

C.S.

POSTAL & TELEGRAPHIC.

(Stamps)

193 1.

No. 272/31.

Col. Postmaster.

SUBJECT.

193 1.

28th August.

PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF A FOURPENNY  
POSTAGE STAMP OF PRESENT ISSUE.

Previous Paper.

*454/27*

*L116/31*

MINUTES.

*1.*

Minute from Col. Postmaster of 28/8/31.

*J.P. Submitted for approval.*

*J.P.*

*28. 8. 31*

*Hon C. S.*

*Approved*

*J.P.  
29-8-31*

Subsequent Paper.

Col. Postmaster

Please note and submit  
necessary indent.

2. At the same time please  
<sup>up</sup>put 7 sheets of defective stamps as  
asked in para 74 of O.P. 457/27  
attached.

3. You may be interested to  
read S. F. S. Circular No. 10 of 3.2.23  
and I enclose same.

J. S. S.

31. 8. 31.

116/31

H. C. S.  
Indent submitted herewith. It would appear  
from Red. 35 in M. P. 457/27 that the charges incidental  
to an order of this kind are more than I at first estimated.  
I am afraid £16 will not cover the order, but I think it  
hardly likely that the total cost will exceed £18.

2. I send herewith half-sheets of the following denomin-  
ations: £1, 2/6, 1d, ½d. The perforation in every case is  
very poor. As regards the quality of the paper, that used  
in the £1 and 2/6d denominations is noticeably inferior. The  
gumming is unreliable rather than generally defective. Occasionally  
stamps/

stamps are found which will not adhere to the envelope, or more often, the wrappings of parcels.

3. I have taken a copy of S. of S. Circ. of 3rd Feb. 1923, for reference in this Dept.

*[Signature]*  
Colonial Postmaster.  
4th September, 1931.

2-3. Letter to Customs Agents 7/9/31.

Col. Postmaster. *[Signature]* 8/11/31

Mr. Treasurer. *[Signature]* 8.11.31.

please see

*[Signature]*

8.9.31.

p.s. Before despatch each stamp separate if will be marked in the book "cancelled" at the total value of the stamps sent may be written therefore off stamps.

Local Auditor thereof

also for work.

JMS  
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8-9-31

Hon Col Sec  
Noria

Arthur

Local audit  
10 sent. 1931

P.H.  
16/9/31

Letter from Brown Agents 19th November, 1931. 4-6.

G.S. Schmal. This is satisfactory.

J.M. Treas : Col P/mes at

Local Auditor for work.

JMS  
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Hon C.S.

Very satisfactory

23.1

J.G.  
24.12.31

Mr. Treas. <sup>in c/H</sup>  
29. XII. 31.

Col. Portman <sup>EMC</sup>  
29/12/31

Local Author Gordon P. T. Roberts Per Loc. Aud.  
31-12-31.

For work

Jully  
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24. 12. 31.

2. 11/17/32  
Chs. Letter of 22nd Feb. 1932.

✓ P. H. M. S.  
5-4-32.

8-9. Chs. Letter of 22/4/32.  
Col. Portman.  
Mr. Treasurers

Please work.

Jully  
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30.5.32.

H. B.  
The sales are fairly satisfactory considering  
the stamp is not an entirely new issue.

the sales to date number 3583.

2. If the packet is sent down here it can remain in Treasurer's safe pending verification of contents by custodians of Vault and deposit of stamps in Vault.

<sup>Sp. R. Johnson</sup>  
Postmaster & Co. Treasurer  
1 June 1932,

Y.E.

I checked for information.

Ever thought in a small way

this all helps on the revenue.

Jul

2.6.32.

Hon. C. S.  
Yes: it is all to  
the good.  
J. G.  
2.6.32

P. Myers

4.6.32

Hon. Treasurer  
& Col. Postmaster.

Packet of stamps herewith

A. J. Jones  
4/6/32.

C.S.O. No. 272/31

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 4

I.C.S.

Sealed packet containing 2954  
4d stamps this day deposited in Vault.

21st June 1932.

G. H. Brown  
C. Roberts.

W. H. Brown

Custodians of

P. H. H. H.

21. 6. 32

No.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

28th August, 19 31.

From

COLONIAL POSTMASTER  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

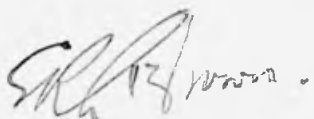
To The Hon: the Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

With reference to our conversation I have the honour to recommend the introduction of a fourpenny postage stamp of the present issue. With regard to colour I would suggest that the universal colour scheme should be adhered to as far as is practicable. This denomination would be of considerable convenience for registered correspondence, covering as it does, both the registration fee and the fee for postage.

I estimate the cost of printing, including paper, at 1/3 per 1000 and the cost of the die at £13. 10s/-, making a total cost not exceeding £16, allowing for inspection charges, &c. of an order for 30,000. This quantity should be sufficient. The amount available on the 'stamps' vote is £25.

I shall be glad if the Crown Agents are asked to see that the stamp is of much better quality than those supplied in 1929, which caused a good deal of criticism among dealers. Special care should be taken with regard to the paper, gumming, and perforation.

  
Colonial Postmaster.



272/31.

7th September,

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Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter No. 134 G/Falkland Is. 2920 of the 11th of August, 1930, and to previous correspondence on the subject of the 1929 issue of Falkland Islands and Dependencies Postage and Revenue Stamps, I am directed to inform you that it is desired to add to the issue a stamp of the 4d. denomination and to enclose the necessary indent.

