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## PREFACE.

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I X the compilation of this Catalogue I have followed the popular fashion of the present day and classified the various issues first cording to design and secondly according to perforation, although imstrongly of opinion that the only scientific method of collecting knlway better Stamps is according to issues (i.e., supplies as served from printers) and printings.

Every stamp, with the sole exception of those of which no opies are known, has been given a valuation, both in the used and the unused state, and I believe that this will render the Catalogue special value to collectors who are interested, not only in counting their collections," but in totalling the "catalogue value" them. The values are based on the number of specimens known to in the hands of collectors and in no case on the numbers issued, but also of the particular varieties are liable to fall, but so far as made appears are concerned this is unlikely, as previous to 1898 as had but very rarely been sold to the public. The comparation of many modern and even current issues is not to the restrictions placed on their sale by the issuing Companies.

It will perhaps surprise collectors who have not hitherto taken ny interest in Railway Letter Stamps to know that of the 570 unches described in this Catalogue, no fewer than 29 are comletely unknown and something like 100 others are in unused indition as rare or rarer than the two famous "Post Office" faurities stamps, of which a pair are reported to have been reently sold for £2600. In the system of valuation adopted for his Catalogue I have taken £25 as about the maximum value at the besent day of the rarest Railway Letter Stamp, but in two istances where the issue in question was the sole known issue a Company which has ceased to exist and of which there is but be remotest possibility of any further examples being found I I hade to the Barry Dock and Finn Valley Ruilway Companies -1 laye ventured as high as £75 and £50, and think that, if at all, I live erred on the side of moderation. Most of the minor varieties printing which are distinguishable only by slight varieties in tudes I have limited to £5, even though only a single copy is bown, but in some few cases I have exceeded this where there is In little is libood of further copies being found. The following halysis of the values, in unused state, of Railway letter fee stamps may be of interest.

#### ANALYSIS OF CATALOGUE VALUE

OF UNUSED RAHAWAY LETTER STAMPS.

£75	1	80/-	16	1	7/6	19	9d. 17
£50	ŀ	60/	32		5/4	49	6d. 29
£25	5	407	28		4	29	New Issues
£20	15	30 -	23		3/=	37	Unseen 5
£15	3	20/-	38		2/-	58	Obsolete &
£10	15	15/-	23		1/6	12	Unknown 2
.€5	34	10 -	(30)		10	31	
		,					570
**	n. 1444					1 1 1 1 1	P# 11 0

Line	100	cheapest	Auricties	are valued at	3.0	1.1	- 1	
The	200	02	-	144	£19	18	-91	
The	300	14		-00	£54	-2	- 3	
The	400		11	11	£172	17	- 3	
The	500		11		£570	17	- 33	
The	536	known s	arrietnes :	are valued at	£1275	17	18	

The 536 known varieties are valued at £1275 17/3

As illustrating the difficulty of collecting railway letter stans it may be mentioned that the most complete collection now existence contains, in unused condition, only 473 of the 570 varies known to have been issued.

The 570 issues were made in the following years:

1891	103	1895	32	i	1899	51	1903 (4	
1892	33	1896	47		1900	40	months)	7
1893	37	1897	42		1901	36		-
1894	42	1898	67		1902	33	Total	570

The sudden demand in 1898, on the part of collectors, case many Companies to have new printings; since then, the tender has been to order larger supplies and consequently less frequent

Of the 570 issues, 569 were of the face value of 2d, and one of k 538 were printed in green, 2 in blue and 29 in red or carmine. Swere perforated, 9 left imperforate and 38 rouletted; 389 were numbered, 1 was numbered in manuscript and 180 had proposed in manuscript.

The largest number of stamps issued by any one Company date is the 205000 of the North Eastern Railway Company; a largest number of varieties, the 71 of the same Company. It is smallest number of stamps printed for a Company is 200, for North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway. The large number of stamps ever printed at one time for a Company 120,000, for the Great Western Railway; the smallest, about for the East London Railway. The largest sheets in which rails letter stamps are printed contain only 60 stamps; the smallest the stamps of one Company are not sold in sheets but are host into small books with counterfolds.

The highest price for which a collection of Railway Letter stamps alone was ever sold is £1500; the highest price ever paid separately for a single specimen. £16, but no specimens of the great carries have yet been offered for sale. These figures need not however, discourage anyone from attempting a collection of these most interesting stamps. There are still numbers of bargains to be picked up and one may sometimes find the scarce varieties at out of the-way stations. Although the most complete collection ever formed contains only 473 of the 536 known varieties in unused condition, close on 500 varieties may be obtained by almost any brighten collector, if used specimens are accepted, and the cost will probably not exceed £100 if favourable opportunities of buying are tiken.

I hope that the publication of this catalogue will lead to a considerable increase of the attention devoted to Railway Letter Stamps, which are indisputably one of the most interesting groups in British Philately.

H. L'ESTRANGE EWEN.

Norwood, 20,4,03,

The most valuable and rarest known Railway Letter Stamp.
Strip of three, valued at £225.







## RAILWAY COMPANIES

OF

## ENGLAND AND WALES.

#### AYLESBURY AND BUCKINGHAM RAILWAY.

Fibruary to Fair. 1891 (when the line was purchased by the Maropolitan Railway Company). Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale of Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6,

1 2d vellow-green, rouletted, black control

	Unused.	Used.
		S. d.
Nos. I to 600	7 6	40 0

#### BARRY DOCK AND RAILWAYS.

Fibruary, 1891, to September, 1895 (when the title was altered to tary Railway). Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., condon, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6.

1	2d. yellow-green, rouletted, black control		
	Nos. 1 to 500 (Feb. 1891)	£75	£10
7	2d. Nos. 501 to 1000 (Mar. 1894)	(Unkn	ownl

### BARRY RAILWAY,

Settember 1895. Printed by Messes, McCorqu	ioda	le & C	Co., 1	Ltd	
adon, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6.					
2d green (shades), perf. 12. Six printings,					
(1st) Nos. 1001 to 1600 (Sep. 1895), green,					
large control Nos. 13×3\(\frac{1}{2}\)mm.	£	25	£5		
(2nd) Nos. 1601 to 2800 (Oct. 1896), dull					
green, small control Nos. 11 x					
3mm.	- 5	0	- 5	0	
(3rd) Nos. 2801 to 4000 (Mar. 1898),	**	.,			
yellow-green, small control Nos.					
10 × 3mm.	- 2	0	2	0	
(4th) Nos. 4001 to 6400 (Mar. 1899),	_		_		
yellow-green, small control Nos.	60	0	4	()	
2d. green, perf. 11.		• •			
(5th) Nos. 6401 to 8800 (Feb. 1901),					
olive-green	30	0	4	0	
(6th) Nos. 8801 to 11200 (1902), yellow-	.,,,,	-		.,	
4 EM14 + 40					

The Principal Types of Railway Letter Stamps.

McCorquodale & Co.,
London and Newton.

McCorquodale & Co.,
Clasgow.



Waterlow & Sons.



Blacklock & Co., Manchester.





Bemrose & Sons. Derby.



Sealy, Bryers & Walker Dublin.



## BRECON AND MERTHYR RAILWAY.

February.	1891.	Lithographed	123	Messes.	Bemrose	Š	Sons, in
sheets of 60.							

		UNU	SID.	US	1010
		26.	d	%.	d.
1	2d. dull green, perf. 11, one printing only.	- 1	0	()	9

#### CAMBRIAN RAILWAYS.

February, 1891. Type L, with white spot on figure "2." Lithographed (or printed) in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4, each row being printed separately. An entire sheet of 12 is not known to exist.

1	-2d. green (shades), perf. 123. One pri	arting			
	only believed to have been made ()	lst) 15	0	15	()

About 1894? Type 11., without white spot. Lithographed (or printed) in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

2	2d. green (shades), perf. 12. Three prin	iting	5.			
	(2nd) dark green, thin white paper	4.	30	0	20	()
	(3rd) pale green, surfaced paper	4.6	30	0	20	-0
	(4th) pale green, thin paper (1897?)		0	6	0	9

#### CHESHIRE LINES COMMITTEE.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messes, Bentrose & Sons in sheets of 24, 6 rows of 4.

1	2d. green, perf. 10.	Two printings.					
	(1st) dull green,	white gum	10	4	0	1	0
	(2nd) dull green.	brown gum (2.9,96)		()	6	0	9

## CLEATOR AND WORKINGTON JUNCTION RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messes, W. H. Moss & Sons, lad., of Whitehaven, in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3, 1-2d, bright green, perf. 12. One printing

### COCKERMOUTH, KESWICK & PENRITH RAILWAY.

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February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., lad., of Glasgow, in sheets of 12, arranged in the first printing in 3 rows of 4, and in the second in 4 rows of 3.

1 2d. green (shades), perf. 12. Two p (1st) Feb., 1891, dark olive-green	orintings			
paper		0	15	0
(2nd) August, 1896, pale yello				
thin paper	0	6	0	9

### COLNE VALLEY RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. S. H. Cowell & Co., of Ipswich, in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

#### EAST AND WEST JUNCTION RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Bemrose & Sons. of Derby, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. Large black control numbers placed vertically at the left side of each stamp.

	bers placed vertically at the left side in e						
			UNUS	ED.	USI	1.11,	
			S.	d.	5.	d.	
1	2d. green, perf. 10. Two printings						
	(1st) Nos. 1 to 1000 (Feb., 1891)		£	20	北	10	
	(2nd) Nos. 1000 to 2999 (Aug., 1893)		5	0	1	()	
2	2d, claret on yellow, perf. 10. One prin	tin,	g.				
	(3rd) Nos. 3000 to 5999 (April, 1899)		- 5	O	()	9	

#### EASTERN AND MIDLANDS RAILWAY.

February, 1891, to May, 1894 (the Company having been amalga mated with the Midland and Great Northern Joint in 1893). Litho graphed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son, in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5, 1 2d, green, perf. 11½. One printing ... 3 0 2 0

#### EAST LONDON RAILWAY.

March (2) 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Waterlow & Son, in sheets of 2, and issued in singles, imperforate.

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<ul> <li>1 2d. rose-red (shades), imperf. Seven printing</li> </ul>	ngs.			
(1st) March (?) 1891, very pale piok	£	20	10	()
(2nd) April, 1898, pale salmon 🔍 🕟	(30)	0	2	0
(3rd) May, 1898, bright salmon	40	0	5	()
(4th) May, 1898, orange-brown	10	0	1	0
(5th) October, 1898, red-brown, brick-red	30	0	5	0
(6th) 1899 (?), pink	20	0	1	6
(7th) 1902 (?) deep rose-red, pale rose	20	()	- 1	6

#### THE FURNESS RAILWAYS.

February, 1891, to January, 1897 (when the title was altered to The Furness Railway"). Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co. Ltd., of Newton-le-Willows, in sheets of 10, 2 rows of 5.

 2d. green (shades), rouletted in colour, three printings.

turce printings.				
(1st) February, 1891, dark green	40	()	20	0
(2nd) July, 1891, green, surfaced paper	60	0	30	()
(3rd) September, 1893, green	20	0	10	0

#### THE FURNESS RAILWAY.

January, 1897, to February, 1900 (when the title was altered to "Furness Railway.") Printed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co. Ltd., of Newton-le-Willows, in sheets of 10, 2 rows of 5. Om printing only, part of which was numbered consecutively in black in August, 1898. Rouletted in colour.

