

Note: There were two printings of the Ten Pence denomination, both among the seven early printings where a separate *electrotype* plate provided the *value* overprints. Thus *three* printing operations were needed.

both
stamps
type (2)
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3 value page numbers recorded for this printing

* The *electrotype* plate used for the *value* overprints on both 10d printings was made up from two 'dies':
(1) 'N' and 'P' 2.0mm apart; (2) 2.5mm apart.



On part parcel label, Adelaide to Petersburg (address on back). 10d would pay for an intrastate parcel up to 2lb.





19 value page numbers have been recorded for this printing



The 'TEN PENCE' overprint plate comprised 38 *type (1)* values and 22 *type (2)* values

On this first printing there were **two different printings** of the *value* overprint

(i) value in **red-brown***, 20 Dec. 1902



damaged 'N' of 'SHILLING'

very few mint multiples are known



*This part of printing 'A' was **small**. Purves [ref. (1)] suggested that because of the marked contrast in the colours of the mainframe and the overprint, the printing of the *value* was halted prematurely so that the overprint colour could be changed to one more resembling that of the mainframe

A (continued):

(ii) value in **pale brown**,
9 Dec. 1902

		8 (1)		
		18 (2)	19 (2)	
			39 (1)	
		58 (1)		

Purves [ref.(1)] found only two readily recognisable sub-types among the value stereotypes:

(1) the first 'L' of 'SHILLING' with horizontal part hollowed (in printing A occurred at positions 8, 25, 39 and 58)

(2) a nick in the left side of 'N' of 'ONE' (in printing A at positions 18 and 19 only)



Damaged 'G' of 'SHILLING'

early date: 'DE 16 02'



(1) Greyish-brown,
with blackish-brown
overprint



(2) yellowish-brown,
mainframe and
overprint

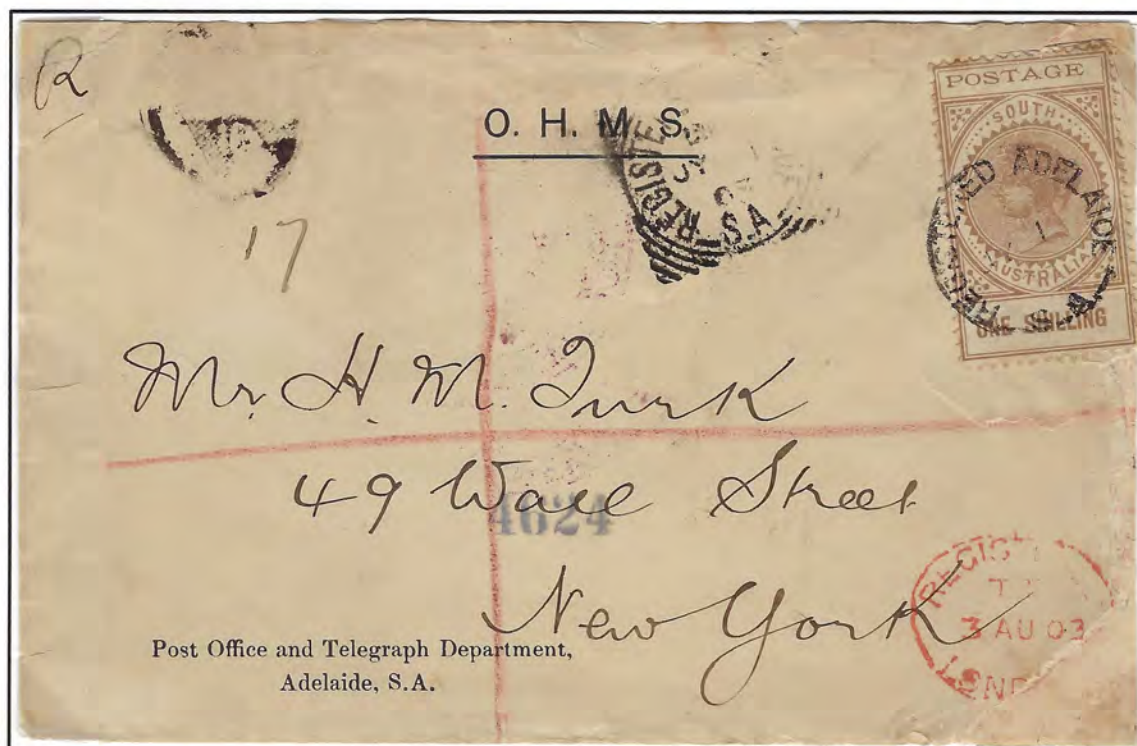


variety: perf 12½ (part)

