

SUBURBAN OFFICES FROM DECEMBER, 1856

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Explanation of the format of Section K of the catalogue.

A typical catalogue entry is:-

68C 2.5.5.2. Duplex May 1881 (Jun.1882 to Oct.1898)
Codes seen:1,3,5,7,10.....Rarity C.

68 Number in the cancellation.
C Catalogue number.
2.5.5.2. Number of bars.
May 1881 Date of the first Proof Book entry.
(Jun.1882 to Oct.1898) Dates of the first and last recorded use.
(Not recorded) means that no dated example is known(it may well be common on stamp only.)

Codes seen:Time codes seen in numerical or alphabetical order.

Rarity A = Common
B = Average
C = Not common
D = Difficult
E = Scarce
F = Rare
G = Very Rare
H = Very few exist
G.P.O. = Proof Book entry only

68C.c The lower case c shows that the collection time is in code.
68C.* The * shows that the clock code is used.
68C.t The time is in full.

Provincial style of cancellations:-

4VOS 4 bars above and below the number,Vertical Oval Single.
4VOD 4 bars above and below the number,Vertical Oval Duplex.
3VOS 3 bars above and below the number,Vertical Oval Single.
3VOD 3 bars above and below the number,Vertical Oval Duplex.

I have included cancellations issued before the Districts were erected in the particular District to which the Post Office later belonged.

Current Prices (Dec.1979)

List A = most items. List B = The 1844 Suburban Office cancellations.

| <u>A</u> | <u>B</u> |
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| A...50p. | A...£4. |
| B...70p. | B...£4. |
| C...£1.25 | C...£4. |
| D...£2.00 | D...£5. |
| E...£3.00 | E...£8. |
| F...£5.00 | F...£12. |
| G...£9.00 | G...£20 to £40. |
| H...£15.00 | H...£25 to £150. |

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| 52 | Herne Hill | SE/13. | Lambeth South (26B) | SW/6,7. |
| 53 | Chief Office | | Lee (30) | SE/10 |
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| 50B | Unknown | C/2. | | |
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| 49 | Sidmouth St. | 2. | Southwark (47) | 2. |
| 50B | Unknown | 2. | Unknown (50B) | 2. |

14 ST.MARTINS PLACE

In Nov.1875 twelve stamps of the type illustrated were sent to St.Martins Place Post Office. This was later renamed the Trafalgar Square Post Office. They were only rarely,if at all,used for cancelling mail.



14A

14A 2.4.4.2. Single Nov.1875 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

16 QUEEN VICTORIA STREET

Two cancellations were sent out in Aug.1876. The reason for the rarity of this type of cancellation is that they were normally used for other purposes than cancelling mail. This example proves the point, to quote Westley "On the 2nd.August 1876 a single stamp numbered 16 was sent to Queen Victoria St.E.C.but this can be ignored. Queen Victoria St. Office was certainly opened about 1876, on the site of the old Probate Registry, but was solely a Savings Bank Office and this stamp could not have been used for cancelling mail"



16A

*For Queen Victoria St.
To Mr. Turle & Co
2 Aug 1876.*

16A 2.4.4.2. Single Aug.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

43 CHARING CROSS

This was a London District Post Town Receiving House.



43A

43A 2.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Mar.1857).....Rarity H
Colours seen: Blue.

47 SOUTHWARK

This was a London District Post Town Receiving House.



47A

47A 1.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

49 SIDMOUTH STREET

This was a London District Post Town Receiving House.



49A

49A 1.13.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

49B 1.9.9.1. Single Not in Proof Books (Not recorded).Rarity H

50B UNKNOWN

Not allocated in any list. There is an entry in the Proof Books with no comment as to where it was sent.



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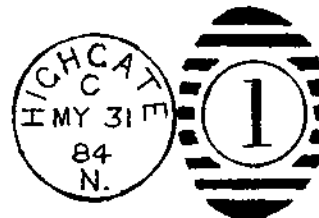
NORTHERN DISTRICT SUBURBAN OFFICES

1 HIGHGATE

This was originally part of the London District Post ride with Finchley (2) and Whetstone (3). It was thus issued with 1A in May 1844. Why three more horizontal oval cancellations were issued between 1848 and 1867 is unknown, since they were very rarely used, if at all.



| | 1A | 1B | 1C | 1D |
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| 1A | 2.12.13.1. Single | May 1844 | (May 1845) | |
| | Colours seen; Blue, black..... | | | <u>Rarity H</u> |
| 1B | 2.9.9.2. Single | 1848 | (Not recorded)..... | <u>Rarity H</u> |
| 1C | 1.9.9.1. Single | Jan. 1860 | (Not recorded)..... | <u>Rarity G.P.O.</u> |
| 1D | 2.4.4.2. Single | Aug. 1867 | (Not recorded)..... | <u>Rarity G.P.O.</u> |



| | 1E | 1F.c |
|------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1E | 2.4.4.2. Single | Feb. 1878 (Not recorded)..... |
| | | <u>Rarity G.P.O.</u> |
| 1F.c | 2.5.5.2. Duplex | May 1884 (May 1890 to Aug. 1894) |
| | Codes seen: 3, X, XZ, Z, ZZ..... | |
| | | <u>Rarity C</u> |
| 1F.t | Duplex as above with the time in full. (Mar. 1897 to Nov. 1899) | |
| | Times seen: 3.30PM, 5. PM, 5.30PM, 7.30PM, 9.30PM..... | |
| | | <u>Rarity E</u> |

1B PONDERS END

This office was listed in the 1857 list with no number allocated to it. In May 1861 a cancellation numbered 1B was issued and in Sep. 1871 Ponders End was issued with a provincial number F58. The 1B allocation is thus void in all the London lists. The Provincial cancellations issued from Sep. 1871 onwards were:-

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 4 VOD and 4 VOS | Sep. 1871 |
| 3 VOD | Feb. 1880 full stop F.58 |
| 3 VOD | Feb. 1884 no full stop F58 |



1B.A

1B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

2 FINCHLEY

This was originally part of the London District Post ride with Highgate (1) and Whetstone (3). The only cancellation issued was 2A in May 1844 for use on this ride.



2A

2A 1.13.1.31. Single May 1844 (Jan.1857)
Colour seen:Black.....Rarity H

2B COLNEY HATCH

The one and only cancellation was sent out in May 1861. The allocation was first listed in 1874 and it became vacant in 1906.



2B.A

2B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

3 WHETSTONE

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Highgate (1) and Finchley (2). Number 3 was allocated to Whetstone from 1844 to 1906 without a break,duplex cancellations were not issued.



