

Dummy Stamps

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A Newsletter Covering British Stamp Printers' Dummy Stamp Material

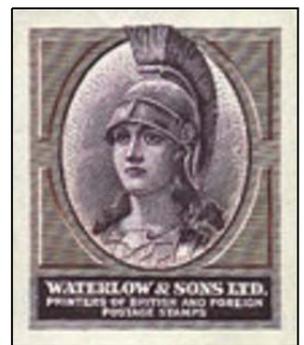
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Waterlow Dummies Bring Good Prices at Auction

Unexpected geographical location proves valuable source to WandS dummy collectors

An auction house in Argentina, philatino.com, recently sold as a single lot three Waterlow designs in three colour combinations that are previously unrecorded.

They sold for a healthy US\$561 (£450), plus premium, i.e. around £55 each.

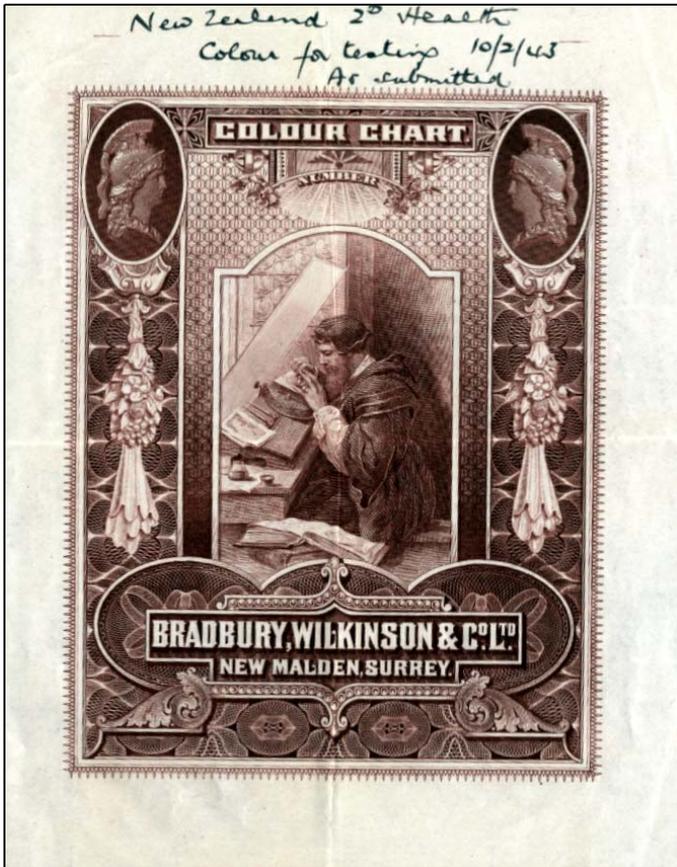


The available scans are not of brilliant quality, but it will hopefully be seen that each dummy stamp appears to be bi-coloured. ✉

*Bradbury, Wilkinson
Colour Chart*

Attractive engraver design for sale

Website zeeboose.com was recently offering the colour chart page seen below for £50. Sadly, it is folded vertically, but is most attractive and has not been seen in this format before.



The engraver image had been used by Brads for its promotional material at one time, including use on its 1978 corporate calendar (proof pull of engraved image area below). ☒



*Bradbury, Wilkinson
New Colour Found*

Normally only black seen

The scan below unfortunately has an area of damage to right of centre, but it is an attractive design that has not been seen in this colour previously. ☒



*1929 PUC Facsimile from the
London 2010 Show*

Copy for sale on eBay

The block of four sold by The Postal Museum (or rather BPMA at the time) was recently offered on eBay for a staggering £1,500! It never sold and was seen later at £650 and is still for sale. ☒



DLR Dummy Designs

New sample page found

The dummy stamps on large sheet are previously recorded, although the colours used are new, to your compiler at least. ☒



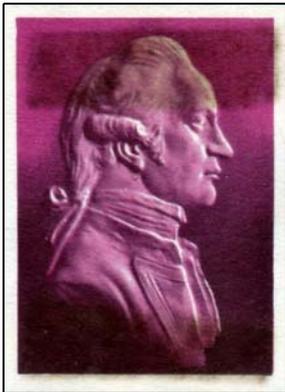
DLR Cook Discovery

Cook found facing the 'wrong' way

The large format Captain Cook design has been found with Cook facing the opposite way to previous examples. Sadly ruined by application of double-sided sticky tape. ☒



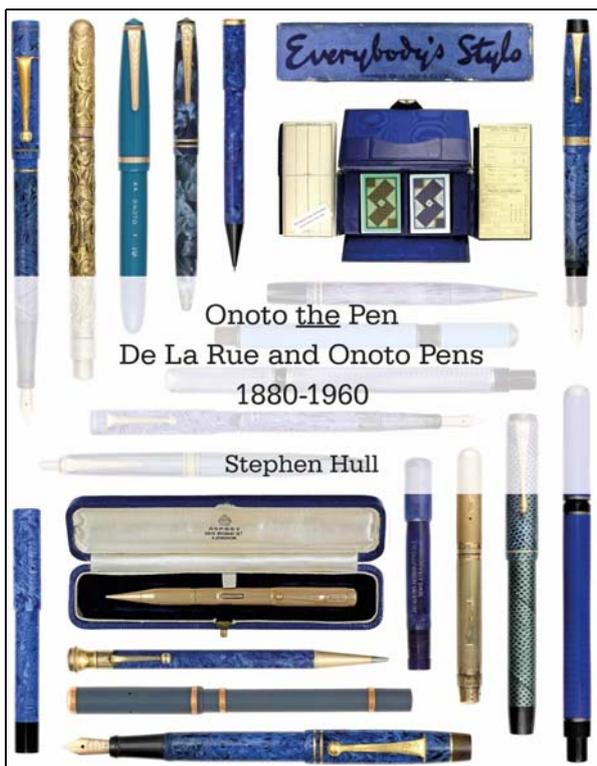
< Previously known version.



DLR Onoto Pens Book

Not dummy related, but may be of interest

At one time, De La Rue produced pens under the Onoto brand name. A new book on the whole subject has recently appeared. It is not philatelic in nature, but deserves promotion. Go to englishpenbooks.co.uk to learn more. ☒



Helio Courvoisier Machin Trials

Too early to properly document, as story is still unfolding

The recent discovery of these three Courvoisier Machin trial stamps has created much interest. ☒



DLR Excello Design

Playing card pack shows intended usage

The dummy stamp affixed to the sealed pack of playing cards from De La Rue shows the intended use for this design, helping explain why so many copies are ungummed and damaged. ☒



...and finally

I always welcome details of new dummy finds from printers past and present, and so invite you to write via my Guest Book at stampprinters.info/guestbook.htm, where requests to subscribe to *DS* can also be made.

Business, family and other commitments to the hobby mean that I cannot guarantee that I can rigidly stick to a publishing programme and therefore suggest that you visit stampprinters.info/dummystamps.htm every so often where PDF files of this and all future and previous issues of *Dummy Stamps* will be available to download and print-off.

Thank you. ☒

