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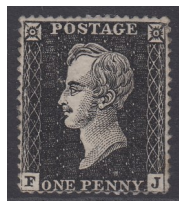
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1

1850 Prince Edward essays imperforate in black & brown Spec DP71(2). Both very fine examples. 1d black has 4 fine margins. 1d red is a sheet marginal example, both without gum CAT £5000. £3500



2

SG DP71(3c) 1850 Prince Consort essay printed in black & perforated 16. A fine fresh example. Very scarce CAT £18000. £8500



3

SG DP20 1840 1d rainbow colour trial in red-brown with void corners in state 3d on white woven paper, no gum & no watermark. Very fresh with 4 fine/large margins. RPS cert. £1750



4

SG V1 1840 1d black official lettered II. A pristine very lightly mounted mint example with almost full original gum. 4 fine margins. Scarce in this quality CAT £20000. David Brandon cert. £16500

No. 34028

DAVID BRANDON
EXPERT COMMITTEE

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Date 26th November 2005

The Committee is of the opinion that the

Great Britain. 1840. ✓ R' Official Stamp.
1d. black, Watermark Small Crown,
Imperforate, lettered I-I (S.G. V1) unused
with original gum is genuine.

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5

SG (2) 1840 1d black imprimatur plate 2 lettered TI. A superb example with 4 large margins CAT £15000. RPS cert. £14000

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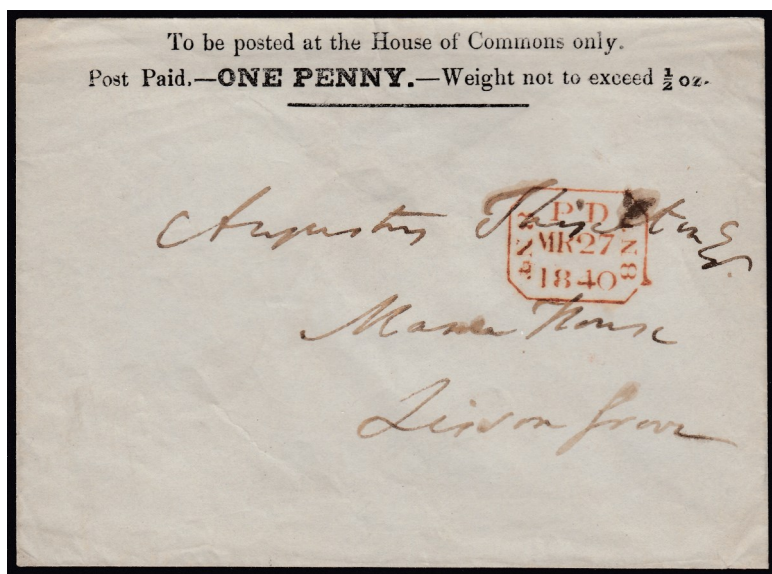
In the OPINION of The **EXPERT COMMITTEE** the item
submitted as

Great Britain: 1840 S.G. Nº -
1d. Black - Imprimatur - Plate II -
is genuine.

Observations

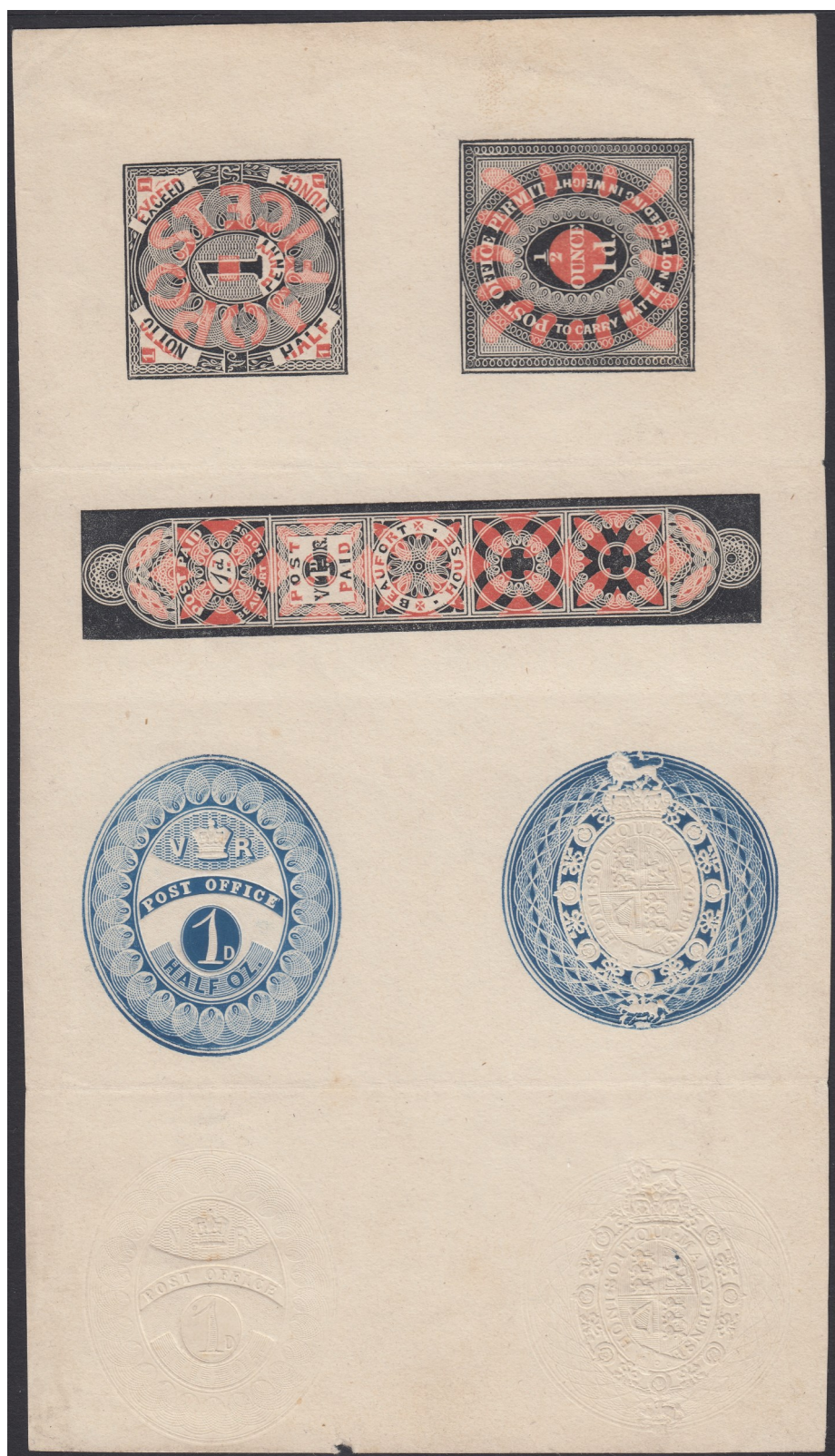
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Submitted by *Stanley Gibbons Ltd.*



