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FOR COLLECTORS OF NEW ZEALAND STAMPS

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NEW ZEALAND NOTES & COMMENT by Campbell Paterson

Q.E. 1d, Large "figures" Plate 11, Row 10, No. 22

Mrs. L. M. Foote of Takapuna has shown us this stamp in its early "pre-retouch" state—something that it was thought did not exist in the issued stamps.

I would refer readers to the note regarding this same stamp, retouched, in the April Newsletter. The retouch is both extensive and skilful and demands a place in any Q.E. specialised collection. (Incidentally it is the lower left-hand stamp in any Plate block of 6 stamps—we always supply these lower value plates in "sixes" so all our Plate Block people will have R10/22 to study).

In "The New Zealand Stamp Collector" for February, 1958, the retouch is described by Mr. R. J. G. Collins and he further states that Mr. C. W. Watts of the Stamps Division has examined the Proof Sheet. This shows Row 10/22 as being a weak impression around NEW ZEA (the area later retouched) and heretofore this weak "pre-retouch" state has not been found on issued sheets.

I think Mrs. Foote deserves hearty congratulations on this find—she still considers herself a beginner but has been quick to learn the first rule for all specialists—keep your eyes open! So far we have no supplies to distribute and would like to buy some—that is, blocks of 6 with Plate number 11—we will pay double face value for such blocks showing the retouch but for blocks of the "pre-retouch" state we will pay 7/6d each. There is surely a good inducement! You go to your Post Office and buy a Plate 11 block; you cannot do less than double your money and if you are lucky you will multiply it by 15. That is to say, as long as you don't delay. As usual, the offers, perfectly genuine though they are, remain open only until we have enough for our requirements. This leaves plenty of scope for we need a very large number.

Therefore: for a block of 6, 1d (large figures) Plate 11, with retouch R10/22, we offer 1/-; for a block of 6, 1d ditto, in the pre-retouch state, we offer 7/6d. Also—1½d large figures. Plates 9 and 10, for each Plate block 6 we offer 2/6d.

First Day Covers Serviced

We do not usually provide a F.D.C. service but for the Nelson and Hawkes Bay Centennials (Nelson late September, H.B. Oct.-Nov.) we are making an exception.

Readers requiring these covers, with stiffener insert, to bear the full sets and the special First Day cancellations, should forward the names and addresses for us to type on the attractive official pictorial covers. Any number can be ordered but the names MUST be listed on sheets separate from all other communications and should be accompanied by a remittance to cover the order. Charges are based on the face value of the stamps, (3d for Nelson, 1/1 for H.B.) plus cost of the cover and stiffener, cost of handling and forwarding by us and of handling by the Nelson & H.B. Societies. Once ordered nothing further need done. The covers will reach their addresses after the First Days Orders for Nelson must reach us before September 10th and orders for Hawkes Bay before October 10th.

Charges are: Nelson, per cover, serviced 1/-

Hawkes Bay, per cover, serviced 1/10d

NOTE.—Covers for countries other than British Commonwealth require 6d postage. Add 3d per cover to the Nelson charge in such cases. No extra for Hawkes Bay.

Readers wishing to do their own servicing can be supplied by us with the official covers at 3d per cover (minimum number supplied, ½ doz.) plus postage 4d on any quantity. These are now in stock.

1931 Healths

Too many collections of Healths show an unpleasant blank under the sub-heading "1931." Here is an opportunity to fill that gap. For those who find the superfine too much for their pockets we have some "not-so-fine" copies to offer. These are NOT worthless rubbish. In the case of the unused their only shortcoming is a certain loss of "bloom" or slightly disturbed gum; in the used it is entirely a matter of postmark. In some of the "not-so-fines" the postmark is no heavier than in the best—just not so well placed. Why not ask to see them?

Lot 40 1931 Healths

(a) Red Boy, finest mint	90/-
(b) ditto, not-so-fine, mint	50/-
(c) ditto, finest used	85/-
(d) ditto, not-so-fine used	50/-
(e) Blue Boy, finest mint	£5
(f) ditto, not-so-fine, mint	75/-
(g) ditto, finest used	65/-
(h) ditto, not-so-fine, used	50/-
(i) ditto, just a bit inferior to (h)	45/-

We also have a few unused 1929 and 1930 Healths of fine appearance but gum disturbed at: 1929, 5/-; 1930, 10/-.

HINGES ! HINGES ! HINGES !

Imports of hinges have been cut under the recent restrictions so there may be a shortage. We have just obtained a supply of Gibbons' medium size (in the long green tins) and we offer these at an attractive price. Supplies are not unlimited!

41 Finest Quality Gibbons' Hinges

Per box of 2000, S.G. Medium hinges	6/6d
Special price for 3 tins, 6000 hinges	17/6d

½d Green Mt. Cook Mint

Another fine collection being broken up.

- 42 "Waterlow" (Pirie) paper. Two pages. Includes perf 14, 4 pairs; perf 11 x 14 a strip of 3, pale, 2 singles and a block of 4, deep; perf 14 x 11, a pair and 2 singles and an off-centre block of 4. The fine lot
- 43 Basted Mills paper. A block, perf 14; a pair, pale and a single, deep, perf 11 x 14; singles, perf 14 x 11 and Mixed
- 44 Cowan No Wmk. A very superior block of four of this, the scarcest of all the Mt. Cooks. In block form it must be exceptionally rare. With selvedge, well centred, full gum, clean and of fine colour. The rare block
- 45 Cowan Wmk'd perf 11. Two shades in singles
- 46 Cowan Wmk'd perf. 14. Two outstanding pages. Includes a block of 6 of the pale yellow-green (off-centre and a crease but still attractive and scarce); five fine shades in blocks of 4; three pairs; five singles. This is a showing it would take a long time to match. The lot
- 47 Cowan Wmk'd Compound perfs. Perf. 11 x 14, 4 singles and a block; 14 x 11, a single and a block. The lot
- 48 Cowan Wmk'd, Mixed perfs. Two blocks and 3 singles, fine shades. (C.P. Cat. £5/10/0)
- 49 Mt. Cook Rarity. A show-piece block of 8 of the Cowan wmk'd perf 11 x 14 with bottom selvedge showing arrow marking and "4" scratched twice on the plate. This rare and desirable specialist's item

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