3A



3B

3A 1.11.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded)
Colour seen; Blue.....Rarity H.

3B 2.4.4.2. Single Nov.1877 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

3B HORNSEY

this number was allocated to Hornsey in the 1874 list and continued up to 1906. The only numeral cancellation was issued in May 1861.



3B.A

3B.A 1.8.8.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

4B SOUTHGATE

This number was allocated to Southgate in the 1874 list and continued up to 1906. Neither of the two cancellations sent to Southgate have been recorded.



4B.A



4B.B

4B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

4B.B 3.3.3.3. Single Jun.1871 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

5B HOLLOWAY

The first official allocation of the number was in the 1874 list; it stayed allocated to Holloway up to 1906. The first numeral cancellation was issued in May 1861.



5B.A



5B.B



5B.B



5B.B



5B.A 2.8.8.1. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

5B.Bc 2.5.5.2. Duplex Dec.1871 (Dec.1872 to May 1893)

Three handstamps were issued: A B and C.

Codes seen: Handstamp A - 2,3,5,6,ZZ.

B - 2,5,6,7,12,X.

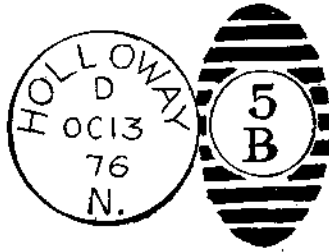
C - 5,12,ZZ.....Rarity A

5B.Bt Duplex as above with the time in full. (Aug.1897 to Mar.1899)

Times seen:4.PM,5.PM,5.45PM,12.30PM.....Rarity D



5B.C



5B.D



5B.E

5B.C 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1872 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

5B.Dc 3.5.5.3. Duplex Oct.1876 (Aug.1889 to May 1892)

This handstamp had the code prefix D. (5B.B had A B & C)

Codes seen:2,5,12.....Rarity G

5B.Dt Duplex as above with the time in full. (Sep.1895 to Mar.1904)

Times seen:3.PM,4.PM,5.PM,5.45PM,9.15PM.....Rarity E

5B.E 2.4.4.2. Single May 1879 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

5B.F 3.4.4.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 3 at base of obliterator.(Jul.1897 to May 1899)

Times seen:8.45AM,5.PM,9.15PM,12.30PM.....Rarity E

5B.G 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 4 at base of obliterator (Jan.1900 to Nov.1904)

Times seen:9.45AM,10.AM,1.15PM,5.PM,9.15PM,12.30PM.....Rarity E

7 STOKE NEWINGTON

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Tottenham (8) Edmonton (10) and Enfield (11). Number 7 was allocated to Stoke Newington from 1844 to 1906.



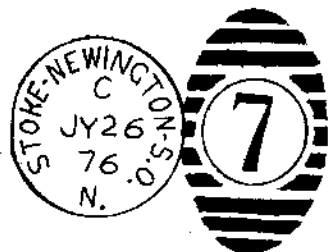
7A



7B



7C



7D



7E

- 7A 1.13.14.1. Single May 1844 (Jul.1856)
The centre circle can be very weak. Colours seen:Black,blue.Rarity H
- 7B 2.11.11.2. Single Jul.1858 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
- 7C 2.3.3.2. Single Jun.1871 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 7D 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul.1876 (Dec.1888 to Aug.1892)
Codes seen:7,G,X,ZZ.....Rarity E
- 7E 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1880 (Nov.1884 to Dec.1893)
Codes seen:3,6,7,X,ZZ.....Rarity C
- 7F 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator (Feb.1899 to Jun.1900)
Times seen:7.45AM,12.15AM,1.45PM,7.45PM.....Rarity F
- 7G 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.0mm high 4 at base of obliterator (May 1898 to Jan.1905)
Times seen:12.15AM,1.30PM,3.30PM,5.30PM,8.45PM,9.45PM,12.30PM. Rarity C

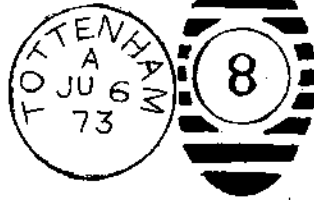
8 45 74 TOTTENHAM

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Stoke Newington (7) Edmonton (10) and Enfield (11) and was thus issued with 8A in May 1844. Number 8 was allocated to Tottenham in the 1844 to 1857 list only, in the 1874 list the number was void. In Jan.1875 a numbered cancellation (8) was sent to West Brompton and in 1887 that is the recorded allocation. In addition to this in Jun.1873 a number 74 was issued to Tottenham and in Apr.1874 number 117 in the Provincial series was sent. The full chronology is:-

- May 1844 Horizontal oval number 8 sent to Tottenham.
- Jun.1873 Suburban type duplexes numbered 8 and 74 sent to Tottenham.
- Apr.1874 Provincial type duplex 117 was sent to Tottenham. A 4 VOD, a 3 VOS with a dot after 117 and a 3 VOS without a dot.
- 1874 Number 8 is vacant in the Official List.
- Jan.1875 Suburban cancellation number 8 is sent to West Brompton.
- Oct.1883 Suburban Office duplex number 45 was sent to Tottenham.



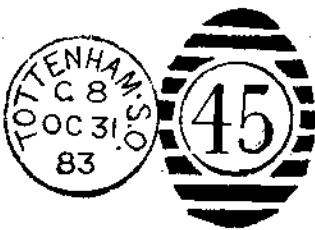
8A



8B



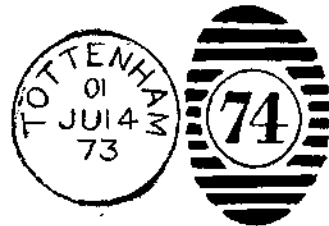
8C



45A



74A



74B

- 8A 1.13.14.1. Single May 1844 (Not recorded)
 Colours seen: Blue,black,green.....Rarity H
- 8B 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1873 (Dec.1873 to Apr.1883)
 This was used after number 8 had been officially allocated to
 West Brompton. Codes seen:2,6,D,X,ZZ.....Rarity C
- 8C 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1873 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

45 TOTTENHAM

This allocation is not in any list,in 1874 number 45 was void and by the time the next list was issued in 1887,the number had been allocated to North Woolwich. In the mean time a cancellation number 45 had been sent to Tottenham in October 1883.

- 45A 2.5.5.2. Duplex Oct.1883 (Dec.1883 to Jan.1884)
 Codes seen:A2,A6.....Rarity G

74 TOTTENHAM

This number was never listed as being allocated to Tottenham. The first cancellations were issued in Jun.1873 and yet the 1874 list gives 74 as being vacant. The recorded periods of use support this.

