

FLAW FINDER 1D TYPO PLATES 5 & 6



For the flaw finder the stamp is broken down the following headings:

- Top frame
- Left frame
- Bottom frame
- Right frame
- Top Left Corner (TLC)
- Top Right Corner (TRC)
- Left ferns
- Tasmania band
- Right ferns
- Sky
- Trees
- Water and banks
- Left Value Tablet (LVT)
- Mount Wellington band
- Right Value Tablet (RVT)
- Bottom Left Corner (BLC)
- Bottom Right Corner (BRC)

Where a flaw covers more than one area it will be shown in both.

Under the picture of the flaw the plate position is noted. Check the relevant position in section 2 for any other flaws that may be present and the description.

This flaw finder is based on the 1986 work by Keith Lancaster and earlier work by J Purves together with additional research by the author, Richard Singleton. The K Lancaster book provides a lot more detail about all the Pictorials also the perforations, watermarks etc and any serious Pictorial collector should have a copy. A number of new platings are included here.

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- **This work is not complete. If you have any blocks, pairs or flaws for any of the six plates please contact by email at rsingle@enchem.co.nz.**

Plates 5 & 6 were in use from 1910 using the Crown over A watermarks. A few flaws remained reasonably consistent throughout the life of the plates, others came, changed and disappeared over time. Dates refer to those seen by the author, the flaws may be found both before and after. Plate 6 in particular contains a number of gaps, We have not seen blocks covering the lower half of the plate.

I have many other flaws on file, some no doubt are one-offs, if you have any you are unable to plate they can be posted on the TPS bulletin board, on Stampboards or contact me by e mail.

It should also be noted that nearly all the flaws are variable, copies of confirmed positional stamps without the relevant flaw have been found on many occasions.

For all new platings a minimum of 3 copies have been viewed, this includes the new UCV's.

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Top frame and shading



5-7



5-8



6-54



UCV510



5-18



UCV509



UCV509



UCV509

Left frame



5-2



5-11 S2



6-4



UCViii

Centre



5-7



6-43



6-43 S2



6-51



UCV xii

Bottom



5-11



5-16



5-27



6-27



6-27



6-49

Right frame
Top



6-9



6-40

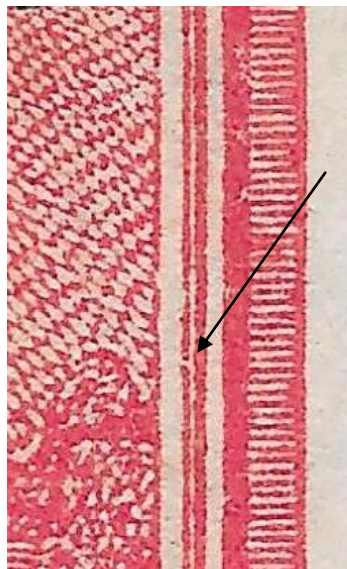


6-1

Centre



5-7 S2



5-11



UCV x

Bottom



UCV ix

Bottom frame



5-38



6-53

Top left corner



6-51



5-10 pos



5-1



6-2

Top right corner



5-9



UCV521



5-3



6-9



UCV512



UCViii

Left ferns



5-6



UCV513

'TASMANIA' banner



5-9



5-41



6-3



UCV508



UCV507



UCV506

Right ferns



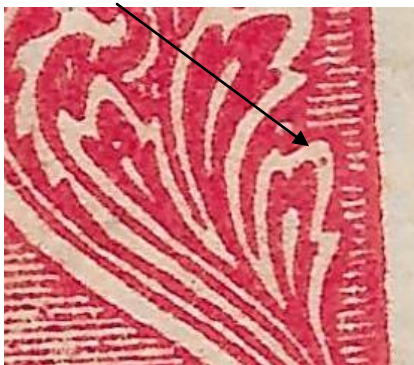
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5-5



