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Explanation of the format of this part of section I of the catalogue.

A typical catalogue entry is:-

94PH3 2.5.5.2.Duplex Jun.1862 Code Z
Stamp code L (Sep.1862 to Oct.1862)...Rarity G.....Price £7.

94PH3 This is the cancellation with the number 94 in the diamond.
It belongs to PH (Pearson Hill) group 3.

2.5.5.2.Duplex The killer part of the cancellation has two bars above and below the diamond and five bars at each side.

Jun.1862 Code Z The first Proof Book entry for this cancellation is in Jun.1862 with the stamp code Z.

Stamp code L These cancellations have a two part code, the first letter is particular to that handstamp the second is the day code.

(Sep.1862 to Oct.1862) These are the earliest and latest dates recorded for this cancellation

Rarity A..Common
B..Average
C..Not Common
D..Difficult
E..Scarce
F..Rare
G..Very Rare
H..Very few exist
G,P.O...Proof Book entry only

Price £7 This is the current price for a clean cover with no extra marks.

I have excluded any consideration of price from the Rarity index letter, the two must be kept separate.

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EXPERIMENTAL MACHINE CANCELLATIONS

These cancellations were used in a series of machines and mechanical aids to cancelling, introduced from November 1857 onwards. Their function was to speed up the handling of the mail and to increase the legibility of the cancellations. There has been some confusion in the literature due to the lack of evidence in the GPO records linking the postmark and the machine. When the officials were writing their minutes/notes etc. they rarely thought it significant to attach a copy of the postmark made by the machine in question. Even if they had done it is now missing from the file. All examples seen in the GPO records are mentioned below. I have not mentioned the "Creswells", as these were only inking pads, not machines, and had little influence in postmark design.

In outline, the early history of machines is of Pearson Hill patenting a large machine that was inferior to the subsequently introduced Rideout machine. Then by dint of copying Rideout and using other people's patents, i.e. Palmers Parallel Motion machine, Hill always managed to improve his machines to make sure they were accepted.

PEARSON HILL FIRST DESIGN

In his patent 1857 No. 832 dated 25th March 1857, Pearson Hill describes two machines for "stamping marking or printing and arranging papers letters". The important points from the patent description relevant to the cancellation are:-

1. Hill felt it was very important to postmark the stamp as well as the envelope to enhance legibility: "I also make the die with the whole design in duplicate, so that the design with the date may be legibly impressed upon the letter or envelope as well as upon the postage stamp which is obliterated or cancelled by it". This explains the design of PHT1, PHT2, PHT3 and PHT4.
2. Hill patented two machines. The postmark die is in three pieces on one machine and it appears to be in one piece on the other. The three part die was probably the one that was used as pointed out by F.M. Johnson and G. Homer Wooff in volumes 33 and 46 of the L.P.H.G. Notebook.
3. The machine continues to work even if there is no envelope placed beneath the die, thus the next six to eight envelopes placed there will pick up an offset on the reverse. "If the attendant omits to insert a letter at each stroke of the machine the die will print upon the pad or cushion and this impression will be transferred or will be set off upon the back of the next letter which is stamped". This explains the offset on the back of the envelope. Pearson Hill also suggested ways of avoiding this offset.

The chronology of the machine that produced the first four Pearson Hill cancellations PHT, 1-4 is:-

March 1857, Pearson Hill presented to the GPO a mock up of one of the two machines that he had patented.

April 1857, Mr Bokenham, Controller of Circulation Department, acting on Pearson Hill's suggestion, had a machine professionally made, copying Hill's wooden mock up. This was carried out by Messrs. Simpson supervised by Mr Cowper.

17th September 1857, PHT1 used.

21st September 1857, PHT2 was first used. Both Westley and Stitt Dibden suggest that PHT1 was produced by Pearson Hill's wooden mock up and that of PHT2 by the Cowper machine. This is unlikely and there is no documentary evidence for it.

12th November 1857, Pearson Hill wrote to say shortly after the Cowper machine had been completed, he had modified it so that the inking was done by a linen ribbon, rather than the original glue and treacle rollers.

5th December 1857, Mr Bokenham reported favourably on the machine. He also said "the amended machine now in the course of construction should be tried for several months". This amendment may well have been a system to prevent the offset on the reverse of the envelope. PHT3 and PHT4 both have no offset. In his patent, Pearson Hill said that the offset "may be prevented, if desired, by employing a long band of paper, or calico, or other suitable material, which passes over the pad and is shifted forward at each stroke, so as to carry away the printed portion and present a clean surface under the letter".

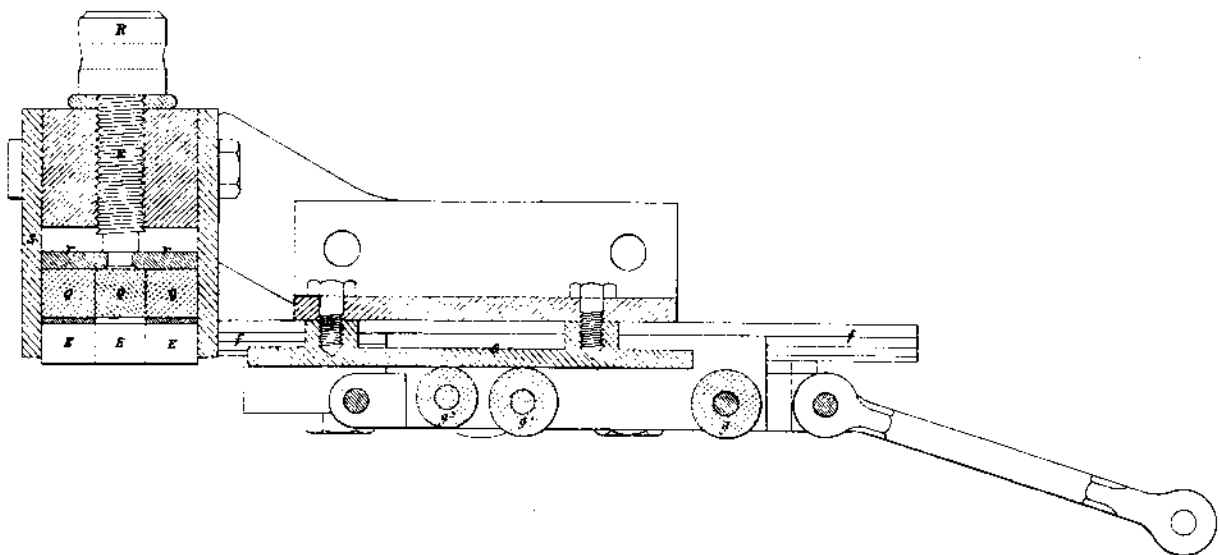


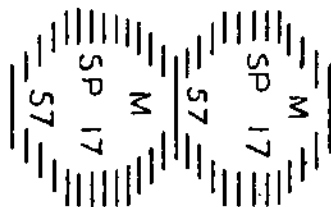
Fig. 1

Figure 1 is the postmark holding head from the Pearson Hill Patent. The significant parts are:-

- E - postmark die in three parts
- Q - rubber above the postmark die to allow the die to stamp thick and thin letters
- R - screw to keep the postmark die in place
- g - rollers covered with glue and treacle for inking

The relevant part of the patent application covering the postmark die is:-

"The die E is made in three pieces, as shown in Figure 5, having shoulders, which prevent them from falling out of their places. Three pieces of vulcanized caoutchouc Q are placed above them, and a metal plate R is pressed down on the caoutchouc by a screw R, which is capable of adjustment. The parts of the die can thus yield a little, so as to adjust themselves to the variable thickness of the letters. The number of parts into which the die is divided may be varied, and it may be made in one piece if preferred. S is a moveable plate or door, turning on a pin and secured by a spring catch. By unscrewing the screw R and opening the door S the dies may be removed and others substituted. The dies may be made with cavities for the reception of types for the date, or for other purposes, and which may be changed from time to time. I also make the die with the whole design in duplicate, so that the design with the date may be legibly impressed upon the letter or envelope as well as upon the postage stamp which is obliterated or cancelled by it. The pad or cushion on which the letter is placed maybe formed of or supported by a piece of vulcanized caoutchouc, or otherwise, rendered capable of yielding when the pressure becomes excessive. If the attendant omits to insert a letter at each stroke of the machine the die will print upon the pad or cushion, and this impression will be transferred or will set off upon the back of the next letter which is stamped. In the case of letters passing through the post this is of little consequence, but it may be prevented, if desired, by employing a long band of paper, or calico, or other suitable material, which passes over the pad and is shifted forward at each stroke, so as to carry away the printed portion and present a clean surface under the letter. This band may be wound upon one roller and gradually drawn off and wound upon another roller; or it may be a long endless band carried over rollers, and of sufficient length for the ink of each impression to become dry before it returns to the pad."



PHT1



PHT2

PEARSON HILL'S TWO DIES USED BEFORE RIDEOUT

PHT1 Westley Fig. 52 Dubus Type 1 Fig. 1 Alcock & Holland Fig. 1056
 Homer Wooff "M" cancel Stitt Dibden Fig. 1

No examples in the GPO records (17th Sep.1857) Two copies known on cover
and two on stamp Rarity G Price £5000

PHT2 Westley Fig. 53 Dubus Type 1 Fig. 2 Alcock & Holland Fig. 1055
 Homer Wooff "PH1" cancel Stitt Dibden Fig. 2

No proof Book entry - one example in Pearson Hill file (21st Sep.1857 to
17th Feb.1858). The code letter is A from Sep.1857 to Dec.1857 and then
it changes to:- A - Dec. 20, 22. Jan. 13. Feb. 8, 12, 17.

M - Jan. 14. Feb. 3, 10.

2 - Dec. 26. Jan 2.

3 - Dec. 26.

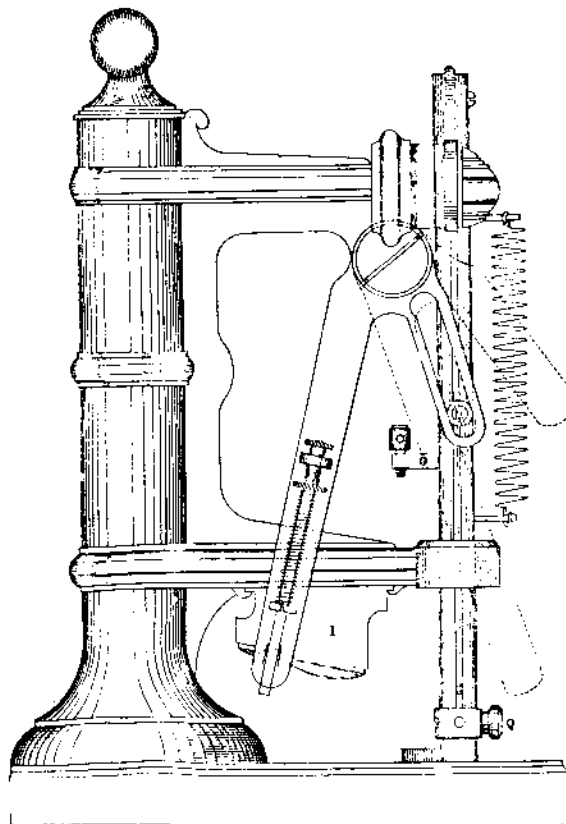
4 - Jan. 2.

Rarity D (cover) B (on stamp)

Price £750

RIDEOUT TRIALS

In January 1858, Charles Rideout, a former Surveyor in the Post Office,
presented a machine for testing. The machine illustrated below had been
patented by Mr Beard, Rideout's son-in-law, on 12th Oct.1857. Beard's
patent drawing is illustrated below:



I - The ink
pad

Q - Cancellation
die

The patent application states:-

"I, George Beard, of Pall Mall, in the City of Westminster and County of Middlesex, Gentlemen, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for "Improvements in Mechanism for Producing Impressions on Paper or Other Surfaces" to be as follows:-

This mechanism consists of a movable or other pad or pads, or inking cushion or cushions supplied with ink or coloring matter, a roller or rollers rubbing against the same and taking up the ink or coloring matter, and inking or coloring the impression, dye or type hereafter mentioned. This is worked by suitable mechanism in connexion with a piston or plunger, at the end or bottom of which is a frame or case containing the said impression, dye, or type. Motion may be communicated by the hand applied to a lever or by engine power.

By these arrangements a good impression or good impressions will be produced on the paper or other surface with certainty and celerity."

This machine gave the postmark R1, and was put into use on the 4th February 1858, the first recorded example is for the following day - 5th Feb. 1858. The machine was clearly superior to Pearson Hill's which by that time had been on trial for five months. On 22nd May 1858 John Tilley, the Assistant Secretary, asked Mr Bokenham to report on the merits of the Rideout machine.

"The results which have attended the trial are certainly very satisfactory, and it must be acknowledged that the machine is not only free from many defects discovered in other machines, but that it possesses advantages which enable it to have high consideration.

These advantages consist,

1st in a clear and distinct impression, superior to that generally obtained from handstamping.

2nd. The rapidity with which the operation of stamping can be performed, the average number of letters stamped per minute being about 160, with the single stamp, and 85 with the double stamp. These numbers form a higher average than can be shown by the working of hand stamps.

3rd. In simplicity of construction and facility of action. There is no elaborate or delicate machinery about it, such as would be likely soon to get out of order, and it can be used by inexperienced men.

The machine is fitted with a small lever which acts upon a central rod, driving it down upon the letters with such force as to impress the stamp into the paper. This arrangement is exceedingly simple, and forms one of the chief merits of the invention.

The principal defect in this machine appears to be an imperfect obliteration of the postage label, arising from two causes.

1st. The supply of ink to the obliterating stamp is not sufficient, as the impressions made by the stamp are often observed to present a faint greyish appearance.

2nd. As the stamper is unable to see the postage label at the moment of striking it, the obliterator sometimes falls on a portion only of the label, leaving it partially obliterated, and therefore liable to be used a second time as a pieced stamp. The machine is fitted with only one inking roller, which supplies the same amount of ink to the date stamp and the obliterator.

There are several minor points in which the machine may be altered with advantage, such as the lowering of the handle, and the removal of the projection at the lower part of the stem, which prevents large letters being conveniently placed under the stamp.

It must however be admitted that Mr Rideout's machine, taking it altogether, is superior to many which have been tried in this Department, and that he has succeeded in accomplishing some of the most important objects to be attained by machine stamping, but as it is probable other machines may be submitted, and as there are two now under trial in the office, I beg to submit that a fair opportunity should be afforded to ascertain the merits of these machines before the final decision in regard to Mr Rideout's invention is determined upon."

This report is dated Jun.1858. It had been prompted by the presentation in early May of Pearson Hill's Parallel Motion machine. After the report, Beard modified the machine producing R2 and indeed then built another machine using R3. The documentary evidence is the report of Boucher dated November 1859:-

"Since the report upon the first trial of the A machine was forwarded, Mr Rideout's son-in-law, Mr Beard, has visited this office for the purpose of inspecting its working, when an opportunity was taken by the practical officers of the department to point out some of its principal defects, and to suggest such alterations as were considered necessary. Mr Beard fully concurred in the propriety of adopting these suggestions and shortly afterwards submitted a machine altered accordingly, which is now at work, and is called the B machine. This has generally been considered a great improvement upon the one first introduced by Mr Rideout."