- 74A 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1873 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 74B 3.6.6.3. Duplex Jun.1873 (Aug.1873 to Dec.1873)
 Code seen:5.....Rarity G

10 75 EDMONTON

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Stoke Newington (7) Tottenham (8) and Enfield (11). Number 10 was allocated to Edmonton in the 1844 to 1857 lists. In the 1874 list the Suburban Office number 10 was vacant and Edmonton was given 119 in the Provincial lists. In addition to this number 75 was sent to Edmonton in Jun.1873.

The chronology is:

Jun.1873 Suburban Office cancellations with numbers 10 and 75 were sent to Edmonton.

1874 list Both 10 and 75 allocations were vacant.

Apr.1874 119 in the Provincial series was sent to Edmonton:-

3 VOD 119 no dot

3 VOS 119. with a dot.

Jul.1883 G78 - a provincial type 3 VOD was sent to Edmonton.

Oct.1883 G80 - a provincial type 3 VOD was sent to Edmonton.

1887 list Suburban numbers - 10 South Kensington

- 75 Vacant.

Provincial numbers - 119 Edmonton.

- G78 Upper Edmonton.

- G80 Lower Edmonton.

Both Edmonton and Tottenham were Northern District Offices in the London Suburban Area and in the Provincial Area at the same time.



10A



10B



10C

10A 1.11.11.2. Single May 1844 (not recorded)

Colours seen:Black,blue.....Rarity H

10B 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1873 (Jan.1874 to Apr.1879)

Codes seen:1,6,8,10.....Rarity E

10C 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1873 (Not recorded).....

Rarity G.P.O.

75 EDMONTON

This number was never listed as being allocated to Edmonton. The first cancellations were issued in Jun.1873 and yet the 1874 list gives 75 as being vacant.



75A



75B

75A 2.4.4.2. Duplex Jun.1873 (Not recorded).....

Rarity G.P.O.

75B 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1873 (Not recorded).....

Rarity G.P.O.

11 ENFIELD

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Stoke Newington (7) Tottenham (8) and Edmonton (10). Number 11 was allocated to Enfield in the 1844 to 1857 lists only, in the 1874 list 11 was void and Enfield had the provincial number C85. This office had both Provincial and London Suburban numbers at the same time. C85 was first sent out in Oct.1866 whilst the last cancellation numbered 11 was sent out in Sept.1870. By 1874 it was purely in the Provincial Area.



11A



11B

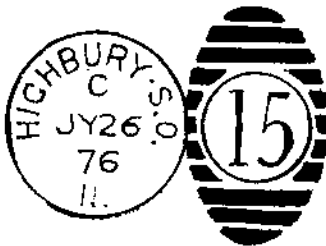


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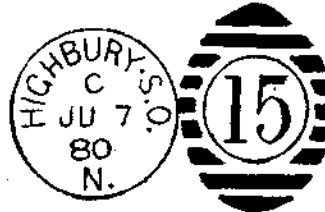
- 11A 2.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Apr.1853)
 Colour seen: Black.....Rarity H
- 11B 2.9.9.2. Single Aug.1860 (1862).....Rarity H
- 11C 3.9.9.3. Single Sep.1870 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

15 Highbury

Number 15 was void in the 1874 list, having been previously used at Woodford. In 1887 number 15 was listed as being allocated to Highbury and this lasted until 1906. The office was formerly called Highbury Park.



15B



15C

- 15A See Woodford.
- 15B 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 15C.c 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1880 (Dec.1882 to Dec.1892)
 Codes seen:7,D,ZZ.....Rarity F
- 15C.t Duplex as above with the time in full. (Jan.1897 to May 1906)
 Times seen:12.15AM,8.15PM,9.5PM,9.15PM.....Rarity B

19 FINSBURY PARK

In 1874 this number was vacant. The first numeral cancellation was issued to this office in Feb,1879. There was no office with this name in the 1857 list of offices.



19B



19C



19C



19C

19A See Halfway St. Eltham.

19B 2.4.4.2. Single Feb.1879 (Not recorded)

An identical cancellation was sent to Halfway St. Eltham in May 1875 (19A)

Neither have been seen in use.....Rarity G.P.O.

19C.c 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1880 (Dec.1883 to Oct,1895)

Three different handstamps were entered in the Proof Books - they are illustrated above.

Codes seen:A7,AX,AZ,BA,BX,CX,DA.....Rarity B

19C.t Duplex as above with the time in full. (Aug.1897 to Mar.1899)

Times seen:12.15AM,7.15PM.....Rarity F

19D 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Oct.1897 to Mar.1903)

Times seen:12.5AM,12.15AM,1.30PM,5.45PM,8.30PM,9.30PM.....Rarity C

19E 2,4.4.2. Duplex 3.5mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Oct.1903 to Aug.1904)

Times seen:12.15AM,3.30PM,5.30PM,5.45PM,7.15PM,12.15PM.....Rarity E

19F 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 4 at base of obliterator.(Dec.1895 to Sep.1904)

Times seen:12.15AM,1.30PM,3.30PM,5.45PM,7.15PM,8.15PM,9.30PM..Rarity A

45 TOTTENHAM

See under number 8.

51B WINCHMORE HILL

The first cancellation was issued sometime between May 1864 and Aug.1865. It is therefore in the 1874 list,where it stayed up to 1906. None of the cancellations have been recorded.



51B.A



51B.B



51B.B



51B.C

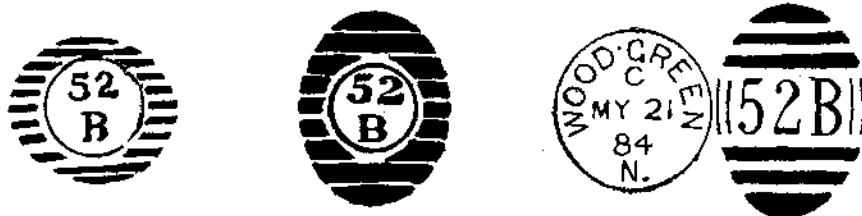
51B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1864 - Aug.1865 (Not recorded).Rarity G.P.O.

51B.B 2.5.5.2. Single Aug.1865 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
Two entries in the Proof Books,one is larger than the other.

51B.C 3.3.3.3. Single Feb.1868 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

52B WOOD GREEN

The first cancellation was issued sometime between May 1864 and Sep.1865. It is therefore in the 1874 list where it stayed up to 1906. In May 1884 an interesting error of type was issued, a London Suburban number in a Provincial type obliterator.



