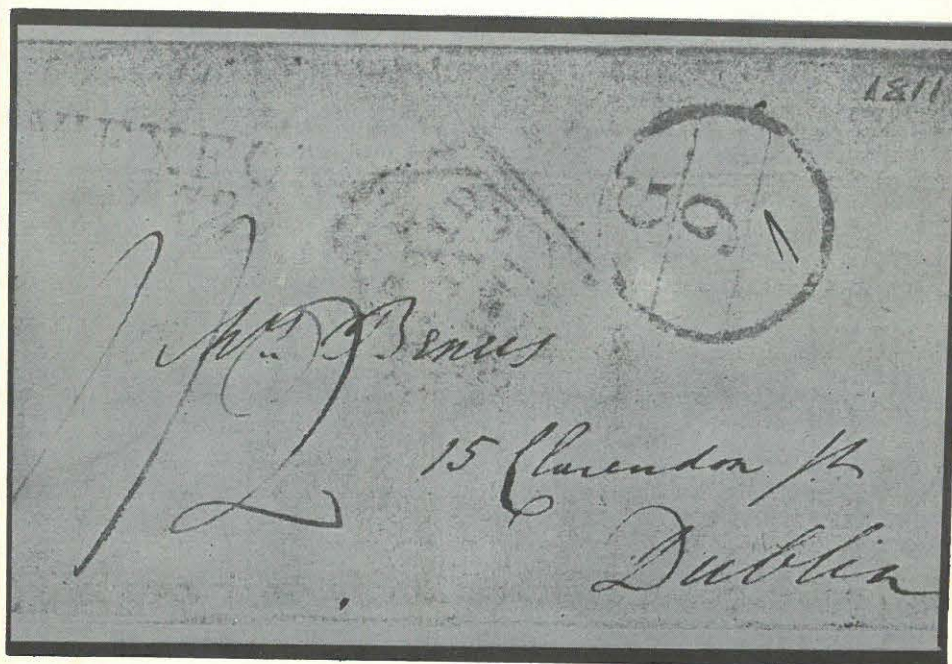


D.F. Newsletter

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1811 — An intriguing cover.



Entire from Wexford to Dublin, Wexford Mileage and Mermaid Paid. Rated 1/2. Curious "G/9" in three part circle, red "1" entered in MS. More curious in that the mark is in almost exactly the same ink as the mileage mark. The writer of the letter complains about secondhand pianos and encloses a loan of £5. Could this be an early money letter marking?

BY SUBSCRIPTION

D.F. Newsletter

EDITORIAL

As you may have gathered we have always advocated that the only successful investors in stamps have been collectors to whom financial gain has been a secondary consideration. There is little doubt that stamps of value have at least kept pace with inflation as far back as one can remember. But investors and speculators have never seemed to be able to grasp the basic fact that stamp collecting is a hobby, not a stock market. Some will recall the Shanahan scheme of the 1950's and the speculations that precipitated the enormous crash of modern GB in 1967-68. When stamps become priced out of proportion to their rarity or availability, collectors, being a shrewd lot in general, refuse to buy.

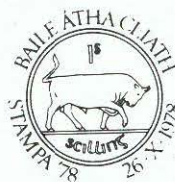
Still, it is not surprising that people have little confidence in money in these inflationary times. Collectables have become fashionable to "invest" in, the argument being put forward that they are not subject to inflation. So it comes as a welcome breath of fresh air among the idiotic "Stamps lick inflation" headlines to see an intelligent reply to an enquiry about stamp investment for the non-philatelist. We noticed this in the "Guardian" newspaper; the writer wondered whether the long term (15 – 20 years) purchasing of GB First Day Covers, for his grandchildren, would prove to be a good investment. The reply, in summary, stated that this would not be a good idea – "It is unwise for investment purposes to go in for stamp collection unless you are prepared to know the subject thoroughly. You might start it as a hobby and work it up, collecting groups, rather than oddments . . . but, unless you are going to have pleasure as well, it might be better to think in terms of more conventional money markets."

Good advise. No one invests money in a racing car unless he derives some pleasure from organisation and wins; he treats it as a hobby.

On the same day, we saw a completely opposite viewpoint on First Day Covers, a letter from the Irish Post Office officials journal. A certain lady had extreme difficulty in choosing appropriate Christmas gifts for her nieces and nephews. She arranged to have the Bureau send First Day Covers to each of them. The idea was received with great enthusiasm and the arrival of the postman is much looked forward to. Two have begun collecting stamps seriously, and in one instance the mother of one of them has started collecting.

D MacD.

Below are the 4 postmarks used at Stamp '78.



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OUR REF.

YOUR REF.

In the event of the continuation
of the post office dispute (We
suspect it may continue until
July) mail should NOT be
addressed to our Dublin office
but to

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c/o BELFAST STAMP SHOP

19 SKIPPER STREET

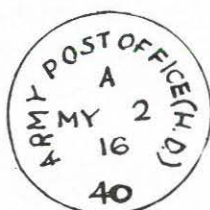
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NORTHERN. IRELAND.

BRITISH FORCES POST OFFICES IN IRELAND

1916 Rising:

The Easter Rising of 1916 and the occupation of key positions in Dublin by the insurgents necessitated the reinforcement of the British Garrison in Dublin. Troops from the Curragh Camp were brought to Dublin, in addition to the 59th Division which landed in Ireland on the day following the Uprising. Army Post Offices were set up to handle forces mail and are known used from May to August 1916.