1	2d. green,	un-numbered	 	- 3	0	3	0
2	2d. green,	numbered 1 to 1320	 	3	()	3	0

#### FURNESS RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1900. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., of Newton-le-Willows, in sheets of 10, 2 rows of 5,

						UNUS	sen.	USED.	
	(1.1. A. al.		. 1		1		d.	я.	d.
1				in colour,	large				
	black	control	Nos. 1201	to 3200		- 2	0	()	9

#### GARSTANG AND KNOT END RAILWAY.

Trbruary, 1891. Printed by Messes. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., of London, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6.

### GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY.

july 12, 1897. Lithographed by Messrs, Henry Blacklock & Co., 13d., and issued in sheets of 12, either 4 rows of 3 or 2 rows of 6, 1, 2d. green (shades), perf. 12.

(1st) July, 1897. Faint outer line	16	4	0	2	0
(2nd) June, 1898. No outer line		2	0	1	0
(3rd) January, 1899. Clear outer li	ne.				
dull green		- 5	0	1	0
(4th) July, 1900. Ditto, deep green		2	0	O	9
(5th) 1901? Ditto, grey-green.		- 5	0	1	6
(6th) 1902? Ditto, olive green		- 1	0	0	9

#### GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Type I., Lithographed by Messrs, Waterlow and Son, of London, in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5. It is not known how many printings there were, but examples of the following have been met with. Evidence of three transfers has so far been found. 1.2d, green, perf. 114.

	(1st) 1891, L. green	15	0	2	0	
	(2nd?) 1891, 11., dult green	30	0	5	0	
	(3rd?) — ?, II., deep green, grey-green	80	0	4	0	
	(4th ?) — ?, II., bright green	60	-0	3	0	
	(7th?) 1894?, 111., pale green	40	0	5	0	
13	2d. green, perf. 143.					
		60	0	20	0	
		80	0	25	0	

About 1894. Type II. (no stop between "Railway" and "Fee"). Lithographed by the Great Eastern Railway Company, in sheets of 30, 6 rows of 5.

3	2d. green (shades), perf. 12.						
	(8th?) 1895? emerald greet	1	 40	0	5	0	
	(9th) 1897? I green (yellow-green		 1	0	0	4	
			 1	0	O	4	
4	2d. green, perf. 11.						
	(10th) 1900, yellow-green		 1	O	0	4	
	(11th) 1902? blue-green		0	6	0	6	

Cleator and Workington Junction.



Great Western. Type f.



Hull and Barnsley.



Coine Valley Railway.



Great Western. Type II.



Lancashire, Derbyshire and East Coast.



### GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY.

F. benary, 1891. Type I. (with stop at foot, between "Railway" and "Fee!"). Lithographed by Messes. Waterlow & Son, of condour in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10.

			UNUSED.		USED.	
			54.	d.	Ni.	d.
1 2d. gro	en, perf. 114. Three printings.					
clst	i Jan., 1891, green, deep green	10.0	- 5	0	- 1	()
(20)	d) March, 1892, bright green?		5	0	1	0
(3nc	l) July, 1894, yellow-green?		- 5	()	- 1	()
2 2d gre	en, perf. 10, 10g. One printing.					
(41)	u Sept., 1897. green	2.6	3	0	0	9

Note: It is generally a very difficult matter (and sometimes an impossible one) in austactordy identify the three printings of the perf. 11½ issues. They are of conderable rarity in blocks and in no case is an entire sheet known to exist. Even it be this sue only one entire sheet is known, although blocks are more common. A arrety. On all sheets of the above four printings, nine stamps, Nos. 14, 22, 43, 30, 55, 56 and 57, show a variety, having no stop between "Railway". Fee:

july, 1900. Type II. (with "decimal" point between "Railway" and "Fee" and rectangular bar in "2d.") Lithographed by Sir Joseph Causton & Sons, Ltd., in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10.

3 2d. pade office-green, perf. 10. One printing 0 6 0 6

## GREAT NORTHERN & GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAYS.

Angust, 1809. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons. Ltd., London, in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10.

1. 2d. green, perf. 10. . . . . . . . . . . . 1. 0. 0. 9.

## S GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Type I. (roughly drawn, stop just before "Fee"). Name of lithographers and size of sheets unknown.

10/2d, green, perf. 12, brown or white gum.

one printing (?), blocks are very scarce 10 0 1 0

About 1892. Type II. (neatly drawn, no stop between "Railway" of "Fee.") Lithographed by the Great Western Railway Company II. in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10. Two printings.

2d. bluish-green, perf. 12 . . . . . . 0 6 0 4 2d. emerald-green, perf. 11 (August, 1900) 0 6 0 4

### HULL AND BARNSLEY COMPANY.

chruary, 1891. Lithographed in Hull in sheets of 10, 5 rows of 20 and issued in books of 20 stamps, with counterfoils, one stamp to each page, perf. 12 on the left and imperforate on the other three

2d. green (shades). Two printings.

	February, 1891, yellow-green	 15	0	5	0	
	March, 1897, dull green	 4	(1	- 1	0	
430 cla	October 20 1902 (2)	1)	O.	- 0	4	

#### ISLE OF WIGHT RAILWAY.

January, 1899. Lithographed	by	Messes.	Waterlow	4.	Son.
sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.					

UNUSED. UNUSED. S. d. S.

#### ISLE OF WIGHT CENTRAL RAILWAY.

February, 1899. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd. in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

1 2d. green, rouletted. Two printings.

## LANCASHIRE, DERBYSHIRE & EAST COAST RAILWAY.

December, 1896. Lithographed by Messrs. Bemrose & Sons sheets of 24, 6 rows of 4. Large black control numbers.

2 2d. emerald green, perf. 11. One printing. (3rd) Oct., 1900. Nos. 1077 to 1577? ... 20 0 2 #

(4th) Dec., 1902, Nos. 1577 to 2076

### LANCASHIRE AND YORKSHIRE RAILWAY.

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February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. H. Blacklock & G. Ltd., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 6, 2 rows of 3.

2 2d. green (shades), numbered. (3rd) About 1898, Nos. 1 to 3750 2 2 0 1 6 (4th) Jan., 1900, Nos. 3751 to about 5000 10 0 2 6

Note.—It is a very difficult matter to distinguish between the two first print but it is generally believed that the 1st was in darker green and more der printed. Sometime during 1898 the stock on hand of the 3rd printing was number and since then all issues have had consecutive numbers. The 4th supply was printed from a new transfer on a thicker surfaced paper, but the exact proper of impressions taken from transfers 1, and 11, is unknown. The 5th and 6th sup (from transfer 11.) are identical except for the size of the control figures.

Variety, -In the first four printings, for which transfer I, was used, a var occurs on stamp No. 3 of each sheet, "FOR" being spelt "FOR."

# LIVERPOOL, ST. HELENS AND SOUTH LANCASHIRE RAILWAY.

October, 1899. Lithographed by Messrs, Henry Blackdock & Co., 1td., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3, 1, 2d. green, perf. 12, one printing [1, 2, 3, 4] 0, 1, 0

#### LONDON AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 60, 10 rows of 6, with black control numbers.

	UNUSED.		USED.	
	9.	d.	94.	d.
1 2d. green, rouletted. Six printings.				
(1st) February, 1891, Nos. 1 to 50000.	10	0	2	0
(2nd) April, 1893, Nos. 50001 to 70000	30	0	6	0
(3rd) July, 1894, Nos. 70001 to 100000.	20	0	2	0
(4th) Sept., 1896, Nos. 100001 to 130000	1	()	0	1
(5th) July, 1899, Nos. 130001 to 160000	0	9	0	4
(6th) June, 1902, Nos. 160001 to 190000	- 0	6	(1	(i

Note. Entire sheets of the first three printings are now unknown to exist and a two or three entire sheets each of the 4th and 5th printings are believed to be survived.

#### LONDON AND SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son, of London, in sheets of 24, and issued in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3 or 3 two of 4.

Except as regards the perforation, the numerous printings of the L&S.W.R. appear more or less alike to the inexperienced collector, but the expert is readily able to distinguish them all, although it is not yet definitely known the exact order in which they were issued. A study of the marks of wear shows that from time to time four mansfers have been employed and enables the order of printing to be fairly accurately determined where sufficient material is at land for examination. The four transfers were as follows:

Transfer I., 1891. Used for first printing only.

Transfer II., 1891. Used for printings 2 to 8.

Transfer III., 1894. Used for all other printings except No. 27. There are various "states"

A. Bar attached to left side of O of "South."

B. Scratches originate on several stamps on the transfer. BC. Bars partly removed from O of "South."

C. Bars almost entirely removed.

D. White dots on type 22 obliterated.

E. White circles round shield redrawn.F. Scratch originates on type 9.

Transfer IV., 1900. Used for 27th printing only. Sheets of 12 only, 3 rows of 4.

For further particulars of how to identify the types in each transfer to Ewen's History of Railway Letter Stamps, pp. 80 to 97. The bllowing is only approximately correct.

		UNUS	REID.	1.1	SEL
			d.		4
1	2d. green, perf. 11 to 11½.				
	(1st) January, 1891, L. green	20	0	10	0
	(2nd) June, 1891, 11., green	60	0	10	
	(3rd) 19.11.91, II., green	60	0	5	0
	(4th) 26.3.92. 11., green	60	0	5	0
	(5th) 15.8.92. II., light green	80	0	15	0
	(6th) 14.1.93, 11., green, thin paper	40	ö	10	0
	(7th) 12.6.93, H., grey-green	80	0	15	0
	(94b) 97 0 09 11 double down 6.1.	60	ö	10	0
	(Oals) 90 9 01 111	80	ő	10	
	(10th) 13.7.94, III light green, surfaced		0	15	
2	2d. green, perf. 14, 143.	au	U	15	0
-	(11) 12 12 11 () 1 111 2 1 1 1 1 1	40	44	1.0	
	(104th) 15 5 05 111	40	0	10	
	(12th) 15.5.95, 111x., yellow-green	60	0	15	
* 1	(13th) 29.8.95, III., dark green	60	0	15	0
3	2d. green, perf. 14 or $14 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ , 13.				
	(14th) 11.1.96, IIIB., yellow-green	15	0	7	6
4	2d. green, perf. 114 to 12.				
	(15th) 17.6.96, III B., dull green	10	0	2	- 6
	(16th) 8.10.96, III B., light green	20	0	5	0
	(18th) 30.7.97, IIIBC., green	10	0	2	6
	(19th) 7.12.97, 111BC., dark green	7	6	- 1	6
	(20th) 21.4.98, IIIBC., yellow-green	- 5	0	1	6
5	2d. green, perf. 10×11.				
	(34th) 17.3.02, HB., dull green	15	0	5	0
6	2d. green, perf. 10.				
	(37th?) 5.11.02, IIIB., dull green	4	0	2	0
	(17th) 22.3.97, 111B., dull green	15	0		U
	(21st) 21.7.98, 111c., dark green	7	6	1	
	(22nd) 7.10.98, IIIc., pale green	5	ö	1	h
	(23rd) 7.2.99, HIc., bright green	4	ö	i	0
	(24th) 11.5.99, IIIc., dark green	7	6	i	6
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	(OCala) 91 19 00 111a Islands and a	5	ö		0
	(0744) 17 1 00 11/		ő		
	(00) to 10 7 mm 111. I do -	5		1	0
	(28th) 13.7.00, 111b., dark green.,	2	0	0	2
	(29th) 22.10.00, 1110., yellow-green	ı	6	0	В
	(31st) 17.6.01, IIIE., pale green, per-				
	forated margins	2	0	0	3
	(35th) 12.6.02, IIIF., olive-green	2	0	1	0
	(36th) 9.9.02, IIIF., green	2	0	1	8
	(38th) 5.3.03 (not yet seen)	2	0	1	0
7	2d. green, perf. 11.				
	(30th) 18. 2.01, IIIE., yellow-green	- 1	6	0	
	(32nd) 18. 8.01, 111F., dark green	1	6	()	1
	(33rd) 30.11.01, IIIF., bright green	2	0	()	1
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Note.—An almost entire imperforate sheet is known of the 12th issue and though 'printer's waste,' it is of the greatest value, as no other sheets or blocks printed from Transfer 111., state A., are known to exist.