52B.A

52B.B

52B.C

52B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1864 - Sep.1865 (Not recorded)....Rarity G.P.O.

52B.B 2.5.5.2. Single Sep.1865 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

52B.C 3 VOD (Provincial type) May 1884 (Jun.1885 to Aug.1890).Rarity F

53B UPPER HOLLOWAY

The first cancellation was sent out in Apr.1866 and it was thus in the 1874 list where it stayed up to 1906.



53B.A

53B.B

53B.C

53B.D

53B.E

53B.A 3.3.3.3. Single Apr.1866 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

53B.B 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1871 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

53B.Cc 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul.1876 (Sep.1884 to Apr.1895)
Codes seen:A7,AX.....Rarity C

53B.Ct Duplex as above with the time in full. (Jan.1898)
Time seen:12.15AM.....Rarity H

53B.D 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jun.1880 (Jul.1892)
Codes seen:7.....Rarity H

53B.E 2.5.5.2. Duplex Apr.1886 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

53B.F 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Dec.1895 to Mar.1902)
Times seen:7.45AM,12.15AM.....Rarity D

53B.G 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 3 at base of obliterator. (Jul.1896 to Aug.1898)
Time seen:2.15AM.....Rarity G

64 CHESHUNT

Not officially allocated on any list. A cancellation was sent out in Oct.1863 but it has never been recorded in use. Cheshunt ceased to be 64 before 1874 as the number is vacant on that list.



64A

64A 2.6.6.2. Single Oct.1863 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

74 TOTTENHAM

See under number 8.

75 EDMONTON

See under number 10.



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The North East District was in existence from Oct.1858 to Jan.1867. The Offices listed below all fall within the geographical spread of the District however during the period of operation of the District no dated examples of the cancellations have been recorded from any of them. Five of the offices had cancellations issued to them during this period:-

Chigwell (17) in Jun.1861
Clapton (6B) in May 1861
Hackney (8B) in May 1861
Loughton (7B) in May 1861
Woodford Green (53) in Jun.1858

Two offices were originally issued with numeral cancellations when part of the London District Post ride. Chigwell (16) May 1844

Woodford (15) May 1844

Two offices did not get cancellations issued until after the District was disbanded.

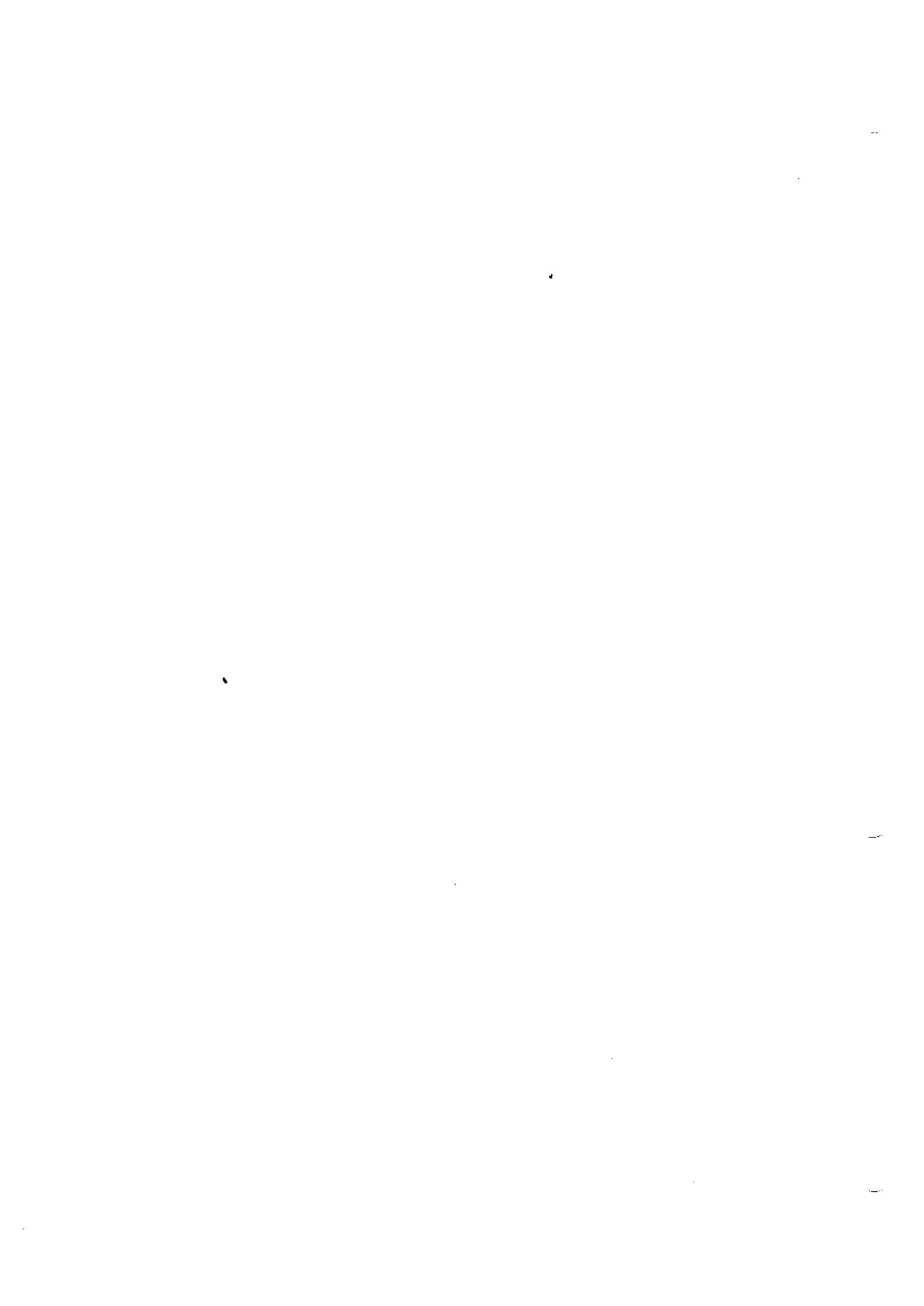
Leytonstone (17)
Walthamstow (36)

When the District was disbanded the offices either became part of the Eastern District:-

Clapton (6B)
Hackney (8B)
Leytonstone (17)
Walthamstow (36)

Or part of the Provincial Area:-

Chigwell (16 and 17)
Loughton (7B)
Woodford (15)
Woodford Green (53)



7B LOUGHTON

Loughton's allocation of 7B was not in any list. The first suburban cancellation was issued in May 1861, in 1867 Loughton was transferred to the Provincial Area. The provincial cancellations issued were:-

| | | |
|-------------|------|-------------|
| 15 Mar.1871 | 4VOD | Number D77 |
| 15 Mar.1871 | 4VOS | Number D77 |
| 28 Oct.1884 | 3VOD | Number D.77 |



7B.A

7B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

15 WOODFORD

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Leyton (14) and Chigwell (16). The number was allocated to Woodford in the 1844 to 1857 lists only. In 1858 a cancellation numbered 53 was sent to Woodford Green.



