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NEW AND RECENT ISSUES.

Stamps under this heading were issued too late to be included in Scott's 60th Cat.

Postage is Extra. UNUSED. USED.

Orange River Colony.

1900, ½p green (18c per 10). \$0 02 —
" ½p green, 'E' out of line 25 --

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

All unused and mint. Our numbers.

FIRST PRINTING—LEVEL PERIODS.

3.	2 pence, mauve	\$0 15
5.	3 pence, blue	13
8.	6 pence, blue	45
9.	1 shilling, brown	60

LATER PRINTINGS—RAISED PERIODS.

11.	½ penny, orange (35c. per 10)	4
12.	1 penny, violet (35c. per 10)	4
13.	2 pence, mauve (65c. per 10)	3
15.	3 pence, blue (95c. per 10)	12
16.	4 pence, blue	60
18.	6 pence, blue	20
19.	1 shilling, brown	40

CAPE STAMPS S. 'ORANGE RIVER COLONY.'

22.	2½ pence, blue (50c. per 10)	10
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VARIETIES.

Pairs, one stamp with normal type.

111.	½p orange, thick V	15
115.	½p orange, level dot after V	60
121.	1p violet, thick V	20
125.	1p violet, level dot after V	75

SETS.

31.	Level dots, 2, 3, 6p & 1s.	4	1 25
32.	Raised dots, ½ & 1 penny	2	7
33.	" ½, 1, 2 & 3p	4	25
34.	" ½, 1, 2, 3 & 6p	5	45
35.	" ½p—1s, set of 6	0	85

V. R. I. POST CARDS.

41.	½ penny, carmine	12
42.	1 penny, orange	18

Transvaal V. R. I.—SETS.

51.	½ & 1 penny	2	6
52.	½, 1, 2, 2½ & 3 pence	5	35
53.	½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4 & 6p	7	70
54.	½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p & 1s	3	110

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JANUARY 15, 1900.

CHRONICLE.

GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

The following list includes all British and Colonial adhesives issued too late to find a place in the body of Scott's 60th Cat., so far as they have come within our notice.

We shall be thankful to have omissions pointed out, or to receive from our correspondents throughout the British Empire early information of new or intended issues.

BRITISH GUIANA.

1900 A30 4Sc dark gray & lilac brown

BRITISH HONDURAS.

1900 A8 5c gray black & blue on blue

CAYMAN ISLANDS.

1900 — ½p green, Seychelles type
" — 1p rose, same type

CEYLON.

OFFICIAL.

1900 A24 3c dark green
" A24 15c ultramarine

DHAR.

1900 A2 1a violet
" A1 2a black on yellow
" A2 2a green

FARIDKOT.

1900 — 3p carmine, on India A31

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.

1900 — 5c lilac & ochre, on Perak A9

HONG KONG.

1900 A1 5c lilac

HYDERABAD (Deccan).

1900 A3 ¼a on ½a red, native surch.

INDIA.

1900 A19 3a puce

MALTA.

1900 A1 ½p green, s. 'REVENUE'
" A2 1p rose, same surcharge

MAURITIUS.

1900 A38 1c black green & black
" A38 2c dull lilac & violet
" A38 4c lilac & carmine on yellow

NEPAL.

1900 A2 ½a black, pin ::

NEW ZEALAND.

1900 A23 3p yellow brown, re-engraved
(wmkd. NZ and star)

NIGER COAST PROTECTORATE.

1900 A21 ½p on 2½p violet on blue

NORTH BORNEO.

UNPAID LETTER.

1900 A40 5c light blue & black

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

1900 — ½p em. green, on Cape A15

PERAK.

1900 A10 1c on 2d green & carmine
" A9 3c on 3c lilac & blue
" A9 3c on 50c green & black
" A10 3c on 1d green & y. green
" A10 3c on 2d green & carmine

SUDAN.

1900 — 2m red & black, steamer
" — 4m green & brown, steamer
" — 10m mauve & green, "
" — 20m red & blue, steamer

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

1900 A3 9p rose lilac, clean :: 11½

OFFICIAL.

1900 A11 4p violet, wide surcharge
" A17 5p brown purple, w'de s.
" A13 6p blue, wide surcharge

NOTES.

The new 5c. British Honduras has 'Postage & Revenue' in side labels.

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The Malta ½p. and 1p. surcharged 'Revenue' are probably the forerunners of a new 'Postage & Revenue' type.

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The Orange River Colony ½p. green is found once in each sheet of 240 without period after 'Colony.' The 1st vertical row of 10 stamps in the right lower pane has the E of 'ORANGE' quite noticeably out of line (lower) with the other letters. The ½p. green was overprinted with same setting as was used in surcharging the 2½p. blue Cape, and the latter shows the same varieties.

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One stamp in each sheet of Perak 3c. on 50c. is without a period after 'cent.'

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There seem to have been four settings of the Orange River Colony V. R. I. overprint. The 1st setting has level periods, and was applied to the ½p., 1p., 2p., 2½p. on 3p., 3p., 4p., 6p. rose, 6p. blue, 1s. and

5s. The 3rd stamp in the 10th row of each pane has no period after V.

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Early printings of the 1st setting show several errors which were corrected at an early date.

- Double surcharge, ½p., 3p.
- V. R. I. omitted, 1p., 6p. blue.
- I. omitted, ½p., 1p.
- No period after I, ½p.
- Value omitted, 1p.
- Wide space between 1 and s, 1s.
- Figure of value omitted, ½p., 1p., 6p. rose, 6p. blue, 1s.

- Broad figure 3, 3p.
- Letter d omitted, 1p.
- Raised period after s, 1s.
- Comma after s, 1s.