Variety.—A pane of the 28th printing is known imperforate vertically.

## LONDON, BRIGHTON & SOUTH COAST RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son, of andon, in sheets of 24 or 12 and issued in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3 or 3 rows of 4.

The first eleven printings have not yet been satisfactorily identiied, awing to the extreme rarity of specimens. Of none of them man entire pane of 12 known to exist, and owing to the scarcity of blocks and the very few traces of wear exhibited by the transfer, it has not yet been possible to reconstruct a sheet.

First transfer, 1891, 24 types arranged in 2 panes of 12, each 4 rows of 3. Second transfer, 1897, 12 types, 3 rows of 4. Third transfer, 1898, 12 types, 3 rows of 4. Fourth transfer, 1898, 12 types, 4 rows of 3.

The types of the three later transfers can all be readily distinuished, see Ewen's History of Railway Letter Stomps, pages 104 110. The order given for the printings below is only approxibate.

UNUSED.

	я.	d.	S.	al.
2d green, perf. 11 to 11½.				
(1st) 26.1.91, L. dull pale green	. 10	0	5	0
(2nd) 24.4.91, L., dull green	. 80	0	10	0
(3rd) 14.9.91, L., pale green	. 60	0	4	0
(4th) 5.5.92, L, dull green (the first fou	٢			
printings are on surfaced paper)	80	()	10	0
(5th) 21.11.92, L., deep green 3.	. 40	0	10	0
(6th) 2.5.93, L, dull green	. 80	0	10	0
(7th) 22.3.94, L. yellow-green	. 20	0	5	0
(8th) 19.11.94 L. green	. 20	0	5	0
2) 2d. green, perf. 114 to 12.				
	. 20	0	5	0
	. 20	0	- 5	0
	. 10	0	3	0
	. 10	0	3	0
	. 4	0	1	6
3) 2d. green, perf. 10 × 11\frac{1}{2}.				
	. 40	0	10	0
2d. green, perf. 10.				
The state of the s	. 20	0	5	()
(Part of 12th) 31. 8.97, H., dark green .	. 7	6	2	0
l la	. 7	6	ī	6
(15th) 10. 5.99, IV., dark yellow-green.	. 5	0	1	6
A SECTION AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE PA	. 5	0	i	6
to the state of th	. 2	0	0	9
	. 1	6	0	9
	. 5		2	ō
	. 2		ō	9
Address to the annual days to the contract of	. 1	Ö	Ō	9
5 2d. green, perf. 11.		,		_
110-15 011 0 01 137 doub on	. 3	0	1	0
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Note: Streets are unknown to exist in the first eleven printings and even blocks Mexicon varity. Sheets of the 1897-99 issues are also somewhat scarce. Varieties—Part of an imperforate proof sheet of the 16th printing is known.

#### LONDON, CHATHAM & DOVER RAILWAY.

February 4th, 1891, to June, 1899 (when the Company was amagamated with the South-Eastern). Lithographed in sheets of 42 rows of 3. The first issue was issued in singles.

The early issues of this railway are of such extreme rarity, the it has been impossible to say definitely how many transfers we

used, or identify the different printings.

First transfers. This heading includes all unidentified early printings. Second transfer (1895?). Types 1, 2, 3 arranged irregularly, together at two types unknown.

Third transfer (1897 2). Types 1, 2, 3 arranged regularly in four rows.

It is not known how many issues were made, nor are any office particulars forthcoming. The following list is compiled on we slight evidence and can hardly be described as even approximate

		. 16.	d	S. 4
1	2d. green, imperforate.			
	(1st?) 4.2.91, L. wide margins	£12	20	£10
	(2nd?) Feb. 2 1891, L., narrow margins	£1	0	£5
2	2d. green, perf. 11\frac{1}{3}.			
	(3rd?) February? 1891, L., dark green	60	0	20 0
	(4th?) 1892? L., bright green	60	0	20 @
	(5th?) 1893? L., blue-green L.	60	П	20 0
	(6th?) ? 1., deep green	60	0	20 0
	(7th?) -? 1., grey-green	60	11	20 0
	(8th to 10th?) Probably several print-			
	ings at present unknown.	- (	Unk	(nova)
	(11th?) 1895? H., deep emerald	40		15 0
	(12th?) 1895? II., blue-green	40	0	15 (
	(13th?)? 11., green	40	0	15 (
	(14th?)? II., bright green, surfaced			
	paper	40	()	15
3	2d. green, perf. 10).			
	(15th) 1897? 11., ditto, thick, soft paper	40	0	15 (
	(16th) ? 11., dark green, ditto	40	0	10
	(17th, 18th, 19th?) Unidentified		Unl	cnown
	(20th) 1897? III., deep green, thin paper	40	0	15.0
	(21st?) 1898, III., green, thick paper		0	5.0
	(22nd) 1898, III., green, thin paper		0	2 1
	(23rd) May? 1899, III., black-green		0	5 1
	Note Entire sheets of the last three printings (trans			

Note. - Entire sheets of the last three printings (transfer III.) are knot exist, also a block of 10 of the 15th issue transfer II.)

Variety.-A sheet of the 21st issue is known imperforate vertically.

#### LONDON, TILBURY & SOUTHEND RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son London, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6 or 6 rows of 4.

1 2d. green, perf. 11 to 12, un-numbered.

 9,	.,			,		•			
(1st)	4891,	perf.	11 t	o $11\frac{1}{2}$ ,	green		10	0	3
(2nd)	1894,	perf.	11 t	o 11 <del>5</del> ,	green		10	0	3 4
					vellow-o	15121213	5	Δ	-) (

		UNUS	ED.	US	ED.
		14.	d.	8.	d.
2	2d. green, perf. 10, un-numbered.				
	(4th) June, 1899, green	 2	0	1	0
3	2d. green, perf. 11, numbered.				
	(5th) October, 1901, Nos. 1/1 to?	 -0	6	0	9

#### MACCLESFIELD COMMITTEE.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Henry Blacklock & Co., Ltd., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 6, 2 rows of 3, or sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

1 2d. green, perf. 12. Four printings.

(lst)	9.1.91?	i .		 (Unknown)
	1.6.91?			 ( ,, )
(3rd)	4.5.94, grey-p	green .	 	 2 0 0 9
(4th)	26.1.99 ?		 	 (Unknown)

#### MANCHESTER & MILFORD RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Printed by Messes, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., of ondon, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6. With black control numbers, 1-2d, green, rouletted. Two printings.

(1st) 1891. Nos. 1 to 3000, yellow-green 4 0 2 0 (2nd) 1897. Nos. 1 to 2000, dull green . . . 1 0 0 9

## MANCHESTER, SHEFFIELD & LINCOLNSHIRE RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891, to July, 1897. (On August 1st, 1897, the title of the Company was changed to Great Central Railway.) Lithographed by Messrs, Henry Blacklock & Co., Ltd., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 6, 2 rows of 3, or sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3 or 1 rows of 6.

The first seven issues are now of extreme rarity and have never been properly identified. Sheets are not known to exist, and only a few instances blocks. The following is an approximate list. One transfer served for all the printings and was then adapted and sed for those of the North Wales and Liverpool Railway.

1 2d. green, perf. 12. Ten printings, all with

	, ,	outer line except the 9th and 10	th.					
	(1st)	9. 1.91, dark green		20	0	10	0	
	(2nd)	6. 3.91, green		60	0	10	0	
	(3rd)			60	0	10	0	
	(4th)			60	0	10	0	
	(5th)	21. 4.92, green, surfaced paper		80	()	15	0	
	(6th)	18.10.92, pale grey-green		80	0	15	0	
	(7th)	18. 7.93, deep green		40	0	5	U	
	(8th)	4. 5.94, grey-green		15	()	5	0	
	(9th)	15. 3.95, black-green, no outer I	ine	20	()	7	6	
(		12. 6.96, grey-green, no outer li		7	6	5	0	

Varion. The sheets are made up of one or more blocks of six types of which a than in Woone line above "Manchester, Sheffield" instead of two.

Manchester, South Junction and Altrincham Railway.

First Printing.

Second Printing.





Metropolitan Railway.

Second Printing.

Third Printing.





"Midland Railway" at top and bottom.

Large Control Figures.

Small Control Figures.





### MANCHESTER, SOUTH JUNC. & ALTRINCHAM RY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Henry Blacklock & Co., Ltd., and issued in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6 or sheets of 25, 5 rows of 5.

		85.	d.	94	d.
1 2d. green, perf. 12, un numbered.					
(1st) January, 1891, dull green.		£	20	£	5
			25	£	5
2 2d green, perf. 12, numbered in manuser	ipt.				
4. 6.6 1. 11 41.11		(	Unki	nown	)
3 2d. green, perf. 12, numbered.					
(3rd) August, 1894, Nos. 501 to 1000 .		£	20	£	5
(4th) October, 1895, Nos. 1001 to 2000		5	()	4	()
(5th) April, 1898, Nos. 2001 to 3000		2	0	2	()
(6th) Sept., 1899, Nos. 3001 to 4000 .		3	0	3	()
(7th) April, 1902, Nos. 4001 to 5000 .	6	-1	0	0	(1)

Note.—It is rather difficult to distinguish between the first two issues. The sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6, and stamps are in consequence always imperate at top or bottom. The second issue was made in sheets of 25, of which only a stamps were imperforate at top or bottom.

### MARYPORT & CARLISLE RAILWAY COMPANY.

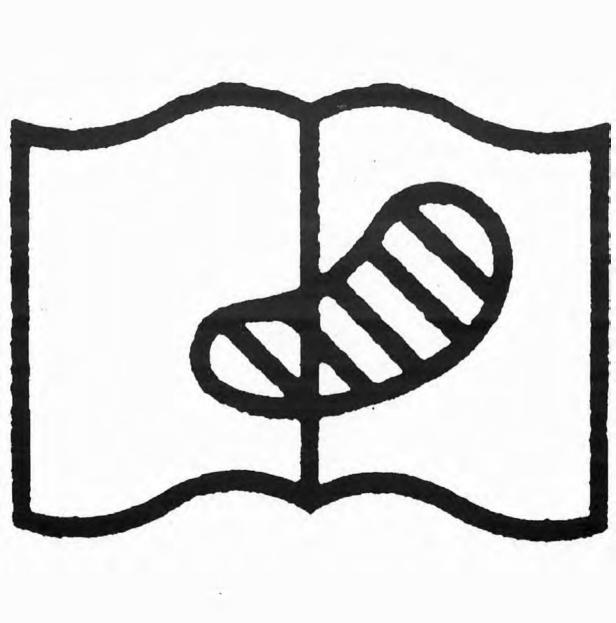
Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., ad., of Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

1	2d green, pert. 12. Four printings.					
	(1st) February, 1891, olive-green	40	0	20	0	
	(2nd) July, 1894, deep green	40	0	20	0	
	(3rd) — ? deep green, thin paper	5	0	3	0	
	(4th) April, 1898, yellow-green	3	()	I	6	
2	2d green, perf. 11. One printing.					
	(5th) 30.10.00, yellow-green	0	6	0	9	

## METROPOLITAN RAILWAY.

July 1895. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son, of London, in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10. Black control numbers.