15A

15A 1.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
Colours seen:Blue,black.

16 CHIGWELL

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Leyton (14) and Woodford (15) it was issued with 16A in 1844. Number 16 was allocated to Chigwell in the 1844 to 1857 lists only. In the 1874 list Chigwell Road was given the provincial number E78 and was in Essex. In the same list 16 was vacant, later to be allocated to Victoria St.E.C.in 1876.



16A

16A 2.14.14.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
Colour:Black.

17 CHIGWELL

Although 16 was Chigwell's number, a cancellation was sent there in Jun. 1861 numbered 17.



17B

17B 2.7.7.2. Single Jun. 1861 (Oct. 1868).....Rarity H
Seen used on cover with Chigwell Rd. N.E. as a backstamp.

53 WOODFORD GREEN

The allocation of number 53 to Woodford Green is not recorded in any list. The first cancellation 53A was sent out in Jun. 1858, in Mar. 1871 the provincial number F20 was issued ie it misses both the 1857 and 1874 lists. In the 1874 list 53 is allocated to Homerton. The change from London to Provincial Area happened before the issue of F20 in Mar. 1871. Sometime in 1868 a provincial style cancellation was issued with the number 53. Both Brumell and Westley say that this marked the change from London to Provincial status.

F20 cancellations occur thus in the Proof Books:-

| | | |
|-----------|------|------|
| Mar. 1871 | 4VOS | |
| Jul. 1873 | 4VOD | |
| Dec. 1880 | 3VOD | F20 |
| May 1883 | 3VOD | F.20 |
| Sep. 1885 | 3VOD | F20 |



53A



53B

53A 3.14.15.3. Single Jun. 1858 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

53B 4VOD 1868 (Jul. 1869 to Feb. 1871)

Codes seen: C, D.....Rarity G

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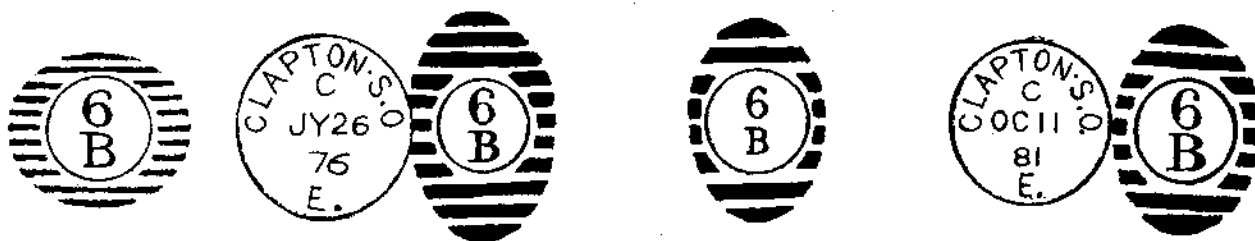
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6B CLAPTON

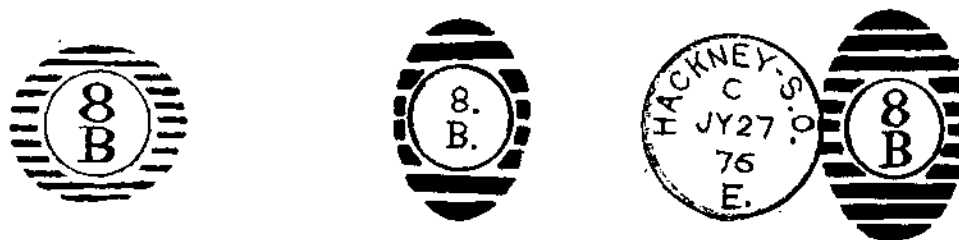
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| | 6B.A | 6B.B | 6B.C | 6B.D |
|--------|--|------|------|----------------------|
| 6B.A | 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)..... | | | <u>Rarity H</u> |
| 6B.Bc | 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul. 1876 (Feb. 1888 to Jul. 1889) Time in code. Codes seen: E, H..... | | | <u>Rarity F</u> |
| 6B.Bt | Duplex as above with the time in full. (Jul. 1895 to Jun. 1905) Times seen: 9.15AM, 12.15AM, 2.15PM, 4.15PM, 5.30PM, 6.30PM, 7.PM. 8.PM, 8.15PM, 9.PM..... | | | <u>Rarity C</u> |
| 6B.Btt | Duplex as above time in full below the month and day. (Nov. 1908 to May 1909) Times seen: 9.15AM, 12.15AM, 4.15PM, 8.PM..... | | | <u>Rarity D</u> |
| 6B.C | 2.4.4.2. Single Apr. 1880 (Not recorded)..... | | | <u>Rarity G.P.O.</u> |
| 6B.D | 2.5.5.2. Duplex Oct. 1881 (Dec. 1883 to Oct. 1888) Codes seen: B, C, D, F..... | | | <u>Rarity E</u> |

8B HACKNEY

Originally part of the North East District, it was transferred to the Eastern District in Jan. 1867.



| | 8B.A | 8B.B | 8B.C |
|------|---|------|----------------------|
| 8B.A | 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Sep. 1869 to Dec. 1871)..... | | <u>Rarity G</u> |
| 8B.B | 2.4.4.2. Single May 1876 (Not recorded)..... | | <u>Rarity G.P.O.</u> |
| 8B.C | 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul. 1876 (Sep. 1884 to Feb. 1893) Codes seen: A, C, D, G, H, X..... | | <u>Rarity B</u> |

- 8B.D 3.5.5.3. Duplex 4.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Aug.1895 to Sep.1906)
Times seen:12.15AM,1.30PM,4.15PM,5.45PM,7.45PM.....Rarity C
- 8B.E 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Sep.1896 to Nov.1901)
Times seen:12.15AM,5.45PM,7.30PM,9.30PM,12.30PM.....Rarity E
- 8B.F 2.4.4.2. Duplex 4.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Jun.1903 to Oct.1904)
Times seen:9.30AM,10.30AM,11.30AM,3.30PM,4.45PM,5.45PM,8.30PM,
9.30PM,12.30PM.....Rarity C

9B CANNING TOWN

First listed in the 1874 list,void in 1906. The first cancellation was issued in May 1861.



