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NEXT MEETING

SATURDAY, 1st APRIL, AT

SHAFTESBURY HOTEL, MONMOUTH STREET, LONDON.

TIME: 2.15 p.m. for 2.30 p.m.

SUBJECT: ANNUAL COMPETITION AND QUIZ.

We hope to see a good turnout of members for this April Fools Day meeting. The Annual Competition is one of the two meetings a year that members should make that extra effort to attend (the other being of course the A.G.M.) Entries for the Competition are usually of a high standard, and this is a wonderful opportunity to see both first class material and superb presentation.

There are two awards:

- KIWI SHIELD - Classic Section (up to and including K.E. VII)
STACEY HOOKER CUP - Modern Section (K.G. V to date.)

These awards are reversed each year.

Our President, Harry Bartrop, will take the Chair for a Philatelic Quiz to be held either after the Competition, or whilst the judging is taking place.

Full details of the Meeting are given in the circular sent out to all members recently by Noel Turner.

LAST MEETING - 28th January. - TRAVELLING POST OFFICES

The Meeting was to have been led by Jimmy Riddell. Unfortunately, he was taken ill at the last minute, and John Evans and Gerald Pratt very nobly took over. Jimmy had prepared some notes which John Evans was able to use in presenting Jimmy's collection of Marine Post Offices. Gerald Pratt used his own extensive knowledge of the Railway Travelling Post Offices to present the remainder of Jimmy's material. Our thanks are extended to all three; to Jimmy for the excellent material, and to John and Gerald for their last minute 'take over'.

REPORT OF MEETING

MARINE POST OFFICES

(From Jimmy Riddell's notes)

The First Period. 1863-1923.

Before N.Z. Mail Agents were allocated to ships, a NEW ZEALAND SHIP LETTER cancellation was used on mail from Auckland, from 1841 to 1845. This was a type of cancellation sent out to British territories abroad. It was intended for use on incoming mail, but in the case of New Zealand, it was used in error on outgoing mail. New Zealand stamps are also found cancelled by the obliterations used by the mail agents on the P and O ships from Sydney, on uncanceled mail. However, it was not until 1863 that the first N.Z. Marine P.O. cancellation was put into use on two ships plying between Port Chalmers and Melbourne, between 1863 and 1866. This was a duplex cancellation NZ Marine P.O. c.d.s., with an obliterator at the right with OTAGO across the centre. No covers have been recorded. Recently it was found out that this cancellation with slightly smaller letters and no OTAGO obliterator, had been used on uncanceled mail on the Panama-New Zealand-Australia Line. I show one of two covers recorded showing this, with the uncanceled stamp cancelled with a Z in an oval of bars. In 1869 this Marine P.O. was closed, and the next recorded use of an NZ Marine P.O. was in February 1885 on the Sydney-Auckland-Apia-San Francisco run, although it is known that NZ Mail Agents were on board some ships before that date. I show examples of the four different types of the first cancellation used on the different ships, and the other different types of cancellations., all of which are quite scarce.

In 1900 America took over the Hawaiian Islands, so the ships of the Union Steamship Co of NZ had to give up their part in this handling of mail, which they had been doing in conjunction with the Ocean Steamship Co of San Francisco. From 1900 to 1907 the Ocean Steamship Co carried on alone with three ships; the Sierra, Sonoma, and the Ventura. I show covers from all three, and their different cancellators.

Marine Post Offices (contd)

At the end of this period I show a very interesting and rare example of the cancellation used on the Wellington-Picton Ferry, of which only two or three fragments exist. I own this thanks to the generosity of Mr. Ken McNaught.

The Second Period. 1923 -1938.

There were two Lines. The first was the Canadian-Australian Line from Sydney to Auckland--Suva--Honolulu--to Vancouver. The second was The Union Royal Mail Line from Sydney to Wellington--Rutotonga--Papeete to San Francisco. So it was permissible to use, at one time or the other, the stamps of all these countries on letters posted on board. Each Line had its own cancellators, a ship's name c.d.s, and different Packet Boat, Loose Letter, and dumb cancellators. What has made this period so very complex from a cancellation point of view is that when a ship on one Line went off for a refit, a ship from the other Line replaced it temporarily....so... one finds letters posted on board one particular ship, with stamps cancelled with the cancellations of both Lines. This cannot be explained quickly and just has to be studied. I show covers from all the ships except one, and examples of all the cancellations except one.

