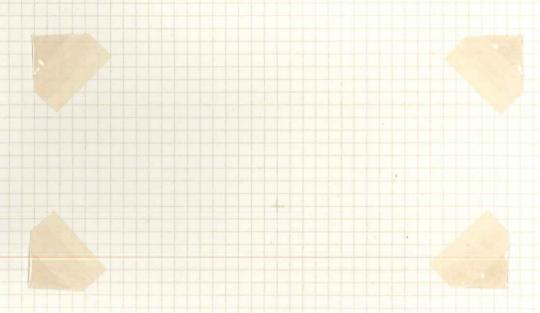
Prior to 1884 no special adhesives for collection of tax were used in Egypt. Until then prepayment of unregistered mail was optional and the amount payable by the recipient was indicated on the front of the letters by large numerals. The amount of postage was doubled for such letters, had the sender prepaid the transport of the letter.



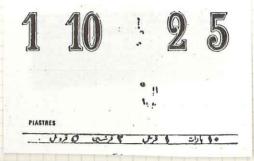
Letter from Kafer-Zayat to Cairo. Postmarked on front KAFER-ZAYAT 2 APR. 68 and backstamped in Cairo. The large black numeral "80" on front indicates the fee to be paid, i.e. 80 para equivalent to 2 piastres.

On January 1st, 1884, postage due adhesives were introduced for use on correspondence, unsufficiently franked or entirely unfranked.

The new stamps were designed by L. Barkhausen and printed by Victor Penasson in Alexandria in sheets of 100 and by lithography.

Though four types can be recognised for each of the stamps the design was drawn only once, i. e. for the 20 para value. This original die is illustrated on next page.

Substitutions were made of the separate indications of value for the other duties as illustrated here:



After the insertion of transfers from the supplementary value dies a second original stone was laid down for each stamp.

The same stones were used for the two issues of 1884 and 1886.

The 1884 issue is printed on a residue of paper, prepared for the second issue of postage stamps of 1867 – 69, bearing watermark Star over Crescent on each stamp. This "watermark" was actually impressed on the paper after it had been already finished. The sheets of this paper furthermore bear a marginal inscription, printed in the colour of the stamps in the actual sheet. Beneath this inscription can be seen a marginal watermark in Italian, which frequently expresses a value for the stamps entirely different from that of the stamps actually printed.

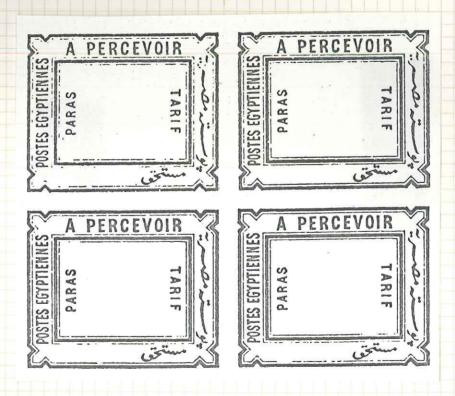
The postage due stamps of 1886 were printed on paper without watermark.

All stamps of these two issues are perforate 10 1/2.



Illustration of the die, used for all values.

An original stone of four transfers from the die, illustrated here above, was then laid down for each stamp in the series, after the unwanted portions of the design had been stopped out, thus:



Printed in lithography by V. Penasson in Alexandria in sheets of 100, each stamp showing four types.

Jan 1st, 1884. Printed on paper with watermark Star over Crescent.

Perf. 10 1/2.











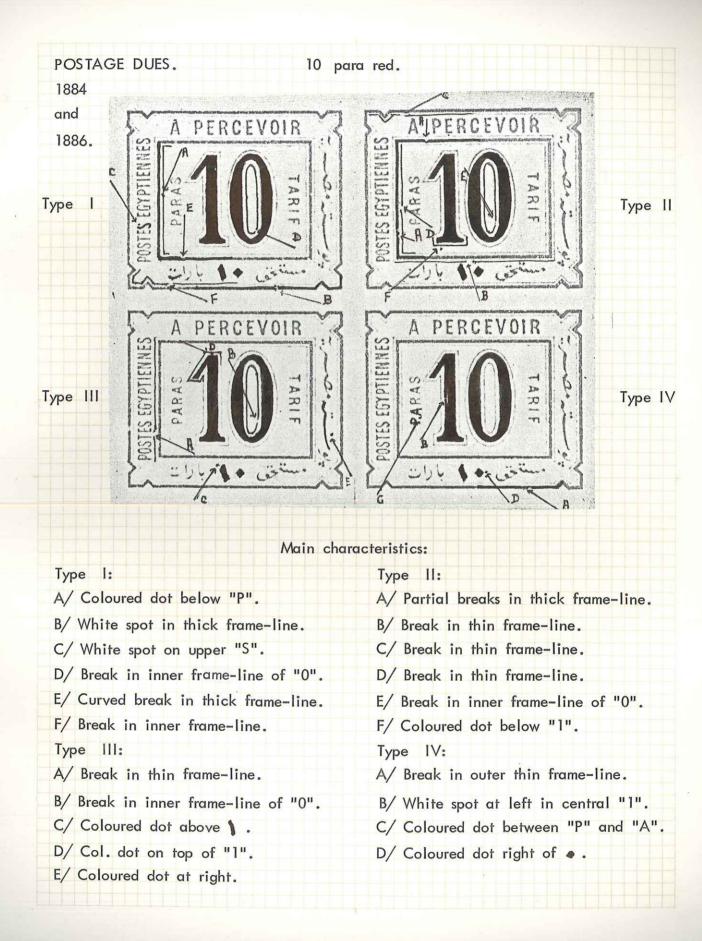
Aug. 1st, 1886. As before but printed on paper without watermark.











