

Grenada

Issued 3rd June 1861

Stamps were ordered directly by the Colonial Secretary, Grenada and not via the Crown Colonies Office.

The invoice for the engraving of the die and making of the plates is dated 27 April 1861.

The head of the Queen used was the Tasmania head from the watercolour sketch by E. H. Corbould after the painting by A. E. Chalon. The head die was engraved by William Humphrys.

Die Proof on India paper mounted on card



Printed in sheets of 120 (R10 x 12)
Plate proof on unwatermarked paper

Wave paper



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Perkins, Bacon "B" machine
Line perf. 11-12



Horizontally laid paper



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IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRINTINGS

No wmk.

1861/62 deliveries - no wmk. - rough perf. 14½-16 - bluish green to mid-green



Wmk Small Star

1864/67 deliveries - wmk upright - rough perf 14½-16
bluish green to yellowish green

1872 delivery - wmk sideways - clean cut perf 15
full deep green



1874 delivery - wmk sideways - intermediate perf. 15
distinctive luminous blue-green

Wmk Large Star

1875 delivery - wmk upright - comb perf 14
yellowish green



1878 delivery - wmk sideways - intermediate perf 15
light green with a tinge of blue - thick paper

Wmk Small Star

1879 delivery - wmk upright - rough perf 15
pale green + flat and dull appearance - thin paper



1881 delivery - wmk sideways - rough perf. 14¼ - deep dull green



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IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRINTINGS

No wmk.

1861 deliveries - rough perf. 14½-16 - dull rose



1863/64 deliveries - wmk upright
dull rose



Wmk Small Star
rough perf. 14½-16

1864 delivery (part only) - wmk sideways
dull rose-red



1866/67/69 deliveries - wmk upright
orange-red



1871/72 deliveries - wmk upright
vermillion



Wmk Large Star

1873/74 deliveries - wmk upright - intermediate perf 15 - orange vermillion



Wmk Small Star

1878 delivery - wmk sideways - intermediate perf 15 - distinctive deep vermillion - thick paper



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Issued 3 June 1861

No watermark - Perkins, Bacon "A" machine - Rough perf. 14½-16

colour of some of the first printing is bluish green - most are mid-green



colour is a dull rose



deliveries: 1d value - circa 96,000 (2 deliveries) 6d value - circa 24,000 (1 delivery)

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No watermark - Perkins, Bacon "A" machine - Rough perf. 14½-16

Major re-entry on R1 / 4 - visible in "GRENADA" and "ONE PENNY"



ex Burnus
Collection

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From the delivery invoiced on 30 March 1863, the stamps were printed on Star watermarked paper.

Issued circa March 1864

Wmk Small Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon "A" machine - Rough perf. 14½-16

colour is bluish green to yellowish green



Wmk. sideways - does not coincide with a particular delivery



deliveries: 1d value - circa 120,000 (2 deliveries)

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Wmk Small Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon "A" machine - Rough perf. 14½-16

Issued circa May 1863

colour is dull rose - similar colour to the unwatermarked issue



Issued circa September 1864

dull rose-red - watermark sideways - part of the second delivery was in this colour



deliveries: 6d value - 1863/64 issue 24,000 invoiced 30 March 1863 + 24,000 invoiced 12 August 1864

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Wmk Small Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon "A" machine - Rough perf. 14½-16

Issued circa May 1866

first change of colour - to orange-red



Issued circa May 1871

second change of colour - to vermilion - printer's records describe these deliveries as "scarlet"



deliveries: 6d value - 1866 issue circa 72,000 (3 deliveries) 1871 issue circa 48,000 (2 deliveries)

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The Perkins, Bacon "A" perforating machine was repaired in the spring of 1872 and returned to operation on 16 June 1872. The pins were smaller than previously and gave a consistent 15 gauge.

Issued circa January 1873

Wmk Small Star (sideways)- Perkins, Bacon reconditioned "A" machine - Clean cut perf. 15

colour is full deep green - perforations are clean cut after the repair to the A machine



deliveries: 1d value - circa 36,000 (1 delivery)

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Large Star watermarked paper was introduced commencing with the delivery invoiced 14 August 1873 and was used until the delivery invoiced 16 July 1878.

Issued circa September 1873 (6d) and February 1874 (1d)

Wmk Large Star - Perkins, Bacon reconditioned "A" machine - Intermediate perf. 15

colour is orange vermillion with more orange than the 1871 issue

Wmk. upright



colour is distinctive luminous blue-green

Wmk. sideways



deliveries: 1d value - circa 72,000 (1 delivery)

6d value - circa 48,000 (2 deliveries)

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Wmk Large Star (upright)
Perkins, Bacon reconditioned "A" machine - Intermediate perf. 15

Lettersheet from St. Andrews, Grenada to London - cancelled with "D" local post double ring handstamp
Dated 28 January 1875



1d Grenada inland rate plus 1/- to the United Kingdom

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A letter from the Colonial Secretary dated 10 December 1874 requested a design with no value inscription which could be surcharged with various values for both postage and revenue purposes.