At the end I show Pursers' cancellations, which are quoted in the NZ Handbook. Although they are not in reality N.Z. Marine P.O. cancellations, they were accepted, at times, in lieu of them.

The Marine P.O.s were closed down because of mail going by air.

(Editor's Note: 'Stamp Collecting' for 7th, 28th January, and 4th, 18th February 1966 contain detailed articles on "New Zealand Marine P.O. Markings" by Mr. J. Riddell. These back numbers may be obtained by application to Stamp Collecting Ltd, 42, Maiden Lane, London. W.C.2.)

RAILWAY T.P.O. CANCELLATIONS (From notes by Gerald Pratt)

It was a great privilege to see Jimmy Riddell's fine collection of RTPO cancellations about which he had whetted our interest in the articles he had written for KIWI in January and March 1966. This is a subject in which he is the leading expert, and which has never been adequately written up previously.

His collection provided a fine survey of these cancellations with maps to show the different routes. The various Index Letters and Numbers were also shown, together with examples of those wrongly applied. A few Flag Station covers were also shown.

Railway T.P.O. Cancellations (contd)

To those interested in starting to collect either Marine or Railway cancellations on cover, the ones to go after, and naturally the rarest, are those that have been posted on board and have the stamps actually cancelled with the Marine or Railway cancellation.

EDITOR'S NOTES.

My apologies if this issue seems rather overweighted with information on Travelling Post Offices. This has been done in an effort to combine as much detail as possible in the one issue, thus increasing its value to members as a complete reference copy in its own right. Even the page of cancellations which appeared in the January 1966 KIWI has been reproduced.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of one of our members, Mr. Cyril Hilton of Leicester, and the resignation of Mr. L.B. Ward of Newcastle due to a serious illness.

The Letters of the Rev. Nihill. Members may have wondered what has happened to the extracts from the letters of the Rev. W. Nihill, who was a member of the Church Missionary Society in NZ from 1842 until his death in 1855. This series of extracts, edited by Jimmy Riddell, was started in the July 1965 KIWI, and ended rather abruptly in the middle of a letter, in the November 1965 KIWI. The remaining extracts have now come into my possession, and will be published as space permits. They contain some very interesting accounts of journeys across the North Island.

Postal History ? Sgt. Grassie is the first member to notify us of the addition of a postal code to his address. These codes are being introduced in areas adopting automatic sorting of mail.

Page Numbering. Starting with Volume XVI, pages will in future be numbered consecutively throughout the complete volume. Thus you will notice that this issue, which is the second of the current volume, commences with page 19.

PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND DATESTAMPS.

The following table was sent to the Editor by Mr. R.M. Startup of N.Z, in July 1966. The table is a revised one of identifiable datestamp items, and has been brought up to date from several reports of holdings in N.Z, notably from Mr. Marcel Stanley, as well as the valuable work by John Evans in KIWI. It contains all the information up to and including that in the May 1966 issue, but John Evans points out that it may not include all the items listed by Mr. Joe Stonehouse in the July 1966 issue, although some of these items may have been previously notified to Mr. Startup.

Mr. Startup has divided the dates of the examples into Maori War Period 1864-6, and Relief Usage Period 1867-75. Members should re-read Mr. Startup's article in the May 1965 KIWI on this subject.