1884.

Watermark impressed on face.





Shades



Watermark misplaced

Ш

IV

Ш

Strip of three imperforate

Watermark impressed on back.

Туре І



Type II

Type III



Type IV

Constellation of the four types





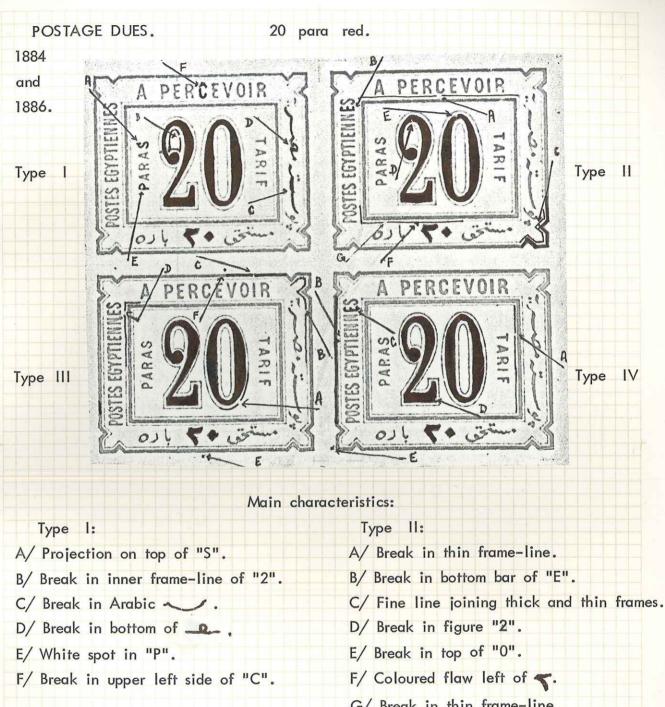
Shades



Watermark misplaced



Flaw



Type III:

A/ Break in thin line around "0".

B/ Break in thin frame-line at right.

C/ Break in thick frame-line.

D/ Break in thin frame-line.

E/ - F/ Coloured dot in margin.

G/ Break in thin frame-line.

Type IV:

A/ Break in thin frame-line.

B/ Projection from thick frame-line.

C/ Coloured dot on bottom part of "E".

D/ Break in foot of "2".

E/ Coloured dot outside SW corner.

Flaw





Shades





Watermark misplaced

1884.

Watermark impressed on back.

Type I





Type II

Type III

Type IV

Constellation of the four types.







Shades

Watermark impressed on face.