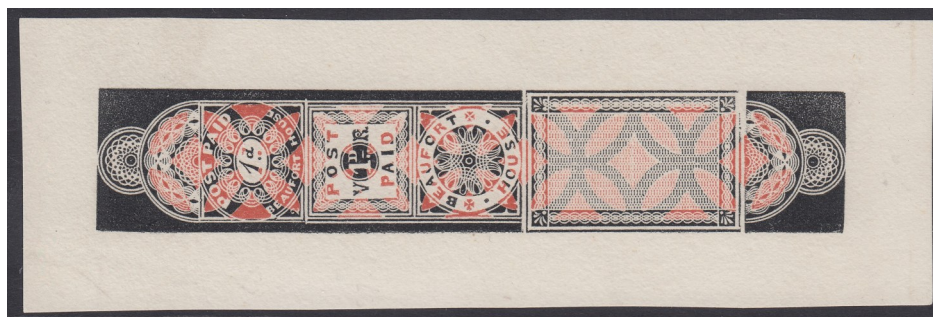
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House of Commons 1d black envelope (spec
PE9). Very fine used, March 27th 1840.
Some usual light creasing, otherwise a fine
clean scarce item. £2400



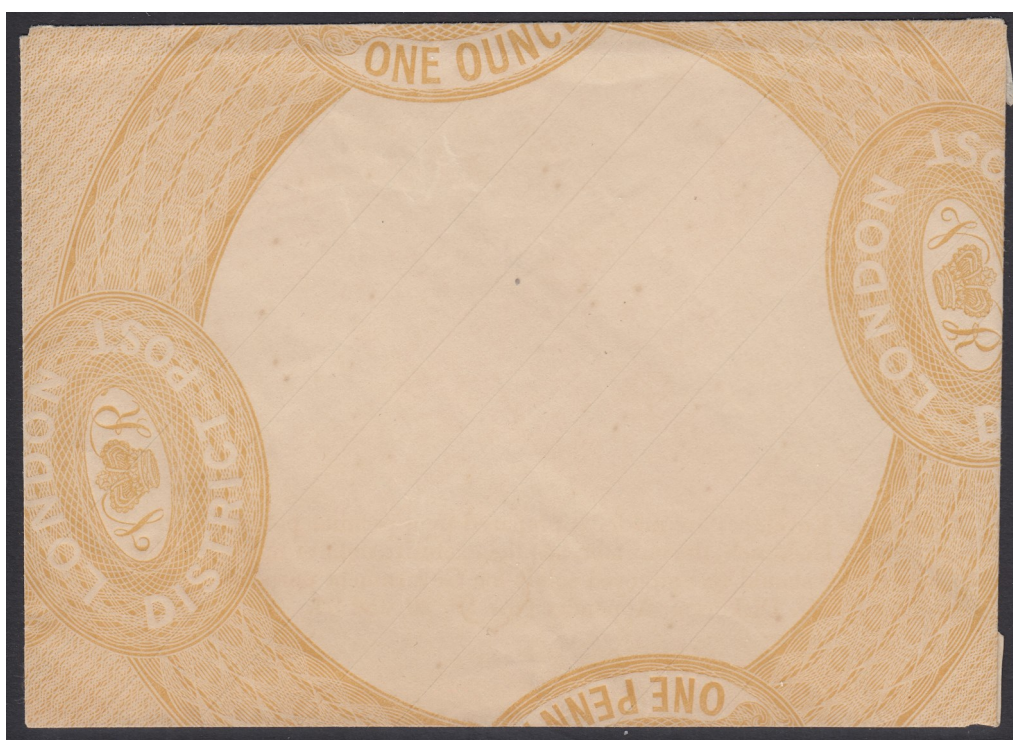
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Charles Whiting Treasury essays. Complete sheet, showing three Congreve essays and 4 embossed essays. Lower two in colourless relief. In fine condition. Some faint creasing, not affecting the designs. A rare full sheet (most have been cut up) CAT £7500. £5500