Printing B (2). This rare variety
was caused by correction to perf
lines inadvertently omitted
[ref. (1), (2)]



— perf 12½



printing B (1) overpaying 3d registration fee + 7½d postage for 1-1½ oz on (repaired) cover to U.S.A.



The only recorded value page number for this printing

Variety: "SD & Co"



Faint traces of letters can be seen between and inside the 'POSTAGE' tablets on position nos. 4 and 5, the result of a 'spacer' embossed with the letters 'S.D. & Co' having worked its way up to type height and printing in reverse.

This variety is recorded on only two other thin 'POSTAGE' printings, viz. 3d (B) at position nos. 59/60 and 3d (C) at position nos. 53/54.

Variety:
imperforate between and at base



10 examples recorded



dark shade
'POSTAGE' and value placed low



extra colour inside 'P' and 'O'

2 shillings and sixpence, perf 11½ (A, 19 Sept. 1902 – *pale violet*)

De La Rue paper

Note: There were two printings of the Two Shillings and Sixpence denomination, both among the seven early printings where a separate *electrotype* plate provided the *value* overprints.

In this instance the electrotype duty plate was the one sent by De La Rue to Adelaide in 1886 which had been used for all 2/6d 'POSTAGE & REVENUE' printings.

Again, *three* printing operations were needed.

This was a **small printing**, estimated at 12 000



ex Krichauff

3 value page numbers have been recorded for this printing



Purves [ref.(1)] rated mint examples as scarce and **postally used** examples as **rare**.



3 value page numbers have been recorded for this printing, but not this one

cancelled-to-order:



short loop of 'P'

5 shillings perf 11½ (only printing, 17 Oct. 1902 - reddish pink)

De La Rue paper

Note: This completes the group of seven early printings [8d (A), 9d (A), 10d (A, B), 2/6d (A,B), 5/-] where a separate *electrotype* plate provided the *value* overprints.

In this instance the electrotype duty plate was the one sent by De La Rue to Adelaide in 1886 which had been used for all 5/- 'POSTAGE & REVENUE' printings.

Again, *three* printing operations were needed.



Proof on thick glazed white card from the 'die' used to prepare the Five Shillings duty plate
(The 'die' in this case would have been printer's type clamped together)

This proof, dated 16 Oct. 1894, was struck on the occasion of an inspection by the Agent-General for South Australia of dies in De La Rue's custody.

Number printed: 24 000



5/- (continued):



9

cancelled to order

3



13

4

14



56

cancelled to order

1/- printing B (1):



26

On part parcel wrapping, with additional 1/4d. 6/4d could have paid postage for up to 24lbs within the State.



5

Note: *three* different shades of pink in 'POSTAGE', mainframe and value

10 shillings perf 11½, 12½ (only printing, Apr. 1903 -green)

De La Rue paper

Note: This completes the *group of four* 1903 printings where the **perf 12½** gauge was employed (see p.5).

