

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND
 IMPERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO149 to EO154



€70

EO149
 7d. Lemon

Cat. 1

EO150
 7d. Red

Cat. 2

EO151
 7d. Green

Cat.



€90

EO152
 1/- Yellow

Cat. 1



€260

EO152a
 1/- Deep Yellow
 (approaching Chrome Yellow)
 ex F. E. Dixon

Paid €210. Cat. 1



€50

EO153
 1/- Green

Cat. 2



€70

EO154
 1/- Red

Cat. 2

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND
 IMPERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO155 to EO158



€360

EO155a
 10/- Deep Yellow Wide margin.
 Cat. 2



€150

EO156
 10/- Lemon
 Cat. 2



€300

EO157
 10/- Red
 Paid €240. Cat. 2



€800

EO158
 10/- Violet
 Paid €570. Cat. 2

Reference	Cat. €
EO155-158	1,200

O'Loughlin Murphy & Boland

Imperforate Essays

Imperforate Essay Listings

Essay Reference	Value	Colour
EO140	½d.	Yellow
EO141	½d.	Lemon
EO142	½d.	Green
EO143	½d.	Red
EO144	2d.	Yellow
EO145	2d.	Lemon
EO146	2d.	Green
EO147	2d.	Chestnut
EO148	7d.	Yellow
EO149	7d.	Lemon
EO150	7d.	Red
EO151	7d.	Green
EO152	1s.	Pale Yellow
EO152/1	1s.	Chrome (Deep) Yellow
EO153	1s.	Green
EO154	1s.	Red
EO155	10s.	Yellow
EO155/1	10s.	Deep Yellow
EO156	10s.	Lemon
EO157	10s.	Red
EO157/1	10s.	Green
EO158	10s.	Violet

Imperforate Essay Examples



EO140



EO141



EO142



EO143



EO144



EO145



EO146



EO147



EO148



EO149

Essay Images

- ½d. Tower, harp and rising sun.
- 2d. Shamrock motif and Celtic interlacing.
- 7d. Harp set in shamrocks and with the sun in the borders.
- 1s. Hibernia with harp and book and Celtic interlacing.
- 10s. Houses of Parliament flanked by a farmer and a female holding fruits of the harvest.

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Imperforate Essay Examples



EO150



EO152



EO152/1



EO153



EO154



EO155/1



EO155/1



EO156



EO157



EO157/1



EO158

O'Loughlin Murphy & Boland

This Dublin based firm submitted essays in sheet form, at the request of the Postmaster-General of the Irish Post Office.

The original designs for the low value essays were derived from artwork prepared by Evelyn Willis and William MacBride, see details in Chapter 2, pages 2.22 and 2.23.

In relation to the 10/- value, it is assumed at this juncture, that this design was the work of the printing firm in its own right.

The full range of sheet configurations for each value is not recorded. However, it is known that the 'normal' sheet format for the ½d., 2d. and 1s. values was 32 (4 x 8), 7d. in sheets of 18 (3 x 6) and 10s. in sheets of 12 (2 x 6).

The 7d. value is also known from sheets, four essays wide.

Perforated Essays

Essays from this series were typographed and the print quality was generally very poor as was the quality of the perforations, which were rough and uneven.

Sheets were line perforated 11½.

The sheet printings were on thin woven paper, which was not watermarked.

For essays, with face values of 1d., 3d. and 5d. a separate printing was undertaken by this firm in 1943.

The 1943 printings do not directly relate to the first permanent stamp issue, albeit the designs were first submitted in 1922.

These later printings were produced as single image die proofs in both black and red and in sheets of twelve in red only.

In the listing table the 1d., 3d. and 5d. values are allocated references EO127, EO131 and EO132 respectively.

Details of these essays are covered in Chapter 4, which deals with printings post the 1922 period.

Perforated Essay Listings

Essay Reference	Value	Colour
EO123	½d.	Yellow
EO124	½d.	Lemon
EO125	½d.	Green
EO126	½d.	Red
EO128	2d.	Yellow
EO129	2d.	Lemon
EO130	2d.	Green
EO133	7d.	Yellow
EO134	7d.	Lemon
EO135	7d.	Red
EO136	7d.	Green
EO137	1s.	Yellow
EO138	1s.	Green
EO139	1s.	Red

Perforated Essay Examples



EO123



EO124



EO128



EO130

Variety

Essay EO129a One side perforated.



EO129a

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

STAMPA '82' EXHIBITION SOUVENIR - Hibernian Souvenir Ref. DX33

STAMPA '82
Irish National Stamp Exhibition



THREE DESIGNS FOR IRISH DEFINITIVE POSTAGE STAMPS

Submitted by:

MESSRS. O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND
1922

€10

STAMPA '82' EXHIBITION SOUVENIR DX33
(IRISH NATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION)

Souvenir depicts three designs for Definitive Postage Stamps, submitted to the Irish Postal Authority by Messrs. O'Loughlin, Murphy & Bolland in 1922. No. 511 of 2,500 copies printed.

Inscription on reverse of souvenir card -

These three designs by Miss Evelyn M. Willis of "Craftworkers," Harcourt Street, Dublin, were part of the series supplied at the request of J. J. Walsh (Minister for Posts & Telegraphs in the Provisional Government) before the general invitation to submit designs was published.

No examples are known of the original printing of these values. In 1943 a few impressions were made in red and in black and given to his friends by Dr. F. S. Bourke. This printing is made from the original blocks by kind permission of Dr. J. Stafford Johnson who is presenting the blocks to the Irish Postal Museum.