8

1839 Treasury competition essay 'Beaufort House 1d' in red & black. In exceptional condition. £1500




9

1939 Treasury competition re-entry by Dickinson for the 1d in ochre (one penny not to exceed one ounce). Folded as an envelope. Few small reverse faults. Scarce. £450



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PHILATELIC OPINION
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DESCRIPTION
1840 1d Black Plate 2 lettered DI on part entire letter used on the Second Sunday 17 May 1840.

OBSERVATIONS
Comparison with the letter positions and descriptions in Nissen confirms that the stamp is from Plate 2. It shows the trace of a horizontal guide-line in bottom margin described by Nissen (and which is visible on the Nissen stamp). The letter was posted in Newark (date line of letter 'Newark 17 May 1840'; 'NEWARK/MY 17/1840' c.d.s.) and is addressed to London ('G/18 MY 18/1840' Inland Office morning duty c.d.s. on the back). The date in the Newark c.d.s. is incompletely inked, but the ink that is present is consistent with 'MY 17'; in any case, the date line on the letter (17 May) and the London receiving c.d.s. (18 May) confirms the date. The stamp is obliterated by a red Maltese Cross but is not tied to the cover. The cross is lightly inked (apart from at top centre) and is almost completely on the stamp (see illustration), which explains the lack of obliterating ink on the cover (under a microscope I could find no traces of red ink). There is no evidence of any mark signifying prepayment in cash; and no evidence of a previous stamp being replaced (the lack of obliterating ink on the cover supporting this). In my opinion the stamp clearly belongs to the cover.

SOURCES
Charles Nissen, *The Plating of the Penny Black Postage Stamp of Great Britain 1840*, 1922.
Stanley Gibbons, *Great Britain Specialised Catalogue*, Vol. 1, 16th edn, 2011.

CONCLUSION
In my opinion, the item is an 1840 1d Black Plate 2 lettered DI on part entire letter used on the Second Sunday 17 May 1840, and is genuine. SG Spec. AS15tg.

Mike Jackson
MIKE JACKSON

Digitally enhanced image showing the Maltese Cross more clearly.



1840 1d black plate 2 lettered DI on entire letter posted on the second Sunday 17th May, tied with a red Maltese cross. Full margins, Newark CDS for May 17th below the letter within, clearly dated 17th May 1840. Reverse flap with a clear red May 18th London receiving CDS. A rare Sunday cover with Mike Jackson cert CAT £8000. £3800



11

May date 20th 1840 1d black plate 2 lettered GF. Very fine used on entire tied with a crisp red Maltese cross with 4 good to large margin. Skipton, May 20th CDS at top left, light horizontal filing crease through 'Langcliffe'. A fine clean item CAT £2500. £875



12

SG 2 1d black plate 3 on cover to Lancaster lettered EG. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 good to huge margins, Dover July 4th 1840 CDS on reverse. light central vertical crease. £850



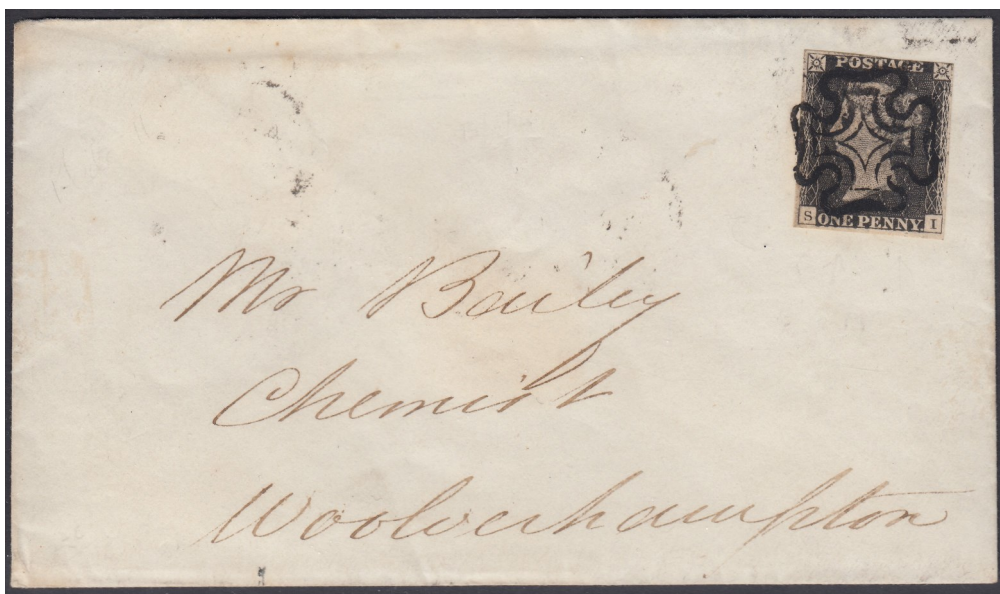
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SG 2 1d black plate 9 lettered TI. Very fine used on small envelope to Edinburgh. 4 good to huge margins tied by a crisp black Maltese cross, Liberton 'sub-office' handstamp at left. Reverse a fine black wax seal & crisp red Edinburgh CDS, March 16th 1841. A very fine item. £850



