

TWO PENCE VALUE

Date	Number Ordered	Order Number	Plate Head	Numbers Frame
17.10.23	910,000	XL 178300	35047	35077
10.9.24 *	600,000	XL 234805	35047	35077
27.5.26 *	360,000	XL 208720	35324	35077
22.3.27 *	270,000	XL 173250	35047	35077
5.3.28 *	330,960	XL 139112	35324	35077
15.3.29	151,020	(XL 233228	35324	35077
		(XL 230512		

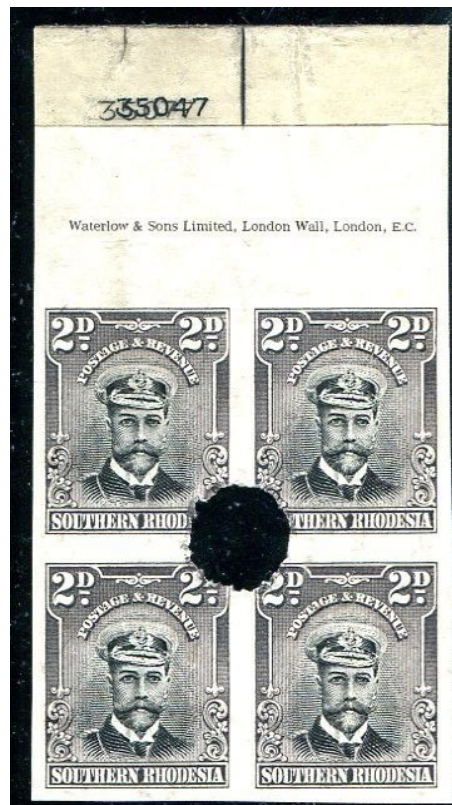


Plates 35047 and 35077
were used for 1st, 2nd and
4th printings



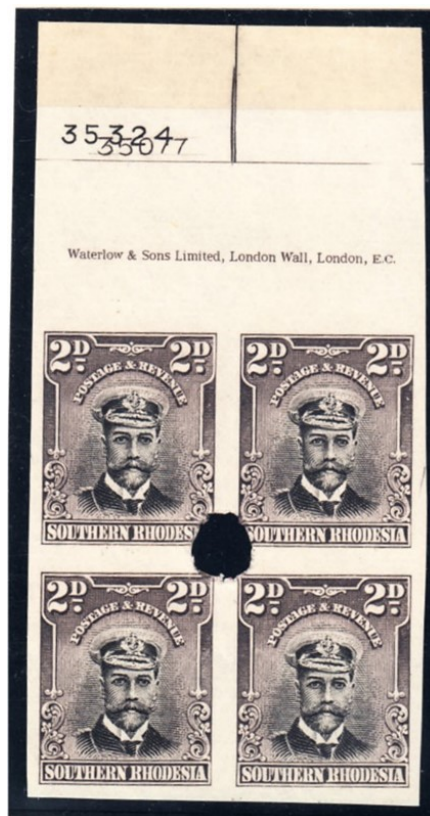
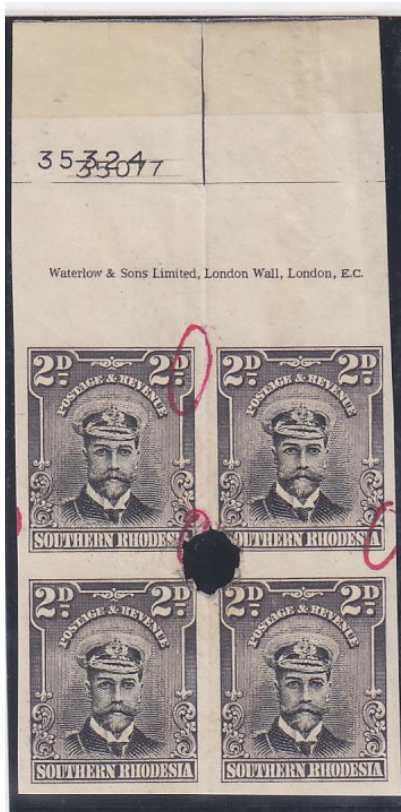
Plates 35324 and 35077
were used for 3rd, 5th and
6th printings