DUBLIN

Army Post Office H.D./D14

Army Post Office H.D./40

Army Post Office H.D./41

Army Post Office H.D./42

All in black.

May 1916 to August 1916 59th Division H.Q.

May 1916 to August 1916 176th Brigade.

July 1916 177th Brigade

May 1916 to July 1916 178th Brigade.

1920 – 1923 "Troubles." Pre-civil war and civil war period.

The first Dail (Parliament of Ireland) was convened in Dublin on January 21st 1919. From that date until mid-1923 fighting between extremist groups and Government Forces grew steadily worse, ending in a civil war declared by the I.R.A., who had taken control of most of the province of Munster. British troops bore the responsibility for keeping law and order in Ireland, in the South until the Free State Army took over in mid-1922 and in Northern Ireland until the end of the Troubles in 1923. Army Post Offices operated between December 1920 and March 1923.



BALLYKINLER CAMP

Field Post Office/5

March 1922

16th Brigade



BELFAST (APO1)

1. Field Post Office/D41
2. Field/10/Post Office
3. Field/10/Post Office
4. Field Post Office/10

January 1923-March 1923
August 1921-November 1921
December 1921
December 1921-February 1923

1st Division



BUTTEVANT (BALLINVONEAR CAMP)

1. Field Post Office/7

January 1922



CORK (APO 3)

1. Field Post Office/T29

January 1921-March 1922

6th Division



CURRAGH CAMP (APO 2)

1. Field Post Office/3K

September 1921-May 1922

5th Division



DERRY

1. Field Post Office/9

September 1922

18th Brigade



DUBLIN (GENERAL HEADQUARTERS APO 4)

1. Field Post Office/W16

December 1920-October 1921

2. Field Post Office/D41

November 1921-December 1922



DUNDALK

1. Field Post Office/202

September 1921-December 1921

26th Brigade



FERMOY

1. Field/8/Post Office

March 1921-July 1921

16th Brigade

2. Field/8/Post Office

September 1921-October 1921

3. Field Post Office/8

November 1921-January 1922



LIMERICK

1. Field/9/Post Office
2. Field/Post Office 9

August 1921
January 1922

18th Brigade



NEWTOWNARDS

1. Field Post Office/202

June 1922-March 1923

26th Brigade

Military Camps in Ireland during the First World War using distinctive postmarks.

Ballinvonear Camp Buttevant	DR	Cork
Ballykinler Camp	SR	Down
Clandeboyne Camp	SK	Down
Coolmoney Camp	SK	Wicklow
Curragh Camp	SR,DR,SK	Kildare
Finner Camp, Ballyshannon	SR	Down
Glenmaal Camp	SR	Wicklow
Glenmaal Artillery Camp	SR	Wicklow
Kilbride Camp	SR, SK	Wicklow
Kilworth Camp	SR	Cork
Lisnagar Camp	SK, TR	Cork
Moore Park Camp (Kilworth)	SK	Cork
Shanes Park Camp	SK	Belfast