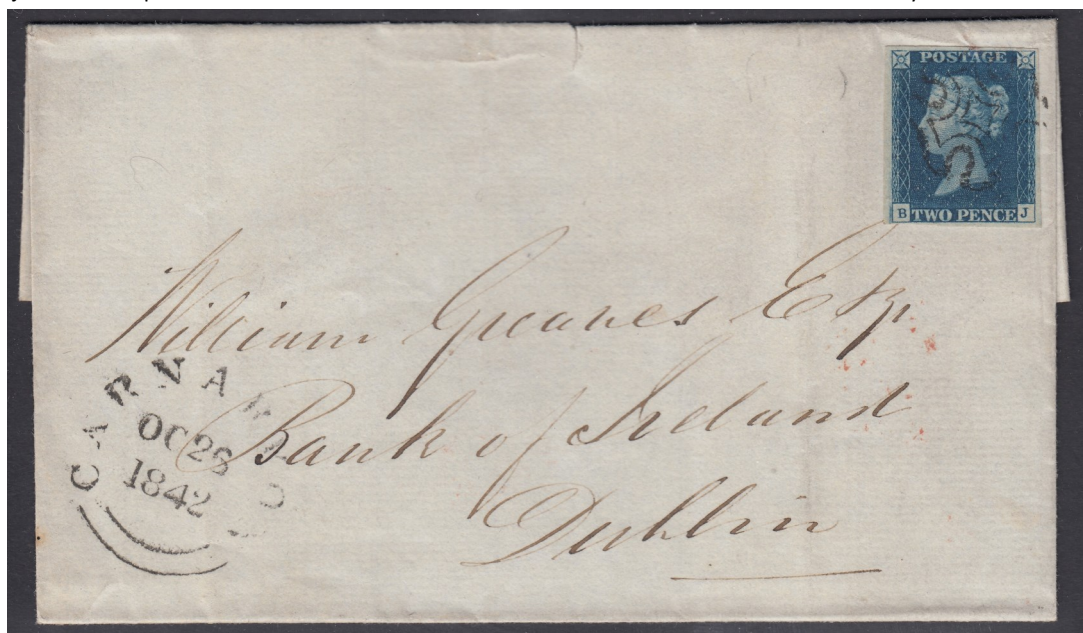
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SG 3 1d grey-black plate 10 lettered KA on cover to Crewkerne tied by a lightly struck black Maltese cross. Full margins clear to huge with a crisp Bridport & Crewkerne CDS's both for 16th Aug 1841 at lower left. Interesting contents. A scarce plate on cover in very clean condition without the usual filing creases CAT £3500. £1100



15

SG 3 1d grey-black plate eleven lettered SI. Very fine used with an upright Maltese cross on envelope to Wolverhampton. Good margins on 3 sides just into at top. On reverse is an advert wafer and 17th Feb 1841 CDS. A fine clean item. Very scarce CAT £16000. £2200



16

1840 2d blue plate 2 lettered BJ with 4 close to large margin on cover to Dublin tied with a black Maltese cross with Canarvon, Oct 26th 1842 departure strike on front. Dublin diamond Oct 28th 1842 in red on reverse. Small opening tear at top CAT £3000. £850



17

The distinctive Maltese cross of Kilmarnock on cover (spec B1tj). Fine letter Ayrshire Banking Co, Kilmarnock to the Royal bank Edinburgh dated 26th Feb 1844 with 1d plate 34 (SG 8) lettered GL. Margin close at right otherwise fine to very large margins, tied good large part strike of the very distinctive Maltese cross of Kilmarnock. Filing fold well clear of stamp and cancellation. On reverse Kilmarnock date stamp Feb 26 1844. RPS cert. Very scarce CAT £5000. £1250

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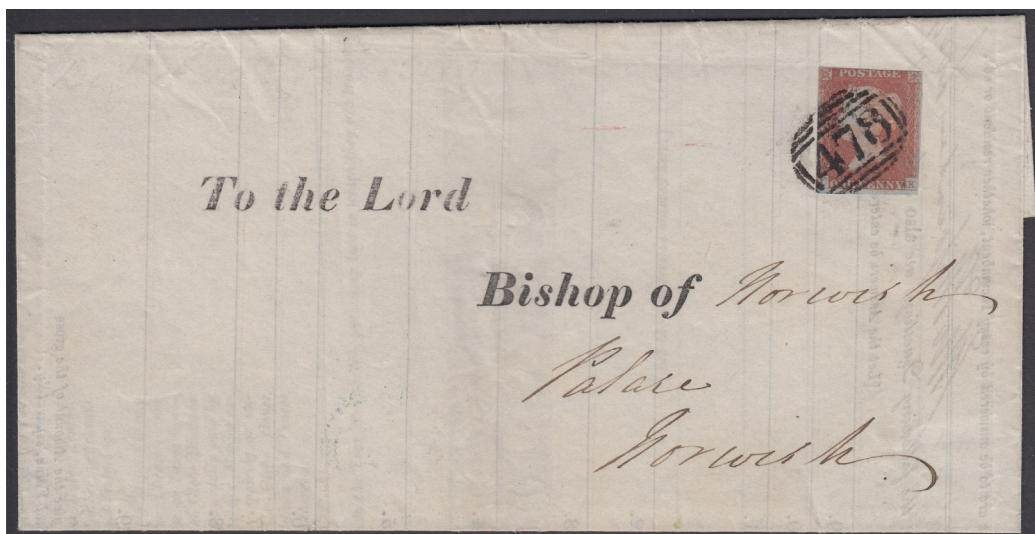
Meeting of 22 JAN 1997