Single copies of the c.d.s. occur as backstamps. These will be described fully in a later publication.

R1A



Westley Fig. 58
Dubus Fig. 24
Stitt Dibden Fig. 4

2.8.7.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (5th Feb.1858 to 14th Oct.1858)
Code always HS Rarity A Price £50

R1B



Westley Fig. 59
Dubus Fig. 25
Alcock & Holland
Fig. 1001
Stitt Dibden Fig. 5

2.7.7.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (22nd Oct.1858 to Dec.1859)
I have two unconfirmed reports of dates 14th and 16th Oct.1858.
Code always HS Rarity A Price £50

R2A



Westley Fig. 60
Dubus Fig. 26
Stitt Dibden Fig. 6

2.5.5.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (27th Dec.1858 to 3rd Dec.1859)
Code CR Rarity A Price £50

R2B Duplex as above with RC code (9th Feb.1859 to 5th Jun.1859)
Code RC Rarity F Price £100

THE MANCHESTER TRIAL OF THE RIDEOUT

There is a strong possibility the Rideout machine was also tried in Manchester. Calvert in his "A History of the Manchester Post Office", pages 121 and 122, mentions the trial in early 1858 of the Beard Machine. The Post Office report at the end of the trial was dated 13th May 1858, so the timing was very similar to the London trial. Calvert also suggests the cancellation below was produced by the Beard machine.



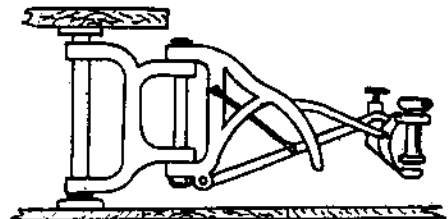
THE SECOND TRIAL OF BOTH MACHINES

The result of the Boucher report of the 28th November 1859 was the rejection of Rideout's two machines. He continued to press for further trials and in late 1866 both machines were tried again. This trial was again a failure although it did prompt Pearson Hill to produce his Pivot Machine.

R1C



PIVOT MACHINE



2.7.7.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (10th Oct.1866)
Code HS Rarity H Price £250

R2C



Westley Fig. 60
Dubus Fig. 26
Stitt Dibden Fig. 6

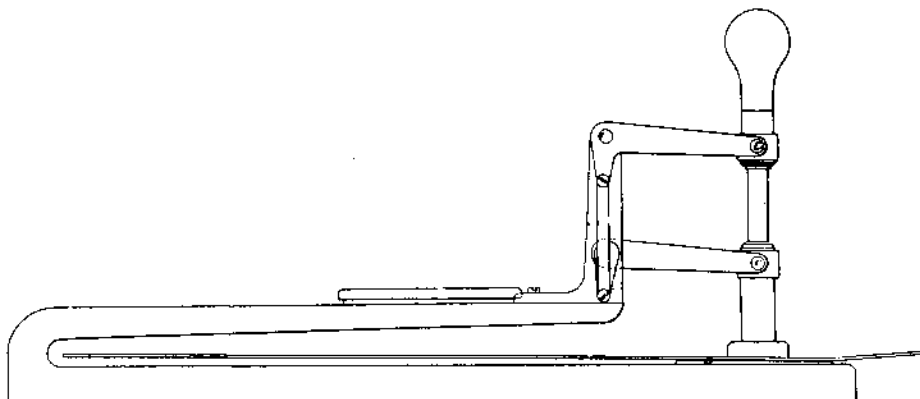
2.5.5.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (23rd Oct.1866 to 10th Jul.1867)
Code CR Rarity F Price £100

PARALLEL MOTION MACHINE OF PEARSON HILL

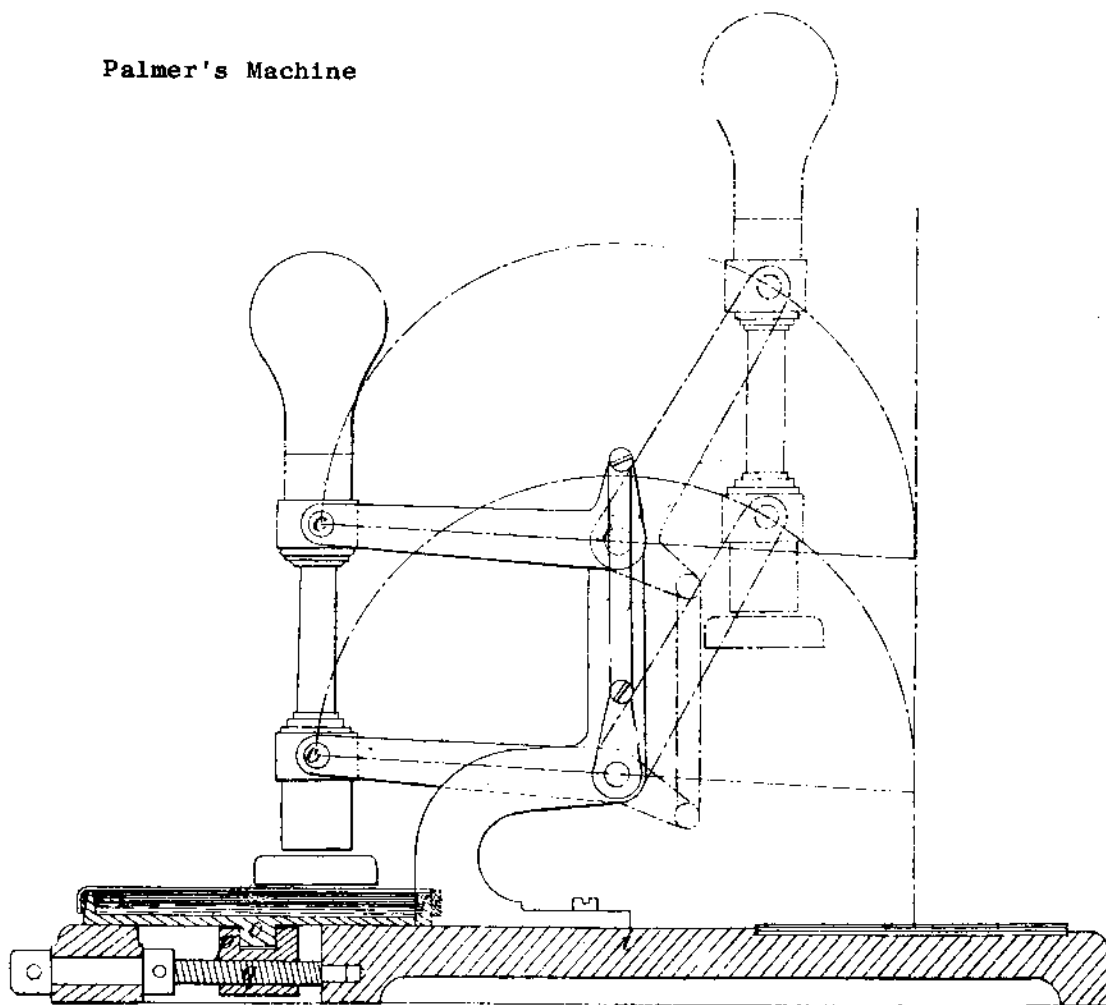
Pearson Hill introduced his new machine to the GPO in May 1858, i.e. 5 months after the trial of Rideout's machine. It was very much along the lines of Rideout's patent, rather than his own first design. The term "Parallel Motion" had previously been used in a patent granted to Henry Palmer of Lambeth in November 1857. Pearson Hill's machine was different, in that it had a roller to ink the die, as the Rideout did, rather than the direct application to an ink pad, as in the Palmer machine. It seems unlikely Pearson Hill would use the term "Parallel Motion" without previously having come to some arrangement with Palmer. The relevant sentence from Palmer's Patent 1857 No. 2814 is as follows:-

"For the purposes of this Invention I make use of a stem or handle, to which are jointed radius links or bars moving on fixed centres attached to the framing of the machine, and forming a parallel motion whereby the movement of the stem or handle is guided in such manner as to cause the surface of the stamp or die affixed thereto to meet the surfaces of the inking and stamping cushions in a perfectly parallel manner, thereby ensuring its whole surface receiving a due amount of ink or colouring matter, and transferring the same clearly and evenly to the paper or other surface to be stamped or endorsed."

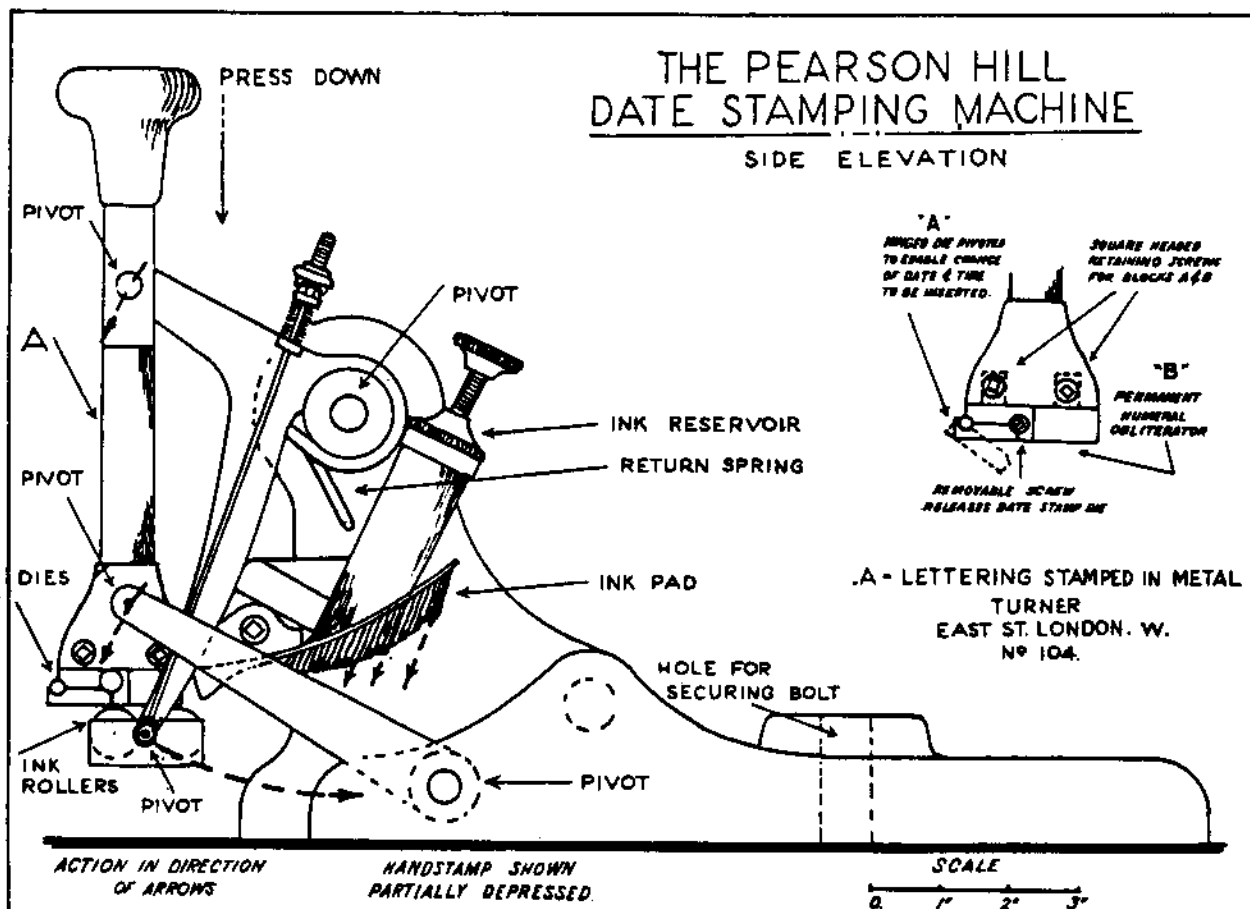
Two illustrations of Palmers Machine are shown below:-



Palmer's Machine



The best diagram of a Pearson Hill machine that I have found is in Calvert's "History of the Post Office in Manchester", page 133:-



Hill Claimed in May 1858 that his machine had the following advantages:-

1. the stamper never loses sight of the postage label
2. the machine has an arrangement for applying more ink to the obliterator than the datestamp so that a good obliteration is made and yet there is a tolerably dry date stamp
3. fresh ink can be driven into the pad easily
4. the hand movement is slight - about 1.5 inches - therefore great speed and little fatigue
5. the machine is portable and can be carried to any part of the office
6. it is easily stored under the stamping tables
7. the type can be easily changed

In Boucher's report of November 1859 the two Parallel Motion machines B & D are compared:-

"I think it right to call particular attention to the arrangement adopted in the D machine for supplying the dies with ink, this is effected by means of two rollers passing over the pad which contains the ink, but which are so arranged that only one passes over the date portion, while both pass over the cancelling portion of the stamp, the result of which is that while a neat and legible impression of the date stamp is secured, the cancelling stamp is fully charged with ink, and effectually obliterates the postage label. This arrangement does not exist in the B machine, and the impressions obtained from it are consequently not so satisfactory as those made by the D machine."

The following cancellations were used on Pearson Hill machines after the introduction of the Rideout. PHT3 PHT4 and PHT5 are all used before the May introduction of the Parallel Motion machine i.e. on the old machine. But with the change to no offset by the insertion of a calico band as previously described.

PHT3



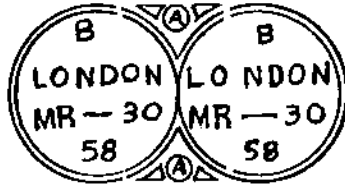
Westley Fig. 53
Homer Wooff Trial 1.

No Proof Book entry (8th Mar.1858 to 13th Mar. 1858)

This cancellation has previously been attributed to Creswell. There is no evidence for this. The code is in two parts the first C is the stamp code and the second is the day code. This is the precursor to the full A-Z less Q code of later cancellations. The codes recorded are 8th-CA, 10th-CC, 12th-CB and CC on the 13th. This gives an ABC daily sequence of codes. Single examples of this cancellation are known as backstamps.

Rarity F Price £1000 to £4000

PHT4



Westley Fig. 54
Dubus Fig. 3
Alcock & Holland
Fig. 1057
Homer Wooff PH2

No Proof Book entry (21st Mar.1858 to 23rd Apr.1858)

This has been give the sobriquet "Opera Glass". There is one record dated 13th Feb.1858 by Co. Crouch which I have ignored when placing PHT1 to PHT4 in chronological sequence. The code is always B.

Rarity E Price £2000-£4000

PHT5



Figured by
Johnson L.P.H.G.
Notebook Vol. 33
pp 6 & 7

5.11.11.5. duplex No Proof Book entry (23rd Mar.1858)

Homer Wooff L.P.H.G. Notebook Vol. 46 pp 16, 17, points out code CB fits in with the sequence established by PHT3 ending on CC on the 13th March for day codes. Only one example has been described by F.M. Johnson. This appears to be in sequence with the other Pearson Hill trials. Why number 3 was chosen is a mystery, because 2 was not used by Rideout until Dec.1858.

Rarity H Price Unknown

PHT6B



Westley Fig. 55
Dubus Fig. 4
Alcock & Holland
Fig. 1002
Homer Wooff PH3
Stitt Dibden 8

3.11.11.3. duplex No Proof Book entry (13th May 1858 to Dec.1858)

Stamp code B. Day codes A, B and C. Both the Stamp code and the Day code have been reported missing. Rarity C Price £50

PHT6A Duplex as above stamp code A.