	2d. blac-rose, carmine, pert. 114.			
	(1st) July, 1895, Nos. I to 600	£10	10	0
	(2nd) March, 1896, Nos. 601 to 1200	£20	40	0
	(3rd) December, 1896, Nos. 1201 to 1800	£20	40	0
	(4th) July, 1897, Nos. 1801 to 2400	£20	30	0
	(6th) March, 1898, Nos. 3001 to 3600	20 0	4	0
	(7th) July, 1898, Nos. 3601 to 4800	.£5	4	0
	(9th) July, 1899, Nos. 6001 to 7200	£5	อี	0
1)	2d filac-rose, carmine, perf. 10.			
	5th) December, 1897, Nos. 2401 to 3000	30 0	5	0
	(8th) March, 1899, Nos. 4801 to 6000	£5	ı	0
	(10th) April, 1900, Nos. 7201 to 8400	£5	3	0
	(11th) October, 1900, Nos. 8401 to 9600	£5	3	0
	(1.2th) May, 1901, Nos. 9601 to 10800	£5	2	0
	(13th) October, 1901, Nos. 10801 to 12000	£5	3	0
	(14th) May, 1902, Nos. 12001 to 13200	£5	4	0
	(15 h) Dec., 1902, Nos. 13201 to 14400	£5	1	O



#### MIDLAND RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messes. H. Bemrose & Sons in sheets of 24, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. Black control numbers.

1 2d. green, perf. 10.

2 2d. green, perf. 11.

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	Highest		rinting.		UNUS	ED.	US	60.
Date.	No. C	ontrol No	١,	Perf.		d.	5.	d.
(1st) 26, 1.91	6000	Small	A ?	10	40	0	5	0
(2nd) 18. 4.91	12000	11	A ?	11	60	0	10	()
(3rd) 5.10.91	18000	11	B ?	11	30	0	4	()
(4th) 28. 4.92	18528 ₹	Large	C?	11	60	0	10	0
(4111) 20. 4.32	24000	**	C?	10	30	0	- 5	0
(5th) 7.10.92	30000	Small	D?	11	15	0	7	6
(6th) 12. 5.93	33000	**	E?	10	20	()	ลี	0
(000) 12. 0.30	36000	**	E?	11	20	()	5	()
(7th) 12.12.93	42000	9.5	E ?	11	£	5	5	0
(8th) 18, 7.94	45000	2.5	E ?	10	30	()	5	()
(0111) 10. 7.34	48000	44	E ?	11	30	0	5	()
(9th) 27, 2.95	50000	Large	F	10	£	i	10	()
(500) 27. 2.55	54000	Small	F	10	30	0	5	0
(10th) 20, 9,95	60000	Large	G	-10	20	0	ลิ	0
			/ A	10	60	0	10	0
			B?	10	60	()	10	()
(11th) 25, 4.96	66000	Small	F	-10	20	()	5	()
			G	10	30	0	7	6
			H	10	20	0	5	-0

Note.—The above eleven issues are all from transfer I. The following at from transfer II. During 1891-1895 it had evidently been the practice to pramore sheets than actually required, the surplus being put on one side. In 189 these oddments were cleared out and formed the greater part of the 11th supplications are the supply appears to have been printed.

			Highest	1	Printing.						
			No. C			Perf.					
(12th)	5.1	12.96	72000	Small	J	11	15	0		4	0
(13th)	11.	8.97	78000	Large	K	10	10	0		2	0
(14th)	8.	3.98	90000	Small	L	10	1	6	1	1)	6
(15th)	24.	2.99	102000	141	. 11	10	- 1	6		()	6
(16th)	21.	3.00	114000	11	N.	10	2	0		()	6
(17th)	6.	4.01	126000	**	0	11	2	0		()	6
(18th)	10.	5.02	138000	Large	Þ	11	ŀ	0		()	6

## MIDLAND & GREAT NORTHERN JOINT RAILWAYS

May 21st, 1894. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son. London, in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10.

1 2d. green, perf. 11½, one printing .. .. 0 9 0 9

## MIDLAND & SOUTH-WESTERN JUNCTION RAILWAY

About 1891? Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son. London, in sheets of 24, 6 rows of 4.

1 2d. green, perf. 111, one printing ... ... 0 9 0 9

#### NEATH AND BRECON RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Type I. (lined triangles in spandrels and no stop ofter "RAILWAY"). Lithographed by Messes. Waterlow & Son, in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

		UNUS	ied.	US	USED.		
				N.			
- 1	2d, green, perf. 11½, one printing	 40	0	30	()		

Abril, 1897. Type II. (foliate triangles in spandrels and stop after [RAILWAY"). Printed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., of London, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6 or sheets of 8, 2 rows of 4.

2	2d	green.	perf.	12,	un-numbered.	
					dull vellows	

	(2nd) April. 1897, dull yellow-green		4	()	1	-0
	(3rd) September, 1898, bluish-green		15	0	5	-11
3	2d, green, perf. 11, un-numbered.					
	(July March, 1900, deep green	500	- 5	0	- 5	0

2d. green, rouletted, un-numbered. (5th)March, 1901, black-green . . . . . 10 0 10 0

5 2d. green, perf. 11, numbered. (6th) October, 1901, Nos. 001 to 2 2 3 0 0 9

## WORTHAMPTON & BANBURY JUNCTION RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messes. Waterlow & Son. of London, in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

1 2d. green, perf. 11). Three printings.

(1st)	1891, thick surfaced paper		15	()	10	H
(2nd)	1896? dark green on thin		15	0	10	0
(3rd)	1899? yellowish-green, ditto	3.0	1	0	()	9

### NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Type I. (inscribed "To be used only for letters taring a postage stamp.") Lithographed in Newcastle-on-Tyne, sheets of 30, 5 rows of 6. Large vertically-placed control umbers.

1 2d. vermilion, perf. 12 (type L)

(1st) February, 1891, Nos. 1 to 17460 . . 5 0 4 0

March, 1891. Type II. (inscribed "Fee for conveyance of single ost letters by railway.") Lithographed in Newcastle-on-Tyne in heets of 30, 5 rows of 6. Large vertically-placed control numbers-2 2d. green, perf. 12 (type II.)

(2nd) March, 1891, Nos. 17461 to 20000 £15 £5

May. 1891. Same, but with horizontally-placed control numbers-hire transfers were used and thirteen printings have been made, for full particulars concerning them, collectors are referred to liven's History of Railway Letter Stamps, pages 175 to 208. The atters used in that work to denote the various printings are for eference purposes reproduced here (A and B are the two first sues, sed above). Printings B to L are from Transfer II., M is form Transfer III. and N, O, P are from Transfer IV.

#### NORTH EASTERN-continued.

3 2d. green, perf. 12 (type II.)

П		,	type ii.j			UNUS	кn. d.	USED
			Highest	Control		8.	u.	4. d
	Date	e.	No.		Printi	ng.		
(3rd)	May.		24000	Medium	C	£2	0	60
(4th)	Aug.	11	30000	71	D	20	0	ā i
(5th)	Dec.		33000		D	40	0	7
(6th)	Mar.,	1909	36000	**	Ď	20	0	7
(7th)	May		42000	9.9	Ď	20	ő	7
, ,		9.9		11			0	
(8th)	Sept.		48000	9.2	15	15		
(9th)	Feb.,	1893	51000	9.1	E	40	0	10 (
(10th)	Apri	11	54000	11	F	£2		20
(11th)	July	9.9	57000	99	FF	20	()	5 (
(12th)	Sept.	10	GOODO	,,	F	30	0	5 (
( ,		-11		,,	FF	20	()	5 (
(13th)	Nov.	11	63000	Thick	Ŀ	30	()	5 (
			***************************************	1	FF	30	0	ลิ (
(14th)	Feb.,	1894	66000	Large	G	10	()	5 (
/ ( = + (+ )	1		70000		#F	15	()	5 (
(15th)	Apr.	**	/(888)	**	ı G	10	0	5 (
(16th)	July	7.7	73000		G	10	()	5 (
(17th)	Sept.	12	76000	Medium	G	5	()	3 (
(18th)	Nov.	**	79000	91	H	15	()	3 (
(19th)	Mar.,		82000	**	H	5	O	3 (
(20th)	May		85000		H	4	ŏ	3 (
(21st)	July	**	88000	Round	H	4	ö	3 (
(22nd)	_	11	91000	Medium	Ĥ	4	ő	3 (
(23rd)	4	11	94000		ij	5	0	3 (
,	Dec.	11		19				3 (
(24th)	Mar.	, 1896	97000	9.9	J	5	0	
(25th)	June	9.9	100000	9.7	J	5	0	3 0
(26th)	Aug.	**	103000	**	K	3	0	2 0
(27th)	Oct.	11	106000	11	K	3	0	2 (
(28th)	Feb.,	1897	(108700?	**	K	- 3	0	2 0
,	1 (17.,	1007	109000	91	J	20	()	10 (
(29th)	May	21	112000	***	K	4	0	2 0
(30th)	1		[114000]		K	5	0	2
(over)	Aug.	97	(115000	27	Н	15	()	5 9
((1)			117000?	11	K	4	0	2 #
(31st)	Oct.	91	1118000	**	( L	7	6	3 0
			,		i H	40	0	10 0
(32nd)	Jan.,	1898	121000	*11	Ϊ.	3	0	2 0
(33rd)			124000		i.	3	ő	2 6
(34th)		19	127000	11	M	3	ő	2 1
(0, 1011)		11	127000	+1	+M	3	0	2 0
(35th)	July	9.5	130000	**	(L)	15	ő	5 1
(36th)	Oct.	**	133000	Round	M	2	0	1.0
(37th)	Dec.		136000		M	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	
(38th)	Jan.,	1900	139000	**	M	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	- 0
, ,				Madines		-		1.6
(39th)		9.5	142000	Medium	M	3	0	
(40th)	June	91	145000	77	M	3	0	1.9

NORTH	<b>EASTERN</b>	RAILWAY					****	
					UNUS			ED.
3 2d. gr	een, perf. 1	2 (type 11.)	-continu	ied_	8.	u.	to.	u.
(41s	t) Aug.,189	9 148000	9.1	M	3	0	1	6
(42n	d) Oct. "	151000	Small	11.	5		1	6
	d) Jan, 190		Medium	M	4 3	0	1	6
	h) Dec			1.	3	0	i	6
⊪ 2d. gr	een, perf. 1	1 (Type II.	).					
(44t)	h) Mar190		Small	. N.	2	()	ł	()
(45t	h) June "	157500?	**	L	5	0	2	0
,		1 160000 163000	4.5	'. '.	2 2	0	1	0
	hi July h) Oct		**	· S		0	1	0
	h) Mar. 190		Medium	Ö	2		i.	0
	h) May "	175000	111	O	2		1	()
	tiduly,	178000	**	()	2	0	1	0
(52)		181000	11	0	2	0	1	0
	d) Nov. "	184000	н.	0	2		1	0
(54t (55t	,	2 187000 190000	Round Medium	0	$\frac{2}{2}$	0	1	0
(56t		193000	2	3	$-\frac{z}{2}$	ő	i	0
(57t	,	196000	Round	P	2	0	1	0
art of 58t	h) Oct	198900?	Medium	P	2	0	1	0

Note.—Part of a sheet (20 stamps) of the 15th issue was delivered to the Company the printers, unnumbered, and such specimens have come into the hands of electors, and are valued at about 40%.