In the OPINION of The EXPERT COMMITTEE the item described as

Great Britain: 1843. S.G. No. BS23.6j
1d Red-Brown — Impref. Plate 34
Used on post letterhead with
Kilmarnock Maltese cross obliteration
is genuine

Observations.....

Submitted by *Michael Roberts*



18

SG 8 1d red-brown plate 75 lettered LK. Showing the Union Jack re-entry Spec BS28C on an exceptional clean entire tied with 478 numeral of Lowersoft sent to the Lord Bishop of Norwich, spectacularly displaying the famous variety. £1275 (size reduced)



19

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 1a lettered RF variety inverted watermark. Very fine used with a crisply struck red Maltese cross. 4 margins CAT £4000. £1850



20

SG 2 1d black plate 1a lettered AH. Very fine used with a brown Maltese cross. A stunning example with fine to huge margins (spec AS2vi) CAT £3000. Mike Jackson cert. £1500



21

SG 2 1d black plate 1a lettered TL. Superb used with a full orange/red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £850



22

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 1a lettered LA, worn plate. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 good to huge margins. £675



23

SG 3 1d grey-black plate lettered EJ, cancelled with an '1844' type numeral '631' (Frodsham). A superb strike on 4 margin example (a rare combination on this plate) Spec AS3.za) CAT £1800+. £1100



24

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 1a, worn plate lettered OJ. Very fine used with an upright black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins CAT £1100. £675



25

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 1a, worn plate. Superb used with an upright full red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £525



26

SG 2 1d black plate 1a lettered EK. Superb used with a full upright crisply struck red Maltese cross. 4 margins. £525



27

SG 1 1d intense black plate 1b lettered OL, variety inverted watermark. An outstanding example, superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 large margins. £2200



28

SG 1 1d black plate 1b lettered SC, variety inverted watermark. Very fine used with a full red Maltese cross. 4 large margins. £1800



29

SG 1 1d intense black plate 1b lettered CJ, variety inverted watermark. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 fine-large margins. Very scarce in this quality CAT £2000. RPS cert. £1500



30

SG 2 1d black plate 1b lettered TG. Very fine used with a lightly placed red Maltese cross. Full margins, large at bottom with part inscription. £875



31

SG 2 1d black plate 1b lettered NI. Superb used on small piece tied by a red Maltese cross with date stamp alongside. P.D June 19th 1840 in red. 4 large margins. £525



32

SG 2 1d black plate 1b lettered GG. Very fine used with a full deep red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £425



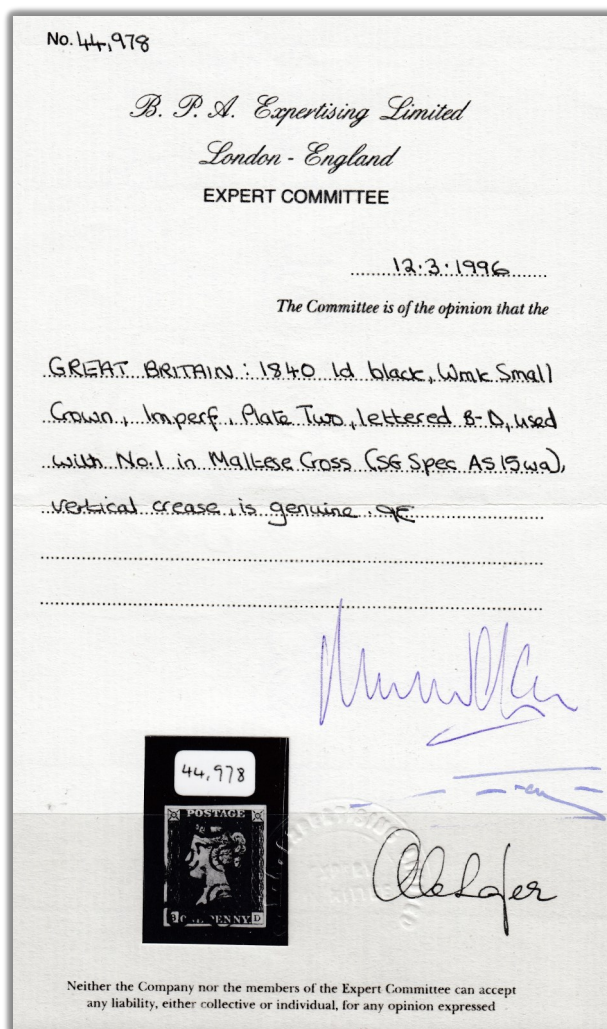
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SG 2 1d black plate 1b on bluede paper lettered RL. Very fine used with a black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £425