Plates 35047 and 35077



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17th October 1923 Printing

Order No.178300 Print Qty. 910,000



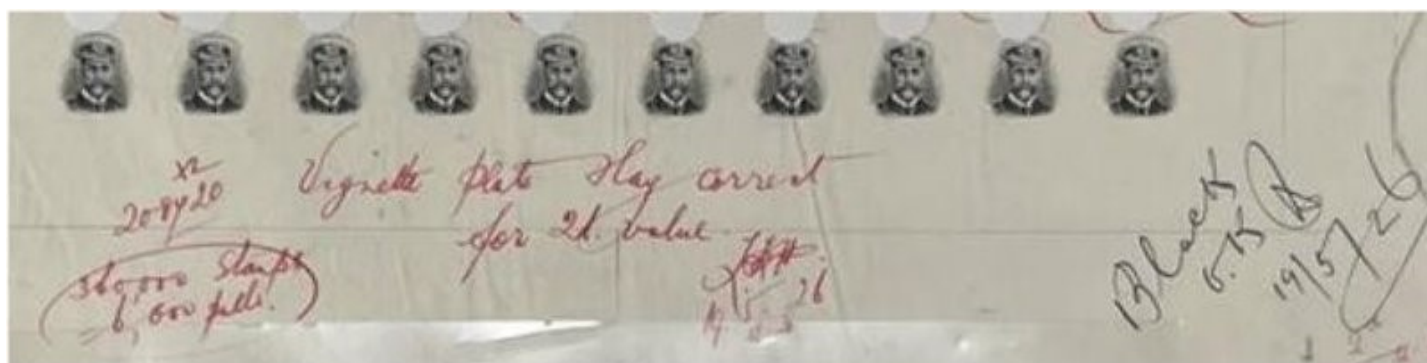
There were originally 4 sheets kept of this first order. The vignette imperforate sheet is no longer available. The combined vignette/casement imperforate sheet is marked "XL 178,300 910,000 stamps = 15,167 pulls". "Casement wording correct for 2d value. Improve register. LFH 6.11.23 11.30" Time 10.40 also noted bottom right corner. Also endorsed "2d casement color: [initials] 6.11.23" Bottom right corner number 188,081, left corner 117. Number upside down. The perforated record sheet is marked "Appd. 9.11.23 SFG?" presumably meaning "Approved". The perforated file copy contains the following information in the top margin "178,300 17.10.23 910,000 stamps". No initials or other marking, 25 stamps of this sheet survive.

10th September 1924 Printing
Order No.234805 Print Qty. 600,000



There were 5 sheets of the second order. Only the bottom 2 rows of the imperforate vignette sheet were present, which showed the usual markings. The imperforate combined sheet was marked "Casement wording correct. Improve register LFH 25.9.24 12.0" and "Colour OK F.M.G. (?) Aug 25/24 10.35". Only 2 blocks of an imperforate record sheet survived and the sheet "Standard for Examination 20.10.24" was missing. It is assumed to have been imperforate as the other examples of this category of archive sheet from this printing were imperforate. Only 21 stamps of the file copy sheet remain.

27th May 1926 Printing
Order No.208720 Print Qty. 360,000



There were 3 sheets of this printing retained, but very little remained in the Archives. Only the top 2 rows of each of the vignette and combined sheets and 33 stamps of the file copy. The vignette reveals that headplate 35,324 was used, and the combined sheets shows both head and frame plate numbers. No other information survived.

22nd March 1927 Printing

Order No. 173250 Print Qty. 270,000



The next 4 sheets of the sixth order, three of which were imperforate. The imperforate vignette sheet revealed that the original headplate 35,047 was used. The sheet was marked "XL 173,250, 270,000 stamps = 4,500 pulls. Vignette plate and lay correct for 2d value LFH 17.3.27. 9.30" and "2d centre OK [initials] 17/3/27". The first imperforate combined sheet was marked "Casement wording correct Improve register MS (?) 22.3.27. 10.50", the second "Border color OK 22/3/27". Only 33 stamps from the file copy sheet remained.

5th March 1928 Printing
Order No.139112 Print Qty. 330,960

4 sheets. The imperforate headplate showed 35,324 was used, and the 2 combined imperforate sheets showed the usual markings. Only 33 stamps from the file copy sheet remained.

15th March 1929 Printing
Order No.233228 and 230512 Print Qty. 151020



Only 3 sheets. The imperforate headplate bore both order numbers "XL 223,228 and XL 230,512 151,020 stamps = 2,517 pulls" and the usual endorsements by LFH and SGC. The combined sheet contained the same details, and was endorsed "Casement wording correct. Improve register and impression. LFH 3/4/29 5.5" and "Colour OK GWR 3/4/29 4.45". The file copy was also marked with both order numbers and dated 15.2.29, the usual 33 stamps remaining.