

Major Frame Plate Flaws - 2d. Printings

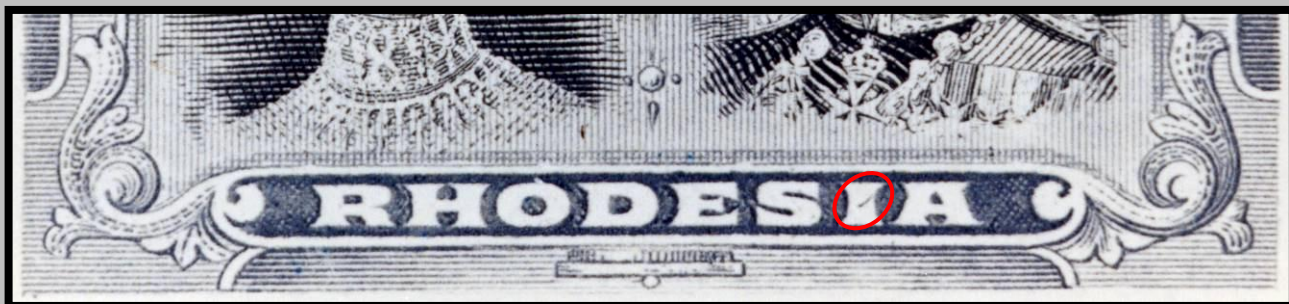
The 2d frame is the most interesting frame of the entire Double Head series and it is an excellent subject for study just in itself. Every flaw that can occur in the line engraved printing process is represented and there is also a fairly large range of easily seen, one-of-a-kind marks. It is one of the few instances where the frame State (of which there are three) can play a major role in printing identification and the frame states can readily be determined. Furthermore, with blackish heads and blackish frames, one is likely to need all the help one can get in recognizing and assessing the importance of any mark on these stamps.

What follows is only an abbreviated study of the 50 positions. The more comprehensive study is available, and will likely be uploaded to the Rhodesia Study Circle website in due course.

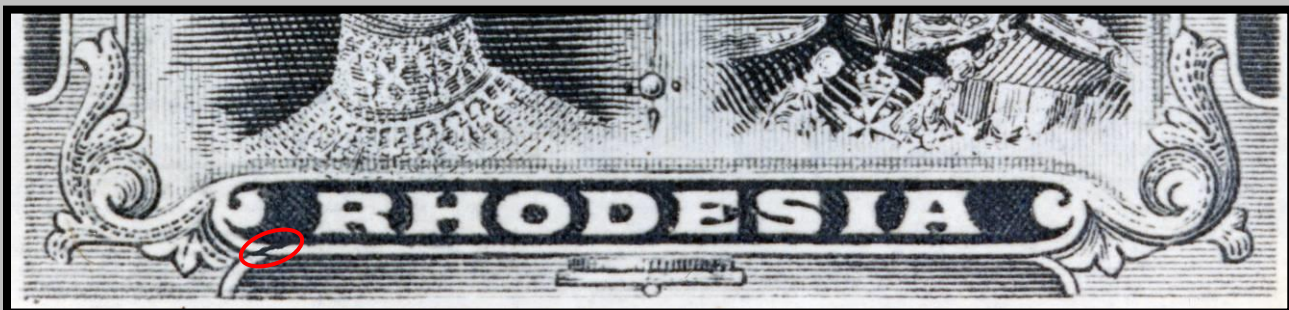
However, we can say that in Frame State I, the horizontal and vertical layout scratches are more evident (complete and unbroken) than in State II & III.

In Frame State II a few miscellaneous new flaws appear and the marginal layout lines are worn or absent. Some positions show evidence of "touching-up".