Serial No	1864-1866 era			1867-1875 era		
	Earliest date	Latest date	No. of examples	Earliest date	Latest date	No. of examples
1	FE 3 65	OC 23 65	23	MR 3 69	DE 3 72	2
2	SP 14 64	OC 6 65	20	-	-	-
3	SP 27 64	OC 28 65	4	MR 15 69	MR 14 73	2
4	OC ? 67	DE 16 65	2	DE 4 67	JY 30 69	3
5	NO 30 64	JU 4 65	4	DE 24 68	SP 2 70	4
6	MR 9 65	JY 3 66	3	JU 12 68	OC 20 75	2
7	DE 30 64	OC ? 65	2	-	-	-
8	FE 26 65		1	JU 6 7?		1
			<u>59</u>			<u>14</u>

Other Identifiable Items.

serial number	date	number of examples
12	DE 10 72	1
A (or 4)	DE 27 73 JA 3 74	<u>2</u>
		3

Total number of items with identifiable serial number in impression, stamp, piece, or cover = 76

Note: earliest date MR 25 64 (for datestamp 1) not included, as this is now in doubt. Illustrated on page 668 Volume I handbook and now believed to be sketch only.

Additional Items. (Not included in the table)

Mr. Joe Stonehouse reports: Serial No. 2. Date 23rd September 1864 on 6d. imperf Red Brown, Wmk Star.

Mr. A.B. Johnstone reports: Serial No. 2. Date not clear but appears to be AP or AU. 69. on 2d. Blue Plate 2. (Datestamp is incomplete).

NEW MEMBERS.

Neil Mattin	Stock House, Walberswick, Southwold, Suffolk.
R.H. Mercer	46, Mayplace Road West, Bexley Heath, Kent.
H.J. Fox	6, Highfield Road, Little Eaton, Derby.
A.C. Orman	30, Wellington Avenue, Harefield, Southampton, Hants.
S.T. Harriss	Queenberry House, Queensberry Rd, Salisbury, Wilts.
Mr. & Mrs. G.A. Powell	181, Mayor's Walk, Peterborough, Northants.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

The Rev. D.S. Yerburgh	St. John's Vicarage, Churchdown, Glos.
A.E. Still (Senr)	71, Culverdon Park Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.
Mrs. I. Willis	The Wells Dental Laboratory, Kensington Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. (From 1st May 1967).
VO588271, Sgt. R.H. Horton,	Sergeant's Mess, R.A.F. Odiham, Basingstoke, Hants.
E. Jenner	47, Shernalds, Maidstone, Kent.
Sgt. T. Grassie,	36, Anson Close, Kenley, Surrey, CR2. 5EQ.

RESIGNATION.

L.B. Ward	31, Highbridge, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 1.
A.S. Russell	Rathowen, Duns, Berwickshire.
Lt. Cdr. C. Moorcroft, R.N.	R.N. Air Station, Culdrose, Helston, Cornwall.

DECEASED:

G. Hilton

29, Keble Road,
Leicester.

NOTES FROM NOEL TURNER.

'KIWI' EDITOR: The January 'KIWI' was the first produced by our new Editor, Graham Monk, and congratulations have poured in from Members who thoroughly enjoyed the issue. Once again we would all express our thanks to Graham for accepting this extremely onerous job, and wish him the best of luck for future 'KIWI's'.

CHELMSFORD: Members in Chelmsford and district and throughout Essex will wish to note that our Vice-President John D. Evans, will be giving a talk to the Chelmsford Society on Chalon Heads and Early Cancellations of New Zealand on Tuesday, 28th November. The meetings are held at Hill Street Methodist Church Hall, Chelmsford, and this is not far from Moulsham Street, which is quite well known locally. The time of the meeting is 7 p.m. An open invitation is extended by the Members of the Chelmsford Society to all who are interested in the Stamps of New Zealand to attend the meeting.

AYRSHIRE: Our Member, A.B. Johnstone of Edinburgh, will be giving a talk to the Ayrshire Society on Thursday, the 30th March. Unfortunately we have not been given the time and place of the meeting, but we recommend that our Members in Scotland communicate direct with Mr. Johnstone at 42, Hutchison Crossway, Edinburgh 11. He will doubtless be able to give the missing information, and we are sure that Members of our Society will be welcome to visit the Ayrshire Society and hear Mr. Johnstone's talk.