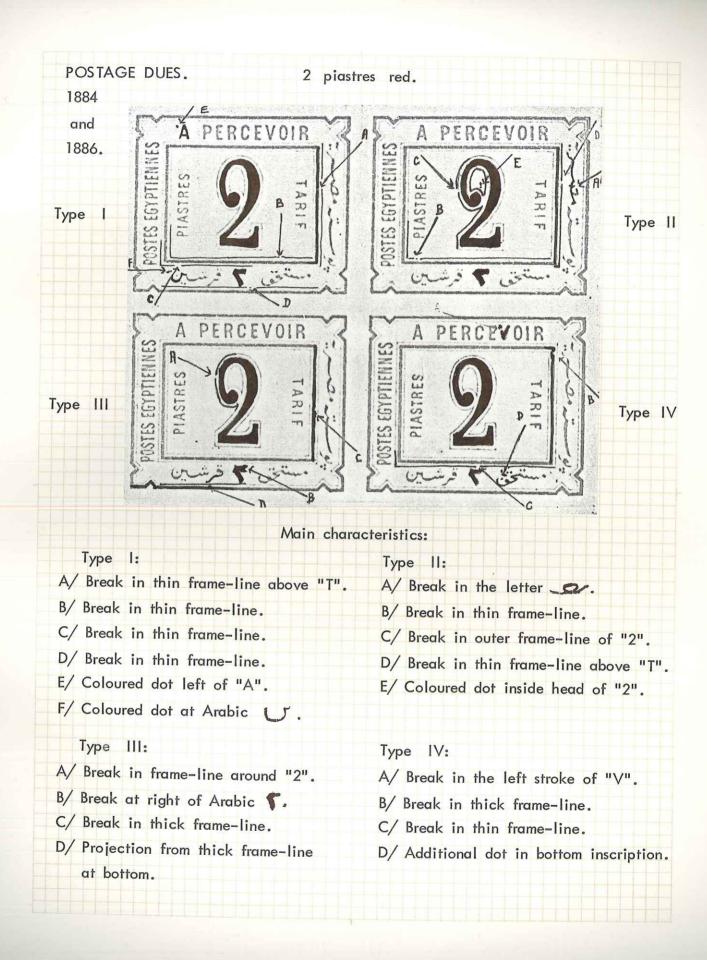
Shades



Watermark misplaced



Broken inner frame



POSTAGE DUES.

2 piastres red.

1884.

Watermark impressed on back.

Type I



Type II

Type III



Type IV

Constellation of the four types.









Shades

Watermark impressed on face:





Shades



Watermark on back



Watermark on face

Watermark misplaced

5 piastres red.

1884.

Watermark impressed on back.

Type I

A PERCEVOIR
SHURLING SIX

Type II

Type III



Type IV

Constellation of the four types.



NAME OF STREET O

Post Hudgons

FAKE PASTMANEL

Shades

Watermark impressed on face:



Watermark normal



Watermark misplaced

Marginal pair





Type II

Type III



Type IV

Constellation of the four types.







Shades



Flaw





Thick paper



Very thin smooth paper

POSTAGE DUES.

20 para rose-red.

1886.





Type II

Type III



Type IV

Constellation of the four types.







Shades





Thick paper



Thin smooth paper



Type IV

Type II

Constellation of the four types.











Shades





Thick paper

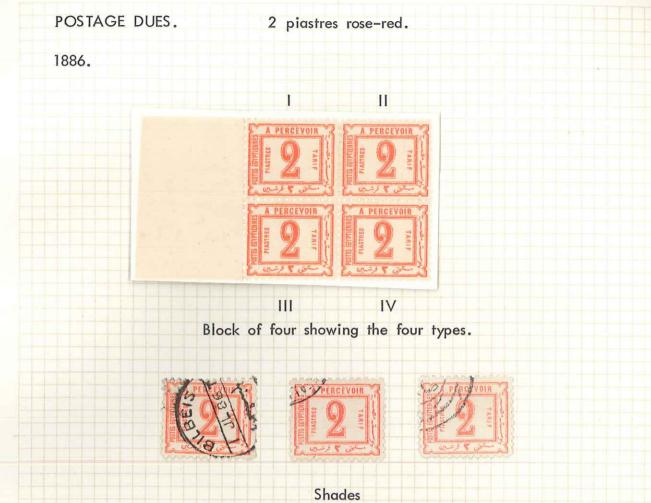






Thin smooth paper

POSTAGE DUES. 1 piastre rose-red. 1886. Broken R 111 IV 11 Pair imperforate between





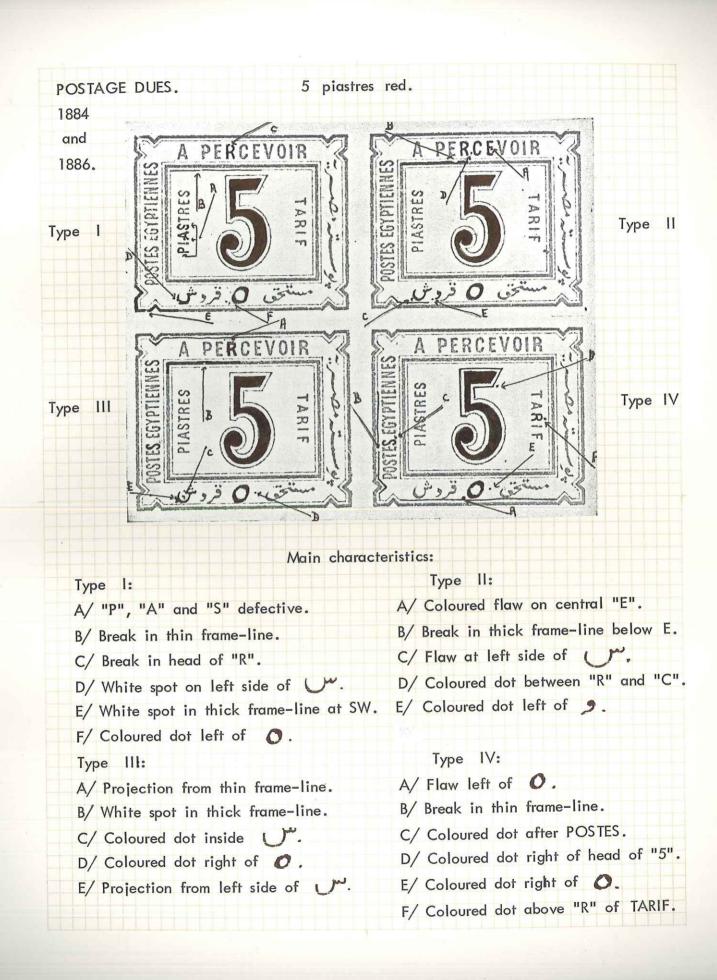






Thick paper

Thin smooth paper



Jan. 1st, 1888. The issued stamps.