UCV ii



UCV504



UCV503

**Sky
Left**



6-49



UCV ii



5-53 or 5-55

Centre



5-6

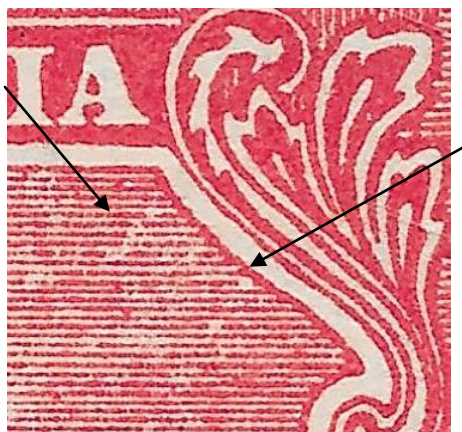


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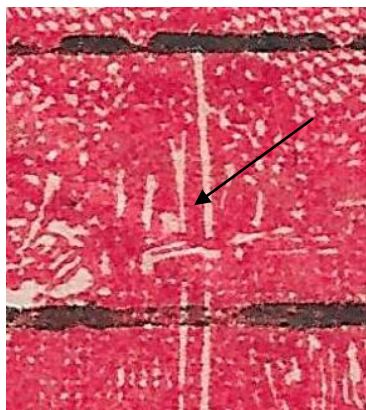
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Right

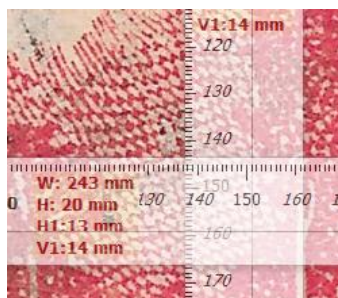


Trees

Central trees



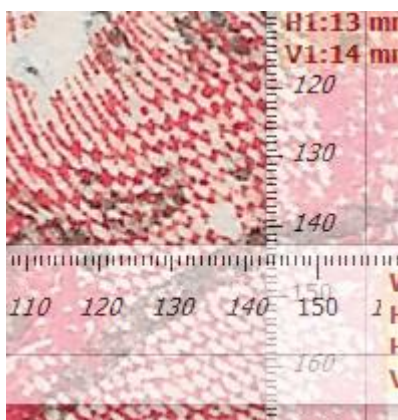
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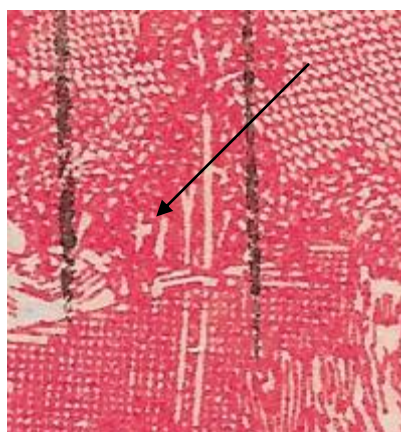
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6-19



6-27



5-10

Right trees



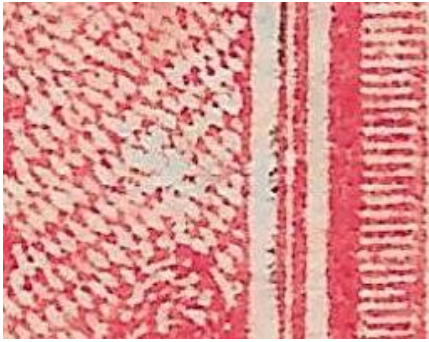
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6-40 S2



6-40 S3



UCV517

LVT



5-16



5-59 S1



5-59 S2



6-4



6-43



6-49 S3



6-7



UCV519



UCV518

MOUNT WELLINGTON' banner



5-8



5-59



5-59



UCV505



6-2

RVT



6-49



UCV ix

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Bottom left corner



5-2



5-54/5-59



UCV501



5-59 early

5-1



Top left corner rounded.

No consistent flaws enabling plating without top left corner watermark lines.

5-3

Lancaster: Top right corner broken at right and tilted upwards.



Multiple copies, confirmed position.

5-6

Lancaster: Diagonal white dash in sky about 2 mm below right upright of 'M'.