34

SG 3wa 1d grey-black plate 2 lettered BD. Very fine used with a '1' in an upright black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. Light vertical crease. Rare CAT £12000. BPA cert. £4500



35

SG 2 1d black plate 2 lettered PB. Very fine used with a Wotton-Under-Edge Maltese cross in red. 4 margins CAT £5500. Expertising cert. £2400



36

SG 1 1d intense black plate 2 lettered FB. Very fine used with a red Maltese cross. A huge stamp, seldom seen in this size. £975



37

SG 2 1d black plate 2 lettered PK. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £575



38

SG 2 1d black plate 2 lettered JH. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 large margins. £525



39

SG 2 1d black plate 2 lettered EK. Superb used with a full upright black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £475



40

SG 1 1d intense black plate 3 lettered AH. A fine fresh lightly mounted mint example. 4 margins CAT £17500. David Brandon cert. £4500



41

SG 1 1d intense black plate 3 early impression lettered JJ. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £675



42

SG 2 1d black plate 4 block of 4. Good to fine used with red Maltese crosses. Full margins, stamps LF & LG slightly 'rubbed' CAT £18000. £4200



43

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered BA. Superb used with a deep red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. RPS cert. £575



44

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered QL. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. RPS cert. £575



45

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered QK. Superb used with a perfectly struck upright central complete red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. A stunning example. £575



46

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered BF. Superb used with a full red Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins. £525



47

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered PB. Very fine used with a red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. RPS cert. £450



48

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 3 lettered IG. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 margins. £475



49

SG 2 1d black plate 3 lettered JJ. Very fine used with a full deep red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £475



50

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered AJ. Superb used with a crisply struck full upright Maltese cross in black. 4 fine margins. £475



51

SG 2 1d black plate 4 lettered HG. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. RPS cert. £450



52

SG 2 1d black plate 5 lettered BF. A fine fresh mounted mint example. 4 good margins CAT £12500. £3200



53

SG 1 1d intense black plate 6 lettered TH. A very fresh mounted mint example. 4 fine margins CAT £18000. £3600



54

SG 2 1d black plate 6 horizontal strip of 3 lettered TF-TH. Very fine used with red Maltese crosses. Full good to large margins. An attractive and scarce multiple so fine. £1850



55

SG 1 1d intense black plate 6 lettered LL. Superb used with a full crisply struck red Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins. £750



56

SG 2 1d black plate 7 lettered PE (double lettered 'E') (SG spec AS46b). Lightly mounted mint CAT £14000. David Brandon cert. £5500



57

SG 2 1d black plate 7 horizontal strip of 4. Very fine used with red Maltese crosses. Full margins, some slight reverse thins. A scarce multiple. £2400



58

SG 2 1d black plate 7 lettered JL. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. 4 good to huge margins. £675



59

SG 2 1d black plate 7 lettered RC. Superb used with a full upright red CDS. 4 fine margins. £575



60

SG 2 1d black plate 8 lettered KK. Lightly mounted mint, original gum. Fine, sharp impression. 4 fine-large margins. Scarce plate CAT £16500. David Brandon cert. £6500



61

SG 1 1d intense black plate 8 lettered JI. Variety inverted watermark, cancelled with a black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins CAT £3750. RPS cert. Scarce. £2400



62

SG 1 1d intense black plate 8 lettered NA. Superb used with a full upright bright orange/red Maltese cross. 4 fine to large margins. £850



63

SG 1 1d intense black plate 8 lettered JK. Superb used with an orange Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £675



64

SG 1 1d intense black plate 8 lettered SK. Superb used with an upright black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £375



65

SG 1 1d intense black plate 9 lettered DB. Superb used with an upright red Maltese cross. 4 good to huge margins. £575



66

SG 2 1d black plate 10 lettered OK. Fine mounted mint, original gum. 4 good margins. Probably the rarest of plates in mint condition. £7500



67

SG 2 1d black plate 10 lettered AB. A stunning example from this scarcer plate. Superb used with a full upright black Maltese cross. 4 good to huge margins. £975



68

SG 3 1d grey-black plate 10 lettered FL. Very fine used with a crisply struck black Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins. £525



69

SG 1 1d intense black plate 10 lettered SI. Very fine used with a red Maltese cross. 4 margins, showing one of only 7 re-entries (spec AS66bh) CAT £1500+. £750



70

SG 2/7 1d matched pair plate 10 lettered AD. Very fine used, full margins. £475



71

SG 2 1d black plate eleven lettered KK. A very fine example with crisp impression. 4 good margins, mounted mint, original gum. Superb quality for this rare and difficult plate (spec AS73) CAT £24000. David Brandon cert. £9500



72

SG 3 1d grey-black plate eleven lettered SJ. Very fine used with a near full black Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins CAT £4600. Scarce in this quality. £3200



73

SG 3 1d grey-black plate eleven lettered IE. Fine used with a black Maltese cross. 4 margins CAT £4600. £2600



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SG 3 1d grey-black plate eleven lettered EJ. Very fine used with a black Maltese cross. 4 good to close margins CAT £4600. £2200