January? 1903. Type III. (somewhat similar to type II. but utirely re-drawn; inscriptions in larger lettering). Lithographed sheets of 30, 5 rows of 6. Three printings are known, all from ferent transfers (V., VI., VII.)

5 2d. green, perf. 11.

	Date.	Highest	Control	1-1-61				
	Date.	No.	Figures, 1	TINU	ng.			
(Part of	58th) 1903	199000	Medium	Q	20	0	10	11
(59th)	Jan. ? ,,	202000	**	R	3	0	2	0
(60th)	April	205000	**	S	1	0	0	9

### NORTH LONDON RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6. Horizontal control limbers.

ш	2d. green, rouletted. One printing.			
	(1st) Nos. 1 to 960, yellow-green	£5	5	0
2	2d. green, perf. 12. One printing.			
	(2nd) Nos. 961 to 1920, green (1896?)	£5	0	9

North Eastern Railway.

Type I. Vertical Figures.

Type II. Vertical Figures.





Type II.

Horizontal Figures



Type II.

Large Control Figures.



#### NORTH PEMBROKESHIRE & FISHGUARD RAILWAY.

fanuary to August. 1898 (when the line was acquired by the freat Western Railway Company). Issued in blocks of 8 stamps, 2 rows of 4, no margins.

UNUSED. USED. 8. d. 8. d. 8. d. 1 2d. green, perf. 12, one printing 10 0 10 0

#### NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Type I. (three lines under "Railway" at foot). Lithographed by Messrs. Allbut & Daniel, Hanley, in sheets of 20. 4rows of 5.

August, 1898. Type II. (four lines under "Railway" and stop ther "North Staffordshire.") Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale and Co., Ltd., of Newton-le-Willows, in sheets of 8, 2 rows of 4, or sheets of 20, 4 rows of 5.

3 2d. green, perf. 11.

(4th) 22.8.98, bright yellow-green, in sheets of 8 or 20 . . . . . 0 9 1 6 (5th) 30.11.98, dark blue-green . . . 2 0 1 6 (6th) 19.12.98, unidentified . . .

November, 1899. Type II. retouched (as before, but no stop after North Staffordshire").

1 2d. green, perf. 11.

(7th) 17.11.99, sage-green ..... 0 9 1 0 5 2d. green, perf. 10.

Varieties.-The 5th issue is known imperforate vertically, and proofs in black of

7th issue occur.

## NORTH WALES AND LIVERPOOL RAILWAY COMMITTEE.

July, 1896. Lithographed by Messrs, H. Blacklock & Co., Ltd., Manchester, and issued in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6 or 4 rows f 3.

1 2d. green, perf. 12. Three printings.
(1st) 1. 7.96, deep green . . . . 2 0 1 0
(2nd) 27. 9.98, blue-green . . . . 4 0 1 0
(3rd) 27. 4.99, ? . . . . . . . . . . (Unknown)

Varieties.—The sheets are made up of blocks of 6 types duplicated. Of these is 4 shows a variety, having only one line at top instead of two. The first issue hown a pairs imperforate between.

Somerset and Dorset Joint Line. First Issue (1891).



Third Issue (1893).







Fifth Issue (1808).



#### OLDHAM, ASHTON & GUIDE BRIDGE RAILWAY.

February, 1901. Lithographed by Messrs. Henry Blacklock & Co., Ltd., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 6, 2 rows of 3 or beets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

	UNUSED.	USED.
	s. d.	s. d
1 2d green, perf. 12. Four printings.		
(1st) 9, 1.91, deep green	£10	15 0
(2nd) 1. 6.91, olive-green		1 6
(3rd) 5.11.98, grey-green, clear outer		
line	30 0	5 0
(4th) 27. 4.99, deep green, ditto	3 0	0 9

#### PEMBROKE AND TENBY RAILWAY.

February, 1891, to 1896 (when the line was acquired by the Great vestern Railway). Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6. Horizontal control unbers.

1	2d. green, rouletted.					
	(1st) 27.1.91, Nos. 1 to 1000	• •	• •	(Unki	nown)	
1	2d. green, perf. 12.			10 0	90	4

Note. The first issue is at present unknown, although two unused specimens

#### PORT TALBOT RAILWAY AND DOCKS COMPANY.

### RHONDDA AND SWANSEA BAY RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Waterlow & Son, Ltd., London, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6.

Note. Only one entire sheet of the first printing is now in existence.

#### RHYMNEY RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Printed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 60, 10 rows of 6. Horizontal control numbers. 2d. green, rouletted.

(lst)	2.91, No:	. 1	to 3000	 	7	6	1	0
(2nd)	1.03, Nos	. 1	to 3000	 	- 1	6	0	9

Note. Only one entire sheet of the 1st issue is known to collectors.

#### SEVERN AND WYE AND SEVERN BRIDGE RAILWAY

February, 1891, to 1895? (when the title of the Company wa changed to Severn and Wye Joint Railway). Lithographed b Messrs. Waterlow & Son, Ltd., in sheets of 24, and issued sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3.

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		3	UNUSED.	LNEU
			s, d,	s. d.
ī	2d. green, perf. 11½, one printing		10 0	5 0

#### SEVERN AND WYE JOINT RAILWAY.

About 1895? Type I. ("Railway" and "Fee" close togethe Lithographed by Messrs, Waterlow & Sons, of London, in sheep 12, 4 rows of 3.

2d. green, perf. 11½, one printing .. .. 3 0 2 0

About 1898? Type II. (more neatly drawn throughout, spabetween "Railway" and "Fee.") Lithographed in sheets of 12 rows of 3.

2d. green, perf. 12, one printing 0 9

#### SHEFFIELD & MIDLAND RAILWAYS COMMITTED

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Henry Blacklock Co., Ltd., of Manchester, and issued in sheets of 6, 2 rows of 3 sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3,

2d. green, perf. 12. Six printings.

	0.0	£2	20	40	0
		£	0	20	6
**		5	0	3	0
outer	line	15	0	3	0
ir out	er line	2	()	0	9
iced p	aper	2	0	0	9
	outer ir out	outer line	£1 5 outer line 15 ir outer line 2	£20 £10 5 0 outer line 15 0 ar outer line 2 0	£20 40 £10 20 

Note.—A third of the stamps in each printing show the variety with no after "Committee." In the first four issues it is invariably the last stamping row. The 3rd issue was probably printed in sheets of 48 stamps, one of whole the variety with single line at top.

#### South-Western and Midland Railway Companies' AND DORSET JOINT LINE. SOMERSET

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Bemrose & Son. Det 21

ind	issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.			
-1	2d. green, perf. 10, un-numbered.			
	(1st) Jan., 1891	£1	5	£5
2	2d. green, perf. 11, vertical Nos.			
	(2nd) Sept., 1891, Nos. 1 to 1000	80	0	40 0
3	2d. green, perf. 10, vertical Nos.			
	(3rd) Mch., 1893, Nos. 1 to 1000	80	0	30 1
4	2d. green, perf. 10, horizontal Nos.			
	(4th) Nov., 1895, Nos. A1 to A1000	- 5	0	2 f 1 f 0 f
	(5th) Sept., 1898, Nos. A1001 to A2000	20	0	1 8
	(6th) 1901 Nos A2001 to A3000	- 5	()	0.2

UNUSED.

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#### SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

Printary, 1891, to June, 1899 (when the Company was amalgamated with the London, Chatham and Dover Railway under a new title). Type 1. (no stop after "Railway.") Lithographed by Messes. H. Bemrose & Son. Derby, in sheets of 20, 4 rows of 5. Vertical control numbers.

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April, 1892. Type II. (with stop after " b	lailwa	(y.'') = 1	rinte	d by
Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., of Lon	don.	in sheets	of 6	), 16
rows of 6 or 6 rows of 10.				
2 2d. green, perf. 12, vertical Nos.				
(2nd) 21.4.92, Nos. 10001 to 20000	- 1	£25	20	0
3 2d. green, rouletted, horizontal Nos.				
(3rd) 1.9.93, Nos. 20001 to 30000.				
(a) Small figures		£5	20	(1
(b) Large figures		£25	15	0
(6th) 12.5.98, Nos. 50001 to 60000		1 6	0	6
4 2d green, perf. 12, horizontal Nos.				
(4th) 20.5.95, Nos. 30001 to 40000		30 0	2	6

Variety. A proof sheet of the 6th issue and part sheets of the 2nd and 5th issue outhout control numbers are known, but have not been broken up.

## SOUTH-EASTERN AND CHATHAM AND DOVER RAILWAYS.

junt, 1899, to June, 1900 (when the title was changed to South-Eastern and Chatham Railway"). Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., London, in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10. Horizontal control numbers.

1 2d. green, rouletted.

2d. green, perf. 10.

(1st) 25.1.91, Nos. 1 to 10000

(5th) 17.9.96, Nos. 40001 to 50000

(1st) 6.6.99, Nos. 1 to 10.000 . . . . . 3 0 1 0

Auriety. A proof sheet without control numbers is known. The top row of stamps is numbered in manuscript "1" to "10."

#### SOUTH-EASTERN AND CHATHAM RAILWAY.

June, 1900. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., andon, in sheets of 60, 6 rows of 10. Horizontal control numbers, 1-2d, green, rouletted.

(1st) 11.6.00, Nos. 10001 to 20000 ... 2 0 0 9 (2nd) 19.8.01, Nos. 20001 to 30000 ... 1 6 0 9 (3rd) -..9.02, Nos. 30001 to 40000 ... 1 6 0 9

Variet An entire proof sheet of the 2nd issue without control numbers is

#### SOUTHWOLD RAILWAY.

February 1891. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., ondon, in sheets of 12, 2 rows of 6. Horizontal control numbers, 1 2d g een, rouletted 4 0 0 9

#### TAFF VALE RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Printed by Messrs, H. Bemrose & Son, Derb, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. Vertical control number

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I to 10000),						
1 2d. green, perf. 10			1	0	()	9
T Zu. Miccili bei i in	 	 		**	1,0	0

#### WEST LANCASHIRE RAILWAY.

February, 1891, to 1897 (when the Line was acquired by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company). Lithographed by Messrs, H. Bemrose & Son, Ltd., Derby, in sheets of 12, 3 rowse 4. Vertical control numbers.

## 1 2d. green, perf. 10 .. .. .. 7 6 7

## WIGAN JUNCTION RAILWAY.

## WREXHAM, MOLD & CONNAHS OUAY RAILWAY.



## SCOTTISH RAILWAYS.

#### AYRSHIRE AND WIGTOWNSHIRE RAILWAY.

February 1st, 1891, to February, 1892 (when the line was acquired the Glasgow and South-Western Railway). Lithographed by lesses, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., Glasgow, and issued in sheets 12, 3 rows of 4.

1 2d. green, perf. 12 .. .. (Unknown)

Note: An imperforate proof is in existence.

Reprint So-called "proofs" in black exist, but they are really bogus prints at an 1898.

