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PRESS RELEASE

Truly amazing Great Britain Postal History

A truly amazing display of the postal history of Great Britain was presented by Edward Klempka to the members of The Royal Philatelic Society London on 2 October. Covering the period from 1840 to 1854, the collection has been built by Edward and his family over the past 45 years.

The display encompassed all aspects, from handstruck Paid and Unpaid marks, 1840 Parliamentary Envelopes, through to essays and proofs of the Mulready stationery, including usage of the Mulready, Penny Black and Twopenny Blue.

Later sections dealt with the Mulready advertisements, pictorial envelopes and lettersheets, the embossed high values and the trials to enable stamps to be separated in the sheets, these trials leading to perforations.

Giving the vote of thanks, Alan Huggins commented that this is the best display of material from this period, previously not shown publically, presenting much that many collectors didn't know even existed. Chris King, President, added that this collection represents the life's work of one collector who, by careful collecting, has created a comprehensive display.



Edward Klempka in front of part of his display given to The Royal Philatelic Society London.

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