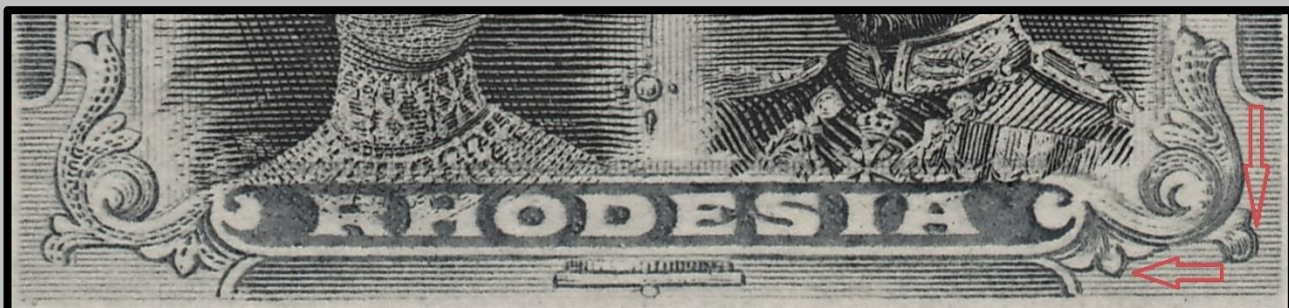
In Frame State III transfer roller work left evidence in many positions of doubled leaf ornament, scroll and scroll foot (S.E. corner.)



2d Frame State I, II & III - Position 14 - Dramatic flaw at the midpoint of the "I" of RHODESIA.



2d Frame State I, II & III - Position 37 - Major flaw on the RHODESIA panel canal SW of the "R".



2d Frame State III - SE Corner & Scroll Doubled

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Position 1



Marks at about 4:00 and at top of oblique stroke of "R" of RHODESIA.

States 1 & 2

Position 2



Strong NW flaw at 12:00 around hole on "D" on WVC.

States 2 & 3

Position 3



Two dots 0.1mm into N margin over about 1:00 on WVC.

State 2

Position 4



NW mark from N frame line into N margin from about 1:00 on EVC.

States 1-3

Position 5



Two vertical flaws near midpoint of 2nd "I" of BRITISH.

States 1 & Early 2

Position 6



3mm scratch 0.5mm into E margin opposite upper part of E panel.

States 2 & 3

Position 7



Dot just below 3:00 between circles on WVC.

States 1-3

Position 8



Dot at 3:00 on "D" on EVC.

States 1 & 2

Position 9



Dot at 10:30 on top loop of "2" on WVC.

States 1 & 2

Position 10



Flaw 0.5mm into N margin over "H" of SOUTH.

States 1 & 2

Position 11



Dot 0.05mm into W margin between lines 10-11 below NW corner.

States 1 & 2

Position 12



NW dash across bottom of 1st "I" of BRITISH.

State 1 Only

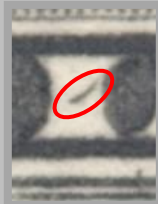
Position 13



Dot near top of vertical stroke of "E" of RHODESIA.

States 1-3

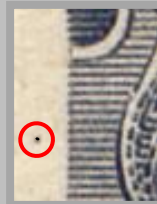
Position 14



Dramatic flaw at midpoint of "I" of RHODESIA.

States 1-3

Position 15



Large dot 0.5mm W of frame opposite 9th line S of gap S of W panel.

States 1-3

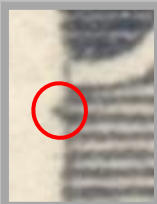
Position 16



NE dash at intersection of the arcs on "B" of BRITISH.

States 1 & 2

Position 17



Dot touching W end of 2nd and 3rd lines below gap S of W panel.

States 1-3

Position 18



Horizontal flaw at top of horizontal stroke of "B" of BRITISH.

States 1 & 2

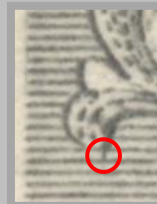
Position 19



Large dot 0.3mm W of W scroll between 5th and 6th lines over leaf.

States 1-3

Position 20



Dot directly below bottom of S leaf of SW scroll foot.