Confirmed, multiple copies seen.

Small white flaw in left ferns (variable)

5-7

Lancaster: Oval white flaw in left panel 14 mm below top; two vertical nicks in top frame above 'AS'; and later, white flaw in right panel 10 mm above base.



S1

Oval white flaw in left panel 14 mm below top;

Two vertical nicks in top frame above 'AS';

S2

White flaw in right panel 10 mm above base.

5-8

Lancaster: Nick in top frame 2½ mm from left corner; white spur on lower left of title tablet (there is another top row stamp with identical nick but no spur, and pairs with stamp that has none of the No. 7 flaws).



Multiple copies seen.

5-9

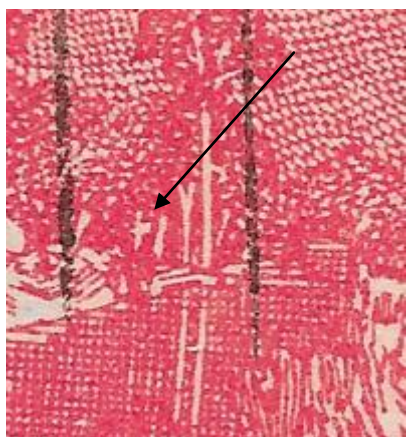
Lancaster: Top right corner markedly sliced; nick in top frame 2 mm from right corner; colour spot below 'M'



A number of copies showing flaws as above seen, none have a nick in the top frame.

The third top right corner scan is thin paper and has no spot under 'M'

5-10



White flaw on left central tree trunk.

Confirmed by block and pair with 5-9

5-11

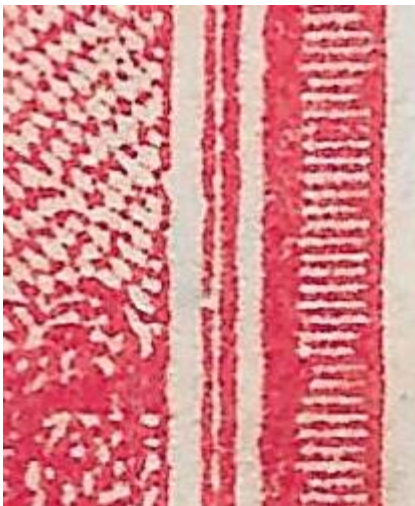
Lancaster: Nick in left of left panel $8\frac{1}{2}$ mm above base; later develops minute nick on left of left panel 5 mm below top (from 1911).



2 states.

Both flaws confirmed through multiple copies.

S3



Left frame flaws as before

Break in inner vignette frame 16mm from top frame.

Break in colour line level with top of right bush.

5-13

Lancaster: Vertical white dash at lower right of third 'A', running from sky to upper right ornament.



Confirmed flaw.

5-15

Lancaster: A tiny white flaw just to left of base of small tree in centre.



5-16

Lancaster: Tiny white dot in LVT under 'd'; later develops minute white dot on right of left panel 13 mm above base.



S1

Tiny white dot in LVT under 'd'.

S2

LVT flaw unchanged.

Minute white dot on right of left panel 13 mm above base.

5-18



5 confirmed copies of TF notch seen.

5-38

Lancaster: White arc dislodging base colour below 'G' of 'WELLINGTON' 9 mm from right corner (later printings only).



5-41

Lancaster: Break in horizontal colour line above right upright of 'N' of 'TASMANIA'; tiny nick in right frame 11½ mm below top.



Right frame nick not present. 2 copies seen, no confirmed position.

5-53



Colour flaw in sky below 'AS' of 'TASMANIA'. This flaw appears to have curved side with a slight indent on the left.

NOTE: It is very similar to 5-55 sky flaw, they are both in an identical position but 5-55 tends to be more 'blocky'. There are no other consistent differences.

I have only seen one confirmed strip for these two so further confirmation required.

5-54



Bottom left corner shaved inwards on left frame with downwards protrusion.

NOTE: This is similar to the flaw on 5-59 but there are no secondary constant flaws.

5-55



See notes above for 5-53. Not confirmed.