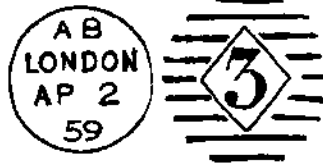
3.11.11.3. duplex Not in Proof Books (Jan.1859 to Apr.1859)

Stamp code A, day code B. This is a new die from PHT6B, the c.d.s. is 1.75 mm away from the bars and the serif of the 3 curves slightly inwards.

Rarity E Price £75

PHT7

14.5 mm wide
London



Westley Fig. 56
Dubus Fig. 5
Homer Wooff PH4
Stitt Dibden No. 8

2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (25th Mar.1859 to 20th May 1859)
Stamp code A. Day code B. PHT7 has thin bars and a broad flat top of the 3 which is half way between the 3rd and 4th bars. The base of the 3 is between the 6th and 7th bars. For other 3s see PHT8, 11, 13 and 17.

Rarity E Price £50

PHT8

16 mm wide
London



Westley Fig. 56
Dubus Fig. 5
Homer Wooff PH4
Stitt Dibden 9

2.5.5.2. duplex Not in the Proof Books (12th May 1859 to 31st Oct.1859).
A new die similar to PHT7 except for the width of London, although it does appear to overlap the period of use. Homer Wooff has suggested the change to full A-Z less Q day code started during the life of this cancellation, on the second anniversary of Pearson Hill's second cancellation PHT2. This appears to be true, however, as AB has been recorded for the 24th September, there were some exceptions after only 4 days of use. Homer Wooff has an example with the AB transposed to BA dated 12th Sep.1859.

Rarity C Price £30

PHT9



Westley Fig. 57
Dubus Fig. 6
Homer Wooff PH5
Stitt Dibden 10

3.5.5.3. duplex No Proof Book entry (24th Sep.1859 to 4th Feb.1860)
Thin bars, PHT14 and 18 have thicker bars. Stamp code B. Day code A-Z less Q.

Rarity C Price £50

PHT10



Homer Wooff PH6
Stitt Dibden 11

2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (24th Dec.1859 to 12th Jan.1860)
Stamp code A. Day code A-Z less Q. Rarity D Price £75

PHT11



Homer Wooff PH7

2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (27th Jan.1860 to 16th Feb.1860)
Stamp code A. Day code A-Z less Q. PHT7 and 8 have the top bar of the 3 between the 3rd and 4th bars. PHT11 has its parallel to the 4th bar. PHT13 has thicker bars than PHT11. The base of the 3 in PHT11 is close to the edge of the diamond. Rarity F Price £100

PHT12



Homer Wooff PH8

2.6.6.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (3rd Feb.1860 to 6th Feb.1860)
Stamp code B. Day code A-Z less Q. This has only been recorded on two stamps, no cover is known. It is the only 4 in this series with 6 bars at each side. Rarity H Price unknown

PHT13



Westley Fig. 74
Dubus Fig. 7
Homer Wooff PH9

2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (23rd Jan.1860 to 22nd Oct.1860)
Stamp code A. Day code A-Z less Q. Previous 3s had thinner bars. This cancellation with stamp code C has been placed in its chronological sequence as PHT17. Rarity B Price £30

PHT14



Westley Plate 3
Dubus Fig. 8
Homer Wooff PH10

3.5.5.3. duplex No Proof Book entry (17th Feb.1860 to 25th Oct.1860)
Stamp code B. Day code A-Z less Q. The B can frequently look like an E through wear. The same cancellation with stamp code D has been placed in its chronological position as 4PH2. All the previous 4's have thinner bars. Rarity C Price £30

END OF THE EXPERIMENTAL PERIOD WITH THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PEARSON HILL
MACHINE AND THE START OF ITS WIDESPREAD USE

On 28th November 1859 Mr Boucher reported on the results of the trial of Pearson Hill's and Rideout's machines. His designation of the machines on trial were A1, A, B, C and D. These were:-

- A1 - Pearson Hill's second machine made by Cowper
- A - Rideout's first machine
- B - Rideout's second machine
- C - Pearson Hill's Parallel Motion machine
- D - As above with new inking device.

In his report he says:-

"As sufficient time having been allowed for testing the merits of the Stamping machines invented by Messrs. P. Hill and Rideout, an opinion may now be formed of their relative values, and whether it is desirable to bring one of them into general use.

It will be necessary, in this respect, to refer to five machines, three invented by Mr P. Hill will be designated respectively A1, C and D, and those by Mr Rideout A and B.

Since the report upon the first trial of the A machine was forwarded, Mr Rideout's son-in-law, Mr Beard, has visited this office for the purpose of inspecting its working when an opportunity was taken by the practical officers of the department to point out some of its principal defects, and to suggest such alterations as were considered necessary. Mr Beard fully concurred in the propriety of adopting these suggestions, and shortly afterwards submitted a machine altered accordingly, which is now at work, and is called the B machine. This has generally been considered a great improvement upon the one first introduced by Mr Rideout.

The results which have attended the trial of both the A and B machines show that they possess many excellent qualities, and are superior to most inventions of their kind.

Mr P. Hill's large machine A1 has not been in use for some time, but I still adhere to the opinion expressed in a former report, that it was not capable of being worked at such a speed as would have justified the Department in incurring the expense of its general adoption, the inventor, however, overcame many difficulties never before surmounted, and rendered valuable assistance in pointing out what was really required, and this prepared the way for the construction of the C machine, which, in the simplicity of its arrangement, the cleanness and perfection of its impressions, and the rapidity with which it can be worked, surpasses every invention for stamping letters which has yet come under my notice.

The D machine is precisely similar in construction and arrangement to the former, the only difference being that it is more strongly made, and as the C machine was sent some time since to the manufacturer, as a pattern, the trial for superiority has been determined by the working of the B and D machines.

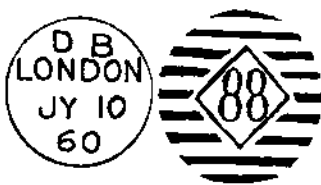
Looking at these most satisfactory results, I am of opinion that Mr P. Hill's machine is superior to Mr Rideout's and if the cost at which it can be supplied will justify such a course, I would recommend that it be brought into immediate use in the London Chief Office, and all the London District Offices. For this purpose about forty machines would be required."

As a result of this directive a series of cancellations were issued in the early 1860s. I have placed them in chronological order.

FIRST ISSUE OF POST EXPERIMENTAL PEARSON HILL CANCELLATIONS



87PH1

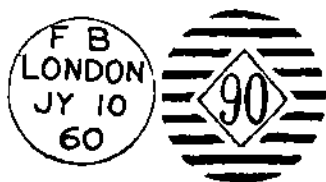


88PH1



89PH1

- 87PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 code C (Jul.1860 to Oct.1860)
Stamp Code C Rarity D Price £5
- 88PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 (Jul.1860 to Oct.1860)
Stamp Code D Rarity D Price £5
- 89PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 (Jun.1860 to Sep.1860)
Stamp Code E Rarity G Price £10



90PH1



92PH1



93PH1

- 90PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 (Jun.1860 to Oct.1860)
Stamp Code F Rarity C Price £5
- 92PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 codes A and G (Jul.1860 to Nov.1860)
Stamp Code G Rarity E Price £7
- 93PH1 2.5.5.2. duplex Jul.1860 codes A and H (Jul.1860 to Oct.1860)
Stamp Code H Rarity D Price £5

SECOND ISSUE OF NORMAL PEARSON HILL CANCELLATIONS

With the issue in Oct.1860 of numbers 1, 2, 5 and 6, in the same series at the end of 1860, all the stamp codes were changed. Numbers 3 and 4 were already in use from the old series and their codes were also changed. The stamp code started A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4, E-5, F-6, G-87, H-88, etc.



1PH2



2PH2



2PH2

- 1PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Oct.1860 (Nov.1860 to Mar.1863)
Stamp Code A Rarity A Price £5

2PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Oct.1860 code A, Feb.1861 code B (Jan.1861 to Aug.1863)
Stamp Code B Rarity A Price £5



3PH2



4PH2



5PH2

3PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 (1st Feb.1861 to 24th Jul.1863)
As PHT13 but with stamp code C. PHT13 and 3PH2 have thicker bars
than the preceeding 3s and the ends of the 5th bars are cut
diagonally. Rarity A Price £20

4PH2 3.5.5.3. duplex Feb.1861 (9th Mar.1861 to Jun.1863)
Stamp Code D. Day codes A-Z less Q. As PHT14 but with stamp
code D. Rarity A Price £20

5PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Oct.1860 code A, Feb.1861 code E. (Nov.1860 to
Jun.1863) Stamp Code E .. Rarity A Price £5



6PH2



87PH2



88PH2

6PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Oct.1860 code A, Feb.1861 code F. (Nov.1860 to
Jul.1863) Stamp Code F .. Rarity A Price £5

87PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 (Sep.1860 to Mar.1862)
Stamp Code G Rarity D Price £5

88PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 & Sep.1862 (Nov.1860 to Oct.1862)
Stamp Code H Rarity C Price £5



89PH2



90PH2



92PH2

89PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 & Sep.1862 (Nov.1860 to Oct.1862)
Stamp Code I Rarity D Price £5

90PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 & Sep.1862 (Nov.1860 to Jan.1862)
Stamp Code J Rarity D Price £5

92PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 (Jan.1861 to Aug.1862)
Stamp Code K Rarity D Price £5



93PH2

94PH2

95PH2

93PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 (Nov.1860 to Aug.1862)
Stamp Code L Rarity D Price £5

94PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 codes Z and M (Feb.1861 to Aug.1862)
Stamp Code M Rarity G Price £10

95PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 codes Z & N (Not recorded). Stamp code
N only seen on 94PH3. Rarity GPO



97PH2

101PH2

7PH3

97PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Feb.1861 codes Z and O (Feb.1861 to Nov.1861)
Stamp Code O Rarity G Price £10

101PH2 2.5.5.2. duplex Jun.1862 code Z (Jul.1862 to Sep.1862)
Stamp Code P Rarity G Price £10

THIRD ISSUE OF NORMAL PEARSON HILL CANCELLATIONS

7PH3 2.6.6.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (Feb.1862 to Mar.1862)
Stamp Code G. The c.d.s. varies from 19 mm to 22 mm in diameter.
Rarity G Price £100

The issue of 7PH3 changed the sequence of stamp codes and all numbers higher than 7 moved up one letter. So far the listing of the Pearson Hill cancellations has been chronological and numeric. The organised stamp code letter chronology breaks down in the period 1861 to 1863 and therefore I have placed all the various stamp codes under their relevant cancellation number and called them all the third issue.

The stamp codes which identify each handstamp present an interesting problem. A broad pattern has emerged as first sketched out by Rev. Jordan in a series of articles in the Philatelic Advisor from Jan.1952 onwards. However as more information is collected, the more exceptions there are. The basic system is outlined below:-

1. Numbers 3 and 4 had codes A and B during the period 1858 to mid-1860.
2. Numbers 87 to 93 were issued in mid-1860 with codes 87-C, 88-D, 89-E, 90-F, 92-G, 93-H and were in use until the end of 1860.
3. At the end of 1860 the cancellation numbering started with 1 when the issue of numbers 1, 2, 5 and 6 occurred. Thus:- 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D,

5-E, 6-F, 87-G, 88-H, 89-A, 90-J, 92-K, 93-L and then later 94-M, 97-N, 100-O, 101-P. It was the change that altered 3 and 4 from A and B, to C and D.

4. In early 1862 there was another change to accommodate 7PH3 code G. All numbers higher than 6 were shifted one place. Thus:- 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D 5-E, 6-F, 7-G, 87-H, 88-I, 89-J, 90-K, 92-L, 93-M, 94-N, 95-O, 97-P, 100-R, 101-S.
5. In early 1863, Dubus type 6, Inland Branch started to replace the previous types. The codes for type 6 are:- 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D, 5-E, 6-F, 7-G, 8-H, 9-I, 10-J, 11-K, 12-L, 13-M, 14-N, 15-O, 16-P, 17-Q, 18-R, 19-S.
6. As a result of Dubus type 6 being issued the rare examples of these early machine cancellations used after Jan.1864 have a different set of codes:- 88-E, 89-U, 90-X, 92-G, 94-V, 95-C, 100-S, 101-Z.



87PH3



88PH3



89PH3

- 87PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry (Feb.1862 to Dec.1863)
Stamp Code H Rarity E Price £5
- 88PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Two stamp codes:
Stamp Code I (May 1861 to Jan.1864)
Rarity B Price £5
Stamp Code E (Sep.1865 to Oct.1865)
Rarity G Price £7
- 89PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Two stamp codes:
Stamp Code J (Feb.1862 to Dec.1863)
Rarity D Price £5
Stamp Code U (Nov.1865 to Dec.1866)
Rarity G Price £7



90PH3



92PH3



93PH3

- 90PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Two stamp codes:
Stamp Code K (Mar.1862 to Oct.1863)
Rarity B Price £5

Stamp Code X (Mar.1862 to Aug.1866)
Rarity G Price £7

92PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Four codes.

Stamp Code K (Apr.1861) Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code O (Apr.1862 to Aug.1862)
Rarity G Price £7

Stamp Code L (Dec.1862 to Jan.1864)
Rarity D Price £5

Stamp Code G (Dec.1865) Rarity H Price £7

93PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Two stamp codes:

Stamp Code D (Jan.1862) Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code M (May 1863) Rarity H Price £7



94PH3

95PH3

97PH3

94PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Three codes:

Stamp Code N (Apr.1861 to Jan.1864)
Rarity C Price £5

Stamp Code K (Dec.1861) Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code V (Feb.1866 to Mar.1866)
Rarity F Price £7

95PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Five codes:

Stamp Code K (May 1861 to Aug.1861)
Rarity F Price £7

Stamp Code H (Dec.1861) Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code L (Jun.1862) Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code O (Nov.1862 to Jul.1863)
Rarity E Price £7

Stamp Code C (Feb.1866 to Mar.1866)
Rarity G Price £7

97PH3 2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Two codes:

Stamp Code N (Jan.1862 to Aug.1862)
Rarity E Price £5

Stamp Code P (Dec.1862 to Mar.1863)

Rarity E Price £5



100PH3



101PH3

100PH3

2.5.5.2. duplex No Proof Book entry. Three codes:

Stamp Code R (Sep.1862 to Aug.1863)

Rarity G Price £7

Stamp Code O (Sep.1862)

Rarity H Price £7

Stamp Code S (Aug.1865 to Mar.1866)

Rarity F Price £7

101PH3

2.5.5.2. duplex Jun.1862 code Z. Three codes:

Stamp Code L (Sep.1862 to Oct.1862)

Rarity G Price £7

Stamp Code S (Sep.1862 to Jul.1863)

Rarity D Price £5

Stamp Code Z (Jun.1864)

Rarity H Price £7

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INLAND BRANCH

INTRODUCTION

The Inland Branch was established in 1857. It was the continuation of the Inland Office. The numbers in a diamond reflect the origin of the department. Inland Office style obliterations were in use up to 1853 by the Inland Branch. The cancellations used by the Inland Branch have been divided into several parts of the Encyclopedia.