9B.A

- 9B.A 1.8.8.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

10B CHADWELL

Not officially allocated in any list,the first cancellation was issued in May 1861,after the 1857 list was made up. The office was given an English Provincial number in Oct.1870 before the 1874 list was made. Chadwell became part of the Eastern District in Jan.1867 and then part of the Provincial Area in 1870. The Proof Book entries for the provincial number F10 allocated to Chadwell are:-

| | |
|-------------|------|
| 10 Oct.1870 | 4VOS |
| 19 Oct.1886 | 3VOD |



10B.A

- 10B.A 1.8.8.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

11B POPLAR

Originally part of the North Eastern District,it became part of the Eastern District in Jan.1867.

- 12C 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Jun.1898 to Jun.1899)
Times seen:12.15AM,12.30AM,7.PM.....Rarity F
- 12D 2.4.4.2. Duplex 4.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Jun.1895 to Jan.1905)
Times seen:9.30AM,11.30AM,12.15AM,3.30PM,4.30PM,11.PM....Rarity E
- 12E 3.5.5.3. Duplex 2.5mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Jun.1895 to Dec.1904)
Times seen:11.30AM,12.15AM,1.30PM,3.30PM,4.30PM,5.30PM,7.PM,9.PM,
12.30PM.....Rarity C
- 12F 2.4.4.2. Duplex 4.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Sep.1903 to Apr.1904)
Times seen:3.30PM,4.30PM,12.30PM.....Rarity G

13 STRATFORD

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Bow (12) and Ilford (17).



13A



13B



13C



13D



13E



13F

- 13A 1.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded)
Colours seen:Blue,black.....Rarity H
- 13B 1.9.9.1. Single Nov.1859 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
- 13C 2.6.6.2. Single Undated (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 13D 3.2.2.3. Single Mar.1872 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 13E 2.4.4.2. Single Mar.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
- 13F.c 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul.1876 (Nov.1883 to Jun.1895)
Time in code. Codes seen:7,A,F,G.....Rarity D
- 13F.t Duplex as above with the time in full. (Mar.1900 to Nov.1907)
Time seen:12.15AM.....Rarity G

14 LEYTON

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Woodford (15) and Chigwell (16). In Apr.1874 a provincial style cancellation numbered 102 was sent out. Brumell says that Leyton used both Provincial and London numbers at the same time.



14A

14B

14A 2.11.11.1. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
Colours seen:Black,green.

14B 2.7.7.2. Single Dec.1859 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

17 ILFORD

Originally part of the London District Post ride with Bow (12) and Stratford (13). Number 17 was allocated to Ilford in the 1844 to 1857 lists only. In 1870 Brumell says that Ilford was changed from London to the Provincial Area. On the 23rd. Sep.1870 a 4VOD was issued number F07.

The provincial style cancellations issued were:-

| | | |
|----------|------|------|
| Sep.1870 | 4VOD | |
| Jan.1879 | 3VOD | F07 |
| Sep.1881 | 3VOD | F.07 |



17A

17A 2.14.15.1. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

17 LEYTONSTONE

In the 1874 list number 17 is vacant,two years later the first numbered cancellations were issued. In the 1887 list onwards 17 is allocated to Leytonstone.



17C



17D



17E



17E

- 17C 2.5.5.2. Duplex Dec.1876 (Feb.1891)
S.O.in the c.d.s. Code seen:B.....Rarity H
- 17D 2.5.5.2. Duplex Dec.1876 (Oct.1889 to Jul.1891)
Codes seen:11,E,F,H.....Rarity F
- 17E 2.4.4.2. Single Dec.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity H
- 17F 2.5.5.2. Duplex 3.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Aug.1895 - May 1898)
Times seen:5.30PM,9.PM.....Rarity F
- 17G 2.5.5.2. Duplex 3.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Jun.1900 to Mar.1904)
Times seen:11.AM,12.15AM,3.PM,5.PM,7.PM,9.PM,12.15PM.....Rarity C
- 17H 2.5.5.2. Duplex 3.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Oct.1898 to May 1904)
Times seen:9.am,12.15AM,2.PM,2.30PM,3.PM,5.30PM,7.PM,8.PM.Rarity C
- 17I 2.4.4.2. Duplex 4.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Jun.1904 to Jan.1906)
Times seen:9.AM,12.15AM,3.PM,8.PM,12.45PM.....Rarity A

21 WANSTEAD

A post office was in existence in 1857 at Wanstead. The first allocation of number 21 was in the 1887 list, this continued up until the 1902 list and then the number was void in 1906. The first cancellations were issued in Dec.1876.



21B



21C

- 21A See Woolwich
- 21B 3.3.3.3. Duplex Dec.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 21C 2.4.4.2. Single Dec.1876 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

22 PLAISTOW

A post office existed at Plaistow in 1857, the first number allocated was 22 in 1887, this continued up to 1906. Although in April 1892 the number 59 was also allocated to Plaistow, there was no suburban oval cancellation issued with this number. The first cancellation was issued in May 1880.



22D

- 22D 2.4.4.2. Single May 1880 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
A cancellation as this but with taller figures was sent to Eltham. (S.E.)

29 FOREST GATE

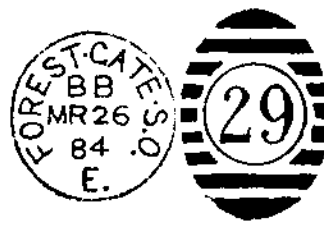
There was no post office of this name in the 1857 list. Number 29 was allocated to Forest Gate in the 1887 list onwards. The first cancellation being issued in Jun.1880.



29C



29D

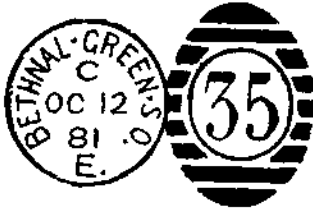


29D

- 29C 2.4.4.2. Single Jun.1880 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 29D 2.5.5.2. Duplex Mar.1884 (Jun.1890 to Jan.1893)
Two duplexes in Proof Books. Only A has been recorded.
Codes seen: A1, AF.....Rarity G
- 29E 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Sep.1895 to Jul.1904)
Times seen: 12.15AM, 8.PM, 9.PM. 9.M.....Rarity C
- 29F 2.4.4.2. Duplex 4.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator. (Feb.1904 to Oct.1906)
Times seen: 12.15AM, 3.30PM, 5.15PM, 7.PM, 9.PM, 12.45PM.....Rarity B
- 29G 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 2 at base of obliterator. (Oct.1904 to Feb.1908)
Times seen: 12.15AM, 9.PM.....Rarity C

35 BETHNAL GREEN

There was no office of this name in the 1857 list. Some time in 1868 a town office type obliterator was issued and another one in Nov.1876. The first suburban oval was sent in Oct.1881. From the 1887 list onwards number 35 is allocated to Bethnal Green.