5-56

Lancaster: Small white flaw in shading on mountain slopes at right of right tree 14 mm below top frame.



14 copies seen

5-59

Lancaster: Lower left corner deformed with slight downward projection; break in horizontal colour line above 'G' of 'WELLINGTON'.



S1 May 1910

Bottom left corner void with remnants of colour (variable)

White flaw in scroll above 'G' of 'WELLINGTON'

Bottom vignette frame joins LVT,

S2

Bottom left corner shaved on left frame with downwards protrusion.

NOTE: This is similar 5-54 so other flaws required to confirm.

6-1

Lancaster: Top right corner curved and weak on right; tiny white spot above summit of mountain.



Four stamps showing a top right corner weakness plus have a left margin watermark line and a rough top frame indicating top row.

The left frame is shaved inwards to the top left corner for 5mm.

S2



Top right corner shaved

White flaw just below white circular ornament on right.

6-2



Top left corner shaved..

Notch inside vignette frame into reeds above 'LL' of 'WELLINGTON'.

Confirmed by block

6-3

Lancaster: Upper right corner sliced; colour dot sometimes under 'M' of 'TASMANIA'.

NOTE: This description is the same as that for 5-9.



Not confirmed, colour dot is in same position as 5-9. I have two stamps with dot slightly to the left but there is no problem with the top right corner. Not confirmed, do not plate as a single.

6-4

Lancaster: Top left corner shaved slightly inwards for the top 2 mm.



All copies (17) have a small colour dot in the right margin of the LVT.

6-7

Lancaster: Minute breaks in right frame of LVT.



Also white marks under '1' Four copies seen.

6-9

Lancaster: Top right corner sliced with horizontal colour spur jutting to right from right frame just below nick in right frame 1½ mm below top; colour sometimes inside top of 'T' of 'TASMANIA'.



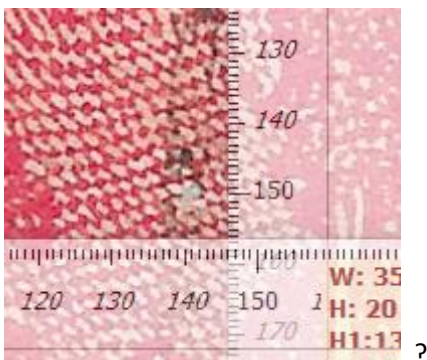
6-19

Lancaster: Small circular white flaw in shading between central and right trees on level with top of former.



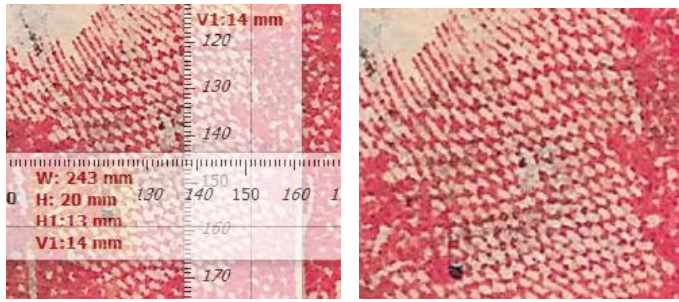
Circular white flaw 15mm from top frame and 13½mm from left frame.

This copy taken from a confirmed 9th column position.



6-20

Lancaster: White shading flaw between trees but fainter and lower than on No. 19.



Faint flaw located 14mm from top frame and 13½mm from left frame.

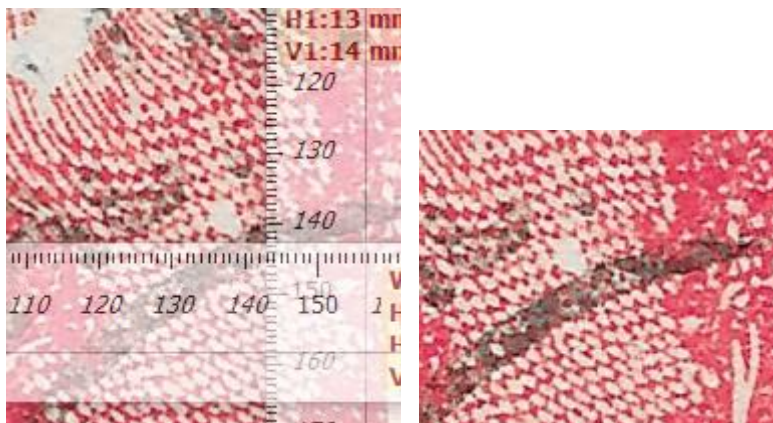
Right marginal watermark line required to identify.