1. Inland Office style cancellations used by the Inland Branch from 1857 to 1863 see Section E.
2. Early experimental machine cancellations 1857 to 1863 are in Section I Experimental Machines.
3. The vertical oval duplex cancellations in use from 1863 to 1904 see Section I Duplex and I Too Late and Late Fee.
4. Single vertical oval cancellations, see Section I single.

DAY CODES

The code in the c.d.s. of most of the duplex marks used in the Inland Branch consists of two parts. The first letter is particular to one handstamp, the second letter was changed daily. The second letter or day code ran from A to Z with no Q and no code for Sunday. The full use of the day code is covered in the London Postal History Group's reprint of "London Date Stamp Codes" by Stitt Dibden. This is available as part of the encyclopedia.

G Homer Wooff has shown that the day code system was started by Pearson Hill on 21st September 1857, i.e. the second anniversary of the introduction of his experimental cancelling machine, see L.P.H.G. Notebook Feb.1981 No. 51 pp 3 to 7. There are several exceptions to the sequence, they appear to be accidental. On 13th Jan.1883, there is an annotation in the Proof Book against 85D11 "the day code is to be numeric and is to be changed hourly". Numbers used thus are very rare. We have recorded 8 in July 1882 and 4 in July 1883 on 89D11 and 36D19 respectively.

EXPLANATION OF THE CATALOGUE

A typical entry is:-

89D11 (Dubus fig.122) Feb.1872 Code a Two codes:

Stamp code e (Mar.1872 to Feb.1875)..... Rarity B
Stamp code h (Jul.1878 to Jan.1896)..... Rarity B

89D11 = Cancellation number 89 of Dubus type 11.

(Dubus fig.122) = the illustration number in Leon Dubus' "London cancellations"
Feb.1872 code a = The date of the first entry in the Proof Books and the stamp code of that entry.

Two codes: = two stamp codes are known, in this case e and h.

Rarity B = Rarity is expressed by the scale: A = Common

B = Average

C = Not Common

D = Difficult

E = Scarce

F = Rare

G = Very Rare

H = Very few exist

G.P.O. = Proof Book entry only

QUICK IDENTIFICATION TABLE

The first part of the duplex catalogue is a table for the quick identification of duplex marks. The columns are in the following order.

1. Number in the cancellation
2. Number of bars
3. Stamp code in the c.d..s
4. Dates of use
5. Dubus type number

ILLUSTRATIONS

In preparing illustrations for this catalogue, photocopying machines have been used. These almost always reduce the size of the illustration. In some cases a figure may have been photocopied several times, in which case it will be visibly smaller than the original.

Many illustrations come from the Proof Books. These can have a different stamp code and an earlier date than the recorded period of use.

PRICES

These are current prices for Section I (August 1981)

Rarity A to C 50p to £2 depending on quality
Rarity D to E £2 to £7 depending on quality
Rarity F to H £10 to £30 depending on quality

Too Late and Late Fee marks have a minimum price of £5. Cancellations that are rare only because of a difference in stamp code do not attract the prices shown above.

ADDITIONS TO CATALOGUE

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QUICK IDENTIFICATION TABLE FOR INLAND BRANCH DUPLEX

No.1	1.9.9.1.bars	code A	1880	D20.	
No.1	2.7.7.2.bars	code A	Oct.1868 to Feb.1880		D14.
No.1	2.5.5.2.bars	code A	Apr.1863 to Jan.1870		D6.
No.1	"	"	Dec.1872 to Nov.1876		D17.
No.1	"	code M	May 1874		D6.
No.1	"	none	Oct.1876 to Jun.1883		D17.
No.2	1.9.9.1.bars	code C	Oct.1880		D20.
No.2	2.7.7.2.bars	code B	Dec.1869 to May 1880		D14.
No.2	2.5.5.2.bars	code B	Jul.1863 to Feb.1880		D6.
No.2	"	"	Jun.1881		D17.
No.2	"	code N	May 1874		D6.
No.2	"	code Z	Jun.1884		D17.
No.2	"	none	Nov.1876 to Jul.1881		D17.
No.3	2.5.5.2.bars	code C	Jul.1863 to Sep.1881 (tall diamond)		D6.
No.3	"	"	May 1873 to May 1882 (square diamond)		D17.
No.3	"	code M	May 1873		D6.
No.3	"	none	Jan.1880 to Mar.1884		D17.
No.4	2.5.5.2.bars	code D	Aug.1863 to Aug.1874 (tall diamond)		D6.
No.4	"	"	Jun.1876 to Apr.1881 (square diamond)		D17..
No.4	"	code J	May 1873		D6.
No.4	"	code Y	Jul.1867 to Feb.1868		D6.
No.4	"	none	Sep.1875 to Mar.1884		D17.
No.5	2.7.7.2.bars	code E	Feb.1868 to Oct.1881		D14.
No.5	"	code I	Mar.1882 to Nov.1882		D14.
No.5	"	code P	Jun.1868		D14.
No.5	2.5.5.2.bars	code E	Jun.1863 to Feb.1866		D6.
No.5	"	code T	Oct.1882		D17.
No.5	"	none	Jul.1878		D17.
No.6	2.7.7.2.bars	code F	Apr.1868 to Mar.1882		D14.
No.6	2.5.5.2.bars	code F	Jul.1863 to Jul.1878		D6. (tall diamond)
No.6	"	"	Aug.1873 to Apr.1880		D17 (square diamond)
No.7	1.9.9.1.bars	code G	May.1877		D20.
No.7	2.7.7.2.bars	code G	May 1868 to May 1882		D14.
No.7	"	code y	Apr.1868 to Oct.1868		D14.
No.7	2.5.5.2.bars	code G	Aug.1863 to Apr.1878		D6.

No.8	2.7.7.2.bars	code H	Jan.1869 to Mar.1881	D14.
No.8	2.5.5.2.bars	code H	Aug.1864 to Feb.1875	D6.
No.9	1.9.9.1.bars	code I	not recorded	D20
No.9	2.7.7.2.bars	code I	Mar.1868 to Feb.1883	D14.
No.9	"	code 5	1879 to Jun.1881	D14.
No.9	2.5.5.2.bars	code I	Mar.1865 to Mar.1874	D6.
No.10	2.7.7.2.bars	code J	Nov.1867	D14.
No.10	2.5.5.2.bars	code J	Apr.1867 to Nov.1881	D6.
No.11	1.9.9.1.bars	code K	Jul.1880	D20
No.11	2.5.5.2.bars	code K	May 1867 to Mar.1881	D6.
No.12	1.9.9.1.bars	code L	Jun.1877	D20.
No.12	2.7.7.2.bars	code A	Jan.1867 to Oct.1867	D14.
No.12	2.5.5.2.bars	code L	Oct.1866 to Mar.1881	D6.
No.13	1.9.9.1.bars	code M	Jun.1877 to Aug.1877	D20.
No.13	2.5.5.2.bars	code B	Feb.1867 to Jun.1867	D6.
No.13	"	code M	Nov.1869 to Sep.1881	D6.
No.14	1.9.9.1.bars	code N	Jul.1877 to Aug.1877	D20.
No.14	2.5.5.2.bars	code N	Jul.1868 to Aug.1881	D6.
No.15	1.9.9.1.bars	code O	Sep.1877	D20
No.15	2.5.5.2.bars	code O	Apr.1869 to May 1883	D6.
No.16	1.9.9.1.bars	code P	1880 to May 1881	D20.
No.16	2.5.5.2.bars	code P	Apr.1869 to Nov.1882	D6.
No.17	1.9.9.1.bars	code Q	Apr.1877	D20.
No.17	2.5.5.2.bars	code Q	Aug.1873 to Apr.1881	D6.
No.17	"	code R	Feb.1869	D6.
No.17	"	code T	Aug.1873 to Sep.1873	D6.
No.18	2.5.5.2.bars	code R	Jan.1874 to Jun.1881	D6.
No.18	"	code S	Jul.1870 to Dec.1871	D6.
No.19	1.9.9.1.bars	code S	Oct.1882	D20.
No.19	2.5.5.2.bars	code S	May 1875 to Jun.1882	D6.
No.19	"	code T	Jun.1869 to Jul.1871	D6.
No.20	2.5.5.2.bars	code T	Dec.1873 to Apr.1881	D6.

No.21	2.5.5.2.bars	code U	Sep.1875 to Nov.1882	D6.
No.21	"	code W	Nov.1869 to Jan.1870	D6.
No.22	1.9.9.1.bars	code V	Apr.1880 to Jan.1881	D20.
No.22	2.5.5.2.bars	code A	Dec.1873	D6.
No.22	"	code V	Apr.1875 to Nov.1881	D6.
No.22	"	code X	1869	D6.
No.23	2.5.5.2.bars	code U	Dec.1872	D6.
No.23	"	code W	Oct.1875 to Apr.1883	D6.
No.24		straight London		
	2.5.5.2.bars	code a	Jul.1869 to Apr.1871	D6.
	"	code X	Oct.1879 to Dec.1882	D6.
	"	none	Jan.1879	D6.
		curved London		
	"	code A	Apr.1872 to Nov.1874	D6.
	"	code X	Mar.1875 to Nov.1877	D6.
No.25		straight London		
	2.5.5.2.bars	code Y	Jan.1869 to Nov.1882	D6.
	"	code b	Apr.1869 to Jun.1869	D6.
	"	code V	May 1870	D6.
		curved London		
	"	code X	Jul.1875	D6.
	"	code Y	Apr.1875 to Jun.1878	D6.
No.26		straight London		
	2.5.5.2.bars	code C	Apr.1869 to Aug.1869	D6.
	"	code c	1870	D6.
	"	code Z	Feb.1873 to Dec.1881	D6.
		curved London		
	"	code C	Apr.1873	D6.
	"	code Z	Jul.1875 to Feb.1878	D6.
	"	none	Sep.1879	D6.
No.27	2.5.5.2.bars	code A	Jul.1875 to Apr.1884	D19 (double ring c.d.s.)
No.27	"	code d	1870	D6.
No.28	2.5.5.2.bars	code B	Jan.1876 to Jun.1884	D19 (double ring c.d.s.)
No.28	"	code U	Dec.1872	D6.
No.29	2.5.5.2.bars	code C	Feb.1875 to Mar.1886	D19 (double ring c.d.s.)

Please not that * means a double ring c.d.s.

No.30	2.5.5.2.bars	code D	Jan.1876 to Jul.1885	D19*
No.30	"	code W	May 1873 to Jul.1874	D6.
No.31	2.5.5.2.bars	code E	Jul.1876 to Oct.1883	D19*
No.31	"	code X	May 1873 to May 1875	D6.
No.32	2.5.5.2.bars	code F	Apr.1876 to Feb.1884	D19*
No.33	2.5.5.2.bars	code G	Jun.1876 to Mar.1885	D19*
No.33	"	code Z	Feb.1873 to Apr.1874	D6.
No.34	2.5.5.2.bars	code H	Jun.1875 to Mar.1884	D19*
No.35	2.5.5.2.bars	code I	Jun.1875 to Sep.1883	D19*
No.36	2.5.5.2.bars	code J	May 1875 to Jul.1883	D19*
No.37	2.5.5.2.bars	code K	Feb.1875 to Jul.1885	D19*
No.38	2.5.5.2.bars	code L	Apr.1875 to Jul.1884	D19*
No.39	2.5.5.2.bars	code M	Sep.1875 to Jun.1886	D19*
No.40	2.5.5.2.bars	code N	Jul.1875 to Apr.1882	D19*
No.41	2.5.5.2.bars	code O	May 1877 to Sep,1878	D19*
No.42	2.5.5.2.bars	code P	Dec.1875 to Jan.1884	D19*
No.43	2.5.5.2.bars	code Q	Jan.1877 to Jul.1878	D19*
No.44	2.5.5.2.bars	code R	Feb.1877 to Nov.1883	D19*
No.45	2.5.5.2.bars	code S	Nov.1875 to Oct.1883	D19*
No.46	2.7.7.2.bars	code T	Dec.1876 to Nov.1883	D19*
No.47	2.7.7.2.bars	code U	Mar.1876 to Nov.1877	D19*
No.48	2.7.7.2.bars	code V	Sep.1878 to Jan.1885	D19*
No.49	2.7.7.2.bars	code W	Mar.1877 to Aug.1882	D19*
No.50	2.7.7.2.bars	code X	Apr.1879 to Mar.1884	D19*
No.51	2.7.7.2.bars	code Y	Nov.1876 to Jan.1884	D19*
No.52	2.7.7.2.bars	code Z	Apr.1877 to Aug.1886	D19*
No.53	1.8.8.1.bars	code A	May 1879 to Apr.1881	D21.
No.82	3.5.5.3.bars	code a	Jun.1876 to Aug.1886	D18
No.82	"	time	May 1902 to Jul.1904	D18

No.83	3.5.5.3.bars	code b	Mar.1875 to Jun.1878	D18.
No.83	"	time	Jul.1899 to Jun.1904	D18.
No.84	3.5.5.3.bars	code c	Jun.1884 to May 1890	D18
No.84	"	none	Jul.1896	D18.
No.84	"	time	Jun.1902 to 1903.	D18.
No.85	2.5.5.2.bars	code d	Feb.1875 to Aug.1875	D11.
No.85	"	code D	Apr.1895	D23.
No.86	2.5.5.2.bars	code b	Jan.1875	D11.
No.86	"	code e	Apr.1875 to Apr.1896	D11.
No.86	"	time	Oct.1897 to Feb.1903	D23.
No.87	2.5.5.2.bars	code H	Feb.1864 to May 1864	D7.
No.87	"	code T	Jun.1864 to Mar.1867	D7.
No.87	"	code c	Mar.1872 to Dec.1874	D11.
No.87	"	time	May 1901	D23.
No.88	2.5.5.2.bars	code I	Feb.1864 to Mar.1868	D7.
No.88	"	code d	Mar.1872 to Dec.1874	D11.
No.88	"	code g	Feb.1875 to Mar.1877	D11.
No.88	"	code k	Nov.1878	D11.
No.88	"	code G	Jul.1888 to Feb.1896	D11.
No.88	"	time	Aug.1899 to Oct.1902	D23.
No.89	2.5.5.2.bars	code J	Jan.1864 to Jun.1870	D7.
No.89	"	code e	Mar.1872 to Feb.1875	D11.
No.89	"	code h	Jul.1878 to Jan.1896	D11.
No.89	"	time	Jun.1896 to Sep.1900	D23.
No.90	2.5.5.2.bars	code K	Feb.1864 to Jul.1870	D7
No.90	"	code f	Feb.1872 to Mar.1885	D11.
No.90	"	code i	Dec.1877 to Feb.1892	D11.
No.90	"	time	Dec.1901 to Apr.1903	D23.
No.91	2.5.5.2.bars	code L	Mar.1864 to Aug.1870	D7.
No.91	"	code g	Apr.1872 to May 1873	D11.
No.91	"	code l	May 1885 to Aug.1886	D11.
No.91	"	time	Oct.1899 to Mar.1904	D23.
No.92	2.5.5.2.bars	code M	Jul.1864 to Jan.1872	D7.
No.92	"	code h	Feb.1872 to Jan.1882	D11.
No.92	"	code k	Dec.1876 to Jun.1887	D11.
No.92	"	time	Jun.1896 to May 1903	D23.

