

LOCAL ISSUE IV, SO-CALLED "SHERWIN ISSUE"

The plate of 1848 was inspected by Mr. Robert Sherwin, a master at the Royal College of Port Louis then, who was of opinion that the plate could be repaired at the expense of sterling £7, according to a letter from the Colonial Postmaster to the Colonial Secretary dated February 10, 1858. In a letter of August 4, 1858, however, the Colonial Postmaster reported that the re-engraving of the plate had not been finished yet. The 2d. stamps printed from the Lapirot's plate were issued soon after. This plate of Mr. Lapirot wore out so quick in much less than ten months, during which period the plate of 1848 was re-engraved. It may be taken as certain that the stamps printed from this re-engraved plate were in use temporarily, until sometime when the lithographed stamps made by Mr. Dardenne were issued. No records has been found so far whether the re-engraving of the plate of 1848 was completed by Mr. R. Sherwin himself or by some other engraver.

SHERWIN ISSUE

Denomination
Date of Issue
Construction
of Sheet
Perforation
Paper



Two Pence
October 1859
Four Horizontal
Rows of Three
Imperforate
Bluish Wove Paper

Reprint from the Sherwin plate

One Penny



Reprint from the Sherwin plate

Two Pence



Reprint from the Sherwin plate

The Advertisement of Hotel D'Europe
in Port Louis

Tout les Particuliers

Cet Etablissement offre à Mess^{rs} les Voyageurs toutes les commodités
désirables, et se recommande particulièrement par sa situation cen-
trale, aérée et salubre; dans le voisinage des principaux lieux publics
et de l'Hotel du Gouvernement, des Cathédrales, des Académies, de
l'Administration, des cours de justice, du théâtre, du Champ de Mars,
des salons magnifiques, des salles spacieuses et élégamment garnies, vaste
Bibliothèque, etc. etc. Chef de Cuisine habile, Maître d'Hotel expérimenté
moins assés dans le service; Cave fournie de Vins, Spiritueux et
Liqueurs de toutes sortes et du meilleur choix.

N° 255 Rue du Gouvernement, Port Louis, Maurice.

The Back of Sherwin "One Penny" plate
in French

The Advertisement of Hotel D'Europe
in Port Louis

<p>Grand Hotel d'Europe, Port Louis.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GRAND HOTEL D'EUROPE.</p> <p>This Establishment offers to Strangers arriving in the Colon- ny & to visitors generally, every comfort & convenience that can be desired, it is particularly commendable for its central, airy, & salubrious situation, being in the vicinity of the principal public places, Government, Protestant & Catholic Churches, Public Offices, Courts of Justice, Theatre, Champs-de Mars, &c. Splen- did Saloons, spacious & airy & elegantly furnished bed & chambers, ex- tensive Court Yards, Bath, & each house, Subling &c. A first rate Master Cook, an experienced Band Master, excellent attendance, & a cellar stocked with every variety of choice Wines, Bott. Liquors, Spirits, &c.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No. 35 Government St. Port Louis - Mauritius.</p>	<p>Grand Hotel d'Europe, Port Louis.</p>
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The Back of Sherwin "Two Pence" plate
in English