THIS IS A LIMITED EDITION OF 2,500
CARDS, OF WHICH THIS IS :

No

511

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

PERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO123 to EO128

Designs for a series (½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 5d, 7d, 1s., and 10s.) were prepared at the request of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs of the Provisional Government. Examples of sheet arrangement are known for only some values. The "normal" sheet format of the ½d, 2d, and 1s. values was 32 (4 x 8), 7d in sheets of 18 (3 x 6) and 10s. 12 (2 x 6) typographed. The 7d is also known from sheets four stamps wide.

A separate 1943 printing exists which was produced in sheets of 12 and singly as "die proofs" on a white paper different from the 1922 printings which were on thin wove and unwatermarked paper. These single "die proofs" are known in both red and black (*value from € 600*). The additional values printed in red in 1943 are included here so as to provide a complete listing of all of these "stamps" in ascending order of face value.

Lack of care in manufacturing the various plates for these issues gave rise to a multitude of varieties and traces of plate damage so numerous as to be outside the scope of this catalogue.

PERFORATED 11½ (rough)



EO123
½d. Yellow **€60**
Cat. 1



EO124
½d. Lemon **€50**
Cat. 2



EO125
½d. Green **€65**
Cat. 1



€40

EO126
½d. Red
Part imperf. Cat. 2



€220

EO127
1d. Red (1943 Printing)
Cat. 1



€60

EO128
2d. Yellow
Cat. 1



€600

EO129a
2d. Lemon. Perforate one side only, one of two known examples.
Cat. 2 - €600

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

PERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO130 to EO134

Designs for a series (½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 5d, 7d, 1s., and 10s.) were prepared at the request of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs of the Provisional Government. Examples of sheet arrangement are known for only some values. The "normal" sheet format of the ½d, 2d, and 1s. values was 32 (4 x 8), 7d in sheets of 18 (3 x 6) and 10s. 12 (2 x 6) typographed. The 7d is also known from sheets four stamps wide.

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PERFORATED 11½ (rough)



€70

EO130
2d. Green

Cat. 1

€200

Inner frame
break



€300

EO131
3d. Red (1943 Printing)
Paid €230. Cat. 1



EO131
3d. Red
Cat. 1



€200

EO132
5d. Red (1943 Printing)
Cat. 1



€70

EO133
7d. Yellow
Imperf. left margin. Cat. 1



€190

EO134
7d. Lemon
Paid €185. Cat. 1

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

PERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO135 to EO139

AJP 008

1922

O'Loughlin Murphy & Boland Perforated Essay

1 shilling Green fine unused, Hib. E138

€95.00 pd ✓ €80 ✓ c. €120



(1/2d, 1d, 2d, 3d, were prepared at Minister for Posts Provisional Gov- of sheet arrange- only some values. format of the 1/2d, as 32 (4 x 8), 7d in and 10s. 12 (2 x 6) 7d is also known mps wide.

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PERFORATED 11½ (rough)



EO135
7d. Red

Cat.

EO136
7d. Green

Cat.

EO137
1/- Yellow

Cat.



EO138
1/- Green

Cat.



€90+

EO139
1/- Red
Paid €150 Cat. 1

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

PERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO139a

Designs for a series (½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 5d, 7d, 1s., and 10s.) were prepared at the request of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs of the Provisional Government. Examples of sheet arrangement are known for only some values. The "normal" sheet format of the ½d, 2d, and 1s. values was 32 (4 x 8), 7d in sheets of 18 (3 x 6) and 10s. 12 (2 x 6) typographed. The 7d is also known from sheets four stamps wide.

A separate 1943 printing exists which was produced in sheets of 12 and singly as "die proofs" on a white paper different from the 1922 printings which were on thin wove and unwatermarked paper. These single "die proofs" are known in both red and black (*value from £ 600*). The additional values printed in red in 1943 are included here so as to provide a complete listing off all of these "stamps" in ascending order of face value.

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PERFORATED 11½ (rough)



€400

EO139a
1/- Red
Pair on 'blued' paper
(one of two pairs recorded)

Paid €300 Cat. 1

O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND
 IMPERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO140 to EO143



EO140
 1/2d. Yellow
 €60
 Cat. 1



EO141
 1/2d. Lemon
 €70
 Cat. 1



EO142
 1/2d. Green
 €40
 Cat. 2



EO143
 1/2d. Red
 €100
 Tip of lower bar of '2' in value angled.
 Cat. 1



EO143
 1/2d. Red
 €100
 Lower bar of '2' in value straight.
 MacDonnell Certificate 24/4/2015
 Cat. 1

OPINION/GUTACHTEN

I have examined the following and believe it to be:

*Ireland: 1922 Essays by O'Loughlin Murphy and
 Boland: 1/2d. red, imperforate, unused with full
 original gum, is in my opinion genuine in all respects.
 MW 290a.*



Dublin, 24 April 2015 Signed *David MacDonnell*
 David MacDonnell, AIEP

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O'LOUGHLIN, MURPHY & BOLAND

IMPERFORATE ESSAYS - Ref. EO144 to EO148

€40



EO144
2d. Yellow

Cat. 2



EO145 Lemon x 4
Cat. 1.



EO145
2d. Lemon

Cat. 1

€90

€400



EO146
2d. Green

Cat. 1



EO146
2d. Green. Block x 4
Paid €300. Cat. 1



EO147
2d. Chestnut

Cat. 2

€70

€80

€200



EO148
7d. Yellow. Pair with wide margin
Paid €125. Cat. 1