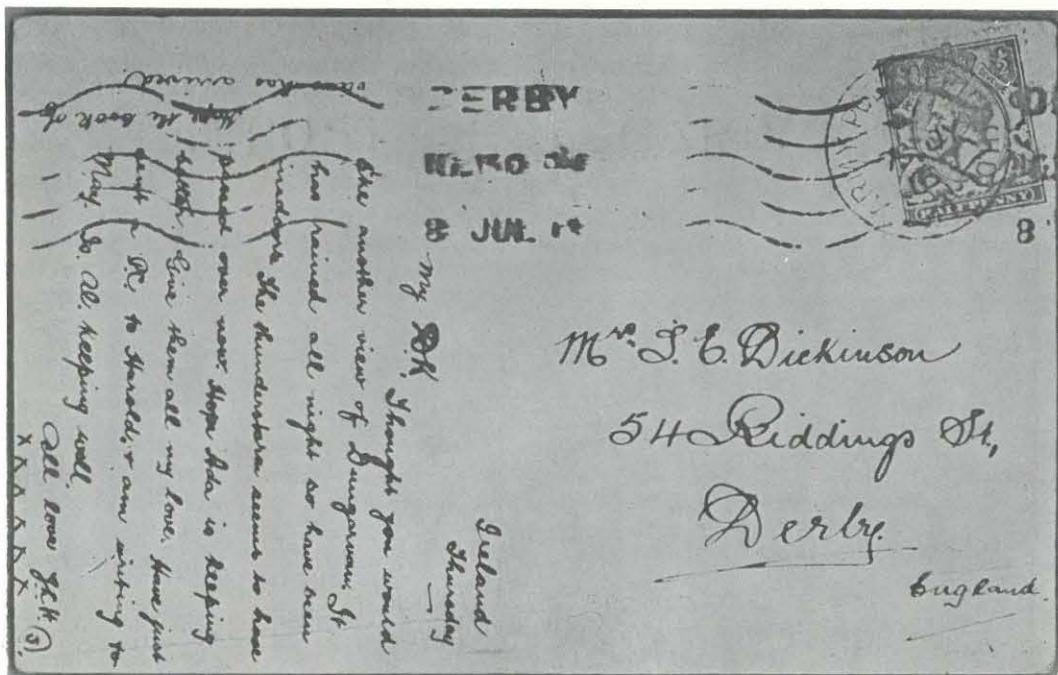
SR = Single Ring Type

DR = Double Ring Type

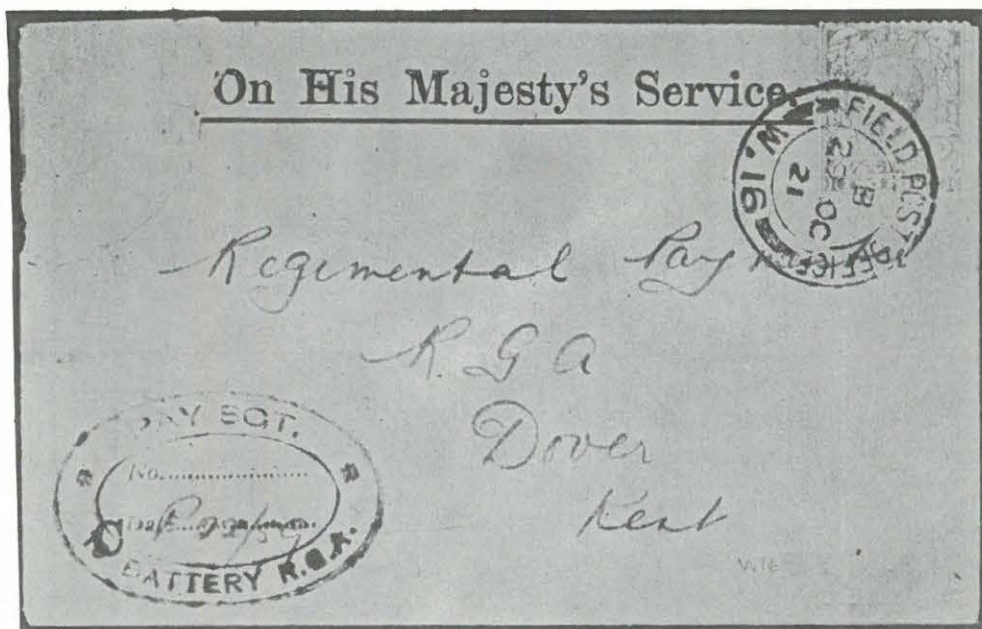
SK = Skeleton Type

TR = Temporary Rubber Type

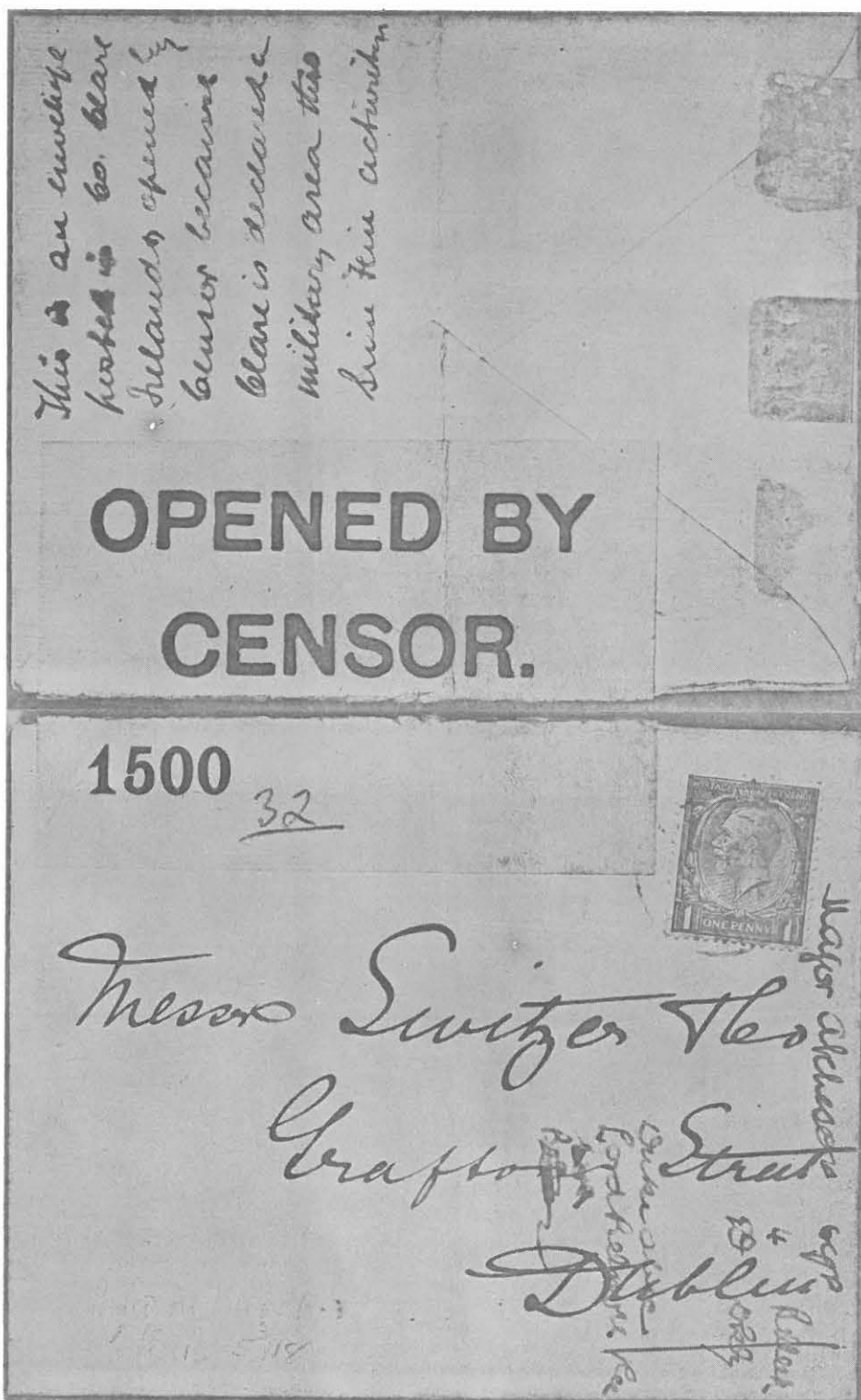
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1916 Army Post Office (H.D.) 41 Dublin GHQ during and after the Easter Rising 1916.