1888.



Main characteristics:

- Type I: A/ Break in lower part of the letter "I".
 - B/ Break in the lower thin frame-line in SE corner.
 - C/ Coloured dot in right panel. D/ Dot below Arabic figure
- Type II: A/ Coloured spot in right inscription. B/ Projection from frame.
 - C/ Coloured flaw. D/ Break in the ball of "2".
- Type III: A/ Projection from "T". B/ Coloured dot on top of "2".
 - C/ Projection from frame. D/ Projection from Arabic figure.
- Type IV: A/ Coloured dot below "s". B/ First vertical stroke of "M" thin.
 - C/ A comma-like flaw from left character. D/ Break in "2".
 - E/ Break in thin frame-line below and right of "A".

POSTAGE DUES. 1888.

2 milliemes green.













Shades





Very thin smooth paper



Semi-transparent slightly oily paper







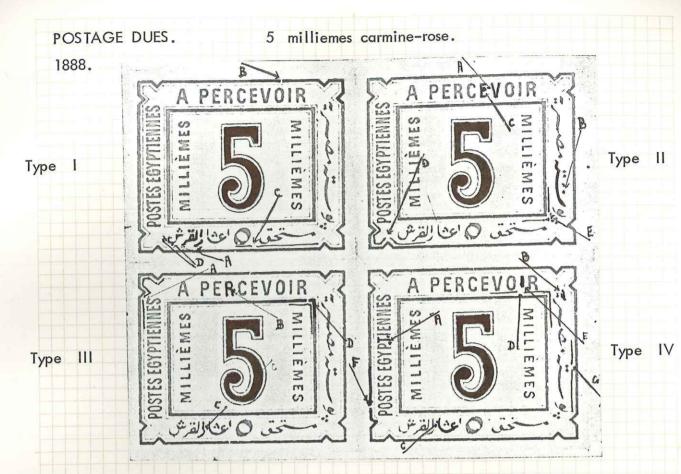




Various flaws



Broken frame



Main characteristics:

Туре	1:
INDA	10

- A/ Arabic "re" longer.
- B/ Break in upper frame-line.
- C/ Break in thin frame-line.
- D/ Two coloured dots as shown above.

Type III:

- A/ Break in inner frame-line.
- B/ Projection from leg of first "R".
- C/ The two Arabic letters as shown above almost touch eachother.
- D/ White spot in thich frame-line.

Type II:

- A/ Coloured dot between "E" and "V".
 - B/ Coloured dot at right.
- C/ Coloured dot on central stroke of "E".
- D/ Break in inner frame-line .

Type IV:

- A/ Two coloured dots at "T".
- B/ Break in upper right Arabic letter.
- C/ Projection at left of
- D/ Break in inner frame-line.
- E/ Lower part of "I" missing.
- F/ Projection from thick frame-line.

Type I

Type III



Type II

Type IV

Block of four, showing the four types.















Shades





Very thin smooth paper



Semi-transparent slightly oily paper

POSTAGE DUES.

1888.

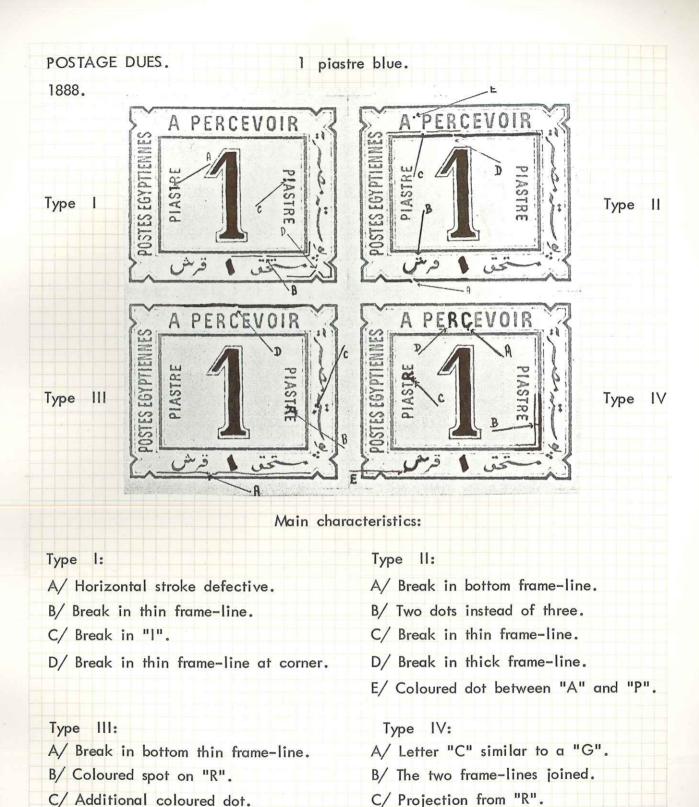
5 milliemes carmine-rose.