#### CALEDONIAN RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Id., Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

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		UNUS	SIGD.	USI	ED.
		56.	d.	91.	d_
1	2d. green, perf. 12.				
	(1st) 23, 1.91, yellow-green on surf	20	0	10	0
	(2nd) 1. 9.93, black-green on rough		£5	20	0
	(3rd) 17. 8.94, green on thin	;	£5	20	0
	(4th) 14, 3.96, deep green on medium	60	0	15	0
	(5th) 9, 6.97, olive-green on thin	15	0	5	0
	(6th) 15, 3.98,1 same, but paler (both (7th) 6, 9.99,1 printed at same time)	1 =	0	2	0
	(8th) 9.10.99, bright green	2	0	1	()
l	.9th) —. 6.01, yellow-green	2	()	0	9
	(10th) 18.11.02 (not yet seen)		0	0	9

Note. The order of the 1893-97 printings has not yet been definitely decided. the 5th printing, the 5th line of shading in the N.E. triangle is broken opposite of "Post."

### CITY OF GLASGOW UNION RAILWAY.

February, 1891, to about 1897 (when the line was purchased by Glasgow and South-Western and North British Railway Compies). Lithographed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., osgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

2d. green, perf. 12 .. .. £20 £10

Note.—A second and posthumous printing was made in 1898 for the use of collections and can be distinguished by being on thin paper. Specimens are usually valued bout 5 |- Proofs in black occur.

#### DUMBARTON AND BALLOCH JOINT LINE.

March, 1901. Lithographed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., 141 of Glasgow, in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

2d. green, perf. 11 .. .. .. 1 0 0 9

Ayrshire and Wigtownshire. Proof.



City of Glasgow Union. Original.



Portpatrick and Girvan Joint. Original.



#### DUNDEE AND ARBROATH JOINT RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd. Glasgow, in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

			UNUSED.	USED.
			S. 4	s. d.
1	2d. green, perf. 12	 	5 0	5 0
-2	2d. red, perf. 12 (June 16, 1899)	 	0 9	0 - 9

#### GLASGOW AND SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., 1.d., of Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. There are two slightly different types, the later of which has a dot over the first and a dash under the second "N" of "Conveyance."

za. green, peri. 12.					
(1st) Jan., 1891, L. olive thick paper		20	0	10	0
(2nd) - , 1892? L. grey-green, ditto		60	0	20	0
(3rd) 24. 6.93, L., deep green, ditto		30	0	10	0
(4th) 9, 4.95, L. black-green		30	()	10	0
(5th) 22, 1.97, L., green		- 5	0	2	0
(6th) 25.10.98. H., green		2	0	1	0
2d. green, perf. 11.					
(7th) 27.10.00, 11., dark green		()	9	0	9
	(1st) Jan., 1891, L. olive thick paper (2nd) ——, 1892? L. grey-green, ditto (3rd) 24, 6.93, L. deep green, ditto (4th) 9, 4.95, L. black-green (5th) 22, 1.97, L. green (6th) 25.10.98, H. green 2d. green, perf. 11.	(1st) Jan., 1891, L. olive thick paper (2nd) —, 1892? L. grey-green, ditto (3rd) 24, 6.93, L. deep green, ditto (4th) 9, 4.95, L. black-green (5th) 22, 1.97, L. green (6th) 25,10.98, H., green 2d. green, perf. 11.	(1st) Jan., 1891, L. olive thick paper     20       (2nd) — 1892? L. grey-green, ditto     60       (3rd) 24, 6.93, L. deep green, ditto     30       (4th) 9, 4.95, L. black-green     30       (5th) 22, 1.97, L. green     5       (6th) 25.10.98, H. green     2       2d. green, perf. 11.	(1st) Jan., 1891, L. olive thick paper     20 0       (2nd) — , 1892? L. grey-green, ditto     60 0       (3rd) 24, 6.93, L. deep green, ditto     30 0       (4th) 9, 4.95, L. black-green     30 0       (5th) 22, 1.97, L. green     5 0       (6th) 25,10.98, H. green     2 0       2d. green, perf. 11.	(1st) Jan., 1891, I., olive thick paper     20     0     10       (2nd) — , 1892? L., grey-green, ditto     60     0     20       (3rd) 24, 6.93, I., deep green, ditto     30     0     10       (4th) 9, 4.95, I., black-green     30     0     10       (5th) 22, 1.97, I., green     5     0     2       (6th) 25.10.98, II., green     2     0     1       2d. green, perf. 11.

#### GLASGOW, BARRHEAD AND KILMARNOCK JOINT RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., ad., Glasgow, in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. There are two types, and II., and a variety of type I., known as IA., distinguishable by cratches across the two left hand triangles. Type II. has a dot wer the first N of "Conveyance."

2d.	green,	perf.	12.
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(1st)	1891,	1., dark grey	y-green	 	303	i	40	()	
(2nd)	1892,	?		 	(	Unki	nown)	ı	
(3rd)	1894.	Ja., yellow-	green	 	£1	0	40	0	
(4th)	1896,	La,, deep gro	een	 	£1	()	30	0	
(5th)	1898,	11., green		 	4	0	1	6	
(6th)	1900,	H., yellow-g	green	 	()	9	0	9	

#### GREAT NORTH OF SCOTLAND RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by the Company and issued in heets of 24, 6 rows of 4 or sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

ent perti in							
) 1891, green, thick	paper			20	0	5	O
				10	0	ភ	0
l) 1896, grey-green				5	0	3	0
) 1898, blue-green				4	0	2	0
(?) 1899, dull green				3	0	2	0
) 1900, dark green				1	0	0	9
				0	9	0	9
	) 1891, green, thick d) 1893, dark green l) 1896, grey-green i) 1898, blue-green i) 1899, dull green i) 1900, dark green	) 1891, green, thick paper d) 1893, dark green l) 1896, grey-green n) 1898, blue-green	) 1891, green, thick paper	) 1891, green, thick paper	) 1891, green, thick paper	1 1891, green, thick paper       20 0         d) 1893, dark green       10 0         l) 1896, grey-green       5 0         n) 1898, blue-green       4 0         n) 1899, dull green       3 0         n) 1900, dark green       1 0	1 1891, green, thick paper       20 0 5         d) 1893, dark green       10 0 5         l) 1896, grey-green       5 0 3         n) 1898, blue-green       4 0 2         n) 1899, dull green       3 0 2         n) 1900, dark green       1 0 0

Note. With the exception of the 1st and 4th printings, the order of the several was has not been definitely oscertained.

#### THE HIGHLAND RAILWAY COMPANY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co. Ltd., Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4. All the printings are from separate transfers made from the same drawin of a single stamp, which shows various defects from time to time. The stamps may be classified according to the state of the design. There are four principal "states," A. B., C., D., but each issue has its own distinguishing marks, for a description of which collector are referred to Ewen's History of Railway Letter Stamps, pages 25 to 296.

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		UNUS	sen.	1 4	ED
		S.	d.	· .	d
2d. green, pert. 12.					1
(1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green		20	()	10	0
(2nd) July, 1892, ?		(	Unk	mown	J
		4	25	20	0
		20	0	10	0
(5th) Sept., 1896, C. green		- 5	()	- 2	-{}
		4	0	- 9	0
(7th) Apr., 1899, D		4	Ø	2	
2d. green, perf. 11.					
		3	()	2	Ü,
				•)	
		3	0	2	
		1	0	0	9
		_	_		
		_	_	_	_ ]
		_		_	_
**	2d. green, perf. 12. (1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green (2nd) July, 1892, ? (3rd) Feb., 1893, B., yellow-green (4th) Aug., 1894, B. (5th) Sept., 1896, C. green (6th) Dec., 1898, D. yellowish-green (7th) Apr., 1899, D  2d. green, perf. 11. (8th) Oct., 1899, D, yellowish-green (9th) May, 1900, D (10th) Oct., 1900, D, dark green (11th) Sept., 1901, D, yellow-green (12th) Mar., 1902 (not yet seen) (13th) Aug., 1902 (""") (14th) Jan., 1903 (""")	2d. green, perf. 12. (1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green (2nd) July, 1892, ?	2d. green, perf. 12. (1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green	2d. green, perf. 12. (1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green (2nd) July, 1892, ? (Unk (3rd) Feb., 1893, B, yellow-green (3rd) Feb., 1894, B	2d. green, perf. 12. (1st) Jan., 1891, A. olive-green 20 0 10 (2nd) July, 1892, ? (Unknown) (3rd) Feb., 1893, B. yellow-green £5 20 (4th) Aug., 1894, B

Note.- The issues of 1892-94 have not yet been definitely identified.

#### NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANY.

February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & C. Ltd., Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

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1	2d. green, perf. 12.						
	(1st) 27.1.91, grey-green			15	0	5	0
	(2nd) 21.1.92 ,, (?)			20	0	10	0
	(3rd) 22.2.94, yellow-green			15	()	5	0
	(4th) 26.2.96, greyish-green			4	O	2	0
	(5th) 1.3.98, emerald-green			15	0	3	0
	(6th) 5.6.99, olive-green			1	0	()	ě
2	2d. green, perf. 11.						
	(7th) 15.6.01, emerald green			0	9	()	9

Note.—The above printings (except the 1st) have never been definitely identife. Those chronicled as 1st and 2nd may possibly be one and the same, in which of the 2nd issue is unknown.

Variety.-A specimen of the 3rd issue is known with the error "NURTH" NORTH."

#### PORTPATRICK AND GIRVAN JOINT LINE.

About 1891 to January, 1895 (when the line was acquired by the Portputrick and Wigtownshire Railway Company). Lithographed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

		1	s. d.	used.
1	2d. green, perf. 12.			
	(1st?) 1892? surfaced paper	 	£25	£15
	(2nd?) 13.11.94, yellow-green	 	£20	£10

Note:—No definite information is forthcoming as to the number of printings, beyond that the last supply of stamps was despatched by the lithographers in November, 1894.

#### PORTPATRICK AND WIGTOWNSHIRE RAILWAYS.

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., Glasgow, and issued in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4 or 2 rows of 6, 1, 2d. green, perf. 12.

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(1st)	29. 1.91, dark green	 £1	0	£	<u>ลี</u>
(2nd)	15.10.91, deep green	 - ,€1	15	£	5
(5)	Before 1894, bright green	€.2	20	£	5
(3rd)	12. 2.95, yellow-green	 7	6	1	()
(4th)	18, 6.98, dark green, thin paper	 15	()	0	ŕ)

Note: The three first printings have not yet been definitely identified

# IRISH RAILWAYS.

#### BALLYCASTLE RAILWAY.

Early in 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, R. Carswell & Son, Belfast, and issued in sheets of 9, 3 rows of 3.

1	20	green, pe	erf. 11.	
		Usti -	- >	1

(1st) = ?	1891 ?	• •			(U	nknown	J
(2nd) April	29				(	11	)
(3rd) January,	1892.3				(	**	}
(4th) September	r ,,	4.1			(	***	)
(5th) May,	1893				(	**	)
(6th) August,	1894				(	**	J
(7th) May,	1895,	yellowis	h-gree	n	£10	20	()
(8th) July,	1896,	dull gre-	y-greer	1	5 (	) 3	0
(9th) December	,1897,	yellowis	sh-gree	m	5 (	3	0
(10th) October,	1898,	deep gr	een		3 (	2	0
(11th) July,	1901,	bright g	(reen		0 8	()	9

And It is possible that the stamps described above as the 8th and 9th printings are reall in and the same, the 9th, in which case the 8th is unknown. The 7th issue has small tr in "Ballycastle."

Van I Imperforate proofs of the 10th issue are known.

Private Imitations (1808). Easily distinguished by the small C in "Cayan."



Proof Impression of above Imitation.