No.93	2.5.5.2.bars	code N	Feb.1864 to Jan.1872	D7.
No.93	"	code i	Mar.1872 to Jun.1884	D11
No.93	"	code l	Aug.1878 to Mar.1881	D11.
No.93	"	code t	1887	D11.
No.93	"	time	Apr.1896 to Jun.1904	D23.
No.94	2.5.5.2.bars	code O	Mar.1864 to Aug.1868	D7.
No.94	"	code j	Apr.1872 to Feb.1875	D11.
No.94	"	code m	Feb.1875 to Jun.1892	D11.
No.94	"	time	Jan.1896 to Jan.1897	D23.
No.95	2.5.5.2.bars	code P	Jan.1864 to Nov.1868	D7.
No.95	"	code k	Feb.1872 to Jul.1878	D11
No.95	"	code n	Jul.1875 to Aug.1895	D11.
No.95	"	time	Jun.1896 to Jun.1900	D23.
No.96	2.5.5.2.bars	code R	Jan.1864 to Feb.1868	D7.
No.96	"	code l	Apr.1873 to Dec.1874	D11.
No.96	"	code o	Mar.1875 to Dec.1895	D11.
No.96	"	time	Oct.1896 to Apr.1901	D23.
No.97	2.5.5.2.bars	code S	Mar.1864 to Jul.1865	D7.
No.97	"	code t	Apr.1866 to Aug.1866	D8.
No.97	"	code E	Jan.1867 to Sep.1867	D8.
No.97	"	code R	Dec.1868	D8.
No.97	"	code k	May 1871 to Feb.1872	D8.
No.97	"	code m	May 1872	D11.
No.97	"	code p	Mar.1875 to Aug.1887	D11.
No.97	"	time	Nov.1896 to Jul.1902	D23.
No.98	2.5.5.2.bars	code U	May 1866 to Sep.1866	D8.
No.98	"	code F	Apr.1867 to Dec.1867	D8.
No.98	"	code n	Feb.1874 to May 1874	D11.
No.98	"	code q	Aug.1875 to Nov.1893	D11.
No.98	"	time	Sep.1898 to Oct.1902	D23.
No.99	2.5.5.2.bars	code r	Aug.1875 to Feb.1896	D12.
No.100	2.5.5.2.bars	code e	Jun.1866 to Sep.1871	D10.
No.100	"	code V	Jul.1866 to Sep.1871	D10.
No.100	"	code i	Feb.1870	D12.
No.100	"	code S	May 1875 to Jun.1886	D12.

No.101	2.5.5.2.bars	code W	Jun.1866 to Jun.1887	D10.
No.101	"	code b	Mar.1875	D10
No.101	"	code R	Mar.1874	D12.
No.101	"	code t	Jul.1875 to Jan.1889	D12.
No.101	"	time	Jan.1904	D12.
No.102	2.5.5.2.bars	code X	Apr.1866 to Oct.1866	D10.
No.102	"	code g	Oct.1869 to Oct.1870	D10.
No.102	"	code u	Apr.1882 to Feb.1884	D12.
No.102	"	time	May 1898 to Aug.1901	D12.
No.103	3.5.5.3.bars	code V	Dec.1893	D18.
No.103	"	time	Nov.1897 to May 1904	D18.
No.103	2.5.5.2.bars	code Y	Apr.1866 to Oct.1866	D10.
No.103	"	code s	Jun.1867 to Dec.1867	D10.
No.103	"	code h	Jan.1869 to Feb.1872	D10.
No.103.	"	code T	Jun.1874 to Oct.1874	D12.
No.103	"	code v	Sep.1882	D12.
No.104	2.5.5.2.bars	code j	Jan.1869 to Sep.1871	D10.
No.104	"	code U	May 1874 to Oct.1874	D12.
No.104	"	code W	Aug.1876 to Jun.1882	D12.
No.104	"	time	Sep.1903 to Apr.1904	D12.
No.105	3.4.4.3.bars	code J	Aug.1878	D22.
No.105	"	code X	Jun.1881 to Jul.1891	D22.
No.105	"	code K	Jun.1888	D22.
No.105	2.6.6.2.bars	time	Jun.1896 to Jul.1904	D22.
No.105	2.5.5.2.bars	code a	Dec.1866 to Oct.1867	D10.
No.105	"	code k	Nov.1869 to Feb.1871	D10.
No.106	1.8.8.1.bars	code Y	Jan.1882	D21.
No.106	"	code L	Jun.1882	D21.
No.106	2.5.5.2.bars	code I	Mar.1869 to Feb.1872	D10.
No.106	"	code l	Apr.1869 to Dec.1871	D10
No.107	1.8.8.1.bars	code N	Mar.1878 to May 1882	D21.
No.107	2.5.5.2.bars	code c	Apr.1866 to Dec.1868	D10.

INLAND BRANCH DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS

DUBUS TYPE 6

WESTLEY FIG.75

BRUMELL FIG.28



1D6



2D6B



2D6B



2D6B



2D6N

1D6A (Dubus fig.57) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1863 to Jan.1870)

Stamp code A.....Rarity A

1D6M Duplex as above with the stamp code M (May 1874).Rarity H

2D6B (Dubus figs.58a,b,c.) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1863 to Feb.1880)

Stamp code B.....Rarity A

2D6N (Dubus fig.58d) No Proof Book entry (May 1874)

Stamp code N.....Rarity H



Variation in 3D6C

3D6M

3D6C (Dubus figs.a,b,c,d.) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1863 to Sep.1881)

Stamp code C.....Rarity A

3D6M (No Dubus Fig.) No Proof Book entry (May 1873)

Stamp code M.....Rarity H



4D6A



4D6B



5D6

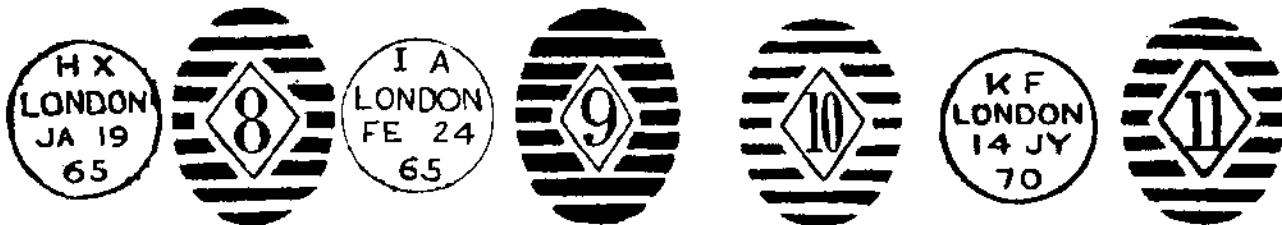


6D6



7D6

- 4D6A (Dubus figs.60a,b,c,d,e.)No Proof Book entry Three codes recorded:
Stamp code D...(Aug.1863 to Aug.1879).....Rarity A
Stamp code Y...(Jul.1867 to Feb.1868).....Rarity G
Stamp code J...(May 1873).....Rarity H
- 4D6B (Dubus fig.60f.)No Proof Book entry(Aug.1867 to Nov.1877)
Stamp code D...Cut in third bar.....Rarity F
- 5D6 (Dubus fig.61)No Proof Book entry(Jun.1863 to Feb.1866)
Stamp code E...Codes can be missing.....Rarity B
- 6D6 (Dubus fig.62)No Proof Book entry(Jul.1863 to Jul.1878)
Stamp code F.....Rarity B
- 7D6 (Dubus fig.63)No Proof Book entry(Aug.1863 to Apr.1878)
Stamp code G.....Rarity C



8D6

9D6

10D6

11D6A

- 8D6 (Dubus fig.64)No Proof Book entry(Aug.1864 to Feb.1875)
Stamp code H.....Rarity C
- 9D6 (No Dubus fig.)Feb.1865(Mar.1865 to Mar.1874)
Stamp code I.....Rarity C
- 10D6 (Dubus figs.65a,b.)No Proof Book entry(Apr.1867 to Nov.1881)
Stamp code J..The 0 varies in width,the late copies are wider
than the illustration.....Rarity A
- 11D6A (Dubus figs.66a,b.)No Proof Book entry(May 1867 to Dec.1879)
Stamp code K..The central bars have V cuts at their internal ends.

Rarity A



11D6B

12D6

13D6M

- 11D6B (Dubus fig.66c)No Proof Book entry(Sep.1872 to Mar.1881)
Central bars have square ends.. Stamp code K.....Rarity D
- 12D6 (Dubus figs.68a,b)No Proof Book entry(Oct.1866 to Mar.1881)
Stamp code L.....Rarity A

13D6M (Dubus figs.68a,b)Dec.1868(Nov.1869 to Mar.1877)

Stamp code M. Square ended mid bar.....Rarity A

Duplex as above but with indented central bars (Sep.1877 to Sep.1881)

Stamp code M.....Rarity E

13D6B (No Dubus fig.)No Proof Book entry(Feb.1867 to Jun.1867)

Stamp code B.Indented central bar.....Rarity F



14D6

15D6A

15D6B

15D6C

14D6 (Dubus figs.69a,b,c.)No Proof Book entry(Jul.1868 to Aug.1881)

Stamp code N.....Rarity A

15D6A (Dubus figs.70a,b,d.)No Proof Book entry(Apr.1869 to May 1882)

Stamp code O.Indented central bars.....Rarity A

15D6B (Dubus fig.70c.)No Proof Book entry(Jun.1873 to Jan.1878)

Stamp code O.Oblique top bar on 5.....Rarity A

15D6C (Dubus fig.70e.)No Proof Book entry(Mar.1882 to May 1883)

Stamp code O.Square ended central bars.....Rarity F



16D6

17D6

18D6S

16D6 (Dubus figs.71a,b,c,d.)No Proof Book entry(Apr.1869 to Nov.1882)

Stamp code P.....Rarity A

17D6 (Dubus figs.72a,b,c.)Dec.1868(Feb.1869) Three codes recorded

Stamp code R.....Rarity H

As above with stamp code Q.(Aug.1873 to Apr.1881).Rarity C

As above with stamp code T.(Aug.1873 to Sep.1873).Rarity G

18D6S (Dubus does not illustrate)Dec.1868(Jul.1870 to Dec.1871)

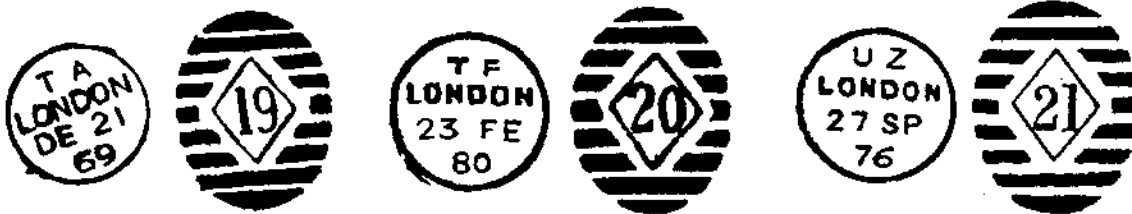
Stamp code S.....Rarity F

As above.No serif on 1.(Nov.1871).....Rarity H

18D6R (Dubus figs.73a,c,d.)No Proof Book entry(Jan.1874 to Jun.1881)

Stamp code R.....Rarity A

As above.No serif on 1.(Mar.1871).....Rarity H



19D6T

20D6

21D6

19D6T (Dubus does not illustrate)Dec.1868(Jun.1869 to Jul.1871)

Stamp code T.....Rarity F

19D6S (Dubus figs74a,b.)No Proof Book entry(May 1875 to Jun.1882)

Stamp code S.....Rarity A

20D6 (Dubus fig.75)Dec.1868(Dec.1873 to Apr.1881)

Stamp code T (Code U in Proof Books).....Rarity A

21D6W (Dubus does not illustrate)No Proof Book entry(Nov.1869 to Jan.1870)

Stamp code W.....Rarity G

21D6U (Dubus fig.76)Dec.1868(Sep.1875 to Nov.1882)....Rarity A

Stamp code U.In the G.P.O.records this is recorded as being used after Feb.1880 without a day code for Late Fee mail.



22D6

23D6

24D6S

22D6 (Dubus figs.77a,b.)Dec.1868 Three codes recorded:

Stamp code V..(Apr.1875 to Nov.1881).....Rarity A

Stamp code X..(1869).....Rarity H

Stamp code A..(Dec.1873).....Rarity H

In the G.P.O.records 22D6 code V is recorded as being used after Feb.1880 without a day code for Window Late Fees.

23D6 (Dubus figs.78a,b.)Dec.1868 Two codes recorded:

Stamp code U..(Dec.1872).....Rarity H

Stamp code W..(Oct.1875 to Apr.1883).....Rarity A

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- 27D6 (Dubus fig.82)Dec.1868(1870). Stamp code d.....Rarity H
28D6 (No Dubus illustration)Nov.1870(Dec.1872)
Stamp code U (L in the Proof Book).....Rarity H
29D6 (No Dubus illustration)Nov.1870(Not recorded)...Rarity G.P.O.



30D6

31D6

32D6

- 30D6 (No Dubus illustration)Nov.1870(May 1873 to Jul.1874)
Stamp code W. (M in the Proof Books).....Rarity G
31D6 (No Dubus illustration)Nov.1870(May 1873 to May 1875)
Stamp code X. (E in the Proof Books).....Rarity G
32D6 (No Dubus illustration)Nov.1870(Not recorded)...Rarity G.P.O.



33D6

87D7

88D7

- 33D6 (Dubus fig.83) Nov.1870 (Feb.1873 to Apr.1874)
Stamp code Z. (A in the Proof Books).....Rarity G

DUBUS TYPE 7 WESTLEY FIG.75 BRUMELL FIG.27

- 87D7 (Dubus fig.84) Jan.1864 Two codes recorded:
Stamp code H..(Feb.1864 to May 1864).....Rarity G
Stamp code T..(Jun.1864 to Mar.1867).....Rarity F
88D7 (Dubus figs.85a,b.) Jan.1864 (Feb.1864 to Mar.1868)
Stamp code I.....Rarity A



89D7

90D7

91D7

89D7 (Dubus fig.86) Jan.1864 (Jan.1864 to Jun.1870)

Stamp code J.....Rarity A

90D7 (Dubus figs.87a,b) Jan.1864 (Feb.1864 to Jul.1870)

Stamp code K.....Rarity A

91D7 (Dubus figs.88a,b) Jan.1864 (Mar.1864 to Aug.1870)

Stamp code L.....Rarity A



92D7

93D7

94D7

92D7 (Dubus fig.89) Jan.1864 (Jul.1864 to Jan.1872)

Stamp code M.....Rarity C

93D7 (Dubus figs.90a,b) Jan.1864 (Feb.1864 to Jan.1872)

Stamp code N.....Rarity B

94D7 (Dubus fig.91) Jan.1864 (Mar.1864 to Aug.1868)

Stamp code O.....Rarity B



95D7

96D7

97D8

95D7 (Dubus fig.92) Jan.1864 (Jan.1864 to Nov.1868)

Stamp code P.....Rarity A

96D7 (Dubus fig.93) Jan.1864 (Jan.1864 to Feb.1868)

Stamp code R.....Rarity A

97D7 (Dubus fig.94) Jan.1864 (Mar.1864 to Jul.1865)

Stamp code S..Square ended central bars.....Rarity F

DUBUS TYPE 8

WESTLEY FIG.75

BRUMELL FIG.27

97D8 (Dubus figs.95a,b) Jun.1870 Several codes:

All have indented central bars unlike 97D7.