A PERCEVOIR 7

Sawail Called

Broken frame



D/ Break in "R".

E/ Projection from

D/ Break in thick frame-line.

Type I





Type II

Type III





Type IV

Constellation of the four types.

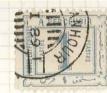














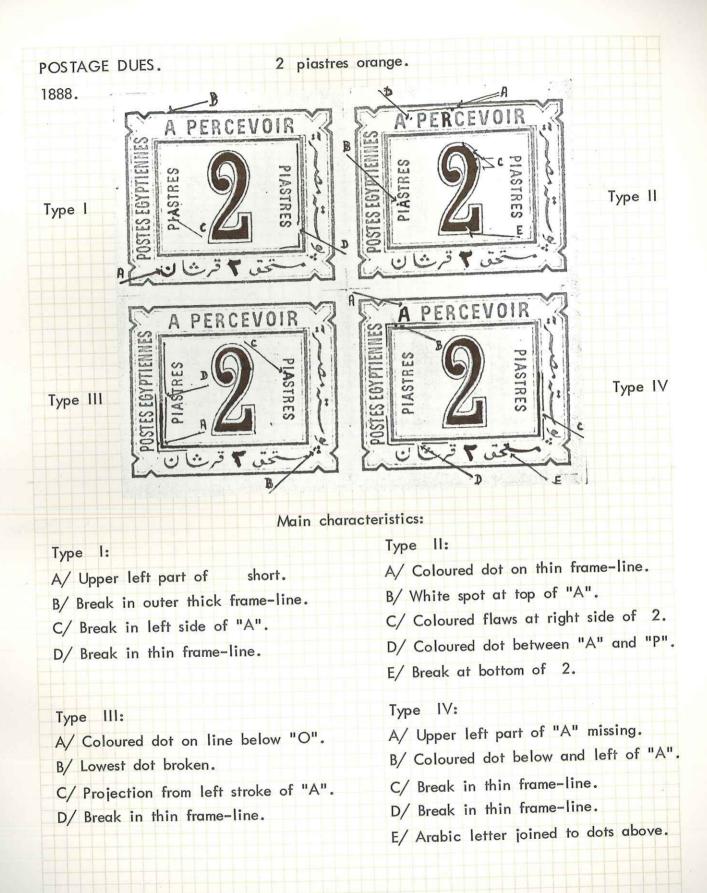
Shades





Very thin smooth paper

POSTAGE DUES. 1 piastre blue. 1888. Type IV Type III Pair, imperforate between. Broken Broken frame



POSTAGE DUES. 1888.

2 piastres orange.

Туре І





Type II

Type III





Type IV

Constellation of the four types.









Shades



Double impression



Broken

5 piastres grey.

1888.

Type I



Type IV

Type II

Type III

Main characteristics:

Type I:

A/ Break in outer thick frame-line.

a projection from left side.

C/ Several small dots or lines.

D/ "T" short and defective at left.

Type III:

A/ Dot after left PIASTRES.

B/ Sharp end to P, turned to the right.

C/ Break in middle part of

D/ Head of 5 joined to frame beneath.

E/ Flaw like a crescent.

F/ Break in thin frame-line.

G/ Col. spot on thick frame-line.

Type II:

A/ Letter O broken and like a C.

B/ Break in thin frame-line.

C/ The thin and thick frame-lines joined.

D/ The 5 joined to thin frame-line around.

Type IV:

A/ Break in thin frame-line.

B/ Upper part of "R" broken.

C/ "T" defective at right side.

D/ Breaks in thin frame-line.

E/ Projection from thick frame-line.

F/ The 5 joined to the thin frame-line.

POSTAGE DUES. 1888.

5 piastres grey.

Type I

Type III









Type II

Type IV

Constellation of the four types.





Shades

POSTAGE DUES.

1889 - 1914.

Numeral design.

Printed in typography by De La Rue & Co. Ltd., London, in sheets of 240, divided by gutter margins into four panes of 60 stamps each.

All with single watermark Star over Crescent. All perforate 14.