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The 2nd setting has raised periods, and was applied to all values except the 2½p. and 6p. rose. It shows the following varieties in the periods:

- V. R. I., 7th row, 4th stamp.
- V. R. I., 9th row, 4th stamp.
- V. R. I., 9th row, 5th stamp.
- V. R. I., 10th row, 4th stamp.

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In the 3rd setting seven stamps in each pane have a thick V. We have not seen it stated what values this setting was applied to.

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In the 4th setting six stamps in each pane have a thick V: 1st row, 2nd stamp; 3rd row, 2nd stamp; 4th row, 2nd stamp; 7th row, 4th stamp; 8th row, 1st and 4th stamps. The 6th stamp in the 10th row has one level period, V. R. I. This setting was used for the ½p. and 1p., and probably for the 2p., 3p., 6p. and 1s.

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The 4th setting was reversed when applied to the 5s., so that the order of the thick V's was changed as follows: 1st, 3rd and 4th rows, 5th stamp; 7th row, 3rd stamp; 8th row, 3rd and 6th stamps. Perhaps it would be clearer to call this the 5th setting, as it appears to have been used for the 6p. as well as the 5s.

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There is another arrangement of thick V's, of which we have not seen a whole pane, and can locate only two of the six stamps. These are 5th in 9th row and 4th in 10th row. There is none in 1st row.

Of the later settings we have several varieties we have not seen in a pane:

- No period after V, 1p.
- No period after R, 1p.
- No period after I, ½p., 1p.

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2. Bahamas, 1, 2½p	2	So	09
3. — 1, 2½, 4, 6p	4	5	34
4. — 1, 2½, 4, 6p, 1s	5	4	62
6. Barbados, 1f, ½, 1p	3	5	5
7. — 1f, ½, 1, 2, 2½p	5	16	16
8. — 1f, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 6p	7	17	43
9. — 1f, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 6, 8, 10p	9	8	88
16. Bermuda, ½, 1p	2	2	4
17. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23	23
18. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p	7	7	47
19. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p, 1s	8	75	75
31. British Guiana, 1, 2c	2	4	4
32. — 1, 2, 4, 5, 6c	5	23	23
33. — 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12c	7	46	46
34. — 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 24c	8	73	73
36. British Honduras, 1, 2c	2	4	4
37. — 1, 2, 5, 6c	4	18	18
38. — 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 12c	6	44	44
39. — 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 12, 24, 25c	8	100	100
46. Canada, ½, 1, 2c	3	5	5
47. — ½, 1, 2, 5c	4	11	11
48. — ½, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10c	6	32	32
49. — ½, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 20c	7	55	55
50. — ½, 1, 2, 5, 3, 10, 20, 50c	8	110	110
51. Cape of Good Hope, ½, 1p	2	4	4
52. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23	23
53. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p	7	47	47
54. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p, 1s	8	75	75
66. Cook Islands, ½, 1p	2	4	4
67. — ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½p	5	19	19
76. Falkland Islands, ½, 1p	2	4	4
77. — ½, 1, 2, 2½p	4	15	15
78. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6p	6	40	40
81. Fiji Islands, ½, 1p	2	4	4
82. — ½, 1, 2, 2½p	4	15	15
83. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 5, 6p	7	52	52
91. Gibraltar, ½, 1p	2	4	4
101. Grenada, ½, 1p	2	4	4
102. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23	23
103. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 6p	6	38	38
104. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 6, 8p, 1s	8	84	84
106. Holkar, ¼, ½, 1, 2a	4	12	12
116. Jamaica, ½, 1p	2	4	4
117. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23	23
118. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p	7	47	47
119. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p, 1s	8	75	75
151. Lagos, ½, 1p	2	4	4
136. Leeward Islands, ½, 1p	2	4	4
137. — ½, 1, 2½p	3	10	10
138. — ½, 1, 2½, 4, 6p	5	35	35
139. — ½, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 7p, 1s	7	80	80

156. Morocco Agencies, 5, 10c	2	4
161. Natal, ½, 1p	2	4
164. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p, 1s	3	75
166. Newfoundland, ½, 1, 2c.	3	5
167. — ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c	7	27
163. — ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,		
8, 10, 12c.	10	62
169. — ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10,		
12, 15, 24c	12	1 06
170. — ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10,		
12, 15, 24, 30, 35, 6cc	15	2 50
171. New South Wales, ½, 1p	2	4
172. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23
196. Orange River Colony, ½, 1p	2	6
197. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	35
198. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 6p	6	55
199. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 6p, 1s	7	90
206. Queensland, ½, 1p	2	4
207. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23
211. Rhodesia, ½, 1p	2	4
212. — ½, 1, 2p	3	9
221. St. Lucia, ½, 1p	2	4
222. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23
223. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p	7	47
226. St. Vincent, ½, 1p	2	4
227. — ½, 1, 2½, 3p	4	18
228. — ½, 1, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 6p	5	54
256. South Australia, ½, 1p	2	4
257. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23
266. Tasmania, ½, 1p	2	4
267. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	23
276. Transvaal, ½, 1p	2	6
277. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3p	5	35
278. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p	7	70
279. — ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6p, 1s	8	1 10
281. Trinidad, ½, 1p	2	4
282. — ½, 1, 2, 2½p	4	15
286. Turk's Islands, ½, 1p	2	4
287. — ½, 1, 2½p	3	10
288. — ½, 1, 2½, 4, 5, 6p	6	47
296. Victoria, ½, 1p	2	4
301. Virgin Islands, ½, 1p	2	4
302. — ½, 1, 2½p	3	10
303. — ½, 1, 2½, 4, 6p	5	35
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