CONGRESS: Congress this year is to be at Cambridge from May 30th to June 2nd, and will include a Study Circle for New Zealand. We are happy to announce that Marcel Stanley of New Zealand will be present, and the Chair will be taken by Ted Hossell of Somerset. It is hoped that Colin McNaught from New Zealand will also be present.

LONDON INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION 1970: This event seems a long way off, but the first meetings of the Organising Committee have been held and great things are planned. Invitations will shortly be issued for guarantors and donations. Our Society supported the Exhibition in 1960 with an excellent contribution. Ideas from Members as to how we can raise money to support the

London International Exhibition 1970 - (contd)

Exhibition will be welcome, and should be addressed to me.
(for my sins I am a member of the Organising Committee -
hence this direct appeal!)

THE QUIZ: Do not forget that at our next meeting, apart from the Competition, there will be the annual Quiz. Bring or send your questions, and remembering that the date of the meeting will be April 1st, no harm will be done if a spot of humour creeps in somewhere.

JULY MEETING: Our July Meeting was originally allocated to our President, but in view of the visit of Marcel Stanley, a change has been made so that he will take the evening and talk to us about his stamps. His collection is World famous, and whilst in this country he will be giving a talk to the Royal. It is also anticipated that Colin McNaught will be present, and will join in the discussions. All Members should note that the July Meeting is one that they should not miss.

VISITORS: In addition to the distinguished visitors from New Zealand previously mentioned, I am also able to tell you that there is a possibility that our Member Lt. Col. R.W. Chastaney of Truro, Massachusetts, U.S.A., will be in this country during the summer, and hopes to attend one or more of our Meetings. We shall be delighted to welcome him.

'STAMP COLLECTING': Just prior to the special New Zealand issue of 'Stamp Collecting' on the 24th February, I received a letter from Ken Chapman, the Editor, from which I quote, "Your N.Z. boys have become so enthusiastic about our February 24th issue that I have about three times as much material as I can hope to use. However, what I cannot possibly squeeze in will be good stock for subsequent issues of 'Stamp Collecting' so we need not regard any of the work as wasted." At the risk of being accused of plugging this Philatelic Journal, may I say what a fine issue we had on February 24th. All the articles are extremely interesting and helpful (with one notable exception - who is this fellow Noel Turner?) and I am sure that it will have aroused great interest in our Society. Peter Collins did the basic work of organising the contributors, and our thanks are now officially offered to all those who co-operated by preparing articles.

LATE NEWS RE COMPETITION: We are pleased to announce that Mr. Alcock of Cheltenham has stated that he is able to visit our Society on Saturday, April 1st, for the purpose of judging the Competition. The Members present who might have been called upon to do the judging can now relax.

Editor's Note in connection with "Stamp Collection" in Noel Turner's Notes:-

I have a small stock of this issue of "Stamp Collecting". If any Member neglected to get a copy at the time of publication, and would like one, the cost is 10d. plus 5d. postage.

Ken Chapman tells me that a complimentary copy was sent to every Member of the R.P.S. of N.Z. Let's hope that this may bring us one or two new Members from "down under".

ROSS $\frac{V}{4}$ CANCELLATION.

Extract from a letter from Ken McNaught to Mr. G.K. Molland in reply to an enquiry re Ross $\frac{V}{4}$ marks. (See November 1966 KIWI).

"You will find that the normal practice in the early to middle period of N.Z. Postal History was to cancel the stamp with an obliterator (in this case $\frac{V}{4}$ in an oval of bars) and to indicate the name of the town of origin by applying a date-stamp alongside, or more commonly on the back of the envelope. As Ross is only a few miles from Hokitika, then the nearest port, (Greymouth, further north was probably just as important as Hokitika at that time), it is not surprising to find this cover backstamped at Hokitika a day later. In the case of offices not supplied with obliterators, the stamps were cancelled with the date-stamp. Those without date-stamps used manuscripts. A lot of people find Vol. 3 confusing, because Collins did not make it clear that mail was always date-stamped as well as receiving the obliterator markings. Several of us are working on the big job of finding out exactly what types of date-stamps were in use at all N.Z. offices during the period of use of these obliterators. As far as I am aware there are no official records of these date-stamps, so the story has to be laboriously built up from scraps of evidence in collections scattered throughout the world. In the case of Post Offices using obliterators, the date-stamp evidence has to be obtained from covers, though occasionally the stamps were cancelled by means of the date-stamps. In the case of Ross, I have 4 first side-faces (date range 1874-1878) cancelled in this way. I have examples of the $\frac{V}{4}$ markings on first side-faces P 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ (1874-8) through to second side-faces of at least 1887, possibly later.