1921 Field Post Office/W16, Dublin GHQ, cancelling 2d on OHMS envelope to Dover with Pay Sergeants' cachet.



1918 PASSED BY CENSOR

This is an unusual item. Posted in Knock March 4th 1918, and addressed to Dublin, the letter was opened and read by a censor, label attached OPENED BY/ CENSOR/1500. An endorsement on reverse reads "This is an envelope posted in Co. Clare, Ireland opened by Censor because Clare is declared a military area thro' Sinn Fein activity."

FORE-RUNNERS PROOFS AND ESSAYS

Forerunners

1865-67 Fenian 1c black on green, unused with good margins, rare. DF L1	£900
— 3c green unused with good margins DF L2	£600
— 24c green, unused, fresh example. DF L3.	£700
— 24c black, the 1893 reprint	£30
— 1c to 24c, reprints and forgeries, all unused; 1c (1), 3c (2), 24c (6)	£150
1893 Erin go Bragh 1d green reprint, unused, DF L6	£35
1893 Colonial key plate 4d SLIGO, "used", very rare. DF L10	£475
1907-16 Sinn Fein green and black, perf II, mint o.g. DF L11a.	£25
— ditto, part o.g. DF L11a	£20
— blue and black, imperforate proof, corner marginal, scarce.	£115
— ditto, perf II, unused. DF L12a.	£5
— ditto, postally used, cancelled May 1908. DF L12a	£20
1907-16 Sinn Fein broad crown roulette, unused o.g. DF L13.	£40
— perf II Tete-Beche in block of four, o.g., rare. DF L13b	£350
— perf II unused. DF L13a	£15
— perf II unused marginal block of four, one with small thin, fresh. DF L13a	£60
— narrow crown perf II, mint marginal block of four, slight crease. DF L14a	£45
— narrow crown perf II, used ms cancel. DF L14a	£10
1912 Imperial Union 1d green, imperf on card, fine. DF L17	£30
— 1d dull orange, unused. DF L18	£35
1914 Anti-Home Rule "Patriots" 1d orange, unmounted mint. DF L25	£70
— "South Belfast" 1/- red, unused marginal. DF L26	£70
— "South Belfast" 1/- red, mint strip of 4, scarce. DF L26	£350
— "South Belfast" 1/- red, mint block of 12, slight faults, rare. DF L26	£500
1916 Manchester Martyrs, mint o.g., stains. DF L27	£12
— se-tenant pair, mint o.g. DF L27	£50
1922 Unissued Republican 1d perf II, mint strip of 4, creases. DF L37	£125
— 1d perf II, mint block of 20 showing the six transfer types, slight faults, rare. DF L37	£650
— 2d perf II, mint o.g. DF L38	£45
— 2d perf II, mint o.g. slight crease. DF L38	£30
— 6d perf II, mint o.g. DF L39	£40
— 6d on laid paper, unused. DF L43	£28
1922 White Cross set in sheets, mint. DF L44-45	£200

Proofs

1922 Dollard 5-line black proof, vertical pair, signed. DF PR2	£16
— black proof, horizontal pair, unsigned. DF PR2	£15
— black proof, block of 8 from the defaced plate. DF PR2	£55
— red proof, block of four, signed. DF PR3	£25
— red proof, horizontal pair, signed. DF PR3	£12
— red proof, block of four, unsigned. DF PR3	£25

— red proof, horizontal block of 18, signed. DF PR3	£110
— red proof on ½d with rubber stamp, unmounted mint. DF PR4	£70
— red proof on ½d with rubber stamp, fine mint. DF PR4	£58
— red proof on ½d, unstamped, fine mint. DF PR4	£48
— red proof on ½d, unstamped, fine mint marginal pair. DF PR4	£125
— red proof on ½d, unstamped, fine mint marginal block of four. DF PR4	£240
— red proof on ½d, unstamped, used, crease. DF PR4	£40
1922 Thom 5-line black proof, unstamped, block of six. DF PR6	£40
— block of 42, one row creased, scarce. DF PR6	£200