Stamp code T..(Apr.1866 to Aug.1866).....Rarity F

Stamp code E..(Jan.1867 to Sep.1867).....Rarity F

Stamp code R..(Dec.1868).....Rarity H

Stamp code k..(May 1871 to Feb.1872).....Rarity D



98D8

100D10

101D10

98D8 (Dubus fig.96) Jun.1870 Two codes:

Stamp code U..(May 1866 to Sep.1866).....Rarity G

Stamp code F..(Apr.1867 to Dec.1867).....Rarity E

DUBUS TYPE 10

WESTLEY FIG.75

BRUMELL FIG.28

100D10 (Dubus fig.110) Aug.1870 code e Two codes:

Stamp code e..(Jun.1866 to Sep.1871).....Rarity G

Stamp code V..(Jul.1866 to Sep.1871).....Rarity G

101D10 (Dubus fig.111) Aug.1870 code b Two codes:

Stamp code W..(Jun.1866 to Jun.1887).....Rarity G

Stamp code b..(Mar.1875).....Rarity H



102D10

103D10

104D10

102D10 (Dubus figs.112a,b) Aug.1870 code j Two codes:

Stamp code X..(Apr.1866 to Oct.1866).....Rarity E

Stamp code g..(Oct.1869 to Oct.1870).....Rarity F

103D10 (Dubus figs.113a,b) Aug.1870 code j Three codes:

Stamp code Y..(Apr.1866 to Oct.1866).....Rarity F

Stamp code S..(Jun.1867 to Dec.1867).....Rarity C

Stamp code h..(Jan.1869 to Feb.1872).....Rarity A

104D10 (Dubus fig.114) Aug.1870 code m. (Jan.1869 to Sep.1871)

Stamp code j.....Rarity G



105D10

106D10

107D10

105D10 (Dubus figs.115a,b) Aug.1870 code G Two codes seen:

Stamp code a..(Dec.1866 to Oct.1867).....Rarity G

Stamp code k..(Nov.1869 to Feb.1871).....Rarity C

106D10 (Dubus figs.116a,b) Aug.1870 code l Two codes seen:

Stamp code l..(Mar.1869 to Feb.1872).....Rarity D

Stamp code l..(Apr.1869 to Dec.1871).....Rarity C

107D10 Dubus figs.117a,b) Aug.1870 code f One code seen:

Stamp code c..(Apr.1866 to Dec.1868).....Rarity C



85D11

86D11

87D11

DUBUS TYPE 11 WESTLEY FIG.82 BRUMELL FIG.37

85D11 (Dubus fig.118) Feb.1872 (Feb.1875 to Aug.1875)

Stamp code d. In use on 13th Jan.1883 for midday duty - a note in the records to say that the day code is numeric and is changed hourly. this has never been seen in use.....Rarity G

86D11 (Dubus fig.119) Feb.1872 Two codes seen:

Stamp code b..(Jan.1875).....Rarity H

Stamp code e..(Apr.1875 to Apr.1896).....Rarity C

87D11 (Dubus fig.120) Feb.1872 (Mar.1872 to Dec.1874)..Rarity A

Stamp code c. Entered in the records on 15th Sep.1880 for use with forward letters posted with ship letters at the Chief Office.



88D11

89D11

90D11

88D11 (Dubus fig.121) Feb.1872 Four codes:

Stamp code d..(Mar,1872 to Dec.1874).....Rarity E

Stamp code g..(Feb.1875 to Mar.1877).....Rarity D

Stamp code k..(Nov.1878).....Rarity H

Stamp code G..(Jul.1888 to Feb.1896).....Rarity G

89D11 (Dubus fig.122) Feb.1872 Two codes: (See note under 85D11)

Stamp code e..(Mar.1872 to Feb.1875).....Rarity B

Stamp code h..(Jul.1878 to Jan.1896).....Rarity B

90D11 (Dubus fig.123) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code f..(Feb.1872 to Mar.1885).....Rarity D

Stamp code i..(Dec.1877 to Feb.1892).....Rarity E



91D11

92D11

93D11

91D11 (Dubus fig.124) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code g..(Apr.1872 to May 1873).....Rarity G

Stamp code j..(May 1885 to Aug.1886).....Rarity G

92D11 (Dubus fig.125) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code h..(Feb.1872 to Jan.1882).....Rarity C

Stamp code k..(Dec.1876 to Jun.1887).....Rarity G

93D11 (Dubus fig.126) Feb.1872 Three codes:

Stamp code i..(Mar.1872 to Jun.1884).....Rarity C

Stamp code l..(Aug.1878 to Mar.1881).....Rarity F

Stamp code t..(1887).....Rarity H



94D11

95D11

96D11

94D11 (Dubus figs.127a,b) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code j..(Apr.1872 to Feb.1875).....Rarity E

Stamp code m..(Feb.1875 to Jun.1892).....Rarity A

95D11 (Dubus figs.128a,b) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code k..(Feb.1872 to Jul.1878).....Rarity A

Stamp code n..(Jul.1875 to Aug.1895).....Rarity A

This cancellation was entered in the G.P.O.records on 23rd.May 1881 with the comment "to be used without the second index letter 95 for Mark Lane" It has not been seen used thus.

96D11 (Dubus figs.129a,b) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code l..(Apr.1873 to Dec.1874).....Rarity F

Stamp code o..(Mar.1875 to Dec.1895).....Rarity C

This and 97D11 were entered in to the G.P.O.records with the comment "to be made up each morning for emergency use only"(1881)



97D11

98D11

99D12

97D11 (Dubus figs.130a,b) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code m..(May 1872).....Rarity H

Stamp code p..(Mar.1875 to Aug.1887).....Rarity E

See remarks under 96D11.

98D11 (Dubus figs.131a,b) Feb.1872 Two codes:

Stamp code n..(Feb.1874 to May 1874).....Rarity G

Stamp code q..(Aug.1875 to Nov.1893).....Rarity C

This was entered in to the G.P.O.records on the 23rd.May 1881 with the comment "to be used without the second index letter 98 for Gracechurch Street". It has not been seen used thus.

DUBUS TYPE 12

WESTLEY FIG.82

BRUMELL FIG.33

An example of type 12 number 101 is described in an entry in the G.P.O. records on the 1st.Jun.1879 as belonging to a patent double hinged handstamp - ie. the Berri handstamp.

99D12 (Dubus fig.132) Jun.1873 (Aug.1875 to Feb.1896)

Stamp code r..No code seen Feb.1892.....Rarity G



100D12

101D12

102D12

100D12 (Dubus fig.133) Jun.1873 Two codes:

Stamp code i..(Feb.1870).....Rarity H

Stamp code s..(May 1875 to Jun.1886).....Rarity G

101D12 (Dubus fig.134) Jun.1873 Several codes:

Stamp code R..(Mar.1874).....Rarity H

Stamp code t..(Jul.1875 to Jan.1889).....Rarity C

Time in full..(Jan.1904)..6.PM.....Rarity H

An example of this cancellation code t is entered in the G.P.O. record books with a circular rather than a vertical oval outline to the bars of the killer. This has not been seen in use.

102D12 (Dubus fig.135) Jun.1873 Code and time:

Stamp code u..(Apr.1882 to Feb.1884).....Rarity G

Time in full..(May 1898 to Aug.1901).9.PM,10.PM.Rarity E



103D12

104D12

1D14A

1D14B

103D12 (Dubus fig.136a) Jun.1873 Two codes:

Stamp code T..(Jun.1874 to Oct.1874).....Rarity G

Stamp code v..(Sep.1882).....Rarity H

For Dubus fig.136b see type 18.

104D12 (Dubus figs.137a,b) Jun.1873 Two codes and time:

Stamp code U..(May 1874 to Oct.1874).....Rarity G

Stamp code W..(Aug.1876 to Jun.1886).....Rarity F

Time in full..(Sep.1903 to Apr.1904).4.15.AM,1.15PM..Rarity F

DUBUS TYPE 14 WESTLEY FIG.77 BRUMELL FIG.29

1D14A (Dubus fig.146a) Feb.1868 (Oct.1868 to Feb.1877)

7mm high fig.1..Stamp code A.....Rarity A

1D14B (Dubus fig.146b) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1877 to Feb.1880)

8mm high fig.1..Stamp code A.....Rarity F



2D14



5D14



6D14



7D14

2D14 (Dubus fig.147) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1869 to May 1880)

Stamp code B.....Rarity F

5D14 (Dubus figs.148a,b,c) Feb.1868 Three codes:

Stamp code E..(Feb.1868 to Oct.1881).....Rarity A
This can occur with a V cut in the bars above the number.

Stamp code P..(Jun.1868).....Rarity H

Stamp code I..(Mar.1882 to Nov.1882).....Rarity G
This has a large fig.5 and is Dubus fig.148d.

6D14 (Dubus figs.149a,b) Feb.1868 (Apr.1868 to Mar.1882)

Stamp code F.....Rarity A

7D14 (Dubus figs.150a,b) Feb.1868 Two codes:

Stamp code Y..(Apr.1868 to Oct.1868).....Rarity G

Stamp code G..(May 1868 to May 1882).....Rarity A



8D14A



8D14B



9D14



12D14



- 8D14A (Dubus figs.151b,c,d,e) Feb.1868 (Jan.1869 to Mar.1881)
Stamp code H.....Rarity A
- 8D14B (Dubus fig.151a) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1869 to Sep.1869)
Stamp code H..Basal bar missing.....Rarity G
- 9D14 (Dubus fig.152) No Proof Book entry Two codes:
Stamp code I..(Mar.1868 to Feb.1883).....Rarity A
Stamp code 5..(1879 to Jun.1881).....Rarity G
- 10D14 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1867)
Stamp code J.....Rarity H
- 12D14 (Dubus fig.153) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1867 to Oct.1867)
Stamp code A.....Rarity E

DUBUS TYPE 17 WESTLEY FIG.83



1D17A

1D17B

2D17

- 1D17A (Dubus fig.183a) Feb.1873 Two codes:
Stamp code A..(Dec.1872 to Nov.1876).....Rarity F
Stamp code none..(Oct.1876 to Aug.1880).....Rarity E
- 1D17B (Dubus fig.183b) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1878 to Jun.1883)
No stamp code.....Rarity F
- 2D17 (Dubus fig.184) Feb.1873 Three codes:
No stamp code..(Nov.1876 to Jul.1881).....Rarity E
Stamp code B..(Jun.1881).....Rarity H
Stamp code Z..(Jun.1884).....Rarity H



3D17

4D17

5D17

6D17

- 3D17 (Dubus fig.185) Feb.1873 Two codes:
Stamp code C..(May 1873 to May 1882).....Rarity G
No stamp code..(Jan.1880 to Mar.1884).....Rarity E
- 4D17 (Dubus fig.186) Feb.1873 Two codes:
No stamp code..(Sep.1875 to Mar.1884).....Rarity C
Stamp code D..(Jun.1876 to Apr.1881).....Rarity G
- 5D17 (Dubus fig.187) Feb.1873 Two codes:
No stamp code..(Jul.1878).....Rarity H
Stamp code T..(Oct.1882).....Rarity H
- 6D17 (Dubus fig.188) Feb.1873 (Aug.1873 to Apr.1880)
Stamp code F.....Rarity C

DUBUS TYPE 18 WESTLEY FIG.84 BRUMELL FIG.33



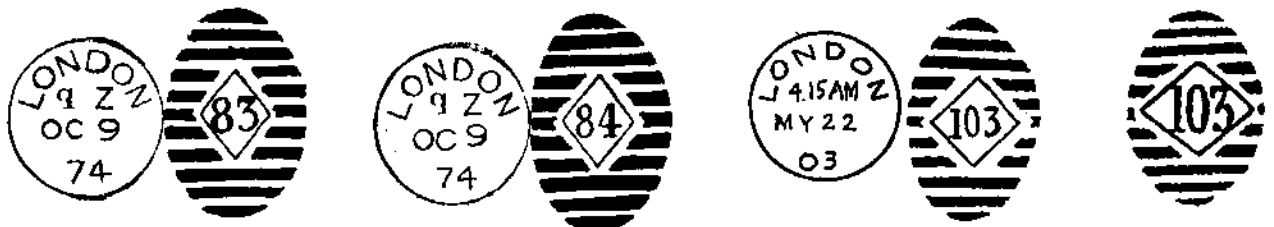
37D18

38D18

82D18

Dubus lists 37 and 38 under type 18 - I have illustrated the Proof Book entries above, however I think that they were actually used as type 19 with the double ring c.d.s.

- 37D18 (Dubus does not illustrate) Oct.1874 (Not recorded)..Rarity G.P.O.
38D18 (Dubus does not illustrate) Oct.1874 (Not recorded)..Rarity G.P.O.
82D18 (Dubus fig.190) Oct.1874 Code and time:
Stamp code a..(Jun.1876 to Aug.1886).....Rarity F
Time in full..(May 1902 to Jul.1904)..8.45AM,9.PM..Rarity G



83D18

84D18

103D18B

103D18A

83D18 (Dubus fig.191) Oct.1874 Code and Time:
Stamp code b..(Mar.1875 to Jun.1878).....Rarity F
Time in full..(Jul.1899 to Jun.1904)..5.AM,5.30AM,12.15AM,3.PM,
4.PM,6.PM,7.PM,8.PM,9.PM,12.45PM.....Rarity B

84D18 (Dubus fig.192) Oct.1874 Time and code:
Stamp code C..(Jun.1884 to May 1890).....Rarity F
No stamp code.(Jul.1896).....Rarity H
Time in full..(Jun.1902 to 1903)....4.15AM.....Rarity G

103D18A (Dubus fig.136b) Oct.1874 (Dec.1893)
Stamp code V.....Rarity H

103D18B (Dubus fig.193) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1897 to May 1904)
Time in full..1.15AM,4.15AM.....Rarity E

DUBUS TYPE 19 WESTLEY FIG.85,86,87. BRUMELL FIG.31

The significance of the double ring c.d.s.is not obvious from the actual examples seen,however there are a few clues in the G.P.O.records. In 1879 several entries were made,the phrase "brought into use" refers to the use several years afterthe cancellations were first brought into use.

"July 20th.1879 Two double rimmed Machine Dies (E and F) -ie.31 and 32 - brought into use for the purpose of stamping letters posted before 6PM at window and Lombard Street"

"Two double rimmed machine dies G and H ie 33 and 34,brought into use October 9th.1879 for stamping letters posted before six PM at window and branch offices"

"Dec 9th.1879 one double rimmed machine die brought into use for the purpose of stamping letters posted before 6PM" with an impression of 36D19 code J day code H dated 11th.Dec.1879.



27D19



28D19



29D19

27D19 (Dubus fig.194) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1875 to Apr.1884)
Stamp code A.....Rarity A

28D19 (Dubus fig.195) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1876 to Jun.1884)
Stamp code B.....Rarity B

29D19 (Dubus fig.196) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1875 to Mar.1886)
Stamp code C.....Rarity A



30D19



31D19



32D19



33D19

30D19 (Dubus fig.197) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1876 to Jul.1885)
Stamp code D.....Rarity B

31D19 (Dubus fig.198) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1876 to Oct.1883)
Stamp code E.....Rarity C

32D19 (Dubus fig.199) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1876 to Feb.1884)
Stamp code F.....Rarity A

33D19 (Dubus fig.200) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1876 to Mar.1885)
Stamp code G.....Rarity A

The 1879 entries in the records have not been listed as they were not the first entries.