There are a lot of unsolved postmark problems in N.Z. For example there is no record of the exact types of obliterators or date-stamps (if any) supplied to at least half the Offices shown on pages 45 and 46 of Vol. 3, and the illustrations 37, 38 and 39, are probably the only ones Collins could definitely allocate to the Auckland District from proving covers. Of the 245 places allotted numbers as shown on pages 45 and 46, I have only 67 different, and I have as good a lot as anyone.

Ross $\frac{V}{4}$ Cancellations (contd).

I am searching for proving covers, and in fact for clear examples of many of these whether on cover or not. I especially like the concentric circle obliterations of the type of 19, 20 on p. 44, 15 on P.49, etc. and also am keen on manuscript date-stamps. New examples are always turning up, but are hard to find on cover.

Gerald Pratt has a cover with Ross $\frac{V}{4}$ cancellation back-stamped Kumara 18.3.89, and Wellington 22.3.89.

THE 8d. PICTORIAL DEFINITIVES

I would ask those who are interested in this issue to look at the light grey area between the flowers and leaves.

In the early printings the whole grey background was mottled with no pattern showing.

I now have seen later printings from Plates 1111, and 1121, on which the light grey area is a fine mesh and quite distinct from the rest. At present it appears to change whilst 1/1 still shows the flaw and 1/9 stage 2, with the outline of the leaf added but the background still not coloured. Can anyone tie this down for those interested.

E.K. HOSSELL

3d. BROWN LILAC, SG.116.

In reply to the article appearing on page 13 of the January 1967 KIWI, Mr. Agabeg of New Malden, Surrey, reports that he has a copy of the 3d. Brown Lilac with R.P.S. Certificate, dated 28th March, 1930.

HANDBOOKS.

The following Volumes of "The Postage Stamps" of New Zealand are for sale:-

Volume 2	£8. 0. 0.
" 3	£12. 0. 0.

Anyone interested, please contact the Editor for details.

RAILWAY TRAVELLING POST OFFICE CANCELLATIONS.

The following table has been compiled to summarise all the known cancellations, and to bring up-to-date the details given in the articles by Jimmy Riddell in the January and March 1966 editions of KIWI. Suggestions by G.E.C. Pratt and A.E. Johnston have been incorporated.

Each cancellation is given a reference number for ease of future reference. There are a number of additional cancellations to those given in the previous articles, and details of some of these are given at the end of the table. It is not possible in this tabulated layout to repeat all the detail of the earlier articles. The page of cancellations which appeared in the January 1966 KIWI, and to which the Fig. Nos. in the table below refer, is also reproduced in this issue.

In the detail column, use of small letters indicates abbreviated version of full name.