States 1-3

Position 21



Horizontal dash 0.6mm into N margin over "U" of SOUTH.

States 1-3

Position 22



8th to 17th lines N of bottom of W panel extend E in canal W of W panel.

States 1-3

Position 23



Large clear flaw filling BSAC panel canal S of "P" of COMPANY.

State 1-3

Position 24



String of dots with another above, in W margin opposite 9:30 on WVC.

States 1-3

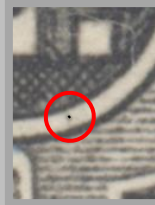
Position 25



Two NW dashes in E margin opposite 2:30 on EVC.

States 1-3

Position 26



Distinct flaw at 5:30 between Circles of EVC.

States 1-3

Position 27



SW flaw on RHODESIA panel canal below "D".

States 1-3

Position 28



Large diagonal flaw on canal N of W leaf ornament.

States 1 & 2

Position 29



Small dot near bottom of "I" of RHODESIA.

States 1 Only

Position 30



Flaw at 3:30 on outer edge of "D" on EVC.

States 1-3

Position 31



Horizontal dash inside mouth of gap S of W panel.

States 1 & 2

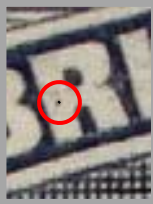
Position 32



Large flaw on S frame line between "IA" of RHODESIA.

States 1 & 2

Position 33



Flaw near midpoint of vertical stroke of "R" of BRITISH.

States 1 & 2

Position 34



Dot at 12:30 between circles on WVC and three more in N margin.

States 1 & 2

Position 35



Very fine WSW scratch from outer circle of EVC at 12:30.

States 1 & 2

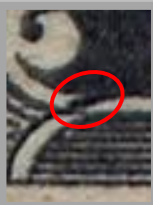
Position 36



Two dots near the top of vertical stroke of "D" of RHODESIA.

States 1 & 2

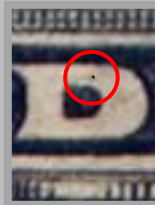
Position 37



Major flaw on RHODESIA panel canal SW of "R".

States 1-3

Position 38



Dot at 1:00 around hole on "D" of RHODESIA.

States 1 & 2

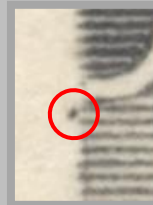
Position 39



Horizontal dash near midpoint of oblique stroke of "2" on WVC.

States 1 & 2

Position 40

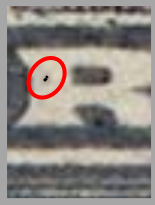


Dot 0.05mm into W margin just SW of gap S of W panel.

States 1-3

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Position 41



Mark near center of vertical stroke of "R" of RHODESIA.

States 1 & 2

Position 42



Dots near top of vertical stroke of "D" and between circles of WVC.

States 1 & 2

Position 43



Distinct WNW scratch about 0.3mm into N margin over "SO" of SOUTH.

State 1-3

Position 44



Large faint circular flaw near bottom of top left arc of "2" on WVC.

States 1 & 2

Position 45



Many small dots at 2:00 on top arc of "2" on WVC.

States 1 & 2

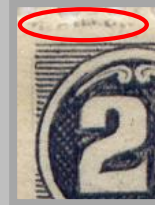
Position 46



Dot near bottom of vertical stroke of "F" of AFRICA.

States 1 & 2

Position 47



Thick 3.5mm horizontal smudged line 0.5mm into N margin above NW corner.

States 1 & 2

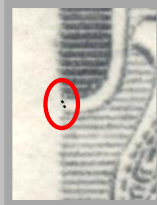
Position 48



Dot near midpoint of left vertical stroke of "M" of COMPANY.

States 1 & 2

Position 49



Two dots at mouth of gap S of W panel.

States 1-3

Position 50



Top three lines of N panel extend across canal E of N panel.

States 1 & 2