35B



35B

- 35A See Twickenham.
- 35B 2.5.5.2. Duplex Oct.1881 (Apr.1883 to Nov.1894)
Two different types of cancellation in the Proof Books.
Codes seen:F,G,H,J,K,Z.....Rarity A
- 35C 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Jun.1898 to Jul.1908)
Times seen:6.PM,7.30PM,8.PM.....Rarity D
- 35D 2.4.4.2. Duplex 3.0mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Sep.1905 to Sep.1909)
Times seen:2.45PM,6.PM,7.30PM.....Rarity D
- 35E 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Sep.1904 to Mar.1905)
Times seen:1.PM,6.PM.....Rarity F
- 35F 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 3 at base of obliterator.(Aug.1900 to Nov.1901)
Times seen:1.15PM,6.PM.....Rarity F

36 WALTHAMSTOW

Number 36 was not allocated to Walthamstow on any official list. It was first used at Hampton in the 1844 to 1857 lists and then was void in 1874. In Dec.1881 a cancellation was sent to Walthamstow the number 36;a year and a half later Balham received a number 36 cancellation as well (Apr.1883). Balham had the number 36 allocated in the 1887 list. Despite this Walthamstow continued to use it. Sometime after 1892 the number 85 was allocated but no numeral cancellation was issued with this number.

From Apr.1874 to sometime before 1899 Walthamstow also had the Provincial number 109,several cancellations are in the Proof Books:-

- Apr.1874 3VOS
- Jan.1875 4VOD
- Apr.1880 3VOD
- Mar.1882 3VOD Walthamstow Oxford St.

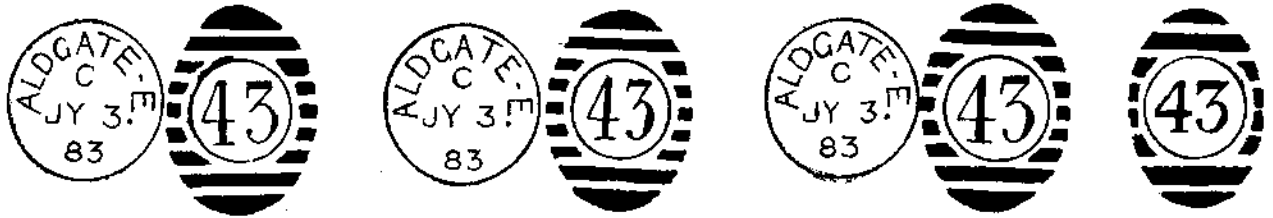


36C

- 36C 2.5.5.2. Duplex Dec.1881 (Jan.1889 to Oct.1890)
Codes seen:A,B,C,D,E,F,H.....Rarity C

43 ALDGATE

There was no post office with this name in the 1857 list. The number was first allocated in 1887 and continued to 1902, it was void in the 1906 list, the first cancellation was issued in Jul.1883.



- 43C 2.5.5.2. Duplex Jul.1883 (Feb.1884 to Nov.1889)
Codes seen:A,B.....Rarity C
- 43D 2.4.4.2. Single Jul.1883 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

44 MANOR PARK

There was no post office of this name in the 1857 list. The first cancellation was issued in Sep.1883. Number 44 was allocated in the 1887 list and later.



- 44C 2.5.5.2. Duplex Sep.1883 (Dec.1888 to Jun.1890)
Codes seen:A,E.....Rarity G
- 44D 2.4.4.2. Single Sep.1883 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 44E 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(May 1896 to Aug.1909)
Times seen:9.45AM,11.AM,1.PM,8.PM,10.PM,12.30PM.....Rarity E

45B BARKING

Not recorded in any list, by 1874, which is the first list that has numbers with a B suffix, Barking was in the Provincial Area. In May 1861 a suburban oval number 45B was issued, in Sep.1870 Barking was issued a 4VOD with the number F08.



45B.A

45B.A 1.9.9.1. Single May 1861 (Aug.1865).....Rarity H

46 STEPHNEY

Originally Stephney was a London District Post Town Receiving House. Number 46 was listed as Southwark in the 1857 list, this might have been in error. Neither has been recorded on cover so the real allocation is still open to question. Number 46 was void in the 1874 list.



46A

46A 2.13.13.1. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

48 SHOREDITCH

Originally Shoreditch was a London District Post Town Receiving House. Number 48 was listed as Sidmouth Street in the 1857 list, this might have been in error. Neither has been recorded on cover so the real allocation is open to question. Number 48 was void in the 1874 list.



48A

48A 2.12.12.2. Single May 1844 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

50 VICTORIA DOCKS

No post office of this name in the 1857 list. The first cancellation was issued in Apr.1883 and the number was officially allocated in the 1887 list and later.



50C

50C

50D

- 50C 2.5.5.2. Duplex Apr.1883 (Jul.1884 to Mar.1892)
 The break in the lower bar has been seen in use.
 Codes seen:A,C,E,F,G,H.....Rarity C
- 50D 2.4.4.2. Single Apr.1883 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 50E 2.5.5.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Apr.1895 to Dec.1906)
 Times seen:3.15PM,5.30PM,7.30PM,12.15PM.....Rarity E
- 50F 2.5.5.2. Duplex 1.5mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(Nov.1897 to Aug.1909)
 Times seen:1.PM,3.15PM,5.PM,5.30PM,9.PM.....Rarity D
- 50G 2.4.4.2. Duplex 3.0mm high 2 at base of obliterator.(May 1905 to Feb.1909)
 Times seen:5.50PM,7.PM,10.30PM,12.15PM.....Rarity F

53 HOMERTON

Number 53 was allocated to Homerton in the 1874 list. The first cancellation was issued in Sep.1870.