NOTE: These three positions, 6-19, 6-20 and 6-27 require confirmation. The strip of three positioning 6-19 are perfin and the flaw on 6-20 is obscured.

Lancaster makes no mention of the left frame flaw on 6-27.

6-27

Lancaster: Slightly larger flaw than that on N0. 19 and slightly more to the right.



Slightly larger, located 13¾mm from left frame and 14mm from top frame.

S2



Mountain flaw as S1.

Small flaw on left frame 8 mm from bottom frame.

S3



Mountain flaw as S1.

Left frame flaw becomes larger notch.

6-40

Lancaster: Nick in right frame 6½mm below top with smaller nick just above; later a circular white flaw develops on upper right mountain slopes 11 mm below top frame; later still this flaw was repaired, leaving a faint white circle around the repair.

S1



I have seen 20+ copies, the second scan above is the closest to a second nick above the first. Most copies show only the one nick.

S2



Nick in right frame as before.

White flaw on mountain slope at upper right.



This S2 shows both notches and the mountain slope flaw. There is also a large colour flaw in sky above (only one copy showing sky flaw seen).

S3



Nick in right frame as before.

Repair work done to mountain slope flaw.

6-43

Lancaster: White flaw at left of left column 13 mm above base frame; another white flaw develops later at its lower right.



S1



S2

6-45

Lancaster: White dot in sky 2 mm below centre of 'M'.



This spot is 2mm down but more to the right than the centre. Only one copy seen, others that are slightly lower on file. Could be 5-6.

NOT confirmed.

6-49

Lancaster: Vertical white flaw on right of left panel 7 to 8 mm above base; minute white dot below right 'd', later has white dot in sky below 'T', whilst other two flaws progressively recede.



S1

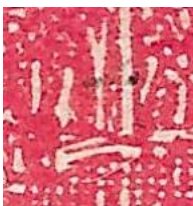
Vertical white flaw on right of left panel.



S2

Left panel as S1

Small white spot under 'd' in RVT



Flaw on trunk to left of fork to check, separate state?



S3

Left panel and RVT as S2

Spot in sky below left of 'T' of 'TASMANIA'

Small white spot over left bottom seriph of '1' in LVT.

6-51

Lancaster: White L-shaped flaw at left of left column 15 mm below top frame; top left corner clipped.



Multiple copies seen.

6-53



Small notch in bottom frame 5mm from bottom left corner.

Multiple copies, 3 dated 1912.

Confirmed by pair with 6-43

6-54

Lancaster: Minute white flaw creating nick in top frame above right upright of 'N'.



UCVii

Vertical “chisel mark” breaking vignette frame at right 6 mm below top frame.



6 copies seen

UCV xii

Broad but shallow bite from left panel 14 mm below top.



11 copies Left margin watermark line.

NEW UCV's

UCV501

This is a left margin position.

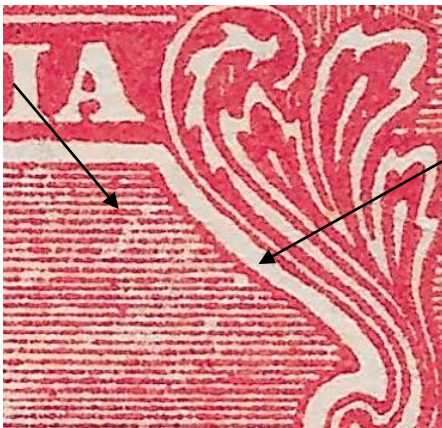


Bottom left corner extends to left.