1889. Ordinary paper.









1902. Printed on chalk-surfaced paper.









1914. Re-issued on paper with watermark sideways.







POSTAGE DUES. 1889. l piastre ultramarine.
Ordinary paper.
Wide watermark upright.











Shades



Broken "S".



Weak impression



Uneven frame

White flaw

POSTAGE DUES. 1889. 2 milliemes green.
Ordinary paper.
Wide watermark upright.



















Weak impression



Year in pmk 66 instead of 99

POSTAGE DUES.

2 milliemes green.

Chalk-surfaced paper.

Narrow watermark sideways.

Wmk. V: Crescent open to the left.





Shades

Wmk. VI: Crescent open to the right.





Shades



Block of four

POSTAGE DUES. 1889. 4 milliemes maroon.
Ordinary paper.
Wide watermark upright.















Shades



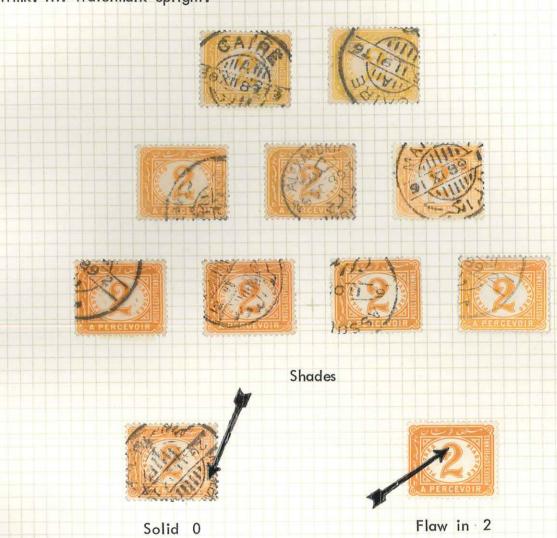






POSTAGE DUES. 1889. 2 piastres orange.
Ordinary paper.
Wide watermark.

Wmk. III: Watermark upright.



Wmk. IV: Watermark inverted.





2 milliemes green.

Chalk-surfaced paper.

Wide watermark upright.













Shades



Weak impression



Inscription blurred and partly filled

4 milliemes maroon.
Chalk-surfaced paper.
Wide watermark upright.















Shades



Weak line.

POSTAGE DUES.
1914.

4 milliemes maroon.

Chalk-surfaced paper.

Narrow watermark sideways.

Wmk. V: Crescent open to the left.







Shades



Coloured flaw

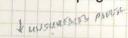
Wmk. VI: Crescent open to the right.





Shades

I piastre ultramarine.
Chalk-surfaced paper.
Wide watermark upright.





















Shades



White flaw



Uneven



E filled with colour

l piastre blue.

Chalk-surfaced paper.

Narrow watermark sideways.

Wmk. V: Crescent open to the left.







Shades

Wmk. VI: Crescent open to the right.







Shades



Extra dot



2 piastres orange.
Chalk-surfaced paper.
Wide watermark upright.









Shades



D.18

Block of four

POSTAGE DUES. May 7th, 1898.

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

This stamp was originally created for use on correspondence from the troops serving on the frontiers and in the Sudan, where the Mahdi was overthrown on September 2nd, 1898.— Subaltern officers and soldiers in the ranks were allowed to send letters, not exceeding 30 gr., from the front to Egypt without stamps on them and without prepayment, provided such letters were endorsed by the sender and countersigned by his commanding officer. The letters had to be marked "On active service - No stamps available." On arrival such letters were not taxed double. The recipient was to pay only 3 milliemes for a single letter.

As there was no postage due stamp of 3 milliemes in Egypt, a provisional stamp was created by overprinting the current 2 piastres due stamp of 1889 with a diagonal surcharge in black, reading "3 Milliemes" above and the equivalent in Arabic below.

The surcharge was applied in Cairo, by typography, to panes of 60 stamps. Four settings of the sursharge have been recorded.

Two types of surcharge can be recognised: Type A with a space of 2 mm. between "3" and "M", Type B with larger (2,5 mm.) space between.

In 1905 a new surcharge appeared with a "hamza" at top of the Arabic "alif". Surcharged as in 1898 but possibly on half panes of 30 stamps.

All with (wide) watermark Crescent and Star. All perforate 14.

Stamps printed on both ordinary and chalk-surfaced paper were overprinted.

1898:

1905





CHALKY

Varieties:



Broken Arabic overprint

Block of four with stamps No. 26 + 27 and 36 + 37

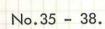


Broken (No. 36)

Broken 🏲



No.25 - 28





Broken opt.

Type B

No. 36 with broken

POSTAGE DUES. May 7th, 1898.

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

Ordinary paper.

Varieties:



One dot only over 3rd character making the word read "the bed",

No dots over the 3rd character making the word read "the throne".