35D19



36D19



37D19



37D19
1883 recut



38D19

34D19 (Dubus fig.201) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1875 to Mar.1884)
Stamp code H.....Rarity A

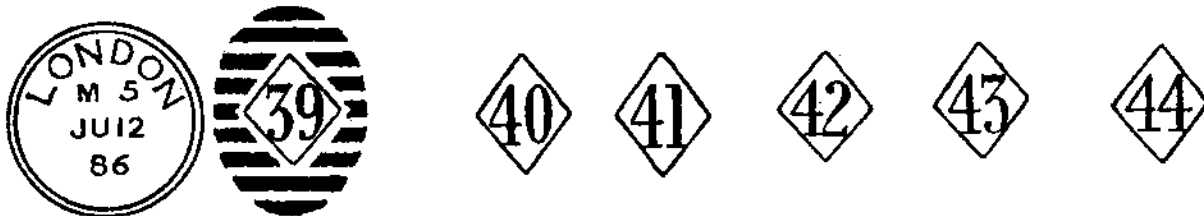
35D19 (Dubus fig.202) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1875 to Sep.1883)
Stamp code I.....Rarity B

36D19 (Dubus fig.203) No Proof Book entry (May 1875 to Jul.1883)
Stamp code J.inverted 4 seen as a day code Jul.1883..Rarity B

37D19 (Dubus figs.204a,b) Oct.1874 single rim c.d.s.(Feb.1875 to Jul.1885)
Stamp code K.....Rarity C

38D19 (Dubus fig.205) Oct.1874 single rim c.d.s. (Apr.1875 to Jul.1884)

Stamp code L.....Rarity C



39D19

40D10

41D19

42D19

43D19

44D19

39D19 (Dubus fig.206) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1875 to Jun.1886)

Stamp code M.....Rarity D

40D19 (Dubus fig.207) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1875 to Apr.1882)

Stamp code N.....Rarity C

41D19 (Dubus fig.208) No Proof Book entry (May 1877 to Sep.1878)

Stamp code O.....Rarity G

42D19 (Dubus fig.209) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1875 to Jan.1884)

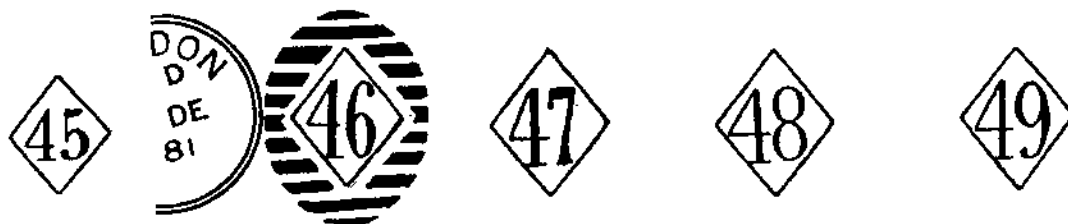
Stamp code P.....Rarity D

43D19 (Dubus fig.210) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1877 to Jul.1883)

Stamp code Q.....Rarity G

44D19 (Dubus fig.211) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1877 to Nov.1883)

Stamp code R.....Rarity D



45D19

46D19

47D19

48D19

49D19

45D19 (Dubus fig.212) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1875 to Oct.1883)

Stamp code S.....Rarity D

46D19 (Dubus fig.213) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1876 to Nov.1883)

Stamp code T.....Rarity F

47D19 (Dubus fig.214) No Proof Book entry (Mar.1876 to Nov.1877)

Stamp code U.....Rarity G

48D19 (Dubus fig.215) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1878 to Jan.1885)

Stamp code V.....Rarity F

49D19 (Dubus fig.216) No Proof Book entry (Mar.1877 to Aug.1882)
Stamp code W.....Rarity G



50D19

51D19

52D19

50D19 (Dubus fig.217) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1879 to Mar.1884)
Stamp code X.....Rarity F

51D19 (Dubus fig.218) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1876 to Jan.1884)
Stamp code Y.....Rarity F

52D19 (Dubus fig.219) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1877 to Aug.1886)
Stamp code Z.....Rarity D

DUBUS TYPE 20 WESTLEY FIG.88 BRUMELL FIG.30



1D20

7D20

9D20

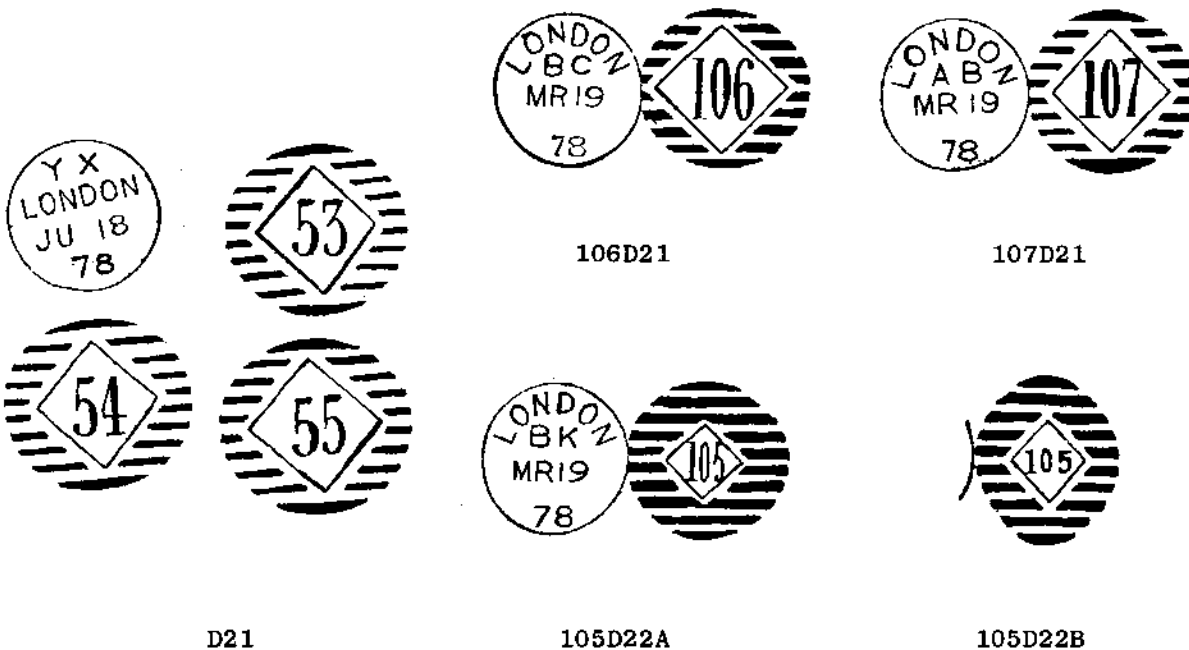
12D20

Only number 26 was entered into the Proof Books.

1D20 (Dubus fig.225) -- (1880)..Stamp code A.....Rarity H
2D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Oct.1880)..S amp code C.....Rarity H
3D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code D.....Rarity G.P.O.
4D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code E.....Rarity G.P.O.
5D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code F.....Rarity G.P.O.
7D20 (Dubus fig.226) -- (May 1877)..Stamp code G.....Rarity H
8D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code H.....Rarity G.P.O.
9D20 (Dubus fig.227) -- (Unrecorded)..Stamp code I....Rarity H
10D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code J.....Rarity G.P.O.
11D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Jul.1880)..Stamp code K.....Rarity H
12D20 (Dubus fig.228) -- (Jun.1877)..Stamp code L.....Rarity H

13D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Jun.1877 to Aug.1877)..Stamp code M..Rarity F
14D20 (Dubus fig.230) -- (Jul.1877 to Aug.1877)..Stamp code N..Rarity F
15D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Sep.1877)..Stamp code O.....Rarity H
16D20 (Dubus fig.231) -- (1880 to May 1881)..Stamp code P.....Rarity G
17D20 (Dubus fig.232) -- (Apr.1877)..Stamp code Q.....Rarity G
18D20 (Dubus fig.233) -- (Unrecorded)..Stamp code R.....Rarity H
19D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Oct.1882)..Stamp code S.....Rarity H
20D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Mar.1877)..Stamp code T.....Rarity H
21D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Not seen)..Stamp code U.....Rarity H
22D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Apr.1880 to Jan.1881)..Stamp code V..Rarity G
23D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Unrecorded)..Stamp code W.....Rarity G.P.O.
24D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Unrecorded)..Stamp code X.....Rarity G.P.O.
25D20 (No Dubus fig.) -- (Unrecorded)..Stamp code Y.....Rarity G.P.O.
26D20 (Dubus fig.236) Jan.1877 (Jun.1878 to Jun.1880) Stamp code Z..Rarity F

There is an annotation in the Proof Books next to this entry that says "2 Skeleton Machine Dies sent to the Inland Branch".



DUBUS TYPE 21 WESTLEY FIG.89 BRUMELL FIG.32

53D21 (Dubus fig.237) Jun.1878 (May 1879 to Apr.1881)
 Stamp code A.....Rarity F
54D21 (No Dubus fig.) Jun.1878 (Unrecorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
55D21 (No Dubus fig.) Jun.1878 (Unrecorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

106D21 (Dubus fig.239) Mar.1878 Two codes recorded:
Stamp code Y..(Jan.1882)..... Rarity H
Stamp code L..(Jun.1882)..... Rarity H
107D21 (Dubus fig.240) Mar.1878 (Mar.1878 to May 1882)
Stamp code N Rarity G

DUBUS TYPE 22 WESTLEY FIG.90 BRUMELL FIG.32

105D22A (Dubus figs.242a,b) Mar.1878 Three codes recorded:
Stamp code J..(Aug.1878)..... Rarity H
Stamp code X..(Jun.1881 to Jul.1891)..... Rarity D
Stamp code K..(Jun.1888)..... Rarity H
105D22B (Dubus fig.242c) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1896 to Jul.1904)
Time in full: 4.15PM,6.PM..... Rarity B



90D23

DUBUS TYPE 23 BRUMELL FIG.28

85D23 (Dubus fig.243) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1895)
Stamp code D Rarity H
86D23 (Dubus fig.244) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1897 to Feb.1903)
Time in full: 6.PM,7.PM,7.15PM,8.PM,9.PM..... Rarity F
87D23 (Dubus fig.245) No Proof Book entry (May 1901)
Time in full: 8.PM..... Rarity H
88D23 (Dubus fig.246) No Proof Book entry (Aug.1899 to Oct.1902)
Time in full: 4.PM,5.PM,6.PM,8.PM..... Rarity F
89D23 (Dubus fig.247) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1896 to Sep.1900)
Time in full: 5.30PM,6.30PM,7.15PM,7.45PM.... Rarity F
90D23 (Dubus fig.248) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1901 to Apr.1903)
Time in full: 5.PM,6.PM..... Rarity G
91D23 (Dubus fig.249) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1899 to Mar.1904)
Time in full: 6.PM,10.PM.... Rarity F
92D23 (Dubus fig.250) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1896 to May 1903)
Time in full: 5.PM,6.PM,10.PM..... Rarity F

93D23 (Dubus fig.251) c.1893 (Apr.1896 to Jun.1904)

Time in full: 4.PM,5.PM,6.PM,8.PM,none.....Rarity E

There is a note in the Proof Book to say that this cancellation was brought into use for stamping correspondence posted at Waterloo Station for despatch by the Cape Mail on Saturdays.

94D23 (Dubus fig.252) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1896 to Jan.1897)

Time in full: 5.30PM,6.PM.....Rarity E

95D23 (Dubus fig.253) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1896 to Jun.1900)

Time in full: 5.30PM,6.PM.....Rarity E

96D23 (Dubus fig.254) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1896 to Apr.1901)

Time in full: 4.15PM,5.PM,6.PM,none.....Rarity F

97D23 (Dubus fig.255) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1896 to Jul.1902)

Time in full: 6.PM,9.PM.....Rarity G

98D23 (Dubus fig.256) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1898 to Apr.1903)

Time in full: 6.PM,8.PM,11.PM.....Rarity G

TOO LATE AND LATE FEE DUPLEX

DUBUS TYPE 3. WESTLEY FIG.73. BRUMELL FIG.35.



78D3A

78D3B

79D3

78D3A (Dubus fig.30) Jan.1862 (Feb.1862 to Jan.1865)
Small hyphen at an angle. Stamp code C.....Rarity A

78D3B (No Dubus fig.) Mar.1865 Two Stamp Codes:-
This has a larger flat lying hyphen.

Stamp code A..as in the Proof Book. (Mar.1865 to May 1865)

Rarity F

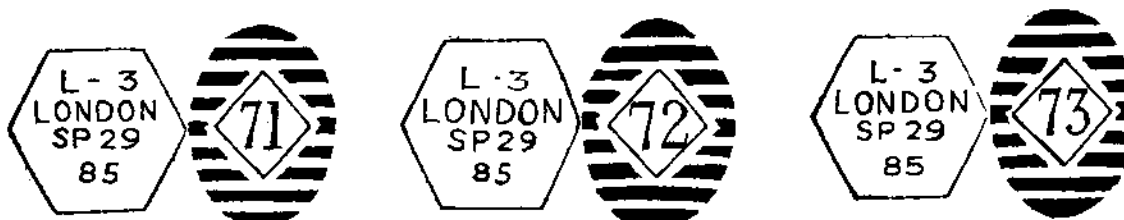
Stamp code C..as in 78D3A. (Sep.1865 to Sep.1868)

Rarity C

79D3 (Dubus fig.31) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1868 to Apr.1869)
Stamp code C.....Rarity F

DUBUS TYPE 15 WESTLEY FIG.79 BRUMELL FIG.36

This series of cancellations all have hexagonal date stamps. The shape signifies Too Late or Late Fee use. Up to Aug.1876 the stamp code was either A or B, after Sep.1876 there was no stamp or day code just an L followed by either 1,2,3,1D,2D or 3D. These numbers presumably showed the amount of the Late Fee due, however these cancellations were also used for Too Late mail (see note under 78D15)



71D15

72D15

73D15

71D15 (No Dubus fig.) Sep.1885 with L-3 Two codes seen:-
Code L.1...(Mar.1886 to Feb.1890).....Rarity F
Code L.3...(Mar.1886 to Jun.1890).....Rarity F

72D15 (Dubus fig.155) Sep.1885 with L.3 Two code seen:-
Code L.1...(Apr.1889).....Rarity H
Code L.3...(Nov.1885).....Rarity H

73D15 (Dubus fig.156) Sep.1885 with L.3 Three codes seen:-
 Code L.1...(Aug.1893).....Rarity H
 Code L.2...(Jun.1889).....Rarity H
 Code L.3...(Nov.1889).....Rarity H



74D15

75D15

76D15

74D15 (No Dubus fig.) Sep.1885 with L.3.....Rarity G.P.O.