8 copies dated 1910 - 1912.

UCV502

This is a left margin position.

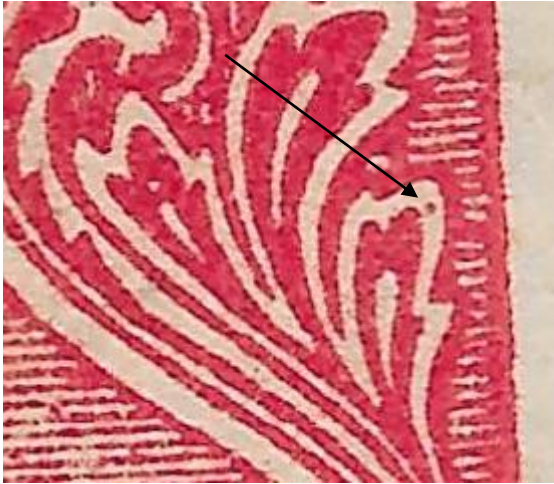


Small white spot in sky at right by vignette frame.

The white markings in the sky below the last 'A' are present to some degree in all copies.

6 copies, three with 1912 dates.

UCV504



Colour spot in right ferns

8 copies dated 1911 and 1912.

UCV505

This is a right margin position.



Small white flaw at top left of title banner.

Combined with right margin watermark line should be platable.

5 copies date 1911 and 1912.

UCV506



Small white flaw below 'N' of 'TASMANIA' variable in size.

15 copies seen 1911 to 1912.

UCV507



Colour dot under left upright of 'N' of 'TASMANIA'

5 copies 1912 - 1914.

UCV508



Colour dot under left upright of 'M' of 'TASMANIA'

Note: This is further to the right than 5-9 or 6-3.

4 copies 1910 only 1 date 1910

UCV509



White flaw in shading above right ferns.

This varies in size but is consistent in position over right frond.

State of top frame suggest possible top row position.

8 copies dated 1911 and 1912.

UCV510



Small nick in top frame above 'A' of 'TASMANIA'

4 copies, 2 dated 1912.

UCV511

6-53

UCV512



Top Right Corner extends up and has white flaw.

Top frame suggests a top row position.

3 copies seen, no dates.

UCV513



Minute spot just inside left ferns in line with top vignette frame.

4 copies one with 1911 date.

UCV514



Colour spot in sky below 'AS' Of 'TASMANIA'

Multiple copies. This is position 58 on one of the plates, the 'JB' monogram is directly below.

UCV515



Small white spot in sky 5 lines below 'M' of 'TASMANIA'

3 copies 1 dated 1911.

UCV516

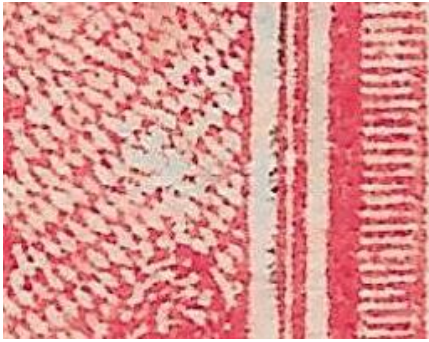


Small white spot in sky below right upright of 'N' of 'TASMANIA'. 6mm from top frame and 8½mm from right frame.

3 copies one dated 1912.

UCV517

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White flaw on mountain above right bush.

3 copies no dates.

UCV518



Fine break in left frame of LVT in line with upper serif of '1'.

10 copies with 1911 & 1912 dates.

UCV519



Break in bottom left frame of LVT

3 copies. 2 dated 1913.

UCV520



Bottom left corner extends downwards and left frame cut in to corner.

Note: The BLC flaw is very similar to 5-59 but the other two flaws are missing. There is one copy in a pair that would have a left WM line if 5-59 but it is missing.

Position 54 on one of the plates, the 'A' monogram is below stamp on left.

12 copies dated 1911 and 1912.

UCV521



Top right corner extends to the right.

Appears to be a top frame position.

Numerous copies from 1910.