Die Proof on India paper mounted on card



Printed in sheets of 120 (R10 x 12)
Plate proof on unwatermarked paper



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The new 1/- postage stamp was invoiced on 28 May 1875.
It was issued to pay the Packet Rate to the United Kingdom, which had increased to 1/- on 1 April 1863,
although no stamp of this value was issued for over 12 years.

Issued circa July 1875
Printed in sheets of 120 (R10 x 12) - Wmk Large Star (upright)
Comb perf. 14 at Somerset House



Damaged "G"
surcharge reads
"SHILLINS"



Overprinted large "Specimen" across two stamps



Two sheets
overprinted

deliveries: circa 60,000 (1 delivery)

Grenada - Revenue Stamps

A letter the Colonial Secretary dated 10 December 1874 requested a design with no value inscription which could be surcharged with various values for postage and revenue purposes.

The Perkins, Bacon invoice for the first delivery of twelve revenue values in orange was dated 28 May 1875.

Issued circa July 1875

Printed in sheets of 120 (R10 x 12) - Wmk Large Star (upright) - Comb perf. 14 at Somerset House



deliveries: 1d val. - 36,000 1½d val. - 12,000 2d val. - 12,000 3d val. - 24,000 4d val. - 6,000
6d val. - 48,000 1s val. - 120,000 2s val. - 30,000 5s val. - 9,000 10s val. - 6,000 £1 val. - 3,000

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Issued circa December 1875

Wmk Large Star (upright)- Comb perf. 14 at Somerset House

colour is yellowish green - only printing perforated at Somerset House



comb machine shows blind perforation in right margin



deliveries: circa 120,000 (1 delivery)

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For the delivery invoiced 16 July 1878 Perkins, Bacon reverted to Small Star watermarked paper.

Issued circa August 1878

Wmk. Small Star (sideways)- Perkins, Bacon reconditioned "A" machine - Intermediate perf. 15

colour is light green with a tinge of blue - paper is unusually thick



variety
imperforate



colour is a distinctive deep vermilion - paper is unusually thick



Variety
double print

deliveries: 1d value - circa 36,000 (1 delivery)

6d value - circa 36,000 (1 delivery)

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For the delivery invoiced 14 January 1879 Perkins, Bacon used the Small Star watermarked paper.

Issued circa March 1879

Wmk Small Star (upright)- Comb perf. 14 at Somerset House



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Issued circa December 1879

Wmk Small Star (upright)- Perkins, Bacon reconditioned "A" machine - Rough perf. 15

colour is pale green with a rather flat and dull appearance - paper is thin



Cover front addressed to New York - rate 5d plus 10c for US delivery
red manuscript "4" shows amount due to the British Post Office



deliveries: 1d value - circa 72,000 (1 delivery)

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A letter from the Colonial Secretary dated 8 December 1880 requested a new supply of the 1d value together with new values required for membership of the Universal Postal Union. This was the last delivery of postage stamps by Perkins, Bacon and was invoiced on 28 February 1881. All were perforated by a line perforator with a gauge measuring $14\frac{1}{4}$ - the only use of this machine.

Issued circa April 1881

Wmk Small Star (sideways)- Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. $14\frac{1}{4}$

colour is deep dull green - the perforation is distinctive



blue
obliteration



blue
obliteration



deliveries: 1d value - circa 60,000 (1 delivery)

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The ½d, 2½d and 4d values required for membership of the Universal Postal Union.
All values were perforated by a line perforator with a gauge measuring 14¼.

Issued circa April 1881

Wmk Large Star (sideways) - Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. 14¼



Surcharge double

Variety
"OSTAGE"
R9/4



Variety
"OSTAGE"
R9/4

deliveries: ½d value - circa 60,000 (1 delivery)

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Issued circa April 1881

Wmk Large Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. 14¼



Variety
"PENCF"
R8/12



Variety
defective
"F" in "HALF"

deliveries: 2½d value - circa 60,000 (1 delivery)

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Issued circa April 1881

Wmk Large Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. 14¼



Wmk.
sideways



Lettersheet addressed to London - date 27 August 1882



UPU rate of 2½d up to ½oz plus 1½d surcharge for distances exceeding 300 nautical miles

deliveries: 4d value - circa 60,000 (1 delivery)

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A small part of the delivery of 2½d and 4d values were printed on Broad Star watermarked paper.

This paper was supplied to South Australia and this issue is the only other use of the paper.

Issued circa April 1881

Wmk Broad Pointed Star (upright) - Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. 14¼

rose-lake shade



claret shade



deep claret shade



deliveries: a small part of the delivery only

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The last invoice was dated 25 November 1881 and was perforated by a line perforator with a gauge of 14¼.

Issued circa January 1882

Wmk Small Star - Perkins, Bacon machine - Rough perf. 14¼

Wmk. sideways



Wmk. upright



deliveries: 1d value - 72,000 1s value - 36,000 2s value - 72,000 5s value - 24,000
10s value - 24,000 £1 value - 12,000