75D15 (Dubus fig.158) No Proof Book entry Two codes:-
 Code L 1....(Oct.1876 to Apr.1894).....Rarity B
 Code L 3....(Jul.1882).....Rarity H

76D15 (Dubus fig.159) No Proof Book entry Three codes seen:-
 Code L 1...(Nov.1876 to Dec.1877).....Rarity E
 Code L 2...(Jun.1878 to Oct.1888).....Rarity F
 Code L 3...(Oct.1888 to Aug.1895).....Rarity G



77D15

78D15

79D15

77D15 (Dubus fig.160) No Proof Book entry Three codes seen:-
 Code L.....(Mar.1886 to Dec.1892).....Rarity F
 Code L 1...(Dec.1882 to Oct.1886).....Rarity G
 Code L 2...(Aug.1877).....Rarity H

78D15 (Dubus fig.161) May 1869 code A, Aug.1870 code B. Three code seen:-
 Code A.....(Jun.1869 to Nov.1873).....Rarity A
 Code B.....(Jan.1874).....Rarity H
 Code L 1...(Aug.1877 to Sep.1895).....Rarity E

There is an entry in the Post Office records on the 20th.Sep.1880 with an example of 78D15 code L 1 with the comment "The Foreign letters mis-posted in the Country Boxes at the Mark Lane,Gracechurch St.and Ludgate Circus Branch Offices after 6.00PM and received here with the letters for the Provinces, should after selection by an examiner here be impressed with the L 1 stamp with No.78 obliterator." This shows that L 1 did not signify Late Fee paid and explains the frequent occurrence of L 1 hexagonal duplex cancellations with an additional Too Late stamp.

79D15 (Dubus fig.162) May 1869 code A. Aug.1870 code B. Three codes:-
Code A....(Jun.1869 to Oct.1873).....Rarity G
Code B....(Mar.1870 to May 1874).....Rarity B
Code L1...(Feb.1877 to Feb.1878).....Rarity G



80D15



81D15

80D15 (Dubus fig.163) Mar.1872 B is the code in the Proof Book.
Code AA...(Feb.1874).....Rarity H
Code L....(Nov.1879 to May 1892).....Rarity F
Code L1...(Sep.1876 to Jan.1890).....Rarity E
Code L1D..(Dec.1886 to Jul.1894).....Rarity F
Code L2...(Aug.1887 to Sep.1889).....Rarity G
Code L2D..(Oct.1889 to Jul.1893).....Rarity G
Code L3...(Nov.1880 to Oct.1890).....Rarity G
Code L3D..(Aug.1881 to Jul.1893).....Rarity F

81D15 (Dubus fig.164) Mar.1872. B is the code in the Proof Books.
Code B....(Aug.1876).....Rarity H
Code L1...(Sep.1876 to Sep.1888).....Rarity F
Code L1D..(Jul.1890 to Apr.1891).....Rarity G
Code L3D noted by Dubus.

INLAND BRANCH SINGLE CANCELLATIONS

DUBUS TYPE 1 WESTLEY FIG.75 BRUMELL FIG.15



10D1



11D1

These cancellations were used on ordinary covers.

10D1 (Dubus fig.1) Jan.1862 (Apr.1862 to Jan.1865)...Rarity F

11D1 (Dubus fig.2) Jan.1862 (Feb.1862 to Mar.1863)...Rarity E

DUBUS TYPE 2 WESTLEY FIG.75 BRUMELL FIG.109



12D2



13D2



14D2



15D2



52D2

12D2 (Dubus figs.3a,b) Feb.1862 (Feb.1862 to Oct.1866)..Rarity C
Normally used on Foreign Mail with and without Late Fee.

13D2 (Dubus fig.4) Feb.1862 (Feb.1862 to Nov.1863).....Rarity E
Always used on Late Fee covers.

14D2 (Dubus fig.5) Sep.1862 (1863 to Jan.1866).....Rarity G-E
Used on Registered covers.

15D2 (Dubus fig.6) Sep.1862 (Sep.1862 to Nov.1863).....Rarity F-D
Used on Registered covers.

Numbers 52 to 74 are Newspaper Branch cancellations. These were almost always used on newspaper wrappers, thus dated copies are rare.

52D2 (Dubus fig.7) Apr.1862 (Apr.1865).....Rarity H-D



53D2

53D2 (Dubus fig.8) Apr.1862 (Feb.1863).....Rarity H-D



54D2

54D2 (Dubus fig.9) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-G



55D2

55D2 (Dubus fig.10) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E



56D2

56D2 (Dubus fig.11) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-F



57D2

57D2 (Dubus fig.12) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E



58D2

58D2 (Dubus fig.13) Apr.1862 (Dec.1862 to Dec.1865)..Rarity G-E
Seen used to cancel a stamp that had missed being cancelled.



59D2

59D2 (Dubus fig.14) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-F



60D2

60D2 (Dubus fig.15) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-D



61D2

61D2 (Dubus fig.16) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E



62D2

62D2 (Dubus fig.17) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-D



63D2

63D2 (Dubus fig.18) Apr.1862 (Jun.1862).....Rarity H-D



64D2

64D2 (Dubus fig.19) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E



65D2



67D2



68D2

65D2 (Dubus fig.20) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E
67D2 (Dubus fig.21) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-F
68D2 (Dubus fig.22) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-F



69D2 70D2 71D2 72D2 73D2 74D2

69D2 (Dubus fig.23) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E
70D2 (Dubus fig.24) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E
71D2 (Dubus fig.25) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E
72D2 (Dubus fig.26) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-D
73D2 (Dubus fig.27) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-E
74D2 (Dubus fig.28) Apr.1862 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H-D

DUBUS TYPE 4 and 5. WESTLEY FIG.83. BRUMELL FIG.15.



1D4A 1D4B 1D4C 2D4A 2D4B

1D4A (Dubus fig.32a) No Proof Book entry (1864 to Jul.1867)
 Used on Foreign and Late Fee letters.....Rarity F
1D4B (Dubus fig.32b) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1867 to Jan.1868)
 Used on Foreign letters.....Rarity G
1D4C (No Dubus fig.) May 1874 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H
2D4A (Dubus fig.33a) No Proof Book entry 1865 to May 1866)..Rarity G
2D4B (Dubus fig.33b) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H



2D4C



4D4A



4D4B



5D4A



5D4B

- 2D4C (No Dubus fig.) May 1874 (Unrecorded).....Rarity H
- 3D4 (Dubus fig.34) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1866)
Used on an Inland letter.....Rarity H
- 4D4A (Dubus fig.35a) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1864 to Jul.1866)
Used on Foreign and Inland letters.....Rarity D
- 4D4B (Dubus fig.35b) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1866 to Jan.1868)
Used on Too Late letters.....Rarity G
- 5D4A (Dubus figs.36a,b) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1864 to Apr.1867)
Used on Inland letters and Late Fee.....Rarity D
- 5D4B (Dubus fig.36c) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1867 to May 1868)
Rarity G



6D4A



6D4B



7D4



8D4



10D4

- 6D4A (Dubus fig.37a) No Proof Book entry (Aug.1864 to Jul.1867)
Seen used on Foreign Late Fee letters.....Rarity F
- 6D4B (Dubus fig.37b) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1868 to Oct.1904)
An example used in Dec.1902 shows an oval frame line around
the cancellation.....Rarity G
- 7D4 (Dubus fig.38) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1864 to Sep.1882)
Used on:- Inland letters,Late Fee and Seamans priviledge.
Rarity F
- 8D4 (Dubus fig.39) No Proof Book entry (1864 to 1867)..Rarity G
- 10D4 (Dubus fig.40) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1864 to Dec.1882)
This has thicker bars than 10D1. Used on Foreign letters
and Seamans priviledge.....Rarity F



11D4



12D4



13D5



15D5



19D5

- 11D4 (No Dubus fig.) 1866 (Feb.1866 to Aug.1871)
This has thicker bars than 11D1.....Rarity G
- 12D4 (No Dubus fig.) 1866 (May.1865 to May 1874).....Rarity G
- Dubus divides this series of single 2.5.5.2. bar killers into two types
1 to 10 as type 4 and 13 to 44 as type 5. The new 11 and 12 as mentioned
above I have placed in type 4.
- 13D5 (Dubus fig.41) No Proof Book entry (1865 to Oct.1866)..Rarity G
- 14D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
- 15D5 (Dubus fig.42) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1864 to Apr.1866)
Used on registered and foreign letters.....Rarity G
- 16D5 (Dubus fig.43) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1864 to 1866)..Rarity G
- 17D5 (Dubus fig.44) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1865 to 1866)..Rarity G
- 18D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Nov.1864)..Rarity H
- 19D5 (Dubus fig.45) No Proof Book entry (1864 to Nov.1868)
Used on foreign letters.....Rarity G
- 20D5 (Dubus fig.46) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1867)
Used on a foreign letter.....Rarity H
- 23D5 (Dubus fig.47) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1868)...Rarity G
- 24D5 (Dubus fig.48) No Proof Book entry (Aug.1869)..Rarity H
- 25D5 (Dubus fig.49) No Proof Book entry (Aug.1868 to 1869)
Rarity G-D
- 26D5 (Dubus fig.50) No Proof Book entry (1869 to Dec.1882)..Rarity G-D
26D5 has 6mm high figs.-- 26D9 has 5mm high figs.
- 27D5 (Dubus fig.51) No Proof Book entry (1868).....Rarity H
- 40D5 (Dubus fig.53) No Proof Book entry (1875).....Rarity H-F
- 41D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1868 to Sep.1871)
Rarity G
- 42D5 (Dubus fig.54) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1871)...Rarity H
- 43D5 (Dubus fig.55) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1872)...Rarity H
- 44D5 (Dubus fig.56) No Proof Book entry (1868 to Aug.1902)..Rarity E
- 46D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
- 49D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
- 50D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
- 51D5 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H



26D9



28D9



29D9



30D9



31D9

DUBUS TYPE 9

<u>26D9</u>	(Dubus fig.97)	1866 (Sep.1882 to Jan.1883).....	<u>Rarity G</u>
<u>28D9</u>	(Dubus fig.98)	1866 (Feb.1878 to Aug.1882).....	<u>Rarity F</u>
<u>29D9</u>	(Dubus fig.99)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>30D9</u>	(Dubus fig.100)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>31D9</u>	(Dubus fig.101)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>



32D9



33D9



34D9



35D9



36D9

<u>32D9</u>	(Dubus fig.102)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>33D9</u>	(Dubus fig.103)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>34D9</u>	(Dubus fig.104)	1866 (Aug.1871).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>35D9</u>	(Dubus fig.105)	1866 (Oct.1871).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>36D9</u>	(Dubus fig.106)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>



37D9



38D9



39D9

<u>37D9</u>	(Dubus fig.107)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>38D9</u>	(Dubus fig.108)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>
<u>39D9</u>	(Dubus fig.109)	1866 (Unrecorded).....	<u>Rarity H</u>

DUBUS TYPE 16 WESTLEY FIG.80 and 81. BRUMELL FIG.22 and 23.



34D16



35D16



36D16



37D16



38D16

This series were normally used for cancelling postcards. However numbers 34,43 and 48 are almost always found on normal letters.

34D16 (Dubus fig.165) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1871 to Aug.1871)
Rarity G

35D16 (Dubus fig.165) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1871 to Oct.1871)
Rarity G

36D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H

37D16 (Dubus fig.168) No Proof Book entry (May 1870)..Rarity H

38D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H-F



39D16 40D16 43D16 44D16 46D16

39D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1871 to Jun.1871)
Rarity G

40D16 (Dubus fig.171) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1872)..Rarity H

41D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1871)..Rarity H

42D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1870 to Oct.1871)
Rarity F-D

43D16 (Dubus fig.174a,b) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1871 to Sep.1871)
Rarity F-C

44D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Apr.1871 to Oct.1871)
Rarity G-F

45D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H

46D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H



51D16

47D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H

48D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Sep.1872)....Rarity H

49D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1872)....Rarity H-E

50D16 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H

51D16 (Dubus fig.182) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H-F

DUBUS TYPE 24

This series is characterised by having 1/5/5/1 bars, they are always badly struck and appear to be made of india rubber. They frequently show an outer frame line typical of rubber handstamps. Numbers 20 and 21 are entered in the Proof Books with the comment "two new flexible handle stamps for use on Late Fee posting." Their use varies - bookpost - long envelopes - normal mail - incompletely cancelled mail.



1D24

2D24

3D24

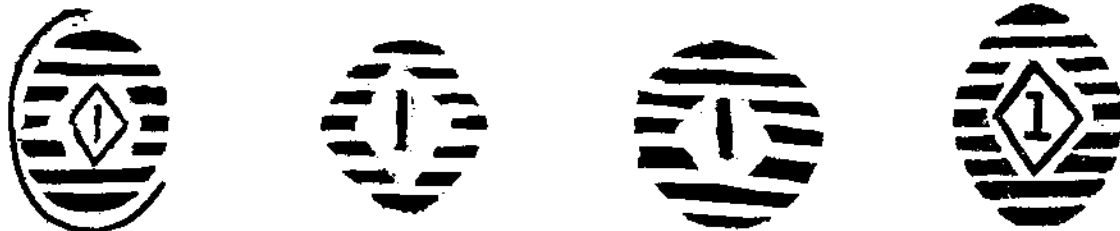
4D24

5D24

- 1D24 (Dubus fig.257) No Proof Book entry (1870 to Aug.1882)..Rarity G
2D24 (Dubus fig.258) No Proof Book entry (Mar.1879)..Rarity H
3D24 (Dubus fig.259) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
4D24 (Dubus figs.260a,b) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1877 to 1882)..Rarity E
5D24 (Dubus fig.261) No Proof Book entry (1877 to Apr.1878)..Rarity G
7D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1877)..Rarity G
8D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
9D24 (Dubus fig.262) No Proof Book entry (Jul.1877 to Apr.1880)..Rarity F-D
10D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
11D24 (Dubus fig.263) No Proof Book entry (Dec.1879)..Rarity G
12D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
13D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
14D24 (Dubus fig.264) No Proof Book entry (1878 to Feb.1880)..Rarity G
15D24 (No dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
18D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
20D24 (No Dubus fig.) May 1880 (Not seen).....Rarity G.P.O.
21D24 (No Dubus fig.) May 1880 (Not seen).....Rarity G.P.O.
24D24 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H

DUBUS TYPE 25

This is Dubus's group for the cancellations that do not fit in any other category. They have a variable number of bars.



1AD25

1BD25

1CD25

1DD25

- 1AD25 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jan.1876)..Rarity H
Used on a House of Commons envelope
- 1BD25 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1871)..Rarity H
Used on a postcard.
- 1CD25 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1874)..Rarity H
Used on a House of Commons envelope.
- 1DD25 (Dubus fig.265) No Proof Book entry (1896).....Rarity H-F



3D25



41D25

- 3D25 (Dubus fig.266) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
- 7D25 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H
Used on a postcard.
- 41D25 (Dubus fig.267) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H-G
- 42D25 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Oct.1871)...Rarity H
As 1CD25.

DUBUS TYPE 26 WESTLEY FIG.91 BRUMELL FIG.18



BD26



CD26



DD26

- AD26 (No Dubus fig.) No Proof Book entry (Unrecorded)..Rarity H-E
- BD26 (Dubus fig.270) No Proof Book entry (Unrdcorded)..Rarity H-F
- CD26 (Dubus fig.271) No Proof Book entry (Jun.1875 to Nov.1876)..Rarity F
- DD26 (Dubus fig.272) No Proof Book entry (Feb.1875 to Feb.1876)..Rarity G-F

I agree with Westley, in that these were not normally used for cancelling mail, any examples so used were casual - it was the nearest undated killer available.