Essays

1922 Dollard Engraved, set of 4, fine unused. DF 1E	£300
— 2d green, fine unused. DF E1	£75
— 2d indigo, fine unused. DF E1	£75
1922 Dollard monocolour, mint set of 15 listed colours. DF 2E	£225
— 2d grey-green, fine mint. DF E8	£18
— 2d orange, fine mint. DF E10	£18
— 2d yellow-orange, fine mint. DF E11	£18
— 2d claret, fine mint. DF E14	£18
— 2d blue, fine mint. DF E17	£18
1922 Dollard bicolour, set of 23 listed colour, mint or unused. DF 3E	£395
— 2d orange and grey, fine mint. DF E20	£20
— 2d blue and brown, mint block of 4 DF E30	£80
1922 Valdivia 2d slate green, imperf., fine mint. DF E43a	£30
— 2d red brown, imperf., unmounted mint. DF E48	£30
— 2d red brown, imperf., mint corner block of 4. DF E48	£120
— 2d indigo, imperf., fine mint. DF E49a	£30
— 2d grey-brown, imperf., mint corner block of 4. DF E51a	£125
— 2d bright blue, imperf., mint, slight thin. DF E52a	£12
1922 O'Loughlin ½d yellow, imperf., fine mint. DF E85	£18
— ½d yellow, imperf., mint block of 4. DF E85	£65
— ½d lemon, imperf., fine mint. DF E87	£17
— ½d lemon, imperf., mint pair. DF E87	£35
— ½d lemon, imperf., block of 6 very slight faults. DF E87	£80
— ½d green, imperf., fine mint. DF E89	£17
— 2d yellow, imperf., fine mint. DF E92	£18
— 2d lemon imperf., fine mint. DF E93	£18
— 2d lemon, imperf., mint block of 4. DF E93	£65
— 2d green, perf., fine mint. DF E94	£20
— 2d green, perf., unused block of 4 DF E94	£85
— 2d chestnut, imperf., fine mint. DF E96	£35
— 7d yellow, imperf., fine mint. DF E97	£20
— 7d lemon, imperf., fine mint. DF E98	£20
— 1/- yellow, imperf., fine mint. DF E100	£20
— 10/- lemon, imperf., o.g. DF E104	£20
— 1d 3d. 5d. reprinted die proofs in black.	£125
1922 Pictorial 1d sepia, imperf., fine mint. DF E107	£200
— 1d emerald, perf., fine mint. DF E108	£200

STAMPA '78

STAMPA '78 was officially opened by the Minister of State for Posts and Telegraphs Mr. Fitzpatrick T.D., at a reception on Wednesday, 25th October. Mr. Fitzpatrick praised the quality of the exhibits and the work that had gone into making the Exhibition so successful. He thanked STAMPA for the benefits brought to his Department, such as increased philatelic sales and the valuable exchange of views on philatelic services and policies. The Minister then outlined his Department's 1979 Stamp Issuing Programme, details of which appear elsewhere.

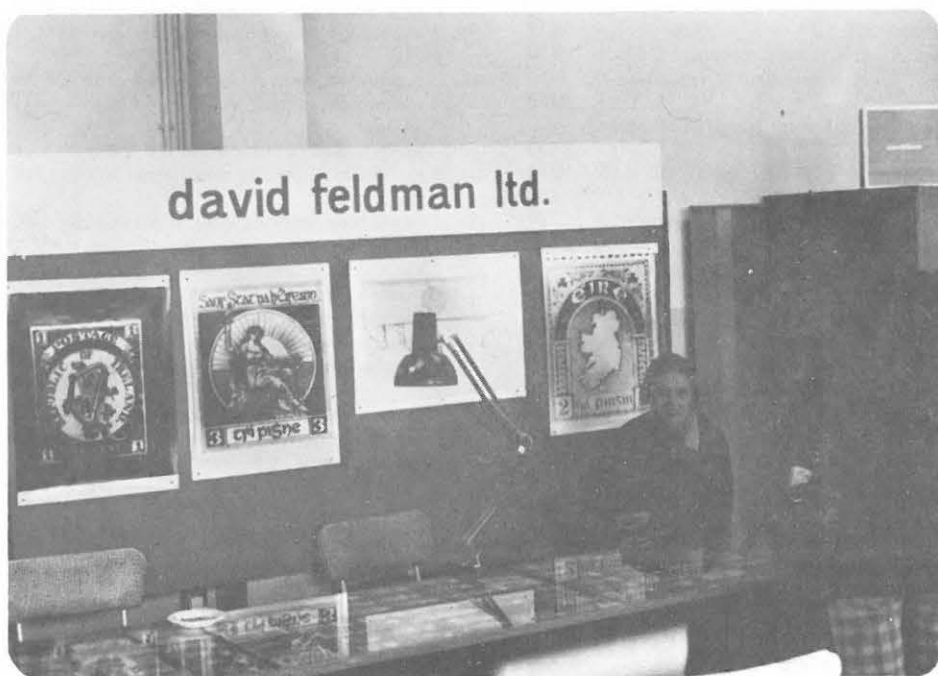
STAMPA '78 had a mixed reception. Publicity in the national media was noticeably lacking this year, a direct result was a reduced attendance figure of about 2,200 as opposed to 3,000 in 1977 and 3,800 in 1976. Paid advertising was as good as last year but perhaps the lack of a 'star item' — such as 1977's 'inverted swan' — was the reason for not attracting the attention of the newspapers and television.

The standard of the exhibits was generally felt to be excellent and the Jury, composed of Dr. J. Mackey FRPSL, Seamus Kearns and A. L. Stokes had a difficult task in distributing the medals, which are limited to a specific number. A full list of the award winners appears at the end of this report.

In addition to the competitive exhibits Mr. Stokes and Dr. Mackey provided Hors Concours exhibits of Irish Postal History 1916 — 1925 and Saxony respectively.

The Post Office put on a fine display as usual, with the co-operation of the Revenue Stamping Branch. This exhibit included progressive colour proofs and original artwork of the Flora issue and a complete uncut sheet of the 7p booklet panes. Peter Fitzgerald photographed the latter, and Brian Warren and Eddie Fitzgerald are currently working on the plating of the panes, a task Eddie has been working on for nearly a year now.