— = perf.12½



Number printed: est. 48 000



4 value page numbers have been recorded for this printing



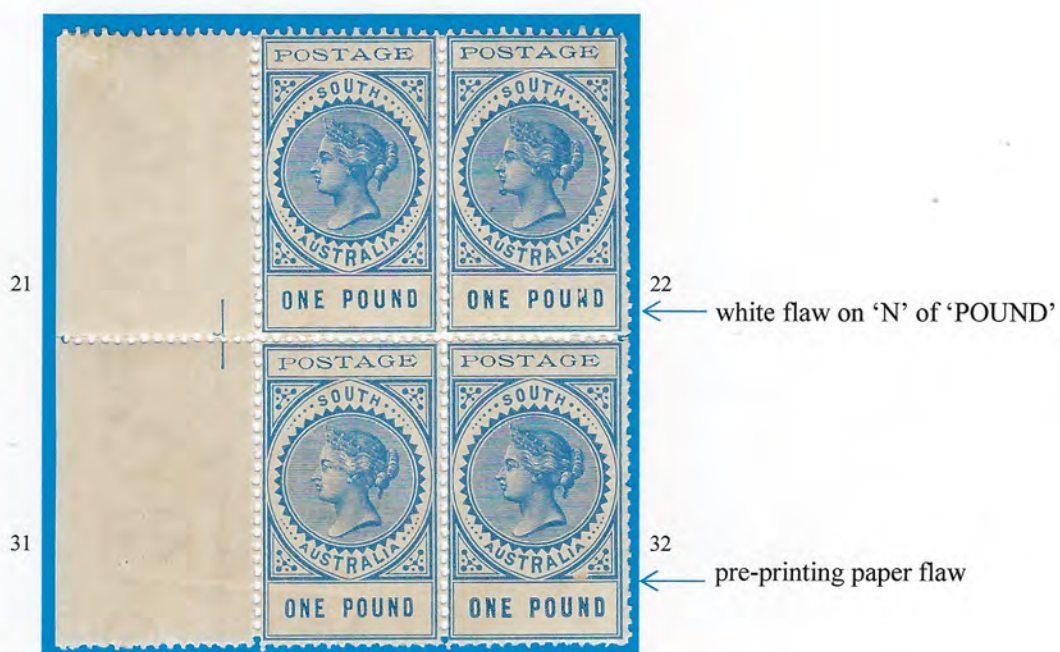
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'PO' joined

1 pound, perf 11½ (only printing, Apr. 1903 - blue)

De La Rue paper

Number printed: estimated 9 600



the only recorded £1 block



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postally used

very few postally used examples are known

Official stamps

1. Punctured 'SA' for State Government Departmental use

The first South Australian stamps to be punctured 'SA' were issued in September 1903 (PS of S.A. *Minutes*)

Mint examples:



* E

C

short loop of 'P' →



B

Note high placement of 'SA' in bottom pair →



D

C

* Capital letters indicate the particular printing, as before

PENGE

57



C: 'PENGE'

(unrecorded variety)

D

42



C

13



D: 'double perf at top'

(unrecorded variety)



E

51



F

52



F

*



* This **perf 12** four pence printing is an enigma. The colour and printing clarity suggest the stamps were part of the 1902 (A) printing, yet the perforation and overprint form used are the same as for printings **D**, **E** and **F**.

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28



6



A

58



B

59



B

35



C

'SA' perfin (continued)



27



30

'dash' under 'S'



B

C

B



30



58



B

B

A

A

'SA' perfin errors:

(black backing to enhance visibility)



E



F



F



8



C



14

D



D

B

2. Punctured 'OS' for Commonwealth Government Departmental use

The first South Australian stamps punctured 'OS' were issued in June 1905, with **only 5 values** in the thin 'POSTAGE' series. **Very few mint** examples have survived, used examples are scarce, particularly the 8d, 10d and 2/6d.

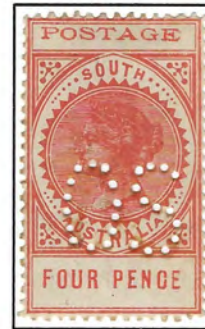


D



48

E



F



13

D



D



55

E

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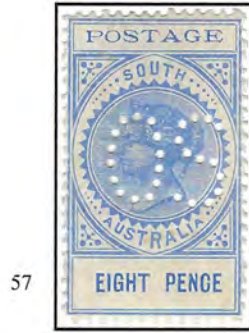
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4d printing E paying the postage on a ½-1oz letter to England.

'OS' perfins (continued)



B



B



A



A



B



B



A



A



B



B