Ref. No.	Line	Section	Fig	ods	Detail	N Bound	S Bound	In Use	Comments and Varieties	
1	CHRISTCHURCH to INVERGARGILL (Renamed S Canterbury)	Christoch. South (to Studholm Junc.)	1	-	C	-	-	1878-1882	No date	
2			2	21	RTPO, (C)	B, D	A, C.	1882-1886		
3			3	24	RPO-C			1886-1891	Indexes 1-6, 13	
4			4	21	RPO-C			1892-1896	Indexes A-D, H	
5			4	21	RPO-CH		2	1	1896-1900	
6			5	27	Ch Ch		2	1	1900-1903	Double Ring
7			6	25	Ch-Dun		INW	OUT	1903-1908	
8			6	25	S. Cant		INW	OUT	1908- ?	
9			8	26	Ch Ch		2	1	? -1927	
10			8	29	Ch Ch				1927-1940	Index 1cr2
11			9	34	S. Cant				1940-1942	
12					Machine				1909-1902	
13					9	34			12 SP 59	80 yrs Commem.
14	(Renamed	Dunedin North (Studholm Junc. to Dunedin) N. Otago)	1	-	DN	-	-	1878-1882	No date	
15			2	21	RTPO(DN)	A	B	1878-1887	See note	
16			2	20	RTPO-DNN	1	2	1882-1891		
17			10	21	RTPO-DNN	1	2	1891-1897		
18			10	20	TPO DN-N	1	2	1897-1900	No index S bnd	
19			5		Dun Nth	1	2	1900-1903	Double Ring	
20			6		Dun-Ch			1903-1908		
21			11	25	N. Otago			1908-1911	LOOSE LETTER	
22								1911-1918	Larger Letters	
23			6	24	N. Otago		OUT	INW	1918-1928	
24	9	33	N. Otago		OUT	INW	1937-1942			
25	(Renamed	Dunedin South (to Balclutha) S Otago)	1	-	DS	-	-	1878-1881	No date	
26			2		RTPO(DS)			-1881	Indexes A-D	
27				20 ¹ / ₂	RTPO-DNS	2	1	1881-1891		
28				21	RTPO-DNS			1881-1900		
29			13		RPO DN-S	2	1	1900-1903	Possibly no index	
30			6	25	Dun-Inv			1903-1908		
31			6		S. Otago		INW	OUT	1908-1930	
32			30		2	1	1930	Extremely scarce		
33			9				1930-1931			

34		Balclutha	1		IN	-	-	1878-1883	No date
35		to	2		RTPO (IN)	B,D	A,C	1883-1888	
36		Invercarg	4	22	RPO-IN			1888-1898	
37			17	23	Invercarg	1	2	1898-1901	
38			5		Invercarg	1	2	1901-1911	Also index A
39			machine		Dun-Inv				Short use
40			9	30	S'land	OUT	INW	-1931	
41	WELLINGTON	Well	3	24	RPO-WN	1	2	1886-1895	3 mm) above
42	WANGANUI	to		23 $\frac{1}{2}$	RPO-WN	1	2	1892-1896	2 mm) date
43	NEW	Palmerston		22	RPO-WN	135	024	1896-1901	Hyphen small
44	PLYMOUTH	North	14	24	RPO WN	1	2	-1931	No hyphen
45		Palmerston	4	21	RPO-WG	0	6	1892-1900	Also index C
46		North	5	27	Wanganui	2	1		Double Ring
47		to	6	25	Well-Wang	OUT	INW	1903-1907	Dash at sides
48		Wanganui		25	Well-Wang			1907-1911	Dot at sides
49			15	24	Wang-Well	OUT	INW	1911-1931	Two types.
50		Wanganui	3	24	RPO-NU	6	7,9	1886-1900	7 to Wanganui
51		to	5	25	New Ply	1	2	1900-1908	Double Ring
52)	Renamed	New	6	25	Taranaki			1908- ?	
53)	TARANAKI	Plymouth	16	29	Taranaki			? -1931	
54	NAPIER	Napier	17	22	NAPIER			1891-1897	Index A
	to	to							or None
	PALMERSTON	Matamau							
55	NORTH	Matamau	18	22	PNNRPO	-	B	1891-1897	Tempy, closed
56		to	5	26	Napier	9	6	1909-1910	See 60
57	(Renamed)	Palmerston		25	Hawkes B	1	2	1910-1926	
58	HAWKES BAY)	North	19	25	Hawkes B	1	2	1926-1931	
59	NAPIER	Napier	17	22	NAPIER RPO	9	6	1897-1903	
60	WELLINGTON	to	5	25	Napier	9	6	1903-1909	Later used for
		Pahiatua							Ref 56
61		Pahiatua	20	23	WN-NA	1,3	2,4	1897-1903	
62		to	6	35	Well-Nap	OUT	INW	1903-1909	
		Wellington							
63	CHRISTCH. N	Christch	5	26	Ch Ch	1	2	1900-1909	Later use
	(Renamed	to							Christch. to
64	W. CANTERBURY)	Culverden	6	24	N Cant	1	2	1909	Studholm Juno.
65	AUCKLAND	Auk to	5	24	Auckland	6	9	1901-1909	Double Ring
		Mercer							
66	HAMILTON	Mercer to	5	24	Hamilton	1or2	2or1	1901-1909	Double Ring
		Hamilton							
67	(Renamed	Auk to	21	25	Waikato	INW	OUT	1909-1931	
	WAIKATO)	Hamilton							
68	AUCKLAND		5	25	Thms-Auck	1	2	1903-1909	Double Ring
69	THAMES		22	25	Ohineruri			1909-1928	
70	(OHINEMURI)		22		Ohinemuri			1928-	Larger
71			9	35	Ohinemuri			-1931	Ends Paeroa