In the first setting of the overprint the right hand vertical column of six stamps (No. 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60) erroneously bear an Arabic two (γ) instead of three (γ). In the second state of the setting this mistake was corrected by overprinting a γ over the γ as seen on the block beneath.



Block of four with gutter margin.

Type B (wide setting)





THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

Ordinary paper.

Varieties:



Overprint a cheval.



Ditto, upper stamp with part overprint only

POSTAGE DUES. (1902)

Type A: (narrow setting)

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP. AU THAT PARTS

Inverted overprint:



Used single

Pair

Due to a paper fold the bottom right stamp has received only part of the opt. on the face. The remaining part has fallen on the gummed side.

Block of four

Upright overprint

Type B: (wide setting)



POSTAGE DUES. 1905.

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

Ordinary paper. (Mort)

Normal overprint:







CHALLET

Shades

Inverted overprint:



POSTAGE DUES. 1905.

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

Chalk-surfaced paper.



Surcharge weak on the two left hand stamps

No.

16 - 20

No.

26 - 30



No. 27 with first "I" broken

Part of surcharge missing (No. 22)

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POSTAGE DUES.

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.
Chalk-surfaced paper.

NW stamp with short first "I"

Double surcharge

Surcharge inverted:



3 Williams

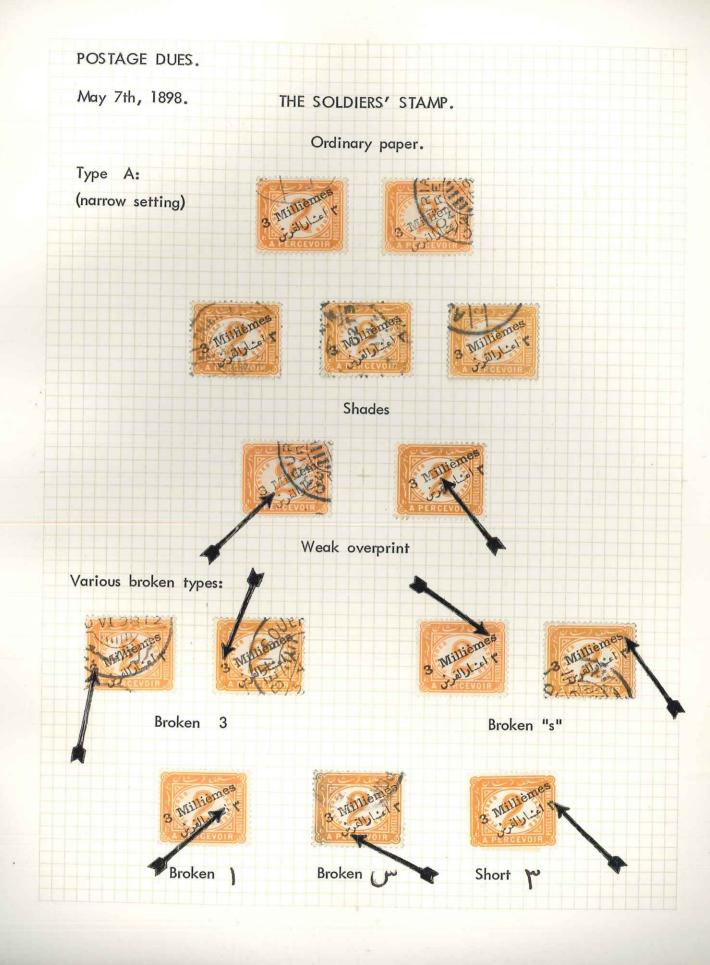
PARKY PARKY

CHARA

Shades



Short first "I"



POSTAGE DUES. (1902)

THE SOLDIERS' STAMP.

Chalk-surfaced paper. All missing the time.

Type A: (narrow setting)