For the second year running the National Museum exhibited from its collection. Of special interest were the complete uncut printers' sheets of booklet panes of GB. Edward VII ½d and 1d. These show that the panes were printed *tete-beche* thus providing equal quantities of inverted and upright watermarked panes. Also on show were plates used to print Victorian issues of Dominica and Antigua.



Stampa '78 — the DF stand during a lax period.

STAMPA '78 AWARDS

THE DAVID FELDMAN TROPHY FOR THE BEST OVERALL EXHIBIT: William Kane's 'Postage Due.' Also awarded a Silver Medal.

SILVER BRONZE: Oswald Baillie's '1929 P.U.C. Issue'; Fred E. Dixon's 'Irish Postal History'; G. F. Gillespie's 'The Irish Coil Issues.'

BRONZE: Dr. C. I. Dulin's 'The Saorstat Overprints' (with Felicitations); Geoffrey McAuley's 'The Liberation of Czechoslovakia' (with Felicitations); P. D. Fitzgerald's 'Varieties on British Stamps'; Michael B. Phelan's 'Irish Coils'; Norah K. Wright's 'Perfins.'

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT: G. Brady, J. Brinkloe, 'T. L.' J. Fletcher, J. B. R. Murray, G. K. Powers, J. G. Lennon.

1979 STAMP PROGRAMME (revised dates and denominations provisional).

Mar. 23rd World Cross Country Championships — 8p.

Centenary of the death of Roland Hill — 17p.

May 9th First Direct Elections to the European Parliament — 10p, 11p

June 7th International Year of the Child — 10p, 11p, 17p.

July 5th Fauna and Flora — 8p, 10p, 11p, 17p.

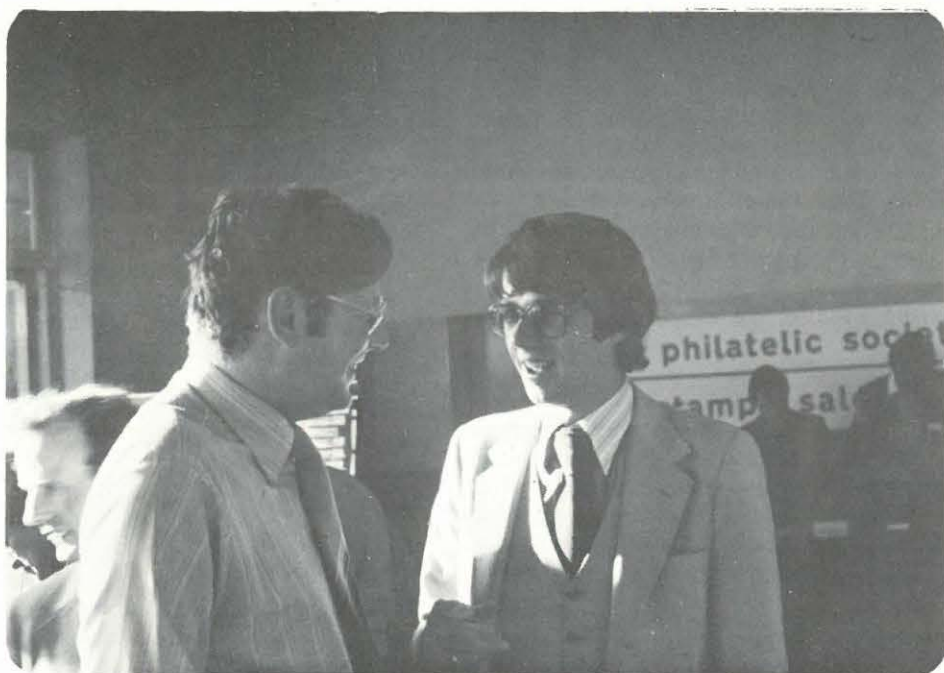
Aug. 27th Europa — 10p, 11p.

Oct. 1st Centenary of the Arrival in Ireland of the Hospitaller Order of John of God — 8p.

Contemporary Irish Art — 10p.
Energy Conservation — 11p.

Nov. 10th Centenary of the birth of Patrick Pearse — 10p.

Nov. 15th Christmas — 8p, 17p.



Stampa '78 — Peter McBride, Belfast Stamp Shop, and Ian Whyte, secretary, very happy with the weekend, the latter especially so.

IRISH COILS

Lt. Comdr. F. C. Godfrey of Kent is an enthusiastic student of Irish definitives and some unanswered questions regarding the 1935 series prompted a series of enquiries which has yielded some very valuable information.

The most important discovery is the final proof that D4cii — 1935 2d perf. 15 x imperf was definitely not a special issue to the Dublin Gas Company. Lt. Comdr. Godfrey has a letter from H. H. Lewis the chief cashier of the Alliance Consumers & Dublin Gas Company which states inter alia "when I joined the staff of the Gas Company in October 1934, one of my duties was to act as relief in the Cash Office during Holiday or Illness periods. Our assistant secretary at that time visited a Trades Fair in Liverpool and returned with 2 "gadgets" for moistening and dispensing stamps for application to receipts over £2.00. These devices required stamps in roll form and arrangements were made with the G.P.O. to convert ordinary sheets of 2d stamps into rolls — joined horizontally at every 12th stamp. Green "leaders" and "ends" (about six inches long) were incorporated and the stocks of these "paste-up rolls" was held at the Sub Post Office in Coleman's shop in Westmoreland Street where I personally procured them for the Chief Cashier. The use of these rolls was strictly confined to the Cash Office for receipting purposes only. All our normal mail was processed through a franking machine. Subsequently, as a further safeguard against any of these stamps being used postally, the stamps were overprinted in red with the Company's name."