53D

53E

53F

- 53D 3.4.4.3. Single Sep.1870 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.
- 53E 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jul.1876 (Apr.1883 to Jul.1891)
 Code seen:E.....Rarity E
- 53F.c 2.5.5.2. Duplex Oct.1881 (Feb.1885 to Dec.1890)
 Codes seen:B,D,E,G,Z.....Rarity F
- 53F.t Duplex as above with the time in full. (May 1900)
 Time seen: ?Rarity H
- 53G 2.5.5.2. Duplex 1.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Jan.1900 to Mar.1902)
 Times seen:10.30AM,12.15AM,1.30PM,3.30PM,4.30PM,5.30PM,
 7.45PM,12.30PM.....Rarity C
- 53H 2.4.4.2. Duplex 2.5mm high 1 at base of obliterator.(Dec.1900 to Apr.1904)
 Time seen:5.30PM.....Rarity G

55 LEYTON STREET

Number was not listed as being allocated to Leyton Street, the number was void in all the official lists until 1892, when it was allocated to West Kensington.



55B

55B 2.10.9.2. Single Jun.1858 (Not recorded).....Rarity H

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SOUTH EASTERN DISTRICT SUBURBAN OFFICES

12B CHARLTON.

Number 12B was allocated to Charlton in the 1874 list only. Its only cancellation in the Suburban series was issued in May 1861. In April 1875 Provincial type cancellations were issued. Brumell says that from 1875 to 1881 Charlton was allowed to use both Provincial and Suburban types. It was after 1881 that Charlton was transferred to the Provincial area only.

The following provincial cancellations with the number 379 were issued:

24 Apr.1875 3VOS Full stop after the 379, none of the duplex types have this feature.

8 Mar.1879 3VOD "Charlton" in the c.d.s.

27 Aug.1879 3VOD "Old Charlton" in the c.d.s.

9 Jan.1882 3VOD "Church Lane Charlton Kent" in the c.d.s.

12 May 1882 3VOD "Lower Road Charlton Kent" in the c.d.s.

On the 12th of August 1875 Woolwich became an independent Head Office in the Provincial Area with the number 264. Charlton came under its control at that time.



12B.A

12B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

13B CHISLEHURST

Chislehurst started in the Provincial Area with the number 201 issued in 1844. The Office was listed in the 1857 list but number 12B was not allocated to it. In May 1861 a cancellation was issued (13B.A) however in 1868 it was officially transferred back to the Provincial Area. Number 13B was thus not allocated in any list. The following provincial cancellations with the number D05 were issued:

10 Jul.1867 4VOD

1 Apr.1871 4VOD

13 Aug.1875 4VOD

5 Aug.1884 3VOD "Lower Camden Chislehurst" in the c.d.s.



13B.A

13B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

14B ERITH

The first cancellation numbered 14B was sent out in May 1861 and thus 14B was allocated to Erith in the 1874 list. In April 1875 provincial cancellations with the number 403 were issued and from 1881 onwards it was placed solely in the Provincial Area.

The following provincial type cancellations were issued:

23 Apr.1875 3VOS Full stop after the 403.

31 Oct.1879 3VOD No full stop.

On the 12th of August 1875 Woolwich became an independent Head Office in the Provincial Area and at that time Erith was allocated to it.



14B.A

14B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

15B FEETS CRAY

Received its first cancellation in May 1861, however in the 1874 list the number 15B was unallocated. The number stayed void throughout the 19th century.



15B.A

15B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity H.

16B LESSNESS HEATH

Number 16B was allocated to Lessness Heath in the 1874 list only. The number was void in the 1887 list. Brumell says that this Office could use suburban type cancellations up to 1874, both suburban and provincial types from 1874 to 1881 and then only provincial types from 1881 onwards. The following provincial type cancellations were issued:

1 May 1875 No. 412 3VOS sans serif four, sent to Lessness Heath.

10 Oct.1879 No. 412 3VOD "Lessness Heath" in the c.d.s.

29 May 1883 No. 412 3VOD "Picardy Belvedere" in the c.d.s.

29 May 1883 No. 412 3VOS serified four, sent to Picardy Belvedere.

Dendy Marshall (1925) says that there is no longer a P.O. with the name Lessness Heath. On the 12th August 1875 Woolwich became an independent Head Office in the Provincial Area, Lessness Heath came under its control at that time.



16B.A

16B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

17B LEWISHAM

The number 17B was never officially listed as having been allocated to Lewisham, by the time the 1874 list came out Lewisham had number 66. The one and only cancellation numbered 17B was issued in May 1861.



17B.A

17B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Feb.1874)

Rarity H

18 DEPTFORD

Originally part of the London District Post Ride number six with Greenwich (20) Woolwich (21) Eltham (22) and Bexley (23). Number 18 was allocated to Deptford throughout the 19th century and the office did not change its status.



18A



18B



18C



18C



18D

18A 2.15.15.1. Single May 1844 (Oct.1857).....Rarity H
Colours: Black, blue. A recut of this cancellation has been seen with 12 bars at each side instead of 15. This has only been seen so far on one stamp.

18B 2.10.10.2. Single Apr.1858 (Not recorded) Rarity H

18C.c 3.5.5.3. Duplex Jun.1876 (Apr.1877 to Jan.1894)

Time in code. Two different subtypes are in the Proof Book (both are illustrated above)

Codes seen: ZZ, X, Z.....Rarity A

18C.t Duplex as above with the time in full. (Jan.1895 to May 1904)

Times seen: 7.45PM, 5.15PM, 9PM, 12.15AM, 2.15PM, 3PM, 3.15PM, 5.30PM

5.45PM, 8PM, 12.15PM.....Rarity A

18D 2.4.4.2. Single Sep.1879 (Not recorded).....Rarity G.P.O.

18B PECKHAM

Number 18B was not officially listed as having been sent to Peckham. In the 1857 list it was down as a post office with no number. In May 1861 number 18B was issued (see 18B.A below) before the 1874 list was issued number 66 had been allocated to Peckham in lieu of 18B.



18B.A

18B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

19 HALFWAY STREET ELTHAM

Number 19 was not officially allocated to Eltham in any official list the number was void from 1844 to 1874 and then listed under Finsbury Park in Feb.1879 The one and only cancellation was sent to Eltham in May 1875 it thus had a very short life.



*Halfway H.S.E.
11. 5. 75 (Eltham)*

19A

19A 2.4.4.2. Vertical oval single May 1875 (Not recorded)

A very similar cancellation was sent to Finsbury Park. Rarity H

19B PENGE

The first cancellation was sent out in May 1861, it was officially listed in 1874 and 1887, however only one cancellation was ever sent.



19B.A

19B.A 2.7.7.2. Single May 1861 (Not recorded)

Rarity G.P.O.