#### BELFAST AND COUNTY DOWN RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, R. Carswell & Son, Belfast and issued in sheets of 9, 3 rows of 3. Type II. has a maker dash under the D of "2d." than type I. There were everal transfers from type I. In the 7th and later printings, the har in the right hand pillar is smudged at foot.

	UNUS 84	aen. d.		
2d. green, type 1., perf. 11. (1st) 29. 1.91, yellowish-green? (2nd) 10. 7.91,?			30 known	
(3rd) 23, 5.92, ?	(		71	)
(4th) 25.11.92, 2nd?, yellowish-green?	£	10	(%)	LI
(5th) 14, 9.93, 3rd?, emerald-green	:61	10	(60)	()
(6th) 20, 8.94, 4th?, deep green (heavy)	£	10	(it)	()
(7th) 7, 8.95, 5th?, yellowish-green	£	5	40	0
(8th) 18, 6.96, 5th, dull grey-green	£	5	40	()
(9th) 13, 3.97, 5th, yellowish green	40	0	5	D.
(10th) 1, 2.98, 5th, olive-green (shades vary from almost yellow to grey). This printing was reissued in 1902, the margins of the sheets being left unperforated	7	6	3	o
	•			
<ul> <li>2d. green, type 11., perf. 11.</li> <li>(11th) 48. 8.98, 6th, brownish-grey</li> <li>(12th) 27.11.99 (2) 6th, deep green, printed</li> </ul>	4	0	2	0
on 8.3.99	7	15	2	0
(13th) 18, 1,00, 6th, green, thick paper		()	2	0
(14th) June, ? 01, 6th, black-green	1	6	()	53
(15th) 1902?, 6th, green	4	0	2	()
(16th) 1902?, 6th, black-green, green		0	()	i)

Note: The first nine issues have never been definitely identified, but the order is for those printed from the 5th transfer is believed to be approximately correct.

Variety.—An imperforate proof sheet of the 12th printing is known. The 10th is known imperforate vertically.

#### BELFAST & NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWAY.

Formary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, R. Carswell & Sonthust, and issued in sheets of 9, 3 rows of 3. There are two per and two varieties of type 1L, distinguished as follows:—Type the line over E of "Single" is almost invariably broken or insted. Occasionally in the early transfers and invariably in the left (5th?) transfer the lines are broken near the apex of the S.E. angle, leaving a white patch. In what we assume to be the 3rd insfer the blot at S.W. corner of B of "Belfast" is removed. The H. does not show these defects, but has others, including a under 1 and G of "Single." The so-called 4th transfer is ally the 3rd retouched with these dots removed.

Cork, Bandon and South Coast Railway.

Type I. First Printing.

No index number in top left hand corner.



Type II.
With Comma after "Bandon."



Type III.
No Comma after "Bandon



RELEAST	δ¢	NORTHERN	COUNTIES-continued.
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t	NUSE		USI	
	5. (	1.	8.	d.
2d green, perf. 11-				
	40	0	20	()
(2nd) 20. 4.91, ?	(Ui	nknov	(n)	
(3rd) 1. 4.92, ?	(	**	1	
(4th) 1, 4.93, L., 2nd, yellow-green	£5		40	0
(5th) 16, 5.94, L., 3rd, green (faint)	£5		40	0
(6th) 20.12.94, L., 3rd. deep green (heavy)	£5		40	()
(7th) 6, 8,95, 1., 4th, yellowish-green	,,,,,,			
(heavy)	£5		40	0
(8th) 16, 4.96, L. 5th (?) olive-green	£5		40	0
(9th) 23.10.96, L. 5th, grey-green	.£5		40	()
(10th) 19, 2.97, L., 5th, yellow-green	80	0	10	-0
(11th) 3, 2.98, L. 5th, olive-green	60	0	5	0
(12th) 3, 5.98, 11., 6th, brownish-yellow	10	()	4	0
(13th) 19, 8.98, H., 6th, brownish-grey	5	0	12	0
(14th) 28.11.98 (?), H., 6th, deep green	7	6	2	0
(15th) 2, 8.99, 111., 7th, black green	5	0	2	0
(16th) 9, 6.00, HL. 7th, green, thick paper	10	0	- 3	0
(17th) 21, 8.00, III., 7th, green	5	0	3	0
(18th) 1900?, III., 7th, black-green	1	6	0	9
	- 1		17	,,
(19th) 1902 ?, 111., 7th, green (imperf.	,		- 13	43
margins	ı	0	()	9

Nate. None of the above printings have been definitely identified, although the elector those of 1897-1902 is probably approximately correct.

Variety. An imperforate proof sheet of the 14th printing is known.

## ASTLEDERG AND VICTORIA BRIDGE TRAMWAY COMPANY.

| November ? 1897. Lithographed by Messrs. Sealy, Bryers & Balker, and issued in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6. | 1 2d. green, perf. 12½ . . . . . . . . 0 6 0 9 | 2 2d. green, perf. 10 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 0 2 0

#### WAVAN, LEITRIM & ROSCOMMON LIGHT RAILWAY.

About 1891? to 1901 (when the title was changed to "Cavan and altrim Raifway.") Lithographed by Messes, Sealy, Bryers & laker, and issued in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6.

=1 2d, green, perf. 10  $\dots$   $\dots$   $\dots$  3 0 2 0

Initiations. Towards the end of dune, 1898, a number of imitations of this imported part on the market on the assumption that they were an early issue bigh had been hitherto undiscovered. They occur imperforate or perf. 10, 11 or I; and may be readily distinguished in many ways, notably by the omission of the operator "Cavan" and "Leitrim." On their true character being proved they rewithdrawn. For full history see Ewen's Weekly Circular, 1898, or Ewen's latery or Railway Letter Stamps, pages 337-340.

#### AVAN AND LEITRIM RAILWAY COMPANY, LTD.

 Finn Valley Rallway Company. Used specimens, authentic originals.





The First Reprint (1807).



Finn Valley and West Donegal Railway, A doubtful "Reprint" (1897).



#### CLOGHER VALLEY TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

Fibruary, 1891, to January, 1898 (when the title of the Company as changed to "Clogher Valley Railway Co., Ltd.") Lithographed by Messrs. Scaly. Bryers & Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 9, 4 rows of 6.

	UNUSED.	USED.
	s. d.	s. d.
1 2d. green, perf. 11	30 0	10 0

#### CLOGHER VALLEY RAILWAY CO., LTD.

valuery, 1898. Lithographed by Messrs, Scaly, Bryers & Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 48, 6 rows of 8, 1 2d. green, perf. 10 0 6 0 9

#### CORK AND MACROOM DIRECT RAILWAY.

Before 1896. Lithographed by Messrs, Purcell & Co., Cork, in sects of 8, 2 rows of 4 or 4 rows of 2. Perf. 12.

1	2d. blue, type 1.	- 3	0	-2 - 0	
	2d. green, type H. (May, 1898)	2	0	1 6	
1	2d. green, type III. (1900)	0	6	0.9	

Note: Type III, has two lines at top instead of three; type I, has two lines at sum instead of three.

#### CORK, BANDON AND SOUTH COAST RAILWAY.

f-bruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Purcell & Co., Cork, usheets of 12, 3 rows of 4, 2 rows of 6 or 4 rows of 3. There are everal types.

Type 1. Commu after "Bandon." No index-number in top left-hand corner.

Type 11. Comma after "Bandon." Index No. 195, Type 111. No comma. Index No. 195, 92 or F92.

It is not unlikely that types 1, and 11, are really the same, but helatter is so thickly printed as to give it a different appearance. All are perf. 12.

	2d. green, type 1., no index No.		
	(1st) 10. 1.91, yellow-green	 610	€5
4	2d. green, type H., No. 9 195."		
	(2nd) 16.11.91, bright yellow-green	 60 0	-20 - 0
,1	2d. green, type III., No. 5 195."		
	(8rd) 16. 1.93, dark green	 40 0	-20 - 0
	(1th) 26, 2.94, pale greyish green	 £5	-20 - 0
	(5th) 22.10,95, pale green	 30 0	10 0
-1	2d. green, type III., No. 992."		
	(6th) 14.12.96, green	 4 0	2 0
	(7th) 12, 5.98, green	 2 0	T 0
3	2d. green, type III., No. 9 F92.11		
	(8th) 4.10.99, green	 1 0	0 9
	(9(h) 19, 1,01 (not yet seen)	 -	-
	(10 h) 12   1 02 (not yet seen)		

Note to the 7th printing, the "2" of "92" is generally badly shaped and

Type I. Type II.





Great Southern and Western Railway. Type I. Type II.





Type III.



#### CORK, BLACKROCK AND PASSAGE RAILWAY.

1892 1 Lathographed by Messrs, Purcell & Co., Cork, in Jucts of 24, 6 rows of 4. Perf. 12.

					UNU	SED.	USI	ED.
					94.	d.	18.	d_
1	2d. green, type I.		1.0		20	0	5	0
2	2d. green, type II. (1898)	4.6		12	- 1	0	0	9

Note: Type 11, has a thinner and shorter bar under "D" of "2d"

#### DONEGAL RAILWAY COMPANY.

Fulv. 1895. Printed by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., Lewton le Willows, in sheets of 10, 2 rows of 5.

1 2d. green, type 1., rouletted in colour.

(1st) 19.7.95, green, pale green ... 80 0 20 0 (2nd) 25.3.96, green ... ... 3 0 2 0

Note: The first issue has wider margins than the second. Type I, has no stop her Company.

July, 1898. Lithographed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., Ltd., Glisgow, in sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

2. 2d. green, type H., perf. 12.

May, 1900. Lithographed by Messrs, A. Thom & Co. (?), Dublin, sheets of 42, 7 rows of 6.

3 2d. green, type III., perf. 11.

(4th) 16.5.00, greyish-green ... 0 9 0 9

#### DUBLIN, WICKLOW AND WEXFORD RAILWAY.

[Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messes. Browne & Nolan, Dublin, in sheets of 60, 10 rows of 6.

#### DUNDALK, NEWRY AND GREENORE RAILWAY.

February, 1891. Printed by Messrs, McCorquodale & Co., fondon, in sheets of 20, 5 rows of 4. Horizontal control numbers, 1 2d. green, rouletted.

(1st) 1891, Nos. 1 to 500, yellow-green 20 0 5 0 (2nd) 1898, Nos. 501 to 1000, blue-green 10 0 1 0

#### FINN VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY.

From 1891 to about 1895 (when the title of the Company was litered to "Donegal Railway Company.") Lithographed by Bessis, Scaly, Bryers & Walker, Dublin, and issued in sheets of \$10.4 rows of 6.

1 2d. green, perf. 11 .. .. .. £50 £20

Initiative During 1897 and 1898 various so-called "reprints" were made but the are in reality no hetter than facsimiles. The two more important ones are dark with perf. 11 and bright green, perf. 13, usually valued at about 10/- and 5/- curvely. Namerous imperforate proofs of these facsimiles also exist. (For details, Ewen's History of Railway Letter Stamps, pages 369, 370). Comme origin, are lithographed in pale yellowish-green.

# Authenticated Originals, Kanturk and Newmarket Rallway Company. Strip of three stamps from lower right hand corner of sheet.







#### FINN VALLEY AND WEST DONEGAL RAILWAYS.

The Finn Valley and West Donegal Railways were amalgamated under the above title in October, 1892, but the stamps of the Finn Valley Railway continued to be used throughout the system until 1895 the title was altered to "Donegal Railway Company," damps bearing the new title being then substituted. The so-called groofs and reprints made in 1897 and 1898 for collectors are therefore bogus, although there is occasionally a market for them as unostices at 5% to 10% each.

#### GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (L.)

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs. Scaly, Bryers and Malker, Dublin, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6, or sheets of 48, 8 rows of 6.

				unushin s. d.	USI	
2d. green, type L.	perf.	Η.				
.11. 1	1201	(yellow-green	. 11	E10	40	(1
(18t) January.	1891.	(green		65	20	()
				€5	30	()
(2nd) Dec.,	1892,			.£5	20	()
(3) d) January.	1895.			60 0	10	0
				3 0	2	(1
	(1st) January, (2nd) Dec., (3rd) January,	(1st) January, 1891, (2nd) Dec., 1892, (3rd) January, 1895.	(green	2d. green, type L., perf. 11.  (18t) January. 1891, (yellow-green (green))  (2nd) Dec., 1892, (blue-green)  (3rd) January. 1895, emerald	2d. green, type L., perf. 11.  (1st) January, 1891, (yellow-green£10 (green£5 (2nd) Dec., 1892, (blue-green£5 (3rd) January, 1895, emerald£60 0	2d. green, type L., perf. 11.  (1st) January, 1891, (yellow-green . £10 40 (green . £5 20 10)  (2nd) Dec., 1892, (blue-green . £5 30 (grey-green . £5 20 10)  (3rd) January, 1895, emerald

A.a. We have evidence of six different printings from type 11,, but are unable using what order they were made (except that of August, 1897) or to in any way conside their existence with the official record of four supplies obtained from the language in 1891, 1892, 1895, and 1897.

April, 1899. Lithographed by John Falconer, Dublin, in sheets

3 2d. green, type IL, perf. IL.

(5th) April, 1899, green		9.1	4	0	- 1	0
(6th) March, 1901, green		44	- 1	()	0	4
(7th) 1903, emerald-green	**	1.4	1	()	0	è

Vice. The 5th and 6th printings are almost exactly alike in appearance, but in both, the white circle round the shield is invariably broken under "RA" of Rahvay.

#### GREAT SOUTHERN AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Sealy, Bryers & Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6.

1 2d. green, type L, pref. 11.

ad. Erecuit type and inches							
(lst) 1891, dull green			 80	()	15	()	
(2nd) 1892? dark green			. 4	15	10	()	
(3rd) 1894? green	40	4.3	 - 4	วัล	10	()	
1.1				25	10	0	
(5th) 1896? emerald-gre	en			()	3	0	
2d green, type II., perf. 11							
(6th) 6.7.98, bluish gree			 4	()	.2	0	

Note: It is not known how many printings were made from type L, but five are name, although in what order the first four appeared has not been ascertained. Variety:—The 5th printing is known imperforate horizontally.

Alont 1899: Lithographed by Messrs, A. Thom & Co., 1.td., within, and issued in sheets of 24, 6 rows of 4.

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UNUSED.

s. d.

(Unknown)

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3 2d. type III., perf. II.
(7th) 1899? blue green
(9th) 25.2.01, yellow-green 1 0 0 9
4 2d. green, type 111., perf. 11×10.
(8th) 10.5.00, grey-green 4 0 3 0
Nate. Type III, has a thinner figure "2" and shorter bar under "D" of "24
KANTURK & NEWMARKET RAILWAY COMPANY.
About 1891 to July, 1892 (when the Company was purchased
the Great Southern and Western Railway). Lithographed
Messrs. Scaly, Bryers & Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of
1 2d. green, perf. 10 £20 £20
Imitations. As in the case of the Finn Valley Railway letter stamps, those
the Kanturk and Newmarket Railway Company have been several times unital the facsimiles so made being euphemistically termed "proofs," "prints from reject
dies" or "reprints." We believe that no genuine proofs now exist and that a
of the facsimiles date back further than 1897. For full particulars see Evel
History of Railway Letter Stamps, pages 389-391. Genuine originals are prim in dark blue-green, with very defective perforation.
LONDONDERRY & LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY CO., I
About 1891? Lithographed by Mr. James Calhoun, Londonders
in sheets of 40, 5 rows of 8.
1 1d. blue, perf. 12 3 0 3 0
Note.—Imperiorate impressions of a 2d, stamp in this design are known, a would appear to be entirely bogus.
October? 1898. Lithographed by Messrs, Sealy, Bryers!
Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 30, 5 rows of 6.
1 2d. rose, perf. 10 0 6 0 9
Note.—So-called proofs in various colours exist, all imperforate, and may be been taken from the same drawing used for the originals, but it is believed they it made solely to the order of a collector.
MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
February, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Browne & Notes
Dublin, in sheets of 60, 10 rows of 6.
1 2d. green, type L., perf. 10 (30.1.91) 2 0 1
2 2d. green, type II., perf. II (1.1.99) 0 9 0 9
SLIGO, LEITRIM & NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWA
February? 1891. Lithographed by Messes, R. Carswell & S.
Belfast, and issued in sheets of 9, 3 rows of 3.
1 2d. green, perf.
(1st) — 1891? yellowish-green? 11 £10 &

Note.-The first four printings have not yet been definitely identified.

(4th) 2. 3.94, pale olive-green?

(5th) 14. 8.96, yellow green 4.2

(6th) 7. 9.98, olive-grey

(7th) Early 1901? emerald green

# TRALEE & DINGLE LIGHT RAILWAY & TRAMWAY COMPANY.

1698. Lithographed by Messrs, Sealy, Bryers & Walker, Dublin, in sheets of 48, 8 rows of 6.

							USUS			EDS
							160	d.	N.	d.
1	24	green, perf.	10		1.4	**	.2	0	0	9

#### WATERFORD & CENTRAL IRELAND RAILWAY.

About 1891 to July, 1900 (when the line was acquired by the Great Southern & Western Railway Company). Lithographed by Messrs, N. Harvey & Co., Waterford, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6, 1–2d, green, perf. 12.

	(1st) 1891? vellowish-green	1.4	ŧ	20	£	5
	(2nd) 1895? dull green		 10	0	10	()
2 2	d. brown-red, perf. 11 (1898)		 7	G	7	6

#### WATERFORD & TRAMORE RAILWAY.

April, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, N. Harvey & Co., Waterland, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6.

Note: No entire sheets are known to exist.

#### WATERFORD, DUNGARVAN & LISMORE RAILWAY.

About, 1891? to December, 1898 (when the line was acquired by he Waterford, Limerick & Western Railway.) Lithographed by Jesses, N. Harvey & Co., Waterford, and issued in sheets of 24, 4 was of 6 or 6 rows of 4.

1	2d.	vermilion,	perf. 12	 	4.4	4	()	5	0
2	2d.	pink, perf.	11. 1898	 		2	()	3	()

Note: Imperforate specimens of the 2d, pink, cut from a proof sheet, are

#### WATERFORD AND LIMERICK RAILWAY.

Fibruary, 1891, to 1896. (The title of the Company was changed or Waterford, Limerick and Western Railway," as from 1.1.96.) althographed by Messrs. N. Harvey & Co., Waterford, in sheets of 4.4 rows of 6.

Note:—It is not known how many printings were made. Specimens are only hown of the above three.

#### WATERFORD, LIMERICK AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

About 1896? to December 31st, 1900 (when the line was amalgamated with the Great Southern and Western Railway). Lithographed by Messrs, N. Harvey & Co., Waterford, and issued sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6 or 6 rows of 4, or sheets of 12, 3 rows of 4.

	Od crown must 11	1	s. d.	t st.b s. d
1	2d. green, perf. 11.		152	20 0
	(1st) 1896? emerald-green		£5	
	(2nd) 1897? yellow-green		7 6	3 0
	(3rd) March?, 1898, bright green		7 6	3 0
	(4th) 1898, dark green		5 0	2 0
	(5th) November? 1898, dark green		5 0	3 0
	(6th) March? 1899, olive-green		5 0	3 0
	(7th) August? 1900, light green	4.	5 0	3 0

Note. In all except the 1st printing there is generally a faint stop after Letters." In the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th printings there is a dot under the first Extra Conveyance." For full description of marks and means of identification of Ewen's History of Bailway Letter Stamps, pages 414 to 422. It is not known how many printings were made, but the above seven have been met with. To order given above is approximately correct.

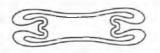
Varieties. - Imperforate impressions out from proof sheets are known of seven

printings.

#### WEST CLARE RAILWAY COMPANY.

April, 1891. Lithographed by Messrs, Scaly, Bryers & Walker Dublin, in sheets of 24, 4 rows of 6.

2d. green, perf. 11 2 2 0 9 0 9



### SUPPLEMENT.

(BROUGHT DOWN TO 30TH JUNE, 1903.)

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# GREAT WESTERN AND GREAT CENTRAL JOINT RAILWAY.

1902 or varlier. Surcharged on 3rd Issue of Great Western Ralway "G W & G C JT" in violet with fancy rubber type.

UNUSED. USED. S. d. S. d

Not. —This is the only surcharged issue of a Railway Letter Stamp which has been made.—Its existence has only just been discovered.

#### LONDON AND SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY.

The 2d, green, perf.  $10 \times 11$ , No. 5 in the catalogue, given as 34th only is now believed to have been part of the 34th only. The Howing correction should be made under No. 6.

#### IONDON, BRIGHTON AND SOUTH COAST RAILWAY.

The 20th issue should be deleted from under No. 4 in the catalese and placed under No. 5. It was printed at the same time as, adformed part of, the 16th printing, but was perforated at a later the with margins clipped close.

(20th) 12.3.02, IV., bright green.. .. 5 0 2 0

The 22nd printing should also be deleted from under No. 4 and 6 following additions made to the catalogue.

 $^{16}$  2d. green, perf.  $10 \times 11$ .

(22nd) 10.1.03 (Nos. 1? to 700? (19th) p. 11 5 0 2 0

Nos. 700? to 1100? (17th) p. 10 5 0 2 0 Nos. 1200? to ? (15th) p. 10 5 0 2 0

This issue probably consists of 6000 stamps, numbered 1 to 6000, the highest we have seen being No. 1284. So far, it consists unrely of odd sheets left over from preceding printings.

#### LONDON, CHATHAM AND DOVER RAILWAY.

A revised list of the early printings has been published in Ewe Weekly Stamp News, No. 192, together with a description Transfer L, which has now been identified.

Delete the 17th, 18th and 19th printings from under No. 3 of place under No. 2. They are from Transfer II. The 8th, 9th 1 10th printings are from Transfer I.

#### METROPOLITAN RAILWAY.

	UNUSED.	USE
	s. d.	8. 2
The following new issue has been made.		
(16th) 1903, Nos. 14401-15600	£5	1

#### MIDLAND RAILWAY.

A few sheets in the 16th issue were perforated 11. Insert (Part of 16th) 21.3.00 | 114000 | Small X | 11... | 10 | 0 | | 2

#### SOMERSET AND DORSET JOINT LINE.

ERRATA. The 5th and 6th issues have vertical control number

#### BELFAST AND COUNTY DOWN RAILWAY.

The following new printing has been made:
(17th) 23,3.03, 6th, bright emerald green 1 0 0

#### BELFAST AND NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWAY

The following new printing has been made: (20th) 1903?111..7th, bright emerald green = 1 = 0 = 0 =

#### SLIGO, LEITRIM & NORTHERN COUNTIES RAILWA

The following new printing has been made:
(8th) 1903, bright emerald green 1 0 0



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