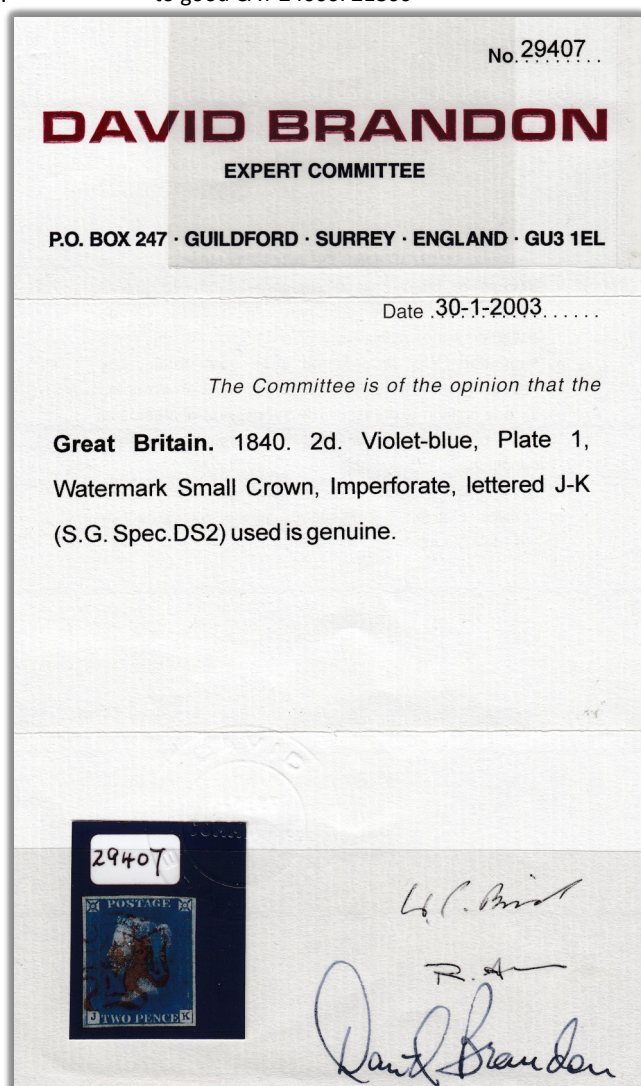
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SG 2 1d black plate eleven. Very fine used with a black Maltese cross. 4 margins close to good CAT £4600. £1800



76

(SG spec DS2) 1840 2d violet-blue, plate 1 lettered JK. Fine used with a red Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. A Great Britain line engraved rarity CAT £10000. David Brandon cert. £7500





77

SG 4 1840 2d deep full blue plate 1 lettered QC-QD. Superb used with crisp black Maltese crosses. 4 fine good to large margins in a very deep full blue shade. Exhibition quality. £2200



78

SG 4 1840 2d deep full blue plate 1 lettered PI-PJ. Very fine used with crisp black Maltese crosses. Full margins SpecD1(1). £1850



79

SG 4 1840 2d deep full blue plate 2 lettered OF. Superb used with a crisply struck full upright Maltese cross in black. 4 fine margins. A lovely example. £750



80

SG 4 1840 2d deep full blue plate 2 lettered GG. Very fine used with a black Maltese cross. 4 fine margins. £525



81

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 1 lettered CI. Variety inverted watermark. Very fine used with a London E.C cancellation. 4 close to good margins (spec DS5a) CAT £6000. David Brandon cert. Rare with CDS postmark. £3800



82

SG 5 1840 2d blue strip of 3, plate 1. Very fine used with red Maltese crosses. Full margins. Scarce multiple. £2200



83

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 1 horizontal strip of 3 lettered QG-QI. Superb used with upright black Maltese crosses. Full good to large margins. £1850



84

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 1 lettered TI. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. A stunning example. £1500



85

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 2 lettered FH. Very fine used with a '498' numeral (Manchester). 4 fine margins (spec DS5xc) CAT £2000. £1100



86

SG 5 Spec D1(6) 1840 2d bright blue, plate 1 lettered DB. Superb used with a red Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins. A very fine example. £975



87

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 1 lettered PA. Superb used with a crisply struck full orange-red thin lined Maltese cross. 4 margins. A wonderful example. £875



88

SG 5 1840 2d blue plate 2 lettered NF. Very fine used with a full upright black Maltese cross. 4 good to large margins. £750



89

SG 6 1840 2d pale blue plate 1 lettered AG. Superb used with a full upright red Maltese cross. Large to huge margins. Exhibition grade. A stunning example. £2500



90

SG 6 1840 2d pale blue plate 1 lettered LH-LL strip of 5, cancelled with black Maltese crosses. Good margins, touched in places. A scarce multiple. £2800