Shades



Weak overprint



"s" without serif

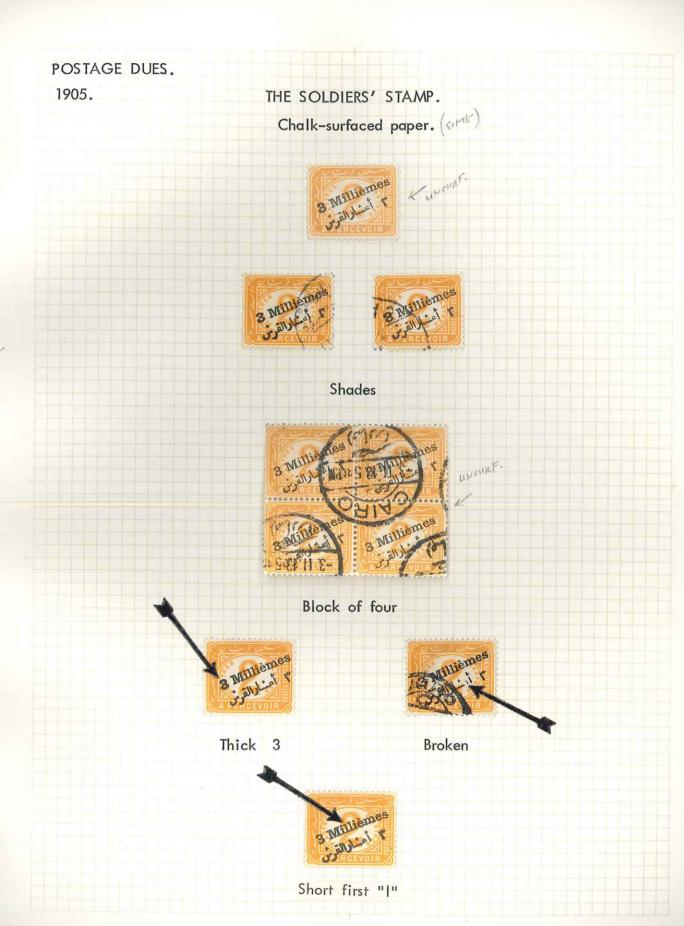


No dots over the 3rd character making the word read "the throne"

Block of four



Damaged M



1921 - 1922.

Numeral design

as the 1889 issue but with European text in English instead of French. Typographed by Messrs. Harrison & Sons, London, in sheets of 200, divided by a gutter margin into two panes of 100 stamps each.

All with watermark Star over Crescent in multiples of three.
All perforate 14.

Nov., 1921.







1921 - 22. Changed colours.







POSTAGE DUES. Oct., 1921.

2 milliemes green. Multiple watermark.

Watermark upright.







Shades



Thin paper



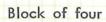
Flaw in 2

Watermark inverted.





Shades



POSTAGE DUES. Oct., 1921.

Watermark upright.

4 milliemes vermilion.

Multiple watermark.







Shades



Coloured flaws

POSTAGE DUES. Nov., 1921. 10 milliemes blue. Multiple watermark.

Watermark upright.

V. Septeds

Shades



Flaw at Y (No. 48)



First L damaged (No. 59)



E N. SCHNER

Dot at G

2 milliemes vermilion.

Multiple watermark.

Watermark upright.







Shades



Yellowish gum



Greyish paper



White gum

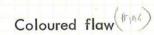


Coloured flaw





Coloured flaw



Watermark inverted.





Shades



4 milliemes green. Multiple watermark.

Watermark upright.











Shades



Greyish paper







Thin paper



Watermark inverted



Minor flaws





Shades

10 milliemes lake.

Multiple watermark upright.







Shades

Two extra dots





Block of four



White flaw



Weak frame



White line across

Watermark upright.

Two coloured dots

10 milliemes lake (cont.)
Multiple watermark.



Coloured flaw
+ white flaw

Pair on greyish paper



Coloured dots as above

Watermark inverted:









Shades



First L damaged



Coloured flaw

POSTAGE DUES.

THE CROWN OVERPRINT.

October 10th, 1922.

In order to celebrate the Declaration of Independence on March 15th, 1922, the Government ordered that the current values of the preceding issues should be overprinted. The overprint consists of the Egyptian Crown and underneath it, in Arabic, "The Kingdom of Egypt / 15th March 1922" in two lines.

The overprint was applied locally in Cairo by lithography to panes of 100 stamps for the values of 2, 4 and 10 milliemes and of 60 stamps for the value of 2 P. T. As the panes were put to press sideways, the overprint normally appears inverted.

Watermark: Crescent and Star in multiples of three, upright, for the values of 2, 4 and 10 milliemes, single Crescent and Star, upright, for the value of 2 piastres.

All perforate 14.









Of the 2 piastres value 8.000 copies were overprinted the reverse way.

POSTAGE DUES.

THE CROWN OVERPRINT.

Oct. 10th, 1922.

2 milliemes vermilion.

Multiple watermark.

Wmk. upright.

Essay:



Overprint upright.

As issued:





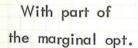


Shades



Weak overprint







Extra dots in the overprint



My White flaws

POSTAGE DUES. Oct. 10th, 1922. THE CROWN OVERPRINT.

4 milliemes green.

Multiple watermark upright.







Shades



Weak overprint



Overprint misplaced

THE CROWN OVERPRINT.

POSTAGE DUES. Oct. 10th, 1922.

10 milliemes lake.

Multiple watermark upright.





Shades



Flaw at Y (No. 48) POSTAGE DUES.

Oct. 10th, 1922.

2 piastres orange.

Single watermark upright.

A. With normal overprint, i.e. with the crown in the bottom left hand corner.





Shades



Broken overprint



Opt. slightly doubled (No. 60)

B. With the overprint upright, i.e. with the crown in the upper right hand corner.

RAIL CHURINELY



Overprint slightly misplaced