72	WELLINGTON	Wellington		26	TPOWell	OUT	INW	1909- ?	
73	to	to	23	26	TPOWell	OUT	INW	1912-1967?	
74	AUCKLAND	Taihape		33	RTPOWell	OUT	INW	1958?-	Still in use
75	MAIN	Taihape	24	24	Main T AK	IN	OUT	1909-1917	Dots before T and after O Wider spaced
76	TRUNK	to Auckland	24	24	Main T AK			1909-1917	
77			24	24	Main T AK	IN	OUT	1917-1928	
78				30	Main T AK	IN	OUT	1928-still?	
79			25	32	Main T AK	IN	OUT	1928-still?	
80			26	32	Main T AK	IN	OUT	1928-still	
81				33				15.2.1959	50th Anniv.
82	See note			34				1935	Duke of Glouc. visit
83	CHRISTCHURCH STUDHOLM JUNC.		machine					Aug. 1907	
84	MAIN TRUNK and AUCKLAND THAMES		machine					14 Feb to 1 Oct 1909	

Notes and Additional Cancels.

15. In use from 1878 to 1882 as a sorting cancellation with type 1, and from 1882 till 1887 also to cancel adhesives on mail.
81. a 33 mm cds with R.T.P.O. MAIN TRUNK round the top, 50 YEARS just below it, WELLINGTON N.Z. round the foot, with 15.2.1959 just above it, and a drawing of the T.P.O. railway coach across the centre. Used to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Main Trunk R.T.P.O. Wellington cds on the 3 p.m. Auckland - Wellington express.
82. A 34 mm cds with ROYAL TRAIN round the top, NEW ZEALAND round the foot and the date in one line in the centre. Dates from Dec. 19th to Jan. 4th and from Jan. 7th to Jan. 14th 1935 can be found. No 'philatelic' mail was permitted. Used on Official Mail during the visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester.
83. Machine cancellation similar to types 11 and 38 was used in August 1907 on the Christchurch Studholm Junction run to backstamp sorted mail consisting of six horizontal lines in the centre of the bottom three lines R.P.O. CHRISTCHURCH 07 AUG. In use for a few weeks only, because it was too difficult to carry the machine from one train to another.
- 83) Two other machine cancellators were installed for the backstamping of
84) mail on the Main Trunk line and the Auckland - Thames line, and were in use from February 14th to October 1st 1909, when backstamping of mail was discontinued. The Auckland - Thames cancellation was of five horizontal lines with AUCK-THAMES T.P.O. between the 2nd and 4th lines, and N.Z. above 1909, with date below AUCK-THAMES.



Fig. 1



Fig. 2



Fig. 3



Fig. 4

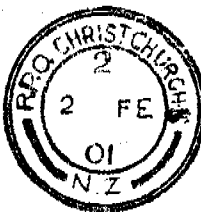


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Fig. 20



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Fig. 22



Fig. 23



Fig. 24



Fig. 25



Fig. 26

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