2. I am to explain that the stamp will be of considerable convenience for registered correspondence covering as it does both the registration fee and the fee for postage. In regard to colour I am to say that you will no doubt wish to adhere as far as is practicable to the universal colour scheme.

3. I am to request that special care may be taken to ensure that the stamp is of much better quality than those supplied in 1929, particularly in respect of the paper, gumming and perforation. I enclose also in accordance with your own suggestion specimen half-sheets of the £1, 2s/6d., 1d, and  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. denominations showing the defects of which complaint is made. You will observe that in every case the perforation is very poor, and that the paper used in the £1

and/

own Agents for the Colonies,  
4, Millbank, Westminster,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

and 2s/6d. denominations is distinctly inferior. The gumming is found to be unreliable rather than generally defective. Occasionally stamps occur which will not adhere to the envelope, or more often to the wrapping of a parcel.

4. I am to request further that all expenditure in connection with this indent may be incurred and charged, if possible, before the 31st of December, 1931.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

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Falkland 3544

Sheet specimens of  $\frac{1}{2}$  1<sup>2</sup> 2/6 1/5

Stamps returned by Crown Agents.

Crown Agents for the Colonies.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.  
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE  
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.



4 MILLBANK,  
WESTMINSTER,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

182 G/Falkland Is. 3544.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN LONDON."  
TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA.



19th November, 1931.

Per Registered Post.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose an advice of the order placed with Messrs. Perkins Bacon & Co. Ltd., for the new 4d. postage and revenue stamps required under indent 116/31 dated 1st September, 1931.

*Filed in  
9/11/31*

2. With regard to the observations contained in paragraph 3 of your letter No. 272/51 of the 7th September, we have investigated the points brought to our notice and submit the following observations.

3. The specimen half-sheets of stamps forwarded by you and returned herewith, fully justify your complaints, particularly as to the perforations, and I have to express regret that our examining staff accepted sheets of stamps in this condition. Since our letter No. 134 of the 11th August, 1930, we have taken steps to improve the quality of the watermarked paper on which stamps are printed. This paper is now manufactured by another paper mill and we are satisfied that it is of definitely superior quality to that previously used. We have also arranged with the printers for an improvement to be effected in the adhesive properties of the gum. In addition (in order to avoid the possibility of sheets of stamps sticking together) the sheets of stamps will be interleaved with wax tissue paper; this we believe will have satisfactory results. As regards perforation, the printers have now installed new machines for this operation which will as far as possible overcome this defect in the previous supplies.

The Colonial Secretary,  
Falkland Islands.

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4. We have also arranged for the duty tablets of the 4d. stamp to be in block figures on plain white ground i.e. without the line engraved work as in the design of the other denominations. This, we consider, will effect an improvement in the general appearance of the stamp.

5. As requested we will arrange for all the expenditure incurred to be debited to the account of your Government before the 31st December.

6. Supplies of the new stamp will be required by stamp dealers and we have therefore arranged (in accordance with the usual practice) for an additional 8,400 stamps to be printed and reserved by us for this purpose. These stamps, and the specimens retained for distribution to members of the International Postal Union will be released on the date upon which the 4d. stamps are brought into use locally and we shall be glad if you will notify us of this date in advance as usual.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. L. ...*

for CROWN AGENTS.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.  
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE  
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

20 G/Falkland Is. 3544

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN, LONDON."  
TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA.

**4, MILLBANK,  
WESTMINSTER,  
LONDON, S.W.1.**

22nd February 1932.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 18th February decoded to read as follows:-

"With reference to your advice of orders placed G/3544 of 17th November 1931 4d. postage and revenue stamps will be placed on sale 20th February".

We are arranging to release the 4d. stamps for sale to dealers and to distribute the specimens to members of the International Postal Union forthwith.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for CROWN AGENTS

*Recd  
13.-2-116/31*

The Colonial Secretary,

i FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE  
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED

45 G/Falkland Is. 3544.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN LONDON."  
TELEPHONE: 7730 VICTORIA.

4 MILLBANK.  
WESTMINSTER,  
LONDON. S.W.1.

22nd April 1932.

Sir,

With reference to our letter No.20 dated the  
22nd February, I have the honour to append for your  
information a statement detailing the disposal of the  
4d. stamps reserved for sale to dealers from indent No.  
116/31 dated the 1st September 1931.

The balance remaining unsold is being despatched  
to you under separate cover by registered letter post.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Johnson*

for CROWN AGENTS.

The Colonial Secretary,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.



Statement shewing disposal of 4d. postage  
stamps reserved for sale to dealers from  
indent No.116/31 dated 1st September 1931.

Name of Dealer	Quantity Purchased	Face Value			Month's account in which credited.
		£.	s.	d.	
Messrs. Whitfield King & Co.	1000	16.	13.	4.	February
" Ewens Colonial Stamp Mkt.	600	10.	-	-	-do-
" Stanley Gibbons Ltd.	750	12.	10.	-	-do-
" Letts	400	6.	13.	4.	-do-
Mr. R. Roberts	800	13.	6.	8.	-do-
Messrs. Stanley Gibbons Ltd.	810	13.	10.	-	-do-
" Whitfield King & Co.	240	4.	-	-	March
" Letts	300	5.	-	-	-do-
Mr. O. Marsh	450	7.	10.	-	-do-
-do-	36	-	12.	-	April
Messrs. Stanley Gibbons Ltd.	60	1.	-	-	March
Total sold:-	5446	£90.	15.	4.	
" unsold:-	2954				
" Reserved:-	8400				
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