So ends the myth of the so called Gas Company Stamp.

Another very interesting point arises from a letter from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs stating that the coil rolls of 1922-68 definitive series reeled sideways (horizontal) were never available from the Post Office Machines for the use of the general public. All coils reeled thus were only available for Private companies operating within the State. The letter goes on further to state that there was a limited demand for the 1d coil and after 1941 no further coils were issued in that denomination. This explains the relative scarcity of the 1d horizontal coil with E watermark.

Doubt is also thrown on the existence of the 3d watermark SE from coil machines, although numerous collectors have coil joined pairs. Obviously proof of the existence would have to be in the form of a coil leader and we would appreciate hearing from anyone who possesses such an item in their collection.

We are deeply indebted to Lt. Comdr. Godfrey for this most useful information which will be incorporated in the next edition of our catalogue.



POSTAL STATIONERY

Although special printings of the current GB 5d registered envelope were made in green for use in Ireland and appeared in 1922, there seems to have been no obligation to use the special Irish type. Above is a cut out of a 5d red registered envelope used with 1½d Thom from Waterford dated 7th Dec. '22.



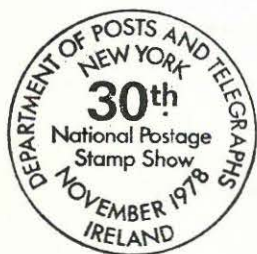
Mr. Zachariasen of Denmark has shown us the above photocopy of the 7p postage due with a "Bullet Hole" variety and wonders if any reader has the same variety.



Flowers

The flower issue in June was issued in various cylinders, the list as follows:
 8p — 111111, 222222, 10p — 11111, 21111, 32222, 11p — 1111, 17p — 1111 (top left), 11111 (bottom right).

These cylinders appeared in both the Top left and Bottom right. The complete set of 14 blocks available at £25 per set. WANTS LISTS INVITED FOR INDIVIDUAL BLOCKS.



CHRISTMAS

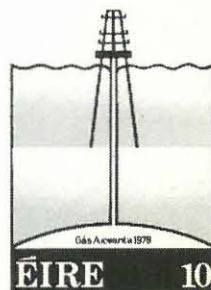
At a recent A.S.D.A. show in New York, where the Irish Post Office were attending a special postmark and cachere were used on First Day Covers which were only available at the exhibition.

A limited number of these covers are available at £2 each.



MOTHER McAULEY

These stamps appeared in cylinders both top left and bottom right. 11111, 11112. Cylinder one is darker in impression than cylinder two.



GAS

This stamp appeared in 3 cylinders both top left and bottom right. 111, 112, 122.

The complete set of 6 blocks available at £7.50 per set. WANTS LISTS INVITED FOR INDIVIDUAL BLOCKS.

At a recent B.P.E. exhibition in London, where the Irish Post Office were attending, a special postmark and a cachet were used on First Day covers which were available only at the exhibition.

A limited number of First Day Covers are available at £1 each.



IRELAND

List of Agents entitled to sell "Sinn Fein Stamps." Exact date and origin unknown 1908? Extract from Irish Press.

COMHARTHA NA hEIREANN (The Irish Stamp)

The following agents have been appointed for the sale of the Irish stamps.

DUBLIN

Miss Maher, Georges Quay.
Mr. John Flood, Grattan Crescent, Inchicore
Byrnes, 35 Upper O'Connell Street.
Whelan's, Lower Dorset Street.
O'Toole and Co., Charlemont Street.
MacDonnell's Camden Street.
Fitzpatricks, Wexford Street,
Russell's, (Hairdresser), South King Street.
Forestal's, 119 Cork Street.
"The Elm," 17 Elm Grove, Ranelagh.
Rooney's and Co., Rathmines Road.
Martin's, Clanbrassil Street.
O'Toole and Co., South Richmond Street.
Power's, Werburgh Street.
Tierney's, Lombard Street (Westland Row).
O'Toole's, Hamilton Row.
Tom Clarke, 55 Amiens Street.
Kelly's, 27 Thomas Street.
W.B. Coleman, Henry Street.
The Irish Art Companions, Clare Street.
J. Lacy, 1 Berkeley Road.
Emerald House, 25 Talbot Street.
O'Gorman's, 73 Meath Street.
Woodlocks Newsagency, Phibsboro.
Doyle's, Charlemont Street.
C. Holohan (Fruiterer) 175 James's Street.
P. Foley, 139 Capel Street.

OUTSIDE DUBLIN

Armagh — MacKernan's, Railway Terrace.
Armagh — Miss Duffy, 13 Thomas Street.
Athlone — T. Hogan, Church Street.