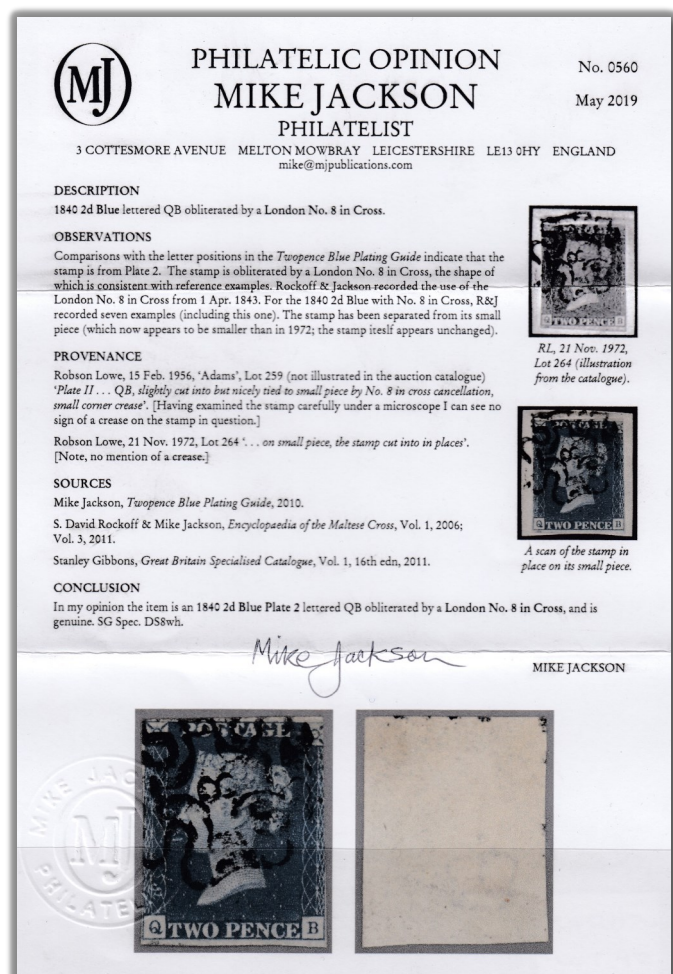


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Number '12' in Maltese cross on 1840 2d blue plate 1 lettered OL. A very fine strike clear & crisp. 4 fine margins. Good colour, some creasing & corner faults. Only 44 examples recorded. A Great Britain line engraved rarity CAT £14000. Mike Jackson cert. £1500



92



Number '8' in Maltese cross on 1840 2d blue plate 2 lettered QB. Full margin top & bottom, into at sides. A fine clear almost complete strike of this numbered cross. One of only seven recorded examples. Ex Adams collection (Spec DS8wh) CAT £14000. Mike Jackson cert. £3500



93

SG 7 1d red-brown plate 2 lettered LA. Very fine used with a full upright Maltese cross. Huge margins on 3 sides just into at base. £275



94

SG 7 1d red-brown plate 2 lettered RJ. Very fine used with open CDS. 4 fine margins. £825



95

SG 7 1d red-brown plate 5 lettered QE. Lightly mounted mint. 4 large margins CAT £9000. Scarce in this quality. £4200



96

SG 7 1d red-brown plate eleven pair lettered GA-GB. Very fine used. Full margins. £175



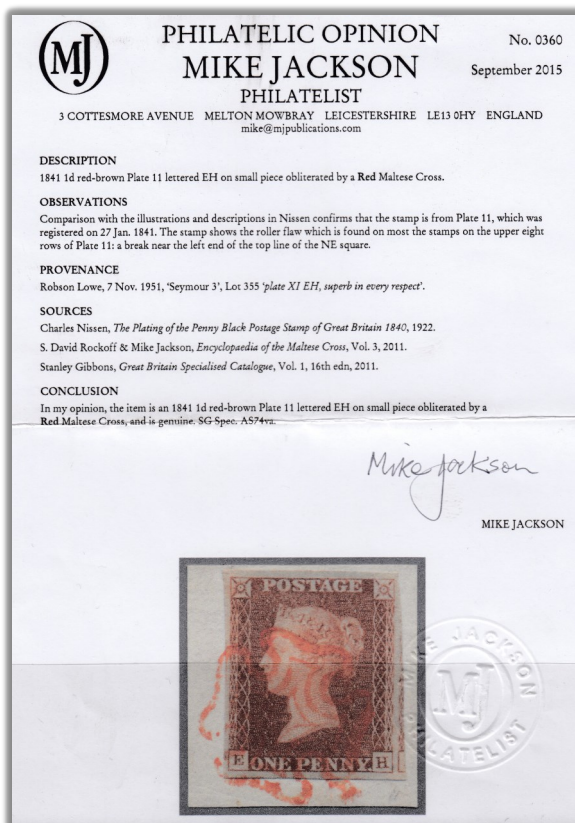
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SG 7 1d red-brown plate 2 lettered EA. Superb used with a Wincanton CDS, Dec 10th 1841. 4 fine margins. £875



98

SG 7 1d red-brown from black plate eleven lettered EH on small piece tied by a superb strike of the Maltese cross in red (Ex 1951 Seymour collection) Spec AS74va. Mike Jackson cert. £3200





99

SG 8 1d red-brown plate 172 horizontal strip of 3, variety inverted watermark.
Very fine used with '19' London numerals. Full goods to huge margins. Scarce multiple. £950



100

SG 11 1d lake-red plate 176 lettered KC. Fresh mounted mint. 4 fine margins. Stunning colour of this rare shade. Possibly unique combination of this rare plate as well. plate 176 is CAT £2900 as used! (Spec B1/5). RPS cert. £3200

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In the OPINION of The **EXPERT COMMITTEE** the item
submitted as

Great Britain: 1852-53 S.G. No. B2(2)
1d fake - Red - Imperf - Plate 176 -
Unused is genuine.

Observations

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