Bagnalstown — Prendergast, High Street.
Balbriggan — B. O'Hanlon, Dublin Street.
Ballaghaderren — O'Kelly's.
Belfast — Liam O'Duibhne, 97 Sraid na Dubhaigh.
Belfast — Butler's, Divis Street.
Borrisoleigh — Mrs. M. Gleeson, Tower Street.
Bray — Mrs. MacAuliffe, Main Street.
Castlebar — T.A. Wynne, Main Street.
Castleconnell — P. J. Magee, Castle Street.
Castleisland — M.D. Brosnan.
Castleisland — P. Buckley, Main Street.
Clones — Michael J. Kiernan.
Clonmel — Wm. MacEnery, 15 O'Connell Street.
Coalisland — Mrs. Herron, Railway View.
Cork — MacDonnell's, Mulgrave Road.
Derry — Messrs. O'Breslin and Co., 17 Carlisle Road.
Enniscorthy — W. Royce, 6 Slaney Street.
Ennis — J. P. Mackey, Church Street.
Enniskillen — A. Hynes, 13 Twonhall St.
Ennistymon — Miss MacCormack, The Hotel.
Ferns — Mrs. Scallan.
Glenarm — Hugh MacEvoy.
Galway — Leahy's, Williamsgate Street.
Gorey — P. Curran, Main Street.
Granard — S. MacAnshaighaidh.
Kilkenny — The Kilkenny People Office.
Killorglin — Wm. Crowley, Market Street.
Kiltyclogher — J. D. MacGriskin.
Limerick — S. O'Foghludha, 4 Rutland Street.
Manorhamilton — Thos. Loughlin, Main Street.
Manorhamilton — Dolan's.
Moate — Coughlan's.
Millstreet — T. O'Riordan.
Mullingar — Jas. Breet.
Newry — S. Ua Morganaigh, 7 Water Street.
Omagh — Jas. Nugent, 1 Bridge Street.
Omagh — White Bros., 30 Market Street.
Roscrea — Miss Butler, Rosemary Street.
Sligo — B. Whyte, 2 John Street.
Strokestown — P. Gannon, Corner House.
Strabane — John McDevitt, 26 Market Street.
Tubbercurry — M. Cooke.

Tralee — E. O'Conchubhair.
Tullamore — M. F. Gorry, Harbour Street.
Virginia — R. MacDonnell, Corner House.
Waterford — Geo. Bishop, 24 The Quay.
Wexford — Miss Malone, North Main Street.
Westport — Thomas Mulrone, Bridge St.
Whitehouse — L. Carolan.
Youghal — Rohan's, 6 South Main Street.

Cork and Kerry agents will get their supplies from:

C. T. Cullinan, "Southern Star" Office,
Skibbereen.

Wexford Agents can get their supplies from:
The "Echo" Office, Enniscorthy.

Liverpool — Paddy Murphy, 13 Scotland
Place.

Manchester — J. Barrett, 7 Liverpool Road,
Deansgate.

London agents can be supplied at:
Sheehan's Irish Industrial Agency, 26 Lud-
gate Hill, London E.C.

Chief Agent: J. Whelan, 17 Upper Ormond
Quay, Dublin 1.

Book Review

THE GERL DEFINITIVES

A specialised handbook of the definitive postage stamps of Ireland 1968-1978 by Brian Warren and Edward Fitzgerald (published by Ian Whyte) Price £1.90 (postage extra).

The first book of the study of the modern day definitives to be published. A 72 p.p. softback edition contains the information and findings which have been found up to the date of issue (October 1978).

The book is broken down into nine sections, L.S.D. issues, Decimal watermarked, Decimal unwatermarked, Coils, Booklet panes, Booklet, First Day Covers, Presentation Packs and Miscellaneous items.

In the sheet listings, different types of paper, gum differences are given separate listings. Prices are quoted throughout for singles, gutter pairs and cylinder blocks.

Varieties also listed and illustrated profusely. This reference book of modern definitives is strongly recommended to those who collect modern gums and papers.

NEW HIBERNIAN CATALOGUE HERE AT LAST

After a long delay, attributed to zinc corrosion and the usual printers' problems, the promised Hibernian catalogue has arrived. Hardcover, 120 pages, and priced at £4.80. It is attractively presented and printed on good quality calendered paper. Many of the major varieties are listed and illustrated.

For those of you who already have the 1972 specialised edition it may come as a disappointment to learn that the 1978 book is a much abridged version. The sections on First flights, special postmarks, slogans, regionals and other peripheral material have all been deleted. A pity, one feels, as these were very useful indeed. Perhaps the publishers felt that a delay of another few months to include these was not worth the effort. However, supplements are promised.

A nice volume, marred by a few glaring "gremlins" — wrong illustrations for overprints etc. which may well confuse the beginner, but will not matter to the specialist. It should sell well, but we can't help feeling that nearly £5 is a lot for what it has to offer.

KILOWARE

We notice that current European prices for Irish Kiloware range from £10 — £15 per kilo. We can supply a good "mission mixture" for £5 per kilo, plus P. & P.

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Mr. T. Hamilton of Sligo has kindly submitted details re the varieties he has found on the 1978 Europa 10p value

A Row	1/1	L. H. Bullet. Hole.	G	4/4	White. Lines.
B	1/10	L. H. Bullet. Hole.	H	5/3	Vertical. Brown. Lines.
C	2/2	L. H. Bullet. Hole.	I	5/10	Dot. under Europa.
D	2/8	R. H. Bullet. Hole.	J	6/9	Dot and Line under Europa.
E	3/4	L. H. Geese.	K	7/2	L. H. Bullet. Hole.
F	3/5	> under Eire.	L	7/10	Line under Cept.
			M	8/7	Birds. L. H. Chimney.

L. H. = Left Hand.
R. H. = Right Hand.



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